

## Potomac Wildlife Art Show

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### **CATTAILS AND COCKTAILS** **Community Foundation of Charles County** **Raises Funds For Community**

**Waldorf, Maryland** – Let us take you on a visual tour of the entire Potomac River region – through the eyes of the most acclaimed wildfowl carvers and wildlife artists from the region. Meet the artists who bring the wild alive—see waterman with their tongs oystering in a nearby river ; watch osprey swoop down to catch their fish of the day; sit quietly next to a blue heron as the sun sets along the St. Mary's River and much, much more.

Take a break from Wall Street and join the fun at the Community Foundation of Charles County (CFCC) at their 3<sup>rd</sup> annual Potomac Wildlife Art Show on Friday, May 15, 2009, 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. and Saturday, May 16, 2009, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. For only \$35.00 per person, join us for Cattails and Cocktails – mingle with the artists, cocktails, dinner by Outback Steakhouse, recognition of grant awards. Saturday, admission is free. Judging begins at noon for the working decoy competition; folks can buy artwork directly from the artists, learn style and technique demos and even learn about geo-caching!

This year's event is hosted by the College of Southern Maryland (CSM), La Plata campus. Proceeds will not only support the Community Foundation and its Grant program, but a portion will support the newly created Scholarship Fund supporting the Arts at the CSM. *Partners are growing and include: Chaney Enterprise, College of Southern Maryland and OUTBACK STEAKHOUSE; Sponsors include: Blue Heron - Community Bank of Tri-County, Greater Waldorf Jaycees Foundation, and Maryland Bank & Trust Company; Loon – Captain Billy's Crab House and Restaurant, Chesapeake Document Services, County First Bank, Paul and Mary Grant, Hungerford & Associates Public Relations, Newburg Service Center, Inc., PNC Bank; and Working Decoy Competition Sponsor - Mollie Gieseman – Work Place Solution; Supporters include: Bay Media Services, Inc. and JDS Associates.* All tickets must be purchased in advance. Please call 301.885.0108 or send an email to [gretchen.heinze@charlescommunityfoundation.org](mailto:gretchen.heinze@charlescommunityfoundation.org).

The Community Foundation of Charles County a 501 (c) 3 non-profit organization was founded by and for the people of Charles County. *Its mission: To improve the quality of life for the community of Charles County by aligning philanthropic interests with community needs through stewardship and collaboration. Our vision: To make Charles County the best place to live and give.*

**Calendar:**

Annual Potomac Wildlife Art Show to be held on Friday, May 15 & Saturday, May 16 at the College of Southern Maryland, La Plata campus. Friday admission is \$35/per person and include dinner by Outback Steakhouse. Saturday admission is FREE – Working Decoy Competition and Demonstrations. For tickets call 301.885.0108 or email [gretchen.heinze@charlescommunityfoundation.org](mailto:gretchen.heinze@charlescommunityfoundation.org).

**Cattails and Cocktails Reception** – \$35.00/per person Friday, May 15, 2009

6 p.m – Cocktails – Mingle with artists and browse art work

7 p.m – Dinner served by Outback Steakhouse

Program – recognizing sponsors and grant recipients

**Saturday, May 16, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. FREE Admission**

9-11 – Decoy entry for Working Decoy Competition

12:00 – Judging Begins

Art Demonstrations all day

Geo-Caching demonstration

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