

DEC 2022

ART MATTERS NEWSLETTER



YOU ARE INVITED TO THE FREE FIRST FRIDAY
OPENING RECEPTION & HOLIDAY ARTISAN FAIR
DECEMBER 2 ~ 5-7 PM



ART LEAGUE OF OCEAN CITY
CENTER FOR THE ARTS

EXHIBITS

**HOLIDAY
ARTISAN FAIR**
FRI 5-7 SAT 11-4



Start your holiday shopping here with one-of-a-kind, handmade gifts you won't find anywhere else. Shop for jewelry, ceramics, fiber art, wood art, metal art, and more from local artists plus book signings, too.



Todd Lewis
Nelly Colyer
Dana Simson
Tuve & Tia Tuve
Susan LeMar
Iuliia Nahirna
Mary Michele Davis
Theresa Alo

Laura Ellison
Dee Dobson
Charlene Willner

Authors
Hondo Handy
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ARTS CENTER FREE FIRST FRIDAY OPENING RECEPTION - DEC 2 ~ 5-7 PM

All welcome. Free admission. Meet the artists and mingle!

Beverages sponsored by PKS Investments. Complimentary snacks.

**SISSON
GALLERIA**
Best of 2022

STUDIO E
Small Works

**COFFEE
BEANERY**

94th & Coastal Hwy
Pat Fecko

**PRINCESS
ROYALE**

9100 Coastal Hwy
Golie Miammee

**THALER
GALLERY**
Members
Juried Show



SPOTLIGHT
Liz Maynes



ARTISAN
Dee Dobson

Arts Center exhibits run through Dec. 31, 2022; satellite exhibits thru Dec. 31, 2022

EVENTS



Holiday Luncheon & Annual Meeting

YOU ARE INVITED TO EAT, DRINK & CELEBRATE
OUR MEMBERS, VOLUNTEERS, & SUPPORTERS!

THURSDAY, DEC. 8, 2022 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM
FAGER'S ISLAND 201 60TH ST OCEAN CITY

*Includes meal, non-alcoholic beverage, gratuity, a special gift
and a chance to win a prize. Choose your entree:
Caesar or garden salad with salmon or chicken.
RSVP by Dec. 1st to 410-524-9433*



FREE! KNITTING/CROCHET

ARTS CENTER, DEC. 8, 10AM - NOON

Make items to support Coastal Hospice including twiddle muffs and blankets. Led by Maggie Miller, we have donated yarn to use.



FREE! FAMILY ART DAY

ARTS CENTER, DEC. 10, 10AM - NOON

Make a holiday themed piece of art. Led by Barbara Buford. Register online under Classes. For children with accompanying adults.



FREE! heART & SOUL

ARTS CENTER, DEC. 15, 5:30 - 7:30PM

Barbara Buford will lead a transformational session for those dealing with stress, grief. Register online under Classes.



WRITERS GROUP

ARTS CENTER, DEC. 17, 1 - 3PM

Creative writing discussion in a supportive group. All welcome. Register online under Classes tab.

PROVIDING ACCESS

This year 2022 has been both challenging for the Art League as we continue to navigate through the effects of COVID, and also gratifying as we provided more access to the arts than ever before. But what exactly does providing access mean?

Providing access means allowing people of all ages to create art, appreciate art, collect art, and engage with the arts, whether it's our camp kids working with college professors to create sun prints or hosting free gallery visits by assisted living residents.



JOHN SISSON
PRESIDENT

Providing access means meeting people where they are, and that is why our exhibits extend beyond our building to places like the Coffee Beanery and Princess Royale Hotel and also on utility boxes, visitor center walls, and area tennis court fences.

Providing access means removing barriers of cost by offering free admission to the Arts Center and no-cost programs like Free Family Art Days, HeART & Soul, lectures, gallery tours, summer Saturday craft days, and bringing 1,200 Worcester County students together for a free performance of *Artrageous*.



RINA THALER
EXECUTIVE
DIRECTOR

Providing access means collaborating with other nonprofits like Worcester County Developmental Center and Worcester County Youth and Family Counseling to offer opportunities for people with disabilities and those in at-risk situations and raise awareness of difficult topics. Our "Stigma Highlighted" program gave a platform for survivors of addiction to tell their stories and share how young people can avoid drugs and alcohol in documentary video. This program paired artists with the survivors to create portraits of addiction recovery in an exhibit that will continue to travel and inform.

As we look to 2023, the Art League will be celebrating the 60th anniversary of our founding and the 10-year anniversary of the opening of our home, the Ocean City Center for the Arts. We will be looking back at where we have come from and also looking ahead to remain a vital part of your future. Please consider a donation to our end-of-year annual campaign. Only with your support can we continue to transform lives by providing access to the arts.

John Sisson, *President* Rina Thaler, *Executive Director*

Renew your membership and receive this signed print by Kirk McBride

Here's what your membership earns: 10% discount on purchases, 20% discount on classes and events. Advance notice of special events, plus our newsletter mailed to your home. Opportunities to exhibit art, buy art, attend art openings, parties, and events to mingle, make friends, be inspired!



IT'S EASY TO SIGN UP - Scan the QR code.
Go to [ArtLeagueofOceanCity.org/belong](https://www.artleagueofoceancity.org/belong)
Or call us at 410-524-9433



#GIVINGTUESDAY

11/29/22



PLEASE DONATE TO THE ARTS
ON THIS IMPORTANT DAY

Scan the QR code or donate at
ShoreGivesMore.org/ArtLeagueofOceanCity

A special Thanks for Giving to our generous supporters

PLEASE SUPPORT OUR CORPORATE PARTNERS

PICASSO - \$5,000 Macky's Bayside Bar & Grill **VAN GOGH - \$2,500** Candy Kitchen Shoppes ~ Clarion Resort Fontainebleau Hotel **RENOIR - \$1,500** Atlantic Planning & Development ~ Jolly Roger/Bayshore Development ~ Pit n Pub ~ Sunsations **MONET - \$1,000** Dumser's Dairyland ~ Residence Inn Ocean City ~ Seacrets Nite Club **CEZANNE - \$500** Cambria Hotel ~ Community Foundation of the Eastern Shore ~ Creative Concepts ~ Dunes Manor Hotel ~ Sandra & Robert Esham DDS ~ Key Financial Services ~ Malibu's Surf Shop ~ Mancini's Brick Oven Pizzeria Montgomery Financial Services ~ Ocean City Elks Lodge #2645 ~ Old Pro Golf ~ Sea Quest Fashions ~ Worcester County Developmental Center **GAUGUIN - \$250** Albright's Associates LLP ~ Atlantic Dental Cosmetic & Family Dentistry ~ Ayres, Jenkins, Gordy & Almand ~ Bonfire Restaurant ~ Brush Stroke Fine Art ~ Billy & Madelyn Carder ~ Chick-fil-A ~ Delaware Elevator ~ Fathom ~ The Framing Corner ~ Harrison Group ~ Heart Drawn Studio & Tattoo ~ Hooked Restaurant ~ Innerbloom ~ Just Tree Creations ~ Mann Properties ~ Monte Carlo Hotel ~ MyCity4Her.com ~ Princess Royale Oceanfront ~ RAK Inc. Rick Meehan & Katy Durham ~ Royal Plus Electric ~ The Sahara Motel Spain Wine Bar ~ Windmill Creek Vineyard & Winery

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RECIPROCAL MEMBERS Hotel Motel Restaurant Assn. ~ Ocean City Chamber of Commerce ~ Ocean City Development Corp. **RESTAURANT SPONSORS** Touch of Italy ~ Coins Pub ~ Dunes Manor Hotel ~ Ocean Downs Casino ~ Culinary Arts, Worcester Technical High School ~ Blue Fish

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John Sisson ~ Ellen Smith ~ Rina & Jeff Thaler ~ Tuve Tuveson ~ Christopher Yoder





We're back in 2023 with our lucky 7th season! Stay tuned for more details and check in often for updates at OCMDFilmFestival.com



SEE US AT
COMIC CON
OC CONVENTION
CENTER
SATURDAY
DEC. 10

Come in costume!
We'll be screening films
from the Ocean City Film
Festival and giving details
on our upcoming
Manga/Anime Youth Art
Show at the Ocean City
Center for the Arts in
April 2023.



You can still take the Home Tour
virtually until Nov. 30

TOUR 10 EXTRAORDINARY HOMES
INCLUDING 3 NEW HOMES ONLINE ONLY



Our 18th annual tour!
This is how we built the
OC Arts Center and
keep it open and free.

Virtual ticket - \$35

SandCastleHomeTour.com

VOTE
FOR YOUR FAVORITE TREE
& SUPPORT THE ART LEAGUE



"Trees for the Arts" is an Art League of Ocean City community arts program
on display at Northside Park Thanksgiving through the New Year.

\$1 PER VOTE

**Scan the QR code
to vote. Fees apply.**



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CENTER FOR THE ARTS

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[ArtLeagueOfOceanCity.org](https://www.ArtLeagueOfOceanCity.org)

Open Mon-Fri 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Sat-Sun 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Always free admission



Great
gift idea!

\$10

Our treasured members will receive a complimentary 12-month 2023 calendar in the mail soon (another reason to join!) featuring artwork from some of your favorite local artists. We have extras to give as special gifts so everyone can stay in touch with art all year long. Available while they last at the Arts Center.