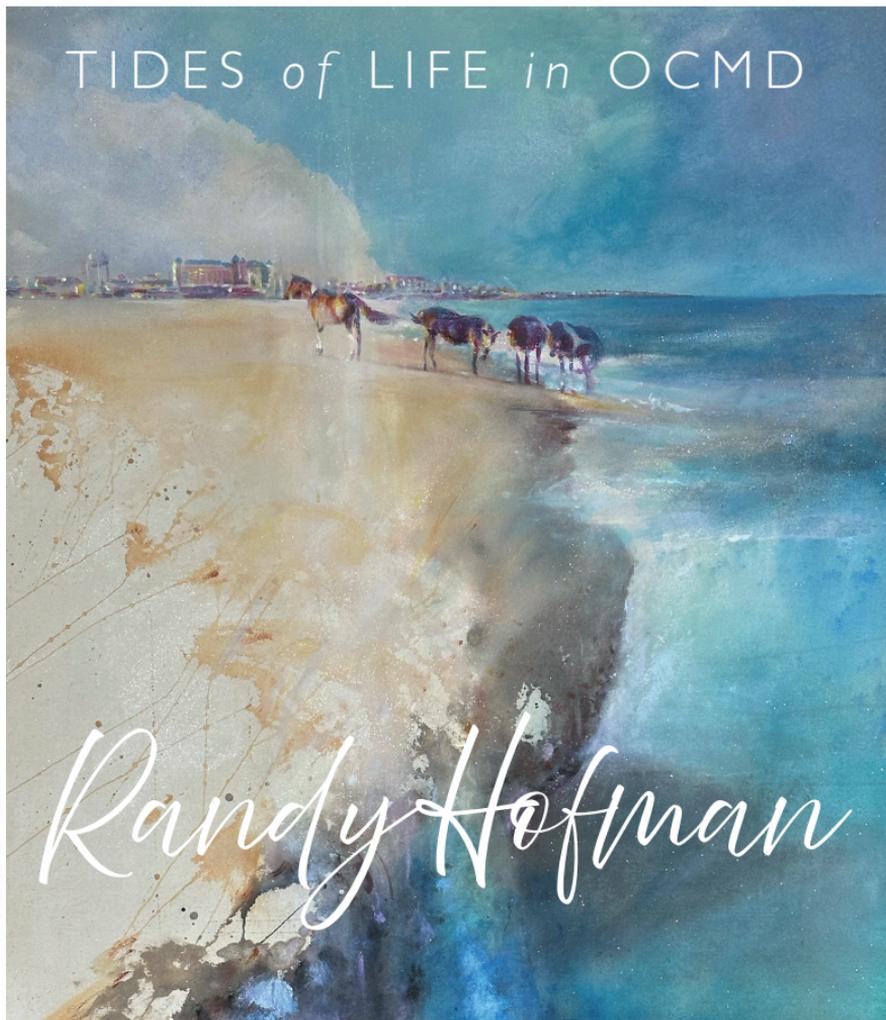


# JULY 2024

ART MATTERS NEWSLETTER

TIDES *of* LIFE *in* OCMD



Randy Hofman

YOU ARE INVITED TO THE **FREE**  
**FIRST FRIDAY** OPENING RECEPTION  
**JULY 5, 2024 5-7 PM**



ART LEAGUE OF OCEAN CITY  
CENTER FOR THE ARTS

502 94th St 410-524-9433 [OCart.org](http://OCart.org)

# EXHIBITS

ARTS CENTER

THALER GALLERY  
*Randy Hofman*  
TIDES of LIFE in OCMD



SPOTLIGHT GALLERY  
*Joanne Guilfoil*



SISSON GALLERIA  
*Beverly Bassford*  
Annual Juried  
Group Show

STUDIO E  
*Mason D'Aleo*



ARTISAN SHOWCASE  
*Dee Dobson*



STAIRCASE GALLERY  
*"Different Imagination"*  
*Elizabeth Grey*

*Arts Center exhibits run thru June 29.*  
*Staircase Gallery thru December.*

# EXHIBITS

## SATELLITES



### PRINCESS ROYALE

*Siobhan Duggan*

9110 Coastal Hwy

### COFFEE BEANERY

*Joel Trotta*

94th & Coastal Hwy

Satellite exhibits run thru  
September 2024



Renew your membership or  
become a new member and  
receive our newsletter cover  
artwork as our gift to you

Randy Hofman's signed and  
numbered limited edition print  
is yours when you join us. Start  
your collection of member  
prints or add to the ones you  
already have! Thank you.

[Ocart.org/belong](https://Ocart.org/belong)

**SAVE THE DATE!**  
**FRIDAY, AUGUST 9**  
**5 - 7 PM**  
**ARTS CENTER**

Music and games to  
celebrate and thank our  
incredible volunteers.

*Not a volunteer yet? It's not  
too late! Contact Aubrey@  
artleagueofoceancity.org*

*Volunteer's*  
**BBQ**



# EVENTS

ARTS CENTER

## FREE! CRAFTS FOR KIDS EVERY SUMMER SATURDAY FROM 11 TO 1

Bring the kids and do something creative with them and for them. Our summer Saturday projects will change every week, so come more than once!

No reservations needed. Free!



## SUN JULY 14 1-3 PM FREE WRITERS' GROUP

Join us for a monthly meetup with fellow writers in a casual setting. A prompt inspires your writing. Take turns sharing poetry or short prose and receive feedback from your peers. All levels welcome. Register online under Classes tab.



## SAT JULY 20 6-8 PM ORIGINALS ONLY ~ FREE!

Calling all creatives, visionaries, and storytellers!

Join us for an evening of originality where musicians, poets, comics, and writers converge in a drug and alcohol-free environment to showcase their talents and inspire one another.

Embracing diversity, we welcome artists from every genre and discipline to share their unique voices and perspectives. Interested performers contact [aubrey@artleagueofocancity.org](mailto:aubrey@artleagueofocancity.org)



Last year, we began a program to encourage the next generation of plein air artists. We hope you'll fire up your children and grandchildren ages 6-17 to paint outdoors during July this year! They'll get free art kits and t-shirts while supplies last. And they'll have an art show at the Arts Center on Sun. Aug. 18, 12-3pm. Winners receive cash prizes!

Get more information at

[ocart.org/kids-paint-oc-a-plein-air-event/](http://ocart.org/kids-paint-oc-a-plein-air-event/)  
or [kacie@artleagueofocancity.org](mailto:kacie@artleagueofocancity.org)

**TAKE THE  
CHALLENGE  
AND SEE  
YOUR NAME  
UP IN LIGHTS!**



The Ocean City Film Festival presents the 7th Annual Ocean City Film Challenge to filmmakers and aspiring filmmakers across Delmarva and beyond. Registration is free and now open at [OCMDFilmFestival.com](http://OCMDFilmFestival.com).

The challenge is to produce an original short film about Ocean City that is no longer than 15 minutes and made between July 1 and July 31, 2024. Films must be shot in Ocean City or be about Ocean City and follow a cinematic narrative. Films also must include a secret line of dialogue and a prop that will be emailed to registrants. The deadline to register is July 21, 2024. First-place prize includes a Film Fest swag bag and an Ocean City hotel stay for the 2025 Ocean City Film Festival. The second-place prize is a swag bag and \$50 cash; third-place, a swag bag.

**[OCMDFilmFestival.com](http://OCMDFilmFestival.com)**



## MEET COLLIN BYRD, OUR NEW FELLOW FOR DIVERSITY, EQUITY AND INCLUSION

Collin is assistant professor of art at the University of Maryland Eastern Shore where he teaches graphic illustration and animation. He constantly experiments with the limits of artistic digital creation tools from 3D printing to interactive comic art. Collin will work with the Art League staff to construct activities and events that stimulate conversation around diversity in the community and help to encourage inclusivity.

## Dear Art League Members,

We hope this message finds you well and enjoying summer. Thank you to each and every one of you for your continued support for our Campaign for the Future. Your passion for the arts is what drives us forward and inspires us to create a vibrant and thriving artistic community. If you have not yet contributed, there is still time to support us! You can donate on our website [ocART.org](http://ocART.org) or give us a call at 410-524-9433.

Our galleries are filled this month with extraordinary works of art, showcasing the talent and creativity of local and regional



artists for the 24th Annual Beverly Bassford Juried Show. Named in honor of one of our former board members and sponsored annually by her family, this exhibit is truly a testament to the diverse and exceptional artistic community we have here in Ocean City.

In addition to our exhibitions, our summer art camp will host 300 children ages 6-14 over a course of seven weeks. Through a carefully curated program, our camp not only offers a safe and supportive environment for children to learn and grow artistically, it enables them to build confidence, critical thinking skills, and a sense of self expression.

For those who want an immersive art experience, consider taking an art class. Whether you are a beginner looking to explore art or an experienced artist wanting to refine your skills, we have something for you. We encourage you to check our website and social media platforms for updates on upcoming opportunities.

Our community weaving project led by artist Beth Deeley is underway and will bring art to the community in unique ways. We are committed to making art accessible to all and enriching the cultural fabric of Ocean City, and this project will literally weave together diverse populations and connect them by art.

Thank you once again for your unwavering support. Please remember to renew your membership and claim your limited edition hand-signed print by iconic Ocean City sand sculptor and artist Randy Hofman. This is a unique opportunity to become an art collector or expand your collection.

John Sisson  
*President*

Rina Thaler  
*Executive Director*

## PLEASE SUPPORT OUR CORPORATE PARTNERS

**PICASSO - \$5,000** Macky & Pam Stansell

**VAN GOGH - \$2,500** Dr. Leonard & Kari Berger ~ Candy Kitchen Shoppes  
Princess Royale Oceanfront Hotel

**RENOIR - \$1,500** Atlantic Planning & Development ~ Jolly Roger/Bayshore  
Development ~ Pit n Pub ~ Sunsatons ~ Trimper Rides

**MONET - \$1,000** Dumser's Dairyland ~ Seacrets Nite Club ~ White Marlin Open

**CEZANNE - \$500** Bayside Skillet ~ Cambria Hotel ~ Community Foundation of the  
Eastern Shore ~ Creative Concepts ~ Malibu's Surf Shop ~ Mancini's Brick Oven  
Pizzeria ~ Montgomery Financial Services ~ Ocean City Elks Lodge #2645  
Old Pro Golf ~ Residence Inn Ocean City ~ Sea Quest Fashions ~ Valentine  
Accounting ~ Worcester County Developmental Center

**GAUGUIN - \$250** Albright's Associates ~ Atlantic Dental Cosmetic & Family  
Dentistry ~ Ayres, Jenkins, Gordy & Almand ~ Billy & Madlyn Carder ~ Blue Fish  
Restaurant & Sushi Bar ~ Bonfire Restaurant ~ Clare's Nutty Concoctions ~ Deeley  
Insurance Group ~ Delaware Elevator ~ Sandra & Robert Esham DDS ~ Fenwick Inn  
~ The Framing Corner ~ Gregory Poulos Photography ~ Harrison Group ~ Hilton  
Garden Inn ~ Hooked Restaurant ~ Hotel Monte Carlo ~ Innerbloom ~ Jinchun Kim  
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**WE APPRECIATE YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT!**

Join your neighbors and support your local nonprofit arts organization.

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# ARTISTS PAINT FESTIVAL

SAVE THE DATES

**AUGUST 14 - 18, 2024**

**THE BIG EVENT:**  
**SATURDAY AUG 17**  
 5-7 PM  
 Wet Paint Sale & Party  
**SUNDAY AUG 18**  
 1-3 PM  
 Wet Paint Sale & Party  
 12-3 PM  
 "Kids' Paint OC" Show

Every August for 19 years, the Art League hosts "Artists Paint OC." For five days, 50 artists paint famous local scenes at perfect times of the day. Join us to discover your own masterpiece - and meet the artist who painted it. The two Wet Paint Sales are the perfect places to find the art that speaks to you!



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Open Mon-Fri 9 am - 4 pm  
 Sat-Sun 11 am - 4 pm  
*Always free admission*

