

THE FINER THINGS

The CCHS Fine Arts Academy Newsletter

Have you renewed your Friends of the Arts membership? If you need a copy of this year's brochure or want more information, contact Dean Slusser at dslusser@camden.k12.ga.us

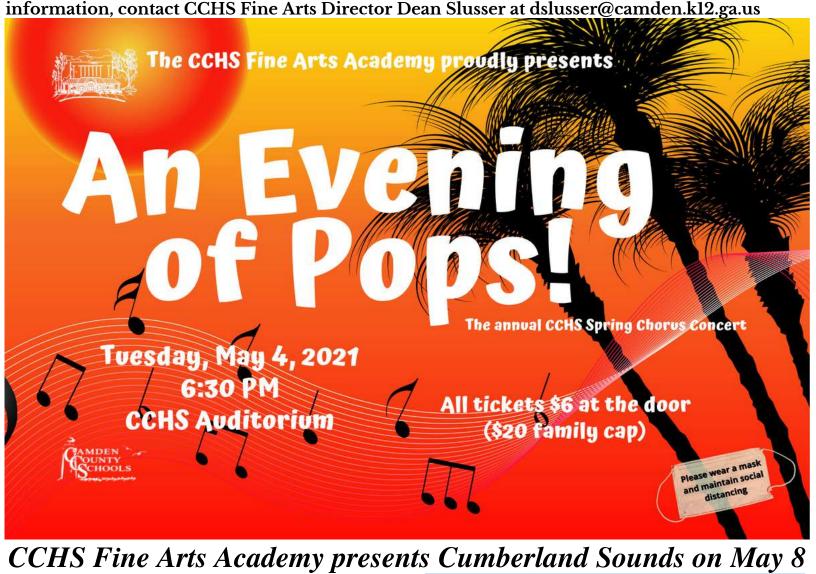
CCHS Chorus presents annual "An Evening of Pops! May 4

The CCHS Choral program, under the direction of Mrs. Lashan Wolfe, will present An Evening of Pops! Tuesday, May 4 at 6:30 PM in the CCHS Auditorium. Admission is \$6

admission at the door with a family cap of \$20. Tickets will go on sale at 5:30 PM the evening of the concert. The house will open for seating at 6:00 PM This year's annual pops concert will feature a broad selection of hits from the songbook of American standards, as well as British classics and Broadway hits. One highlight of the program will be an extended selection led by CCHS Senior David MacArthur, who prepared

the piece as his senior capstone in order to complete the requirements for the Georgia Department of Education Fine Arts Diploma Seal. The choral program has faced some significant challenges in the wake of COVID-19, but their selection to represent Georgia at the 80th anniversary Pearl Harbor Memorial Parade in

December of this year has given them a sense of triumph and anticipation. Bella Voce placing second at state in Girls' Trio last week was another milestone in a difficult year. Friends of the Arts members will find ticket vouchers attached to this newlsetter. For more



The CCHS Fine Arts Academy will present its first-ever outdoor musical festival this weekend on Saturday, May 8 from 4:00 - 9:00

PM at the Howard Gilman Waterfront Park in downtown St. Marys. The CCHS Chorus and Band, both of which were selected to represent Georgia at the 80th annual Pearl Harbor Memorial Parade in December of this year, are putting together Cumberland Sounds, an entire evening of music and entertainment to raise awareness and community support for this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity. Admission is free and the event is open to the public, but patrons will be given ample opportunities to support the trip by participating in a silent auction and other activities sponsored by the CCHS Chorus Boosters. Food trucks will be present for dinner and drinks, with a portion of all proceeds going to the cost of the trip to Harbor for participating able **Patrons** will be also contributions on site during the festival. All proceeds from Cumberland Sounds will support student travel and the transportation of instruments and equipment required for the trip. Adult travelers will not benefit from

which they are considering as a pilot run to determine whether an annual outdoor music festival might be in order. We hope you will join us for this very special evening of music. Bring your lawn chair or blanket, and don't forget the bug spray!

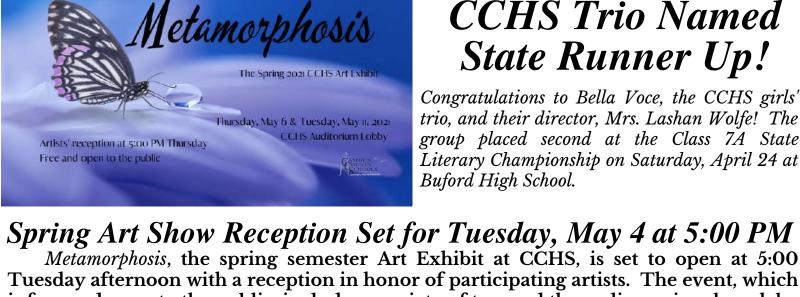
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Organizers are excited about the festival,

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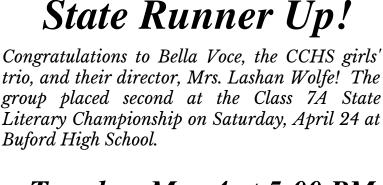
The 7th Annual

contributions or proceeds.



MUSIC FESTIVAL Saturday, May 8th, 2021 4pm-9pm Howard Gilman Waterfront Park, St Marys, GA



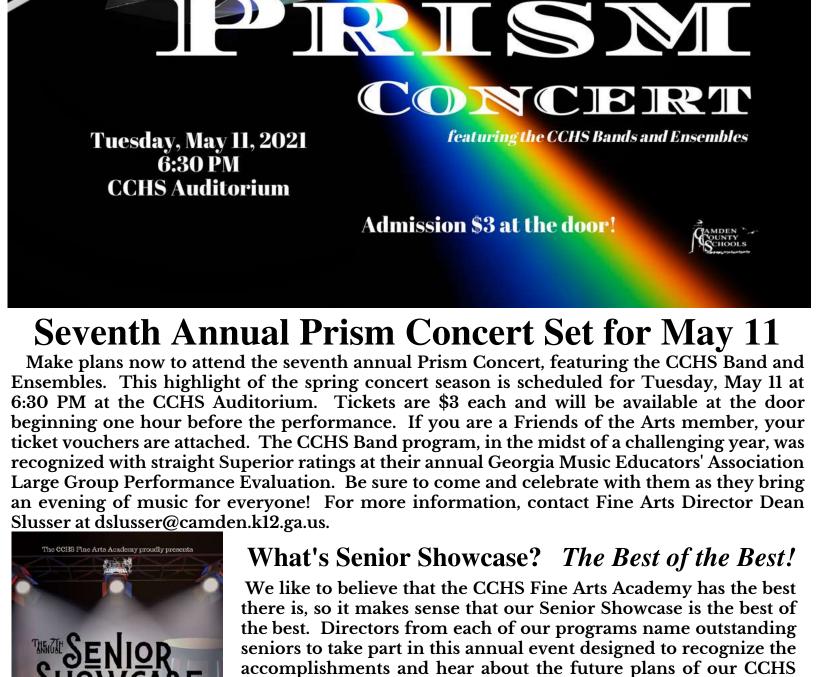


CCHS Trio Named

is free and open to the public, includes a variety of two and three-dimensional work by CCHS art students from every level. The work this year will remain on display on May 4, which is the date of our Evening of Pops Chorus concert, and May 11, the night of our annual Prism concert by the

CCHS Band, in an effort to allow more patrons to see the work of our students. If you are planning to attend either concert, we hope you will come early to enjoy the exhibit - and if you are coming for the art, we invite you to stay for the concert!

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the door, are \$6 each. If you are a Friends of the Arts member, you should find your ticket vouchers attached. Almost there...

auditorium lobby.

I had my first conversation about an addition to the CCHS Auditorium with superintendent Mr. David Rainer in 1996. We were almost there! We explored block scheduling and Career Academies with superintendent Dr. Ann Proctor for several years before making the transition to Career Academies at CCHS in 2008, which was also the year that the community first approved the CCHS Fine Arts addition as part of the proposed Education Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax initiative. We were almost We did not get to the project in that five-year cycle, but it was at the top of the list in 2013,

Fine Arts Academy seniors. Performers from Band, Chorus, Dance and Drama will be featured on stage, with the work of some some of our best visual arts students on display in the

We hope you will join us as we celebrate the class of 2021, May 13

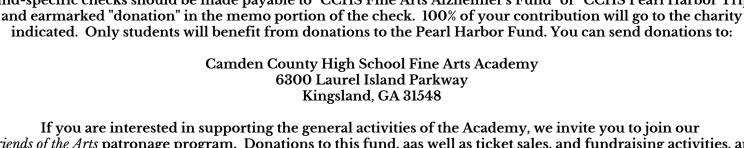
and 14 at 6:30 PM in the CCHS Auditorium. Tickets, available at

approaching completion. It appears, once again, that we are almost there. We have had our share of hiccups, to be sure, but when we move into the new Camden County Fine Arts Academy in the coming months, it will be the result of the combined efforts and shared vision of four superintendents. I appreciate all of them for not letting go of the dream. Something tells me that, before very long, we will be able to stop saying "almost."

indicated. Only students will benefit from donations to the Pearl Harbor Fund. You can send donations to:

MAY 4

MAY 8



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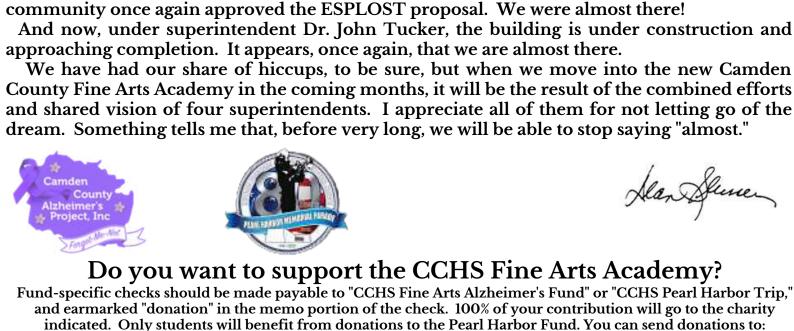
An Evening of Pops! (CCHS Chorus) Metamorphosis: The Spring Semester Art Show (CCHS Visual Arts) MAY 4-11

Look for us at the following events! We will look for you!

7th Annual Prism Concert (CCHS Band)

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MAY 11 MAY 13-14 Attached to this newsletter: PDF version, ticket vouchers (An Evening Of Pops, Prism Concert, Senior Showcase



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6:30 PM

CCHS Auditorium

All tickets \$6 at the door

County Do you want to support the CCHS Fine Arts Academy?

Friends of the Arts patronage program. Donations to this fund, as well as ticket sales, and fundraising activities, are used to support the students, faculty and programs of Camden County High School and the Fine Arts Academy. For more information, contact Camden County Schools' Fine Arts Director, Dr. Dean Slusser at (912) 729-7463, ext. 7066, or by email at dslusser@camden.k12.ga.us.

when with superintendent Dr. Will Hardin, we hosted the annual convention of the Georgia Theatre Conference at Camden County High School and, a couple of weeks later, the

Cumberland Sounds Music Festival (CCHS FAA)

Senior Showcase 202 1(CCHS FAA)

Until next time...!