

# ART TO ART

## PGCPS Visual Arts Newsletter



*Pictured from left to right: Gino Molfino (MAEA President), Ginger Sapperstein, Linda Cunningham, Sarah Schellin, Jacqueline Gaskins, Elizabeth Stuart.*

### MAEA Winners

Seven Visual Art Teachers from PGCPS were recognized at the Maryland Art Education Association's Teacher Awards Celebration on November 12, 2016 at the Walters Art Museum in Baltimore. Below is the list of teachers and the awards they received. Congratulations to these outstanding Visual Art Teachers!

- Ginger Sapperstein- Novice Elementary
- Sarah Schellin- Novice Middle
- Larry Cook- Novice High
- Barbara Combs- Career Elementary
- Ingrid McCoy- Career Middle
- Jacqueline Gaskins- Career High
- Linda Cunningham- Retired High



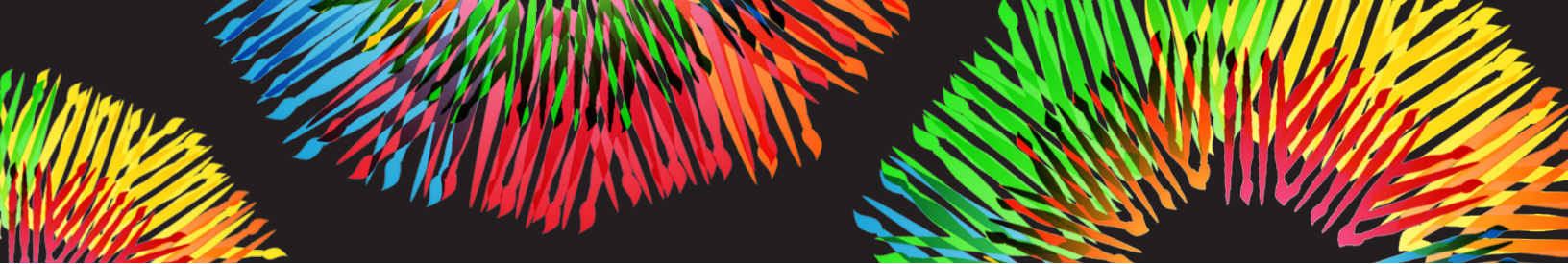
*William Willard, The Penny Image of Abraham Lincoln, 1864. National Portrait Gallery.*

### February 10 - Professional Development Day

Our February PD will be in DC at the National Portrait Gallery and the Smithsonian American Art Museum. We will continue our conversation about visual literacy and be lead through some activities in the galleries.

Please Register on ERO: SRN- 2601210104

Arrive at 8:30-8:45. You must use the 8th and G Street, NW entrance—this is the only entrance open before the museum opens to the public.



## Youth Art for Healing

By Ruby Decker

Montpelier Elementary students are working collaboratively with Youth Art for Healing, a non-profit organization providing hospitals with inspirational artwork to display in corridors and patient exam rooms. Montpelier's students are tasked with creating seven 20" x 24" gallery wrap style canvases for exam rooms at the Prince George's Hospital Center's OBGYN department. Students are developing their compositions around such themes as mother and child, hair braiding, peaceful gardens, and scenes depicting love. This exciting opportunity was offered by Ms. Jan Papirmeister, executive director of Youth Art for Healing, and will be lead by Montpelier's art teacher, Ms. Ruby Decker. In May 2017, the seven paintings will be permanently installed inside the hospital. For more information visit [www.youthartforhealing.org](http://www.youthartforhealing.org)

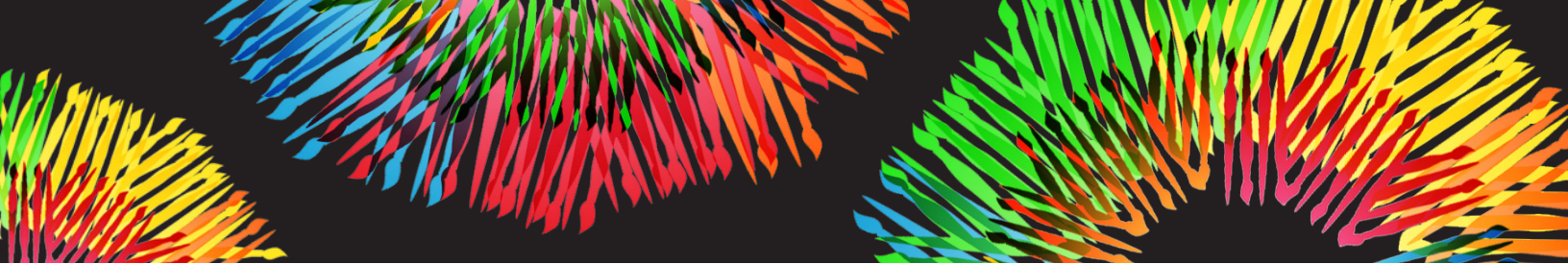


*260 PGCCPS Art Teachers at our back to school meeting in Aug 2016. Please wear your apron to the Countywide Mall Show mentioned below.*



## Countywide Mall Show

We are gearing up for our second annual countywide mall show. All schools will be represented in this show and the community is excited to see the wonderful work you all do with your students. Please mark your calendars to attend the reception on Wednesday, February 22 from 6:00-8:00 starting in center court. Wear your PGCCPS Art Teacher apron to be recognized by everyone as one of our fabulous Art Teachers! See you all at the install on Tuesday, February 21st from 1:00-6:00.



## 1st Annual Fine Arts Gala

Saturday, April 8, 2017

6-9:30 pm

College Park Marriott Hotel & Conference Center

[Purchase Tickets](#)

Artwork from the countywide show will be selected to go to this event for display. Feel free to purchase a ticket if you'd like to come. All proceeds will go to the arts programs in Prince George's County

Public Schools. Also, please [invite](#) any arts supporters/contacts you have. Please [CLICK](#) to purchase tickets.

Additionally, we need 40 table sculptural centerpieces for the Fine Arts Gala. They need to be creative, original, and exciting. The theme of this year's gala is Renaissance Through the Arts: A Cultural Tapestry. The dimensions should be no larger than 12"x12"x12". They will be taken home by one of the guests at each table. Students can work on them collaboratively or individually. They will need to be delivered to John Edgar Howard no later than Wednesday, April 5th. A small sign should be included with each sculpture with the name of the school, student name(s), and ages. Please [CLICK](#) to sign up for one or more of these slots.



## After School Staff Paint and Punch

Paint night held at Rose Valley ES was presented by Art Teacher Jamaal Peterman bringing art and creativity to continue improving school climate.

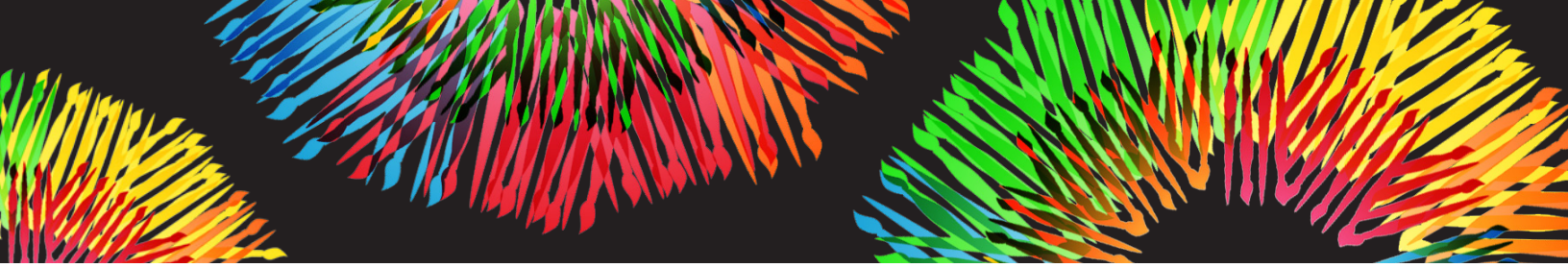


## Department Chairs' Meeting

On Friday, December 9, 2016 the High School Department Chairs met to discuss upcoming events, needs, job descriptions, and to create art. They will meet one more time this year in the Spring.



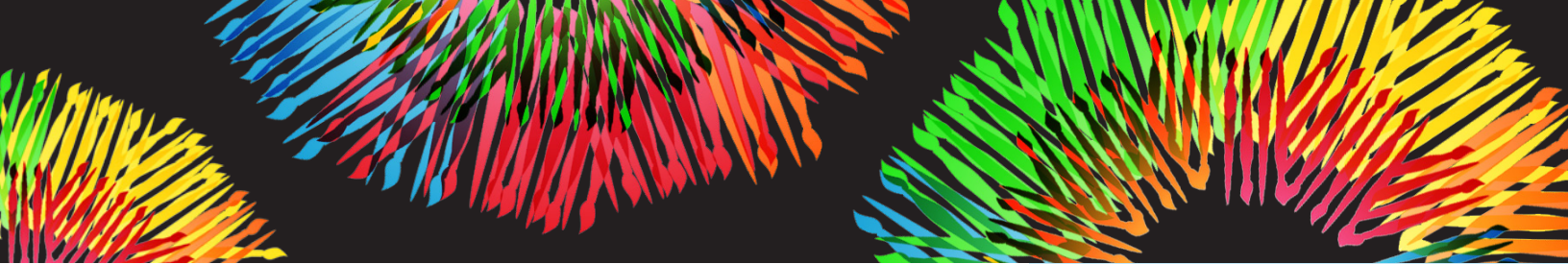
*Teachers create art at the December Department Chairs' meeting.*



**AP Students Paint En Plein Air** Submitted by Angelina Prestel



*November 4, 2016: AP Art Students at High Point High School took advantage of the warm fall weather.*



## Smithsonian American Art Museum Experience

By Natalie Anderson-Place

On October 13, 2016, I had the opportunity to attend the Smithsonian American Art Museum located on 8th and G Street NW (via a Teacher workshop) and see the grand opening of the African American Art on View. How beautiful were these master-

pieces from Jacob Lawrence, Lois Mailou Jones, Romare Bearden, Sam Gilliam, etc. This was an amazing experience for me because my first time seeing these African American masterpieces was when I read about them in an English Literature book way back in high school. I highly recommend that parents take their children to see these great world-renowned artworks in order to appreciate the depth and breadth the African American cultural heritage and contribution to the cannon of Art! Below is the museum's website with a plethora of interactive student activities:

<http://americanart.si.edu/education/resources/activities/index.cfm>

### Other Community Art Resources:

1. The Children Art Foundation - <https://www.icaaf.org/resources/>
2. Kids.gov - <https://kids.usa.gov/parents/art-and-music/index.shtml>
3. NGAkids Art Zone - <http://www.nga.gov/content/ngaweb/education/kids.html>

## This is YOUR Newsletter

Share your art news with other PGCPs Art Teachers.

- Did your school do a special installation or mural?
- Do you have an exciting collaborative project to share?
- Did you attend an art exhibit on your own or with your students?
- Are you showing your own art anywhere?\*
- Are your students showing their art anywhere?\*
- Is there an art event that you think others might like to attend?\*
- Or any other Art Teacher related stories you would like to share?

Please submit stories in a **Google Document using the button below**. Include photos in the document if you wish.

Please keep stories to a half page, single spaced, 12pt type. (Exceptions may be made for length if needed).

\*Keep the date in mind if your news has a deadline or specific time frame that may have passed by the time we distribute. Email Monique Connealy ([monique.king@pgcps.org](mailto:monique.king@pgcps.org)) to confirm newsletter deadline.

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