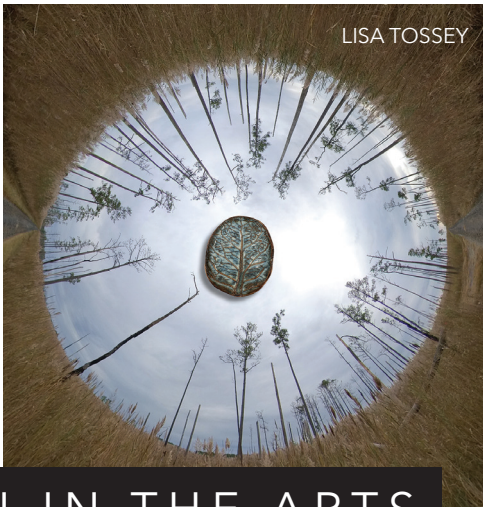


# MAR 2024

ART MATTERS NEWSLETTER



SUE BROMM



LISA TOSSEY

## WOMEN IN THE ARTS

*Nature ~ Nurture ~ Change*



JERI ALEXANDER

YOU ARE INVITED TO THE FREE  
FIRST FRIDAY OPENING RECEPTION  
MARCH 1, 2024 5-7 PM



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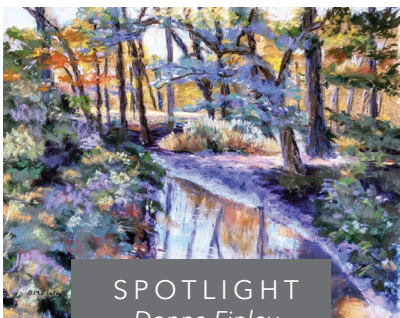
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# EXHIBITS

ARTS CENTER

THALER GALLERY  
*"Women in the Arts:  
Nature, Nurture, Change"*  
Jeri Alexander,  
Sue Bromm & Lisa Tossey  
funded by the Women's Fund  
of Community Foundation  
of the Eastern Shore

SISSON GALLERIA  
*"Life in Motion"*  
All Media Group Show



SPOTLIGHT  
Donna Finley



STUDIO E  
Nina Mickelsen



ARTISAN SHOWCASE  
Lisa Scarbath & Pat Lang



ANNUAL SHIRLEY HALL  
YOUTH ART SHOW  
March 1-2-3

STAIRCASE GALLERY  
Itzel V. Aguilar  
*"Nunca Fue Tu Culpa"*

## SATELLITE GALLERIES

Ruth Ann Kaufman Princess Royale 9110 Coastal Hwy.  
Madeline Patsel Coffee Beanery 94th & Coastal Hwy.

Arts Center and satellite exhibits run thru March 30. Staircase thru June 24.

# EVENTS

ARTS CENTER

**SAT MAR 9 2-4 PM**    **SAT MAR 23 2-4 PM**  
HUMANE SOCIETY POTTERY FUNDRAISERS

Create a pottery animal and help support the Worcester County Humane Society at the same time! We'll make mugs on the 9th and hanging bells on the 23rd. Join us for the love of pets and all animals!



**SAT MAR 9 10 AM-NOON** FREE FAMILY ART DAY

Come together as a family and create art together with Barbara Buford. Take home your art that very day! Children must be accompanied by an adult; adults, by a child.



**TUES MAR 12 1-3 PM** FREE WRITERS' GROUP

Creative writing discussion in a supportive group. All welcome. Free to attend. Register online under Classes tab.



**SAT MAR 16 6 PM** ORIGINALS ONLY

Young, local, up-and-coming musicians and poets perform their original works in a safe, alcohol and drug-free setting. All welcome.



**TUES MAR 19 6 PM** FREE ARTISTS TALK

"Women in the Arts: Nature, Nurture, Change."  
Meet the recipients of the Women's Fund Fellowship Awards and learn more about their process and inspiration. Free admission.



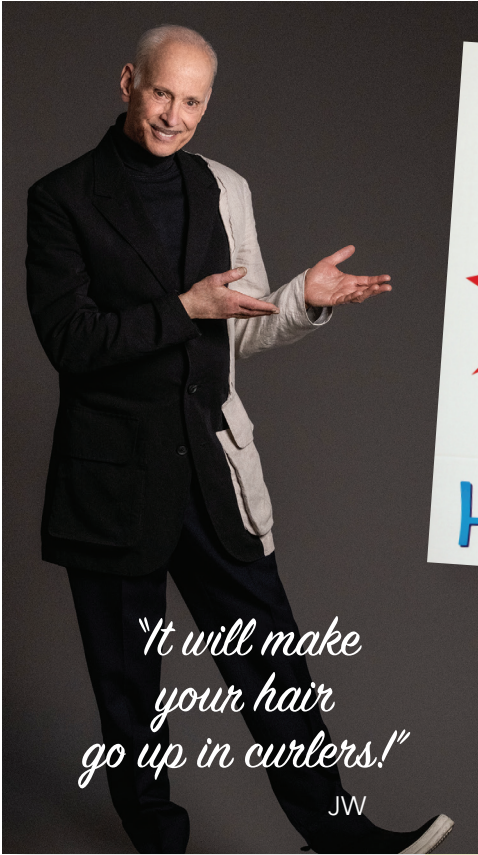
**THURS MAR 28 5:30-7:30PM** FREE HEART & SOUL

Create a collage in neutral shades with Barbara Buford. The theme is "transformation" for those dealing with stress, trauma or grief, focusing on healing. Free with suggested donation.



# 8th OC Film Festival MARCH 7<sup>th</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup> 2024

GREG GORMAN



*"It will make  
your hair  
go up in curlers!"*

JW



JOHN WATERS  
presents  
"HAIRSPRAY"

SAT MAR 9 - 8PM  
OC PERFORMING  
ARTS CENTER

John will be live on stage  
and screen the movie with  
eye-popping commentary  
about the making of his  
original "Hairspray" film.

Buy John Waters tickets at  
[OCMDFilmFestival.com](http://OCMDFilmFestival.com)

We're back in 2024 with our 8th season! Join us for four days of films, fun, and food! We've hand-picked 100 independent films, both local and from around the world, to entertain and inform you.

Meet the films stars and creators, mingle with fellow film lovers, and come in out of the March cold for four days of inspiring social interaction and entertainment.

Get your passes today at  
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## Maryland films take the spotlight for the '24 Film Fest

Of the 100+ films being shown at the 2024 Film Festival, a whopping 40 were made in Maryland by Maryland filmmakers. Below is a sample of what you'll see. Come on out, fest with us, and celebrate creativity in Maryland!



### **GET ON THE BUS!**

*Directed by Justinian Matthew Dispenza*

In 2022 the James Taylor Justice Coalition collected soil from the site where Mr. Taylor was hanged to transport to the Legacy Museum in Montgomery, Alabama. 69 minutes. Galena, MD USA



### **SQUALL**

*Directed by Emmi Shockley*

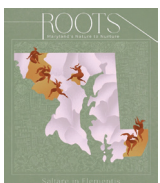
An addict's day-long journey to reconnect with his younger brother leads them both into an unexpected storm. 15 minutes. Ocean City, MD USA



### **TYING THE KNOT**

*Directed by Ryan Wilton Zlatniski*

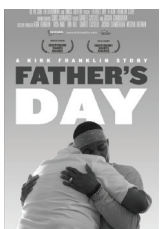
A string feels overwhelmed by his tedious life, but finds comfort in a new relationship. 2 minutes. Berlin, MD USA



### **ROOTS: MARYLAND'S NATURE TO NURTURE**

*Directed by Fiona O'Brien, Sebrina Williamson, Zoe Couloumbis*

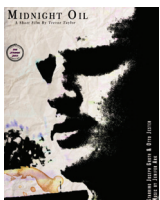
Explore Maryland through dance and the community values and personal perspectives throughout the state. 27 minutes. Bishopville, MD USA



### **FATHER'S DAY: A KIRK FRANKLIN STORY**

*Directed by Josh Chamberlain*

The man Kirk had always believed to be his father was not his biological parent. In a remarkable journey, Kirk embarks on a quest to discover his true biological father, leading to a profound exploration of his identity. 35 minutes. Berlin, MD USA



### **MIDNIGHT OIL**

*Directed by Trevor Taylor*

A detective hunts down a mysterious killer through a series of dreams and memories. Shot entirely on a 1989 VHS Camcorder. 9 minutes. Salisbury, MD USA

# LIGHTS, CAMERA, ACTION!

March brings much anticipated excitement with our 8th annual Ocean City Film Festival screening in locations around the resort March 7-10. This year's festival will feature a diverse selection of 100 independent films, both short and feature length, ranging in genres that include romance, comedy, narrative, and even horror.

Film festivals are a great way to experience a variety of films in a short period of time. What makes them truly special is that often the filmmakers are on hand to talk about their work and interact with the audience in question and answers sessions that follow the screenings.



The other truly fun part of the festival is the daily parties, receptions, and happy hours that are included in the tickets. They provide time to network and meet other film

lovers and members of the arts community. You never know if you are going to meet the next Hollywood star! Several of the films we have showcased in past years have gone on to major festivals like Sundance and have even been Oscar contenders.

The highlight of this year's Film Festival is the headline performance by iconic filmmaker, writer, actor, and artist John Waters coming to the Ocean City Performing Arts Center on Saturday, March 9, at 8 PM. He will be bringing his original movie, "Hairspray," that was later adapted into a Broadway musical and then a 2007 musical film. This is an all-new show, never seen before, that combines eye-popping commentary with gut-busting comedy and is full of inside information about Waters' life, career, and films that have such a huge following.

The best value for tickets to the Film Festival and John Waters' performance is available on our website, [OCMDFilmFestival.com](http://OCMDFilmFestival.com), by purchasing a bundle ticket that includes all four days of films, parties, and a seat at John Waters' performance for only \$169.

Make a weekend of the festival, and reserve a night at an oceanfront hotel starting at just \$89 (details on [OCMDFilmFestival.com](http://OCMDFilmFestival.com)). In season, these rooms would go for hundreds of dollars per night!

So, get your tickets and take a seat! We will see you at the movies!

John Sisson  
*President*

Rina Thaler  
*Executive Director*



*We're proud to have been named the Ocean City Chamber of Commerce's*

## **Non-Profit of the Year 2024**

*Thanks to everyone who contributed to our success ... with much more to come!*

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SUNDAY, MAR 3 - 2 PM

Come and hear your favorite Academy Award-winning songs performed by the Lower Shore Performing Arts Company in the Ocean City Center for the Arts' main gallery. Proceeds benefit the LSPAC and the Art League of Ocean City.



Tickets are \$25 each at  
[OCart.org](http://OCart.org)