



"A positive attitude and a sense of humor go together like biscuits and gravy."

-Dolly Parton

Hey friends!

McDowell Art Happenings

This Week!



THANK YOU

to everyone who tuned in for [Micropolitan VIRTUAL Film Festival](#)

last night, as our host Elizabeth shared, although it was our third year running, it definitely felt like the first year for many reasons! We were so glad to see and hear (some of you better than others, we know the tech struggle!) y'all as we came together as a community.

Even during the weirdest of times, we make art happen ❤️

If you'd like to check out the awards and more, they are on our FB page and posted at mcdowellarts.org/mff

Extra shout out to [The Levee Brewery and Pub](#), [Catawba Brewing Company - Morganton](#), [Fonta Flora Brewery at Whippoorwill Farm](#), and our hometown sweethearts [Mica Town Brewing](#) who all donated beverages for Elizabeth and the small on-site crew running the show behind the scenes. Thanks y'all!



New free art packets for the week are up!

This week you can take and share:

The Wonderous Workings of Planet Earth by Rachel Inotofsky,
Malala Yousafzai coloring aheet by Aimee Belanger & Outside the Lines,
My Mask Design by Scott Monaco & QuietYell,
Waiting for Godot paper dolls by Arts On The WaterFront,
and Wm. Ritter's Seed Saving Method for Beans!

Speaking of Wm. Ritter and beans....



ong to Seed, of Lenoir, NC, is hosting their first annual

#BeanStringBalladSing

"I hope you'll join us for the first annual [#beanstringballadsing](#) .I often talk about the importance of "pass-along" seeds that are exchanged with warm hands. In the same vein, our Ballad Singers learned much of their music directly from previous generations of tradition bearers. Honestly, Old-time music and heirloom seedsaving have a lot in common!"

-host, William Ritter of Song to Seed

"Virtually join me and these wonderful folks on the afternoon of August 22nd to celebrate a longstanding tradition of beans, ballads, and community. You bring the beans, we'll bring the ballads." -Lindsey Terrell of McDowell, NC

Registration link: [here](#) | [More info HERE](#)



Our friends at Arrowhead Gallery & Studios are hosting

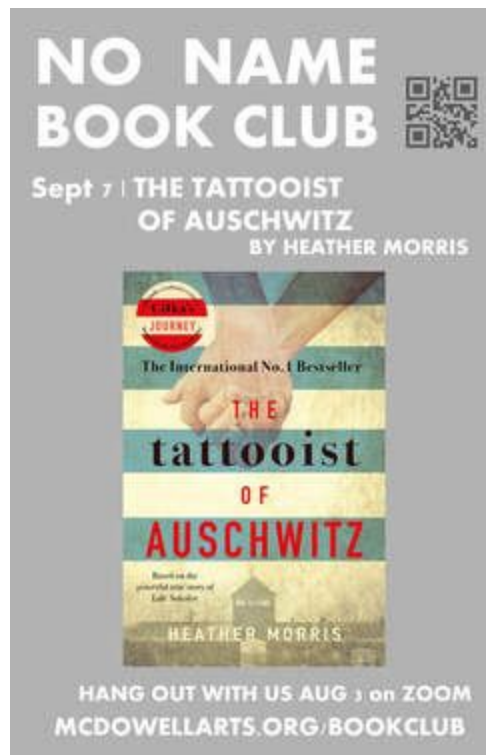
Basics of Wire Wrapping Fine Jewelry

on August 22nd from 10 to 4pm. Instructor Lorelle Bacon

\$75 Members / \$85 non-members / supply fee of \$20

"This is a fun workshop where students will learn the important basics of wire wrapping, how to know what wire you need, best places to get supplies and the simple tools it takes. We will create a couple of bracelets first by using copper and then silver wire & a pair of earrings in which students will also learn how to create their own ear wires!

The classroom is large enough for each student to have their own table 6 feet apart! Masks are required." [link](#)



NO NAME BOOKCLUB

You've still got time to join us for No Name Book Club, led by Mel Rodriguez! This month the book is *The Tattooist of Auschwitz* (historical fiction). We'll be meeting Monday September 7th on Zoom. Details at mcdowellarts.org/bookclub



Don't forget, we still have a few \$10 Summer Art Kits left!

They include 14 days of daily art prompts, designed by local artist Megan Stevens (CarolinaPinePrints), fine tip pen, permanent marker, decoratable kraft paper journal, twelve pack of colored pencils, pencil sharpener, eraser, 2 design-able bookmarks, and a customizable canvas pencil bag.

[Link](#)

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