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## **Visit Howard County**

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### **Visit Howard County Launches ART for ALL**

**Highlights:**

- Multi-discipline art offerings across Howard County during April and May
- For all people
- Special kick-off event featuring nationally exhibited artist Brenda Kidera
- Over twenty participating businesses and organizations

[HoCoArtforAll.com](http://HoCoArtforAll.com)

**Explore The Arts In Howard County this spring. Art for All features all types of art for all people. From live theatre to gallery exhibits, musical performances, culinary arts, pottery, outdoor sculpture, fashion, home decor, and even art to borrow, Art for All is something for all people to get excited about.**

*Ellicott City, MD (March 2019)* - Visit Howard County, in partnership with the Howard County Arts Council, is thrilled to announce an all-new arts awareness campaign called Art for All for April and May. The mission is to bring increased awareness and added business to Howard County's art community by showcasing art offerings of every discipline.

Visit Howard County, in partnership with Horse Spirit Arts Gallery at Historic Savage Mill, will host a special Art for All kick-off event on Sunday, March 31 at 1:00 p.m. in collaboration with the opening reception of NatureWorks - a solo exhibit of nationally recognized artist, Brenda Kidera. Kidera's classical realist paintings explore her passion for birds, animals, plants, trees, and waterways. Rural areas of Maryland and various travels across the country were the inspiration for the collection. The pieces will be displayed at HorseSpirit Arts Gallery through April 21st. Kidera is a Howard County resident.

Arts and arts-related businesses and organizations across Howard County will be hosting events and special arts offerings under the Art for All brand throughout April and May. Offerings range from anything to live theatre, gallery exhibits, musical performances, culinary arts, pottery, outdoor sculpture, fashion, home decor, and even art to borrow from the Howard County Public Library System. Art for All is something for all people, visitors and residents alike, to get excited about.

"Art For All is a wonderful way to increase access to the arts and support our businesses," said Howard County Executive Calvin Ball. "The beauty of the arts belongs to the many, not the few. Art for All affirms that we all should have access to exhibits, shows, and culture which enliven our days and help make life worth living."

Amanda Hof, Executive Director for Visit Howard County, adds "Howard County is home to a vibrant arts community. We are thrilled to be working with our arts partners in this new capacity."

"There is always something exciting happening with the arts in Howard County!" remarks Coleen West, Executive Director of the Howard County Arts Council, "the new Art for All campaign will highlight the wonderful, engaging work of our artists along with the stories and

traditions that make our community so special! We are delighted to be a part of this new initiative!”

Jay Winer, Managing Partner Historic Savage Mill shares, “we are so pleased that Visit Howard County has decided to kick off Art for All at Historic Savage Mill’s newest addition, HorseSpirit Arts Gallery.”

**Participating Businesses and Organizations include:**

Artists' Gallery in Old Ellicott City  
Bernice Kish Gallery at Slayton House (Wilde Lake Community Association)  
Candlelight Concert Society  
Clark’s Elioak Farm  
ClayGround Studio & Gallery in Old Ellicott City  
Columbia Art Center  
Columbia Festival of the Arts  
Elkridge Furnace Inn and Garden House  
Ellicott City Partnership  
Envy Salon  
Heron’s Meadow Farm  
Horowitz Visual and Performing Arts Center  
HorseSpirit Arts Gallery  
Howard County Arts Council  
Howard County Library System  
Merriweather Park at Symphony Woods  
Pinot’s Palette Ellicott City  
Rep Stage in residence at Howard Community College  
Su Casa Furniture in Old Ellicott City  
The Columbia Orchestra  
Toby’s Dinner Theatre, Columbia

View events and most up to date list of participating businesses and organizations at [HoCoArtforAll.com](http://HoCoArtforAll.com)

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