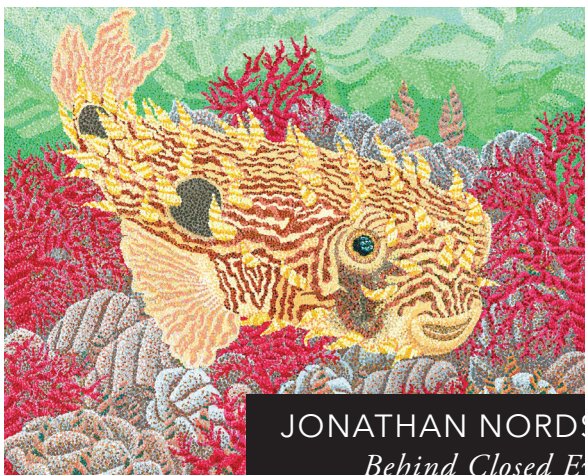


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ART MATTERS NEWSLETTER



JONATHAN NORDSTROM
Behind Closed Eyes

MARY SCIRE
Lost Threads



YOU ARE
INVITED TO
THE FREE
FIRST FRIDAY
OPENING
RECEPTION

APRIL 7, 2023

5-7 PM



502 94th St 410-524-9433 OCart.org

EXHIBITS

ARTS CENTER

THALER GALLERY

Jonathan Nordstrom

Mary Scire



SISSON GALLERIA *Juried Corporate Partner Show*

SPOTLIGHT GALLERY *Brad Hudson Elvin Hernandez*



ARTISAN SHOWCASE *Jason Giusti*



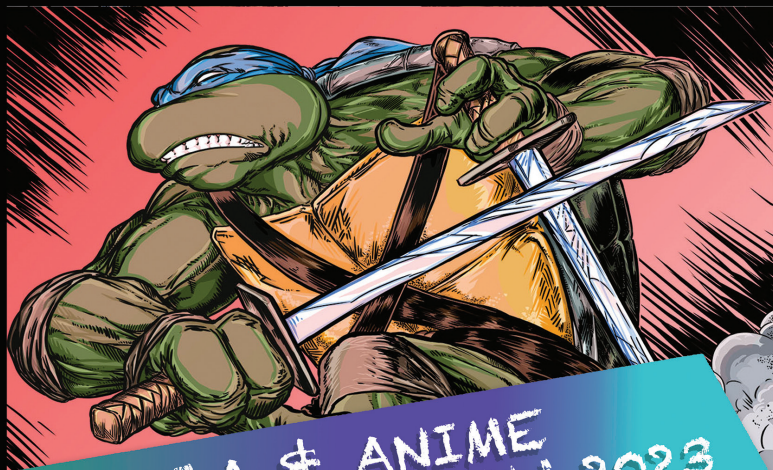
STAIRCASE GALLERY *Emil Markulis*

Arts Center exhibits run thru April 29; Staircase thru July

EXHIBITS

ARTS CENTER

Elvin A. Hernandez



MANGA & ANIME
YOUTH ART SHOW 2023

April 7 5-7
April 8-9 11-4

Cash prizes | Cosplay | Art activities

EXHIBITS

SATELLITES

COFFEE BEANERY
Karen Hutchison



PRINCESS ROYALE
Cindy Beyer



Satellite exhibits run through June 2023.

Coffee Beanery - 94th & Coastal Hwy. Princess Royale - 9100 Coastal Hwy.

APRIL

EVENTS

1 FREE FAMILY ART DAY

ARTS CENTER 10AM - NOON

Paint a tree with Barbara Buford. We supply everything. Register online under Classes. For children with accompanying adults.



12 PAINT NIGHT AT THE PRINCESS

PRINCESS ROYALE 5:30PM

Artist Joan Guerriero will guide you step-by-step. Materials included.
\$25 members, \$30 non-members



13 FREE! KNITTING/CROCHET GROUP

ARTS CENTER 10AM - NOON

Support Coastal Hospice and make twiddle muffs and blankets. Led by Maggie Miller, we use donated yarn



15 FREE! CREATIVE WRITERS GROUP

ARTS CENTER 1 - 3PM

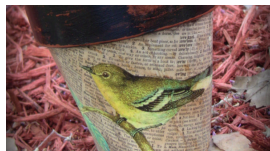
Creative writing discussion in a supportive group. All welcome. Register online under Classes tab.



20 FREE! HEART & SOUL

ARTS CENTER 5:30 - 7:30PM

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



20 PAINT NIGHT AT THE ARTS CENTER

ARTS CENTER 5:30 - 7:30PM

Artist Becca Morgan will guide you step-by-step. Materials included.
\$25 members, \$30 non-members



Want to volunteer?

Look at the fun volunteers had at the Film Festival!

*For opportunities to get involved, contact
Aubrey Sizemore at 410-524-9433 or
aubrey@artleagueofoceancity.org*



CELEBRATING 10 YEARS AT THE OCEAN CITY CENTER FOR THE ARTS



Our beautiful building is 10 years old and in need of some TLC. Do you have a service or product to donate? Or can you support the arts with a cash donation? Thank you!

OCart.org/donate



LIVE AT THE ARTS CENTER!

Gilligan's Island: The Musical

Friday, April 28, 7 PM
Saturday, April 29, 7 PM

The Lower Shore Performing Arts Company

returns with a performance of a musical that's been on and off Broadway. Gilligan's Island: The Musical is a family-friendly stage version of the iconic 60's TV comedy show "Gilligan's Island." It's fun, wacky, and entertaining with 18 original, tuneful and memorable songs. Please join us.

[Tickets \\$25 at OCart.org/upcoming-events](https://OCart.org/upcoming-events)

April highlights youth and community engagement

Every month we feature new exhibits at the Ocean City Center for the Arts. This month's shows have special meanings to John and me, as they are two projects we have nurtured from the beginning.



Twenty years ago in 2002, I spear-headed our Corporate Partner Program to engage local businesses in the arts. At the time, the Art League had about 200 individual members but no business members. My background in business combined with my passion for the arts led me to realize the arts are essential to Ocean City's cultural reputation and tourism.

This April, the Art League presents the 20th Annual Corporate Partner Juried Show to honor our Corporate Partners and celebrate their support for the arts. Always one of our most anticipated and competitive shows, we received more than 150 entries, and juror Chris Harrington of UMES will choose the best to show.

We designed our Corporate Partner program to increase awareness of the Art League in the community while providing membership benefits to the small businesses who pay a yearly fee. We are proud that today more than 50 local businesses are our Corporate Partners, allowing us to serve our community with valuable programs.

Our president, John Sisson, is sponsoring the annual Animé/Manga Youth Art Show for the 8th year, on display opening weekend and featuring artwork from middle, high school, and college students – and even some college professors. As an educator, the creativity of youth is always near to John's heart. He spent several years teaching in Japan and also led American student groups to Japan to learn about their culture, including the Animé/Manga style of art often found in animation or comic books. This artform has become a phenomenon with young artists, and our exhibit contains a broad array of styles. Often fans will attend our art shows in "cosplay," wearing a costume of their favorite character, making it all the more fun.

We invite you to visit the Ocean City Center for the Arts to see these dynamic shows near and dear to our hearts and experience all the wonderful exhibits, classes, and events filling the Arts Center in April.

Rina Thaler
*Art League of Ocean City
Executive Director*

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PICASSO - \$5,000 Macky's Bayside Bar & Grill **VAN GOGH - \$2,500** Candy Kitchen Shoppes ~ Dr. Leonard Berger **RENOIR - \$1,500** Atlantic Planning & Development ~ Jolly Roger/Bayshore Development ~ Pit n Pub ~ Sunsations **MONET - \$1,000** Dumser's Dairyland ~ Farmer's Bank of Willards ~ Residence Inn Ocean City ~ Seacrets Nite Club **CEZANNE - \$500** Bayside Skillet ~ 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 ~ Deeley Insurance Agency ~ Delaware Elevator ~ Fathom ~ The Framing Corner ~ Harrison Group ~ Heart Drawn Studio & Tattoo ~ Hooked Restaurant ~ Innerbloom ~ Just Tree Creations ~ Lombardi Pizza ~ 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 **FRIENDS-IN-KIND** Cambria Hotel ~ Clean Team Janitorial ~ D3 Corp ~ The Dispatch ~ Harrison Group ~ Mail Movers ~ Ocean City Today ~ Residence Inn ~ Shoreline Technologies ~ Sun Signs ~ Unscene Productions **RECIPROCAL MEMBERS** Hotel Motel Restaurant Assn. ~ Ocean City Chamber of Commerce ~ Ocean City Development Corp. **RESTAURANT SPONSORS** Blue Fish ~ Coins Pub ~ Coral Reef ~ Ocean Downs Casino ~ Papi's Tacos ~ Princess Royale ~ Touch of Italy

THANK YOU, DONORS - FEBRUARY 2023

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CALL TO ARTISTS

2023 GROUP SHOW SCHEDULE

DATE	SHOW THEME	ENTRY DATE/WHERE
MAY	"Reflections" Juried Photo Show	Online opens Mar 7, closes Mar 27
MAY	"Dreams" Online Group Show	Online opens Apr 3, closes Apr 24
JUNE	"Drawings"	Arts Center May 28-30
JULY	Beverly Bassford Juried Show	Online opens May 8, closes June 5

*NOTE: Before entering, please check complete requirements and make a drop-off appointment at [OCart.org/call-for-entries](https://www.ocart.org/call-for-entries)

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Sat-Sun 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Always free admission



Empty Bowl Project

BOWL-MAKING SESSIONS

\$30 members/\$38 non-members
Saturdays with potter Sarah Halcott

APRIL 29 1-2 PM
MAY 20 2:30 - 3:30
JUNE 10 1-2 PM

Space is limited per session. Register
online at **OCart.org/classes** by date.

*Please allow 2-3 weeks for bowls to be fired and
ready for pickup*



Fight hunger locally

The Empty Bowl Project is a
unique opportunity to fight
hunger locally and benefit the
Diakonia food bank and pro-
grams of the Art League. Bring
some friends and make a bowl.