

2024: A Year of Creativity and Connection



Since last fall, Riverworks has offered an astonishing number of classes, programs, concerts, and other events—nearly 100 in all, many of them low-cost or free.

- seven Artist in the House exhibitions featuring painting, ceramics, photography, and more
- sponsorship of the Reserve Wind Ensemble, a new community band
- music classes for children with Yunique Music School
- art, music, and theater classes for teens
- classes and one-day workshops on painting, photography color theory, and collage
- hands-on classes for children, including clay, watercolor, pastel, and drawing
- outdoor concerts featuring folk, swing, hip-hop, rock, and country
- participation in Montgomery County Heritage Days, the Poolesville Pride Festival, a fundraiser for the Masai Girls Education Fund, and a historic marker ceremony with the MoCo Lynching Memorial Project
- dance programming in partnership with Hope Garden Children's Ballet Theatre and Essence Studios Dance and Performing Arts
- debut of Summer Arts Week for children, including a scholarship program
- groundbreaking Community Roundtable Project exploring the Indigenous Peoples of the Potomac Piedmont
- monthly Made-in-Studio sessions introducing attendees to new artistic media
- a full afternoon of music, dance, and visual arts at the second annual Taste of Riverworks festival
- ongoing Friday night jam sessions

AN EYE ON THE FUTURE: THE RIVERWORKS PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

Riverworks is closer to transforming Poolesville's Old Methodist Church into a state-of-the-art performing arts center. Thanks to public grants and private donors, we've raised half of the construction funds needed. We're now reaching out to supporters who share our vision so we can create our flagship building—and fulfill the first of our many big dreams.

POISED FOR GROWTH: PUBLIC SUPPORT FOR THE RIVERWORKS MISSION

As we begin our third full year, Riverworks thanks these private foundations and our elected officials in Annapolis, Rockville, and Poolesville for their support:

- **State of Maryland Capital Bond Bill Grant (FY23/24)**
Provides funding for the construction of the Riverworks Performing Arts Center
- **Montgomery County Community Projects Fund Grant (FY24)**
Helped establish and fund the Reserve Wind Ensemble, a community band
- **Montgomery County Cost Sharing Capital Grants Program (FY24)**
“State Marched Arts Facility” financial assistance to help build the performing arts center
- Riverworks Performing Arts Center was awarded \$168,000 by Montgomery County pursuant to the FY24 Cost Sharing Capital Grants Program under the State Matched Arts Facility funding category.
- **Heritage Montgomery Mini-Grant (FY24)**
Supported our Community Roundtable Project on Indigenous Peoples of the Potomac Piedmont
- **Town of Poolesville Community Goodwill Grant (FY24/25)**
Funds to assist with the construction of the Performing Arts Center
- **Butz Foundation**
Grants to support Made-in-Studio Program, Taste of Riverworks festival, and Performing Arts Center construction
- **Alden-Wright Foundation**
Grants providing essential operating funds and support for the construction of the Performing Arts Center



Because the community has been there for Riverworks, Riverworks can be there for the community. Your support is vital—scan here to make a tax-deductible donation today.

