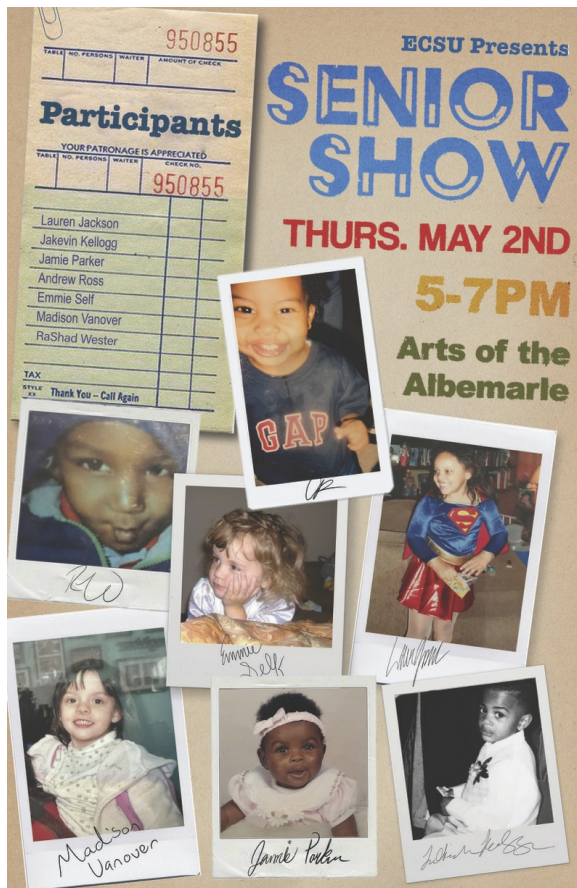


ARTS *of the* ALBEMARLE

What's Happening at AOA this Month?

The sun is shining, summer camp registration is open, and we're excited for another month of events! Join us for the return of The Center Players with *Annie Jr.*, break out your dancing shoes for Shag Night, paint a Mother's Day bouquet in Rebecca Davis's workshop, and more.



May First Friday

Art Walk: ECSU Senior Show and *Themes from Marsh to Sea*

May 3rd, 4-7PM

Gallery

Free Admission

New during the May First Friday Art Walk is a show highlighting Elizabeth City State University graphic design majors. The upcoming graduates will present their senior show, open through the month of May, featuring a range of artworks and designs representative of their curriculum and accomplishments.

The show will open with a public reception on Thursday, May 2nd, from 5-7 PM.

Also on view is "Themes from Marsh to Sea," featuring regional artists from Albemarle Paint Out Painters, Cann Painting Pals, Perquimans Arts League Watercolor Club, Outer Banks Tuesday Painters, AOA Open Studio, and the Pocosin Arts Metal Gild.

The Center Players Presents: *Annie Jr.*

May 10 at 6 PM and May 11th at
2:30 and 6 PM

Maguire Theater

Tickets are \$15 apiece or \$50 for four in
advance, or \$18 apiece day-of.

Leaping Lizards! Elizabeth City will "stick up its chin and grin and sing 'Tomorrow! Tomorrow!'" when The Center Players perform *Annie Jr.* Based on the popular

comic strip and adapted from the Tony Award-winning best musical by Tony Award-winners, Thomas Meehan, Charles Strouse and Martin Charnin, Annie JR. tells the story of a spunky Depression-era orphan determined to find her parents.

The local award-winning children's theatre group The Center Players makes its return to the Maguire Theater under the direction of Natalie Hill with this fan favorite. The production welcomes a cast of fresh faces—many of whom are making their stage debuts.

[Tickets!](#)

Annie JR.



Spring Bouquet Watercolor Workshop with Rebecca Davis

Saturday, May 11th

The AOA Madrin Studio

The cost is \$50 to bring your own supplies and \$70 including supplies.

Students will go through the process of painting flowers in watercolor, also discussing form, design, and watercolor techniques along the way. Have fun creating your own bouquet of delicate blooms through multiple techniques like layering, lifting, and splattering. All levels are welcome.

We recommend bringing mom along for some special quality time on Mother's Day weekend!

[Register Now](#)

Third Thursday Shag Night with

River City Shag Club, Inc.

May 16th, 6-8PM

The AOA Madrin Studio

Free Admission

Bring your dancing shoes and get down! Whether you're new to this form of dance, an experienced shagger, or just coming for the music, all are welcome at this free community event.

Dancers are invited to bring their own snacks and a cash bar will be available with water, sodas, beer, and wine.



Also join us for:

Sketch the Harbor

Friday, June 28th, 10 AM-1 PM

- Guest artist Peggy West, demonstrating transparent skies
- Painting water techniques
- Plein air or studio paintings

[Register Now](#)

Paint the Harbor of Hospitality: Watercolor Workshop Series

Friday, May 17th, 10 AM-1 PM

The AOA Madrin Studio

\$35 per class

Two sessions remain of this three-class mini-series of watercolor fun, under the instruction of JudyLynn Hooser and guest artists. Open to all skill levels, students will learn a new perspective in painting cityscapes and riverscapes. Artists are invited to attend one or all classes in any order.

Sketch the Structures

Friday, May 17th, 10 AM-1 PM

- Guest artist Rebecca Davis, simplifying perspective
- Painting shadow techniques

Open Life Drawing

May 25th, 10AM-12PM

The AOA Madrin Studio

\$5 for high school students and \$10 for adults (pay cash or card at the door)

On the fourth Saturday of each month, our Madrin Studio at 115 N Poindexter St. invites artists of all levels to work independently in a group setting, creating from the reference of a live model. Bring your own supplies and your medium of choice—we'll provide the



tables, chairs, and coffee. Admission goes directly toward paying the model.

Open Studio Wednesdays

Wednesdays, 1-4PM
The AOA Madrin Studio
Free to Attend

Artists: Come one, come all, bring your supplies and your latest project. Work independently in a new space or collaborate and exchange with other artists. We can't wait to see what you create!



Happening this Weekend:

Viking Sound Studios Open House

Saturday, April 27th, 3-4 PM
Twiford Room

Have you heard?! Viking Sound Studios is moving to AOA! Viking invites existing students and those interested in music classes and private lessons to come and familiarize themselves with their new instructional spaces and meet the teachers.



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Sounds of Soul



Featuring the ECSU University Choir & Studio 137
Saturday, April 27, 2024
7-9 PM in the Maguire Theater



\$15 for Students
\$25 General Admission
\$30 Day-Of

Students should call (252) 777-ARTS to receive their discount code.



Directed by
Dr. Walter Swan

Sounds of Soul

Featuring the ECSU Choir and Studio 137

Saturday, April 27th, 7 PM

Maguire Theater

Tickets are \$25 in advance, \$30 at the door, and \$15 for students with the code SoulStudent at checkout.

Join us in the Maguire Theater for an evening of musical entertainment dedicated to the Sounds of Soul. The Elizabeth City State University Choir and Studio 137 will take you through a journey that shows the strength, love, and protection of humankind. Expect to hear crowd favorites from a range of genres including choral literature, spirituals, soul, pop, ballads, Broadway, jazz, and gospel as you enjoy an evening of storytelling through sound.

[Tickets!](#)

In Other News...

2024 Summer Camps

ETIQUETTE PAINTING CRAFTING THEATRE VIOLIN PIANO CLAY

AOA arts of the albemarle

With sessions running between June 17—July 26

Camps and classes for rising K-12 graders

SCHOOL OF THE ARTS

Arts of the Albemarle 516 E Main Street, Elizabeth City, NC

Registration is now open for visual arts, music, and etiquette camps, with more coming soon!

[Learn More &](#)



Calling All Artists:
Mark your calendars for the 2024 iteration of Splash!

Gallery Hours

Tuesday-Friday 11AM-6PM
Saturday 10AM-4PM

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