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**Art League of Ocean City invites women to join new
“Women’s Art League Leadership Collective”**

OCEAN CITY, MD — Sept. 1, 2025 — The Art League of Ocean City is building a group of women to become artistic, collaborative cohorts interested in building leadership skills and utilizing the arts in their life's work. The new “Women's Art League Leadership Collective” will embrace women ages 22 and older who see themselves as emerging leaders, and the Art League invites them to apply. This unique group of women will meet monthly to build community, grow leadership skills, reflect, be creative, and give back.

The group is supported by the Community Foundation of the Eastern Shore Women's Leadership Grant.

“Are you a young woman who is interested in building your leadership competencies? Do you enjoy artistic expression?” Mary Anne Cooper, Education Director for the Art League, asked. “Then please consider joining our new Women's Art League Leadership Collective. You will engage with other creative women who want to make a difference in our community and assist in planning positive impacts for our friends and members.”

The first meeting of the new collective is Sept. 24, 2025, 5:30-7:30 p.m. at the Ocean City Center for the Arts, 502 94th St. bayside. There is no cost to join or attend the meetings, and refreshments will be served. This first meeting, led by Cooper, will be a meet-and-greet and will include the creation of a personal journal, a review the collective’s purpose and vision, and a brainstorming for upcoming projects.

Subsequent meetings are scheduled for Oct. 15 discussing “What’s Your Vision?” with Barbara Buford where members will create a vision board. On Nov. 17, Jocelyn Briddell will lead “Understanding Self and Leadership,” and members will create a portrait of themselves via their dominant color. On Dec. 10, Kathryn Redden, director of the Lower Shore Performing Arts Company, will lead members in a discussion on the power of communication, including public speaking and stage presence. Jan. 21, 2026 will be a planning meeting for the year.

Women ages 22 and older are invited to be a part of the group. The size of the group is limited to 25-30 members, and the Art League encourages early application. Applicants will receive an email by Sept. 15 with details.

More information is available by contacting Cooper at education@artleagueofoceancity.org.

Applications are being accepted at <https://form.jotform.com/251925878753069> or by calling the Art League at 410-524-9433.

The Art League of Ocean City is a non-profit organization dedicated to artistic expression and appreciation for the creative arts in our community through education, exhibits, scholarship, programs, and community art projects.