

PRINCE GEORGE'S ARTS AND HUMANITIES COUNCIL  
*Creative We Stand*



**A Note from our Chief Executive Officer:**

Every year on November 1, Native American Heritage Month is celebrated to honor Native Americans who have contributed so much to the character and culture of the nation. This month is also referred to as the American Indian and Alaska Native Heritage Month. November is the time to embrace our diverse and rich cultures, histories, and traditions and to appreciate the great contributions of the Native Americans. It's a time to bring awareness to the various issues, challenges accomplishments of Native communities today. Throughout this month, let's reflect on the endurances this



country has been built upon, share our own stories of family lineage, and continue to affirm the true legacy of Native American history and culture.

Creative We Stand,

Rhonda Dallas - CEO and Chief Curator  
Prince George's Arts and Humanities Council and granddaughter of Claude J. Riddick, Mohawk Tribe

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With your help, we can support the most critical needs of the creative community in Prince George's County. All funds will help sustain our creative community so we may all enjoy the arts and culture now and in the future.

*Donate Today!*

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**Final Virtual Community Meeting**  
**Thursday, November 18, 2021, 6:30-8:30 p.m.**

Prince George's County  
**CULTURAL ARTS STUDY**  
*Art is what you make it...*



Prince George's County will host a virtual community meeting to present the draft Prince George's County Cultural Arts Study to County residents and stakeholders. The meeting will be held on Thursday, November 18, 2021, from 6:30-8:30 p.m. This virtual meeting will seek to solicit feedback regarding the final draft report and to discuss the Cultural Arts Study's implications for the County.

To participate in the English version of this meeting, register at <https://pgccasdraft.rpt.eventbrite.com>. Log-in information will be provided prior to the meeting to all who register. To participate in the Spanish version of this meeting, go to the following link on Thursday, November 18th, 2021, at 6:30 p.m.: <https://bit.ly/PGCCASSpanish>. You will not be asked for any personal information and participation is completely anonymous.

## Office Of The Poet Laureate

### **PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY POET LAUREATE, SISTAH JOY, EXTENDS TERM FOR ANOTHER YEAR: Anthology of Poems Featuring Local Artists to be Released in 2022**



Prince George's Arts and Humanities Council (PGAHC) will extend the tenure of Sistah Joy, (Joy Alford), the Inaugural Poet Laureate, for one year. Sistah Joy, who has elevated the Office of the Prince George's County Poet Laureate since 2019, has defined her inaugural tenure with dynamic interdisciplinary, intergenerational reading, creative writing, recognition and performance programs for thousands of adults, K-12 schools throughout Prince

George's County. Since moving to its virtual platform in 2020, the Office of the Poet Laureate has gained national and international participation. During the one year extension, Sistah Joy will be leading the production of an Anthology of Poetry, which will feature the work of poets throughout the DMV. Sistah Joy is ecstatic to extend her term and archive and present Prince George's County poetry.

"I'm excited to have been given the opportunity to serve a fourth year as Poet

Laureate of Prince George's County," said Sistah Joy. "During this year my primary focus will be the publication of a PGAHC poetry anthology, which will be titled '**Poets That Dance with Words.**' Publication of the anthology will coincide with the 40th Anniversary celebration of PGAHC"

The anthology will primarily, but not exclusively, include works by poets that participated in one or more of the Poet Laureate sponsored literary series and the Festivals of Literary Arts (FOLA) during Sistah Joy's term. This anthology will reflect a composite view, telling the story of who County poets are, what's important to the community of writers, and conveying to readers what to look forward to in the future. All are welcome to submit poems for consideration of inclusion in the anthology. Well-crafted poems from established writers as well as budding writers for whom this will be their literary debut are welcome. If interested in submitting, please visit <https://www.pgahc.org/poet-laureate> from Nov. 4 - December 1, 2021 to submit poetry to the anthology.

[Apply Here](#)

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## APPLY NOW TO BECOME THE 2022 PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY YOUTH POET LAUREATE!

Join our cohort of young artists representing across the region!

From now until December 4th, all poets, rappers, storytellers & youth leaders interested in representing the county with their powerful words are encouraged to go online & upload at least 3 original pieces to [www.dialect-usa.com](http://www.dialect-usa.com). Our panel of esteemed judges will select several finalists from across the area who will be named poetic ambassadors and compete for the title of Youth Poet Laureate. For more information, please call 301-237-6684.

THE PGC YPL Program is a joint venture of Urban Word of NYC, DIALECT of Prince George's, and Lyrikal Storm, with support from the Prince George's Arts &

PG AHC  
PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY  
URBAN WORD  
NYC  
PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY  
YOUTH POET LAUREATE

CALLING ALL POETS, SPOKEN WORD ARTISTS, EMCEES & WRITERS

**WIN  
A  
CHANCE**

**TO BECOME THE 2022  
PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY YOUTH POET LAUREATE**

★ TAKE THE FIRST STEP TOWARDS A CAREER IN  
CREATIVE WRITING, PERFORMANCE POETRY &  
COMMUNITY ACTIVISM!

**\$500 PRIZE**

Poets aged 13 to 19 are encouraged to participate  
Details at [www.dialect-usa.com](http://www.dialect-usa.com)

**DEADLINE Saturday December 4th, 2021**

OUR PARTNERS:  
Prince George's County  
DIALECT  
at Prince George's County  
WORDS  
BEATS &  
LIFE  
Parks & Recreation

Humanities Commission, PG Xtreme Teens, and the Prince George's County Office of Community Relations, with generous support from county residents like you.

The 10 Finalists from across the county will perform & be honored at the 7th annual Prince George's County Youth Poet Laureate Finals Monday, December 13th at 7PM. RSVP for the event: [HERE](#)

[Apply Now](#)

## Virtual Monthly Poetry Event: "From A Poet's Point of View"

Past event:

THE OFFICE OF THE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY POET LAUREATE PRESENTS:

## From a Poet's Point of View

Oct. 16, 2021 @1PM



Sistah Joy



Jason Reynolds



Dr. Joanne Gabbin



Lauren Alleyne

Join us for the 2021 Poet Laureate monthly virtual series, "From A Poet's Point of View," which includes poetry presentations and cultural conversations.

REGISTER TODAY  
[pgahc.eventbrite.com](http://pgahc.eventbrite.com)



Prince George's Office of the Poet Laureate 2021 National Arts and Humanities Month celebration with featured poets New York Times best-selling Young Adult author and poet, Jason Reynolds; Founder and Executive Director of Furious Flower Poetry Center, Dr. Joanne Gabbin; and Furious Flower Poetry Center Assistant Director Lauren Alleyne.

## Upcoming Event:

"From A Poet's Point of View" **November 20, 2021** from 1-3 PM, EDT, on Zoom with Featured Poets Patti Ross, Cliff Bernier, and Jorrin Ellison. Follow us on social media for updates.

## PGAHC GRANTS

## New Grantee Spotlight:

# Remember? Remember.

A SOLO EXHIBITION BY LEX MARIE



## Micro Gallery Activation

2100 L ST NW

FRI, SEP 24 - SUN, JAN 2, 2022

OPENING RECEPTION: FRI, SEPT 24, 2021

PRIVATE AKRIDGE SHOWING: 6- 7 PM

OPENING VIP RECEPTION: 7 -10 PM

## Main Gallery Exhibition

507 8TH ST SE

FRI, OCT 15 - SUN, JAN 2, 2022

OPENING RECEPTION : FRI, OCT 15 6 - 9 PM

[WWW.ARENASOCIAL.ORG/LEX-MARIE](http://WWW.ARENASOCIAL.ORG/LEX-MARIE)

FY21 First time Artist Fellowship grantee, local artist, Lexis Jordan, “Lex Marie,” a Prince George’s County native and resident opened her first solo exhibition funded by PGAHC, “**Remember? Remember,**” on Friday, September 24th at The Stevens School, a micro gallery installation where she has an



artist residency, and Arena Social in Washington DC on October 15th – through January 2022. The show is series of 15 paintings and two art installations, in between two locations, exploring her memories through the act of storytelling pulling from both her childhood growing up in Glenarden, MD and present experiences. She portrays emotions in her work surrounding topics such as systematic racism, single parenting and self-care. You can recap the opening here: <https://www.arenasocial.org/lex-marie-opening-reception-se>

[Learn More](#)

## Greenbelt Artist Wins Awards for several art films!

### Crossroads



Hope emerges from the chaos of 2020

A short, time-lapse, animated, art film by Sally Davies



### Dazzling

Geneva turned 90 on February 15, 2020

This is her portrait.

A short, time-lapse, animated, art film by Sally Davies

### Labyrinth of Life



One artist's response to the summer of 2020

### Life intersects art

A short, time-lapse, animated, art film by Sally Davies

FY21 Artist Fellowship Grantee, Sally Davies, and a resident of Greenbelt, was a finalist in the Vancouver Independent Film Festival for her time-lapse film “Pandemic



Romance”, and also an award winner in the Toronto Independent Film Festival, and it is a nominee for Best Micro Short at the San Francisco Indie Shorts Festival. My time-lapse “Labyrinth of Life” was a finalist in the National Short Film Festival which will be screened at the Film Festival in March 2022. “Pandemic Romance” and “Crossroads” were selected for our local Heritage Film Festival in October, 2021. You can enjoy three of Sally’s time-lapse films “Crossroads,” “Labyrinth of Life,” and “Dazzling: Geneva at 90” at the Utopia Film Festival in Greenbelt, Maryland at the Historic Old Greenbelt’s restored Art Deco Theatre in November 21-22.

[Utopia Film Festival Website](#)

[Utopia Film Festival Facebook](#)

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## Open Grant Opportunities



# Community Voucher Program

AFFORDABLE ART SPACE



<https://www.pgahc.org/granis2>



October 1, 2021 – *PGAHC and Prince George's Community College, Center for Performing Arts Community Voucher Program*

[Learn More](#)

Prince George's Film Office

**One to Watch: Tarek "Terk" Stevens, Executive Producer &**

## CEO Terk Entertainment Group



Talking about making moves. This month's One to Watch, Terek "Terk" Stevens, has made the rounds from Hip-Hop/R&B Entertainer to Politician to Social Activist to Film Maker. Prince George's County native "Terk" has been a committed and compassionate entertainment professional for over 30 years. As a member of the group Whistle, they became the first group to successfully transition from Rappers to R&B Singers. Terk used his music career as a vessel to work on projects that promote diversity and multiculturalism. He made a bid for Congress in 2010 seeking to become the District's Shadow Representative and while he lost the bid, he went on to address social and political issues through his nonprofit Group "Good Ground Good Life," an organization that empowers young people to lead positive lives. But it was his creative passions for film that led him to form Terk Entertainment Group. As CEO and Executive Producer, Terk says he creates, develops, and distributes content for African Americans and the African Diaspora. He Co-Produced BET Africa's first television reality series "Top Actor". Terk Entertainment has engaged in several creative film partnerships with OCTET Productions to produce:

"Couple's Night", "Angrily Ever After" and BET's holiday features "Twas the Chaos Before Christmas" and "The Christmas Lottery". At present Terk is working in partnership with Megamind Media and Actor Morris Chestnet on "Black Wall Street " a film which will detail the tragic death and destruction of a thriving African American community and business district in Tulsa Oklahoma in 1921. Terk's most recent film collaboration "Big Fifty: The Rhonda Hood Story " is currently airing at BET.

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# HERITAGE

film festival

A PRODUCTION of IN VISIBLE COLORS and 6Hearts

**Save the Dates: 16th Annual Heritage Film Festival October 21 – November 17, 2021**  
**Online & Free with Registration: (<https://www.pgcmls.info/heritagefilm>)**

**Join us for 4 one-week programs of short films from local, national and international Directors – including films from India, France, Puerto Rico, and Turkey.**

**The Heritage Film Festival is a project of IN VISIBLE COLORS, 6Hearts, and Loyal Volunteers in partnership with**



**Register Here:**

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**The Spark Fund will provide 36 stipends of \$50,000 to selected filmmakers over the period of one year**



This one-time opportunity, which is underwritten by the National Endowment for the Humanities' **Sustaining the Humanities through the American Rescue Plan (#SHARP) Grantmaking initiative**, will provide stipends rather than project support to selected filmmakers.

[Learn More](#)

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Prince George's County's very own Harold Jackson III, Film Director, Screenwriter and VCDMA Professor now premiering his latest film *THE FORGETTABLE LIFE OF LIAM WHITE* at this years ABFF virtual experience. Please check it out and the entire festival! We Are BSU Bold and Prince George's Proud!

American Black Film Festival

## Bowie State University MLK Jr. Communications Arts & Humanities Building Call for Public Art (RFQ)



Bowie State University, a member institution of the University System of Maryland, is building the new Martin Luther King Jr. Communication Arts & Humanities building (CAH). This building is being designed by Perkins and Will and is expected to open in Fall 2024.

Through this Request for Qualifications (RFQ) process, managed by the Maryland State Arts Council's Public Art Across Maryland program, artists (or artist teams) will be invited to develop concept proposals for a new and original public artwork to be featured prominently at the new building.

**PLEASE READ THE FULL RFQ FOR MORE INFORMATION.**

A live "How to Apply" Webinar will be held on November 10, 12:00-1:00 pm. To register or find a recording following the event please visit

**<https://msac.org/programs/public-art/artwork-commissions>**

[Apply Here](#)

DEADLINE: FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2021 AT 5:00PM EST.

# CALL FOR ARTISTS

THE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY OFFICE OF STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT AND AFFAIRS IN COLLABORATION WITH THE PRINCE GEORGE'S ARTS AND HUMANITIES COUNCIL AND PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS ARE SEEKING A LOCAL MURAL ARTIST OR TEAM OF ARTISTS TO DESIGN, FABRICATE, AND INSTALL A PERMANENT MURAL WITHIN THE COUNTY.

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE VISIT:  
[WWW.PGAHC.ORG/CALLS-FOR-ARTISTS](http://WWW.PGAHC.ORG/CALLS-FOR-ARTISTS)

[Download RFP Here](#)


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## CAAPA Hosts Auditions for the 2022-2023 Season!

The Coalition for African Americans in the Performing Arts (CAAPA) will hold



# AUDITIONS



**FOR THE 2022-2023 CAAPA SEASON!!!**  
SATURDAY  
NOVEMBER 8, 2021  
11:00AM IN PERSON OR VIRTUAL

OR SEND A LINK OF YOUR TALENT  
AUDITION@4CAAPA.ORG  
INCLUDE BIO & PHOTO

INFO: 301-839-1444 WWW.4CAAPA.ORG

OPERA  
ORCHESTRAL  
DANCE  
MUSICAL THEATRE  
ORIGINAL PROGRAMS  
ADD'T MUSIC GENRE

CALL FOR DETAILS!

auditions for their 2022-2023 season on November 8<sup>th</sup>. Auditions will begin at 11am and will take place both in person and virtually. Opera singers, orchestral instrumentalists, dancers, musical theater performers, and performers of other genres are encouraged to send a link of your talent, biography and headshot to [audition@4caapa.org](mailto:audition@4caapa.org). Need more details? Call CAAPA at 301-839-1444 for more information.

Visit Website

## Past Events (October 2021)



**HALLOWEEN CARD WORKSHOP**

CREATE YOUR OWN CUSTOM HALLOWEEN CARD

OCTOBER 30, 2021, 3:00 PM  
6300 ANNAPOLIS RD #1,  
LANDOVER HILLS, MD 20784

RSVP: [WWW.PGAHC.EVENTBRITE.COM](http://WWW.PGAHC.EVENTBRITE.COM)

PGAHC PYRAMID ATLANTIC ART CENTER STARBUCKS

### October 30, 2021 Halloween Card Workshop

On October 30th, PGAHC partnered with Pyramid Atlantic to host a Halloween Card Workshop at the Starbucks Community Store in Hyattsville. This event allowed attendees to create their own Halloween-themed pop-up cards while enjoying some hot beverages and pumpkin cake.



## **PGAHC Partnered with Alpha Kappa Alpha to Host Virtual Masterclass Featuring Author Sunny Hostin**

Prince George's Arts and Humanities Council (PGAHC) partnered with the Iota Gamma Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. to host a special virtual masterclass featuring National Bestselling author, Sunny Hostin. Over 100 attendees gathered to learn about Hostin's writing process and hear about her inspiration for writing her newest release, 'Summer on the Bluffs'. The masterclass, which was moderated by Iota Gamma Omega chapter arts

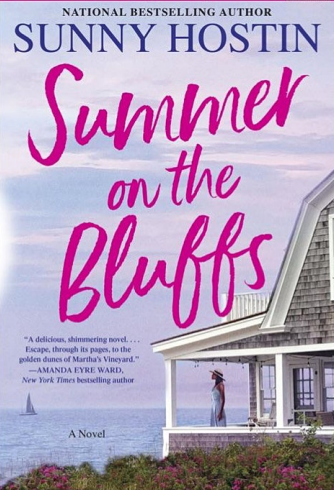
**VIRTUAL MASTERCLASS**

NATIONAL BESTSELLING AUTHOR  
**SUNNY HOSTIN**

*Summer on the Bluffs*

"A delicious, shimmering novel...  
Escape, through its pages, to the  
golden dunes of Martha's Vineyard."  
—AMANDA EYRE WARD,  
New York Times bestselling author

A Novel



**SUNNY HOSTIN**

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH  
PRINCE GEORGE'S ARTS &  
HUMANITIES COUNCIL

**PGAHC**


**Saturday, October 16, 2021**  
**1:00pm-2:00pm**

JOIN US FOR A DISCUSSION ON THE NOVEL, SUMMER ON THE BLUFFS  
TICKETS \$35, WHICH INCLUDES A COPY OF THE BOOK

**PURCHASE TICKETS AT IGO\_ICC\_MASTERCLASS.EVENTBRITE.COM**

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MODERATED BY TOMIEKA C. BUMBRY  
CEO THE ARTS CHAIRMAN  
For More Information Email [arts@igokaa.org](mailto:arts@igokaa.org)



chairman and PGAHC Board member, Tomieka C. Bumbry, also afforded guests to ask questions about the book as well as get advice about their own writing journeys.



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