

Thank you to all who joined us for our 2023 MPA Spring Benefit. It was a joy to be together on the grounds of the stunning Wildersmoor House in Great Falls.

Thank You for Supporting Spring Benefit 2023!

We were thrilled to share Emilie Brzezinski's extraordinary sculptures exhibited for the evening—her wood creations were a perfect complement to the beautiful gardens.

Endless gratitude to our Spring Benefit co-chairs Marsha Muawwad and Natalie von Seelen, and all of our community partners and sponsors.

We wanted to share access to the fabulous Tony Powell photos from the event. Please see this link to our Spring Benefit 2023 gallery. It should allow

you to view and download photos. Sincere thanks to Tony Powell for these beautiful shots.

By supporting MPA Spring Benefit, you make the mission of MPA possible every day: supporting established and emerging artists along the East Coast,

introducing hundreds of children in Title I schools to contemporary art, expanding the world of special needs individuals through art and bringing art and classes to seniors.

On behalf of all of us at MPA, our warmest thanks for your generosity.

Together, we're making a difference in our community.

17th Annual

October 1, 2023 | 10am - 4pm

McLean Central Park

CALL FOR ENTRIES

DEADLINE JUNE 17
Apply before May 20 for early bird entry discount

connecting art and community

Download Spring Benefit Photos

McLean Project for the Arts

MPAartfest 2023: Call for Entries Closes June

Calling all artists! MPA is currently seeking submissions for our 17th

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annual MPAartfest!

MPAartfest 2023 will consist of a one-day in-person juried fine arts and craft show held in McLean Central Park on October 1, 2023. Accepted Artists will be provided one tent on October 1, and will receive recognition on the MPAartfest website.

MPAartfest was recently recognized by *Sunshine Artist* as one of the Top 100 Fine Art and Design Shows.

Artists retain 100 percent of in-park sales from MPAartfest.

Additional rules and submission instructions are available here.

Deadline for Submissions: June 17, 2023 (\$350)

Apply Now



It's been wonderful to see elementary students from schools including Beech Tree Elementary, Belvedere Elementary, Timber Lane Elementary, Greenbriar

many other community groups, for tours of our Spring Solos exhibitions.

Elementary, as well as Special Ed and Best Buddies groups from McLean High School, engage with our three Spring Solo exhibitions.

This outreach is a key part of our mission at MPA and we're grateful to the

donors who help provide the funding to reimburse these Title I schools for the bus transportation that makes these field trips possible. We're also grateful to ArtsFairfax for the recent Project Support Grant that provided additional funds to enhance these field trips with a special Gallery Guide to the exhibitions and a catalogue documenting the work of these three artists. The accompanying interview with Director Sharon Fishel and Artistic Director and Curator Nancy

Sausser provides more information about this award-winning outreach and connection to our MPA mission.

Here are a couple of comments from school groups:

"Thank you so much for the amazing opportunity for our second-grade class! Our Timber Lane Tigers really enjoyed the art exhibits, with the wood sculptures being our favorite! We had a great time learning about the art, the artist, and the science that could be connected along with it. The packets and activities were very helpful with keeping us engaged

and our parent chaperones also learned a lot. We hope that you will be

"Our 3rd grade class from Greenbriar East Elementary School from FCPS

had the opportunity to go on a field trip to McLean Project for the Arts.

able to invite us back again next year with a new batch of second graders!"

Erica Helfrich, Timber Lane Elementary

Firstly, the teachers were impressed with the exhibit's relevance to their students. They appreciated the professionalism and enthusiasm of the staff. Teachers have already expressed booking for next year's cohort. Secondly, the students thought the exhibit was so fun and engaging. Many of them said they had never been to a 'place like this' and wanted to find more. Kudos to the team. Look forward to next year!"

Moonhee Doan, Greenbriar East Elementary

If you'd like to make a contribution to support our MPA ArtReach program, visit our website.

Read the Complete ArtsFairfax Article

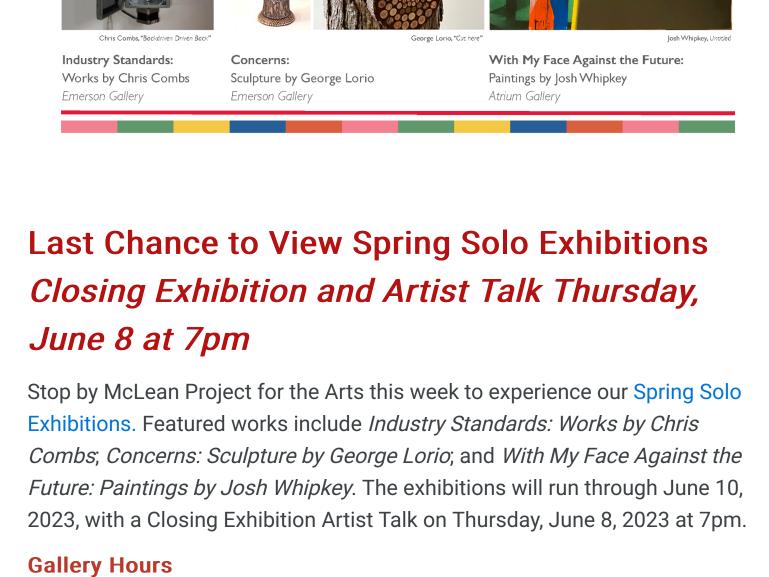
McLean Project for the Arts

April 13 - June 10

SPRING SOLOS

Opening Reception Thursday, April 13 | 7pm

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Exhibition Information

The MPA Atrium Gallery will be available for viewing during McLean

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visitors Mondays through Saturdays from 10am – 4pm.

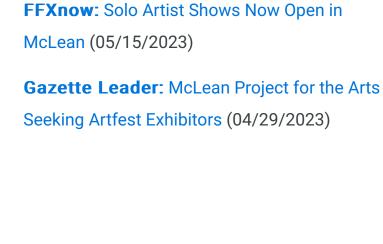
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Art Camps

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MPA Calendar of
Events

Through June 10, 2023: Spring Solo
Exhibitions
Thursday, June 8, 2023: Spring Solos
Closing Exhibition Artist Talk, 7pm
September 14 - November 11, 2023:
(Not) Strictly Painting Juried Show (Call for entries to be announced soon)
September 14, 2023: (Not) Strictly Painting

Opening Exhibition Reception, 7-9pm

October 1, 2023: 17th Annual MPAartfest

December 8, 2023 - February 17, 2024:

Winter Exhibitions--Moving Beyond Beauty:

Reverence and Reclamation (Emerson Gallery;

Atrium Gallery exhibition TBA)

December 8, 2023: Winter Exhibition

Opening Reception, 7-9pm

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Gallery Hours: Tuesdays through Fridays, 1-4pm; Saturdays 10am-3pm

Administrative Office Hours: Monday through Friday, 10am-4pm

Hours and Directions | www.mpaart.org | 703.790.1953