CAAPA kicks off new season

2018-2019 starts off with singing, art, and poetry at the annual Melody of Art and honors movers and shakers in the DMV.

(TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2018) Each season for the last decade, CAAPA has hosted an annual reception during Congressional Black Caucus season. This year is no exception. The non-profit arts organization will once again feature a roster of talented Black classical musicians aspiring musicians Jayla Brown, soprano and Andrew Smith, baritone, along with Ceylon Mitchell, III, and pianist Edmond Charles who frequently performs for CAAPA. The business chic attire event takes place on Tuesday, September 18th at 7:00 pm at the Georgetown Piano Bar, M Street, NW, Washington, DC. While honoring local luminaries who have dedicated their lives to a variety of causes including education, youth, senior citizens, public service, musicianship and so much more, the honorees stand among others who have been honored before them including Dr. Nathan Carter (posthumously), Stanley Thurston, Rev. Dr. Delores Carpenter, Dr. J. Weldon Norris, Richard Smallwood, Darin Atwater, Julian Wachner, Kathy Brewington, Bonita White, Marco Merrick, Dr. Lester Green, Ivy Meadows, Jacqui Gales-Webb, Gregory Watkins, Neville Ottley, Terrance Tarver, C. Brian Williams, William Jones, Kelvin Page, Kehembe Eichelberger, and Dr. Emory Andrews.

CAAPA also featured a signature cocktail called the “Opera-tini”, which was from the cash bar.

FREE
The event is free to attend but registration is requested at Eventbrite or email caapareservations@gmail.com. Tax deductible donations are also graciously accepted.

Visit www.4caapa.org for the full CAAPA story and video
Free week-long performance arts summer camp for youth is a success

CAAPA partnered with The LEARN Foundation to bring together vocal music, drama, dance, and visual art in an intensive 5-day summer camp performing arts experience using Italian Opera terms to galvanize activities this summer for the first time.

(July 30th – August 3, 2018, Landover, MD) CAAPA presented the “CAAPA C.A.M.P. (Cultivating Artists Musicians and Performers) from Monday, July 30 through Friday, August 3, 2018 at the Dodge Park Elementary School Campus, 3401 Hubbard Road, Landover, MD 20785. The day began at 8:00 am and ran until 5:00 pm daily, culminating with a camper’s performance on Friday, August 3, at 6:00 pm. The week-long camp was free of charge to children grades K to 8th grade (5 to 13 years old). Parents provided their own round-trip transportation.

Funded by The Landover Educational Athletic Recreational Non-Profit Foundation (LEARN), a charitable, non-profit fund at the Prince George’s Community Foundation, the inaugural camp was designed to provide youth with a stimulating personal and creative growth experience, by providing excellent performing and visual arts instruction in a joyful, supportive community to bring together campers and professional artist-educators to explore, discover and create art. CAAPA C.A.M.P. offered a variety of daily scheduling options including vocal music, drama, dance, musical theatre, visual arts and crafts, and sports, with Master Classes including step, opera, and behind the scenes. Another goal introduced campers to the opera and classical music culture through use of creative programming such as “Da Capo”, an Italian musical term that means at the top or at the beginning. Each morning campers and staff used this as an opportunity to meet at the start of the day allowing for a welcome gathering, announcements, recap, and/or pertinent information shared. While “Bravi Tutti” (good job everyone in Italian) was the daily camper gathering where campers and staff came together at the end of the day with personal expression, free breakfast, lunch and snacks were also provided daily by the Prince George’s County Public Schools.

The finale program called “The Island” written by drama teacher Maleka Chester featured drama, dance, and music including songs “Don’t Worry, Be Happy”, “Day-O”, “Hakuna Matata”, “Hot, Hot, Hot”, and “This Is Me” coordinated by the music teacher Wayne Jennings; and dance teacher Robbin Tasha-Ford. Visual art teacher Kim Crawford provided set design and scenery for the production. Campers helped bring all aspects of the program to fruition, believing that the future is now and through partnership and collaboration they can enrich their lives. Info for next summer’s camp 301-839-1444 or email caapacamp@gmail.com.

2018 Winners!
CAAPA 2018 Music Scholarship Finalists include:
1st Place: Lalibela Faraba - Violin $1000.00
2nd Place Melissa Constantin - Soprano $500.00
3rd Place: Enih Agwe - Soprano $250.00
Honorable Mention: DeMarco Granger - Bass $100.00
Samaria Currie - Soprano
Zakiyyah Thompson - Clarinet
All of the students performed beautifully before adjudicators on Saturday, May 5, 2018 at the Oxon Hill Library. The new Scholarship Chair, Dr. Emory Andrews, along with judges Kelvin Page, William Jones, and Valencia Howard, shared encouraging words to the four participating high school seniors following their performances. Each will be attending a music school or participating in a music program in the Fall and receive a financial scholarship.

Donate now and support our youth.
Needed: *Interns *Volunteers* Office Workers* Concert Help* Community Service Hours for Students! Call 301-839-1444.

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For CAAPA
We Need Your Help!

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS AND SEASONED PROFESSIONALS FOR THE 2018-2019 SEASON!!!
Contact for dates when you can help bring color to the classics! 301-839-1444 or caapa@aol.com

Positions Needed:
MARKETING MANAGER
PROJECT MANAGERS
PUBLICITY DIRECTOR
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT
PROJECT COORDINATOR
GRANTS COORDINATOR
MEMBERSHIP COORDINATORS
RETENTION COORDINATOR
EVENT PERSONNEL
OFFICE ASSISTANT
Arias at Sea: Blacks in Classical Music Cruise to set sail again 2019!
Non-profit arts organization features Black classical musicians on a cruise.
$100.00 deposit will hold your space on the second Arias at Sea Blacks in Classical Music Cruise 2019. Booking now with travel partner TADA Travel, you can phone in deposit or book online. “We are excited to present this second musical experience on the high seas or high c’s”, stated CAAPA Board Chair Pamela Simonson.
Costs include four recitals, a concert, a Welcome Aboard Soiree Cocktail Party, All White Finale Concert, as well as concerts with shuttle service in Nassau and Freeport, Bahamas featuring Bel Canto Singers and the Allegro School of Music, respectively. Contact the office at 301-839-1444 or visit the website for info at www.4caapa.org.

Sing for Senior Recitals performed in libraries and coordinated by violinist Alex Strachan (at right with violin) for aging and retired residents throughout the region. CAAPA now has booked recitals during weekdays meeting the needs of seniors in Anne Arundel County, Prince George’s County, and Montgomery County. Recitals are performed by Strachan and often joined by tenor Wayne Jennings (far right). The duo perform solos and duets, as well as engaging the audience with familiar sing-a-longs. Recitals are also available for nursing homes, senior centers, etc. Call Alex at 301-509-0697.

We are still growing...Join the CAAPA team!
CECILE TOLLIVER, Director of Communications. Cecile has worked for CAAPA for the last several years.
JARROD LEE, Project Manager. Jarrod is a baritone with the Washington National Opera. He manages the Opera Composer’s Showcase.
ANGELI FERRETTE, Project Manager. Angeli is a soprano with the Washington National Opera. She manages the popular Sopranos Slay Concert.
ANTHONY BALLARD, Project Manager. Anthony sings with the WNO. He manages Men in Black.

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Call today to make a donation 301-839-1444, visit www.4caapa.org, or send your check to CAAPA, PO Box 44954 Fort Washington, MD 20744.
2018–2019 CAAPA SEASON CALENDAR

2018:
Tue Sep 18  7pm  Melody of Art Season Kick-Off @ Georgetown Piano Bar
Wed Sep 19  9am  Ain’t Misbehavin’ Musical @ Toby’s Dinner Theatre
Sun Sep 30  3pm  OLE! Spanish and Afro Classical Music @ Springfield Christian Church
Sat Oct 6  12pm  Bowie International Festival @ Allen Pond Park
Sun Oct 14  4pm  Opera Comes to Church @ First Presbyterian Church of Arlington
Wed Oct 17  12pm  National Opera Week Tea and Concert @ Harmony Hall
Sat Oct 27  11am  MOVIN’ ON UP: Goin’ Up Together: Youth and The Great Migration
Sun Oct 28  4pm  Opera Shorts Composer’s Showcase @ The Clarice
Sun Nov 4  4pm  Celebrating Diversity in Unity Concert @ Marymount University
Thu Nov 8  12pm  Musical Tribute to Shirley Chisholm @ Montpelier Arts Center
Sun Nov 18  4pm  Emerging Artists Recital @ St. Luke’s Episcopal Church
Fri Nov 23  TBD  Nutcracker Afternoon Tea (Jack and Jill of America Inc.)
Fri Nov 23  5pm  Nutcracker Ballet – Trips ALIVE! @ THEARC
Thu Dec 6  6pm  N’Kenge in Concert @ Kennedy Center
Sun Dec 16  4pm  Handel & Hamilton for the Holidays @ Montpelier Arts Center
Sun Dec 30  4pm  Meróe and Friends Holiday Concert @ Harmony Hall

2019:
Sat Jan 12  4pm  Sopranos Slay Concert: DC @ Bowie Center for the Performing Arts
Sun Jan 20  4pm  Figaro Meets Fredrick Douglass @ Davises Universalist Church
Sun Jan 27  3pm  Pathway to Freedom: Harriet Tubman Dance & Music Tribute @THEARC
Feb – Apr  varies  MasterClass Series @ HBCU’s
Sat Feb 2  1pm  MOVIN’ ON UP: Music During Migration Panel @ Montpelier Arts Center
Sun Feb 3  4pm  Giving Voices to Hope Classical Concert @ Fraser Mansion
Sat Feb 16  6pm  Cotton Field to Concert Hall Musical Extravaganza @ Kennedy Center
Sun Feb 17  4pm  Voices of the Past: Sissieretta Jones Concert @ Montpelier Arts Center
Tue Feb 19  12pm  Ain’t That Good News: Musical Tribute to Moses Hogan @ Epiphany
Sun Feb 24  4pm  MOVIN’ ON UP: The Movin’ On Up Concert @ Harmony Hall
Wed Feb 27  1pm  Deep River Violin Recital @ varies libraries in PG, AA, & Mont counties
Sat Mar 9  7pm  Billy Eckstein Tribute & Supper Club w/Joshua Banbury @ Harmony Hall
Sat Mar 16  4pm  MOVIN’ ON UP: Women’s History Month Concert @ Montgomery Hist.
Sun Mar 31  11pm  Deadline for High School Music Scholarship Applications
Sat Apr 6  1pm  MOVIN’ ON UP: Goin’ North: Spoken Word Presentation @Oxon Libraries
Sat. Apr13  1pm  Opera for Fun! Opera in a Basket
Sun Apr 21  6pm  Seoul to Soul Musical Extravaganza @ Kennedy Center
Thu Apr 25  7pm  Paintings, Poetry, Puccini, and Pasta @Busboys
Sun Apr 28  4pm  Sopranos Slay: Charlotte
Sat May 4  11am  Student Scholarship Showcase @Oxon Hill
Sun May 12  4pm  Sopranos Slay: New York
Sat May 18  4pm  Musica Africa Concert @ St. John’s Episcopal
Sat Jun 1  4pm  New Orleans 300th Birthday Musical Celebration
Sat Jun 15  4pm  Men in Black Concert @ Bowie Center for the Performing Arts
Jun TBD  6pm  Soirée en Blanc All White Gala and Silent Auction
Jul TBD  CAAPA C.A.M.P. (Cultivating Artists, Musicians & Performers)/

2019–2020:
Nov. 19-24th  2nd Arias at Sea: Blacks in Classical Music Cruise