



McLean Project for the Arts

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MPA to Host Art+Music Series

Three-part live music experience kicks off April 19 at MPA@ChainBridge

McLean, VA: Local musicians will rock MPA@ChainBridge this spring as part of McLean Project for the Arts' (MPA's) Art+Music Concert Series, April 19, May 10 and May 12. Featured musicians include The Bitter Dose Combo, the Dave Kline Band and Sound Impact.



The Bitter Dose Combo opens MPA's Art+Music Concert Series on April 19

“Our MPA Art+Music series invites new audiences within the community into our space by marrying MPA’s contemporary art exhibitions with an exciting listening experience featuring some of the area’s finest musicians,” said MPA Executive Director Lori Carbonneau.

From gypsy jazz to vibrant world sounds and an interactive family performance, MPA Art+Music offers something for all ages and interests. Before and after the performances, all are invited to browse MPA’s current art exhibit, *Erratic Landscapes: Works by Artemis Herber*. At each show, MPA Director of Exhibitions, Nancy Sausser, will discuss the artwork.

The Bitter Dose Combo (BDC)—DC’s premier gypsy jazz band—kicks off the festivities on April 19. Bringing a touch of Parisian hot club to McLean, the BDC combines Django-style guitar, musette accordion and upright bass. April 19, 7:30pm, Bullock | Hitt Gallery in MPA@ChainBridge, 1446 Chain Bridge Road, McLean.

The fun continues on May 10 as world-music chart toppers, the Dave Kline Band, take the stage. UK violinist Dave Kline and his international band perform high-energy music blending jazz, world, folk and rock. Recognized for its vibrant world sound, the Dave Kline Band unites a contemporary vibe with the ancient cultures of Africa, the Caribbean, Middle East, and Latin America. May 10, 7:30pm, Bullock | Hitt Gallery in MPA@ChainBridge, 1446 Chain Bridge Rd, McLean.

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MPA Art+Music final Spring event is on May 12, with a show for the whole family, starring the musical collective Sound Impact. Based on the children's book "The Trouble with Ben," the ensemble's educational program seeks to ignite positive change through live and engaging performance. MPA will offer a children's art activity reinforcing the multi-sensory art experience during the show. May 12, 4:30pm on the Palladium Green, the outdoor family venue in the plaza in front of StarNut Gourmet, McLean. In case of rain, the event will move back across the street to MPA@ChainBridge in the Giant Shopping Center.

The MPA Art+Music Series is FREE and open to the public. Refreshments will be served. RSVP at mpaart.org.

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About MPA

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McLean Project for the Arts (MPA) is one of the mid-Atlantic region's most respected contemporary visual arts organizations. MPA provides high-quality art exhibitions showcasing the work of established and emerging artists, educational programs, art classes, MPAartfest, summer STEAM camp, and ArtReach, an award-winning program serving students in grades K – 12, seniors, and individuals with special needs. For more information, visit www.mpaart.org.

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