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## Overview

**Title:** St. Mary's College of Maryland Folklife collection

**Call Number:** Coll341

**Creator:** St. Mary's College of Maryland

**Dates:** 2021-2023

**Size:** 273 MB

**Language:** English

**Abstract:** This collection contains photographs, video recordings, and ephemera from 2021-2023 collected by the staff of the Southern Maryland Folklife Center at St. Mary's College of Maryland in their capacity as a regional folklife center funded through the Maryland Traditions program of the Maryland State Arts Council. Under a shared stewardship agreement, SMCM physically retains the materials in St. Mary's City, Maryland. Researchers can access the collections by contacting the Southern Maryland Folklife Center at [somdfolklife@gmail.com](mailto:somdfolklife@gmail.com).

**Citation:** Please contact the Southern Maryland Folklife Center at [somdfolklife@gmail.com](mailto:somdfolklife@gmail.com) for preferred citation.

## Administrative/Biographical Note

The Southern Maryland Folklife Center was formed in 2021 at St. Mary's College of Maryland. The center celebrates and supports community-based living cultural traditions of Southern Maryland through summer workshops and publications.

The center grew out of a number of past efforts at St. Mary's College of Maryland, such as The SlackWater Center, which has documented life in Southern Maryland since the mid-1980s. Their long-running publication is SlackWater: A Journal on Environmental and Cultural Change in Southern Maryland.

St. Mary's College of Maryland is a public liberal arts college of 1,300 students. The campus occupies a bend of the St. Mary's River, just upstream from the confluence of the Potomac River and the Chesapeake Bay. The campus is 75 miles southeast of Washington, D.C. and 97 miles south of Baltimore. The campus architecture is styled in the tidewater tradition, largely brick and facing the scenic river.

SMCM has been a grantee and member of the Maryland Folklife Network since 2021, and received grant funding from other Maryland Traditions and MSAC programs for many decades prior.

## Scope & Content

### Arrangement

This collection is made up of three series arranged by fiscal year: Series I: FY 2021, Series II: FY 2022, and Series III: FY 2023.

## Provenance Information

### Provenance and Acquisition Information

Christa Casazza, Southern Maryland Folklife Center Manager, delivered an electronic inventory to UMBC Special Collections in 2023. The digital materials will continue to be physically housed at St. Mary's College of Maryland in St. Mary's City, Maryland. Accessions: MSS2023-18

### Processing Note

Materials described in this finding aid were collected and arranged by staff at the Southern Maryland Folklife Center. Acadia Roher, Maryland Traditions Archivist at UMBC, prepared the finding aid.

### Descriptive Rules Used

Describing Archives: a Content Standard (DACS)

[Archives Processing Manual: Description \(2015\)](#): The processing manual used in Special Collections for all descriptive platforms, including PastPerfect.

## Access & Use

### Finding Aids

Finding aid is available.

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### Conditions Governing Reproductions and Use

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## Subject Headings

**Creators**

St. Mary's College of Maryland

Armsworthy, Jay

Gabriel, Gerald

**Subjects**

Boats and boating -- Chesapeake Bay (Md. and Va.)

Crabbing -- Chesapeake Bay (Md. and Va.)

Dance

Dyes and dyeing

Folklife

Folklore -- Maryland

Foodways -- Southern Maryland

Music

Oystering -- Chesapeake Bay (Md. and Va.)

Painting

Pinata

Pysanky

Quilting

Skipjacks -- Chesapeake Bay (Md. and Va.)

Southern Maryland

Textiles -- Batik

Wampum

**Series Description & Container List****Series I: FY 2021**

Folder Title/Description	Date	Box #	Folder #	Additional Info.
Summer Workshops - Arboretum Tour Photo	June 2021			<a href="#">Description</a>
Summer Workshops - Colorado Skies Song Video	June 2021			<a href="#">Description</a>
Summer Workshops - Jay Armsworthy Photo	June 2021			<a href="#">Description</a>
Summer Workshops - Photo Projection Slideshow	June 2021			<a href="#">Description</a>
Summer Workshops - Landscape Painting Photo	June 2021			<a href="#">Description</a>
Summer Workshops Program	June 2021			<a href="#">Description</a>
Summer Workshops Digital Newspaper Ad Image	2021			<a href="#">Description</a>
Summer Workshops - Southern Maryland Traditional Music and Dance Photo	June 2021			<a href="#">Description</a>
Summer Workshops - Stuffed Ham Photo	June 2021			<a href="#">Description</a>
Summer Workshops - Wampum Photo	June 2021			<a href="#">Description</a>

**Series II: FY 2022**

Folder Title/Description	Date	Box #	Folder #	Additional Info.
Summer Workshops - Batik Photo	June 2022			<a href="#">Description</a>
Summer Workshops - Cuzins N Harmony Performance Photo	June 2022			<a href="#">Description</a>
Summer Workshops - Polish Egg Painting Photo	June 2022			<a href="#">Description</a>
Summer Workshops Digital Newspaper Ad Image	2022			<a href="#">Description</a>
Summer Workshops Program	June 2022			<a href="#">Description</a>
SlackWater Journal Launch Digital Image	June 2022			<a href="#">Description</a>
Summer Workshops Campus Map Image	June 2022			<a href="#">Description</a>
Summer Workshops - Stuffed Ham Photo	June 2022			<a href="#">Description</a>
SlackWater: A Journal on Environmental and Cultural Change in Southern Maryland - Volume VIII: Times of Watershed on the Chesapeake	2022			<a href="#">Description</a>
Summer Workshops - Youth Workshop Photo	June 2022			<a href="#">Description</a>

**Series III: FY 2023**

Folder Title/Description	Date	Box #	Folder #	Additional Info.
Summer Workshops - Photo Projection Slideshow	May 2023			<a href="#">Description</a>
Summer Workshops - Historic St. Mary's City, Natural Dye Photo	May 2023			<a href="#">Description</a>
Summer Workshops - Piñata Photo	May 2023			<a href="#">Description</a>
Summer Workshops - Quilt Gallery Photo	May 2023			<a href="#">Description</a>
Summer Workshops - Quilting Photo	May 2023			<a href="#">Description</a>

Summer Workshops Radio Ad  
Summer Workshops Digital Newspaper Ad Image  
Summer Workshops - SOMD Paleontology Photo  
Winter Workshop Digital Ad Image  
Summer Workshops Program  
Winter Workshop Photo  
Summer Workshops - Watermen Photo

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