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#### THE McLEAN COMMUNITY CENTER

1234 Ingleside Ave • McLean, Va. 22101

**HOURS:** 

Monday-Thursday: 8 a.m.-11 p.m.

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Saturday: 9 a.m.-midnight
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(whichever is furthest north)

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LETTER FROM
THE EXECUTIVE
DIRECTOR

For more than 50 years, the McLean Community Center (MCC) has been dedicated to bringing residents together and fostering a deep sense of community. Our mission is to enhance the lives of McLean residents by providing access to inspirational arts, cultural experiences, learning opportunities, civic engagement and recreational enpartunities. In addition

and recreational opportunities. In addition, we proudly support community organizations and offer spaces and facilities to encourage connection, collaboration and belonging.

This mission reaches beyond the doors of the MCC and into the community, working in tandem with partner organizations such as the McLean Project for the Arts as it expands to a second location in downtown McLean. We support programming in McLean Central Park such as MPAartfest and our own Summer Concert Series, PetFest and Winter Lights. We actively participate in and sponsor beloved community traditions such as the Winterfest Parade, now managed by the McLean Revitalization Corporation.

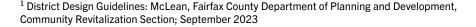
We host a variety of community events throughout McLean, including the Independence Day Fireworks, McLean Day and the McLean 5K, which benefits the McLean Community Foundation. We also operate a key downtown location—the Old Firehouse Center—which plays a vital role in serving both our youth and the broader community. This location has helped solidify placemaking in McLean through our new community mural, championing our message to the community: **"You Belong."** 

As the McLean Commercial Revitalization District begins to take shape through development in downtown McLean, the MCC embraces the vision of a "visually livable, pedestrian-oriented and economically viable urban community." Thanks to the early grassroots efforts of our citizens, who envisioned not only the need for a community gathering place but also a civic and cultural campus—a campus green—the McLean Community Center is located in a special place that combines the newly renovated McLean Central Park (which we were honored to support), the McLean Community Center and Dolley Madison Library in a park-like oasis surrounded by vibrant McLean.

The proximity of our campus to the McLean Commercial Revitalization District, directly across Dolley Madison Boulevard, invites stronger connections. Through collaboration, purposeful programming and smart design, MCC looks forward to working with community partners to envision stronger crosswalks, accessible sidewalks and clear signage—all of which are vital to unifying McLean into an interconnected, accessible and inviting community. We look forward to working with community partners to realize these next steps.

Sincerely,

Betsy May-Salazar





### WHO WE ARE, WHAT WE DO

The McLean Community Center was built and is funded by residents of Greater McLean for their use through a real estate tax surcharge, the result of a 1970 bond referendum (Small District 1A-Dranesville).

Center facilities include the 383-seat Alden Theatre, the McLean Project for the Arts galleries, the Susan B. DuVal Art Studio, meeting and conference rooms, a rehearsal studio, a multipurpose classroom and catering kitchen.

Local open clubs and organizations use the center for their monthly meetings with a nominal charge. Center facilities may be rented for private functions such as business conferences, receptions, parties and recitals. District residents and businesses pay reduced fees.

The center also operates the award-winning Old Firehouse Center, located at 1440 Chain Bridge Rd. in downtown McLean.

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# YOUR CENTER, YOUR COMMUNITY, YOUR VOICE: TAKE THE MCC COMMUNITY FEEDBACK SURVEY

The McLean Community Center happily serves the residents of Dranesville Small District 1A and other patrons. Are our classes, events, performances and teen activities meeting your needs and the needs of the community? Tell us what you think. We rely on our patrons for feedback on how well we are meeting our mission to provide access to inspirational arts, cultural experiences, and learning opportunities.

You can help us improve our offerings by taking just 8 minutes to share your experiences and opinions on this survey. Your responses will be shared with the MCC Governing Board and the MCC program staff as we work together to create a better future and will be presented at the March Public Hearing on FY28 Programs.



### GIVE BACK TO YOUR COMMUNITY! RUN FOR A SEAT ON THE MCC GOVERNING BOARD

Are you a Dranesville Small District 1A resident seeking a way to serve your community? The Governing Board of the McLean Community Center (MCC) is looking for individuals who can contribute their creativity and leadership skills to help shape the ongoing vision of the center. If you enjoy meaningful and thoughtful civic participation, please consider serving on MCC's volunteer Governing Board. Whether you are a newcomer, a boomerang, or have lived in the area for years, your perspective is important. Contributing your skills to the betterment of the community through service on MCC's board is rewarding.

The board election process for 2026-2027 begins in February. The 11-member volunteer board is comprised of nine adults and two teens (ages 15-17) who live in Dranesville Small District 1A, which is the tax district that supports the center. The board term starts in June 2026 and goes through May 2027 with monthly meetings held on weekday evenings.

Four adult seats are open: one to serve 2 years of an unexpired term; three to serve for a 3-year term. Two youth seats are open (to serve for a one-year term). Youth members represent the student populations of the McLean High School and Langley High School districts. Candidates are not required to attend either school, but they must reside in the boundary areas served by those schools.

Interested? Candidate Packets will be available for pick-up at the center beginning in February. For more detailed information, visit: **mcleancenter.org** or call **703-790-0123, TTY: 711**.

#### MCC GOVERNING BOARD APPROVES FY27 BUDGET

At its meeting on Wednesday, Oct. 22, the MCC Governing Board approved the center's proposed budget for fiscal year 2027, which runs from July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027. The budget will now be reviewed and considered by the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors as part of the 2027 Fairfax County Budget proposal, with a projected final approval in the spring.

You can view highlights of the FY2027 budget online at mcleancenter.org.

### SHARE YOUR THOUGHTS AND IDEAS ON MCC PROGRAMS AT PUBLIC HEARING IN MARCH

We want to hear from you! Plan now to attend MCC Governing Board's Public Hearing on Programs at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 25, 2026, at the center. The hearing gives residents of Dranesville Small District 1A an opportunity to give feedback and offer suggestions on center programs, which include The Robert Ames Alden Theatre and the Old Firehouse Teen Center.

The public hearing is the first step in planning for the FY2028 budget cycle, which begins July 1, 2027. Residents who would like to speak at the hearing should call **703-790-0123, TTY: 711**. They can also make comments at the meeting without prior notice or may submit written comments in person, by mail or by e-mail to **feedback@mcleancenter.org**.

For more information, call 703-790-0123, TTY: 711, or visit: mcleancenter.org.

### PUBLIC ART INSTALLED IN HONOR OF 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY

Two new community art pieces were installed in McLean, honoring MCC's 50th Anniversary. "QB" is a mosaic sculpture by artist Eileen Gay that personifies the MCC logo and provides a warm welcome to patrons by the MCC plaza. Brightening the heart of downtown McLean, the new Community Mural at the Old Firehouse Center, by Artist Jeremy Jarvis, shares a powerful message—"You Belong"—expressed in the five languages most widely spoken by families in Fairfax County Public Elementary Schools.



**Top:** "QB" posing with artist, Eileen Gay.

**Right:** The "You Belong" community mural on the side of The Old Firehouse Center in Downtown McLean



# FY2025 STRATEGIC PLAN RESULTS

The McLean Community Center (MCC) recently completed the second year of its five-year Strategic Plan, a roadmap for enhancing visibility, inclusion, excellence, and sustainability across all MCC programs and facilities. At the July 23 Governing Board meeting, Executive Director Betsy May-Salazar shared highlights of the Center's progress in FY2025.

# UNIVERSAL SURVEY QUESTIONS

(July 1, 2024-June 30, 2025)

Survey scale 1 (lowest) -5 (highest)

### My MCC program or service was a high-quality offering.



My MCC program or service taught me something new, improved an existing skill, offered an important service, or otherwise improved my quality of life in some capacity.



1,914

community survey responses collected from the Universal Survey Questions from July 2024-July 2025.

# 1 Be Visible

#### Commitment to Public Art in Honor of 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Two new community art pieces provide placemaking for McLean and increase visibility of MCC. "QB", a mosaic sculpture personifying MCC logo, greets visitors to the plaza entrance at MCC. A Community Mural at the Old Firehouse Center provides placemaking to downtown McLean with message of "You Belong".

#### MCC's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Year-Long Celebration

A year of community engagement that included collecting memories and capturing stories in new 50th anniversary video, digital timeline, and MCC memories scrapbook.

### Signs in Downtown McLean

New wayfinding sign at Ingleside & Rt. 123 and featured banners at OFC enhance visibility in Downtown McLean.

147,418

total FY2025 attendance number for all MCC classes, events, camps, performances, meetings.

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Welcome all of McLean and Its Global Community

#### World Premier of "Remember Balloons"

"Remember Balloons" explored intergenerational connections and the impact of memory loss through public and school performances and workshops.

### ADA Renovation and Sensory Room

The ADA renovation and new Sensory room at The Old Firehouse Center provide more accessible space for all.

### Highlighted Cultural Events

MCC welcomed all of McLean to Fiesta del Sol, bilingual musical Sugar Skull!; Collage Dance Collective's "Rise"- set to MLK's "From the Mountain Top" speech, Jazz at Lincoln Center: New Orleans Song Book, The Black Opry, and 16 foreign language film screenings.

### My MCC program or service was provided at a reasonable cost.



of respondents would recommend MCC programs or services to others.

My setting for my MCC program or service was appropriate, clean and accessible.



**Invite** Discovery

#### New lecture/ workshop series

In partnership with Safe Community Coalition and McLean Citizens Association, MCC fostered community learning which included a youth mental health series, Senior Safety Summit, and financial & retirement programs.

#### **Seniors in Action**

Continued refinement to provide diverse offerings and create a balance of programming allowing MCC to meet the expanded demand and need in our community.

#### The Alden Theatre's commitment to diverse programming and expanding offerings to schools

The Alden Theatre tripled Youth touring performances to local schools, reaching new audiences.

**Showcase Excellence** 

#### **Annual Fall Community** Feedback Survey

The survey was fully integrated into our community feedback cycle, providing broader and deeper community engagement and a more robust Spring Public Hearing on Programs.

#### **Universal Survey** Questions

Universal survey questions were included in all event and program surveys. Data collected ties to strategic plan metrics and has been incorporated into annual metrics reported to Fairfax County.

#### **Internal Evaluation** practice

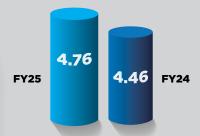
MCC staff is engaged in a continuous reflection and improvement process at micro and macro levels to sustain high performance.

**MCC** employees were effective, helpful, and courteous.



performances, classes, and events aligned with strategic goals.

I would recommend MCC programs or services to others.



Model **Sustainability** and Good

#### **Internal Operational** Refinement

**Stewardship** 

A new Deputy Director, Jonathan Melendez. strengthened governance best practices and operations to enhance center-wide customer service.

#### **Energy Efficiency**

The MCC has implemented components of Energy Study for more energy efficient facility operations.

#### Old Firehouse Center **Vans Replacement**

OFC vans have been replaced with new vans that improve safety, reliability, and energy efficiency for MCC program transportation.

#### **Summer Concert Series Timing Change**

The concerts have been changed to weekday evenings to offer more comfortable outdoor experience for audience, performers, and staff.

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1/1	New Year's Day	Center Closed
1/3	1 p.m.	Winter Block Party
1/4	2 p.m.	Furia Flamenca: A Trip to Spain
1/8	1 p.m.	Foreign Language Film: "Pelle the Conqueror"
1/13-1/14	7 p.m.	Youth Production Auditions
1/15	1 p.m.	Performing Arts Movie
1/16	7 p.m.	Snowball Dance
1/18	2 p.m.	Barron Ryan Trio: There Arises Light in the Darkness
1/19	MLK Day Holiday	Center Closed
1/21	6:30 p.m.	Foreign Language Film: "Pelle the Conqueror"
1/26		Macdonald Scholarship Application Deadline
1/28	6:30 p.m.	Governing Board Meeting
1/29	8 a.m.	Teacher Workday Trip- Skiing/Snowboarding
1/30	8 a.m.	Teacher Workday Trip- Upscale Bowling & Movie

### **FEBRUARY**

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2/2	9 a.m.	Camp Registration Opens	
2/4	6:30 p.m.	Foreign Language Film: "Hyenas"	
2/6	7 p.m.	Snack & Paint Night	
2/7	6 p.m.	Astronaut vs. Aquanaut	
2/9		Macdonald Scholarship Preliminary Round	
2/12	1 p.m.	Foreign Language Film: "Hyenas"	
2/13	7 p.m.	Sweetheart Parent & Child Dance	
2/16	President's I	Day Center Closed	
2/17	8 a.m.	OFC Trip- Indoor Mini Golf & Ice Skating	
2/18	9 a.m.	Governing Board Candidate Petition Packets Available	
2/18	7 p.m.	Year of the Red Fire Horse Lunar New Year Celebration	
2/19	1 p.m.	Performing Arts Movie	
2/21	2 p.m.	Crime Fiction Author S.A. Cosby	
2/22	2 p.m.	Borisevich Duo: Piano and Violin	
2/25	6:30 p.m.	Governing Board Meeting	
2/28	6 p.m.	The Great Race: The Story of the Chinese Zodiac	

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4/1	9 a.m.	Governing Board Absentee Voting Begins
4/1	6:30 p.m.	Foreign Language Film: "Your Name"
4/2	1 p.m.	Performing Arts Movie
4/4	10 a.m.	Spring Fest
4/6	8 a.m.	OFC Trip- Indoor Waterpark
4/8	6:30 p.m.	Foreign Language Film: "Schultze Gets the Blues"
4/9	1 p.m.	Foreign Language Film: "Schultze Gets the Blues"
4/10	8 a.m.	OFC Trip- Indoor Trampoline & Movie
4/11	9 a.m.	McLean Earth Day- Act Locally
4/12	2 p.m.	Jazz at Lincoln Center Presents: Great American Crooners
4/18	9 a.m.	Spring Community Parking Lot Sale
4/18	7 p.m.	Nicholas Rodriguez: Sincerely Sondheim
4/22	6:30 p.m.	Governing Board Meeting
4/24	7 p.m.	Zak Mirz: Magician
4/24	7 p.m.	Family Fun Bingo
4/25	1 p.m.	Sensory Day
4/26	2 p.m.	Main Street Chamber Players
4/29	8 p.m.	Macdonald Scholarship Final Competition

3/4	6:30 p.m.	Foreign Language Film: "The Umbrellas of Cherbourg"
3/6	7 p.m.	HERO: The Boy from Troy a New Musical About Young John Lewis
3/12	1 p.m.	Performing Arts Movie
3/13	7 p.m.	St. Patty's Party
3/16	5 p.m.	Governing Board Petition Packets Due
3/21	5 p.m.	Fiesta del Sol
3/21-3/22	2 p.m.	Youth Production Performances
3/25	6:30 p.m.	Governing Board Meeting + Public Hearing for FY28 Programs
3/26	1 p.m.	Foreign Language Film: "The Umbrellas of Cherbourg"
3/29	2 p.m.	Solomon Eichner: Piano
3/30-4/3		OFC Spring Break Trips



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# COMMUNITY EVENTS

For registration and detailed information visit our website at **mcleancenter.org**.

For exhibitor information, visit mcleancenter.org/exhibitor-applications.

#### YOUTH EVENTS

#### SWEETHEART PARENT CHILD DANCE

For all ages. Children are invited to come to MCC for a fancy "date" with their parent or guardian. Featured activities include a photo booth, a DJ playing your favorite tunes, craft projects and light refreshments. Create lasting memories by joining us. Parent/guardian must attend with their child/children and register individually.

#### Friday, Feb. 13, 7-9 p.m.

Activity Number: 4503.326 Admission: \$20 per person McLean Community Center

#### **SPRING FEST**

Join your neighbors as we celebrate the changing of seasons with spring-themed arts and crafts, entertainment and the opportunity for your child to get a photo with Bunny. Make sure you bring your camera as an OFC staff member will be on hand to take the photo of you and your family.

#### Saturday, April 4, 10 a.m.-noon

Free Admission
McLean Community Center

#### **BUBBLE FUN RUN**

The school year is wrapping up, but the Old Firehouse is ready to have some summer fun. Get ready to dash through a course with colorful bubbles and foam. Laugh and get your fill of bubbles and water play at our Bubble Fun Run.

#### Saturday, June 13, 10 a.m.-noon

Free Admission
Location to be determined



#### OFC-SPONSORED FAMILY EVENTS

1440 Chain Bridge Rd.

#### OLD FIREHOUSE WINTER BLOCK PARTY

Join us for the 5th Annual Winter Block Party and enjoy a variety of free games, crafts, music, food, amusements, giveaways and more!

#### Saturday, Jan. 3, 1-4 p.m.

Free Admission
McLean Community Center



#### LIGHT UP McLEAN: HOLIDAY HOUSE DECORATING CONTEST

The Light Up McLean Holiday
Decorating Competition is your
opportunity to show off your home in all
its holiday splendor! Think your holiday
decorations are the best? Enter the
competition and prove it! Your McLean
neighbors will vote for the winners in
the following categories:

- Best Overall: An exceptionally attractive, unique and complete design that utilizes space and resources well.
- 2. Most Creative/Original: An exceptional use of creative ideas and lots of originality evident in design.
- **3. Best Holiday Theme:** Eye-catching decorations that clearly communicate a fully conceptualized theme.

Decorators who register will receive a thank you gift from the Old Firehouse.

Registration for House Decorators Ends Friday, Dec. 12

Contest and Voting Runs Dec. 23, 2025-Jan. 5, 2026

Activity No. 4701.225

### SNACK & PAINT NIGHT

Whether you are a beginner or an expert, love snacks or want to get your hands dirty with some paint, come on down to MCC for our Snack & Paint Night. Led by a professional art teacher, you will be able to create your own masterpiece with your family while having tons of fun doing so. All materials and snacks are included in the fee.

#### Friday, Feb. 6, 7-9 p.m.

Activity No: 4704.326

\$10 per person. Preregistration recommended.

Duval Studio, McLean Community Center



#### **FAMILY FUN BINGO**

Join us for an evening of fun and prizes! Enjoy free popcorn, and winners will take their pick of prizes!

#### Friday, April 24, 7-9:30 p.m.

Activity No: 4705.326 \$15/\$10 MCC district residents. Preregistration recommended. Old Firehouse Center

#### **SENSORY DAY**

Challenge your senses at the Old Firehouse. This unique and fun event, supporting Autism Awareness Month, will provide ALL who attend a sensory exploration through taste, smell, sound, sight and touch. This event is free and open to ALL.

#### Saturday, April 25, 1-4 p.m.

Free for all participants
Old Firehouse Center

#### SPECIAL EVENTS

#### FIESTA DEL SOL

A Latin American & Caribbean Festival. Produced by the McLean Community Center.

Get ready because Fiesta del Sol is back! Savor sumptuous cuisine, hear the sounds of Latin American and Caribbean music with renowned live bands, see quality artisan exhibitors and enjoy alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages. Learn how to dance a variety of Latin dance steps from professional dance instructors throughout the evening.

#### Saturday, March 21, 5-10 p.m.

Free Admission

Drink and food tickets sold onsite. Patrons must be 21 years old or older to purchase or drink alcoholic beverages.

### McLEAN EARTH DAY - ACT LOCALLY

Produced by the McLean Community Center

This drive-through environmental action event is designed to provide McLean residents with an opportunity to divert items from landfills and create a healthier planet through shredding, reusing, recycling and replenishing. The event includes document shredding (up to five file boxes—no clips please), bike donations, bulk and household item donations and more. Don't leave without your free gifts!

#### Saturday, April 11, 9 a.m.-noon

Free admission. **Only MCC district residents.** Registration is required.

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Activity No. 2010.326 9 a.m. Activity No. 2011.326 10 a.m. Activity No. 2012.326 11 a.m.



## SPRING COMMUNITY PARKING LOT SALE

Got stuff? Need stuff? This parking lot sale has over 50 vendors! Residents selling gently used household-related items are welcome. Come meet our MCC Governing Board candidates! Register online at **mcleancenter.org**, in person, or by phone by contacting the MCC Registrar at **703-744-9365**.

#### Saturday, April 18, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Free admission. Vendors must register.
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#### **Adults, All Items**

#### **Vendor Space Fee:**

Activity No. 2001.326 \$30
Activity No. 2001.326 \$20 MCC district residents

### Children 5- to 15-year-olds, Children's Items Only.

Children must be the sellers and must be supervised by a parent.

#### Vendor Space Fee:

Activity No. 2002.326 \$15 Activity No. 2002.326 \$5 MCC district residents

Vendor enrollment deadline is **Friday, April 10**. Advanced registration required. Vendor spaces are available on a first-come, first-served basis.

#### SPRING CONCERT WITH NATHANIEL **AGUILAR**

Join us for an unforgettable performance by Nathaniel Aguilar, a professional percussionist and keyboardist based in New York City. A dynamic performer, educator and songwriter, Nathaniel brings a rich blend of rhythm and melody through drums, piano, synthesizer and vibraphone. With experience spanning concerts, churches, weddings and corporate events, his music captivates audiences across all settings.

#### Friday, May 15, 12:30-2:30 p.m.

Activity No. 1252.326

Free admission; registration required MCC Comunity Hall

#### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

McLean needs YOU to make community events a success!

- Volunteers need to be 16 years of age or older.
- · Volunteers must be able to stand a minimum of six hours, walk, bend, stoop, reach, lift and carry up to 25 lbs.

Don't delay – make a difference and be part of the fun! Students can receive community service hours for volunteering.

Sign-up is easy through Fairfax County's Volunteer Management System (VMS) volunteer.fairfaxcounty.gov/ custom/1380/#/volunteer home.

SIGN UP



#### McLEAN DAY 2026

A Community Festival Since 1915. Produced by the McLean Community Center.

McLean's biggest and best annual festival is back! Live music, large and small carnival rides, gourmet food trucks, a beer and wine garden, sponsors, giveaways, 100+ exhibitors, balloon animals, games, a magician, petting zoo, amusements and much more! This event draws approximately 10,000+ patrons throughout the day. Ride tickets are sold onsite and online. Advance purchase available.

#### FRIDAY CARNIVAL RIDES

Enjoy carnival rides and games on the Friday before the festival!

#### New Time! Friday, May 15, 3-9 p.m.

Ride tickets sold on-site and on-line. Advance purchase available.

Lewinsville Park, 1659 Chain Bridge Rd.



Saturday, May 16, 11 a.m.-5 p.m.

Free admission

Lewinsville Park, 1659 Chain Bridge Rd.



#### MCC GOVERNING BOARD ELECTIONS

Vote for your favorite MCC Governing Board candidates

Friday 4-8 p.m. and Saturday 11 a.m.-5 p.m.

#### **EXHIBITOR SPACE**

Sign up for a McLean Day exhibitor booth space to promote your organization, community group and/or business. Artists, artisans and crafters are welcome! For more details and to obtain an exhibitor application, go to our website mcleancenter.org/exhibitor-applications.

#### **EXHIBITOR APPLICATION DATES**

Registration is open now for McLean Small District 1A-Dranesville residents and businesses.

**Sunday, Feb. 1, 2026** – Registration opens to the general public.

Exhibitor spaces are sold on a first-come, first-served basis until they are filled.

#### **SPONSORSHIPS**

Become a McLean Day Sponsor! Show your community spirit at this highly visible event. For more information, go to our website: mcleancenter.org/special-events or contact events@mcleancenter.org.

# CLASSES

#### **YOUTH CLASSES**

#### **CHESS**

#### **CHESS CLUB**

Learn chess with world champion Silver Knights Chess Academy. We've taught 100,000 children to play, including state and national champions, but most students are beginners looking to learn a new skill and have fun. Class time is divided between lessons and practice games. Lessons range from the basic rules to advanced tournament strategies. Instructor: Silver Knights Chess Academy.

#### **6-12** years

#### **Activity No. 1250.326**

8 lessons @ 1 hr, \$126/\$115 MCC district residents

W, 1/7-2/25 6-7 p.m.

#### **Activity No. 1251.326**

8 lessons @ 1 hr, \$126/\$115 MCC district residents

W, 3/11-5/6 6-7 p.m.

No lesson on 3/25.



## **CULINARY ARTS**

# YOUTH COOKING MANNERS & ETIQUETTE

Sign up now for this highly popular and effective etiquette class. On Day One, students prepare a variety of foods, then sit and enjoy the rewards of their labor all the while discussing the concepts and rules of manners and etiquette. On Day Two, students will dine and share a four-course meal served to them restaurant-style, while their dining etiquette is critiqued in a lively and productive manner by Chef Joel. This class features a vegetarian menu. Instructor: Chef Joel Olson.

**Day One:** Vegetable and White Bean Minestrone with Garlic Breadsticks; Three-Cheese and Tomato Stromboli; Scandinavian Sugar Cookies. Common Courtesy; Manners and Etiquette 101; Guest and Host.

Day Two: Bread and Butter Basket; Corn and Potato Chowder; Garden Salad with Homemade Dressing; Spinach and Cheese en Croute with Creamy Lemon Sauce; Herbed Rice; Vegetable Side Dish; Fresh Fruit Napoleons. Manners and Etiquette 102. Recipes and handouts will be presented at the end of Day Two.

#### **8-14** years

#### **Activity No. 1314.326**

2 lessons @ 2 hrs, \$118/\$108 MCC district residents

M-Tu, 4/20-4/21 4:15-6:15 p.m.

### YOUTH KNIFE SKILLS

Empower your children to help with the cooking by learning real knife skills that will stay with them as long as they cook. Students will learn special techniques for cutting onions, carrots, peppers and other fruits and vegetables. They will learn how to paste garlic, mince parsley and make a chiffonade of lettuce, as well as how to safely cut French bread. On the menu: Mediterranean Fried Rice with Vegetables and Herbs; Garlic Bread. Instructor: Chef Joel Olson.

#### **8-14 years**

#### **Activity No. 1312.326**

1 lesson @ 2 hrs, \$59/\$54 MCC district residents

W, 4/15 4:15-6:15 p.m.

### YOUTH: COOK DINNER!

Potato and Cheddar Soup with Buttered Biscuits; Creamy Beef Stroganoff with Egg Noodles; Sauteed Vegetables with Herbs; Caramel Mousse; Sugar Crisps. Instructor: Chef Joel Olson.

#### **8-14** years

#### **Activity No. 1318.326**

1 lesson @ 2 hrs, \$59/\$54 MCC district residents

W, 4/22 4:15-6:15 p.m.

### YOUTH "IT'S A PARTY"

Hand-Breaded Chicken Tenders with Homemade Ranch Dressing; Cheeseburger Wontons with Honey Mustard Sauce; Stuffed-Crust Cheese Pizza; S'mores Nachos. Instructor: Chef Joel Olson.

#### **8-14 years**

#### **Activity No. 1313.326**

1 lesson @ 2 hrs, \$59/\$54 MCC district residents

Th, 4/16 4:15-6:15 p.m.

#### YOUTH THAI CUISINE

Thung Thong (Thai "Money Bags"—crispy fried pastries with pork, mushrooms and herbs); Nam Jim Po Piah (Thai Dipping Sauce); Thai Green Curry Lettuce Wraps; Jasmine Rice with Lemongrass and Lime; Thai-Fried Bananas with Chai-Spice Cookies; Chai Caramel Sauce. Instructor: Chef Joel Olson.

#### **8-14 years**

#### **Activity No. 1319.326**

1 lesson @ 2 hrs, \$59/54 MCC district residents

Th. 4/23 4:15-6:15 p.m.

#### YOUTH COMFORT FOOD

Menu: Cream of Yukon Gold Potato Soup; Fresh-Baked Cheddar Focaccia; Stovetop Chicken and Dumplings: Three-Cheese Macaroni and Cheese with Herb and Butter Crust. Instructor: Chef Joel Olson.

#### **8-14 years**

#### **Activity No. 1315.326**

1 lesson @ 2 hrs, \$59/\$54 MCC district residents

F, 4/17 4:15-6:15 p.m.

#### YOUTH CHOCOLATE **TREATS**

Who doesn't love chocolate? Youth will learn about cooking with chocolate to make delicious desserts and treats. Participants will prepare the following to enjoy in class and will also get to take some of these scrumptious chocolate treats home to share (or not!). On the menu: Maine Potato Candy; White **Chocolate Muffins with Candied** Oranges; Warm Chocolate Lava Cakes with Salted Caramel Sauce: Chocolate Fudge Cookies, Instructor: Chef Joel Olson.

#### STIX N' SNACKS

In this exciting class, students will explore a variety of fun and tasty treats. from sweet to savory, all perfectly portioned on sticks for easy grabbing and munching. You'll have the chance to prepare delicious creations like Banana Split Sticks, Sticky-Stacky Sandwiches, Mini Meatball Subs, Chef Salad Sticks and more! Throughout the class, you'll learn how to chop and assemble your very own skewer snack creations. Each recipe is designed to be interactive and hands-on, making it a fun way to learn kitchen skills while gaining the confidence to work independently at home. Get ready for a delicious and memorable experience with Stix n' Snacks! Instructor: Tiny Chefs.

#### 4-8 years

#### **Activity No. 1321.326**

6 lessons @ 1 hr, \$174/\$158 MCC district residents

Th, 1/8-2/12 4:30-5:30 p.m.

### **HEROIC KITCHENS:** SUPER CHEFS

Calling all future superheroes! In this exciting cooking class, our Tiny Chefs will whip up delicious recipes inspired by the favorite foods of iconic superheroes and villains. From mixing to frosting and decorating, chefs will learn essential cooking techniques while crafting heroic (and villainous) menus. Join us for a fun-filled semester of superhero-inspired culinary adventures! Instructor: Tiny Chefs.

#### 4-8 years

#### **Activity No. 1320.326**

**JOURNEY** 

6 lessons @ 1 hr, \$174/\$158 MCC district residents

Th, 2/19-4/2 4:30-5:30 p.m.

**Disclaimer:** Tiny Chefs reviews products for the allergy warnings indicated on the label. Tiny Chefs will not be held liable for allergens not listed on product packaging and environmental factors or cross-contamination. Tiny Chefs can accommodate some mild allergies based on our discretion. Examples of ingredients used in our class: dairy, egg, wheat/gluten, soy, coconut, sesame. We cannot guarantee a completely allergen-free environment.

#### **8-14** years

#### **Activity No. 1316.326**

1 lesson @ 2 hrs. \$59/\$54 MCC district residents

Sa. 4/18 10 a.m.-noon

#### **PARENT AND** CHILD CHOCOLATE **TREATS**

Spend a fun fall afternoon learning to make delicious chocolate treats with your child, grandchild, etc. and adding to your repertoire of treats with delicious new recipes and some classic techniques. Adult-Child pairs will make

and bake the following (and will get to take some home to enjoy with friends and family): Maine Potato Candy; White Chocolate Muffins with Candied Oranges: Warm Chocolate Lava Cakes with Salted Caramel Sauce: Chocolate Fudge Cookies, Instructor: Chef Joel Olson.

#### Parent and child 6 years+

#### **Activity No. 1317.326**

1 lesson @ 2 hrs, \$118/\$108 MCC district residents

Registration includes payment for 1 child and 1 adult. \$45 for each additional child.

Sa. 4/18 12:30-2:30 p.m.

#### **DANCE**

#### BALLET, TAP, JAZZ COMBO II

Combination II is an exciting, fast-paced class for dancers ages 6-7 that combines ballet, tap, and jazz. In this hour-long class, students will further develop their technique, strength, and coordination while learning more advanced steps and choreography in all three styles. The class encourages creativity, musicality and confidence, helping dancers refine their skills in a fun and supportive environment. Instructor: Art in Motion Dance.

There will be an additional Performance and Costume Fee if students decide to participate in the McLean Day and Alden Theater Shows that are part of this class.

#### 6-7 years (1st & 2nd Grade)

#### **Activity No. 1700.326**

15 lessons @ 1 hr, Price: \$396/\$360 MCC district residents

M, 1/5-5/11 4:30-5:30 p.m.

No lesson on 1/19, 2/16, 2/23 and 3/30.

#### **Activity No. 1701.326**

15 lesson @ 1 hr, \$396/\$360 MCC district residents

Sa, 1/10-5/9 12:30-1:30 p.m.

No lesson on 3/21, 4/4 and 4/11.

#### **BEGINNING BALLET**

In this class beginner ballet dancers will learn the fundamentals of classical ballet in a fun and supportive environment. Through structured exercises at the barre and center, students will develop strength, flexibility, coordination and proper technique. Emphasis will be placed on musicality, posture and graceful movement while building confidence and a love for dance. No prior experience is necessary—just a willingness to learn and have fun!

Instructor: Art in Motion Dance.

There will be an additional Performance and Costume Fee if students decide to participate in the McLean Day and Alden Theater Shows that are part of this class.

#### 7-9 years (2nd & 3rd Grade)

#### **Activity No. 1702.326**

15 lessons @ 1 hr, \$396/\$360 MCC district residents

M, 1/5-5/11 4:30-5:30 p.m.

No lesson on 1/19, 2/16, 2/23 and 3/30.

#### INTERMEDIATE BALLET

This intermediate ballet class is designed for dancers with prior experience who are ready to refine their technique and artistry. Students will focus on proper alignment, strength and fluidity through more advanced barre and center work, including turns, jumps and combinations. Emphasis will be placed on musicality, expression and building confidence in movement. Dancers will be challenged while continuing to grow in a supportive and inspiring environment. Instructor: Art in Motion Dance.

There will be an additional Performance and Costume Fee if students decide to participate in the McLean Day and Alden Theater Shows that are part of this class.

#### 12 years (6th-9th Grade)

#### **Activity No. 1703.326**

15 lessons @ 1 hr, \$396/\$360 MCC district residents

M, 1/5-5/11 5:30-6:30 p.m.

No lesson on 1/19, 2/16, 2/23 and 3/30.



#### BALLET, TAP, JAZZ COMBO III

Combination III is an intermediate level class for dancers ages 7-9 that takes ballet, tap, and jazz to the next level. Students will build on their previous skills with more complex choreography, advanced techniques and increased performance expectations. The class focuses on enhancing strength, flexibility, coordination and musicality, while challenging dancers to push their limits. With a higher level of difficulty, this class prepares dancers for more advanced levels of training and performance opportunities, continuing to foster creativity, discipline and confidence. Instructor: Art in Motion Dance.

There will be an additional Performance and Costume Fee if students decide to participate in the McLean Day and Alden Theater Shows that are part of this class.

#### 7-9 years (2nd & 3rd Grade)

#### **Activity No. 1704.326**

15 lessons @ 1 hr, \$396/\$360 MCC district residents

M, 1/5-5/11 5:30-6:30 p.m.

No lesson on 1/19, 2/16, 2/23 and 3/30.

### BALLET, TAP, JAZZ (COMBINATION IV)

Combination IV is a level up for dancers ages 8-10 that builds on their foundation of ballet, tap and jazz with more challenging techniques and choreography. Students will focus on refining their skills, improving strength, flexibility and musicality, and working on more complex routines. This level challenges dancers to push their abilities, with an emphasis on precision, artistry and performance. Instructor: Art in Motion Dance.

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There will be an additional Performance and Costume Fee if students decide to participate in the McLean Day and Alden Theater Shows that are part of this class.

#### 8-10 years (3rd & 4th Grade)

#### **Activity No. 1705.326**

15 lessons @ 1 hr, \$396/\$360 MCC district residents

M, 1/5-5/11 6:30-7:30 p.m. No lesson on 1/19, 2/16, 2/23 and 3/30.

#### LYRICAL I

Prerequisite dance training in Combination V or equivalent experience. New students may have to audition for this class. Students will explore different ways to move their bodies through space using techniques and a variety of music. Instructor: Art in Motion Dance.

There will be an additional Performance and Costume Fee if students decide to participate in the McLean Day and Alden Theater Shows that are part of this class.

#### **9-11** years (4th & 5th Grade)

#### **Activity No. 1706.326**

17 lessons @ 1 hr, \$448/\$408 MCC district residents

Tu, 1/6-5/12 4:30-5:30 p.m.

No lesson 3/24 and 3/31.

#### LYRICAL II

Prerequisite dance training Advanced Company or equivalent experience. New students may have to audition for this class. Students will explore different ways to move their bodies through space using technique and different music. Instructor: Art in Motion Dance.

There will be an additional Performance and Costume Fee if students decide to participate in the McLean Day and Alden Theater Shows that are part of this class.

#### 9-12 years (6th-10th Grade)

#### **Activity No. 1707.326**

17 lessons @ 1 hr, \$448/\$408 MCC district residents

Tu, 1/6-5/12 7:30-8:30 p.m.

No lesson 3/24, 3/31.

#### HIP-HOP KIDS

Hip Hop I is a high-energy, fun class that introduces young dancers to the basics of hip hop. With cool moves, upbeat music and a lively atmosphere. this class is all about self-expression and having fun while building rhythm, coordination and confidence. Designed for beginners. Kids will learn simple, funky hip hop steps while exploring creativity and movement in a supportive, exciting environment. It's the perfect way for little dancers to get moving and start their dance journey with style and excitement! Instructor: Art In Motion Dance

There will be an additional Performance and Costume Fee if students decide to participate in the McLean Day and Alden Theater Shows that are part of this class.

#### 5-7 years (K-2nd Grade)

#### **Activity No. 1708.326**

17 lessons @ 1 hr, \$448/\$408 MCC district residents

Tu. 1/6-5/12 4:30-5:30 p.m.

No lesson on 3/24 and 3/31.

#### HIP-HOP KIDS **INTERMEDIATE**

Hip Hop 2 is an energetic and dynamic intermediate-level class for dancers ready to refine their skills and take their hip hop dancing to the next level. This class focuses on more advanced techniques, sharp choreography and performance quality, while continuing to build strength, flexibility and musicality. Students will learn complex routines, explore various hip-hop styles, and develop their own

unique style of movement. Hip Hop 2 challenges dancers to push their limits and express themselves confidently, preparing them for more advanced hip hop training and performance opportunities. Instructor: Art In Motion Dance.

There will be an additional Performance and Costume Fee if students decide to participate in the McLean Day and Alden Theater Shows that are part of this class.

#### 8-11 years (3rd-5th Grade)

#### **Activity No. 1709.326**

17 lessons @ 1 hr, \$448/\$408 MCC district residents

Tu. 1/6-5/12 5:30-6:30 p.m.

No lesson on 3/24 and 3/31.

#### HIP-HOP KIDS INT/ADVANCED

Hip Hop 3 is an advanced class for dancers who are ready to elevate their technique and performance. This class focuses on mastering complex choreography, perfecting sharp and dynamic movements and enhancing performance quality. Dancers will explore various hip hop styles, while refining their technique and musicality. Hip Hop 3 challenges students to push their creative limits, develop a strong stage presence and perform with confidence and precision. This class prepares dancers for advanced hip hop training and performance opportunities. Instructor: Art In Motion Dance.

There will be an additional Performance and Costume Fee if students decide to participate in the McLean Day and Alden Theater Shows that are part of this class.

#### 12 years+ (6th-9th Grade)

#### **Activity No. 1710.326**

17 lessons @ 1 hr, \$448/\$408 MCC district residents

Tu, 1/6-5/12 6:30-7:30 p.m.

No lesson on 3/24 and 3/31.

### BALLET & TAP (PRE-PRIMARY I)

Pre-Primary I is a fun, high-energy class for ages 3-4 that introduces young dancers to the basics of tap and ballet. This introductory class focuses on developing coordination, rhythm, and balance while exploring basic movements and positions in both styles. With a nurturing and supportive environment, children will build a love for dance through playful exercises and creative movement, setting the foundation for their dance journey! Instructor: Art in Motion Dance.

There will be an additional Performance and Costume Fee if students decide to participate in the McLean Day and Alden Theater Shows that are part of this class.

3-4 years (Pre-School)

#### **Activity No. 1711.326**

17 lessons @ 45 mins, \$448/\$408 MCC district residents

W, 1/7-5/13 2:30-3:15 p.m.

No lesson on 3/25 and 4/1.

#### **Activity No. 1712.326**

15 lessons @ 45 mins, \$396/\$360 MCC district residents

Sa, 1/10-5/9 9:30-10:15 a.m.

No lesson on 3/21, 4/4 and 4/11.

### BALLET & TAP (PRE-PRIMARY II)

Pre-Primary II is an exciting, high-energy class for ages 4-5, building on the basics learned in Pre-Primary I. Dancers will refine their tap and ballet skills, focusing on more advanced movements, positions, and coordination. The class emphasizes strength, balance, and rhythm through creative exercises and routines in a nurturing environment. This class fosters confidence and teamwork while preparing young dancers for the next step in their dance journey! Instructor: Art in Motion Dance.



There will be an additional Performance and Costume Fee if students decide to participate in the McLean Day and Alden Theater Shows that are part of this class.

**4-5** years (Preschool/Kindergarten)

#### **Activity No. 1713.326**

17 lessons @ 45 mins, \$448/\$408 MCC district residents

W, 1/7-5/13 3:30-4:15 p.m.

No lesson on 3/25 and 4/1.

#### **Activity No. 1714.326**

15 lessons @ 45 mins, \$396/\$360 MCC district residents

Sa, 1/10-5/9 10:30-11:15 a.m

No lesson on 3/21, 4/4 and 4/11.

### BALLET & TAP (COMBINATION 1)

Combination I is an energetic, challenging class for dancers ages 5-6 that combines ballet and tap. Building on the basics, students will learn more complex movements, steps, and rhythms at a faster pace. The focus is on developing strength, flexibility and coordination while mastering new techniques in both styles. This class encourages creativity, teamwork and confidence, setting a strong foundation for more advanced dance levels. It's the perfect next step for young dancers ready for more challenges and fun! Instructor: Art in Motion Dance.

There will be an additional Performance and Costume Fee if students decide to participate in the McLean Day and Alden Theater Shows that are part of this class. Art in Motion Dance Performance at McLean Day 2025

**5-6 years (Kindergarten)** 

#### **Activity No. 1715.326**

17 lessons @ 45 mins, \$448/\$408 MCC district residents

W, 1/7-5/13 4:30-5:15 p.m.

No lesson on 3/25 and 4/1.

#### **Activity No. 1716.326**

15 lessons @ 45 mins, \$396/\$360 MCC district residents

Sa, 1/10-5/9

11:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

No lesson on 3/21, 4/4 and 4/11.

### CHEER AND TUMBLING I

This beginning level tumbling/cheer class will focus on students stretching, jumping and learning the beginning skills of tumbling. In addition, students will also be introduced to different aspects of cheerleading. This includes chants, dance and teamwork. This class is a great way to introduce tumbling, cheer and working together as a team! Instructor: Art in Motion Dance.

There will be an additional Uniform Rental Fee if students decide to participate in the McLean Day and other outside performance opportunities.

5-7 years (K-2nd Grade)

#### **Activity No. 1717.326**

17 lessons @ 1 hr, \$448/\$408 MCC district residents

W, 1/7-5/13 5:30pm-6:30pm

No lesson on 3/25 and 4/1.

#### **Activity No. 1718.326**

17 lessons @ 1 hr, \$448/\$408 MCC district residents

Th, 1/8-5/14 5-6 p.m.

No lesson on 3/26 and 4/2.

#### **CHEER AND TUMBLING II**

This intermediate level tumbling/cheer class will focus on students stretching, jumping and learning the intermediate skills of tumbling. In addition, students will also be introduced to different aspects of cheerleading. This includes chants, dance and teamwork. This class is a great way to continue working on tumbling, cheer and working together as a team! Instructor: Art in Motion Dance.

There will be an additional Uniform Rental Fee if students decide to participate in the McLean Day and other outside performance opportunities.

#### 8-10 years (3rd-4th Grade)

#### **Activity No. 1719.326**

17 lessons @ 1 hr, \$448/\$408 MCC district residents

W, 1/7-5/13 6:30-7:30 p.m.

No lesson on 3/25 and 4/1.

#### **MUSIC THEATER** JAZZ I

Musical theater dance class combines jazz technique and introduces students to a Broadway style of dance. This class focuses on beginner jazz warm-up, center floor work, progressions, kicks, leaps, turns, splits and isolations. Instructor: Art in Motion Dance.

There will be an additional Performance and Costume Fee if students decide to participate in the McLean Day and Alden Theater Shows that are part of this class.

#### 8-11 years (4th, 5th, and 6th Grade)

#### **Activity No. 1720.326**

17 lessons @ 1 hr, \$448/\$408 MCC district residents

W. 1/7-5/13 5:30-6:30 p.m.

No lesson on 3/25 and 4/1.

#### **MUSIC THEATER** JAZZ II

Musical theater dance class combines jazz technique and introduces students to a Broadway style of dance. This class focuses on beginner jazz warm-up, center floor work, progressions, kicks, leaps, turns, splits and isolations. Instructor: Art in Motion Dance.

There will be an additional Performance and Costume Fee if students decide to participate in the McLean Day and Alden Theater Shows that are part of this class.

#### 11-13 years (Middle School)

#### **Activity No. 1721.326**

17 lessons @ 1 hr. \$448/\$408 MCC district residents

W, 1/7-5/13 6:30-7:30 p.m. No lesson on 3/25 and 4/1.

#### MUSIC THEATER JAZZ III

Musical theatre dance class combines jazz technique and introduces students to a Broadway style of dance. This class focuses on beginner jazz warm-up, center floor work, progressions, kicks, leaps, turns, splits and isolations. Instructor: Art in Motion Dance.

There will be an additional Performance and Costume Fee if students decide to participate in the McLean Day and Alden Theater Shows that are part of this class.

#### 14 years & Up (Highschool)

#### **Activity No. 1722.326**

17 lessons @ 1 hr, \$448/\$408 MCC district residents

W, 1/7-5/13 7:30-8:30 p.m.

No lesson on 3/25 and 4/1.

#### **FAIRYTALE BALLET**

Fairytale Ballet is a high-energy class for 3-5 year-olds, introducing ballet basics, terminology, and technique. Through imaginative instruction, young dancers explore movement and storytelling, developing coordination and balance. Each class includes a dress-up session, allowing kids to embrace their favorite fairytale characters. It's a fun and magical way to learn the foundations of ballet while fueling creativity! Instructor: Art in Motion Dance.

#### 3-5 years (Preschool & Kindergarten)

#### **Activity No. 1723.326**

17 lessons @ 45 mins, \$448/\$408 MCC district residents

Th, 1/8-5/14 3:30-4:15 p.m.

No lesson on 3/26 and 4/2.

#### **BALLET, TAP, JAZZ** (COMBINATION V)

Combination V is an advanced intermediate class for dancers ages 9-11, where students refine their ballet, tap, and jazz skills with more complex techniques and choreography. The class challenges dancers to improve strength, flexibility, precision, and musicality while focusing on performance quality. This level bridges the gap between intermediate and advanced training, preparing dancers for higher-level classes and continuing to develop their artistry, confidence, and technique. Instructor: Art in Motion Dance.

There will be an additional Performance and Costume Fee if students decide to participate in the McLean Day and Alden Theater Shows that are part of this class.

#### **9-11 years (4th & 5th Grade)**

#### **Activity No. 1724.326**

17 lessons @ 1 hr, 30 mins, \$561/\$510 MCC district residents

Th. 1/8-5/14 4:30-6 p.m.

No lesson on 3/26 and 4/2.



#### BALLET, JAZZ, LYRICAL (BEGINNING COMPANY)

Beginning Company is a more serious, technically focused class for dancers ready to take their training to the next level. Designed for students with a solid foundation in ballet, tap, jazz, this class emphasizes discipline, advanced technique, and performance readiness. While the class is more rigorous, it still maintains a fun and supportive atmosphere, allowing dancers to grow in both skill and confidence. Beginning Company prepares students for more intensive training and performance opportunities, offering a deeper understanding of dance while encouraging creativity and expression. Instructor: Art in Motion Dance.

There will be an additional Performance and Costume Fee if students decide to participate in the McLean Day and Alden Theater Shows that are part of this class.

#### 10-12 years (5th & 6th Grade)

#### **Activity No. 1725.326**

17 lessons @ 1 hr, 30 mins, 561/\$510 MCC district residents

Th, 1/8-5/14 6-7:30 p.m.

No lesson on 3/26 and 4/2.

#### BALLET, JAZZ, LYRICAL (INTERMEDIATE COMPANY)

Intermediate Company is an advanced, technique-driven class for dancers ready to push their abilities to the next level. Building on a strong foundation in ballet, tap, jazz and other styles, this class challenges students with more complex choreography, refined technique, and intensive performance preparation. The class fosters discipline, artistic expression and performance readiness, all within a supportive, high-energy environment. Intermediate Company prepares dancers for the demands of professional-level training and performance opportunities, helping them refine their skills and grow as both dancers and artists. Instructor: Art in Motion Dance.

There will be an additional Performance and Costume Fee if students decide to participate in the McLean Day and Alden Theater Shows that are part of this class.

#### 11-13 Years (Middle School)

#### **Activity No. 1726.326**

17 lessons @ 1 hr, 30 mins, \$561/\$510 MCC district residents
Th, 1/8-5/14 6-7:30 p.m.

No lesson on 3/26 and 4/2.

#### BALLET, JAZZ, LYRICAL (ADVANCED COMPANY)

Advanced Company is a highly demanding class for serious, dedicated dancers who are ready to take their training to an elite level. Designed for students already skilled in ballet, tap, jazz and other styles, this class focuses on refining advanced techniques, intricate choreography and professional performance readiness. The curriculum is rigorous and fast-paced, preparing dancers for top-tier training, performances, and potential professional opportunities. Advanced Company pushes students to reach their fullest potential, cultivating discipline, artistry, and the highest level of technical excellence. This is for dancers who are committed to pursuing dance at the highest level. Instructor: Art in Motion Dance.

There will be an additional Performance and Costume Fee if students decide to participate in the McLean Day and Alden Theater Shows that are part of this class.

#### 14 years & Up (High School)

#### **Activity No. 1727.326**

17 lessons @ 1 hr, 30 mins, \$561/\$510 MCC district residents

Th, 1/8-5/14 7:30-9 p.m.

No lesson on 3/26 and 4/2.

#### **FITNESS**

#### **FUNFIT**

Parent/Gurdian participation is required with children. A fun-filled, full-of-energy active games class, emphasizing songs, creative movements, parachute, balls and loads of active fun! Develops self-confidence, motor skills, coordination, socialization and cooperation and reinforces cognitive learning. Special needs welcome. Children must be able to walk independently to join this class. Instructor: Matt Swink.

#### **Waddler-5 Years**

#### **WINTER**

#### **Activity No. 1801.326**

10 lessons @ 45 mins, \$145/\$132 MCC district residents

W, 1/7-3/11 9:45-10:30 a.m.

#### **Activity No. 1802.326**

10 lessons @ 45 mins, \$145/\$132 MCC district residents

W, 1/7-3/11 10:35-11:20 a.m.

#### **Activity No. 1803.326**

10 lessons @ 45 mins, \$145/\$132 MCC district residents

W, 1/7-3/11 11:25 a.m.-12:10 p.m.

#### **SPRING**

#### **Activity No. 1804.326**

7 lessons @ 45 mins, \$101/\$92 MCC district residents

W, 4/1-5/13 9:45-10:30 a.m.

#### **Activity No. 1805.326**

7 lessons @ 45 mins, \$101/\$92 MCC district residents

W, 4/1-5/13 10:35-11:20 a.m.

#### **Activity No. 1806.326**

7 lessons @ 45 mins, \$101/\$92 MCC district residents

W, 4/1-5/13 11:25 a.m.-12:10 p.m.

### FIRST STRIKE SOCCER

Instruction for young athletes, providing the perfect balance between learning and having fun! Players are introduced to fundamental techniques of kicking, passing, dribbling and defense. Classes include games, scrimmages and incorporating skills learned. Instructor: JST Athletics.

#### 2-3 Years

#### WINTER

#### **Activity No. 1651.326**

8 lessons @ 45 mins, \$116/\$105 MCC district residents

Th, 1/15-3/5

9:15-10 a.m.

#### **Activity No. 1652.326**

8 lessons @ 45 mins, \$116/\$105 MCC district residents

Th, 1/15-3/5

10:15-11 a.m.

#### **SPRING**

#### **Activity No. 1653.326**

8 lessons @ 45 mins, \$116/\$105 MCC district residents

Th, 3/19-5/14

9:15-10 a.m.

No lesson 4/2.

#### **Activity No. 1654.326**

8 lessons @ 45 mins, \$116/\$105 MCC district residents

Th, 3/19-5/14

10:15-11 a.m.



#### **MUSIC**

#### **MUSIC TOGETHER**

Music Together, an internationally recognized music company and movement program, engages early childhood music development for infant, toddler and preschool aged children and their parents and other primary caregivers through mixed-aged classes. The Music Together approach develops every child's birthright to basic music competence by encouraging the actual experience of music through playful activities, rather than learning of concepts or information about music. Instructor: Music Together.

#### **Infants-5 Years**

#### WINTER

#### **Activity No. 1500.326**

8 lessons @ 45 mins, \$200/\$186 MCC district residents

M, 1/5-3/9

9:15-10 a.m.

No lesson on 1/19, 2/16.

#### **Activity No. 1501.326**

8 lessons @ 45 mins, \$200/\$186 MCC district residents

M, 1/5-3/9

10:15-11 a.m.

No lesson on 1/19, 2/16.

#### **Activity No. 1502.326**

8 lessons @ 45 mins, \$200/\$186 MCC district residents

M, 1/5-3/9

11:15 a.m.-Noon

No lesson on 1/19, 2/16.

#### **Activity No. 1503.326**

10 lessons @ 45 mins, \$240/\$222 MCC district residents

Tu, 1/6-3/10

9:15-10 a.m.

#### **Activity No. 1504.326**

10 lessons @ 45 mins, \$240/\$222 MCC district residents

Tu, 1/6-3/10

10:15-11 a.m.

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#### **Activity No. 1505.326**

10 lessons @ 45 mins, \$240/\$222 MCC district residents

Tu, 1/6-3/10 11:15 a.m.-Noon

#### **Activity No. 1506.326**

10 lessons @ 45 mins, \$240/\$222 MCC district residents

Th, 1/8-3/12 9:15-10 a.m.

#### **Activity No. 1507.326**

10 lessons @ 45 mins, \$240/\$222 MCC district residents

Th, 1/8-3/12 10:15-11 a.m.

#### **Activity No. 1508.326**

10 lessons @ 45 mins, \$240/\$222 MCC district residents

Th, 1/8-3/12 11:15 a.m.-Noon

#### **Activity No. 1509.326**

10 lessons @ 45 mins, \$240/\$222 MCC district residents

F, 1/9-3/13 9:15-10 a.m.

#### **Activity No. 1510.326**

10 lessons @ 45 mins, \$240/\$222 MCC district residents

F, 1/9-3/13 10:15-11 a.m.

#### **SPRING**

#### **Activity No. 1511.326**

6 lessons @ 45 mins, \$160/\$150 MCC district residents

M, 4/6-5/11 9:15-10 a.m.

#### **Activity No. 1512.326**

6 lessons @ 45 mins, \$160/\$150 MCC district residents

M, 4/6-5/11 10:15-11 a.m.

#### **Activity No. 1513.326**

6 lessons @ 45 mins, \$160/\$150 MCC district residents

M, 4/6-5/11 11:15-12:00 p.m.

#### **Activity No. 1514.326**

6 lessons @ 45 mins, \$160/\$150 MCC district residents

T, 4/7-5/12 9:15-10 a.m.

#### **Activity No. 1515.326**

6 lessons @ 45 mins, \$160/\$150 MCC district residents

T, 4/7-5/12 10:15-11 a.m.



#### **Activity No. 1516.326**

6 lessons @ 45 mins, \$160/\$150 MCC district residents

T, 4/7-5/12 11:15-12 p.m.

#### **Activity No. 1517.326**

6 lessons @ 45 mins, \$160/\$150 MCC district residents

Th, 4/9-5/14 9:15-10 a.m.

#### **Activity No. 1518.326**

6 lessons @ 45 mins, \$160/\$150 MCC district residents

Th, 4/9-5/14 10:15-11a.m.

#### **Activity No. 1519.326**

6 lessons @ 45 mins, \$160/\$150 MCC district residents

Th, 4/9-5/14 11:15-12 p.m.

#### **Activity No. 1520.326**

6 lessons @ 45 mins, \$160/\$150 MCC district residents

F. 4/10-5/15 9:15-10 a.m.

#### **Activity No. 1521.326**

6 lessons @ 45 mins, \$160/\$150 MCC district residents

F, 4/10-5/15 10:15-11 a.m.

#### **ENRICHMENT**

### ROBOTICS (ROBO-FUN)

Stemtree's Robotics After School Program uses the wonder and genius of robots to inspire students to learn engineering, apply their knowledge and skills of basic science, model construction, computer programming and problem solving to explore STEM concepts. This program utilizes instructional time, assessments, and hands-on activities to reinforce key concepts and improve problem-solving skills while having fun. Robo-Fun is both a perfect introduction to the world of robotics for younger students and an opportunity to expand the knowledge base of older students. Students who previously attended Stemtree programs will have different activities and continue learning new STEM concepts based on their prior work with us. Instructor: Stemtree

Ages: 5-12 years

#### **Activity No. 1103.326**

8 lessons @ 1 hr, \$168/\$153 MCC district residents



#### **CODING (PYTHON-SCRATCH CODING)**

In Stemtree's Coding After School Program, students will have the opportunity to code using either Python or Scratch, depending on their grade levels. Students in Grades 1-3 will use Scratch, whereas those in Grade 4 and up will code in Python. Scratch is a highly visual programming language designed for younger students, while Python is one of the most popular programming languages used in data science and machine learning. Our program enhances critical thinking and problem-solving skills through engaging activities. We teach students how to create and develop computer programs (games, stories, etc.) instead of playing them. Students who previously attended Stemtree programs will have different activities and continue learning new STEM concepts based on their prior work with us. Instructor: Stemtree

Ages: 5-12 years

#### **Activity No. 1104.326**

7 lessons @ 1 hr, \$147/\$134 MCC district residents

M, 3/30-5/11 5-6 p.m.

#### SECRET AGENT LAB

Ever wanted to be a detective? Do you think you have what it takes to discover "who done it"? If so, this program is for you! From secret communications and detective science to the inner workings of our cells and cool chemistry, this program is sure to make you go 'hmmm..."! Each class, we sleuth out the answers to everyday mysteries! Instructor: Mad Science

Ages: 5-10

#### **Activity No. 1105.326**

8 lessons @ 1 hr, \$196/\$178 MCC district residents

W, 1/7-2/25 4:30-5:30 p.m.

#### MATH IN MOTION

**NEW!** Embark on this mathematical journey by transforming everyday chores into exciting math adventures! Kids will explore opportunities to engage with math in meaningful ways through hands-on activities and playful challenges. Instructor: Washington **Center For Learning** 

4-6 years

#### **Activity No. 1101.326**

6 lessons @ 45 mins, \$48/\$42 MCC district residents

Th, 4/9-5/14 4:30-5:15 p.m.

#### LITTLE EXPLORERS

**NEW!** Embark on a whimsical linguistic journey in our Little Explorers class, designed especially for the bright and imaginative minds of 3-5-year-old! Children will blossom in this vibrant and nurturing environment as they enhance their language skills through the delightful fusion of music, motion and cooperative play. Instructor: Washington Center For Learning

3-5 years

#### **Activity No. 1102.326**

6 lessons @ 45 mins, \$48/\$42 MCC district residents

F. 2/12-3/19 3-3:45 p.m.



#### **THEATER**

#### IMPROV FOR KIDS

Improv training is a great way for kids and teens to express themselves and gain confidence. Focusing on creativity and teamwork, students will practice improv fundamentals, such as "yes and", as well as beginner to intermediate short-forms and theatre games. This class is suitable for both beginners and those who have taken improv classes in the past. Following the last session, students will perform in a class showcase for family and friends with The Alden's teen improv group: (the) Unruly Theatre Project.

The class showcase is on Thursday, May 7 at (7-8 p.m.) in the Community Hall. Students will be asked to arrive early (TBD) to warm up. The showcase will include participants from all three winter class sessions. Instructor: Melissa Richardson.

7-9 years

#### **Activity No. 3003.326**

13 lessons @ 55 mins, \$230/\$210 MCC district residents

M, 1/26-5/4 5:30-6:25 p.m.

No lesson on 2/16, 3/30.

**9-11** years

#### **Activity No. 3004.326**

13 lessons @ 55 mins, \$230/\$210 MCC district residents

M, 1/26-5/4 6:30-7:25 p.m.

No lesson on 2/16, 3/30.

11-14 years

#### **Activity No. 3005.326**

13 lessons @ 55 mins, \$230/\$210 MCC district residents

M, 1/26-5/4 7:30-8:25 p.m.

No lesson on 2/16, 3/30.

#### **ADULT CLASSES**

#### COOKING

### FEASTING IN MONACO

Barbagiuan (delicate pastries filled with Swiss chard and ricotta); Lamb Mince Kebabs with Caramelized Onions, Herbed Mayonnaise, and Goat Cheese; Parmesan Gnocchi with Mixed Mushroom Ragout; Le Salad Monte Carlo (crisp lettuce, tomato, mushroom and hearts of palm with a light vinaigrette); Honeyed Lemon Crisps. Instructor: Chef Joel Olson

#### **Activity No. 1328.326**

1 lesson @ 3 hrs, \$79/\$72 MCC district residents

M, 4/20 10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

#### **Activity No. 1329.326**

1 lesson @ 3 hrs, \$79/\$72 MCC district residents

M, 4/20 7 p.m.-10 p.m.

### AN EVENING IN MONTREAL

Quebecois-Style Pea Soup with Garlic Croutons; Tourtière; Haute Poutine; Beauce Salad with Maple Vinigrette; Maple Cookies with Maple Glaze. Instructor: Chef Joel Olson

#### **Activity No. 1330.326**

1 lesson @ 3 hrs, \$79/\$72 MCC district residents

Tu, 4/21 10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

#### **Activity No. 1331.326**

1 lesson @ 3 hrs, \$79/\$72 MCC district residents

Tu, 4/21 7 p.m.-10 p.m.

#### A CUT ABOVE: KNIFE SKILLS 101

Take this knife skills workshop to learn and practice the culinary techniques that help take the chore out of cooking. Techniques include: deboning a chicken; cutting onions, carrots, other vegetables, fruits and pasting garlic. Knife selection, sharpening and care will also be covered. Bring your own knives or use ours. On the menu: Mediterranean Fried Rice with Vegetables and Herbs; Chopped Salad with Apple Crisp Vinaigrette. Instructor: Chef Joel Olson .

#### **Activity No. 1322.326**

1 lesson @ 3 hrs, \$79/\$72 MCC district residents

W, 4/15 10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

#### **Activity No. 1323.326**

1 lesson @ 3 hrs, \$79/\$72 MCC district residents

W, 4/15 7-10 p.m.

### MEAT AND POTATOES

Garlic-and-Pepper Rubbed
Pork Tenderloin Medallions with
Twice-baked Gingered Sweet Potatoes;
Blackberry Glazed Chicken Kebabs
with Sugar-Browned Potatoes;
Frikadellan with "Himmel und Erd"
Potatoes (traditional German minced
pork and beef patties with "Heaven
and Earth" mashed potatoes, apples,
caramelized onions and bacon); Soft
Stewed Lamb Ragout with Sweet
Potato Latkes, Creme Fraiche and Pear
Sauce. Instructor: Chef Joel Olson

#### **Activity No. 1332.326**

1 lesson @ 2 hrs, \$79/\$72 MCC district residents

W, 4/22 10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

#### **Activity No. 1333.326**

1 lesson @ 2 hrs, \$79/\$72 MCC district residents

W, 4/22 7 p.m.-10 p.m

### INTERNATIONAL FISH & SEAFOOD

Learn all the skills needed to prepare great fish dishes. Chef Joel will cover selecting good fish, different types of fish for different dishes: how to best cook a wide variety of fish, and more. Participants will then prepare these delicious dishes: Albondigas de Pescado (Mexican Fish Balls) with Red Wine Tomato Sauce and Fried Peppered Potatoes: Salmon, Bacon and Yukon Gold Napoleons with Garlic Ginger Cream Sauce; Salt-and-Pepper Shrimp with Crispy Wontons and Cucumber Salad; Aglio e Olio with Mussels and Parmesan (linguini with garlic and olive oil); Herbed Salmon Quenelles with Asparagus, Capers and Toasted Quinoa, Instructor: Chef Joel Olson.

#### **Activity No. 1324.326**

1 lesson @ 3 hrs, \$79/\$72 MCC district residents

Th,4/16 10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

#### **Activity No. 1325.326**

1 lesson @ 3 hrs, \$79/\$72 MCC district residents

Th, 4/16 7-10 p.m.



#### DINNER IN **BANGKOK**

Thung Thong (Thai "Money Bags"—crispy fried pastries with pork, mushrooms and herbs); Nam Jim Po Piah (Thai Dipping Sauce); Thai Noodle Salad with Carrots, Cucumber and Toasted Sesame Honey Dressing: Thai Green Curry with Chicken, Eggplant and Bell Peppers; Red Curry with Shrimp, Sweet Potato and Kale Jasmine Rice with Lemongrass and Lime: Thai-Fried Bananas with Chai Caramel Sauce, Instructor: Chef Joel Olson

#### **Activity No. 1334.326**

1 lesson @ 3 hrs, \$79/\$72 MCC district residents

Th, 4/23 10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

#### **Activity No. 1335.326**

1 lesson @ 3 hrs, \$79/\$72 MCC district residents

Th, 4/23 7-10 p.m.

#### **COMFORT FOOD**

Cream of Yukon Gold Potato and Leek Soup with Fresh Baked Cheddar Focaccia: Three Cheese Macaroni and Cheese with Spinach, Roasted Red Pepper and Herbed Butter Crust; Croque Monsieur (Gruvere and baked ham sandwiches); Chocolate Brownies with Caramel Sauce, Instructor: Chef. Joel Olson

#### **Activity No. 1326.326**

1 lesson @ 3 hrs, \$79/\$72 MCC district residents

F, 4/17 7-10 p.m.

#### CHOCOLATE!

In this fun, hands-on class, participants will learn to make delicious chocolate treats and add to their repertoire of treats with delicious new recipes and some classic techniques. Participants will make the following (and will get to take some home to enjoy with friends and family): Maine Potato Candy; White Chocolate Muffins with Candied Oranges; Moelleux au Chocolate (chocolate cakes with a molten top layer); Chocolate Fudge Cookies; and Chocolate Cobbler, Instructor: Chef. Joel Olson

#### **Activity No. 1327.326**

1 lesson @ 3 hrs, \$79/\$72 MCC district residents

Su, 4/19 1-4 p.m.



#### DANCE

#### LINE DANCING

This fun and exciting class combines low, moderate and high-energy dance routines from different decades. No experience or partner necessary. Instructor: JST Athletics.

#### **Activity No. 1655.326**

14 lessons @ 55 mins, \$203/\$184 MCC district residents

M. 1/12-5/11 12:15-1:10 p.m.

No lesson on 1/19, 2/16, 3/23, 3/30.

#### **Activity No. 1656.326**

14 lessons @ 55 mins, \$203/\$184 MCC district residents

M, 1/12-5/11 1:30-2:25 p.m.

No lesson on 1/19, 2/16, 3/23, 3/30.

#### **BALLROOM DANCE I**

This class introduces brand new dancers to traditional American ballroom dance basics. Dancers will learn foundational footwork, lead and follow, proper dance position, and musicality in the Foxtrot, Waltz, Tango, Cha-Cha, Swing and more! With over 20 years' experience in the performing arts, instructors Jeff Virchow and JoJo DiPaolo lead simple yet exciting lessons as they draw from their theatre and dance backgrounds, spanning from Broadway to Disney to Dancing with the Stars. Come join the fun! Instructor: Art in Motion Dance.

#### **Activity No. 1728.326**

15 lessons @ 1 hr, \$396/\$360 MCC district residents

M, 1/5-5/11 6:30-7:30 p.m. No lesson on 1/19, 2/16, 3/23, 3/30.

#### **BALLROOM DANCE**

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For the beginner dancer that has taken our Intro to Ballroom class, or that has equivalent experience. This class will build upon the basics to develop confidence, and rhythm, and offer more intricate patterns for the novice dancer. Dances include Foxtrot, Waltz, Tango, Cha-Cha, Swing and more! With over 20 years' experience in the performing arts, instructors Jeff Virchow and JoJo DiPaolo lead simple yet exciting lessons as they draw from their theatre and dance backgrounds, spanning from Broadway to Disney to Dancing with the Stars. Come join the fun! Instructor: Art in Motion Dance.

#### **Activity No. 1729.326**

15 lessons @ 1 hr, \$396/\$360 MCC district residents

M, 1/5-5/11 7:45-8:45 p.m. No lesson on 1/19, 2/16, 3/23, 3/30.

#### **FITNESS**

#### **PILATES PLUS**

Looking for a quick full-body workout? This challenging mat Pilates class builds body awareness, improves balance and flexibility, and strengthens your core. Using simple props and bodyweight exercises, you'll tone up and build muscle in less time. Instructor: Emily Weeks Fitness

#### **Activity No. 1661.326**

15 lessons @ 55 mins, \$316/\$288 MCC district residents

M. 1/5-5/11 7:40 p.m.-8:35 p.m. No lesson on 1/19, 2/16, 3/23, 3/30.

#### BARRE

Barre training is the hottest new fitness class for a balanced, agile and strong body. This class combines ballet-inspired moves with other elements of dance and creative movement, helping you move through daily life with less effort and more confidence. Classes will incorporate a ballet barre and small equipment, using traditional dance moves alongside classical ballet positions and stretches. Instructor: JST Athletics.

#### **Activity No. 1657.326**

14 lessons @ 55 mins, \$203/\$184 MCC district residents

M, 1/12-5/11 11-11:55 a.m. No lesson on 1/19, 2/16, 3/23, 3/30.

#### **CARDIO, STRENGTH & BALANCE**

A custom blend of cardio conditioning suitable for all levels, this training format uses bodyweight, free weights and balance work to improve coordination, stability and spatial awareness. You will need aerobic shoes, light weights, a yoga mat, and a SPRI resistance band with handles. Instructor: BodyMoves Fitness, LLC.

#### **Activity No. 1850.326**

15 lessons @ 55 mins, \$237/\$216 MCC district residents

M. 1/5-5/11 11:30 a.m.-12:25 p.m.

No lesson on 1/14, 2/16, 3/23, 3/30.

#### **BODY SCULPT**

For all fitness levels. Shape and tone upper, middle and lower body, building and maintaining muscle strength, bone density, endurance and ease of movement. Will work all major and minor muscle groups. You will need aerobic shoes, hand weights, resistance bands, and a mat. Instructor: BodyMoves Fitness, LLC.

#### **Activity No. 1851.326**

17 lessons @ 55 mins, \$269/\$244 MCC district residents

Tu. 1/6-5/12 10:15-11:10 a.m.

No lesson on 3/24, 3/31.

#### **Activity No. 1852.326**

17 lessons @ 55 mins, \$269/\$244 MCC district residents

F, 1/9-5/15 11:45 a.m.-12:40 p.m.

No lesson on 3/27, 4/3.

#### TAI CHI I

This ancient practice offers health and fitness benefits including improved circulation and immunity, reduced chronic pain and blood pressure, stress calming and enhanced balance and coordination. All levels welcome. Please wear soft-soled shoes and loose, comfortable clothing. Instructor: BodyMoves Fitness, LLC.

#### **Activity No. 1853.326**

17 lessons @ 55 mins, \$269/\$244 MCC district residents

Tu, 1/6-5/12 12:30-1:25 p.m. No lesson on 3/24, 3/31.

#### TAI CHI II

Prerequisite: Several sessions of Tai Chi-I. Tai Chi II refines and brings closer attention to the movement patterns introduced in Tai Chi I while participants work to further develop and balance chi internally. Please wear loose, comfortable clothing and soft-soled shoes. Instructor: BodyMoves Fitness, LLC.

#### **Activity No. 1854.326**

17 lessons @ 55 mins, \$269/\$244 MCC district residents

Tu. 1/6-5/12 11:30 a.m.-12:25 p.m.

No lesson on 3/24, 3/31.

#### **ZUMBA**

Boost your heart health, build endurance and de-stress with this fun dance workout that provides cardiovascular and toning benefits while focusing on coordination, balance and range of motion. You will need dance fitness shoes and a water bottle. Instructor: BodyMoves Fitness, LLC.

#### **Activity No. 1855.326**

17 lessons @ 55 mins, \$269/\$244 MCC district residents

Tu. 1/6-5/12 5:40-6:35 p.m.

No lesson on 3/24, 3/31.

#### ZUMBA GOLD®

Enjoy fitness fun with this accessible, low-impact, joint-friendly, full-body dance workout that provides cardiovascular and toning benefits while focusing on coordination, balance and range of motion. You will need dance fitness shoes and a water bottle. Instructor: BodyMoves Fitness,

#### **Activity No. 1856.326**

17 lessons @ 55 mins, \$269/\$244 MCC district residents

W. 1/7-5/13 10:15-11:10 a.m.

No lesson on 3/25, 4/1.

### YOGA SCULPT & STRENGTH

Integrate the advantages of muscle conditioning with the alignment benefits of yoga practice. Bring mind and body into harmony, using breath and focus to work fully with decreased stress and injury. You will need a yoga mat and block. Instructor: BodyMoves Fitness, LLC.

#### **Activity No. 1857.326**

17 lessons @ 55 mins, \$269/\$244 MCC district residents

W, 1/7-5/13 11:30 a.m.-12:25 p.m.

No lesson on 3/25, 4/1.

#### **TOTAL FIT VIRTUAL**

For all fitness levels. This moderate-intensity, low-impact aerobics program incorporates weight training, core strength, flexibility, balance and body awareness techniques to provide a comprehensive fitness workout. You will need aerobic shoes, hand weights and a mat. Instructor: BodyMoves Fitness, LLC.

#### **Activity No. 1858.326**

17 lessons @ 55 mins, \$269/\$244 MCC district residents

Th, 1/8-5/14 9:15-10:10 a.m.

No lesson on 3/26, 4/2.

### GENTLE YOGA FITNESS

Enjoy increased flexibility, strength, balance and energy as you challenge yourself, while respecting and honoring your body. You will need a yoga mat, strap, two blocks, and optionally a yoga blanket or towel. Instructor: Body Moves Fitness, LCC.

#### **Activity No. 1859.326**

17 lessons @ 55 mins, \$269/\$244 MCC district residents

Th, 1/8-5/14 11:30 a.m.-12:25 p.m. *No lesson on 3/26, 4/2.* 

#### **QIGONG**

Qigong or "energy work" employs gentle, accessible movements for the entire body to build stamina, prevent muscular pain, promote joint mobility, and rejuvenate the body's internal organs, enhancing physical and emotional vitality. Please wear soft-soled shoes and comfortable clothing. Instructor: Body Moves Fitness, LCC.

#### **Activity No. 1860.326**

17 lessons @ 55 mins, \$269/\$244 MCC district residents

F, 1/9-5/15 10:15-11:10 a.m. *No lesson on 3/27, 4/3.* 

#### DOG OBEDIENCE

### BASIC DOG OBEDIENCE

This basic obedience course is for dogs over the age of six months who have no prior obedience training. Topics of instruction will include heeling on leash, come/recall command, down, sit and stay commands. Situational training related to real life situations will be encompassed in this training. Behavior related problem-solving methods will be addressed, as well. Instructor: Dog Solve.

#### **Activity No. 1450.326**

7 lessons @ 1 hrs, \$110/\$100 MCC district residents



#### **K9 NOSE WORK**

A great way to bond with your dogs, stimulate their minds, hone their search and obedience skills and build their confidence and focus. This class encourages dogs to use their sense of smell and natural hunt instincts to search and problem solve as an outlet for their love of hunting. This is a low-impact class with no prior obedience or training required. The class is perfect for all dogs of any age, size and personality. Instructor: Dog Solve.

#### **Activity No. 1451.326**

7 lessons @ 1 hr, \$110/\$100 MCC district residents

M, 3/30-5/11 8-9 p.m.

#### DOG LEASH TRAINING WORKSHOP

This is a 2-hour lecture on developing heeling skills and training methods to instruct loose leash walking, sit, down, stay, and recall commands with your K-9. As this is a lecture, no dogs will be needed for this workshop. Instructor: Dog Solve.

#### **Activity No. 1452.326**

1 lesson @ 2 hrs, \$16/\$14 MCC district residents

M, 2/2 7-9 p.m.

#### K-9 AGGRESSION TRAINING WORKSHOP

This is a 2-hour lecture on the causes, training, and behavior adjustment methods in reducing aggression in dogs. As this is a lecture — no dogs will be needed for this workshop. Instructor: Dog Solve.

#### **Activity No. 1453.326**

1 lesson @ 2 hrs, \$16/\$14 MCC district residents

M, 2/9 7-9 p.m.

#### SAFETY

### CPR, FIRST AID, AND AED

This course will prepare you to recognize and care for a variety of first aid, breathing and cardiac emergencies involving adult and children. Instructor: Respond and Rescue.

#### 14-Adult

#### **Activity No. 1488.326**

1 lesson @ 3 hrs, \$102/\$82 MCC district residents

Su, 2/1 1-4 p.m.



#### **WORKSHOPS**

#### NO MORE SUGAR-COATING: THE TRUTH ON SUGAR

Sugar is all around us. It is the ingredient of celebrations, milestones, love, heartbreak and everything in between. This seminar will provide you with the good, the bad and the truth about sugar to help you make the best decisions for your body. Instructor: INOVA

#### **Activity No. 1487.326**

1 lesson @ 60 mins; Free, registration required

Tu, 1/13 6-7 p.m.



#### WELLNESS FOR CANCER PREVENTION

There is an abundant amount of information surrounding how to prevent chronic disease, specifically cancer. There are genetic and biological factors, but what are the steps we can take in our lifestyle to help us decrease our risk? This seminar provides clarity on how to implement healthy habits with direct correlation of decreasing our risk. Instructor: INOVA

#### **Activity No. 1480.326**

1 lesson @ 60 mins; Free, registration required

Tu, 3/10 6-7 p.m.

### FAMILY, FOOD, AND FITNESS

This one-hour seminar can help you and your family eat and move well. Whether you are home more than ever with your family or struggling to juggle it all, we are here to support you with creative ways to keep your family well. We offer expert tips that can get you in the kitchen as a family unit, make exercise a family affair and help make physical activity a part of your daily routine. Don't miss out on these realistic tools to create healthy lifestyle habits for the entire family. Instructor: INOVA

#### **Activity No. 1489.326**

1 lesson @ 60 mins; Free, registration required

Tu, 4/14 6-7 p.m.

# FINANCIAL PLANNING: CHOOSING YOUR PATH TO RETIREMENT

This seminar provides a comprehensive guide to planning your ideal retirement. Whether you're just starting to save or nearing retirement, this session will help you understand key strategies for building and managing your retirement nest egg. Topics include determining your retirement goals, understanding investment options, maximizing employer-sponsored plans and IRAs, managing debt and protecting your savings. You'll also learn how to evaluate risks, plan for healthcare costs, and create a sustainable income stream, Instructor: Clover Leaf Wealth **Strategies** 

#### **Activity No. 1482.326**

1 lesson @ 60 mins; Free admission W, 1/21 6-7 p.m.

# FINANCIAL PLANNING: NAVIGATING THE PATH IN RETIREMENT

This seminar is designed to help you confidently navigate the financial complexities of your retirement years. With a focus on key topics such as Social Security optimization, health insurance strategies (including Medicare), long-term care planning and leaving a legacy, you'll gain practical insights to protect your wealth and ensure peace of mind. Instructor: Clover Wealth Strategies

#### **Activity No. 1483.326**

1 lesson @ 60 mins; Free admission W, 2/18 6-7 p.m.

#### **DOCUMENTS FOR LIFE: ESTATE PLANNING**

Estate planning is essential for protecting your loved ones and ensuring your wishes are honored. This seminar explores the purpose and importance of estate planning, offering clear guidance on the key documents you need to safeguard your future. Topics include wills, trusts, powers of attorney, healthcare directives, and beneficiary designations. You'll learn how these documents work together to manage your assets, provide for dependents, and address healthcare decisions in critical moments. Join us to demystify estate planning, gain peace of mind, and take the first step toward securing your legacy. Instructor: Clover Leaf Wealth Strategies

#### **Activity No. 1484.326**

1 lesson @ 60 mins; Free admission W, 4/22 6-7 p.m.

#### **HOW TO PLAN FOR** LONG TERM CARE

Join us for an informative seminar designed to help you understand and prepare for the financial, legal, and emotional aspects of long-term care. We'll cover the types of insurance and funding options available, and steps to protect your family's future. Whether you're planning for yourself or a loved one, this session will provide the clarity and confidence needed to make informed decisions.

#### **Activity No. 1485.326**

1 lesson @ 60 mins; Free admission W, 4/29 6-7 p.m.

#### **IBS ROADMAP:** YOUR GUIDE TO A BETTER DIGESTION

Irritable Bowel Syndrome (IBS) is a common gastrointestinal disorder that affects 10-15% of Americans. IBS can significantly impact a person's quality of life, but it is manageable through dietary adjustments, stress management, and sometimes medication. Raising awareness about IBS can help those affected seek appropriate care and support. The intention of this to presentation is to provide a brief overview of the symptoms of IBS, how it is diagnosed, and what you can do to manage it. Presented by Medstar Gastroenterology

#### **Activity No. 1490.326**

1 lesson @ 60 mins; Free admission Th, 1/29 6-7 p.m

#### **GERD:** UNDERSTANDING **ACID REFLUX**

Gastroesophageal Reflux Disease (GERD) is a chronic digestive condition estimated to have a prevalence in 20% of adults. When people have GERD, stomach acid or bile flows back into the esophagus, leading to symptoms such as heartburn, regurgitation, chest pain, and difficulty swallowing. The purpose of this presentation is to educate the community about GERD and help individuals recognize symptoms early and seek appropriate treatment. We will also touch on GERD lifestyle modifications and management options. Presented by Medstar Gastroenterology

#### **Activity No. 1486.326**

1 lesson @ 60 mins; Free admission Th, 4/9 6-7 pm

#### SOUND SESSIONS

Sound sessions (also known as sound baths) offer a gentle journey into deep relaxation and inner healing. Using specialized instruments including crystal bowls, chimes, and drums, these calming sessions create frequencies that resonate through your body and mind, helping to release tension and stress. Please bring a yoga mat to lie down or sit on. A blanket, pillow, and anything else that will help you feel comfortable in a lying down or sitting position are recommended as well, Instructor: Bohra Bae

#### **Activity No. 1522.326**

1 lesson @ 60 mins, \$30/\$25 MCC district residents

Su, 3/1 3-4 p.m.



# DROP-IN GAMES



#### FREE PARTICIPATION, **OPEN TO ALL!**

Game	Location	Date/Time
Bridge	MCC Hampton Room	Tu, 7–10 p.m. F, 7–10 p.m.

#### DROP-IN GAMES AT THE OLD FIREHOUSE

Come enjoy table tennis, bridge, mah-jongg, arcade games, a sensory lab and more at the Old Firehouse. Children under the age of 18 must be accompanied by an adult.

	Game	Location	Date/Time	
	Mah-Jongg	Old Firehouse Center	W, 10 a.m1 p.m.	
	All Games		Tu, 10 a.m1:30 p.m. Th, 10 a.m1:30 p.m. W, 6:30-9 p.m.	
	Available	Old Firehouse Center	Sa, 9 a.m1 p.m. on selected dates: 1/10, 2/7, 3/7, 4/11, 5/2, 6/6	
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Meet up with your friends or make some new ones and enjoy fun and games in your community! Registration is NOT required for these self-led activities. MCC staff will ensure all necessary gaming supplies are available.

Participation is free and players of all skill levels are welcome to join.

Children under the age of 18 must be accompanied by an adult.

Please Note: Drop-In Games will not be held on Fairfax County Government holidavs.

#### **OPEN GAMES RULES & EXPECTATIONS**

- MCC staff will ensure that all game supplies are available for the games.
- Games will always be free, and registration is never required.
- For games/spaces where table space is limited first come, first served for play.
- Open Games welcome ALL participants of all skill levels to play. However, a basic understanding of the game being played is necessary to participate.
- · Be kind and courteous to all participants.
- · If questions or conflicts arise, MCC/OFC staff are available to help. please go to the front desk to speak with a staff member.

# SENIORS IN ACTION

SIA Registration Opens Wednesday, Dec. 3, 9 a.m.

Winter/Spring 2026 SIA Programming begins Monday, Jan. 5, and ends Friday, May 15.



#### JOIN SENIORS IN ACTION!

SIA is a recreation program created for independent adults age 50+. Enjoy a wide variety of enriching activities that spark connection, build friendships and foster a vibrant sense of community.

Membership is **free**—although some activities may have a small fee. Don't miss out on the fun! Discover all that SIA has to offer and be part of the action today.

**If you have questions** or would like to receive activity updates, please contact SIA Program Coordinator Samah Habayeb at **samah.habayeb@fairfaxcounty.gov** or **703-744-9376**.

#### SIA COST-ASSOCIATED ACTIVITIES



#### MONDAY SAIL (STAY ACTIVE AND INDEPENDENT FOR LIFE)

#### **Activity No. 9002.326**

15 lessons @1 hr, \$54/\$45 MCC district residents

M, 1/5-5/11 9-10 a.m.

No lesson on 1/19, 2/16, 3/23 and 3/30.

#### **MONDAY 4EVER FIT**

#### **Activity No. 9003.326**

14 lessons @ 55 mins, \$54/\$45 MCC district residents

M, 1/12-5/11 9:30-10:25 a.m.

No lesson on 1/19, 2/16, 3/23 and 3/30.

#### **MONDAY SAIL**

#### **Activity No. 9004.326**

15 lessons @1 hr, \$54/\$45 MCC district residents

M, 1/5-5/11

10-11 a.m.

No lesson on 1/19, 2/16, 3/23 and 3/30.

#### **TUESDAY SAIL**

#### **Activity No. 9005.326**

17 lessons @ 1 hr, \$54/\$45 MCC district residents

Tu, 1/6-5/12

9-10 a.m.

No lesson on 3/24 and 3/31.

### WEDNESDAY 4EVER FIT

#### **Activity No. 9006.326**

14 lessons @ 55 mins, \$54/\$45 MCC district residents

W, 1/14-5/13

9-9:55 a.m.

No lesson on 1/21, 2/18, 3/25 and 4/1.

#### THURSDAY SAIL

#### **Activity No. 9007.326**

17 lessons @ 1 hr, \$54/\$45 MCC district residents

Th. 1/8-5/14

9-10 a.m.

No lesson on 3/26 and 4/2.

#### FRIDAY SAIL

#### **Activity No. 9008.326**

17 lessons @1 hr, \$54/\$45 MCC district residents

F. 1/9-5/15

9-10 a.m.

No lesson on 3/27 and 4/3.

#### **NEW TIME!**

#### FRIDAY SAIL

#### **Activity No. 9009.326**

17 lessons @1 hr, \$54/\$45 MCC district residents

F, 1/9-5/15

10:15-11:15 a.m.

No lesson on 3/27 and 4/3.

### NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM TRIP

#### **Activity No. 9010.326**

\$46/\$42 MCC district residents. Cost includes transportation, lunch and tickets.

Bus departs at 9 a.m. Bus arrives back to MCC at 4 p.m.

W, 2/11

### PLANET WORD MUSEUM TRIP

#### **Activity No. 9011.326**

\$46/\$42 MCC district residents. Cost includes transportation, lunch and tickets.

Bus departs at 9 a.m. Bus arrives back to MCC at 4 p.m.

W, 3/11

#### AURORA DANCE FEST AT CAPITOL ONE HALL TRIP

#### **Activity No. 9012.326**

\$46/\$42 MCC district residents. Cost includes transportation, dinner and performance tickets.

Bus departs at 5:30 p.m. Bus arrives back to MCC at 10 p.m.

Sa, 4/11

### BEGINNER BRIDGE LESSONS

#### **Activity No. 9013.326**

\$48/\$40 MCC district residents 8 lessons @ 2 hrs 12:30-2:30 p.m. M, 1/5-3/9

No lesson on 1/16 and 2/16.

#### LINE DANCING

#### **Activity No. 9014.326**

\$36/\$30 MCC district residents 6 lessons @ 1 hr 3-4 p.m. M, 2/9-4/20

No lesson on 2/16, 3/2, 3/16, 3/23, 3/30 and 4/13.

#### BEGINNER MAH-JONGG LESSONS

#### **Activity No. 9015.326**

\$18/\$15 MCC district residents 3 lessons @ 2 hrs 12:30-2:30 p.m. M, 4/6, 4/13, 4/20

### INOVA WORKSHOP SERIES

**Activity No. 9016.326** (Registering for the entire series)

\$30/\$25 MCC district residents

5 lessons @ 1 hr 1-2 p.m.

Th. 2/26, Healthy Eating on a Budget

Th, 3/5, Power in Plants

Th, 3/12, Fuel for Thought

Th, 3/19, Holistic Heart

Th, 4/2, Nutrition Across the Lifespan

### BEGINNER SPANISH LANGUAGE

#### **Activity No. 9017.326**

\$42/\$35 MCC district residents 7 lessons @ 1.5 hrs 1:30-3 p.m. F, 2/6-3/20

#### **CPR/AED TRAINING**

#### **Activity No. 9018.326**

\$49/\$39 MCC district residents 1 lesson @ 3 hrs Noon-3 p.m. W. 5/6



#### FREE OFFERINGS

#### **DROP-IN ACTIVITIES**

#### 10 a.m.-noon

**Monday:** Mah-Jongg Practice & Play **Tuesday:** Mah-Jongg Practice & Play **Thursday:** Bridge Practice & Play

# SIA SPECIAL EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

Join our mailing list to receive weekly updates on presentations, technology coaching and weekly special activities.

#### SIA CLUBS

#### **NEW! Travel Discussion Club**

11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. M, 1/26, 2/23, 3/30, 4/27, 5/11

#### **Book Club**

10-11:30 a.m. Tu, 1/13, 2/10, 3/10, 4/14, 5/12

#### Stitch Club

10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. W, 1/14, 2/18, 3/18, 4/15, 5/13

#### **Word Club**

12:30-2 p.m. Th, 1/8, 2/5, 3/5, 4/2, 5/7

#### **Garden Club**

Noon-1:30 p.m. F, 1/16, 2/20, 3/13, 4/17, 5/15 McLEAN PROJECT FOR THE ART

#### ATRIUM GALLERY

#### PHOTOGRAPHY BY BERNIE **BOSTON**

Nov. 6, 2025 – Feb. 24, 2026

Bernie Boston was a longtime McLean resident and award-winning photojournalist who was the first African American member of the White House press corps, serving every president from Truman through Clinton. The Atrium Gallery exhibit will feature framed photographs from his fascinating career.

The exhibit is a collaboration between MPA and the Friends of Historic Pleasant Grove Church in McLean and will be held concurrently in the Atrium Gallery and at Pleasant Grove Church.

For more information on Bernie Boston, visit: en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bernie\_Boston

For more details on MPA's upcoming exhibitions, please visit mpaart.org.



**Photo:** Flower Power, Photo by Bernie Boston for The Washington Evening Star. Taken October 21, 1967, during the March on the Pentagon to End the War in Vietnam.

#### **EMERSON GALLERY**

#### **PHOTOGENESIS 2**

November 20, 2025 - February 24, 2026

This open call show, curated by MPA's Artistic Director and Curator Nancy Sausser, will include work that springs from photographic images, ideas or techniques.



McLean Project for the Arts (MPA) is a nonprofit organization that presents the visual arts program for the community at the McLean Community Center, thanks to a public/private partnership with MCC and Fairfax County.

MPA presents exhibitions of contemporary art and provides education in the visual arts through a program of classes for children and adults, as well as lectures, tours and ArtReach, an outreach program that brings school children and other groups to the gallery for educational programs. MPA presents art classes at MCC in the DuVal Studio and online through ZOOM.

#### **ART GALLERY HOURS:**

For the most current information on viewing our exhibitions, please see our website at mpaart.org, email info@mpaart.org or call 703-790-1953.







#### McLEAN PROJECT FOR THE ARTS STAFF:

Lori Carbonneau, Executive Director Nancy Sausser, Curator & Artistic Director Sharon Fishel, ArtReach Director Falayi Adu, Finance & Operations Director Deb Bissen, Communications & Public Affairs Director

Jennifer Wormser, Development Director

Briana Clorey, Education & ArtReach Operations Manager Jennifer Jeannot, Director of Grants & Strategic Projects

Additional MPA staff can be found at mpaart.org.

#### McLEAN PROJECT FOR THE ARTS



Visual arts classes are offered by the McLean Project for the Arts. To register for a visual arts class, you must sign up on MPA's website, mpaart.org. For more information, call 703-790-1953. Make sure to sign up for the MPA e-blast for up-to-date information on classes and upcoming workshops!



#### **CLASSES FOR CHILDREN**

#### ABRAKADOODLE **TWOOSY DOODLERS**

One parent or guardian must accompany the child to class. Little ones experiment with painting, gluing, sticking, printing and creating while developing fine-motor, language and self-help skills. This Abrakadoodle class for toddlers and their parents inspires creativity while emphasizing an "I-can-do-it" spirit! Instructor: Abrakadoodle Staff.

#### 20-36 months

8 lessons @ 45 mins. \$135/\$125 MCC district residents. Material fee \$45 to be paid to the instructor on the first day of class.

F, 1/23-3/13 10-10:45 a.m.

#### 20-36 months

7 lessons @ 45 mins, \$120/\$110 MCC district residents. Material fee \$45 to be paid to the instructor on the first day of class.

F, 4/10-5/22 10-10:45 a.m.

#### **ABRAKADOODLE** MINI DOODLERS

Parent or guardian not required to attend; however, children must be potty-trained. Children will develop their creativity through lessons carefully designed to ignite their imaginations and development skills. Using real artists' materials, including watercolors, tempera paints, oil pastels, creative tools and more, your child will create truly unique masterpieces. Instructor: Abrakadoodle Staff.

#### 3-6 years

8 lessons @ 1 hr, \$180/\$165 MCC district residents. Material fee \$45 to be paid to the instructor on the first day of class.

F, 1/23-3/13 11 a.m.-noon

#### 3-6 years

7 lessons @ 1 hr, \$160/\$145 MCC district residents. Material fee \$45 to be paid to the instructor on the first day of class.

F. 4/10-5/22 11 a.m.-noon

#### **ABRAKADOODLE DOODLERS**

This popular art program helps kids stretch their creative muscles and exercise their right brains in action-oriented classes filled with color, texture, shape and fun! Our art lessons are carefully crafted to promote uniqueness and imaginative thinking as kids create their own unique masterpieces through painting, drawing, cutting, molding and exploring creative materials. Each lesson introduces a new technique and artist's style. Instructor: Abrakadoodle Staff.

#### **7-12** years

7 lessons @ 1 hr, \$180/\$165 MCC district residents. Material fee \$45 to be paid to the instructor on the first day of class.

M. 1/26-3/16 4:30-5:30 p.m. No lesson on 2/16.

#### **7-12** years

6 lessons @ 1 hr, \$135/\$125 MCC district residents. Material fee \$45 to be paid to the instructor on the first day of class.

M, 4/13-5/18 4:30-5:30 p.m.



MPA's Education Programming is constantly changing with new workshops, and classes. MPA's website has the most up-to-date information on classes as times and dates are announced or changed: mpaart.org/education. Visit our website for accurate schedule details for our classes.

#### **CLASSES FOR TEENS (13 YEARS+) AND ADULTS**

#### **CHANGE IT OR SAVE IT! STUDIO**

Do you have old paintings that you think you might want to revisit? How about ones that are almost finished but need a nudge? Whether you decide to paint over or do something more to push a painting to completion, this class is for you. The instructor will teach you how to add layers of collage and textures or figure out what you need to do next. Instructor: M. Jane Johnson.

#### 16-Adult

6 lessons @ 3 hrs, \$280/\$260 MCC district residents

M, 1/26-3/9 10 a.m.-1 p.m. No lesson on 2/16.

#### **COLORFUL MIXED** MEDIA PAINTINGS

All levels of art experience are welcome. Learn the basics of abstract painting as well as color theory. The class explores using the principles of art while you work with acrylic, collage and drawing. Instructor: M. Jane Johnson.

#### 16-Adult

6 lessons @ 3 hrs, \$280/\$260 MCC district residents

M, 4/13-5/18 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

#### INTRO TO OIL

Open for all levels! This class provides a foundation in observation-based painting in the style of classical realism. We will learn about value, proportions and colors and explore the painting of a still life, landscape and portrait. Classes will include a combination of demonstration, step-by-step direction and discussion/art appreciation. Instructor: Stephanie Chang.

#### 16-Adult

8 lessons @ 2.5 hrs, \$310/\$290 MCC district residents

Tu, 1/27-3/17 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

#### **ELEVATING** YOUR VISION: INTERMEDIATE **TO ADVANCED** PAINTING

This course is designed for intermediate to advanced students eager to deepen their oil painting practice. Inspired by the art of old masters in classical realism, this workshop centers on observation-based painting through portrait, figure and landscape. Students are led to refine their paintings through composition, brush strokes, edges, value and design. Most sessions will feature a live model. Students interested in landscapes may work from photographs or set up a still life as an alternative. Instructor: Stephanie Chang.

#### 16-Adult

6 lessons @ 2.5hrs, \$235/\$220 MCC district residents

Tu, 4/14-5/19 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m.



#### **PLEIN AIR**

We will study both onsite and from a photograph of a scenic landscape and learn how to simplify the complex elements that make the scene into a solid composition. Further, we will introduce a few watercolor techniques and explore oil painting by utilizing tools such as brushes, palette knives and Catalyst wedges to highlight value, color, light patterns, edges and perspective to create our interpretation of the landscape. Classes will include a combination of demonstration. discussion and art appreciation. We will meet onsite in a different location each week. Instructor: Stephanie Chang.

#### 16-Adult

7 lessons @ 2.5 hrs, \$270/\$255 MCC district residents

W, 4/15-5/27 9:30 a.m.-noon

#### LANDSCAPE IN OIL

During the course, Joyce Lee will demonstrate step-by-step how to capture a beautiful landscape on your canvas. During this course, students will study proportions of landscapes and how to block in a composition on canvas. They will also continuously study value, edges and color relationships while they finish two or three different landscapes. Instructor: Jovce Lee.

#### 16-Adult

7 lessons @ 2.5 hrs, \$270/\$255 MCC district residents

Th, 1/29-3/12 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

#### FREEDOM OF WATERCOLOR

Students of all levels welcome. Students will work with changeable subject matter as they develop their ideal style as artists. Elements of design, composition and balance will be discussed. Discover the versatility and fluidity of this medium. Instructor: Barbara Januszkiewicz.

#### 16-Adult

8 lessons @ 2.5 hrs, \$310/\$290 MCC district residents

Th, 4/9-5/28 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Dates may be subject to change. Check online.



#### **DRAWING & PAINTING STUDIO**

A working studio classroom for experienced students and artists seeking to improve their skills. This course covers fundamentals of drawing and painting to advanced concepts of making art. The class offers individuals the opportunity to develop a body of work and critique in a creative environment. Students are encouraged to explore their own concepts and styles of expression. Instructor: David Carlson.

#### 16-Adult

#### **WINTER**

8 lessons @ 2.5 hrs, \$310/\$290 MCC district residents

Th, 1/22-3/12 7-9:30 p.m.

#### **SPRING**

7 lessons @ 2.5 hrs, \$270/\$255 MCC district residents

Th, 4/16-5/28 7-9:30 p.m.

#### DRAWING BASICS (COLORS, LINES & MOTION)

For all skill levels. For beginning students, we will work with the fundamentals of drawing, such as lines, angles and shading from light to dark as well as how to develop the smart eye toward form, shape and details. More experienced students will have the privilege of choosing any images, topics or subjects they like to create colorful action frames as a dynamic art. Instructor: Ahmed Zaidan.

#### 13-Adult

8 lessons @ 2 hrs, \$250/\$230 MCC district residents

Sa, 1/24-3/14 2-4 p.m.

6 lessons @ 2 hrs, \$185/\$175 MCC district residents

Sa. 4/18-5/30 2-4 p.m.

No lesson on 5/16.

#### WORKSHOPS

#### BEGINNING VIDEO EDITING **WORKSHOP**

For new and returning students. Learn how to create a short video in this workshop using Adobe Premier Pro as an editing tool! The students will import their clips, learn the basic functions, add music, titles and some effects and export an MP4. Students are encouraged to bring their laptops with Premier Pro loaded. If you do not have Adobe Premier, we will use the instructor's software. Instructor: Gregory Staley.

#### 16-Adult

1 lesson @ 3 hrs, \$65 Sa. 2/7 1-4 p.m.

#### **CREATING ARTWORK WITH** LAYERED PAPER: LIGHTHOUSE

Come to a fun paper workshop where we'll be inspired by a lighthouse on a rocky shore by the ocean. Lots of textures in this one! You'll be using hundreds of kinds of paper to create a unique and textured work of art. Supplies are provided and a supply fee of \$25 must be paid to the instructor at the start of the workshop. Instructor: Ronni Jolles

#### 14-Adult

1 lesson @ 3 hrs, \$75. Supplies will be provided by the instructor. A material fee of \$25 is to be paid to the instructor at the workshop.

1-4 p.m.

Su, 2/22

#### **PERSPECTIVE OF** LAVENDER FIELDS

Learn one-point perspective and then create unique and textured paper artwork of a lavender field with your new understanding of perspective. You'll rip, cut, manipulate, and glue layers of paper to an 8" x 10" stretched canvas. Supplies are provided and a supply fee of \$25 must be paid to the instructor at start of the workshop. Instructor: Ronni Jolles

#### 14-Adult

1 lesson @ 4 hrs, \$100. Supplies will be provided by the instructor. A material fee of \$25 is to be paid to the instructor at the workshop.

Su, 3/8

12:30-4:30 p.m.

#### **CREATING ARTWORK** WITH LAYERED PAPER: TREES IN **SPRINGTIME**

This is a workshop everyone should experience! Learn a fun and playful paper art form where we'll use trees in springtime as our inspiration. You'll use hundreds of kinds of paper to create a textured and unique piece of art. You'll rip, cut, manipulate and glue layers of paper to an 8" x 10" stretched canvas. Supplies are provided and a supply fee of \$25 must be paid to the instructor at start of workshop. Instructor: Ronni Jolles

#### 14-Adult

1 lesson @ 3 hrs, \$75. Supplies will be provided by the instructor. A material fee of \$25 is to be paid to the instructor at the workshop.

Su, 5/17 1-4 p.m.

#### **OPEN STUDIO** (DUVAL)

Open drawing sessions with a live model. Pay for drop-in sessions or save when you register for the series!

Drop-in session, \$20

8 sessions @ 3 hrs, \$115/\$100 MCC district residents

Sa. 1/24-3/14 10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. We have workshops and classes from Bryan Jernigan, Greg Staley, and Nanette Catigbe coming soon! Make sure you visit mpaart.org, or are signed up for the e-blast for up-to-date information on classes and upcoming workshops.





# THE ALDEN

# **GATHER.** IMAGINE. **BELONG.**

#### **PRICING**

Pricing is listed as Standard Admission/Seniors (60+)/MCC tax district residents.

# **RATINGS LEGEND**



#### **FAMILY FRIENDLY**

Crafted specifically for children; content is rated G or PG.



#### **ALL AGES**

Not created for children, but appropriate for them: content is rated G or PG.



#### **ADULT**

Made for a "grown-up" audience; if content is rated R, it will be identified as such.

If you have any questions about a performance's themes, content or style, please contact The Alden at alden@mcleancenter.org. We are happy to help you select performances that are a good fit for you or your family.

# **FURIA FLAMENCA** "A TRIP TO SPAIN"

Sunday, Jan. 4, 2 p.m.

\$25/\$20/\$15 60 minutes.



Audience favorite Furia Flamenca is back with a show for the whole family. "A Trip to Spain" introduces children to flamenco music and dance, shares some of the art form's history and invites the audience to participate in flamenco-making.

#### MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. **CELEBRATION**

# **BARRON RYAN TRIO** "THERE ARISES LIGHT IN THE **DARKNESS**"

Sunday, Jan. 18, 2 p.m.

\$15/\$10/\$7





We are proud to welcome back pianist and composer Barron Ryan, following his triumphant performance last season. His original work was commissioned by Chamber Music Tulsa for the 100th anniversary of the Tulsa Race Massacre. Inspired by eyewitness accounts of the massacre, Ryan's gorgeous piano, violin and cello trio aims to bring hope to a dark time in history.

"I didn't imagine it would heal Tulsa's every wound, but I thought it a good place to start."—Barron Ryan

#### WORLD PREMIERE!

# "ASTRONAUT VS. **AQUANAUT"**

Saturday, Feb. 7, 6 p.m. ASL



\$25/\$20/\$15 60 minutes.



Two scientists go head-to-head and spacesuit-to-wetsuit to decide once and for all who is the ultimate explorer! Acclaimed scientists Janet Ivey ("Janet's Planet") and Jennifer Swanson (Science Rocks) will have you soaring into space and diving deep into the ocean. Learn the ways they explore inner- and outer-space using the latest images from the James Webb Space Telescope and more. These scientists work in incredible and extreme

environments that are worlds apart

and yet can be surprisingly similar.

# NAI-NI CHEN DANCE COMPANY **"YEAR OF THE RED FIRE HORSE** LUNAR NEW YEAR **CELEBRATION**"

Wednesday, Feb. 18, 7 p.m.

\$35/\$30/\$25

90 minutes.



The Nai-Ni Chen Dance Company returns with their Lunar New Year production that intertwines traditional and contemporary dance. They are a leading force in innovative cultural performances that capture the hope and resilience of the immigrant journey. The performance will include a traditional Dragon and Lion Dance as well as one created for this year's Red Fire Horse!



#### **PERSPECTIVES SPEAKERS SERIES**

# CRIME FICTION **AUTHOR S.A.** COSBY

Saturday, Feb. 21, 2 p.m. 60 minutes.



S. A. Cosby is an Anthony Award-winning writer of Southern noir crime fiction and hails from Southeastern Virginia. He is the author of the instant New York Times bestseller "All the Sinners Bleed," which was on Barack Obama's Summer Reading List. He also authored New York Times bestsellers "Razorblade Tears" and "Blacktop Wasteland," the latter of which won the Los Angeles Times Book Prize, was a New York Times Notable Book and was named a best book of the year by NPR, The Guardian and Library Journal, among others. When not writing, he is an avid hiker and chess player.

# **BORISEVICH DUO,** PIANO AND VIOLIN

Sunday, Feb 22, 2 p.m.

\$15/\$10/\$7 90 minutes.



The Borisevich Duo is an internationally acclaimed violin and piano pair, but we don't need to tell you that. This stunning partnership is an Alden favorite and attracts larger and larger crowds each year! A sweetly old-world sound and brilliant commentary from the husband-wife team make for a magical afternoon of chamber music.

#### **HONOLULU THEATRE FOR YOUTH**

# "THE GREAT RACE: THE STORY OF THE **CHINESE ZODIAC"**

Saturday, Feb 28, 6 p.m. ASL

\$25/\$20/\$15

60 minutes



Join Po Po and Kung Kung in celebrating Chinese New Year with their grandkids by making dumplings and sharing the story of "The Great Race"a beloved tale in Chinese folklore and the origin story of the Chinese Zodiac. When the Jade Emperor needs a way to tell time, he decrees that there will be a Great Race and the first 12 animals to cross the river will have a year named after them. This show mixes theatrical storytelling with traditional Chinese music, Jingju and martial arts to see how each animal earned a place in the Chinese Zodiac.

# FIRST WOMAN, LLC

# "HERO: THE BOY FROM TROY" A **NEW MUSICAL ABOUT YOUNG JOHN LEWIS**

Friday, March 6, 7 p.m. ASL

\$25/\$20/\$15

45 minutes.



Jayden is stuck in detention with a book about Congressman John Lewis, but he thinks that history has nothing to teach him. Together we go on a musical journey through the decades that shows how the heroes in the Civil Rights movement inspired young John Lewis to protest injustice and get into "good trouble." From preaching to his family's flock of chickens (true story!) to becoming an American hero himself, your family will love this charming musical.

# **SOLOMON EICHNER, PIANO**

Sunday, March 29, 2 p.m.

\$15/\$10/\$7

90 minutes.



Baltimore native Solomon Eichner is a product of some of the best conservatories in the country and winner of numerous international competitions. He debuted at Carnegie Hall in 2016 after winning the "Golden **Key Debut**" International Competition and has performed in England, Italy, Germany, Austria, Poland and throughout the U.S. His playing is praised for its virtuosity and his ability to make music sing and come alive.



# **JAZZ AT LINCOLN CENTER PRESENTS** "GREAT AMERICAN **CROONERS**"

Sunday, April 12, 2 p.m.

\$30/\$25/\$20

120 minutes.



With a rich commitment to jazz and a tip of the hat to the crooners we know and love, JALC returns to The Alden for another thrilling night. With only one stop in your neighborhood, don't miss the chance to hear some of the best singers in the country perform songs that are quintessentially American.

# **NICHOLAS RODRIGUEZ** "SINCERELY. **SONDHEIM"**

Saturday, April 18, 7 p.m. \$30/\$25/\$20

90 minutes.

Direct from the Tony Award-winning revival of "Company," Nicholas Rodriguez (Arena Stage's "Oklahoma!" and "Carousel") celebrates Stephen Sondheim with "Sincerely, Sondheim"—a nod to both the lyrical and musical genius of the late composer and his reputation for prolific letter writing. Pulling from the thousands of letters Sondheim wrote to fans and colleagues alike, Rodriguez weaves together stories from Sondheim's own words and explores his fascinating relationships with legends such as Oscar Hammerstein II, Jonathan Larson and Lin-Manuel Miranda. Featuring selections from "Company," "Sunday in the Park with George," "Into the Woods" and more.

# **ZAK MIRZ MAGICIAN**

Friday, Apr 24, 7 p.m.

\$25/\$20/\$15 90 minutes.



Zak Mirz amazes audiences by weaving magic into stories from his experience as a first-generation American. From being a kid growing up in Texas to becoming a father of two, Zak's charismatic style easily pulls in audiences of all ages! The constants in his unique stories are the awe, curiosity and wonder he saw in the world as a kid and sees through the eyes of his own children. America's Got Talent 2025 Semi Finalist!



# MAIN STREET CHAMBER PLAYERS

Sunday, April 26, 2 p.m.

\$15/\$10/\$7 90 minutes.



The Main Street Chamber Players are a mixed instrumental ensemble whose collective experience spans more than 35 years. This group, hailing from our very own Fairfax County, has performed in the well-known Classical Cape May Series, Tuesday Concert Series, Lyceum Chamber Music Series and at other local performance venues. They perform works from the standard repertoire, as well as fantastic works by female composers, composers of color and living composers

### THE DOO WOP **PROJECT**

Saturday, May 2, 7 p.m.

\$40/\$30/\$25

90 minutes.



The Doo Wop Project tells the story of the genre from the beginning: tracing the evolution of Doo Wop from the classic sound of five guys singing tight harmonies to the biggest hits on the radio today. In their epic show, these vocalists take audiences on a journey featuring foundational tunes from the Crests, Belmonts and Flamingos through the vocal artistry of Smokey Robinson, The Temptations and The Four Seasons. Then, they go all the way to doo-wopified versions of modern hits! With charisma out the wazoo and stellar Broadway voices, this is the group you can't miss!

# **PAT HAZEL'S** "PERMANENT RECORD"

Saturday, May 9, 7 p.m. Sunday, May 10, 2 p.m. ASL



\$30/\$25/\$20 80 minutes.



"Seinfeld" writer Pat Hazell goes in search of his own "Permanent Record" in a confessional night filled with humor, heart and humanity. Hazell hired an actual opposition research company to investigate his past, and he is now forced to define himself. Pat opens the vault to his faults, foibles and foul play to turn a stroll down Memory Lane into a high-speed chase down Memory Highway. If you can't laugh at yourself, why not laugh at him?

# "MELODY'S MOSTLY **MUSICAL DAY" JENNY LIN, PIANO**

Sunday, May 31, 2 p.m.

\$25/\$20/\$15 50 minutes.



Created in conjunction with Steinway, "Melody's Mostly Musical Day" incorporates props and storytelling to engage the children in the audience. Traveling back to her childhood, pianist Jenny Lin crafts a story about a young girl named Melody and her day of discovery. Comprised of 26 short pieces, her day begins with the lighthearted Tchaikovsky and Mozart and journeys through sprightly pieces by Grieg, Mussorgsky and more! This delightful afternoon encourages children to find their own joy and playfulness in classical music.

Ticket price includes one copy of the "Melody's Mostly Musical Day" book. You must purchase three tickets to receive a book. One book per order, please. Additional books will be available for purchase at the concert.

# "NAPOLEON DYNAMITE" A CONVERSATION WITH JON HEDER. **EFREN RAMIREZ AND JON GRIES**

Saturday, June 6, 7 p.m.

\$45/\$35/\$25. VIP Meet and Greet, additional \$60. Meet and Greet begins at 5:30 p.m. Space is limited and must be purchased separately from the show ticket. 90-minute screening; 90-minute live event.

Gosh! This unique evening includes a full screening of "Napoleon Dynamite" (PG) followed by a lively, freewheeling discussion with fan-favorite cast members; Jon Heder (Napoleon Dynamite), Jon Gries (Uncle Rico) and Efren Ramirez (Pedro). The live show is a wild and hysterical blend of Q&A, comedy improv, game show and party, with plenty of audience participation. Get ready to join the fun and celebrate this joyous movie!



# **MOVIES AT THE ALDEN**

FREE FILM SCREENINGS

#### FOREIGN LANGUAGE FILMS

Chosen by you, our audience! Movies are shown in the original language with English subtitles. Always free, always awesome. Programs subject to change. Two screenings each month.

**Please Note:** These movies are programmed for adult audiences unless otherwise noted.

#### "PELLE THE CONQUEROR"

(1987, Denmark and Sweden; directed by Bille August)

in Swedish and Danish with English subtitles. Palme d'Or winner. Oscar winner.

Thursday, Jan. 8, 1 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 21, 6:30 p.m.

Rated PG-13.

Running time: 2 hours, 37 minutes.

#### "HYENAS"

(1992, Senegal; directed by Djibril Diop Mambéty)

in Wolof with English subtitles.

Wednesday, Feb. 4, 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 12, 1 p.m.

Not rated. Not recommended for audiences under 18 years old.

Running time: 1 hour, 50 minutes.

#### "THE UMBRELLAS OF CHERBOURG"

(1964, France; directed by Jacques Demy)

in French with English subtitles. Oscar nominee.

#### Wednesday, March 4, 6:30 p.m. Thursday, March 26, 1 p.m.

Not rated. Not recommended for audiences under 18 years old.

Running time: 1 hour, 31 minutes.

#### APRIL FOOL'S DAY SELECTION "YOUR NAME"

(2016, Japan; directed by Makoto Shinkai)

in Japanese with English subtitles.

Wednesday, April 1, 6:30 p.m.

Rated PG.

Running time: 1 hour, 52 minutes.

#### **"SCHULTZE GETS THE BLUES**"

(2003, Germany; directed by Michael Schorr)

in German with English subtitles. Oscar winner.

Wednesday, April 8, 6:30 p.m. Thursday, April 9, 1 p.m.

Rated PG.

Running time: 1 hour, 54 minutes.

#### "EL NORTE"

(1983, United States, Guatemala; directed by Gregory Nava)

in Spanish and K'iche' with English subtitles. Oscar nominee.

Thursday, May 7, 1 p.m. Wednesday, May 13, 6:30 p.m.

Rated R.

Running time: 2 hours, 21 minutes.

#### "WINGS OF DESIRE"

(1987, West Germany; directed by Wim Wenders)

in German with English subtitles.

Thursday, June 4, 1 p.m.

Wednesday, June 10, 6:30 p.m.

Rated PG-13.

Running time: 2 hours, 8 minutes.

#### **PERFORMING ARTS MOVIES**

Go behind the scenes, see a great performance up close or learn more about the lives of your favorite artists. One screening each month.

**Please Note:** These movies are programmed for adult audiences unless otherwise noted.

#### **"MONTEREY POP" (1968)**

#### Thursday, Jan. 15, 1 p.m.

Not rated. Not recommended for audiences under 18 years old. Running time: 1 hour, 18 minutes.

#### "SPETTACOLO" (2017)

in Italian with English subtitles.

Thursday, Feb. 19, 1 p.m.

TV-PG.

Running time: 1 hour, 31 minutes.

#### "SIX BY SONDHEIM" (2013)

#### Thursday, March 12, 1 p.m.

Not rated. Not recommended for audiences under 13 years old.

Running time: 1 hour, 26 minutes.

#### SPRING BREAK FAMILY SELECTION

#### "THE LITTLE PRINCE" (2005)

An opera by Rachel Portman

#### Thursday, April 2, 1 p.m.

Rated TV-G.

Running time: 1 hour, 47 minutes.

#### "BALLET RUSSES" (2005)

#### Thursday, May 14, 1 p.m.

Not recommended for audiences under 13 years old.

Running time: 1 hour, 58 minutes.

#### "ORCHESTRA OF EXILES" (2012)

#### Thursday, June 11, 1 p.m.

Not rated. Not recommended for audiences under 13 years old.

Running time: 1 hour, 25 minutes.

# (THE) UNRULY **THEATRE PROJECT**

UTP is The Alden's professional teen improv company dedicated to bringing comedic performances to the community. Members audition to be in the company and are paid for each performance or workshop they do for the community. UTP has placed 1st at Improvicon of Northern Virginia three times!

All performance dates are available online. In addition to performing, UTP can also provide hour-long workshops for up to 15 participants focusing on improv skills, teamwork, communication and creativity! Any nonprofit associated group may inquire about a workshop by emailing alden@mcleancenter.org.



# THE ALDEN'S 2026 YOUTH **PRODUCTION**

### "THE WIZARD OF OZ"

Adapted by Erin Detrick, produced by special arrangement with Playscripts, Inc.

Auditions: Tuesday and Wednesday, Jan. 13 and 14, 7-9 p.m. **Call Backs:** Thursday, Jan. 15, 7-9 p.m. (by invitation only)

\$150 participation fee, if cast. **Rehearsals:** February and March.

**Performances:** Saturday and Sunday, March 21 and 22, 2 p.m.

Tickets: \$15/\$10 MCC district residents

Anyone between the ages of 10 and 16 who lives in the MCC tax district (Small District 1A-Dranesville) can audition. Preregistration is not required but strongly recommended as time slots fill up quickly. To preregister, complete the online audition form. On that form you will provide your availability on the audition dates and a 20-minute time block will be confirmed to you via email.

If cast, rehearsals are Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 7-9 p.m. from Tuesday, Jan 20 through Friday, March 20. The week of March 16 is tech week and, along with the performances, is mandatory. Additional rehearsals may be required if deemed necessary by the director and producer. Because theater making is a group activity, only limited conflicts with the rehearsal schedule are allowed. Actors must submit possible conflicts by the audition date.

# 2026 JAMES C. MACDONALD PERFORMING ARTS COMPETITION

Annually, the McLean Community Center recognizes the hard work and talent of young performing artists through the James C. Macdonald Performing Arts Scholarship Competition. Following a preliminary round and final round of competition, three prizes (1st - \$1,200; 2nd - \$800 and 3rd - \$400) are awarded in each of four categories: Dance, Theater, Instrumental Music and Vocal Music. In 2020, the 1st place Instrumental Award was named in honor of Anita Lamkin, a longtime friend of young musicians and supporter of music performances in McLean.

Who can apply: High school students who reside in or go to school in the MCC tax district (Small District 1A-Dranesville) are eligible to apply. The online application form can be found at aldentheatre.org. Students may enter more than one category but must submit an application form for each. A non-refundable, \$20 fee is required for each application form submitted.

Application Deadline: Monday, Jan. 26, 2026 Preliminary Round: Week of Feb. 9, 2026 Final Competition: Wednesday, April 29, 8 p.m.

More information on each program is available at aldentheatre.org. Questions? Email alden@mcleancenter.org.

# **BOX OFFICE**

703-790-9223, TTY: 711

**HOURS** 

**SATURDAYS** 

3-7 p.m.

**SUNDAYS** 

Noon-4 p.m.

Open one hour before shows. Refunds available up to 48 hours before showtime. Fees are non-refundable.



#### **BUY TICKETS ONLINE ANYTIME AT**

#### ALDENTHEATRE.ORG

If you have questions about a performance's themes, content or style, please contact The Alden at alden@mcleancenter.org. We are happy to talk with you to select performances that are a good fit for you or your family.

The perks of being an MCC district resident:

- · A discount of at least 25% on tickets!
- No service fees!

#### **ALWAYS AVAILABLE:**

- Infrared assistive listening device (ID required, inquire at the box office)
- 4" seat booster cushion. Ask an usher.
- Ear protection (inquire at the box office)
- Clear performance ratings (see box on page 35).

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- ASL interpretation and seating with the best view. When purchasing tickets, seats are indicated with an "ASL" description.
- · Reduced sound and lighting levels.
- List of sound cues in the performance.

If you have any questions about a choosing a performance or our comfort and accessibility services, please contact us at alden@mcleancenter.org. We are happy to discuss the themes, content and/or style of these performances and how we can provide the best patron experience for your family.

# THE OLD FIREHOUSE

The Old Firehouse Center provides an incredible experience and safe atmosphere for 5th-9th graders. Participants will enjoy exposure to new recreational activities and develop social skills under the supervision of professionally experienced staff members who facilitate organized activities, daily clubs and day trips. Teens can enjoy their time at the Old Firehouse after school, during school breaks and at our Friday night activities and trips.



# **OLD FIREHOUSE MEMBERSHIP**

Memberships are open to 5<sup>th</sup>–9<sup>th</sup> Graders.

August 18, 2025 - June 17, 2026

2:30-6 p.m.

\$325/\$300 MCC district residents.

#### **MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS:**

- Daily Snack and Drink
- Themed Clubs
- Pet Therapy Monthly (Every 3rd Friday)
- Laptop Usage for Homework
- Transportation from Cooper Middle School, Langley High School and local elementary schools. Fairfax County Public Schools' (FCPS) buses provide transportation from Longfellow Middle School and McLean High School.\*
- Discounted Friday Night Trip and Dance Fees
- Valid until June 17, 2026

To join OFC, drop off a completed and signed Participant Contract, accompanied by your payment, to OFC. Participant Contracts are available at the Old Firehouse and online. For additional information, visit **oldfirehouse.org**.

\*Please note that late FCPS bus pickup for Longfellow Middle School begins at 4:15 p.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. Students are encouraged to utilize the FCPS late bus *before* calling OFC for pickup. Otherwise, students must call OFC prior to 3:30 p.m. to arrange for same day pickup. Any requests made after 3:30 p.m. will not be accommodated by OFC staff.

# **FAMILY EVENTS**

See OFC Family Events in the Community Events section on page 8.

# FRIDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES

Register your kids for our Friday Night Activities to enjoy a much-needed date night or come to our family programs for some wholesome fun. Old Firehouse members and non-members can register. Prices vary based on activity. Preregistration is highly recommended!

# WASHINGTON CAPITALS GAME

**Friday, Feb. 27**Activity No. 5302.326
\$70/\$60 OFC members

# 5<sup>TH</sup> AND 6<sup>TH</sup> **GRADER PARTIES**

Old Firehouse 5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grader parties are themed and decorated accordingly. Free catered food and beverages will be distributed to participants. Parties feature a DJ, open dance floor and a variety of activities. Preregistration is recommended.

volunteer for parties must register their participant first, then submit an email request to Ben Barber at oldfirehouse@mcleancenter.org. Please include your name, child's name and home address. Volunteer hours are 6:30-9:45 p.m. Each parent volunteer will receive a refund for his or her child pending completion of their volunteer shift. Volunteer spots are limited.

Volunteers: Parents who wish to

#### SNOWBALL DANCE

Friday, Jan. 16, 7-9:30 p.m.

Activity No: 4603.326

\$35/\$25 MCC district residents/\$10 OFC Members (must call to make the payment)

### ST. PATTY'S PARTY

Friday, March 13, 7-9:30 p.m.

Activity No: 4604.326

\$35/\$25 MCC district residents/\$10 OFC Members (must call to make the payment)

#### LUAU PARTY

Friday, June 5, 7-9:30 p.m.

Activity No: 4605.326

\$35/\$25 MCC district residents/\$10 OFC Members (must call to make the payment)

Register online at **oldfirehouse.org** or call OFC at 703-448-TEEN (8336).

# **TEACHER** WORKDAY **TRIPS**

#### SKIING/ **SNOWBOARDING**

Thursday, Jan. 29, 8 a.m.-7 p.m.

Activity No. 8403.326 \$100/\$90 MCC district residents

#### **UPSCALE BOWLING** & MOVIE

Friday, Jan. 30, 8 a.m.-6 p.m.

Activity No. 8404.326 \$70/\$60 MCC district residents

#### INDOOR MINI GOLF & ICE SKATING

Tuesday, Feb. 17, 8 a.m.-6 p.m.

Activity No. 8405.326 \$70/\$60 MCC district residents

#### INDOOR WATERPARK

Monday, April 6, 8 a.m.-6 p.m.

Activity No. 8406.326 \$100/\$90 MCC district residents

### INDOOR **TRAMPOLINE &** MOVIE

Friday, April 10, 8 a.m.-6 p.m.

Activity No. 8407.326 \$80/\$70 MCC district residents



# **SPRING BREAK TRIPS**

#### WONDERFLY ARENA

Monday, March 30, 8 a.m.-6 p.m.

Activity No. 8501.326 \$90/\$80 MCC district residents

#### **GO KARTING**

Tuesday, March 31, 8 a.m.-6 p.m.

Activity No. 8502.326 \$100/\$90 MCC district residents

#### **DAVE & BUSTER'S**

Wednesday, April 1, 8 a.m.-6 p.m.

Activity No. 8503.326 \$70/\$60 MCC district residents

#### AMUSEMENT PARK

Thursday, April 2, 8 a.m.-7 p.m.

Activity No. 8504.326 \$100/\$90 MCC district residents

#### **ESCAPE ROOM &** MOVIE

Friday, April 3, 8 a.m.-6 p.m.

Activity No. 8505.326 \$90/\$80 MCC district residents

#### **OLD FIREHOUSE FACILITY RENTALS**

The Old Firehouse offers a unique setting for any party or event. Renting at the Old Firehouse includes access to our dance floor, game room, café and Wi-Fi, with additional use of our tables, chairs and kitchenette appliances. For details, rates and to submit your booking request form, go to https://mcleancenter.org/mccbooking-form/ or call 703-448-8336, TTY: 711.

# REGISTRATION INFORMATION

# EASY WAYS TO REGISTER ONLINE

Just click on the green "Register" button in the upper right corner of any page of our website, or on a seven-digit activity number, which will link you to our online registration system. Online registration begins at 9 a.m. on the registration start date.

#### MAIL

Mail a completed registration form with payment in the form of a check, money order or credit card to:

Attn: Registrar McLean Community Center 1234 Ingleside Ave. McLean, VA 22101.

#### IN PERSON/DROP OFF

You may register in person at the center from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. At other times, you may drop off a completed registration form at the Front Desk, and you will be enrolled in the activity on the next business day. We will contact you once you are registered to complete payment. Please note that dropping off a registration form does not guarantee enrollment.

#### **REGISTRATION BEGINS**

Registration opens on the dates listed below and is ongoing. Registration forms that are mailed in or dropped off before the designated open registration date will be processed on the open date. Instructors may not accept registration forms or extend verbal commitments.

**Fall Session:** 2nd Monday in August **Winter-Spring Session:** 1st Monday in December

**Summer Camp:** 2nd Monday in February

Summer Session: 2nd Monday in May

#### PAYMENT

- Payment is due at the time of registration in the form of a check, money order or credit card (American Express, Discover, MasterCard, or Visa) number with expiration date. If paying by check, please make payable to McLean Community Center, unless otherwise noted.
- Receipt confirmations will be emailed. If no email address is

provided, receipt confirmations will be mailed.

#### SENIOR DISCOUNTS

 Seniors (age 60 and older) are eligible to receive a 10% discount on classes of \$50 or more, except where noted.

#### **MATERIALS FEE**

 All materials fees are due to the instructor on the first day of class, unless otherwise noted.

#### **CLASS REFUND POLICY**

- All withdrawals, refund and cancellation requests must be submitted in writing to
  - refunds@mcleancenter.org.
- Patrons who submit refund requests 14 days or more before the start date of a class or activity, will be granted a refund less a 10% administrative fee. Refunds requested 13 days or less before the start date of a class or activity, will not be granted.

#### RESTRICTIONS

 Once a class, camp or activity is in session, refunds may be granted only for medical reasons or for extenuating circumstances as determined by the General Programs Director and the Registrar. Medical requests must be accompanied by a doctor's note (verification).

#### **ABSENCES FROM CLASS**

 The center is not obligated to make up classes due to absences and personal scheduling conflicts. However, each instructor has her/his own make-up policy; arrangements for make-up classes are scheduled through individual instructors. Please do not contact the Center.

# GENERAL INFORMATION HOLIDAYS & INCLEMENT WEATHER

- See MCC's holiday schedule on our website (mcleancenter.org).
- The class program follows Fairfax County Government's inclement weather policy. In case of inclement weather, check our website (mcleancenter.org) or listen for cancellation information on local radio stations.
- Classes canceled due to inclement weather will be rescheduled, if possible. If not, a prorated refund will be issued.

#### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

- To make arrangements for accommodations in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), please mark the appropriate box on the registration form so the Center may contact you to ascertain your needs.
- Request(s) should be made no fewer than 14 working days prior to the start to of the activity by calling the center at 703-744-9347, TTY: 711.
- Financial Assistance: When registering for a class or purchasing tickets to an Alden Theatre performance, you can request to receive a subsidy by writing to: registrar@mcleancenter.org. For purposes of public accountability, we will ask that you sign an affidavit to document your stated need



The Friends of the McLean Community Center founded and helped support development of the Center. Today, they remain committed to helping support its many programs and activities. If you enjoy the MCC and want to amp up your appreciation and involvement in Center endeavors, then join Friends today. Become a part of this legacy of achievement and support Friends with your \$25 tax-deductible membership. In appreciation, Friends members receive special benefits as pre-sales and registrations allow.

Join & Learn More at: FriendsMCC.com

#### **BE A PART OF THE PLAN!**

Help shape our upcoming programming. Take a few minutes to take our FY26 Community Feedback Survey by scanning this QR Code or visiting qrco.de/MCCSurvey2025.







# **WE ASKED...**

What do you think McLean Community Center's current role in the community is? What do you think it should be?

Continue to provide expansive opportunities for all ages to convene, learn and grow.

Gathering place for all residents. Build community. Share experiences.

We love MCC being the cultural center of McLean.

This center is very important and does a lot to the community. We thank you for that.

> The center is a wonderful place for residents to gather for socializing, entertainment, and occasional community meetings.

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#### **REGISTRATION FORM**

★ Please make checks payable to **McLean Community Center**. ★ Staple checks for class fees to this form. ★ Mail or bring form to: McLean Community Center, 1234 Ingleside Ave., McLean, VA 22101. ★ To register online or to submit an application by email, visit our website: mcleancenter.org. PHONE: **703-744-9365**, TTY: 711 \_ E-MAIL: \_\_ **FIRST** (Adult or Parent Name) LAST HOME PHONE\_ **ADDRESS** WORK PHONE\_ CITY STATE ZIP ■ MCC TAX DISTRICT RESIDENT ■ NONRESIDENT CELL PHONE (optional)\_ Would you like to? YES NO COMPLETE ONE LINE FOR EACH REGISTRATION **Activity Name** Name of Registrant D.O.B. Sex **Activity Fee** Activity **Total Activity** Senior Class Discount **TOTAL DUE: REGISTRATION BEGINS:** Check here if ADA Monday, Dec. 1, 2025 accommodation is needed. How did you hear about this class/activity? Name as it appears on card (please print): \_ ☐ MC ☐ AMEX Credit Card # ☐ VISA ☐ DISCOVER Signature \_\_\_ Expiration date

To become a member of Friends of the McLean Community Center, you may charge your \$25 tax-deductible membership at www.FriendsMCC.com or you may enclose a separate check made payable to Friends of MCC with this registration.

The McLean Community Center reserves the right to photograph and videotape all of its activities, events, classes, programs and facilities for promotional purposes.

I have read and agree to participate in the activity/event according to the registration procedures stated on page 43: \_\_\_\_\_

(Please initial here)



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# Furia Flamenca "A Trip to Spain" Sunday Jan 4 2 nm

Sunday, Jan. 4, 2 p.m.

Audience-favorite Furia Flamenca is back with a show for the whole family. "A Trip to Spain" introduces children to flamenco music and dance, shares some of the art form's history and invites audience members to participate in flamenco-making.



