

# MEMBERS MARQUEE

Carroll County Arts Council Newsletter

## **SPRING 2022**



## FREE OUTDOOR SUMMER MOVIES

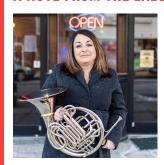
Our free summer family movie series is moving under the stars at Carroll Community College's Rotary Amphitheatre! Check out this summer's film schedule in our Summer Events brochure.



# MEET GWEN ASBURY (SHE/THEY)

Gwen is very excited to be joining the CCAC team as the Special Events & Volunteer Coordinator. Growing up in Carroll County, Gwen has fond memories of visiting the Arts Center for camps, classes, plays, concerts, films, and of course, PEEPshow! Gwen began her position under a month before PEEPshow started and greatly enjoyed adapting to the otherside of marshmallow madness. They also have great things in the works for our volunteer program! Gwen has a Masters in Film & Media Studies from the University of Kansas and is looking forward to also teaching film and other media art classes at the CCAC.

# A NOTE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Dear Friends,

The 15th Annual PEEPshow was a huge success! The CCAC's largest fundraiser and Carroll County's best attended event, we had 110 total entries and welcomed over 20,000 guests at our new location in the TownMall of Westminster. Attending the PEEPshow was a tradition for my children and I, and it proves to be just that for many other families as well. Some come from as far as Virginia and West Virginia to share in the whimsy!

My favorite thing about the PEEPshow, and what I think makes these marvelous marshmallow masterpieces so meaningful, is that this event shows our community that Art really is for Everyone. Creating art out of confections proves to all of us that anyone can create art: you don't need a canvas, paint, or sculpting tools, you just need imagination! I can't wait to see more imagination on display at this year's Youth Art Month exhibit, featuring artwork from local elementary and middle school students, running April 25 through May 7 in our galleries.

In light of the tragic war unfolding in Ukraine, we were proud to host a free screening last March of the powerful 2007 documentary, *Orange Revolution*. Accompanied by a talkback with McDaniel professor of Comparative Politics, Dr. Christianna Nichols Leahy, it was an educational evening about Ukraine's geopolitical history and helped us all further understand the current complex conflict. Donations were collected at the screening for Doctors Without Borders, an organization that is providing medical and humanitarian aid to Ukraine.

We will be wrapping up the 21/22 season in the next few months with some fantastic offerings. The Sagamore Band rocks the house on May 21, the Manhattan Quilters Guild brightens up the Tevis Gallery starting May 23, and our first Pay What You Can event this Memorial Day features Afro-Brazilian ensemble Ologundê performing their exciting and exotic folkloric dance revue, Axé Puro. Art in the Park will introduce you to local artists and crafters on June 4th, and then we wrap it all up with piano phenom A.J. Croce on June 10th. We have something to inspire everyone, so come check it out!

If you haven't visited us at the Carroll Arts Center recently, I invite you to join us soon. We would love to help you find your Inner Artist!

Arts Matter, Lynne Griffith



# JUNETEENTH IN CARROLL

Saturday, June 18

Partnering with the NAACP and the CCAC,
The Juneteenth Festival in Carroll County
Committee (JFICCC) is excited to be able to bring
the first Juneteenth Festival to Carroll County
Maryland this summer! This celebration taking place
inside (and outside) the Carroll Arts Center will
feature a range of live programs, from local spoken
word poets, to storytellers, to regional comedians,
to world-renowned African dancers and musicians.
More details to come about this important
community event!

### 15TH ANNUAL PEEPSHOW WINNERS

And the winners are...

Another year, another sweet PEEPshow! We're so thankful to all the decorators, volunteers, sponsors, and thousands of PEEPs® fans that made this year's event at the TownMall of Westminster successful.



#### **Audience Favorite Awards:**

10th Place: "Crabby Peeps of Maryland" by the Senior Inclusion Program

9th Place: "Peepalotls"

by Montessori School of Westminster 8th Place: "Mac Peeps" by Maren and

Morgann Lyon

7th Place: "Peepabel of Peepcanto"

by Kelsey Taylor

6th Place: "Peepball Wizard"

by Nancy Schoenfeld

5th Place: "Octopeep" by The Myers Family

(Justin, Jen, Connor, and Jacob)

4th Place: "Major Award" by Angel Jarrett

3rd Place: "Scottish Peepland" by Lara and Jacob King

2nd Place: "HONEYPEEP" by Amy Hott

#### 1st Place and Grand Prize Winner (pictured above):

"Something's Wrong with That Boy's Medulla Oblongata" by Christian Twamley

View all the entries online at MarshmallowPEEPshow.com!

## LOCAL ARTISTS FEATURED IN MSAC EXHIBIT

Congrats to these Carroll County artists!

The Maryland State Arts Council continues their Maryland Regional Virtual Exhibition Series with Series #3: Central Maryland. The work of local Carroll artists Karen Amelia Brown, Jodi O'Connell, Chloe Irla, and Matthew C. Shuman is featured in this virtual display! Check out the online exhibit on msac.org/about/exhibitions-presentations.





# **DEVOTED TO DIVERSITY?**

The CCAC is searching for BIPOC and Latinx members of our community to participate in a new Programming Committee that will focus on inclusion and representation.

Interested? Please email Lynne@CarrollCountyArtsCouncil.org



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