

February 5, 2021

Dear Friend,

It's so encouraging to see good news on the horizon! Hopefully the Covid-19 vaccine will have widespread access soon and we'll be able to return to our social activities in the near future. In the meantime, the Arts Council continues to provide art classes virtually to thousands of Monterey County students, highlight local artists on our monthly Artist Spotlight Facebook program and provide technical and financial assistance to approximately 80 arts nonprofits. And thanks to our generous MCGives! donors, we will be able to provide up to seven \$2,500 college arts scholarships to local high school seniors who want to pursue a degree in a creative field.

On Saturday, please join us for our Poetry Out Loud Competition at 1pm (see details below) and on Sunday, experience another amazing poetry recitation by our country's first National Youth Poet Laureate [Amanda Gorman](#) at Super Bowl LV.

Have a wonderfully poetic weekend!




*Jacquie*

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P.S. We are planning a fun-filled Champions of the Arts Virtual Fundraiser to support our Arts as Healing programs for at-risk youth, seniors and veterans. We hope you all will join us at the premiere on May 6th, from the comfort of your home!

ARTS COUNCIL FOR MONTEREY COUNTY  
*presents*

2021 MONTEREY COUNTY




**POETRY  
OUT  
LOUD** 

VIRTUAL EVENT  
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6TH AT 1:00PM

PARTICIPATING SCHOOLS:

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- GONZALES HIGH SCHOOL
- PACIFIC GROVE HIGH SCHOOL
- RANCHO SAN JUAN HIGH SCHOOL
- SOLEDAD HIGH SCHOOL
- YORK SCHOOL

*A free cultural event brought to you by:*

[Register for Virtual Event](#)



The Arts Council for Monterey County  
*cordially invites you to*

**Champions of the Arts**  
*A Virtual Fundraiser for the Arts*

Thursday, May 6, 2021 6:00 PM

Join us for an entertaining hour of special performances, guest stars and a few surprises, from the comfort of your home!



Register today at [www.Arts4MC.org/Champions](http://www.Arts4MC.org/Champions)

Image by Deborah Good

# Artist Spotlight

Murals, murals everywhere and many more to come!  
Tune in to hear from Sand City's City Manager Aaron Blair  
and Artist Hanif Wondir on what's happening next!



Aaron Blair



Hanif Wondir

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2021 | 12:00 P.M.  
LIVE PRESENTATION AT  
[WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/ARTSMONTEREY](http://WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/ARTSMONTEREY)

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# College Arts Scholarships!

College Arts Scholarships Available for Monterey County High School Seniors

The Arts Council for Monterey County will award up to seven \$2,500 scholarships to graduating high school seniors pursuing a higher learning degree in an arts field. A college program gives artists vital access to training & professional mentors, as well as knowledge & skills in business, marketing and production.

Questions? Contact Klara Hickmanova at [klara@arts4mc.org](mailto:klara@arts4mc.org)  
or call 831-622-9060 ext. 103

**DEADLINE: MARCH 25, 2021 @ 11:59PM**

For more information  
visit [arts4mc.org/scholarships](http://arts4mc.org/scholarships)



*The Arts are Essential  
for Student Success & Healing*



SCHEDULING OPEN  
for  
WINTER/SPRING 2021  
ARTS RESIDENCIES

Online and live arts education instruction available for K-12 students. Students will study with our professional teaching artists, build creative thinking skills, and benefit from creative play.

For more information, contact our Programs Director, Karyn Lee-Garcia, at [karyn@arts4mc.org](mailto:karyn@arts4mc.org) or 831-622-9060 ext 102.

## Keeping Monterey County Safe!

During this pandemic, it's important to protect ourselves, our neighbors, visitors and businesses, and wearing a mask is a step towards slowing the spread of Covid-19.

The Arts Council for Monterey County has teamed up with local artists to develop these mask posters to put up in your home or business window. They are bright, colorful and engaging, and free to use.



Visit [www.arts4mc.org/masks](http://www.arts4mc.org/masks)  
to download, print, & display!



# Art4Sale

Online Art Gallery for Monterey County Artists

Support local artists by purchasing an original piece of art. Visit our online gallery to browse and make your purchase [arts4mc.org/art4sale](http://arts4mc.org/art4sale).

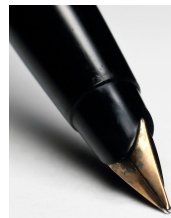
If you are a local artist and would like to be considered to have your work represented, please contact Klara Hickmanova at 831-622-9060 x103 or [klara@arts4mc.org](mailto:klara@arts4mc.org)

## Get to know Artist Nancy Donaldson



Nancy Donaldson, Artist

Nancy Donaldson RN, PhD, FAAN, is Clinical Professor Emerita, UCSF School of Nursing and an emerging mixed media and photo artist. Her photographic vision arises from her appreciation of the dance of light and color and her desire to capture and treasure fleeting moments of natural beauty. Her passion is nature photography. Nancy's journey as a photographer began over 3 decades ago and has benefited from iPhone camera advances and the opportunity to grow through mentorship, focused study and practice. Nancy has added mixed media collage to her artistic portfolio and iPad painting to her tool kit. As Nancy's work reveals, her images are delicate and full of color. She captures birds in portrait, permitting the viewer to glimpse what have been otherwise lost in movement. Her collage prints integrate images to create a visual feast.



Do you need support creating a successful grant proposal? Watch our 3-part video series, *Grant Writing for Succe\$\$*, to answer your grant writing questions - [click here](#).

## The Legacy Circle



With the stroke of a pen, YOU can ensure the future of community arts programs in Monterey County!

For more information on how you can support the arts for future generations, contact Bella Hockersmith, Development Director at 831-622-9060 x108 or [bella@arts4mc.org](mailto:bella@arts4mc.org).



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Sign-up here: [youtube.com/artscouncilmonterey](https://www.youtube.com/artscouncilmonterey)



Thank you to the County of Monterey and the Board of Supervisors for the ongoing support of the Arts Council for Monterey County's efforts to strengthen and broaden the County's economic base.





Apply by April 1 for the Individual Artists Fellowship grant, supporting emerging, established, & legacy artists through unrestricted grant awards. Click [Here](#) to Learn More.



Carmel Art Association Presents For the Love of Art youth art exhibition! Virtual reception ceremony on February 6th from 5:00-5:45pm Register at [www.caftlogallery.com](http://www.caftlogallery.com)



Monday, February 8th at 5:30 pm and will continue for 6 weeks every Monday. The class will be via Zoom which can be taken from the comfort of the location of your choice! Register [here](#).



Don't miss out on the opportunity to spend a socially distanced afternoon at the Mercado Artesanal, this Friday, February 5th from 2 to 7 across the plaza in Romo Park.



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