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**KOREAN-AMERICAN ARTISTS OPEN NEW SHOW AT  
OCEAN CITY CENTER FOR THE ARTS ON FIRST FRIDAY, OCT.**

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OCEAN CITY, MD — *Sept. 30, 2017* — The public is invited to a free First Friday opening reception at the Ocean City Center for the Arts on Oct. 6 from 5 – 7 p.m. to meet the artists and enjoy complimentary hors d'oeuvres.

The Thaler Gallery will feature a group show by members of the Han-Mee Korean-American Artists Association, established in Washington, DC in 1975. The society hopes to increase public awareness of the vitality, quality, and wide diversity of media and styles of Korean-American artists. Members who will be showing include Jinchul Kim, professor of art at Salisbury University, and Yumi Hogan, First Lady of Maryland.

A group show in all media featuring artwork with a night theme by members of the Art League of Ocean City will line the walls of the Galleria in October. Three new studio shows also open on First Friday.

Oil painter Laura Jenkins occupies Studio E in October. Jenkins grew up in Salisbury in a family of artists, attended James M. Bennett High School, and studied laboratory science at BPI in Miami, Fla. She currently lives in the Berlin area with her

husband, Buddy Jenkins, and began painting in oils about ten years ago.

Peggy Warfield displays her work in the Spotlight Gallery for the month. Originally from Baltimore, Warfield moved to Ocean City 41 years ago. Formerly a teacher of high school English, she considers herself a layerist, using watercolor and collage.

Marge Bradach of Onancock, Va. is the artisan in residence for October. Bradach's new line of expressive jewelry combines earth, wind, and fire to form a visual adornment meant to inspire the wearer.

The Ocean City Center for the Arts at 502 94<sup>th</sup> Street is the home of the Art League of Ocean City, a non-profit organization dedicated to bringing the visual arts to the community through education, exhibits, scholarship, programs and community art projects. Financial support comes primarily through membership dues from individuals and corporate sponsors. Funding for exhibits is also provided by the Community Foundation of the Eastern Shore, the Worcester County Arts Council, Maryland State Arts Council and the National Endowment for the Arts, organizations dedicated to cultivating a vibrant cultural community where the arts thrive.

More information is available at 410-524-9433 or [www.artleagueofoceancity.org](http://www.artleagueofoceancity.org).

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CAPTION: Jinchul Kim, professor of art at Salisbury University, and Maryland First Lady Yumi Hogan will show their work as part of the Han-Mee Korean-American Artists Show opening on First Friday, Oct. 6 at the Ocean City Center for the Arts,

