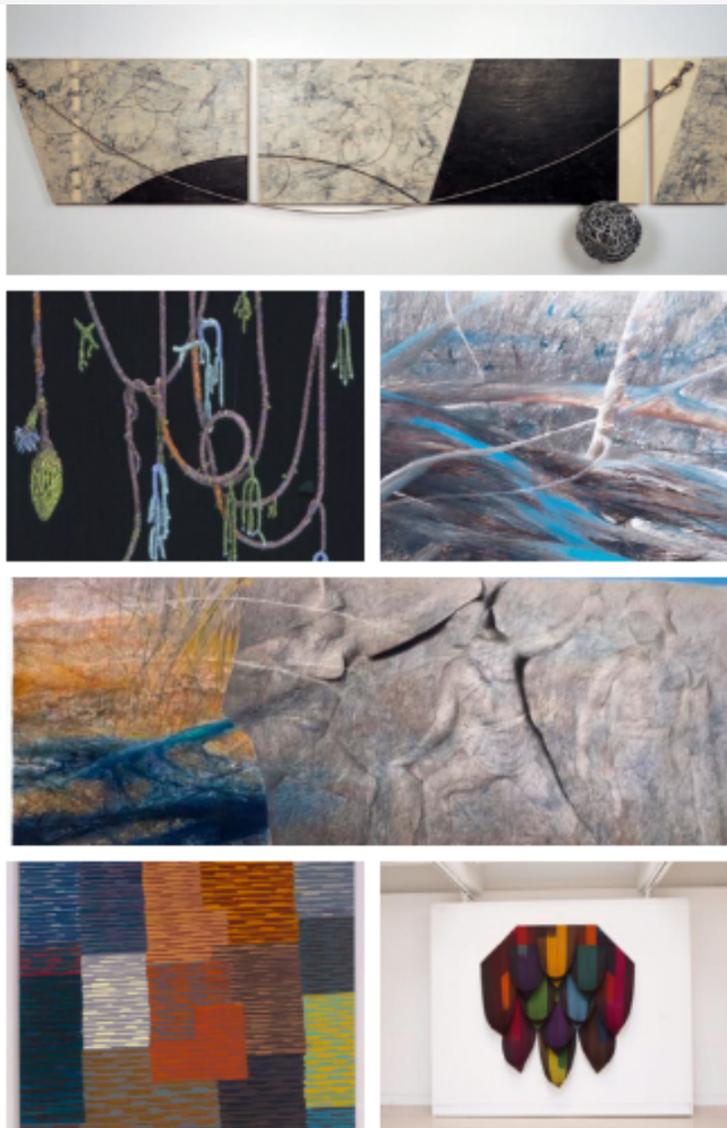




McLean Project for the Arts

MPA Updates | April 3, 2020



MPA in the News

Inside NOVA: McLean Project for the Arts Seeking Exhibitors for Fall Festival (4/1/2020)

Tyson's Reporter: McLean Project for the Arts Seeks Artist Submissions for Fall Festival (3/30/2020)

Fairfax County Times: Arts Center Proposed for McLean's Clemyjontri Park (3/5/2020)

Tyson's Reporter: Plans for Unveiled for Arts Campus at Clemyjontri Park in McLean (3/2/2020)

Tyson's Reporter: McLean Project for the Arts to Display Local Kids' Art This Month (3/2/2020)

Connect with MPA via Social Media

While we're working from home MPA staff is staying connected with our community through our social media--[Twitter](#), [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#). Our handle is @MP4A. If you aren't already following us, please join us!

We're exploring works from past MPA exhibitions, and creating and sharing art activities and enrichment ideas for artists of all ages, including our MPA ArtReach partners at Lewinsville Senior Center, Second Story, and SPARCSolutions.

Let us help art make this time a little easier for you!

UPDATED! Curate Your Email Preferences

MPA is continually updating our email system to ensure you receive the communications that are of primary importance to you. Please use the form below to update your preferences. **Also, be sure to mark info@mpaart.org as a safe sender, to ensure that our emails don't get lost in your spam folder!**

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NOW ONLINE!

SPRING ART CLASSES



Spring Art Classes Now Available Online

With all of our extra time at home, now is the perfect time for an art class. We're working with our teaching faculty to convert many spring art class offerings to online classes. Our excellent instructors will help you to feel comfortable working from home. Classes will be offered at the same time as originally scheduled, by means of an easy-to-access video platform. One class will also be offered in a recorded format, as we experiment with the scheduling flexibility this provides.

Faculty members and classes scheduled to be offered remotely include:

- Drawing and Painting Studio -- David Carlson
- Vibrant Flower Paintings in Oil -- Joyce Lee
- Fundamentals of Art: Drawing into Painting -- Rula Jones
- Portrait and Figure Painting -- Jordan Xu
- Easy Art Journal in Pen and Watercolor -- Lubna Zahid
- Freedom of Watercolor -- Barbara Januszkiewicz

And an exciting return to the MPA lineup by former MPA staff member and current NYC-based artist, Arthur Kwon Lee.

And if you need a break from all of your family togetherness, we're also providing online versions of our always popular Abrakadoodle classes for young children.

Watch our website and social media for more information as details are confirmed, and email bclorey@mpaart.org with any questions.

[Learn More](#)



Join MPA & ArtsFairfax Advocating for Emergency Funding for the Arts

McLean Project for the Arts is joining with ArtsFairfax and other Fairfax County arts organizations to make sure the arts are not forgotten in this time of the COVID-19 crisis.

ArtsFairfax is asking members of the art community to take action--reach out to our Board of Supervisors and remind them how essential the arts are to our community. For detailed information on how you can make a difference (without leaving your home!), [click here](#). Our lives seem to be standing still, but funding for the arts is moving forward. [Please help if you are able](#).

[Learn More](#)



Staying Connected to Our Community ArtReach Partners

As MPA adjusts to this new situation of working remotely, without access to our community partners, we are exploring new ways to continue to provide visual arts education. MPA's ArtReach Director, Sharon Fishel, and Rose Robinson, Senior Services Recreation Assistant at the [Lewinsville Senior Center](#) (pictured above), are partnering to bring art and creativity into the homes of 60 senior center participants. Each week, a new art activity will be delivered with their food and other supplies. This activity will feature a local artist and their work, often connecting this program to our past MPA exhibition photos we're highlighting on social media.

This week's activity connects with the work of DC artist Elzbieta Sikorska. Her 2014 exhibition presented conversations between nature and culture, explored from multiple angles and viewpoints.

[Learn More](#)



Call for Submissions: MPAartfest 2020

Calling all mid-Atlantic artists! Use this time at home to submit your entries for this year's **MPAartfest, a one-day juried fine art and craft show and sale to be held October 4, 2020 in McLean Central Park.**

Recognized by Sunshine Artist as one of the Top 100 Fine Art and Design Shows, this annual celebration of the visual arts attracts upwards of 9,000+ attendees.

100% of sales to be retained by artist. [Additional rules and submission instructions are available here.](#)

The deadline for submissions is June 15, 2020.

[Learn More](#)

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Help MPA continue to connect Art and Community!

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Tues – Sat: 10:00 am -- 4:00 pm



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