



Riverworks Weekly Newsletter: Week of April 15th – 22nd

All of Riverworks' News and Current Events, Every Week

Please join our community for the **opening reception** of the 11th Artist-in-the-House Gallery show "**Momentary Meditations**" this **Sunday, April 21st**, to support and appreciate Poolesvilles' local artists and their work. Further develop your own artistic practice with 3 different **painting and drawing classes** with our talented instructors all starting on April 25th. Also, please note that with weather warming and days growing longer again, **Jam Sessions** at Locals have resumed!

Wib Middleton will have his **opening reception** this week for "**Momentary Meditations**", a series of his photographs now on display in the Artist-in-the-House Gallery at **Locals Farm Market**.

These works beautifully capture the serenity held within wild landscapes. Come on **Sunday, April 21st** from **4:00 - 6:00 pm** to appreciate his work, meet the artist, and enjoy complimentary hors d'oeuvres and beverages, with Locals beer and wine also for sale.



Work by Wib Middleton hanging in the upstairs gallery at Locals



Crazy for River, 18" x 24", oil painting by James Vissari

There are **3 visual arts classes for adults and highschoolers** starting in April: James Vissari will teach **Intermediate Drawing** and **Perspective in Painting and Drawing**, both 8 week courses. These classes will help strengthen your formal skills across different mediums. If you are especially interested in oil paints, look into **Beginner Oil Painting** with Kim Yourick. This 4 week course is a great introduction to oil painting, or supplement to your current experience. All of these classes **start Thursday April 25th**, see the Riverworks site for their full schedules and times!

Weekly jam sessions resumed last Friday, reuniting our community of jammers of all ages after a winter hiatus. Free jam sessions at Locals Farm Market will continue **every Friday (weather permitting) from 5:00 - 8:00 pm**, led by Riverworks board member and songwriter Brian Jamison. Whether you want to join in and sing, bring your instrument of any kind, or simply enjoy the music, **all are welcome** for these **free** weekly sessions.



Happy jammers at the first jam session of 2024, Friday, April 12th

Artist-in-the-House Gallery Opening Reception:

"Momentary Meditations" by Wib Middleton is now available for viewing, a collection of Middleton's explorations of the vastness and serenity of nature through the camera lens.

More info at: <https://www.riverworksart.org/gallery-1>

Locals Farm Market, 19929 Fisher Ave, Poolesville, MD 20837

Saturday April 21st, 4:00 - 6:00 pm

Monthly Concert Series: Dear Someone

The Riverworks Monthly Concert Series kicks off 2024 with Dear Someone. Cheryl Gendron and Mark Claudemans are an acoustic duo that have been playing around Maryland for years, sharing their love of American rock and folk music. Bringing a blanket or camp chair is heavily encouraged. \$10.

Saturday April 27th, 5:00 - 7:00 pm

17615 West Willard Rd, Poolesville MD 20837

Weeklong Summer Youth Program at Riverworks:

Our youth instructors are collaborating to create a multidisciplinary artistic exploration to celebrate the natural world, taking advantage of the beautiful grounds and sculpture garden around the Alden Farms Studio. Get ready for art, theater, music and movement!

9:00 - 12:00 p.m. July 8th - 12th (Ages 7-11)

9:00 - 12:00 p.m. August 5th - 9th (12-15)

Riverworks Studio at Alden Farms, 19215 Beallsville Rd., Beallsville, MD 20837

Weekly Jam Sessions:

All are welcome to join in with their instruments or voices at these free jam sessions at Locals every week, led by Brian Jamison. *Fridays, 5:00 - 8:00 pm*

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Classes and Workshops: Visit www.riverworksart.org/book-online

Afro Fusion Dance Classes:

Angela Gonzalez teaches dance at Riverworks Studio at Alden Farms (outside if weather permits!) \$20 per class. *Wednesdays, 6:30 - 7:15 p.m.*

All-Ages Youth Music Classes with Yunique Music School:

Michelle Palmer teaches all ages at Riverworks, with weekly classes for younger kids to explore musical concepts, as well as instrumental lessons for older students, and a wide selection of instruments to choose from. *These classes are ongoing through 2024.*

Iphone Photography Bootcamp:

Join Martin Radigan for an intensive one-day, 7 hour workshop covering all the details on making high quality photographs with modern day iphones, from adjusting settings, to composition, and photo editing. *Sunday, May 5th 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. (includes 1 hour break)*

Youth Classes with Talia Rizzo:

Talia Rizzo leads arts classes for ages 5-17, in a variety of mediums. These three courses all focus on a different area of exploration, *Open for drop-in and late registration.* each class \$240.

Pastel and Watercolor Exploration (Ages 5-10) *Wednesdays 5:00 - 6:00 p.m. April 10th - May 29th*

Drawing Mythical Creatures (Ages 8-12) *Fridays 5:00 - 6:00 p.m. April 12th - May 31st*

Clay Hand Building for Teens (Ages 13-17) *Saturdays 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. April 13th - June 1st*

Open Studio:

Use the Riverworks Studio at Alden Farms, taking advantage of its studio space, art materials, and check out books from its growing library of art history and instructional books. \$5 fee.

Tuesdays 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m., Fridays 2:00 - 5:00 p.m., Sundays 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.