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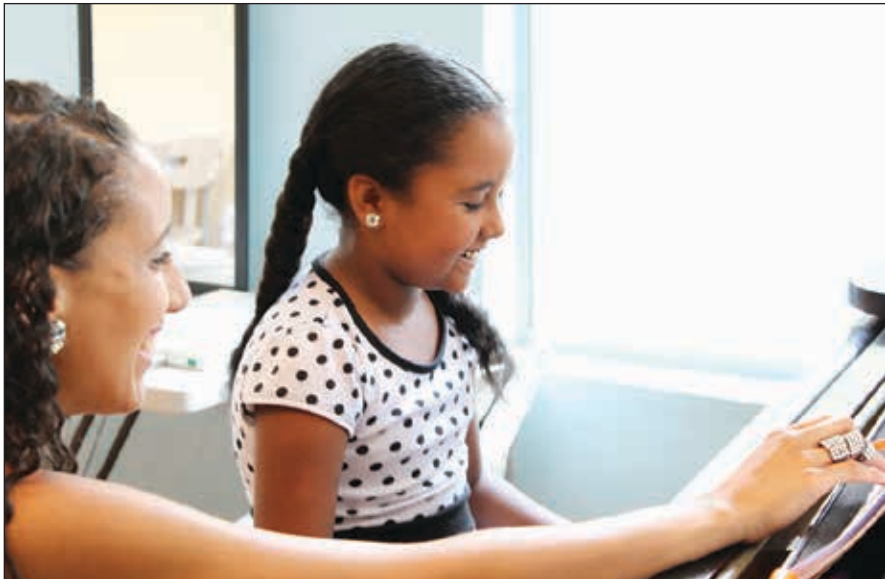
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### Labor Day weekend

Sunday and Monday, Sept. 2 and 3  
City offices and facilities closed

### Trash Collection

Yard waste collection canceled.



*The Richardson School of Music provides instruction in a range of instruments and vocals for students of all ages.*

## Richardson School of Music gets into the swing of a new year

By Sean Gossard

As summer comes to a close, the Richardson School of Music is tuning up for another year dedicated to educating and instructing children, teens and adults on how to play instruments and sing.

And what better way to start a new semester of than in a newly expanded facility in the heart of Takoma Park. The five-year-old music school recently held a grand opening of its newly expanded space at 7320 Carroll Ave.

"Torrential rain hit us on our grand opening day," said Vincent Richardson, director and founder of the school. "However, the Takoma Park community still came out to support the event. We were

so happy with the amazing turnout."

Mayor Kate Stewart and Councilwomen Kacy Kostiuk and Cindy Dyballa were all on hand for the grand opening, which featured free music lessons, workshops and student and faculty concerts.

The expanded space features five new sound isolation rooms. Four of the rooms are Wenger rooms, which are typically found in college and university music departments and focus on sound isolation and acoustics. There's also a specially designed room for drum playing with extra reinforced walls.

"We have a drum room that looks like a regular room, but the walls are qua-

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## Let's Play America celebrates 10 years, Community Grant Award

By Sean Gossard

For 10 years, Pat Rumbaugh — aka the Play Lady — and Let's Play America have been working hard to get people to take it easy.

The nonprofit Let's Play America, a Takoma Park Community Grant Award recipient for 2019, has been encouraging both children and adults to get out and play to help promote physical and mental health along with a sense of well-being.

"There are days I can't believe we have been planning and holding Play Days for ten years in Takoma Park," Rumbaugh



says. "It feels like yesterday this all started, and other days when I am absolutely

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## Making the most of the music at TPFF

As final preparations are being made for the 40th Takoma Park Music Festival on Sunday, Sept. 16, here are TPFF Program Chair Rob Hinkal's top three tips for planning a day at the festival.

1. **Check out our website (tpff.org)** for information on parking and shuttle busses. The City really tries hard to work with us every year in regards to this, but it's different every year and everyone's budgets are tight, so carpool and walk where you can.
2. **Travel light!** We've got chairs and grassy places to sprawl. You can check out the indoor stages when it gets too hot. We'll have food vendors. Bring your eyes and your ears and just come to soak it all in. You don't need to bring a lot along; just come and savor it all.
3. **Bring a friend and support.** We're one of the largest outdoor one-day all-volunteer free music festivals in the area. But it's your support that keeps us going. Volunteer for part of the day, and soak in the music for the rest of it. Throw something in the donation buckets. Get on artists' mailing lists! They would love to see you again, and since they're all local, you'll be able to catch any one of these artists somewhere close to you soon.

For more information about what this year's festival has to offer, see the special insert in this issue.



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# DOCKET

## City Council & Committee Calendar

### OFFICIAL CITY GOVERNMENT MEETINGS

TPCC: Takoma Park Community Center

### CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

Wednesday, Sept. 5, 7:30 p.m.  
Wednesday, Sept. 12, 7:30 p.m.  
Wednesday, Sept. 19, 7:30 p.m.  
Wednesday, Sept. 26, 7:30 p.m.  
Wednesday, Oct. 3, 7:30 p.m.

### ARTS AND HUMANITIES COMMISSION

Tuesday, Sept. 25, 7 p.m.  
TPCC Hydrangea Room

### BOARD OF ELECTIONS

Monday, Sept. 10, 7 p.m.  
TPCC Council Conference Room

### COMMEMORATION COMMISSION

Check the calendar at [www.takomaparkmd.gov](http://www.takomaparkmd.gov) for date and time.

### COMMITTEE ON THE ENVIRONMENT

Monday, Sept. 10, 7:15 p.m.  
TPCC Lilac Room  
Monday, Oct. 1, 7:15 p.m.  
TPCC Hydrangea Room

### EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS COMMITTEE

Thursday, Sept. 27, 7 p.m.  
TPCC Hydrangea Room

### FACADE ADVISORY BOARD

Tuesday, Sept. 11, 6:30 p.m.  
TPCC Auditorium

### NOISE CONTROL BOARD

Check the calendar at [www.takomaparkmd.gov](http://www.takomaparkmd.gov) for date and time.

### NUCLEAR-FREE TAKOMA PARK COMMITTEE

Tuesday, Sept. 11, 7:30 p.m.  
TPCC Lilac Room

### POLICE CHIEF'S ADVISORY BOARD

Thursday, Sept. 20, 7 p.m.  
TPCC Hydrangea Room

### POLICE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT PLAN COMMITTEE

Tuesday, Sept. 18, 8:30 a.m.  
TPCC Hydrangea Room

### RECREATION COMMITTEE

Thursday, Sept. 20, 7 p.m.  
TPCC Council Conference Room

### TREE COMMISSION

Tuesday, Sept. 11, 6:30 p.m.  
TPCC Council Conference Room

### YOUTH COUNCIL

Tuesday, Sept. 11, 6 p.m.  
TPCC Hydrangea Room  
Tuesday, Sept. 24, 6 p.m.  
TPCC Lilac Room

\*All meetings are open to the public unless noted otherwise. Schedule changes can occur after the *Takoma Park Newsletter* deadline. For the most up to date information, visit [www.takomaparkmd.gov](http://www.takomaparkmd.gov) and click on "Events and Meetings." Most meetings are held in the Takoma Park Community Center – Sam Abbott Citizens' Center, 7500 Maple Avenue (TPCC). Individuals interested in receiving a weekly Council agenda and calendar update by e-mail can sign up at: <https://takomaparkmd.gov/government/city-council/agendas>.

### ADA NOTICE

The City of Takoma Park is committed to ensuring that individuals with disabilities are able to fully participate in public meetings. Anyone with a disability who 1) wishes to receive auxiliary aids, services, or accommodations at a City of Takoma Park public meeting or public hearing; or 2) cannot attend a public meeting but would like to record an audio comment to be played during the public comment period of the meeting, is invited to contact Jason Damweber, Deputy City Manager, at [jason.damweber@takomaparkmd.gov](mailto:jason.damweber@takomaparkmd.gov) or 301-891-7202 at least 48 hours in advance.

## City Council Action

All ordinances and resolutions are posted on the City's website.

On **July 18, 2018** the Council adopted **Resolution 2018-37** authorizing a temporary closure of the 1100 block of Anne Street on Sept. 29, 2018 for the Takoma/Langley Crossroads Night Market. The Night Market hours will be from 4 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. The street closure is approved for 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.

On **July 25, 2018**, by **Resolution 2018-38**, the Council approved submittal of legislative action requests to the Maryland Municipal League: 1) locate sources of funding to maintain affordable housing in areas with rising property values and rents resulting from infrastructure improvements, transit projects such as the Purple Line, and redevelopment; 2) mandate coordination and cooperation between utilities, the State Highway Administration, and municipalities in order to minimize impact on residents and businesses resulting from infrastructure construction and repairs; and, 3) provide additional opportunities to raise municipal revenues without increasing dependence on property taxes. (Councilmember Smith voted no.)

**Resolution 2018-39** effected reappointment of Millicent Owusu (Ward 4) to the Commission on Landlord-Tenant Affairs. **Resolution 2018-40** set the City Council's summer recess for Thursday, July 26 through Tuesday, Sept. 4.

A number of ordinances were adopted on July 25. **Ordinance 2018-24** approved FY 2019 Budget Amendment No. 1. **Ordinance 2018-25** approved FY 2019 Stormwater Budget Amendment No. 1. **Ordinance 2018-26** authorized execution of a contract for construction of the Lincoln Avenue sidewalk. The authorized contract is with SCC Corporation in the amount of \$435,154.49. Approval to purchase five Ford Interceptors as replacement vehicles for the Police Department was authorized by **Ordinance 2018-27**. The cars are to be purchased from Hertrich Fleet Services for a total cost of \$152,110. **Ordinance 2018-28** authorized an agreement with the International Association of Chiefs of Police to conduct an independent promotional process in the Police Department. The ordinance authorized an amount up to \$40,000 for this contract. Purchase of a Spacesaver Storage System for the Police Department Evidence and Property Room was approved by **Ordinance 2018-31**. The system will be purchased from Spacesaver Interiors for \$44,801.

The Public Works Department was authorized by **Ordinance 2018-29** to purchase a replacement trash truck and a replacement recycling truck for a total of \$457,814.80 from GranTurk Equipment Co. The Recreation

Department received authorization to execute a contract with Spirit Fit and Health, LLC to conduct health and fitness classes for individuals with disabilities by **Ordinance 2018-30**. The contract is authorized for an amount up to \$10,000.

Also, on **July 25, 2018**, the City Council voted down a resolution that would have delayed submission of the Takoma Junction Development Project combined site plan to the Montgomery County Planning Department. (Voting no were Mayor Stewart, Councilmembers Kovar, Dyballa, Kostiuik, Seamens, and Searcy.) The Council did approve **Resolution 2018-41**, authorizing submission of the Takoma Junction Development Project combined site plan to the Montgomery County Planning Department. (Councilmembers Kovar and Smith voted no.)

*Agendas for City Council meetings are posted online: [www.takomaparkmd.gov/government/city-council/agendas](http://www.takomaparkmd.gov/government/city-council/agendas). City Council meetings can be viewed live on City TV (Comcast and RCN - Channel 13; Verizon FIOS - Channel 28; Municipal Broadcast Network high definition - Comcast Channel 997 and RCN Channel 1060). Meetings are also streamed live online and available as archives on the City's website.*

## Boards, Commissions, and Committees

### Youth Council Membership Applications are Available Now

Applications are being accepted for the 2018-2019 Takoma Park Youth Council. The nine-member Youth Council is open to Takoma Park residents in grade levels 7 through 12. Complete information and the application can be found at [www.takomaparkmd.gov](http://www.takomaparkmd.gov). Application deadline: Sept. 30. Follow the Youth Council @YouthTakoma.

### Youth Council Advisor

The Takoma Park City Council is seeking an adult volunteer to serve as the Advisor to the Takoma Park Youth Council. The Youth Council Advisor will work directly with the Youth Council to plan and coordinate meetings, guide and help prepare the Youth Council in its activities, encourage and empower Youth Council members in building their communication and leadership skills, and to facilitate their decision-making processes without controlling their decisions. The Youth Council Advisor will attend all meetings of the Youth Council. The application is available at [www.takomaparkmd.gov](http://www.takomaparkmd.gov).

### Facade Advisory Board Vacancy

The FAB serves as an advisory panel to help ensure that façade designs and their maintenance are consistent with the character of the commercial areas of Takoma Park and to provide guidance and assistance to commercial building and business owners seeking permits for facade alterations, signs, and new construction work. There is one vacancy for a business or commercial property owner in Old Takoma. For information contact Rosalind Grigsby at [rosalindg@takomaparkmd.gov](mailto:rosalindg@takomaparkmd.gov).

### Vacancies on City Boards, Commissions, and Committees

There are also vacancies available on the following Council-appointed boards, commissions and committees.

- Arts and Humanities Commission
- Commemoration Commission
- Ethics Commission
- Grants Review Committee
- Noise Control Board
- Nuclear-Free Takoma Park Committee
- Recreation Committee
- Safe Roadways Committee
- Police Chief's Advisory Board (Appointments are made by the Chief of Police)

See [www.takomaparkmd.gov](http://www.takomaparkmd.gov) for information.

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

Sept. 12, 2018  
7:30 p.m.

**1. Public Hearing on Request for Traffic Calming on the 700 Block of Houston Avenue**

**2. Public Hearing on Request for Traffic Calming on Hilltop Road between Geneva Avenue and Mississippi Avenue**

The hearings will be taken in the above order, beginning at 7:30 p.m., in the Auditorium of the Takoma Park Community Center, 7500 Maple Avenue, Takoma Park, Maryland. All interested persons should attend the hearing and sign up to speak. Written comments may be submitted to [clerk@takomaparkmd.gov](mailto:clerk@takomaparkmd.gov).

## Important City Department Phone Numbers

City Information	301-891-7100
City Clerk	301-891-7267
City Manager	301-891-7229
City TV	301-891-7118
Finance	301-891-7212
Housing & Community Development	301-891-7119
Library	301-891-7259
Police	301-270-1100 / Emergency 911
Public Works	301-891-7633
Recreation/Facilities Rental	301-891-7290



## SCHOOL OF MUSIC

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drupled dry-walled,” Richardson said. “If you don’t have a room that’s treated and someone’s playing drums, it’s quite overwhelming.”

Richardson, who graduated Cum Laude from Howard University with a Bachelor of Arts in piano performance, has played with many world-renowned musicians, including Wayna and Chuck Brown as well as Grammy award winners Mya and Lauryn Hill. But teaching music and opening a school was always a passion.

“I’ve always wanted to have a music school,” Richardson said. “I fell in love with the Takoma Park community and area ... and the community has been really great and embraced us.”

In March 2013, he opened the Richardson School of Music in Takoma Park, and through the years, the school has grown quickly. It now has more than 200 students and 25 faculty members.

And in those five years, the school has given back to the community, partnering with the Takoma Park Summer Youth Employment Program, which provides



Vincent Richardson cuts the ribbon for the expanded space of the Richardson School of Music in June alongside Takoma Park Mayor Kate Stewart.

young people with summer-long learning experiences. “Participants work with us over the summer, primarily with our Summer Music Enrichment Program, Record Label and Artist Management Company,” Richardson said. “We love being a

part of this program.”

The school also keeps things fresh by adding new programs of its own. Last year, the Richardson School started a children’s chorus program. And there are plans to start smaller ensembles like

jazz bands or string ensembles. “This is so kids can come together and use skills they learn in classes in ensemble settings,” Richardson said.

Richardson said the school is also looking into starting a young artist program to help find and nurture talent. He hopes to have management companies come in and talk to emerging artists to give them opportunities that they usually don’t have.

“We are so glad to be a part of the Takoma Park community,” Richardson said. “We look forward to being able to provide more classes, workshops, master classes and ensemble options for semi-professional to professional musicians.”

Registration is still open for the fall sessions, which begin after Labor Day weekend and run until Nov. 4. The school has six sessions each year, four long sessions between fall and spring and two short sessions during the summer. There’s also a rolling admission for private instruction, so students can begin anytime. New classes are offered during each session. To register, visit [www.richardsonschoolof-music.com](http://www.richardsonschoolof-music.com).

## LET'S PLAY AMERICA

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wiped out I ask myself, ‘How can I keep doing this?’”

With the help of the \$5,000 Community Grant Award, Let’s Play America was able to host a series of play events around Takoma Park during the summer and bring a fun time to underserved communities.

“Having the opportunity to bring play to apartment buildings where some children do not have the same opportunities as others made me feel great,” Rumbaugh says. “Volunteers ... had a wonderful



Credit: Selena Malott

*Let’s Play America and the Takoma Park Recreation Department teamed up to host a fun afternoon of indoor play (Seventh Annual Mid-Year Play Day) on Sunday, Feb. 12. Here Pat Rumbaugh, The Play Lady, is joined by the volunteers who helped with the event.*

time playing with residents of all ages.”

As part of its 10th annual Play Day on Sept. 8 at Takoma Park Middle School, Let’s Play America has some extra fun in store, including a game of “Simon Says” led by U.S. Rep. Jamie Raskin and “Hokey Pokey” with Takoma Park Police Chief Antonio B. DeVaul. The Takoma Park Prep Band, Outer Body Llama, King Bullfrog and Takoma Park High School student Anna Grace will all be performing this year. And favorite activities from the past like mud pie making, dress-up and touch-a-truck will be making returns. There are also a few surprises planned.

“Life is way too hectic,” Rumbaugh

says. “People of all ages are rushing from one activity to another ... we all need to take time to play and participate in activities we enjoy, that are self-chosen, help us relax, have fun and socialize with others.”

Let’s Play America is always looking for volunteers for Play Day, and teens can receive eight hours of community service for helping with the event.

Rumbaugh started the first play committee in

March of 2009 to bring more play opportunities to Takoma Park and has since held 22 Play Days for both kids and adults.

“We have closed 25 streets to play [and] held more than 16 play events at playgrounds,” Rumbaugh says.

And Rumbaugh shows no sign of slowing down. The day after Play Day, Sept. 9, Let’s Play America is holding a 60th birthday party for the Play Lady.

“As I turn 60 this month, I am going to give myself playtime every day,” Rumbaugh says. “I have been trying to fit it in, but there is so much that goes on behind the scenes to run a nonprofit.”

For more information on dates and times of events or to volunteer with Let’s Play America, visit [letsplayamerica.org](http://letsplayamerica.org).



Credit: Selena Malott

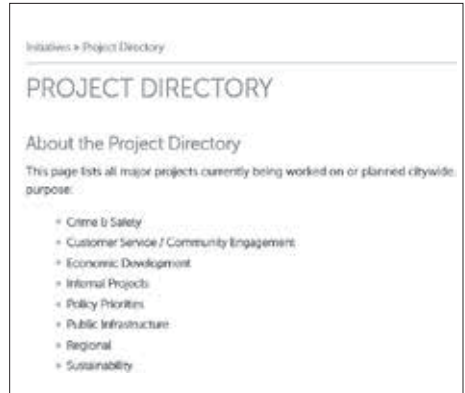
*(Feb. 11, 2018, 8th Annual Mid-Winter Play Day) Budding artist Hadley Edwardson gives her face and body painting skills a spin with Grandma Sue.*

## Using the Takoma Park Project Directory

What is going on in Takoma Park? The Project Directory can fill you in! The Project Directory lists all major projects currently being worked on or planned citywide and includes need-to-know information for each one. [takomaparkmd.gov/initiatives/project-directory](http://takomaparkmd.gov/initiatives/project-directory)

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1. To access the Project Directory from the City of Takoma Park website, on the home page under initiatives, select “Project Directory” as shown above.



2. You’ll be taken to the “Project Directory” page, which lists all major projects being worked on or planned citywide. Projects are grouped by classification based on their purpose.



3. Then click on the name of the project that interests you. In this example, a resident wanted more information about Police Facility Improvements.



Photo: Pat Rumbaugh

*From left, Jacquelin Mendez, Mikencha Bobo and Michelle Morris help create a hopscotch board at Let’s Play 2016.*



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# BUILDING COMMUNITY

## Discouraging neglect and abandonment of properties

It is in the best interest of the City and its residents to discourage abandonment and neglect of properties. Your property values and your safety are both better-protected when there are fewer vacant structures, and the ones around you do not fall into disrepair.

Any home, storefront, multi-family building, or institutional structure that has been unoccupied or unused for 30 days is considered a “vacant property” and must be registered under Takoma Park Municipal Code. There are exceptions to this definition, of course, for properties under renovation or for sale, and a few other cases. If the property has been sold under a tax lien sale or foreclosure, or is in the process of either, the property will need to be registered as a Vacant Distressed Property.

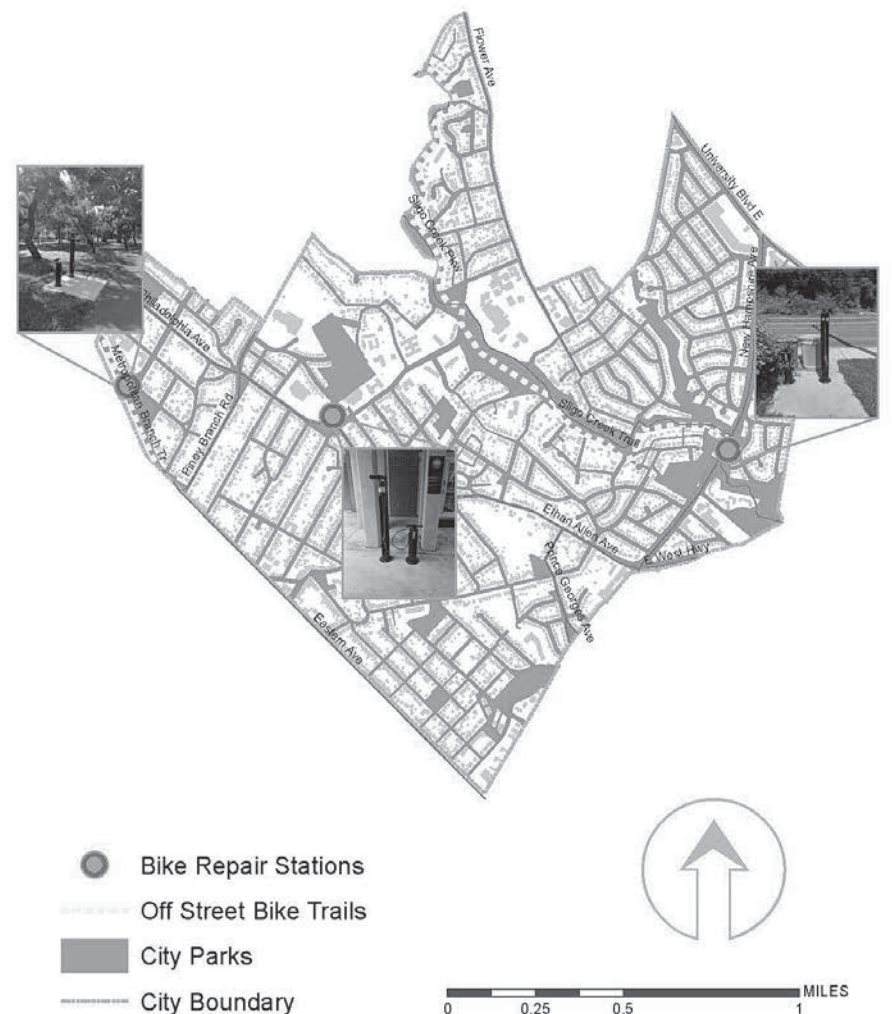
If you are the owner or agent for a

vacant or vacant distressed property in Takoma Park, please visit the Vacant Property Registration page at [takomaparkmd.gov/government/housing-and-community-development/vacant-property-registration](http://takomaparkmd.gov/government/housing-and-community-development/vacant-property-registration) for all the information and forms you need to register.

If there is a vacant home in your neighborhood, please contact Neighborhood Services using MyTKPK ([takomaparkmd.gov/services/my-tkpk](http://takomaparkmd.gov/services/my-tkpk)) or through the Takoma Park Police Department’s non-emergency number (301-270-1100). Our NS staff will monitor the property and ensure the owners maintain it according to City and County Code. If you have questions about whether a property needs to be registered, or the process itself, please contact Housing and Community Development at [housing@takomaparkmd.gov](mailto:housing@takomaparkmd.gov) or 301-891-7119.



## CITY BIKE REPAIR STATIONS



The map shows the location of each station around the City.

## City Bike Repair Stations

Did you know there are three bike repair stations in the City? As part of the City’s Bike-ways program, there are now increased opportunities for bike repair and maintenance for those cycling for leisure or transportation.

The first two bike repair stations installed in 2016 are located downstairs by the police station at the Takoma Park Community Center and on New Hampshire Avenue at the Sligo Creek Trail. These stations have been recently repaired and are ready for use. A new repair station on the Metropolitan Branch Trail was installed in August 2018.

Each repair station has an air pump and stand to hang a bicycle as well as various screwdrivers, wrenches and tire levers for bike repair. Please submit any issues with the stations directly to City staff through MyTkPk at [takomaparkmd.gov/services/my-tkpk](http://takomaparkmd.gov/services/my-tkpk).

## Upcoming Fair Return Petition Workshops

Are you a Takoma Park Landlord? Is your property rent stabilized? Has your income decreased over the years due to increasing operating costs? If so, please join us at one of our upcoming workshops to learn more about how you could increase the income generated by your rental property through the Fair Return Rent Petition process.

Wednesday, Oct. 10, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Wednesday, Dec. 5, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Takoma Park Community Center, Hydrangea Room

7500 Maple Avenue, Takoma Park, MD

Class size is limited, so pre-register now for one of the workshops. Call 301-891-7119 or email ([housing@takomaparkmd.gov](mailto:housing@takomaparkmd.gov)).



## Passport Services

Passport services are available on first come, first served basis Monday through Thursday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Takoma Park Community Center on the second floor. Takoma Park staff encourage calling the City’s main phone number at 301-891-7100 and checking if the office is open before departing for the Community Center for passport services.

For additional information, visit [takomaparkmd.gov/services/passports](http://takomaparkmd.gov/services/passports).



# THE ARTS



Old Main Street, Dubuque, Iowa - Sara Daines

## METROPOLIS Exhibition Examines City Life

**Opening reception  
Sept. 13, 7 p.m.  
Takoma Park Community Center  
7500 Maple Avenue**

As the population in rural areas continues to decline, cities are booming across the United States. Construction cranes dot cityscapes as buildings rise higher along the skyline. City dwellers are confronting both the benefits and challenges of living closely together.

Four artists illustrate those trends in METROPOLIS, a new group exhibition with an opening reception at 7 p.m. on Sept. 13 at the Takoma Park Community Center. The exhibition will be on view until Nov. 4.

Erin Antognoli uses her Holga camera to combine overlapping images in a single frame, conveying a mystical world of dreams or unconscious thoughts. Sara Daines takes photos of murals and street scenes, capturing a slice of city life that often is ignored by passersby.

Benjamin Ross takes a different path by painting large abstract scenes of twisting lines

reminiscent of graffiti and the bold work of Keith Haring and Jean-Michel Basquiat. Kanika Sircar fashions clay sculptures that convey a sense of timelessness, as if these vessels could be relics from a distant past or containers from an unknown future.



Kanika Sircar - Writing on the Wall 4

## Cecily Bumbray shares her songs of love and freedom

**Free concert with \$10  
suggested donation**

**Sept. 28, 7:30 p.m.**

**Takoma Park Community Center  
Auditorium**

**7500 Maple Avenue**

Cecily Bumbray was immersed in music from an early age by her father, who loves Miles Davis, and her mother, who adores Smokey Robinson, along with their vast record collection spanning R&B, jazz, soul and the blues.

After growing up in Washington, D.C., Cecily considered a career in international development, but she became disillusioned about her ability to help solve some of the crises around the globe. "I realized I didn't have the answer to end world poverty, but I did have my voice," she says. "Being on stage made me feel like I had purpose and could make a difference in people's lives through music."

Known for her sweet soprano and honest lyrics, Cecily brings her own vulnerability and life experiences to her music. On Sept. 28 at the Takoma Park Community Center, Cecily will sing some original songs from her first full album titled *Songs of Love and Freedom* that was released this year just before she turned 28 years old.

"This album was inspired by my spiritual journey over the last few years, learning to love myself, be present, grow, and find joy and hope," she says.

Cecily also has performed at the legendary Blues Alley as well as the Ken-



Cecily Bumbray

nedy Center, The Hamilton, Howard Theater and the Bethesda Blues & Jazz Supper Club. She also is a vocal artist-in-residence at the Strathmore arts venue. In 2017, she and her band were invited by the U.S. Embassy in Colombia to perform at the Mompox Jazz Festival in Mompox, a northern Columbia town that has preserved its historic colonial architecture.

"I'd never been to South America before, so I was truly excited, but I was a little nervous," she says. "I don't speak Spanish or perform Latin music, so I wasn't sure how the crowd would receive us, but it was one of the most amazing times I've ever experienced on stage."

## Music, Theater, and More!

All events in the *We Are Takoma* series are free and are held in the Takoma Park Community Center at 7500 Maple Avenue, with a \$10 suggested donation for concerts and theater performances. You can find more info on the City of Takoma Park's Facebook events page or at [www.takomaparkmd.gov/arts](http://www.takomaparkmd.gov/arts).

**Sept. 6 at 7:30 p.m.** – Conservation photographer Mark Hendricks will present *Picturing the Chesapeake*, a journey through the diverse habitats of the Chesapeake Bay watershed. He will share his photos and the history of the bay through a mix of science, personal stories, and humor.

**Sept. 13 at 7:30 p.m.** – At Vintage Movie Night, local filmmaker Richard Hall will present a series of classroom films about the U.S. Constitution and American government.

**Sept. 20 at 7:30 p.m.** – Local poets will read their original work at the Third Thursday Poetry Reading, including Patricia Gray, Ashira Malka, and Ann Quinn. A reception will follow the reading.

**Sept. 21 at 7:30 p.m.** – Patricio Zamorano and his band will perform a unique blend of Latino music in "Through the Wall: Trova Music and Soul from the Southern Cone."

**Sept. 22 at 1 p.m.** – White House Studios will present a Caribbean folk tale through cultural dance, music and theater to celebrate West African and Caribbean folk tale traditions.





## TOTS

### DANCE



#### Pre Ballet

Pre Ballet for ages 3–4 emphasizes learning basic ballet vocabulary, movement patterns and musicality in a creative movement. By introducing students to the basic shapes, positions, postures and traditions of classical ballet, the Pre-Ballet curriculum enhances both cognitive and physical development at this important time. Instructor: Edurama

Takoma Park Community Center  
Dance Studio  
7500 Maple Avenue  
3–4 years  
8 Week Session  
Sundays, September 9–October 28  
3–3:45 p.m.  
Resident: \$85 / Non-resident: \$95

### DROP-IN

#### Community Playtime

Enjoy open playtime, read stories, work on craft projects, enjoy the playground and socialize. Organizers will provide toys, craft supplies, story time and snacks. Visit [www.takomaplaytime.org](http://www.takomaplaytime.org) for more information. This is a drop-in program; no registration is required.

Heffner Park Community Center  
42 Oswego Avenue  
Newborn–5 years  
Ongoing  
**English:** Mondays, starting September 10  
**Spanish:** Fridays, starting September 14  
10 a.m. –12 p.m.  
Free

## YOUTH

### ART

#### Clay for Kids

In this class, children will work on a variety of techniques (coil, pinch and slab work) to create one-of-a-kind sculptures and vessels out of clay. Caregiver participation required for children ages 4–5. There is a \$15 materials fee (per child) due to the instructor on the first day of class. Instructor: Caroline Mackinnon

Takoma Park Community Center  
Art Studio  
7500 Maple Avenue  
4–13 years  
6 Week Sessions  
**Mondays:** September 17–October 22  
**Wednesdays:** September 12–October 24  
(No class 9/19)  
Resident: \$130 / Non-resident: \$150

#### Drink Juice & Paint for Kids

Students will create the secret of painting floating flowers, animals, designs, names and more on plastic reusable water glasses. Instructor: Rain Young

Takoma Park Community Center  
Art Studio  
7500 Maple Avenue  
6–11 years  
8 Week Session

Saturdays: September 15–November 17  
(No class 10/13 & 10/27)  
10:30–11:30 a.m.  
Resident: \$70 / Non-resident: \$80



### DANCE

#### Introduction to Contemporary Dance

Dive into the world of creative dance in this entry level contemporary dance class, taking inspiration from different genres of dance to create student-inspired dance pieces that build creativity, ability, imagination and skills. For children already in love with movement or those wanting to try it out, this safe, diverse and fun approach to dancing is good for the body, heart and mind of any child with a desire to move. Instructor: Beth Mwano

Takoma Park Community Center  
Dance Studio  
7500 Maple Avenue  
8–12 years  
Sundays, September 9–October 28  
1–2 p.m.  
8 week session  
Resident: \$85 / Non-resident: \$95

#### Pre Ballet

Pre Ballet for ages 5–6 emphasizes learning basic ballet vocabulary, movement patterns and musicality in a creative movement. By introducing students to the basic shapes, positions, postures & traditions of classical ballet, the Pre-Ballet curriculum enhanced both cognitive and physical development at this important time. Instructor: Edurama

Takoma Park Community Center  
Dance Studio  
7500 Maple Avenue  
5–6 years  
8 Week Session  
Sundays, September 9–October 28  
4–4:45 p.m.  
Resident: \$85 / Non-resident: \$95

### DRAMA & THEATER

#### On Stage Scene Study

In this class, students focus on building believable characters and connections using scenes from plays and films as performance material. Class is comprised of acting exercises/warmups and application of acting theory to scenes. Instructor: Gretchen Weigel

Takoma Park Community Center  
Auditorium  
7500 Maple Avenue  
11–16 years  
8 Week Session  
Mondays, September 17–November 5  
4–5:30 p.m.  
Resident: \$168 / Non-resident: \$188

### MARTIAL ARTS

#### Kung Fu for Kids

Bungo Fu, the Jamaican style of Kung Fu! Come learn meditation, self-defense, improved flexibility and self-awareness! This ancient

form of self-defense provides physical and mental exercise which could help the students defend themselves by strengthening hand and eye coordination. There is a one-time, non-refundable fee of \$50 paid to the instructor at the first class for a uniform. Instructor: Master Robert Thompson

Takoma Park Community Center  
Dance Studio  
7500 Maple Avenue  
4–16 years  
9 Week Session  
Saturdays, September 8–November 10  
**Beginners:** 10:15–11:15 a.m.  
**Advanced:** 11:15 a.m. –12:15 p.m.  
Resident: \$129 / Non-resident: \$149

#### Taekwondo

Taekwondo is not only a combat sport, but it is also a way of life for enthusiasts around the globe. Students will develop discipline by thoroughly training your body and mind in the tenets and techniques of Taekwondo. Taekwondo emphasizes kicking techniques and is a fun way to achieve fitness and focus. There is a one-time, non-refundable \$40 uniform fee paid to the instructor at the first class. Instructor: Felix Lindeire

Takoma Park Community Center  
Dance Studio  
7500 Maple Avenue  
6 years and older  
12 Week Session  
Mondays, September 10–December 3  
(No Class 11/12)  
6–7 p.m.  
Resident: \$165 / Non-resident: \$185

## SPORTS



### FUTSAL & WINTER BASKETBALL LEAGUE

Registration opens up 10/17 for City Residents and 10/24 for Non-residents, so mark your calendars! See our Fall City Guide for more information.



## TEENS

### ART

#### Photography 101

We are constantly taking photos, but they don't come out the way we imagined. In this class, learn the intros to photography as an art form that can help you step up your photography game. The class will cover the following topics: shooting manual on your DSLR, rules of composition, portrait photography, object photography, landscape photography, posing 101, editing your photos, using natural light vs. non-natural light and turning your phone into a camera. Instructor: Vinny Mwano

Takoma Park Community Center  
Multi Media Lab  
7500 Maple Avenue  
12–17 years

8 Week Session  
Tuesdays, September 11–October 30  
6–7 p.m.  
Resident: \$75 / Non-resident: \$85

### DROP-IN

#### Teen Lounge

This special room is for teens only (middle school and high school students). You are welcome to watch two 50-inch and one 70-inch LED SMART TVs. We also have X-Box One and Wii Games, workstations, board games and comfy sitting areas for socializing with friends. Come join us after school for fun and laughs and on special events for an amazing time.

Takoma Park Community Center  
Teen Lounge  
7500 Maple Avenue  
Grades 6–12  
Ongoing  
Monday–Friday  
3–7 p.m.  
Saturday and Sunday: Closed  
Free

#### Power Hour

Take advantage of our homework power hour focusing on academic support. We are the perfect balance of academics and fun. Students are given quiet time to complete homework or to read. Staff is available to assist and can review completed assignments. Upon completion of work, students are given snacks and invited to lounge, play games, and/or participate in activities. Registration is not required.

Takoma Park Community Center  
Teen Lounge  
7500 Maple Avenue  
Grades 6–12  
Ongoing  
Monday–Thursday, Starting September 10  
3:30–4:30 p.m.  
Free

#### Xpression Tuesdays

Allow your imagination and creative juices to come alive on Tuesdays in the Teen Lounge. Join the Teen Division Staff as you express yourself through art. Create pieces that you can take home or give as gifts. We are always looking for more ways to create and express ourselves.

Takoma Park Community Center  
Teen Lounge  
7500 Maple Avenue  
Grades 6–12  
Tuesdays, Starting September 11  
4:30–5:30 p.m.

## EDUCATION & DEVELOPMENT

#### First of Many

There's something special about being the first, especially being the first in your family to attend and graduate from college. First of Many is a series of informative workshops to help you discover and take advantage of the possibilities offered for first-generation students. Get answers to your questions about college and receive guidance on the road to applying and getting the most out of college.

Takoma Park Community Center  
Rose Room  
7500 Maple Avenue  
Grades 6–12  
Thursdays, September 20–November 15  
4–5 p.m.  
Free

### FITNESS

#### Hip Hop Yoga

This after school program is a fun and structured way to reduce stress and promote body positivity of 6th through 8th grade students.



All-day fun for the whole family. Free!



# TAKOMA PARK FOLK FESTIVAL

Enjoy music and dance on six stages, special activities for kids, a juried craft show, community tables and international food.

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2018**

10:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. — Rain or shine  
Takoma Park Middle School  
7611 Piney Branch Road, Takoma Park, Md.

## Welcome to the 40th Takoma Park Folk Festival!

We're so excited to share this year's program with you. It is a cross-cultural mix of some of the best music from across our region. On our six stages are performers who will be representing several continents and hundreds of years of cultural traditions, but reaching each of us with emotions, humor and insights about our world today.

Settle in at your favorite stage, or visit multiple stages throughout the day. There is so much to see and such variety! Be sure to enjoy our international food vendors, community tables, and the craft show (now located indoors, in the main gym).

For those looking to take a peek at the future, check out our Grassy Nook Stage. All of the performers are youth or young adults, and their talent will leave you amazed. In addition, there is a kids' games area near it for Festival-goers seeking a shady refuge for their children.

There are many people to thank for making the Festival possible, and we've tried to list them all in this program. However, we especially want to thank the City of Takoma Park and our other sponsors for generous financial and in-kind support.

You can show your support in many ways, too. Purchase a T-shirt or hat. Donate when you see our Bucket Brigade. Show our performers, vendors and exhibitors plenty of love. And, of course, stay all day and tell everyone about the Festival on social media.

Most importantly, if you love the Festival as much as we do, please help us sustain it for another 40 years. We need nonprofit groups to volunteer, and we need individuals on our planning committee, so please leave your contact information at the information booth.

Thanks for joining us today!

—Alex Engel and Robin Stearn, Co-Chairs



**CRAFTS – NOW INSIDE**

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# TAKOMA PARK FOLK FESTIVAL

## Our Mission and Commitment

The Takoma Park Folk Festival was started in 1978 by Sam Abbott as a fundraiser to save the Takoma Theatre. In the second year, the Festival raised awareness to stop construction of a highway that would have sliced through our community. We keep the spirit of activism alive today by working closely with Beneficiary Groups that serve local youth. Members of these organizations form the core of our 150-plus on-site volunteers each year. In return, our donations support their activities. Our singers, musicians and dancers live by the same spirit. In addition to inspiring us with their creativity, and they make this event possible by performing for free every year. Finally, the Festival would not happen without the contributions of the entire community. To our individual volunteers and the staffs of the City of Takoma Park and Takoma Park Middle School, we say thank you.

— The Festival Committee

## SPONSORS

The Festival would not be possible without the support of these organizations.



On-site parking only for those with handicap permits.

Free shuttles from Takoma Metro and Montgomery College's East Garage, 7730 Fenton Street, Silver Spring, Md. (entrance on King Street). Shuttles will run from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Festival day.

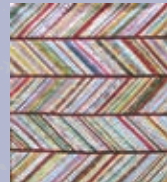


## Festival Highlights

- The juried **Craft Show** has moved to a new location in the main gym inside the school. Get out of the heat and meet artists and artisans who make fine arts, pottery, jewelry, photography, soaps, clothing and more. And try weaving on our **community loom**!
- **Community Tables** are all around the Festival site. Participating organizations from across our community are eager to share information with you.
- If you come with little visitors, don't forget the **Kids' Games** organized by the Girl Scouts near the Grassy Nook Stage.
- Hungry? Check out the list of **Food Vendors** and enjoy our Picnic Area next to the school, near the Grove Stage. (Note that we are trying to reduce our waste with biodegradable plates, cups and utensils, and composting trash bins.)

### Festival History

Check out Festival history, memorabilia, and more in an exhibit at **Historic Takoma, 7328 Carroll Avenue.**



## JURIED CRAFT S

The craft show is located in the main gym, inside the school. Artisans' con

### CLAY

#### Christine Goh

*Clay Elements*

Hand-crafted artful and functional pottery

**Lorraine Aldridge-Ei, Christine Fortin, Peter Holden, Amy Karlsson, Lola Skolnik, Debra Suarez, Vejune Svoltis**

*Greenbelt Pottery Group*

Wheel-thrown and hand-built functional and whimsical pottery

#### Echo Lipten

Functional slab-formed pottery with watercolor painting and simple glaze

#### Toby Rivkin

*Strange Kitchen*

Functional clay ware and toys

#### Lynn Topp

*Moonlight Pottery*

Handmade one-of-a-kind pottery

#### Susan Woollen

*Northern Lights Pottery*

Hand-built, hand-decorated functional and decorative rustic pottery inspired by pottery of ages past

### FIBER

#### Jennifer Alexander

*Great Ape!*

Handsewn sock primates

#### Robin Anderson

*Telixon Delights*

Crocheted shawlettes, wraps, cloaks and crocheted whimsical toys

#### Ilse Daehler

*I Sew Totes*

Quilts, wallhangings, tote bags, table runners, placemats, potholders, coasters and eyeglass cases

#### Sharon G. Elstein

*CreateTricks, LLC*

Handmade fabric bags, including knitting/crochet project bags, cosmetic and gift bags and string backpacks

#### Clydelle Griffin

*Handmade Especially for You*

Handmade women's and children's clothing and accessories

#### Sandra McKinnon

*Nzinga Dolls & Gifts*

Whimsical button dolls, folk-art dolls, seasonal dolls and embroidered wall hangings and small lap quilts

#### Lori Rolston and Belinda Raminhos

*Serenity Fiber Artists*

Handwoven and hand-knit accessories, both personal and decorative

#### Martina Sestakova

*Radost, LLC*

Hand-crafted scarves and pillows using original painting and photography

#### Maria Stroffolino

*BriteCloth Tie Dye*

Tie-dye clothing and accessories for all ages

#### Dawn Thorp

*Treasured Boxes*

Fabric-covered boxes for sewing, jewelry, special treasures

#### Loretta Waldron

*Fabric Friends and More LLC*

Soft stuffed animals and dolls

#### Rebecca Williams

Colorful patchwork textile

accessories, eyeglass cases, purses and wallets, silk scarves, one-of-a-kind small art quilts and ornaments

## FINE ART/PRINTS

#### Michelle Bailey

*Michelle Bailey Creative LLC*

Original paintings, prints, note cards T-shirts and other fine art gifts often featuring local scenes and people

#### Leda Black

*Female Power Project*

Digital prints and cards with graphics and text about particular women and their powers

#### Trish Doty

*Trish Doty: Brush, Water & Color*

Watercolor paintings, both original and prints, including framed miniatures



# COMMUNITY TABLES

Visit with these organizations and others that are making our community a special place to live. See the complete list at the Information Booth.

<b>American Councils for International Education</b>	<b>God Glorified Church of God In Christ</b>	<b>School</b>
<b>Am Kolel Inc./Jewish Renewal Community</b>	<b>Green Party of Montgomery County</b>	<b>Takoma Park Emergency Preparedness Committee</b>
<b>Citizens for Sheriff Jae Huang</b>	<b>Jews and Allies United to End Anti-Semitism</b>	<b>Takoma Park Housing &amp; Community Development Department</b>
<b>Community Health and Empowerment through Education and Research (CHEER)</b>	<b>MACHAR, the Washington Congregation for Secular Humanistic Judaism</b>	<b>Takoma Park Mobilization: Environment Committee</b>
<b>Conservation Montgomery</b>	<b>Marc Elrich for County Executive</b>	<b>Takoma Park Police Department</b>
<b>Democratic Socialists of America Montgomery County Branch</b>	<b>Montgomery County Board of Elections</b>	<b>Takoma Park Public Works/ Sustainability</b>
<b>Difference Makers</b>	<b>Montgomery Symphony Orchestra</b>	<b>Takoma Park Recreation Department</b>
<b>Dining for Women</b>	<b>Peace Action Montgomery</b>	<b>Takoma Park Republicans</b>
<b>Docs In Progress</b>	<b>Progressive Neighbors</b>	<b>Takoma Park Volunteer Fire Department</b>
<b>Falun Dafa Association of Washington, D.C.</b>	<b>Renters Alliance</b>	<b>Winnie Obike for State Delegate</b>
<b>Friends of Felicia Folarin</b>	<b>Takoma Park Arts and Humanities Commission</b>	<b>World Dance Theater</b>
<b>Friends of Julie Reiley</b>	<b>Takoma Park Community Band</b>	<b>. . . and more</b>
<b>Girl Scout Troop 1273</b>	<b>Takoma Park Cooperative Nursery</b>	



# FOOD

**No festival is complete without great food!** All food vendors are located at the front of the school, and we have a shaded Picnic Area near the Grove Stage for you to eat in outdoor comfort.

**BEN AND JERRY'S**  
Ice cream

**CAP MAC**  
Macaroni and cheese, with variations

**CEREMONY COFFEE**  
Cold-brewed coffee, multiple variations

**CHARLIE'S EMPANADAS**  
Empanadas

**CHEF HOGATE**  
Beef kabob, chicken teriyaki, fried rice, lo mein, egg rolls, fried plantain, various tropical juices and coconut juice

**DELIGHTS OF THE GARDEN**  
Veggie burger, veggie burrito wrap, curry vegetables with rice, raw food platter, lemonade

**EL POLLO SUBMARINE**  
Salvadoran chicken sub, rice and beans, tostada, pupusa taco, yuca fries, horchata, tamarindo

**HARDY'S BBQ FOOD TRUCK**  
Sandwiches: pulled pork, pulled chicken, beef brisket, ribs, sides

**KITCHEN HOUSE BY CHEF STATION**  
Grilled chicken on a stick, vegetable lo mein, egg rolls, corn on the cob, and more

**NITTAYA'S GRILL**  
Chicken teriyaki, fish sandwich, spring roll, lo mein, fried rice, soda, water, tea

**SHERRI'S CRAB CAKES**  
Crab cake sandwich, platter, crab soup

**SUYA TO GO**  
African jerk chicken, Nigerian chicken kabobs, spinach stew, jollof rice, plantains, cabbage

**TK GRILL**  
Chicken teriyaki, egg roll, veggie noodles, veggie fried rice

**YUMMY FOOD CORNER & GRILL**  
Chicken yakitori, pad Thai, fried rice, yaki sons, spring rolls, corn dogs, smoothies, Thai tea, lemonade



# PLEASE!

**To make everyone's day at the Festival joyful and safe, we ask that you follow a few rules:**

- No food or beverages inside the school. Enjoy our shaded picnic area near the Grove Stage.
- Please don't talk loudly or make phone calls during performances.
- Performers have asked that they not be videotaped or recorded without their permission.
- No pets. Only service dogs are permitted on school grounds.
- No smoking on school grounds. It's the law!
- Help us clean up. If you can stay for a few minutes after 6 p.m. to help us clear the site, that's even better! Report to the volunteer check-in table.

**Composting and Recycling**  
We're getting greener! We have placed trash bins for recycling and composting at several locations on the Festival site. Please ask our volunteers for help putting your compostables, recyclables and trash in the right containers.

# SHOW AND SALE

contact information is at TPFF.org.

## JEWELRY

**Kathryn Aikin**  
*Lincoln Street Design*  
Jewelry using recycled materials such as copper, steel, silver, brass, glass, found objects, natural semi-precious gemstones and antique portraits

**Jan Baird-Adams**  
*Out of Chaos*  
Sterling silver and beaded jewelry featuring beads from Ghana and Kenya

**Ruth Beer Bletzinger**  
*RuthieLine Jewelry Designs*  
Unique jewelry in sterling silver, copper and stones

**Nancy Kahn DeMulder**  
*By JewelArtist*  
Original jewelry designs handcrafted in sterling silver and/or 14-kt gold using gemstones, pearls, fossils and beads

**Lucionne "Shawnnee" Holmberg**  
*Shabana*  
Origami and Kumihimo (Japanese braiding) jewelry; peace crane ornaments

**Roz Jacobs**  
*Rozzie Jewelry*  
Handcrafted jewelry for women, men and children, made with semi-precious gemstones, freshwater pearls, crystals, sterling silver and vermeil

**Kathrynn McDonald**  
*Finneran Jewelry*  
Upcycled cute, witty, and eclectic jewelry made from tin, aged metal, vintage glass and plastic beads

**Elsa Spezio**  
*Jewelry by Elsa*  
Handmade jewelry in sterling silver, copper and gold-fill, often incorporating lampwork glass and semiprecious stones

## MIXED MEDIA

**Svetlana Durkovic**  
*Rozart Design*  
Welded and hand cut steel sculptures

**Sharon Huang**  
*Rarer LLC*  
One-of-a-kind furnishings using repurposed, recreated or revived vintage pieces making old into new

**Steven Robinson**  
*Alan Edits LLC*  
Contoured 3-D paper objects, such as reptiles, crustaceans, and flowers using original photographs and embellished with glass and minerals

## OTHER

**Edward Allan Faine**  
*FaineBooks.com*  
Author and publisher of books for children and grownups

**Percy Medina**  
*Gourd Art*  
Hand-carved, -burned and -decorated gourds

## SOAP/BODY CARE ITEMS

**Michelle Burns**  
*Mystic Water Soap*  
Artisan soaps, shaving soap, beard/ mustache care, shampoo, massage oils and other natural body-care items

**Angela Jones**  
*Belle's Acres*  
Handmade goatmilk soap, lotion and skincare

## SPECIALTY FOODS








**Jim Fraser**  
*Maryland Honey Company Inc.*  
Local honey


**Cheryl Sloan**  
*Cheryl's Kitchen*  
Maple-frosted English walnuts, pecans, cashews and simple trail mix without frosting



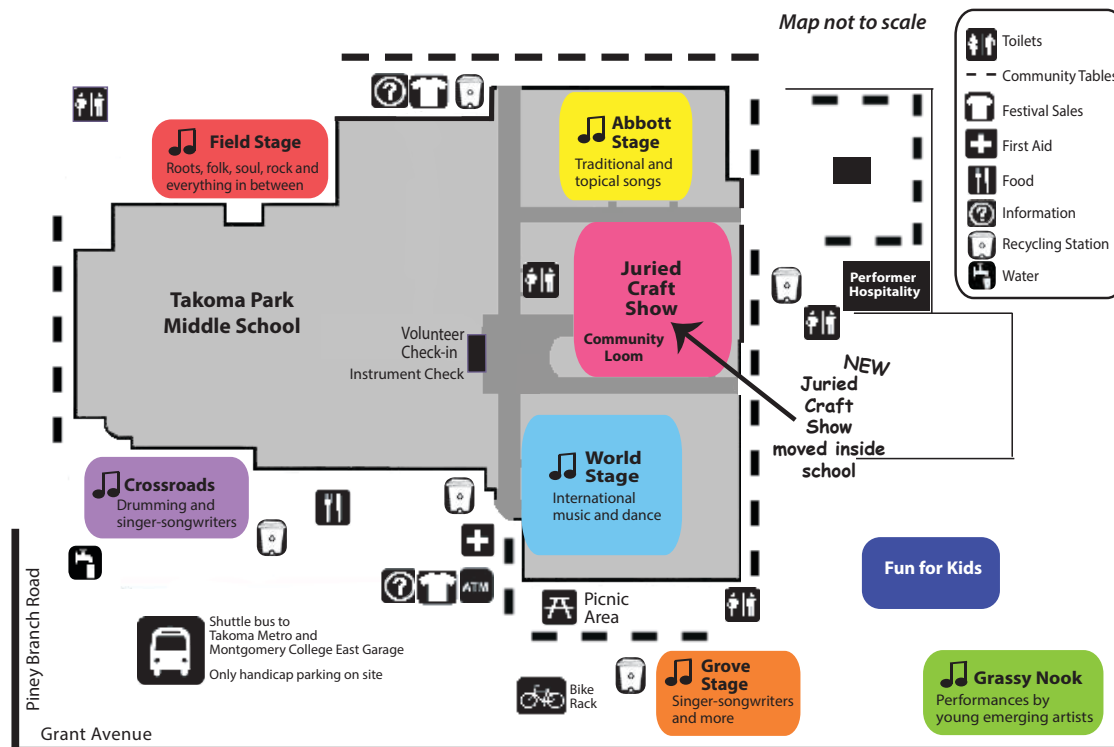
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Stage	Abbott	Crossroads	Field	Grassy Nook	Grove	World
Sponsors	 Folklore Society of Greater Washington	 STRATHMORE The Math Learning Center	 THE CLARICE	 Adventist HealthCare Washington Adventist Hospital	 SAW  focus	 Tonal Park Recording, Mixing and Mastering
10:30	D.C. Labor Chorus will lead a singing procession around the Festival site					
11-12	<b>Beatrice Lehman</b> Traditional folk ballads and Appalachian songs	<b>Drum Circle with Stream</b> Rhythm in the round—everyone can play!	<b>Karen Jonas</b> Americana steeped in clever story-telling	<b>Emerging Talent Showcase</b>	<b>Annette Wasilik and Siobhan O'Brien</b> A commingling of traditional and contemporary songs from the heart	<b>Djanggalaya</b> D.C.-area musicians celebrating the music of Django Reinhardt and gypsy jazz
12-1	<b>11:30 Potomac Revelers</b> Rousing old-time songs and tunes from Bruce Hutton (who played at the second to fourth TPFs), Chris Romaine, and Bill Mansfield	<b>Calista Garcia</b> Folk/rock/blues singer-songwriter	<b>12:10 Surreal Nation</b> Masterful blend of indie and dream-pop	<b>11:00 Next Generation</b> Here they come!	<b>The Darkest Timeline</b> Naively hopeful, melancholy laments about love, murder and death in space	<b>Bele Bele Rhythm Collective</b> An intergenerational sisterhood of the West African drum
	<b>12:30 Luci Murphy &amp; Friends</b> Songs for peace and justice from Luci Murphy (who sang at the first and fourth TPFs), with Steve & Peter Jones and Pam Parker	<b>12:45 Camille Miller</b> Pop-rock singer-songwriter	<b>1:20 Leo and Cygnus</b> An indie-fusion collective blending their passions in music & art to create an ethereal sound & look all their own	<b>11:20 Mara Yaffee</b> Gorgeous vocals		
				<b>11:40 Matthew Carter</b> Duke of the Uke!		
1-2	<b>1:30 Joe Uehlein &amp; Friends</b> A musical tribute to two champions of the labor movement and social and economic justice: Hazel Dickens and Paul Booth	<b>1:30 Cynthia Marie</b> Jazz-folk pianist and singer-songwriter	<b>2:30 Sonic Spell</b> The emotion of jazz and blues with the ferocity of funk and rock: emotionally charged lyrics meet steadfast grooves	<b>12:00 Quiet Storm</b> Folk, Americana	<b>Tony Denikos</b> Modern Americana with deep roots	<b>Lilt</b> Irish traditional music and dance from this acclaimed duo: boundless energy, wildness and haunting melancholy
2-3		<b>Tavor</b> Folk and dirty-blues singer-songwriter	<b>3:40 ilyAIMY</b> Percussive, harmonious rock folk from award-winning songwriters	<b>12:20 Knock on Wood Tappers</b> Dance!		
3-4	<b>Pete Kraemer</b> Traditional songs, ballads, and blues the old-time way	<b>2:30 Homestead Collective</b> Intricate music and profound stories	<b>4:50 Sons of God</b> A soulful traditional gospel group with a twist of contemporary flavor	<b>12:40 Ukes on the Move</b> Make way!	<b>Jeff Smith and the Human Wilderness String Band</b> Songs and stories in a funky, country blues stomp	<b>Rumisonko</b> Traditional/fusion music from the Andes Mountains of Bolivia, by a group that played at the first four TPFs
4-5	<b>Wicked Olde</b> Eclectic mix of American roots music, bluegrass, and Celtic jigs and reels that'll blow your socks off	<b>Wicked Sycamore</b> Female acoustic folk-rock trio		<b>Emily Mitchell</b> Singer-songwriter performing originals and covers	<b>Eli Lev and The Fortunes Found</b> Neo-folk-rock at its finest, featuring storytelling at its purest	<b>Washington's Spelmanslag</b> Musicians who love to play traditional Swedish folk music
5-6	<b>Little Bit A Blues (Warner Williams, Jay Summerour &amp; Eric Selby)</b> Award-winning Piedmont-style blues	<b>Drifting Spirits</b> Native flutes, cello, worldly percussion		<b>1:30 Gabrielle Zwi</b> Singer-songwriter with a ukulele and a fresh perspective	<b>Crooks and Crows</b> Original toe-tappin', wig-splittin' progressive honky-tonk	<b>Karpouzi Trio</b> Mesmerizingly beautiful traditional music from Greece & Asia Minor
				<b>Open Mic</b> Jack and Max Ransi (ages 10 and 15) sing folk and rock, and host an open mic—Sign up early at the stage!	<b>Conor and The Wild Hunt</b> Soulful original songs with modern takes on Americana traditions	<b>Trifilio Tango Trio</b> Brand-new tangos from D.C. and Argentina: passionate, soulful, and virtuosic

 Select performances will be interpreted in sign language

8/20/18



## Stage Folks

### Abbott Stage

Coordinators: Fred Stollnitz, Grace Kraemer  
MCs: Grace Kraemer, Mary Cliff  
Stage Manager: Charlie Baum  
Sound Engineer: Jesse Stern

### Crossroads Stage

Coordinators: Mark Sylvester, Cynthia Marie  
MCs: Mark Sylvester, Cynthia Marie  
Stage Managers: Mark Sylvester, Cynthia Marie  
Sound Engineer: Art Isaacs

### Field Stage

Coordinators: Derek Hill, Julie Nassif  
MCs: Joey Jenkins  
Stage Manager: Artem Bank  
Sound Engineer: Andrew Roberts of Potomac Sound  
Drum kit provided by Joey Jenkins

### Grassy Nook Stage

Coordinators: Wendy Lanxner, Marika Partridge  
MC: Robin Porter  
Stage Managers: Wendy Lanxner, Marika Partridge  
Sound Engineer: Jonathan Chary

### Grove Stage

Coordinators: Richard Weil, Susie Markland  
MC: Steve Gnadt  
Stage Manager: Dave Godbey  
Sound Engineer: Frank Kayser

### World Stage

Coordinators: Roger Strouse, Manuel Vera  
MCs: Pam Larson, Deborah Thornton  
Stage Manager: Roger Strouse  
Sound Engineer: Trevor Higgins of Potomac Sound

Information in this brochure is correct as of August 26; subject to change.

### City of Takoma Park

Mayor Kate Stewart  
City Councilmembers: Peter Kovar (Ward 1), Talisha Searcy (Ward 6), Kacy Kostiuik (Ward 3), Cindy Dyballa (Ward 2), Terry J. Seamens (Ward 4), Jarrett Smith (Ward 5)  
Erin Kelley, Grants Coordinator  
Jessie Carpenter, City Clerk  
Troy Fingal, Public Works  
Captain T. Collington, Police  
Alvaro Calabia, City TV  
John Webster, Recreation  
Apryl Motley and Matt Danielson, City Newsletter and Festival insert

### Montgomery County

Montgomery County Use of Public Facilities Office  
Montgomery County Volunteer Center  
Montgomery County Public Schools Student Service Learning  
Montgomery County Silver Spring Regional Service Center  
Takoma Park Middle School  
Takoma Park Elementary School

## Organizing Folks

**TPFF Board of Directors:** Roger Strouse, Treasurer; Chris Mayfield, Secretary; Kevin Adler, Director; Sarah Lanning, Director

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**Logo design:** Debbie Witt. **T-shirt Design:** Julie Silverman. T-shirts and hats from DC Shirt and Print.

### SIGN-LANGUAGE INTERPRETATION

 Volunteer interpreters are provided by Capital Sign Language (capitalsignlanguage.com) and First Chair Interpreted Productions (Facebook or 202-270-4214) at no cost. We extend our appreciation to CSL's Judi Rockhill and FCIP's Kevin Dyels for coordinating this service, as well as to each interpreter participating in the Festival this year.

### RAIN PLAN

If performances must be moved indoors because of rain, the stages will shift as follows:  
**ABBOTT STAGE** remains in the Auxiliary Gym  
**CROSSROADS STAGE** moves to Room 116  
**FIELD STAGE** moves to Room 122  
**GRASSY NOOK STAGE** moves to Room 102  
**GROVE STAGE** moves to Room 106  
**WORLD STAGE** remains in the Cafetorium



RECREATION
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Each session targets physical strength and emotional stability through age appropriate yoga poses, guided discussions, breathing techniques and meditation. (No experience needed) Instructor: Khepera Wellness
Takoma Middle School
7611 Piney Branch Road
Grades 6–8
8 Week Session
Tuesdays & Thursdays
September 24-November 19
3:15–4:30 p.m.
Resident: Free / Non-Resident: \$15

SPECIAL EVENTS & TRIPS

Gaver Farm Trip
It's a half day of school, so why not have a little fun? Join us as we head out to Gaver Farm to pick your own pumpkin. Gaver Farm's Harvest Mania has a corn maze and more than 55 farm attractions. We'll take a hayride to pick your own pumpkins and apples. The farm's market is also full of pumpkins, apples, mums, fall decor, cider, straw, corn stalks and squash. Also who doesn't love apple cider donuts? Space is limited, so register today!
Takoma Park Community Center
Teen Lounge
7500 Maple Avenue
Grades 6–12
Friday, October 5
1–6 p.m.
Free

Glow Back 2 School Blowout
School is back in session, and we're excited! Come celebrate and start this new school year off right. This is one end of the summer party you don't want to miss! We will have food, backpack giveaways, free haircuts, etc. Please dress appropriately. Try to wear white or neon colors. Enjoy the DJ, raffles and refreshments. Everything is free!
Takoma Park Recreation Center
7315 New Hampshire Avenue
Grades 6–12
Friday, September 14
6–9 p.m.
Free

Smashing Smoothie and Movie Wrap Night
Round up your friends and join us as we enjoy smoothies while watching movies. After the movie, teens will participate in a discussion designed to stimulate positive and informative conversation to assist in developing respect for themselves and others. A raffle will be drawn at the end of the discussion. This free program is offered every first and third Friday of the month.
Takoma Park Community Center
Teen Lounge
7500 Maple Avenue
Grades 6–12
Friday, September 21
5–7 p.m.
Free

ADULTS

DANCE
Mindful Movement
What happens when you combine meditation, dance and yoga together? Mindful Movement! This class is for dancers and non-dancers alike. Using creative movement and principles from different dance styles, we will explore and observe, through sensing and moving, our mind-and-body connection. Expect free dancing, some technical elements of dance, (e.g. African, Jazz, Contemporary, Modern) breathing techniques, meditative stretching, lots of insight and fun! Whether you want to view your body with more compassion and understanding, learn to properly stretch and tone, or gain dancing insight and creativity, this class is for you. Instructor: Beth Mwano

Takoma Park Community Center
Dance Studio
16 years and older
6 Week Session
Saturdays, September 8-October 20
12:45–2 p.m.
Resident: \$85 / Non-resident: \$95

DRAMA & THEATER
Acting & Audition Technique for the Stage
Would you like to act in a play? Learning to audition is the first step, and this class will prepare you with the tools you'll need, including an effective audition monologue. You will learn the fundamentals of acting

Instructors needed
(to teach Grades 6–12)
Seasonal, Year Round, Flexible,
Afternoon/Evening Preferred
The Teen Program is seeking instructors to facilitate a variety of classes for Grades 6–12. Current instruction is needed for Drama, SAT Prep, STEAM, Job Training, Dance, Art, etc.

and stage technique, script analysis and character development that will heighten the performance of your piece. In addition, the class will cover the other essential audition tools: pictures and resumes, techniques for cold-readings, and strategies for scene callbacks. The class will culminate with a performance of the monologues in a final public presentation. Instructor: W. Allen Taylor
Takoma Park Community Center
Azalea Room
7500 Maple Avenue
16 years and older
10 Week Session
Mondays, September 10-November 19
(No Class 11/12)
7–9 p.m.
Resident: \$130 / Non-resident: \$150

EDUCATION & DEVELOPMENT
Writing Life Stories
Do you want to share important life experiences through your writing? Our stories are part of what makes us human. Whether you are a lifelong writer or a beginner, this class is for you. The instructor will help you jump-start your memories, organize your ideas and edit your work. Bring a notebook or laptop to each class and be ready to have fun. We use the book Writing the Memoir by Judith Barrington. Instructor: Barbara Rosenblatt
Takoma Park Community Center
Rose Room
7500 Maple Avenue
16 years and older
8 Week Session
Wednesdays, September 12-November 7
(No class 9/19)

7–8:30 p.m.
Resident: \$125 / Non-resident: \$145

FITNESS

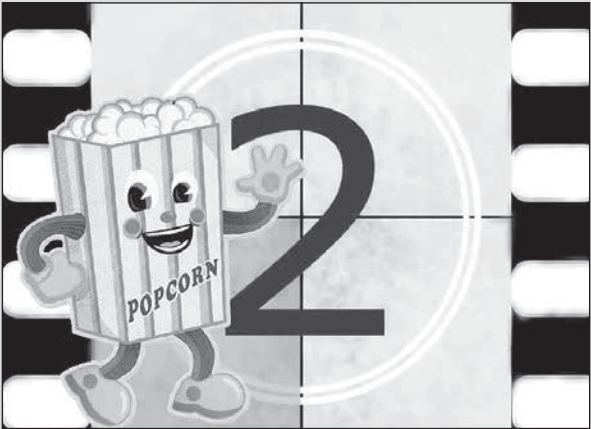


Ladies Boot Camp
This total body program includes a circuit of drills, such as jumping jacks, running, push-ups, squats, crunches and weight training. Students are required to bring their own mats. Instructor: KJ Total Fitness
Takoma Park Recreation Center Gymnasium
7315 New Hampshire Avenue
16 years and older
8 Week Session
Tuesdays and Thursdays
September 4-October 25
6:30–7:30 p.m.
\$85
Drop-in: \$10

Qi Gong - 12 Postures
The exercises of Lang Ye 12 Postures Qi Gong enhance flexibility, core strength, and alignment, prevent stiffness and help to relieve back/neck pain. Learning these standing and seated movements will bring relief, joy and energy to your mind, body and spirit. If your vital life energy has been blocked by illness, injury or you are just "low energy," then this class will revitalize you. No experience is needed. Instructor: Joann Malone
Takoma Park Community Center
Dance Studio
7500 Maple Avenue
16 years and older
8 Week Session
Tuesdays, October 16-December 4
7–8 p.m.

Outdoor Movie Night: Movie Magic

Imagine you and your family are back in the 1950s and 1960s when drive-in movies were at their peak. You roll in with your 1956 Chevy, park your car, roll down your windows, turn on the speaker and wait to watch what Hollywood's finest have produced. You smell the popcorn and grill in the distance; you see the sky beginning to go to twilight and all the lightning bugs starting to come out. Then, you see on the big screen in front of you, the main attraction. Your family sits in the car, enjoying each other's company, eating popcorn, and watching the flick. An outdoor movie night is great way to spend time with those you care for the most while also enjoying the great outdoors.
Just because the summer is winding down doesn't mean the fun has to. While the weather is still nice outside, it's time to pull off one more outside event this season. Every year, many cities host outdoor movies. For many, this is a delightful tradition. The experience of outdoor movies allows participants to enjoy food, entertainment and good company in a variety of casual settings while seeing the stars under the stars. Watching grandparents cherish moments at the outdoor movies with grandchildren can be a delight. Many outdoor movies foster a family atmosphere—and some allow dogs. There's nothing more wonderful than a great starry night and a cool breeze. That's a perfect outdoor movie night.
Just like everything else, when it comes to outdoor movie nights, there is a method to the madness. You have to prepare for this night out under the stars.



- 1. Seating arrangements. Since it's a movie you'll be watching, you will want to feel as relaxed as possible. Stake out an exclusive place to watch the movie. Set up a lounging area with blankets and pillows on the grass; the second "row" can consist of regular chairs that can be spread out across your backyard. If you happen to have others coming with you, use beach chairs.
- 2. Pro-tip: A good idea for guests who will be lounging on the grass is to set up old wooden crates next to them, so they can use them as a safe place for their food and drinks.
- 3. Snacks. Watching movies with no snacks to munch on just doesn't feel right—especially if no popcorn is involved. For an outdoor movie night, make your party menu as snack-based as possible. Since it will

probably begin to get dark outside by the time you arrive, the last thing you want is for people to be fumbling around in the dark looking for their food.
The Takoma Park Recreation Department brings you a piece of nostalgia with its outdoor movie nights. Beginning at dusk, families can come out, bring their lawn chairs and blankets, and watch a movie. They come for the ambiance of being outdoors with their neighbors and to watch a newly released movie, receive glow sticks, socialize, eat fresh popcorn and relax. They get to experience an outdoor movie under the night sky, with lightning bugs all around and a cool breeze to help with the Maryland summer humidity.
Jean Bartow says, "We've been coming to the Outdoor Movie Night for the past three years. We load up our entire family, including our dogs, and make it a family fun night."
"We love coming to the Outdoor Movie Night. It allows us to unwind from a busy work week. We also enjoy it because we love being outside under the starry night sky," Eric Ward said.

So join us for a piece of nostalgia with our Outdoor Movie Night on Saturday, Sept. 8, beginning at dusk on the Ed Wilhelm Field (behind Piney Branch Elementary School). Currently we are voting on the Takoma Park website for this year's movie. The choices are The Greatest Showman, Avengers: Infinity Wars, and Black Panther.
For more information, please contact the Recreation Department at 301-891-7290, or visit us online at www.takomaparkmd.gov/government/recreation.





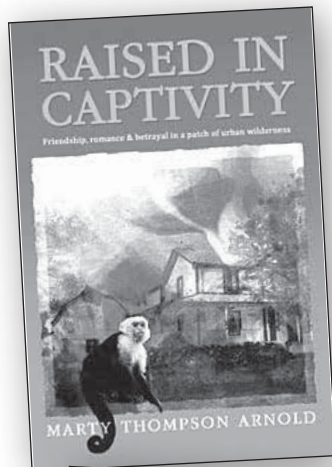
## A debut novel of urban wilderness

Join us at the Library on Saturday, Sept. 8 at 2 p.m., for a discussion of a new book for adults, *Raised in Captivity*, with its author, Marty Thompson Arnold.

The discovery of a runaway Capuchin monkey in newspaper columnist Iris VanWingen's barn propels the reader into a suspenseful and spirited tale of a Michigan zoo's plan to give their animals, many of them endangered species, an expansive, more accommodating environment.

It's up to the zoo's new spokesperson, Caroline Finch, to quell opposition to the zoo's new location, its proposed expansion, and the zoo itself. Soon Caroline and Iris uncover sinister forces that threaten them both, as well as the zoo. What the two women learn from each other, and from a 10 year-old junior zookeeper, sets them on a dangerous quest to save the land, the wildlife and the people they love.

"Marty Arnold melds romance, sus-



pense, humor, menace, environmental concerns and a deep knowledge and love for all things zoological into a totally coherent and entertaining page turner... skillfully constructed and engaging." [Richard Judy, author of *THRU...An Appalachian Trail Love Story*]

Marty Arnold comes to the library from her home in Grand Rapids, MI, to share her extensive knowledge of contemporary animal rights and land use issues. She builds a romantic and suspenseful story that will educate and entertain a wide audience.

This book will appeal to grown-up readers. All are welcome to this special program,

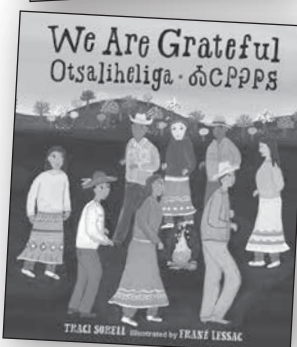
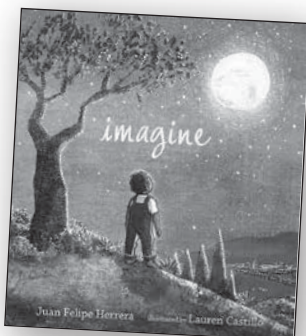
with no preregistration required. Books will be available for purchase, and light refreshments will be provided.

## More Kids Author Programs

Since we wrote about upcoming author programs for the August City newsletter, we've added several more programs in October featuring top kids authors and illustrators, courtesy of our partnership with Politics & Prose Bookstore. Please mark your calendars!

First, on Thursday, Oct. 4, at 7 p.m. Caldecott Honor Illustrator Lauren Castillo talks about her illustrations for *Imagine*, an autobiographic picture book by U.S. Poet Laureate Juan Felipe Herrera. In a starred review, *Publishers Weekly* wrote: "Spacious, light-filled spreads by Castillo conjure up landscapes of red earth, bright sun, and long views... The story of a brown-skinned boy who 'practiced/ spelling words/ in English by/ saying them in Spanish/ like—pehn-seel for/ pencil' reaching recognition as the nation's most lauded poet offers a heartening narrative of hope."

Then, on Monday, Oct. 8 at 7:30 p.m., local author/illustrator Jonathan



Roth discusses *Take Us To Your Sugar*, the newest book in his hilarious chapter book series for kids, *Beep and Bob*. In a review of *Too Much Space*, the first book in the series, *School Library Journal* said: "A strong addition to any library's chapter book selection. Offer to kids who love funny stories but may be too young for books like *Diary of a Wimpy Kid*."

On Wednesday, Oct. 10 at 7 p.m., debut picture book author Traci Sorell, a member of the Cherokee Nation, talks about *We Are Grateful: Otsaliheliga*, a colorful, engaging look at the Cherokees' concept of gratitude. *Kirkus* called the book "A gracious, warm, and loving celebration of community and gratitude," while *School Library Journal* noted: "This informative and authentic introduction to a thriving ancestral and ceremonial way of life is perfect for holiday and family sharing."

Graphic novelist Kevin McCloskey returns to the Library on Thursday, Oct. 18 at 7:30 p.m. to present his new

## CALENDAR

### Circle Time

Tuesdays, 10 a.m. OR 11 a.m.

### Spanish Circle Time

Thursdays, 10:15–10:45 a.m. OR 11–11:30 a.m.

Led by Senora Geiza

### Bedtime Stories & a Craft

Tuesday, Sept. 4, 7 p.m.

Ms. Kati leads this fun monthly program of stories, songs and a craft.

### Caldecott Honor Illustrator Yuyi Morales

Thursday, Sept. 6, 7 p.m.

Morales presents her timely autobiographical picture book, *Dreamers*.

### Petites Chansons/French Circle Time

Saturday, Sept. 8, 10:30 a.m.

Madame Marie returns for another season of French rhymes and songs.

### Novelist Marty Thompson Arnold

Saturday, Sept. 8, 2 p.m.

Arnold discusses her debut novel, *Raised in Captivity*. Best for grownups and teens All welcome. Light refreshments served.

### LEGO Club

Sunday, Sept. 9, 1:30–3 p.m.

Building fun for ages 3–10.

### Artemis Fowl Author Eoin Colfer

Tuesday, Sept. 11, 7:30 p.m.

Colfer talks about his new graphic novel, *Illegal*, which focuses on the refugee crisis. Colfer will be joined by co-writer Andrew Donkin and illustrator Giovanni Rigano. Note: The program is best for older kids, teens and adults.

### Friends Fortnightly Book Club

Wednesday, Sept. 12, 7:30 p.m.

The group will discuss *Portnoy's Complaint* by Philip Roth.

All welcome. Books available at the Library Takoma Park Community Center

### French Graphic Novelist Jeremie Royer

Thursday, Sept. 13, 7:30 p.m.

Royer discusses *Audubon, On the Wings of the World*, his illustrated biography of French-born John James Audubon.

This event is co-sponsored by the French Embassy.

### SummerQuest 2018 Finale Party

Monday, Sept. 17, 7:30 p.m.

All SummerQuest participants welcome!

### Caldecott Medalist Sophie Blackall

Thursday, Sept. 20 at 7:30 p.m.

Blackall discusses her illustrations for a new kid's novel, *Winnie's Great War*, which is based on her 2016 Caldecott Medal-winning picture book, *Finding Winnie*.

### Kids Art

Sunday, Sept. 23, 2–3 p.m.

### Caldecott Club

Monday, Sept. 24, 7 p.m.

Join us for a look at some early 1919 Caldecott Medal contenders.

Lemonade and cookies served.

### Kids Novelist Katrina Yan Glaser

Tuesday, Sept. 25, 7:30 p.m.

Yan Glaser discusses *The Vanderbeekers and the Hidden Garden*.

### Alternative Games

Sunday, Sept. 30, 2–4 p.m.

Join Dave Burbank for a session of *Dungeons & Dragons* and rounds of collectible card playing.

Ages 8 up; registration required:

[www.tinyurl.com/tplibraryevents](http://www.tinyurl.com/tplibraryevents)

### COMING UP....

- **Atlas Obscura Co-Creator Dylan Thurais**  
Wednesday, Oct. 3, 7:30 p.m.

- **Caldecott Honor Illustrator Lauren Castillo**  
Thursday, Oct. 4, 7 p.m.

- **Friends "Big Book" Club**  
Wednesday Oct. 17, 7:30 p.m.  
Reception and opening lecture on *The Book of Genesis* at Historic Takoma  
Discussions continue at the Takoma Park Community Center, Oct. 31, Nov. 14 and 28)

## New digital services

We have two new digital services for our Library members: RBDigital and Hoopla. Both can be accessed via our website ([www.takomapark.info/library](http://www.takomapark.info/library)); just click on the "e-books" button at the top. If you need help, come into the library, and we'll get you started.

For RB Digital, install the app and download audiobooks, as many as you want each month, no limit. Use your library card to set up an account and off you go!

For Hoopla, you can download or stream, use an app or use your laptop. Hoopla has audiobooks and much, much more, including music. Because we pay per use, there is a monthly limit, but that is automatically re-set for you at the beginning of each month.

To use both Hoopla and RBDigital, you need to create personal accounts, which are then linked to our library card number. If you have RBDigital or Hoopla accounts at another library, we suggest that you use a different email for your Takoma Park Maryland Library RBDigital or Hoopla accounts.

In addition to RBDigital and Hoopla, we continue to offer our library members access to the AudioBookCloud service. No apps, no need to create an account, no complications. Stream audiobooks right to your computer. The curated collection is relatively small, about 1,400 titles, but very selective.





# Learning the business

By Rick Henry

Wanted by the City of Takoma Park: Entrepreneurs, inventors and future business owners. No adults need apply.

Two upcoming events will showcase the entrepreneurial spirit of area youth. Beginning Sept. 18, the City is relaunching its Young Entrepreneur Program. The program is being held at the Takoma Park Community Center every Tuesday until Oct. 30 from 4–5 p.m.

According to Leicia Monfort, teen and young adult programs manager for the City of Takoma Park Recreation Department, the objective of the Young Entrepreneurs Program is to inspire teens to explore and expand their knowledge of business by exercising professionalism, creativity, and confidence. Participants will generate business ideas, conduct market research, write business plans, pitch to a panel of potential “investors,” and launch their very own companies. “Participating in the Young Entrepreneurs Program will help develop life skills, independence and give you a head start on building a good resume,” she said.

On Sunday, May 19, 2019 from 10 a.m.–2 p.m., the first annual Takoma Park Children’s Business Fair will host 24 booths in downtown Takoma Park, MD. Kids participating in the fair, will create a product or service, develop a brand, build a marketing strategy, and then open their

booth for customers at this one-day marketplace. The children are responsible for the setup, sales and interacting with customers. The event is sponsored by Acton Academy, the Acton School of Business with support from donors and volunteers.

Potential participants looking for young entrepreneurial role models need look no further than the young go-getters that have been working in Takoma Park this summer. One of those, Danielle Hurley, a student at Salisbury University is “interning” at College Works Painting, where she is responsible for contracting with homeowners for house painting services.

“At College Works, the intern is a business owner,” said Hurley. “We are in charge of marketing, generating sales, coordinating production, managing crews and clientele, and providing customer service.”

This summer found Hurley focusing her business acumen on Takoma Park. “Takoma Park is my territory,” she said. “We do a lot of work in Takoma Park. Within the past couple of years, we’ve painted more than 70 houses in the community. Personally, I painted about five houses just this summer.”

Those are exactly the skills Hurley and the other interns at College Works have gained. And opportunities for local youth to join them is available, Hurley said.

“We have great opportunities for any high school or college students,” she said.

## Interested in any of the programs?



Participants or sponsors interested in the Children’s Business Fair can visit the events website [www.childrensbusinessfair.org/takomapark](http://www.childrensbusinessfair.org/takomapark).

For information on the Youth Entrepreneur Program, contact Leicia Monfort, [leiciam@takomaparkmd.gov](mailto:leiciam@takomaparkmd.gov)



Any students who are interested in exploring opportunities with College Works can reach out to Hurley directly at [dnhurley96@gmail.com](mailto:dnhurley96@gmail.com).

## RECREATION

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Resident: \$95 / Non-resident: \$105  
Drop-In: \$15 (check or credit card only)

### Yoga (Iyengar): Beginners

This class will introduce to you yoga as taught using the Iyengar Method. In this method, the emphasis is on alignment and precision. The basic postures are introduced, and awareness is created in the whole body. The goal is to bring into alignment not just the different parts of the body but alignment of the body with the mind and the mind with the soul. Mats and props will be provided to make all poses accessible to all. Instructor: Tehseen Chettri

Takoma Park Community Center  
Dance Studio  
7500 Maple Avenue  
18 years and older  
16 Week Session  
Wednesdays, September 5-December 19  
6–7:15 p.m.

Resident: \$180 / Non-resident: \$210  
Drop-In: \$15 (check or credit card only)

### Yoga (Iyengar): Intermediate

Practice and persistence brings transformation. After achieving a firm foundation in the beginners class, a student wishes to go forward in her/his exploration of the discipline of Yoga. This intermediate level offers a deeper penetration of the consciousness from the periphery towards the core. More advanced postures, inversions and the practice of pranayama (breathing) will be included in the session. Mats and props are provided. Instructor: Tehseen Chettri

Takoma Park Community Center  
Dance Studio  
7500 Maple Avenue  
18 years and older  
16 Week Session  
Wednesdays, September 5-December 19  
7:30–9 p.m.

Resident: \$180 / Non-resident: \$210  
Drop-In: \$15 (check or credit card only)

### Zumba

Zumba is a total workout, combining all elements of fitness with cardio, muscle conditioning, balance and flexibility. Zumba takes the work out of workout by mixing low and high intensity moves. The class will incorporate Latin music that will easily move you through your workout. Instructor: Laura Stewart

Takoma Park Recreation Center  
Gymnasium  
7315 New Hampshire Avenue  
16 years and older  
6 week session  
Saturdays, September 8-October 13  
11:45 a.m.–12:45p.m.  
\$50  
Drop in: \$10

## MARTIAL ARTS

### Kung Fu

Bungo Fu is the Jamaican style of Kung Fu. Come learn meditation, self-defense, improved flexibility and self-awareness. This ancient form of self-defense provides physical and mental exercise, which could help students defend themselves by strengthening hand-and-eye coordination as well as assist them with the maintaining balance as they get older. The student will gain physical fitness as well as mental and spiritual strength. Instructor: Master Robert Thompson

Takoma Park Community Center  
Dance Studio  
7500 Maple Avenue  
17 years and older  
9 Week Session  
Monday, September 10-November 5  
7:30–8:30 p.m.  
Resident: \$150 / Non-resident: \$180

## MULTI MEDIA



### Photography 101 (Adults)

We are constantly taking photos, but they don’t come out the way we imagined. In this class, learn the intros to photography as an art form that can help you step up your photography game. The class will cover the following topics: shooting manual on your DSLR, rules of composition, portrait photography, object photography, landscape photography, posing 101, editing your photos, using natural light vs. non natural light, and turning your phone into a camera. Instructor: Vinny Mwano

Takoma Park Community Center  
Multi Media Lab  
7500 Maple Avenue  
18 and older  
8 Week Session  
Tuesdays, September 11-October 30  
7:15–8:15 p.m.  
Resident: \$75 / Non-resident: \$85



### Introduction to Photoshop

Photoshop (PS) is the most widely used computer program for the creative enhancement or alteration of digital photographs. This class will emphasize several basic methods to retouch, restore and save photographs. Participants should have basic knowledge of computers. All participants will need an external memory device (stick or drive) of at least 5 GB to store and save photographs. Instructor: Barry Hinderstein

Takoma Park Community Center  
Multi Media Lab  
7500 Maple Avenue  
16 years and older  
8 Week Session  
Wednesdays, September 12-October 31  
6:30–8:30 p.m.  
Resident: \$75 / Non-resident: \$85

### Video Production and Editing

From pre-production techniques to how to properly videotape with any device and techniques of editing, learn the art of video production. Instructor: Isaac Asare

Takoma Park Community Center  
Multi Media Lab  
7500 Maple Avenue  
16 years and older  
5 Week Session  
Thursdays, September 13-October 11  
6–8 p.m.  
Resident: \$150 / Non-resident: \$180

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## DROP-IN

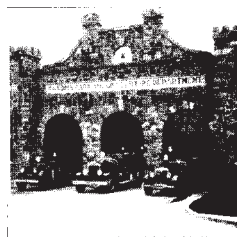
## Join us for Bingo & Blood Pressure Screening!

Tuesday, September 25 in the Senior Room

**Blood Pressure Screening:**  
11:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.  
**Bingo:** 12–2 p.m.







## THE FIREHOUSE REPORT

By Jim Jarboe

As of July 31, the Takoma Park Volunteer Fire Department and Montgomery County Fire and Rescue personnel assigned to the station responded to 351 fire-related incidents in 2018. The department also addressed or assisted with 1,720 rescue or ambulance-related incidents for a total of 2,071. Totals for 2017 were 319 and 1,712, representing an increase of 40 incidents.

During July, Takoma Park volunteers put in a total of 919.5 hours of standby hours in the station compared to 1,654.5 in July 2017. Grand totals as of July 2018 were 7,650 hours compared to 10,844 in July 2017, a decrease of 3,194 hours.

### Maryland fire deaths

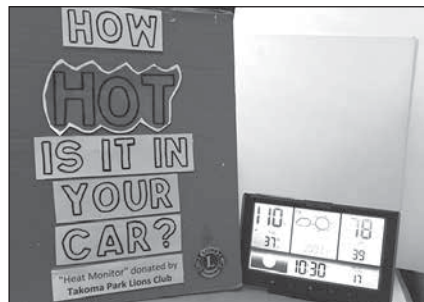
The Maryland State Fire Marshal Office reported as of August 22, 2018, 42 have died in fires compared to 44 in 2017.

### Hot vehicle deaths

As of August 22, 2018, 35 children have died in hot vehicles across the country. Don't forget, when you leave your vehicle; check the back seat, everyone goes with you. Also, the next time you are walking through a parking lot, check the vehicles as you go pass. If you see children inside alone, call 9-1-1.

### Safety message

If you use a candle during a power outage, never leave it unattended. When you leave it, put it out or take it with you.



### TP Lions Club donates inside/outside heat monitor

The Takoma Park Lions Club donated a monitor to the Takoma Park VFD to assist in promoting safety in preventing injuries or deaths of children in "hot" vehicles.

### In Memoriam: Stephen "Steve" LaScola Jr., Past Fire Chief, TPVFD

Chief LaScola passed away on May 27, 2018, in Winchester, VA, at the age of 95. He joined the Takoma Park Volunteer Fire Department on September 27, 1941, and later became career in 1947. He held line officer ranks of Sergeant (1953), Lieutenant/Fire Marshal (1954) and Deputy Chief (1957).



On April 16, 1960, he was appointed Municipal Fire Chief by the Mayor and City Council. He followed Chief Melvin E. McBride (1948) and Chief Raymond E. Carter (1954). He held that position until his retirement on December 31, 1976.

Chief LaScola had many highlights during his career. In 1954, he received a "Life Saving Award" from the Mayor and City Council for saving a woman from a house fire. In 1954, he was named a "Life Member" in the TPVD. Since 1957, he was a member of the International Association of Fire Chiefs. He also served for three years as the Maryland Director. In 1968 for the first time, the International Association of Fire Chiefs Award was presented to Chief LaScola for the department's "Home Inspection Program." In 1971, he was inducted into the Montgomery County Volunteer Fire Rescue Association "Hall of Fame." On February 26, 1997, the TPVFD "Top Responder Award" was named in his honor. In 1980 and 1981, he served as the president of the Eastern Division of the International Association of Fire Chiefs.

In closing, during the 20 years that I was a volunteer and career staffer under his leadership, I learned a lot from him, which I carried throughout my years as an officer. I should further note that safety was Chief LaScola's top priority. Whether in the station, during training sessions, or at the scene of an emergency, it was all about safety, all the time, especially for his personnel and the Takoma Park community.

He took great pride in the department's Fire Prevention Program, and for the 18 consecutive years, the department received Fire Prevention awards from the National Fire Protection Association. You had to know him in order to appreciate all that he has done for TPVFD. Gone, hopefully not forgotten.

—Jim Jarboe, TPVFD

## Expanding student safety in Montgomery County Public Schools, 2018-19



By Claudine Schweber, co-chair, Emergency Preparedness Committee

Do you know about the new steps Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) has taken to support student safety?

The new *Maryland Safe to Learn Act*, effective June 1, 2018, means that every public school will need to perform active shooter drills; obtain training and continue ongoing practices; review training; and have emergency plans certified by the Maryland Center for School Safety. MCPS security staff shared this information at PTA meetings held in April and May 2018.

In addition, each Montgomery County public school has:

- A school emergency plan (SEP), which is updated annually and sets out what to do and where to go in an emergency
- An onsite Emergency Team (OSET) that receives training throughout the year emergency.
- A Visitor Management System and Access Control System to make sure students, visitors and staff are safe
- Mandatory fire and emergency drills as well as training for lockdown, shelter, evacuation, reverse evacuation, earthquake and severe weather incidents

Also, all high schools have a School Resource Officer (SRO), and all middle and high schools have close-captioned television (CCTV) coverage.

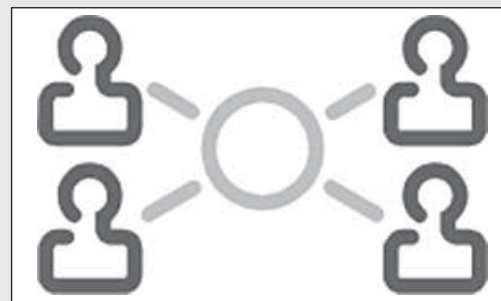
### What you can do:

- Make sure the school has your latest contact information.
- Make sure you know about the process and training at your local school
- Sign up for Takoma Park Alerts, so you are notified of any school related emergency ([www.takomaparkmd.gov/alert](http://www.takomaparkmd.gov/alert))
- Find out about the specific plan at your school for where to pick up students, on-site or off-site, in the event of an emergency.
- Establish a parent-child re-unification plan after an emergency:
  - What kind of identification is needed to pick up a student?
  - Who is legally permitted to pick up the student?
  - Has the school been notified?
- For multiple language families, check with the school to make sure the correct contact number and the correct language are in the Connect-Ed notification system, which MCPS uses to communicate during emergencies. This communication may come in more than one language.
- For students with disabilities, discuss options and processes directly with the school, so that a specific plan can be set, right now.

Many thanks to Michael D. Harting, acting supervisor, Department of School Safety and Security, MCPS, for assistance with this article.

## STAY CONNECTED!

The City of Takoma Park strives to keep residents engaged and informed in a variety of ways including social media, the City website, public safety notifications via email and text, and this newsletter, to name a few. Here are some tips for staying on top of the goings on around the City.



- Visit [takomaparkmd.gov](http://takomaparkmd.gov), where you can access information on upcoming Council meetings and agendas, City news, and the status of City projects
- Like the City of Takoma Park on Facebook or follow us on Twitter at @TakomaParkMD
- Sign up for Public Safety notifications on Takoma Park Alert: [takomaparkmd.gov/services/takoma-park-alert](http://takomaparkmd.gov/services/takoma-park-alert)
- Stay up to date with city news and blogs from City Staff, the Mayor and Council at [takomaparkmd.gov/news](http://takomaparkmd.gov/news)
- Make a service request or report an issue using "My TkPk," an online and application based reporting tool: [takomaparkmd.gov/services/my-tkpk](http://takomaparkmd.gov/services/my-tkpk)





# Experiencing what the outdoors offers

By Rick Henry

In an age when many students opt for indoors, members of the Takoma Park Cooperative Nursery School want to ensure that more students and parents #OptOutdoors. A newly awarded \$5,000 Community Grant from the City of Takoma Park will allow them to do so.

"Something that we advocate for our students is visiting and celebrating 'urban wild spaces,'" said Lesley Romanoff, the school's director for the last 12 years. "Through research and practice, we have learned that there is so much to discover along the edges of urban spaces."

Students, educators, parents and volunteers at the school are affiliated with #OptOutdoors, a nationwide social media call to action that celebrates getting outside and directly experiencing all that the outdoors offers.

As part of the parent cooperative school's mission Romanoff says, members of the school community regularly seek out ways to share their practices and lessons learned with other educators and parents.

"We call this the ripple effect," she said.

Hoping to turn a ripple into a wave by expanding the program to other schools, the community applied for a grant through the City of Takoma Park's Community



Summer campers test a moat.

Grants Program, which provides financial support for specific programs, projects and events that improve residents' quality of life by providing greater access and opportunities for participation in the arts and sciences.

With the grant, school educators and volunteers will now partner with teachers at each of the three Takoma Park elementary schools - Takoma Park, Piney Branch and Rolling Terrace - to provide the same outdoor experience those at the cooperative school receive.

"Through the City's support, the same type of outdoor activities our students participate in will now be offered to children who may not have regular access to the outdoors," Romanoff said.

Romanoff identified two major hurdles that stop adults and children from going outside, lack of inclement weather gear and feeling welcome and confident in the outdoors. The community grant helps address both issues.

Money from the grant will be used to provide "everything a budding naturalist needs," said Romanoff, including access to all-weather gear, such as boots and ponchos, that kids can use, as well as ex-



Yes, you can burn wood using a magnifying glass.

ploration kits featuring notebooks, totes and drawing materials. According to Romanoff, such materials send an important message to kids that they belong outside, and there are discoveries to make.

The grant also helps with the second issue by facilitating partnerships with organizations like Latino Outdoors and Outdoor Afro to ensure children to feel confident and comfortable in the outdoors.

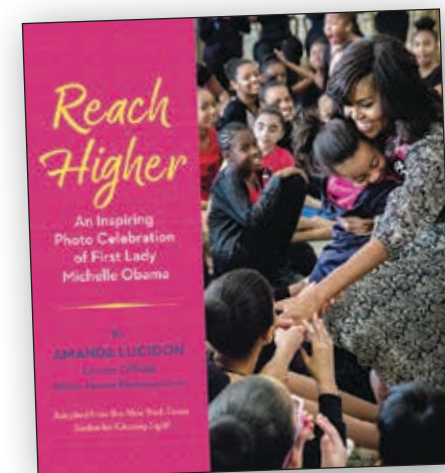
Cooperative school staff and volunteers will provide supervision and enrichment for the new participants, providing context in how to explore and play in urban spaces. "For example, there is so much to discover in median strips, along sidewalks and at the edges of parking lots. These areas provide a condensed and immediately accessible child-sized snapshot of the natural world," she said. "Nature and the outdoors do not have to take place in a hundred-acre wood; it is all around. We want to be sure that the children participating in our #OptOutdoors get this experience so that they can view their own community with new wonder and appreciation," she said.

## AUTHOR PROGRAMS

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science comic, *Snails Are Just My Speed*. The book is part of McCloskey's *Giggle and Learn* series aimed at ages 4–8. In its review, *School Library Journal* noted: "With hip and fun graphics, just enough 'ick' factor, and plenty of facts, this title offers beginning readers a great deal of information about snails and slugs. McCloskey opens with a familiar idea—snails are slow—but springboards from that to unexpected tidbits such as how fast or slow snails move compared to other animals, why a lack of speed can be an advantage, and lots and lots about mucus."



Finally, on Wednesday, Oct. 24 at 7:30 p.m., Amanda Lucidon, who was the official White House photographer for Michelle Obama, talks about *Reach Higher*, her new kids' book of photos of the former First Lady. In the book, Lucidon talks about what it's like to work inside the White House and shares some favorite stories of Michelle Obama.



Participants in summer camp at the Takoma Park Cooperative Nursery School don't let a little rain get in the way of some outdoor fun.

## RECREATION

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### Game Room Open Play

The game room is available for adults age 55 and older to play pool, table tennis, basketball arcade and other active games. The game room is a great place to join friends for lively conversation, and just to "hang out" before, in-between and after classes during the day. **Game Room not available during Table Tennis Skills class fall session, Thursdays 9/6–11/8, 12–1 p.m.**

Takoma Park Community Center  
Game Room  
7500 Maple Avenue  
55 and older  
Ongoing

**Monday-Wednesday:** 9 a.m.–1 p.m.

**Thursdays:** 9 a.m.–12 p.m.

**Fridays:** 9 a.m.–1 p.m.

**Saturdays:** 10 a.m.–12 p.m.

Free

## EDUCATION & DEVELOPMENT

### Computer Basics

This three-week course will introduce people with little or no experience to basic skills, such as sending and receiving email, internet searching and using a word processor to compose letters, etc. You need a Takoma Park Library card to access the computers. Instructor: Anne Leveque

Takoma Park Community Center  
Computer Lab  
7500 Maple Avenue  
55 years and older  
3 Week Session  
Wednesdays, September 5-September 19  
**Daytime Session:** 10 a.m.–12 pm.  
**Evening Session:** 7–9 p.m.  
\$10 (Plus a Takoma Park Library Card)

### Computer Extras

Take your computer skills to the next level. In these three classes, experiment with social media and master the calendar and other computer/smart device apps. Learn what to

do with all those pictures in your mailbox. Bring your questions! You need a Takoma Park Library card to access the computers. Instructor: Anne Leveque

Takoma Park Community Center  
Computer Lab  
7500 Maple Avenue  
55 years and older  
3 Week Session  
Wednesdays, October 10-October 24  
10 a.m.–12 pm.  
\$10 (Plus a Takoma Park Library Card)

## FITNESS

### Heart and Core

Move to the high energy beat to pump up the heart rate followed by 20 minutes of Pilates core floor workout to strengthen the area from shoulders through hips. Class members should bring their own mats. This is a free class; however, registration in-person or online with the Takoma Park Recreation Department is required. Instructor: Nancy Nickell

Takoma Park Recreation Center  
Gymnasium  
7315 New Hampshire Avenue

55 years and older  
12 Week Session  
Saturdays, September 8-December 8  
(No class 11/24)  
9:15–10:15 a.m.  
Free

### Line Dancing

Line Dancing is great physical and mental exercise and an enjoyable social activity that leads to meeting new people and making new friends. Strengthening of bones and muscles, weight loss, increased stamina and flexibility, and stress reduction are just some of the benefits of dancing. Learn how exercise can be fun with music. No experience necessary. Instructor: Barbara Brown

Takoma Park Community Center  
Dance Studio  
7500 Maple Avenue  
55 years and older  
16 Week Session  
Wednesdays, September 5-December 19  
(No class 9/19, 9/26, 11/21, 12/26)  
11:45 a.m.–12:45 p.m.  
Free



# SEPTEMBER '18

## Do you have an item for the city calendar?

Do you have an item for the city calendar? Let us know if you have a nonprofit event that would be of interest to City of Takoma Park residents, and we'll consider it for inclusion in the calendar. Deadline for the October issue is Sept. 14, and the newsletter will be distributed beginning Sept. 28. To submit calendar items, email [tpnewseditor@takomaparkmd.gov](mailto:tpnewseditor@takomaparkmd.gov). "TP Community Center" is the Takoma Park Community Center, 7500 Maple Ave., Takoma Park. All addresses are in Takoma Park or Takoma, D.C., unless otherwise noted.

### PUBLIC MEETINGS OF NOTE

#### City Council

City Council Meeting, Wednesday, Sept. 5, 7:30 p.m.  
City Council Meeting, Wednesday, Sept. 12, 7:30 p.m.  
City Council Meeting, Wednesday, Sept. 19, 7:30 p.m.  
City Council Meeting, Wednesday, Sept. 26, 7:30 p.m.  
City Council Meeting, Wednesday, Oct. 3, 7:30 p.m.  
TPCC Auditorium  
Detailed agendas are always available for review online at [www.takomaparkmd.gov/citycouncil/agendas](http://www.takomaparkmd.gov/citycouncil/agendas).

#### Labor Day — City Offices Closed

Monday, Sept. 3  
All City offices & facilities will be closed Monday, Sept. 3, for the Labor Day holiday. The Takoma Park Police Department is open 24/7 for emergency services.

#### Takoma Park Emergency Food Pantry

First Saturdays, noon – 3 p.m.  
Grace United Methodist Church, 7001 New Hampshire Ave.  
Bi-weekly and monthly food supplements for needy families  
240-450-2092 or [educare\\_ss@yahoo.com](mailto:educare_ss@yahoo.com)  
[www.educaresupportservices.org](http://www.educaresupportservices.org)

### COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

#### Circle Time

Tuesdays, 10 a.m. and 11 a.m.  
A beloved local tradition, the 30-minute program of songs, fingerplays, rhymes, movement exercises and stories teach early literacy concepts in a fun way. The program is geared for infants through preschoolers and their grown-ups.  
Takoma Park Maryland Library

#### The Spirit Club

Wednesdays, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.  
Takoma Park Community Center  
Therapeutic recreation class for Takoma Park residents 17 and older  
This class is designed for adults with developmental/neurologic challenges. For more information, contact Jared Ciner at [jciner@spiritclub.com](mailto:jciner@spiritclub.com) or 303-883-4364.

#### Spanish Circle Time

Thursdays, 10:15 a.m. and 11 a.m.  
Join Senora Geiza for a 30-minute program highlighting basic Spanish vocabulary through songs and rhymes.  
Takoma Park Maryland Library

#### Kid's Night Out

First and third Fridays, 7:15 – 8:30 p.m.  
Takoma Park Recreation Center  
Fun and games for kids

#### Teen Night

Second and fourth Fridays, 7:15 – 8:30 p.m.  
Takoma Park Recreation Center  
Games and activities just for teens

#### Takoma Park Farmers Market

Sundays, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.  
Year-round  
Laurel and Carroll avenues in Old Town  
Locally grown produce, baked goods, meats, cheeses

#### Crossroads Farmers Market

Wednesdays, 11 a.m. – 3 p.m., April 18 – Nov. 28  
Anne Street at University Blvd. East (across from Rite Aid)  
The season's freshest fruits and vegetables, free-range meats and eggs, herbs, honey, local flour, locally-roasted coffee, fresh-cut flowers, potted plants, and healthy snacks, as well as scrumptious lunch fare, live music, cooking demos, and health information and screenings. Proceeds go toward cultivating a more inclusive food system in Takoma/Langley Crossroads. SNAP and WIC accepted, and those shopping with SNAP/EBT can get up to \$20 in

free fruits and vegetables every week.

#### Community Self Defense

Wednesdays, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m.  
6836 New Hampshire Ave., Takoma Park  
Certified Gracie Jiu Jitsu Black Belt instruction  
Free and open to all

#### Parents of Special Needs Adults (POSNA)

First Thursdays  
TP Community Center  
This support and advocacy group of parents and other loved ones of adults with special needs including autism, Down's syndrome, and severe chronic psychiatric challenges usually meets the first Thursdays of every month. For more information, contact Mary Muchui at [muchui@aol.com](mailto:muchui@aol.com).

#### Puppy Social Hour

Thursday, Sept. 20, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.  
Big Bad Woof, 6960 Maple St. NW  
Join professional dog trainer Lindsey Paige at the Big Bad Woof on the third Thursday of each month this summer to socialize your puppy and "Ask the Trainer" questions on basic training and skills.

#### Tako Tuesday

Tuesday, Aug. 28 & Sept. 25, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.  
Takowork, 7000 Carroll Ave, 2nd floor  
Get out of your home office or break free from your cubicle and get productive at Takowork. Make new friends, meet potential clients and get stuff done. Co-work for free Takowork on the 4th Tuesday of every month. Tacos and networking lunch will take place at noon for those who want an opportunity to introduce themselves and their business to the Takowork community. RSVP using the Eventbrite link or email [info@takowork.com](mailto:info@takowork.com).

#### The 2018 Christmas Revels Children's & Teen Auditions

Sept. 7-9: Appointment required  
Washington Revels Studio Space, 531 Dale Drive, Silver Spring  
Washington Revels is seeking a diverse cast of singers and performers, grades 3-5 and 9-12, for its 36th annual Christmas Revels. Eight performances will take place at George Washington University's Lisner Auditorium in D.C. from Dec. 8-16. Audition appointments are required. Info at [revelsdc.org/get-involved/audition](http://revelsdc.org/get-involved/audition).

#### Family Outdoor Movie Night

Saturday, Sept. 8, dusk  
Ed Wilhelm Field (behind Piney Branch Elementary School)  
Bring your lawn chair or blanket and enjoy a movie under the stars with your family. The movie will be a family-friendly "PG"-rated hit. The Recreation Department will provide one small bag of popcorn and bottle of water per person. Due to limited parking, walking to the event is encouraged.

#### Lucky Dog Adoption Event

Saturday, Sept. 22, noon – 2 p.m.  
The Big Bad Woof – New Location, 6960 Maple St. NW  
Looking for a new friend? Well you're in luck. Lucky Dog Animal Rescue will be at The Big Bad Woof for

an adoption event. Lucky Dog Animal Rescue is a volunteer-powered nonprofit dedicated to rescuing homeless, neglected, and abandoned animals from certain euthanasia and finding them loving forever homes.  
For more information visit [www.luckydoganimalrescue.org](http://www.luckydoganimalrescue.org), or follow them on social media @dcluckydog.

### VILLAGE OF TAKOMA PARK EVENT

#### Aging Well Seminar Changes to Medicare: What You Need to Know for 2019

Thursday, Sept. 27, noon – 2 p.m.  
Heffner Park Community Center, 42 Oswego Ave.  
The Medicare Open Enrollment period is fast approaching. Join us for a presentation and Q&A with Rafael Espinoza, director of SHIP (State Health Insurance Assistance Program). Learn about policies, costs, benefits and coverage, so you can make informed decisions. Information on how to access further assistance, as well as on other programs for those with limited resources, will be available. Free and open to all, no pre-registration required. Refreshments will be provided. For more information, visit [villageoftakomapark.com](http://villageoftakomapark.com).

#### Takoma Park Street Festival

Sunday, Oct. 7, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.  
Between Carroll Avenue and Carroll Street, NW. More than 200 artisans, community groups, children's activities, food vendors and a variety of green companies will be there. The festival has three stages that play host to 18 popular, local bands performing music from indie folk, rock, blues, country, reggae and everything in between. Shoppers will find paintings, photographs, pottery, silk-screening, soaps, stained glass, jewelry, woodworking, textiles, ceramics, kids' items and much more. For more information, visit [www.mainstreetakoma.org/featured-events/takoma-park-festival](http://www.mainstreetakoma.org/featured-events/takoma-park-festival). Admission is free.

#### Youth Town Hall/Forum

Sunday, Oct. 14, 2 – 5 p.m.  
TP Community Center  
Youth from and around Takoma Park will have the opportunity to express their ideas and opinions to their elected officials and community leaders through small group discussions. There's an eventbrite link for students to RSVP, which you can access at <https://bit.ly/2KtfD24>.

### ARTS AND LITERATURE

#### People's Open Mic

Sundays, 9 p.m.  
Republic restaurant, 6939 Laurel Ave.  
[www.republictakoma.com](http://www.republictakoma.com)

#### Takoma Park Community Band

Takoma Park Community Band is on recess until Monday, Sept. 10  
Heffner Park Community Center, 42 Oswego Ave.  
Join the Takoma Park Community Band this fall for weekly rehearsals at the Heffner Park Community Center. No audition required, just plenty of enthusiasm.

#### Drum for Joy! with Jaqui MacMillan

Mondays, 7 – 8:30 p.m.  
Electric Maid, 268 Carroll St.  
Learn hand drumming

#### Blues Mondays

Mondays, 7:30 – 10:30 p.m.  
Republic restaurant, 6939 Laurel Ave.  
[www.republictakoma.com](http://www.republictakoma.com)

#### Open Mic Night

Tuesdays, 9 – 11 p.m.  
Busboys and Poets, 235 Carroll St. NW

#### Jazz Jam

Tuesdays, 7 – 10 p.m.  
Takoma Station, 6914 14th St. NW  
Open mic for jazz musicians

#### Wednesday Night Drum Jams

Wednesdays, 7 – 9:30 p.m.  
The Electric Maid, 268 Carroll St. NW  
Hosted by Katy Gaughan and friends

#### Student Concert

Sunday, Aug. 26, 11 a.m.  
Gazebo, 7035 Carroll Ave.  
Student violinists (many from D.C. Youth Orchestra Program) will play fiddle tunes, classical music and civil rights songs. Ken Giles is the violin teacher.

#### Photo Salon

Monday, Aug. 27, 7 – 9 p.m.  
Takoma Park Hydrangea Room  
A monthly salon for photographers to show and critique work. Professional, fine art, and amateur photographers are welcome. For more information, contact [arts@takomaparkmd.gov](mailto:arts@takomaparkmd.gov).

### UPCOMING EVENTS

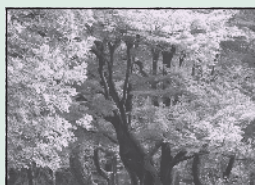
#### Monster Bash

Saturday, Oct. 27, 1 – 5 p.m.  
Carroll and Ethan Allen avenues, parade walking to Old Town  
The event will kick off with games and fun activities, followed by the costume parade where the costume judging will take place during the parade route. We will end the festivities with a costume award ceremony and celebration in Old Town Takoma Park. Categories: Ages 4 and Under; 5 – 8; 9 – 12; Teen and Adult; and Overall Group. For more information, or if you would like to volunteer or be a costume judge for this event, contact John Webster at [johnw@takomaparkmd.gov](mailto:johnw@takomaparkmd.gov). In the event of inclement weather, the Monster Bash will be moved to Piney Branch Elementary School. For weather related updates call 301-891-7101, ext. 5605. Due to the nature of this event, walking is encouraged.

## Make a Difference - Plant a Tree

### Discount Trees Available to Beautify Yards, Replace the Canopy

The season is right to plant trees, and in Takoma Park that means residents can help replenish the aging tree canopy in the city. The city offers added incentive by reducing the cost of the first tree purchased by \$100 (unless it is a replacement tree required as part of a Tree Removal Permit). That means residents can add a \$195 tree to their yards for just \$95 plus 6 percent sales tax, a total of \$100.70. Add a second tree and the bill is still only \$307.40, planted and guaranteed for one year. Established discounts still apply as well, through the city's annual bulk buy tree sale. As a purchasing agent with Arbor Landscapers, the city is making five species available at wholesale prices. Swamp white oak, Princeton elm, bald cypress, black gum and American linden—all native shade trees that usually retail for about \$350—are available to residents at \$195, installed. Sale dates run September 3 through October 19. A limited number of grants are available for



low- to moderate-income homeowners. To apply for a free tree, visit [takomaparkmd.gov/sustainability](http://takomaparkmd.gov/sustainability).

### ORDER FORM

Please include check, including tax, written to the City of Takoma Park and be sure to draw a map of the property and locations for installation. Submit to Arborist, Takoma Park Department of Public Works, 31 Oswego Ave., Silver Spring, Md., 20910 by close of business October 19.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Please include a map of property/tree installation locations.

\_\_\_\_\_ Swamp White Oak (2") \$195 \_\_\_\_\_ Princeton Elm (2") \$195

\_\_\_\_\_ Bald Cypress (7' - 8') \$195 \_\_\_\_\_ Black Gum (2") \$195

\_\_\_\_\_ American Linden (2") \$195

+ 6% sales tax

Total \_\_\_\_\_