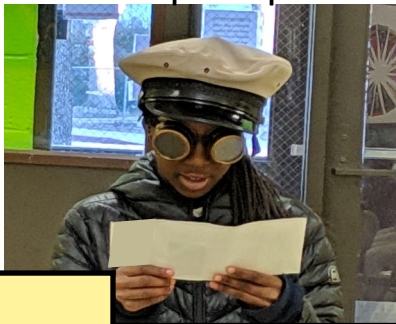




GRATEFUL FOR GRANTS

What a year it's been! A grant from the National Endowment for the Arts got 2019 off to a great start with The Big Read with phenomenal events highlighting African-American firsts and notables. **Maryland Day Weekend** was supported by a grant from Four Rivers Heritage Area. **Little Kids at Hope** - a workshop for parents and caregivers, got a funding boost from the Million Dollar Roundtable Foundation. Maryland State Arts Council supported **Kids 'n' Kaboodle** - our annual free fair - with a Creativity Grant. Grants from the county's Arts Council and Dept. of Recreation & Parks are supporting bilingual programs in **Spanish** and English. Grants from AA Co. Arts Council and BGE have put music in the park. The City of Annapolis gives CCM ongoing support with free rent plus a grant to serve *all* our children. A new BGE Green Grant also



Above: "Bessie Coleman" shares highlights of her incredible life as a pilot and aviation advocate.

Below: Brownies (and brothers) took part in the Day of the Dead Festival and parade.



helps us to reduce and waive fees as needed. Look for new projects in 2020, supported by grants from BGE, Four Rivers, and the Maryland Heritage Areas Authority!

HOURS:

10 am to 4 pm every day

ADMISSION:

\$5, ages 1 and up. Groups of 10 or more by appointment.

FREE admission DEAL:

Two 11 oz. coffee cans per person. These will be used to make drums at our Kwanzaa Celebration. Not applicable to groups nor for programs with a fee.

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MEMBERSHIP:

Basic: \$75 Unlimited admission to CCM for your immediate Family. Discounts on some programs.

Reciprocal: \$125 Above benefits plus includes 1/2 price admission to over 200 participating museums nationwide.

Funded: \$200 Includes above plus supports a gift of a Basic Chesapeake Children's Museum membership to a local family in need.



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Our Mission: to create an environment of discovery about oneself, the peoples, the technology, and the ecology of the Chesapeake Bay area for all our children and for the child in us all.

CCM is supported by the Arts Council of Anne Arundel County which receives funding from the Maryland State Arts Council and the City of Annapolis.

PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

Benny the Beaver



Did you know?

Virginia opossums are the only marsupial in the United States! Bean-sized babies finish developing inside their mother's pouch where they nurse and grow for two months. Over the next few weeks they hang onto her back to ride along as she hunts for food, learning where to find and eat what she eats: nuts, fruits, insects, worms, snails, slugs, frogs, birds, and carrion (dead animals) as well as small rodents. They not only eat venomous snakes with no ill effects, they can also eat up to 4,000 ticks per week! Thank you, possums!



ALL OUR CHILDREN

Always kiss your children good night, even if they're already asleep.

Jackson Brown, Jr.
b. March 14, 1940
author of "Life's Little Instruction Book"

WEEKLY PROGRAMS

Included with museum admission:

Thursdays: Creek Critters

Look for the wildlife living in our woodlands and creek. All ages. 10:30 am.

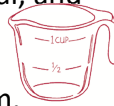


Fridays: Art and Story Time

Picture books, songs, finger plays and art activities for 2-5 year-olds. 10:30 am.

Saturday, Dec. 7 and Friday, Dec. 20: Good-for-You Cookie Baking

The right ingredients make cookies count for healthy food! Bananas, oatmeal, and pecans are some of our secrets.



Two sessions:

Saturday, 1 - 3 pm. Friday, 3 - 6 pm.

All ages. \$5 per person. \$4 for members.

Please alert us to allergies.

Sunday, December 8: First Aider

Learn how to use 9-1-1 and other quick thinking responses to emergencies. Girl Scout Brownies and Juniors will complete requirements for the First Aid badge.

Open to non-scouts, too, ages 7-12.

1:30 - 3:30 pm. \$12. One adult free for every 5 children. Extra adults \$4 each.

Sat. December 14: Agent of Change

Girl Scout Juniors complete activities for Power of One, Power of Team and Power of Community before leaving with plans for a service project. 9 am - 5 pm. Bring a bag lunch. Snacks provided. \$27 per child. One adult free per 5 girls. Extra adults \$4.

Sunday, December 15: Gift-making

Craft a present for someone special. Girl Scout Juniors earn the Jewelry badge. Non-scouts and all ages are welcome. 1 - 3:30 pm. \$12 for unlimited crafting. Or \$2 per craft. 1 adult free per 5 children.

Sat. Dec. 26: Kwanzaa Celebration

Participate in activities related to the 7 principles of this African-American holiday. Make a drum. Make a gift. Take part in acting out traditional African folktales. All ages. 10:30 am. Free with admission.



Tuesday, Dec.31: Happy New Year!

CCM is open 10 am to 5:30 pm. Crafts and traditions from around the world to ring out the old year and welcome in 2020. Watch the early fireworks show at 5:30 pm from CCM's prime location!

Wednesday, January 1: CCM is open Regular hours 10 am - 4 pm.

Saturday, Jan. 4: aMuse Journey

Girl Scout Juniors explore roles and stereotypes through songs, games, crafts, and skits. Bring a bag lunch. Snacks are included. \$27. One adult free for every 5 girls. Extra adults \$4.

Saturday, January 18: Animal Party

Meet some live animals and learn how to take care of them. Ages 5 to 11.

Badge activities for Girl Scout Daisies, Brownies, and Juniors. Two sessions:

9 am - 12 noon and 1 - 4 pm.

\$12 per child. \$4 adults.

One adult free for every 5 children.



Mon. Jan.20: The Skin You Live In

Celebrate the legacy of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. with a hands-on program about how we are different but just the same, too. Ages 6 to 12. Two sessions: 10:30 am - noon. 1 - 2:30 pm. \$12 per child. Group rate of \$8 for 5 or more. Free for accompanying adults.

Saturday, Jan. 25: Brownie Quest

Girl Scout Brownies will discover, connect, and take action to make the world a better place. Bring a bag lunch. Snack provided. 9 am - 1:30 pm. \$22 per girl. One adult free for every 5 girls. Extra adults and tag along siblings are welcome at \$4 each.

FOR THE GROWN UPS

Tuesday, January 28: Baby Signs

Reduce frustration for little ones who can't yet speak. Parents and caregivers gain a basic vocabulary in American Sign Language. 6:30 - 8:30 pm. Lap babies are welcome. Register with Arundel Child Care Connection: 443-782-5007. \$33.



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Chesapeake Children's Museum is a great place to volunteer your energy and talents!

Docent/ Front desk

Welcome visitors and help them to enjoy their visits at CCM.

Development:

Seek out grants and donations.

Volunteer Coordinator

Recruit and support indispensable volunteers.

Exhibit Captain

Take the helm of an exhibit area and steer it to perfection.

Event Facilitator

Help out at an upcoming event at CCM or in the community.

Handyperson

Do quick fix-ups inside and around the building with your tools or ours.

Animal care

Give food and water to CCM's resident critters and help keep their homes comfy.

VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH Erica Cabuatun



I was born and raised in Maryland. My hobbies include longboarding (a long skateboard), playing guitar and singing. Now I'm a senior at Annapolis High School.

I searched online for a volunteering opportunity and found the Chesapeake Children's Museum. I'm so thankful for this opportunity to help others. I absolutely love it here!

MANY THANKS TO:
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Directions from East of Annapolis - Take Route 50 to Exit 24A, Rowe Blvd. Pass the stadium and take the next right onto Taylor Ave. Go halfway around the circle at West Street and turn onto Spa Road. Pass Public Works garages and take next left at Silopanna Road. CCM is at the first stop sign, on your left.

Get this newsletter by email by writing to info@theccm.org or callina 410-990-1993. Saves time and saves the trees!

ALL THE ANGLES



Year-round flowers have bloomed outside CCM! Funded by grants from the Arts Council of AA County and BGE. Thank you, **Zain Marfani** for volunteering to install them. Photo by Julie Kizer Ball.



Maryland Heritage Areas Authority

has approved a \$40,000 grant to make CCM's parking lot safer and more eco-friendly. Your donation will help with the required match!

