

Riverworks Newsletter: April 28th - May 5th 2025

Riverworks' News and Current Events

Can you believe we are entering May this week! As spring is flourishing, so are our offerings at Riverworks, we have so many amazing events coming up! This weekend will be jam packed with a wide variety of classes to try out. On **Friday**, we will be having our first **Made-in-Studio** of the month with **Dani Beauliu** teaching **Alcohol Ink**, on **Saturday** is the first of a two- session workshop exploring **Latch Hook Portraiture** with **Lindy Russell-Heymann**, and **Sunday** a "**Writers Blocks"** workshop with **Atira Zeoli**. We are also really looking forward to our upcoming **Community Roundtable Project**, **Rooted in the Reserve: Exploring Historic Houses and Community Landmarks through Mixed Media**. Learn more below!



Upcoming News, Events & Classes:

We're back with our **Made-in-Studios** for the month! This **Friday**, **May 2nd**, **Dani Beauliu** will be sharing the art of **Alcohol Ink**. This is a fluid art that combines colors and techniques resulting in bold and colorful abstract pieces that can be transferred onto paper, plastic, glass and tiles! Class will be held at the **Riverworks Studio at Alden Farms from 1-4 pm**. Sign up here!





We will be busy bees at the **Riverworks Studio** this weekend! On **Sunday May 3rd**, we have **Lindy Russell-Heymann** coming to teach the first of a two-series class on **Latch Hook Portraiture**. This is a technique to turn photos into fiber art! Class will be held from **1-3 pm**. On **Sunday**, **May 4th** we have **Atira Zeoli** offering a unique workshop called **Writers Blocks**, using poetry and mixed media. Whether you're a seasoned writer or simply curious, you'll leave with a fresh perspective and a beautiful piece of art to inspire future writing. Class will be from **2-6 pm**. Learn more here!



Do you have a desire to have a deeper sense of place? We have an amazing opportunity for you with our upcoming **Community Roundatable Project: Rooted in the Reserve.** Associate artist **Marcie Wolf-Hubbard** and **Christine Rai** will be collaborating on the project through a series of classes and field trips, to explore our local history through a guided tour, mixed media and community discussion. The first session will be on **May 18th** and run through **June 28th**. This is sponsored in part by the **MSAC grant.** Join here!

Watch for it in 2025!

Artist-in-the-House Gallery Exhibits: On view in the upstairs gallery at *Locals Farm Market, 19929 Fisher Ave, Poolesville, MD 20837, open during business hours.*

Jam Sessions: Fridays at Locals Farm Market, 5:00-8:00 pm weather and space permitting!

Made-in-Studio: We have a varied array of three hour workshops in store for all abilities! *Riverworks Studio at Alden Farms, 1st Friday/2nd Saturday 1-4 pm, winter, spring and fall.*

New Performing Arts Center: In 2025, we'll invite you to celebrate with us as we break ground on the Riverworks Performing Arts Center on West Willard Road—a gift to the community, a vision soon to be made real.

Outdoor Concert Series: In 2025, we'll be bringing back the favorites such as Mindy Miller and the Rockville Swing Band and more, this year with a new, beautiful stage cover! *Riverworks Outdoor Stage, 17617 West Willard Rd, Poolesville MD 20837*

Open Studio: Drop in to use the Riverworks Studio at Alden Farms, with its studio space, art materials, and check out books from the growing library of art history and instructional books. \$5 fee. *Tuesdays 10:00 am - 2:00 pm and Sundays 10:00 am - 1:00 pm.*

Taste of Riverworks: Save the date for the best festival of the year. *Saturday, May 31, 2025*. **Support our mission by becoming a Riverworks Neighbor.** *Go to riverworksart.org to find out how.* You will be recognized on our website, social media, and at the event!

Riverworks Children's Choir: The fun children's choir meets weekly with Christina Carr on Thursdays at the *Riverworks Studio at Alden Farms Thursdays*, 5:00-6:00 pm.

Reserve Wind Ensemble: The Reserve Wind Ensemble, directed by Michelle Palmer, is Riverworks' community band for community members with experience playing wind instruments of any kind. If you have high school experience level with your instrument, even if you haven't played in years, this a great way to get back into playing, practicing and even performing. *This free-to-join band meets every Wednesday at the Riverworks Studio at Alden Farms.* **Their Spring Concert is coming up on May 18th!**

Yunique Music School: Yunique Music School Director, Michelle Palmer offers music explorations for younger students (ages 2-8), lessons for a wide variety of wind instruments (ages 8-12), and a youth band for more experienced players (ages 8-12). *Classes are held at the Riverworks Studio at Alden Farms.*

