

Encore Creativity for Older Adults to Offer Choral, Band, Theatre and Dance Institutes at Beautiful St. Mary's

Encore Creativity for Older Adults is pleased to join in collaboration with two of the nation's premiere creative arts programs to present an innovative educational and performance program for adults over the age of 55 at beautiful St. Mary's College of Maryland.

Encore will partner with New Horizons Music Association—New Horizons Band, and Dance Exchange based near Washington, DC, to offer four concurrent performance institutes, Choral, Band, Dance/Movement, and Theatre, the week of June 19-23, 2012. St. Mary's College is becoming one of the premiere summer locations in the U.S. where older singers, dancers and actors of all levels of experience can learn, play and perform. The institutes will attract adult students from all over the country to learn a new art, or continue to perfect lifelong skills.



Application form available on Encore website encorecreativity.org and enclosed insert.

A Busy Five Days!

Participants will spend each day taking classes, learning technique, challenging themselves and rehearsing for performances in their chosen area. All students will be offered a stretch/Yoga class daily.

Evenings, we will enjoy dinner in the campus dining room, followed by evening recitals and programs, giving participants an opportunity to relax and get to know one another.

All Encore programs are conducted by professional artists who will know how to get the most from their students. All are experienced working with older adults at the beginner, intermediate or advanced level. This is an excellent atmosphere to develop or improve your performing arts abilities.

Participants will have the opportunity to meet people from all parts of the country who share a passion for learning and performing. So come join us for an exciting five days!

You're never too old to try something new — and have the time of your life!

Registration and Fees

Encore and St. Mary's College of Maryland offer this unique five day experience for an all-inclusive price of \$655.

Your registration fee includes lodging, meals, all educational programs, opening "Meet and Greet", evening recitals, grand finale concert, institute t-shirt, and use of all St. Mary's College facilities.



Registration Deadline May 15, 2012

Registration Fee \$655.

Local commuters \$480
(includes lunch and dinner)

You may download a registration form or register directly on Encore's web site or call, write, or email us to register or discuss any questions or concerns you may have.

About

Encore Creativity for Older Adults

Encore is dedicated to providing an excellent and accessible artistic environment for older adults, 55 and over, regardless of experience or ability, who seek arts education and performance opportunities under a professional artist.

Encore currently has eleven choral programs in the Greater Baltimore-Washington area, as well as an affiliate Encore Chorale in Hudson, Ohio.

Encore Creativity is a non-profit 501(c)(3) tax exempt organization, incorporated in Maryland.

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Final Choral Concert
2011

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St. Mary's College of Maryland
at Historic St. Mary's City

**Fifth Annual
2012 Encore Institute**
at
St. Mary's College of Maryland
Choral, Band, Dance
and
Theatre
June 19-23, 2012

Join older adults, 55 years of age and older, from across the country, for five days of learning, rehearsals, performances and fun!

Encore Creativity for Older Adults Expands to Offer Choral, Band, Dance and Theatre Institutes St. Mary's

The Encore Choral Institute is pleased to be at St. Mary's College of Maryland for our fifth year. For the past four years Encore has offered an excellent – and growing – choral program for singers 55+. The Encore Choral Institute will bring back Encore Founder Jeanne Kelly to conduct the Encore Chorale. She will be assisted by Encore's Southern Maryland Chorale Director, Krystal Rickard McCoy. Singers will begin their day with a stretching/yoga class followed by a full choral rehearsal.



Encore Chorale at St. Mary's, 2011

After lunch singers may choose a vocal technique class or a dance class. Another choral rehearsal will follow. Repertoire will include spirituals, oratorio selections, songs from the Civil War, and the best of Broadway. Singers at all levels of experience are welcomed.

Evening Activities



Participants at Orchestra Concert

Evenings, we will enjoy dinner in the beautiful St. Mary's College dining hall, followed by entertainment programs, including recitals, and an outdoor concert by the Chesapeake Orchestra on the banks of the beautiful St. Mary's River on Friday evening.



"Great program! Energizing and good for the brain and soul!"

- 2011 Participant

Final Performances

The Institute will conclude Saturday afternoon when participants perform for friends, family and the local community in Montgomery Hall.

The Encore Dance/Movement Institute will be led by Shula Strassfeld, Resident Artist and Healthy Living Coordinator for Dance Exchange. She will guide participants through daily warm-up and technique



Shula Strassfeld will lead Dance/Movement

classes, collaboration on ensemble work and development of solos, exploration of composition methods and practice, with a focus on individual movement vocabulary. The incorporation of spoken word and personal story into dance will be studied. Dancers will enjoy a performance opportunity as a culminating event of the institute.

The Encore Band Institute will be directed by Roy Ernst, founder of New Horizons Music. He will be joined by faculty members Jean Butler from The Villages, Florida, and Will Dabback from Harrisonburg, Virginia.



Daily Band Rehearsals

Instrumental classes will include an intermediate-advanced band of about 50 players, chamber music groups and a class in creating recreational music events for family and friends.

Band participants may choose to take a vocal technique/choral class daily.

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Begin Your Summer at
St. Mary's!**



Stay for Awhile!

After the Saturday performances, take time to explore the area. In addition to the many local attractions of Southern Maryland, including small towns, an Amish village, wineries and historic sites, St. Mary's is only about ninety minutes away from Washington, DC or historic Annapolis Maryland, home of the United States Naval Academy and other attractions.

The Encore Theatre Institute will be led by Michelle Freire, Theater Instructor at Cal State University San Bernardino and American University. Theatre enthusiasts will experience the excitement of acting, the art of storytelling and the thrill of performance.

In the acting portion, they will work together on ten minute plays and short scenes from famous plays. The actors will learn techniques of developing characters, expressing themselves through movement and voice and learn methods of learning lines. In the storytelling portion, they will tell a personal or traditional story of their



Actors will perform short scenes

choice, expressing character and setting, at the same time learning to hold the audience's attention. The Institute culminates in a performance of short scenes and stories. The Institute invites all levels from beginners to advanced. Actors just bring the desire to create, share their talent and have a lot of fun.

"I don't know how you get so much accomplished and so thoroughly!"

- 2011 Participant

A Beautiful Location!



Students will stay in Waring Commons on the beautiful campus of St. Mary's College of Maryland overlooking the picturesque St. Mary's River. Local residents are invited to attend as commuters.

Waring Commons are on-campus apartment suites that include single bedrooms with a twin bed in each, shared bath, and common areas. Two beds will be placed in rooms to accommodate couples.

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