

# Look & Listen

Greetings Friends!

Rappahannock arts are in full swing! Watch a TV documentary about Rappahannock's own artist-blacksmith Nol Putnam, congratulate RCHS senior, Ava Genho, recipient of Headwaters' RAAC arts scholarship, buy a locally handcrafted pin with 100% of proceeds going to provide meals in Ukraine, buy tickets for a storytelling favorite, *No Ordinary Person*, and get ready to step out to the blues tunes of *Bobby G & The Heavies* at the first in a series of FREE Sperryville Summer Concerts! All this and more!

Best wishes from all of us at RAAC.

## LOOK



### **Maryland Public Television Documentary to feature Nol Putnam!**

Huntly artist-blacksmith Nol Putnam will be featured in a documentary on Maryland Public Television this Sunday, May 22, at 6:30PM. *Forging Art: Nol Putnam, Artist Blacksmith* is a 30-minute video produced by fellow

Rappahannock residents Tracy and Mathieu Mazza. Viewers will be transported inside White Oak Forge, where Putnam employs centuries old techniques to make art out of iron and steel. Over four decades, Nol has bent metal into iconic pieces, like his trio of Gates for the West Crypt Columbarium at the Washington National Cathedral, his whimsical indoor sculptures, and colorful Poppies, in honor of the Farriers who served in WWI. Enjoy Putnam's fascinating talk on art, mythology and making metal move! To view the PBS documentary visit [MPT Presents | Forging Art: Nol Putnam, Artist Blacksmith | PBS](#).

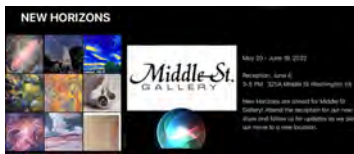


**Headwaters' RAAC Scholarship** has been awarded to Rappahannock County High School graduating senior, Ava Genho. The RAAC scholarship provides support to an RCHS senior who demonstrates interest in pursuing a career or advanced study in the arts, including fine arts, drama, music, film, writing & literature, dance & movement. Genho is a very talented writer and enthusiastic welder. She's heading to Brigham Young University in the Fall to enroll in their Communications Program with an eye toward

pursuing a career in journalism. We wish Ava every success in her studies and career! Visit [Scholarships](#).



**The Art Museum of the Americas** in Washington DC is pleased to present an online exhibition of the work of Rappahannock artist Margot S. Neuhaus, *Of Darkness and Light*, curated by Aneta Georgievska-Shine, beginning today, May 19. Over a period of thirty days you will be able to see images from the entire span of Neuhaus' career on several social media platforms including Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. See the artist's work at [Margot S Neuhaus Art](#) and see the exhibit by clicking [here](#).



New Horizons are ahead for **Middle Street Gallery!** Attend the reception for their new show, June 4, 3-5PM at 325A Middle Street, Washington, VA, and follow them for updates as they plan their move to a new location. The aptly named show, New Horizons, runs May 20-June 19, 2022. Visit [Middle Street Gallery](#).



**Thornton River Art** glass artists have made these fused glass flag pins to support our friends in Ukraine. The attractive *I Stand with Ukraine* pins are \$15 each. 100% of all sales are donated to Jose Andres' World Central Kitchen. Available [@thorntonriverart](#) in Sperryville and [@redtruckbakery](#) in Marshall.  
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**RAAC** is delighted to announce the return of *No Ordinary Person*, in RAAC's new theatre venue at 291 Gay Street, Saturday, June 11th at 8PM and Sunday, June 12th at 3PM. This popular Rappahannock theater tradition returns after a two-year pandemic hiatus! Three local residents will tell true stories from their lives.

Photographer Tina Falkenbury will tell of her uprooted family and her search for a "home"; Beverly Jones will share her story of learning early how to make big changes in tiny steps; Michael Dennis will talk about his struggle learning to read, his passion for books, and his search for meaning and beauty through the love of reading.

The Sunday performance will be followed by a "talk back session," where the storytellers will answer questions about their stories, what it was like to put together a story, and how it felt to share their personal experience with an audience. Tickets for the show can be purchased through Eventbrite by clicking [here](#). Hope to see you there!

## LISTEN



**Castleton Festival** presents *Mozart's Le nozze di Figaro*, Sunday June 5th at 2PM, at the Theatre House, 664 Castleton View Road, Castleton, VA 22716. Tickets to this staged

version in collaboration with Prague Summer Nights, may be purchased [here](#).



**The Sperryville Summer Concert Series** kicks off with *Bobby G & The Heavies*, in the first of four FREE concerts, Thursday, June 16 at 6PM, in the Sperryville River District near the confluence of the North Thornton and Thornton Rivers at the end of River Lane next to Copper Fox Antiques.

Rain date June 23. Get ready to rock and sway to the best rhythm and authentic blues band in the area! Bring a picnic. Mingle with friends and neighbors. The Summer Concert Series is every third Thursday, June through September, sponsored by Rappahannock Association for Arts and Community and the Sperryville Community Alliance. Visit [Bobby G and the Heavies - Home | Facebook](#).



**Castleton Festival's 25th Anniversary Celebration Concert** features *The Castleton Chamber Players* with special guest Orion Weiss, Sunday June 19th at 4PM, at the Theatre House, 664 Castleton View Road, Castleton, VA 22716. Tickets may be purchased [here](#).

**Rappahannock Galleries**—visit local galleries, in-person and online, to enjoy ongoing exhibits: [Cottage Curator](#), [Gay Street Gallery](#), [Haley Fine Art](#), [Hazel River Art & Antiques](#), [Middle Street Gallery](#), [R. H. Ballard Gallery](#), [Sperryville ARTist Cooperative](#), [Thornton River Art](#).

**Rappahannock Studio Galleries**—[Kate Anderson Contemporary Art](#), [Gallery 3](#), [Jason Goldman Wood Art](#), [Mullany Art Studios](#), [River District Potters](#)

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Keep up with the latest happenings each month at [Fall Art Tour!](#)





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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