

Look & Listen

Hello Friends!

Enjoy many inspiring Rappahannock events for the waning days of September. They're a great way to kick off the fall season. Happy fall equinox from all of us at RAAC!

LISTEN

Sperryville Summer Concert—TOMORROW NIGHT! 6pm-8pm. Weather forecast looks good! The Gold Top County Ramblers star at the fourth and final outdoor concert in our summer series. Come out and enjoy this brand of Americana/Bluegrass-esque/String-Rock, featuring homegrown talents Adam Rogers, Mandolin and Vocals; Adam Silvers, Keys/Organ and Vocals; Forrest Marquisee, Guitar and Vocals; Jesse Rogers, Bass; Matt Davis, Banjo and Vocals; Tucker Rogers, Acoustic and Resonator Guitars.

Bring a flashlight along with your blanket, picnic, family & friends for a perfect evening. Venue is the confluence of the north and south forks of the Thornton River at the end of River Lane next to Copper Fox. Event is free courtesy of RAAC, Sperryville Alliance, and a recent "Better Together" grant from the PATH Foundation. Worried about rain? Check the latest event info at RAAC's [website](#) or [Facebook page](#). **New rain date is September 30, same time and place.**

Castleton Festival—Celebrating its 25th anniversary, kicks off a new, richly flavored season, with two live performances this weekend at the Theatre House, 664 Castleton View Road, Castleton, VA: Saturday, September 25 at 1PM-Behind the Scenes Open Rehearsal-Violin and Piano Music around the World; Sunday, September 26 at 4PM-Grieg, Ravel, Debussy, and Beethoven-performed by the world-renowned duo: violinist Eric Silberger and pianist Orion Weiss. Purchase tickets and check out the upcoming season by visiting [Castleton's 25th Anniversary Season! | Castleton Festival](#).

This month, Castleton Festival is also streaming the Castleton Chamber Players performing the Archduke Trio. This famous piano trio is one of Beethoven's greatest creations of noble beauty, poetic vitality, and infectious humor- masterfully played by Eric Silberger, Daniel Lelchuk and Bradley Moore. Click [HERE](#) to see this and all performances to stream.

Rappahannock Radio—Listen to new and stimulating interviews featuring local personalities: From teacher to blacksmith, Boston to Huntly, learn more about Nol Putnam, the master blacksmith at White Oak Forge; Woodville author, historian and musician, John Tole, entices listeners to travel into our county's past, with tales and songs of the Civil War. Musician John Gardner performs live and tells the story of his band, Goodnight Ghost; Kat Maier talks about her new book, Energetic Herbalism: A Guide to Sacred Plant Traditions — all on [RappahannockRadio.com](#).

LOOK

Carver 4-County Museum Exhibit—Author, innkeeper, master chef and servant leader, Lillian F. Aylor, has led an extraordinary life. Having received a RAAC Mitchell Fund grant for her autobiography, “I’ll Get It Done,” Lillian’s journey is part of an ongoing exhibit, “When Women Use Their Power,” featuring the accomplishments of outstanding women of color who impacted the counties of Culpeper, Orange, Rappahannock and Madison. View the exhibit and Lillian’s video virtually by [clicking here](#), or in-person by appointment only, through September 30, at 9432 James Madison Highway, Rapidan, VA. Open by appointment only Thursday through Saturday, 11AM until 4 PM.

Stone Hill Theatrical Foundation—This Saturday, September 25—*Lonestar*. This critically acclaimed, independent film by John Sayles, about the tumultuous nature of borderland states, screens at 7:30PM in the amphitheater, 40 Springwish Lane, Flint Hill, VA. RSVP: jhenry@drystonecapital.com.

What She Said—A movie filmed at Rappahannock locales, made entirely by women, many with close connections to Rappahannock County, is now available on digital release. The film tackles how trauma affects a sexual assault victim well after the fact. Visit [Shallow Graves Productions](#) for details.

Cottage Curator—Form + Function, an online exhibition, featuring contemporary studio furniture makers who paint surfaces, forge steel, carve and steam-bend wood. Visit [Cottage Curator](#) virtually 24/7, and in-person, Thursday through Sunday, 11AM until 4PM, at 12018A Lee Highway, Sperryville, VA.

Firnew Farm Artists’ Circle—We the Artists, a new exhibition featuring artist Chee Kludt Ricketts and the works of 40 others, is open virtually and in-person at the Grand Salon at James Madison’s Montpelier, through September 30. The in-person show is open Thursday through Sunday, 9AM until 3PM. Visit [Firnew Farm Artists’ Circle](#) for details.

Gay Street Gallery—Resident artist Kevin H. Adams has a Solo Exhibition in Provincetown, Massachusetts September 23 through October 5. Kevin will be at his easel at Gallery444, 444 Commercial Street, Provincetown, daily, evenings and weekends, if you are in the area, please stop by and say “hello”! To see Kevin’s artwork click [here](#). Visit [Gay Street Gallery](#) virtually and in-person, Wednesday through Monday, 10AM until 5PM, or by appointment, at 337 Gay Street, Washington, VA.

Middle Street Gallery—Contemplative Moments, a new exhibition September 10-October 17, features quiet and thoughtful images by photographers Gary Anthes and Jo Levine. [The Gallery](#) is next to The Inn at Little Washington and is open Friday-Sunday from 11AM until 5 p.m.

Ron Paras—Body Language, a new series preview, features images created using stacking and blending techniques which combine photographic, textured and painted layers. Watch for larger examples of these works which will be posted on the [website](#) soon.

Rappahannock Galleries—visit other local galleries, in-person and online, to enjoy ongoing exhibits: [Haley Fine Art](#), [R.H. Ballard Gallery](#), and [Thornton River Art](#).

RAAC's Fall Art Tour—November 6-7—is happening! A newly designed Tour will include in-person studio and gallery touring by visitors, online gallery of artwork by participating artists, and online program guides and maps. Details to follow along with Covid safety precautions! Check [Fall Art Tour](#) for the latest information.

Check out details regarding other in-person, virtual and suspended Rappahannock County events due to Covid precautions at [Explore Rappahannock VA](#).



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