

April 2024

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Saul Alexander Gallery - April 1-30



"The Edge of Time II" by Meyriel Edge

Gallery Night: Join us on Wednesday, April 3 from 6-7 p.m. for an opening reception of the new exhibit! Artist's Statement: "After a fulfilling career teaching art, Meyriel Edge returned to being a full-time artist and, in 2015, joined Fabulon Gallery where she had a successful show, 'The Edge of Time.' Since then, her work has developed and matured thanks to challenging commissions, the discovery of online competitions during lockdown, and a constant supply of thoughts, memories and ideas that demand attention. Drawing has been a lifelong passion fueled by her love of nature and persistent filling of sketchbooks with landscapes and animals. For her, this foundation is

invaluable especially when creating abstract paintings. Following art college in Wales and additional University education in England, she became a professional artist and High School Educator. In 1980, Meyriel, her husband, two small children, and a dog, moved to Illinois for two years. Their lives in USA became permanent with a move to Summerville, SC in 1983. She returned to her chosen career path, and for 24 happy years taught art at Ashley Hall. She is grateful for those years, her collectors, jurors in many competitions, Susan Irish of Fabulon, The National Association of Women Artists, The Charleston Artist Guild, and the Saul Alexander Gallery for their support."

Featured Programs



More than Chronic: Guest Speaker

Tuesday, April 2 from 5-7 p.m.

Meeting Room B

Occupational therapist and career coach Danielle Feerst specializes in helping neurodivergent people between the ages of 18 and 35 develop the personal and professional skills to land a job, build a career, and have a successful life. Join us for a discussion on working with the neurodivergent community and addressing the challenges they may face.



Author Talk: Victoria Benton Frank

Saturday, April 13 from 11 a.m.-12 p.m. Auditorium

Join us at the Main Library for a special author event with Victoria Benton Frank, daughter of the New York Times bestselling author Dorothea Benton Frank. Victoria will share and answer patron questions about her novel *My Magnolia Summer*, a

summer beach read set here in the Lowcountry. Partnering with us for this event is Buxton Books! There will be copies of Victoria Benton Frank's novel for purchase at the event.



British Occupied Charleston, 1780-82: Daily Life In A Divided City Saturday, April 13 from 3-4 p.m. Auditorium

New research by Christina Butler and Nic Butler, CCPL's historian, uncovers the stories of Charlestonians during the American Revolution.

This research tells the complex story of daily life in occupied Charlestown (1780–82), with a focus on the underrepresented stories of women, free people of color, enslaved people, patriot sympathizers, loyalists, the British military, and Native Americans.

Adult Programs

For programs that require registration, please do so by visiting in person or by calling (843) 805-6930.



Tiny Art Show

All Month

Display your artistic talents in our Tiny Art Show! Stop by the Fiction desk to pick up a mini art packet, create one or two pieces of art in any medium, and return your work by April 30, 2024. Patrons will vote on their favorite submissions throughout May, and the first, second, and third place winners will get a prize! Let's get creative!



Resume Writing Workshop

Monday, April 1 from 6-7 p.m. Second Floor Classroom

Get expert insights on resume building and optimization to revitalize your job search. This program provides practical tips to create standout resumes for today's competitive job market.

Adult Programs (Continued)



Murderous Yarns

Tuesday, April 2 from 11 a.m.-12 p.m.

Second Floor Classroom

Come knit, crochet, sew, and listen to a true crime podcast... and eat cookies! Drop in the first Tuesday of every month. Bring



Y'all Yoga: Yoga for All

Wed., April 3, 10, 17 & 24 from 11 a.m.-12 p.m. Auditorium

a project or just come and listen— all levels are welcome!

Join us for a yoga experience that is open to everyone, no matter your level or abilities. Whether

you're a seasoned yogi or new to the practice, our community class provides a welcoming environment for everyone. Get ready to dive into gentle practices, connect with others, and discover the transformative power yoga holds.



Short Fiction Book Discussion

Wednesday, April 10 from 6:30-7:30 p.m. Meeting Room B

Join us for a discussion of selections from *The Best American Short Stories 2023*, edited by Min Jin Lee, on the second Wednesday of every month. This program will also be streamed live on CCPL's Zoom server.

NerdCast Chronicles

Thursday, April 4 from 6-7 p.m. Meeting Room B

Join us as we take on a different nerdy subject and discuss a preselected podcast on the first Thursday of every month. Please listen to the podcast ahead of our discussion and come ready to talk about it. This month's episode will be "Annotated: #16: The Patron Saint of Libraries." It can be found in the event announcement at ccpl.org/ upcoming-events or on your favorite streaming app.



Sensory Craft Session

Thursday, April 11 from 6-7 p.m. Meeting Room B

Come craft anxiety-reducing gadgets for Neurodiversity Awareness Month. Supplies are

limited and registration is required, so please call (843) 805-6930 or visit ww.ccpl.org/events/sensory-craft-session.



Tuesday, April 16 from 10-11 a.m.

Second Floor Classroom

Sharpen your interview skills in this comprehensive program, covering everything from effective communication to handling challenging questions, equipping participants with the confidence to excel in any job interview.



Medicare Made Easy

Tuesday, April 16 from 6-7 p.m. Meeting Room B

Come to a presentation with a financial services professional to learn how to navigate the ins and

outs of Medicare.



Hooks, Books & Yarn

Thursday, April 18 from 2-3 p.m. Meeting Room A

A time to knit, crochet, or cross stitch while we talk about books and our shared hobby! Join us on the

third Thursday of every month. All levels are welcome!

Awkward Mom-ments Photoshoot

Sat., Apr. 20 from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. & Thurs., Apr. 25 from 5-7 p.m. Second Floor Classroom

Embrace the awkwardness and create a memorable, one-of-a-kind Mother's Day gift. Bring friends and family for a 15 minute session with our camera and background options. Registration is required.



Coffee and Crime

Monday, April 22 from 6-7:30 p.m. Meeting Room B

Join fellow true crime fans on the fourth Monday of every month to discuss a different case. Using

your preferred medium (book, podcast, articles, TV, etc.), come prepared to discuss: The Sodder Children disappearance.



A.I. for Small Business and Creatives

Tuesday, April 23 from 6-7:30 p.m.

Meeting Room B

This workshop will show how A.I. is used for starting and managing your business. We'll examine ChatGPT

for writing and research, text to art, voice cloning for podcasting, video production, and more. We'll also explore the ethics of using A.I.

Family and Children Programs

All children and family programs, unless stated registration is required, are first come, first served with limited capacity.



Percy Jackson Listen and Art (Ages 5-11)

Tuesday, April 9 from 3:15-4 p.m.

Listen to the enchanting audiobook of *Percy Jackson* & *The Olympians: The Lightning Thief* by Rick Riordan

while creating your own visual masterpiece.



Create an Alien! (Ages 5-11)

Thursday, April 11 from 3:15-4 p.m.

I want to believe... that aliens are real! Create your very own out-of-this-world space traveler from recycled materials to celebrate Alien Day!

Children and Family Programs (Continued)



Lo-Fi 'n' Lite Brites (Ages 5-11)

Thursday, April 18 from 3:15-4 p.m.

Need a lowkey activity after a long day? Join us as we listen to lo-fi music and create cool Lite Brite creations!

Habitat Hijinks! (Ages 5-11)

Thursday, April 23 from 3:15-4 p.m.

Where do animals like to relax at night? On their FUR-niture! Come join us as we create our own animal habitats and homes out of recycled materials in honor of Earth Day!

Monthly After-School Series

Inbetweeners (Grades 4-6)

Wednesday, April 10 from 3-4:30 p.m.

Calling all 4th-6th graders! Come to the club that's just for you. There'll be games, activities, and tons of fun you won't want to miss.

Book Club (Ages 9-11)

Wednesday, April 24 from 3:15-4 p.m.

Join a group of other bookworms to discuss and enjoy Stella by: McCall Hoyle. Read the book throughout the month and come to the program ready to chat, play, and munch! Books reserved and available at the Children's desk for check-out in advance of the event. Registration is required. To register, call (843) 805-6893.



Get Out of Town: Japan (Ages 11 and Younger)

Thursday, April 25 from 3:15-4 p.m.

Join us each month as we travel to another corner of the globe! We will learn about life in that country the aspects that make it special. This month

and some of the aspects that make it special. This month: Japan! Registration is required. To register, call (843) 805-6893.

Storytimes

All storytimes are first come, first served with limited capacity. Visit the Children's desk for tickets 30 minutes prior.

Baby Storytime (Ages 0-24 Months)



Mon., Apr. 1, 15, 22 & 29 at 9:30 and 10:30 a.m. Just for babies and their caregivers! Designed for meaningful one-on-one interaction between baby and caregiver with songs, rhymes, a book, and plenty of movement that's developmentally appropriate.

Baby Storytime: Road Safety for Kids

Monday, April 8 at 9:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

Join us for an interactive storytime program highlighting the importance of pedestrian and golf cart safety.

Toddler Storytime (Ages 24-36 Months)



Tuesdays, April 2, 16, 23 & 30 at 10:30 a.m.
Enjoy a variety of action-oriented books, fingerplays, songs, and rhymes. These activities provide a fun

enjoy a variety of action-oriented books, fingerplays, songs, and rhymes. These activities provide a fun environment for toddlers to exercise important motor skills and practice using their vocabulary.

Toddler Storytime: Road Safety for Kids

Tuesday, April 9 at 10:30 a.m.

Join us for an interactive storytime program highlighting the importance of pedestrian and golf cart safety.

Preschool Storytime (Ages 3-5 Years)



Wednesdays, April 3, 17 & 24 at 10:30 a.m.

Discover books, songs, rhymes, and movement activities while building language and literacy skills that incorporate early literacy practices of reading, singing, writing, talking, and playing at this energetic storytime.

Preschool Storytime: Road Safety for Kids

Wednesday, April 10 at 10:30 a.m.

Join us for an interactive storytime program highlighting the importance of pedestrian and golf cart safety.

Preschool Storytime Special: Jungle Jamboree (Ages 3-5 Years)

Friday, April 5 from 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Play, dance, and sing with your favorite jungle friends! LIONS and TIGERS and BEARS? Oh my!

Early Literacy



Play and Learn Workshops (Ages 1-3 with an Adult)

Thursdays, March 14, 21 & 28 and April 4 & 11 from 10-11:15 a.m.

Over the course of five weeks, families can spend time together, play, make friends, and talk one-on-one with specialists on child development. Registration for this five-week series is required. Space is limited to 15 children with caregivers. To register, call (843) 805-6893 or visit the Children's desk.



Preschool Zone (Ages 3-5)

Thurs., Apr. 18 & 25 and May 2 & 9 at 10:30 a.m. Preschool Zone is a fun four-week school readiness program for kids ages 3-5 years old. Participating children will enjoy stories, music, and crafts in the

Storytime room, while parents and caregivers remain in the Children's area. There are 15 spaces available, and registration is required. To register, call (843) 805-6893 or visit the Children's desk.

Teen Programs

For all young adult programs, you must be in grades 6-12 to participate.



Teen Tuesdays (Grades 6-12)
Tues., April 9, 16, 23 & 30 from 3-4:30 p.m.
Auditorium
Join us for activities fit for teens!

Video Game Wednesdays (Grades 6-12)

Wednesdays, April 10, 17 & 24 from 3-4:30 p.m. Auditorium

Test your skills with a different Nintendo Switch game every week!



Inbetweeners (Grades 4-6)Wednesday, April 10 from 3-4:30 p.m.
Meeting Room B

Calling all 4th-6th graders! Come to the club that's just for you. There'll be games, activities, and tons of fun you won't want to miss



Teen Advisory Board (Grades 6-12) Sunday, April 21 from 3-4 p.m. Teen Lounge

Calling all library fans and book lovers: The library needs you! Help us plan future events and discuss everything bookish. New members are always welcome! Contact us at teenunderground@ccpl.org or (843) 805-6903 for more info.

Technology Training

Registration is currently requested for all technology classes and programs except for Digital Drop-Ins, and usually begins one week before the training is held. You can register in person at the branch, by calling (843) 805-6885, or by emailing techteam@ccpl.org.



Digital Drop-In Mondays, April 1, 15 & 29 from 12-2 p.m. Second Floor Classroom

Do you need a little help with your new laptop, phone, or tablet? Would you like to see some popular laptop and tablet options before making a purchase? Drop in and play with our "tech toy box" or see a staff member for assistance with your

own device. First come, first served. Additional appointments may be necessary.

Word vs. Docs vs. Pages: Choosing the Right Software for Your Needs Tuesday, April 9 from 1-2 p.m.
Second Floor Classroom

Microsoft, Google, and Apple all offer services that accomplish similar goals. So, how do you choose which one to use? Join us and we will go over what each program in a productivity suite does. We will then go over the pro's and con's of each company's productivity software, so that we can help you choose which is the right one for you. This is a beginner level class.



Pinterest 101

Friday, April 19 from 2-3 p.m. Second Floor Classroom

In this course we will introduce you to Pinterest, a popular social media platform that allows users to

share and discover new interests by posting (known as 'pinning') images or videos to their own or others' boards. The course will cover the basics of setting up a Pinterest account, creating boards, and pinning items. Students will also learn how to search for pins, follow other users, and interact with pins through likes and comments. This is a beginner level class.



Basic Word
Tuesday, April 23 from 2-3 p.m.
Second Floor Classroom

Type, edit, and format text in a document. Practice copying and pasting, adding an image, saving, and printing the document. Completion of Computer Fundamentals (or previous experience) is expected.



Main Library

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