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Going Out Guide

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FROM THE ARTIST

‘A Palette of Paper’

» Megan Coyle’s portrait, animal, landscape and city collages look like paintings. This solo show will include about 40 collages, combining newer works with older pieces. Opens Wednesday. Gallery talk on Feb. 18 at 1 p.m. Through March 22. Center for the Arts, Merchant Gallery, 9419 Battle St., Manassas. 703-330-2787. www.center-for-the-arts.org. Free.

THU | 02

“**Josephine Tonight**” A musical biography of Josephine Baker, the dancer and singer who was also the only woman to speak at the March on Washington. Directed and choreographed by Maurice Hines. Thursday-Friday at 8 p.m., Saturday at 3 and 8 p.m., Sunday at 3 and 7 p.m. Through March 18. MetroStage, 1201 N. Royal St., Alexandria. 703-548-9044. 800-494-8497. www.metrostage.org. \$45-\$50, students \$25.

“**Really Really**” Signature Theatre presents the world premiere of Paul Downs Colaizzo’s drama about entitled college students and what happens after an accusation is leveled. The cast includes Paul James (who appeared in the TV series “Greek”). Directed by Matthew Gardiner. The play has nudity, strong language and explicit situations; mature audiences only. Thursday-Saturday at 8 p.m., Sunday at 2 and 7 p.m., Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. Through March 25. Signature Theatre, 4200 Campbell Ave., Arlington. 703-820-9771. www.signature-theatre.org. \$56-\$80.

Dude Fest “The Big Lebowski” (1998), Joel and Ethan Coen’s cult classic about a slacker who gets pulled into a kidnapping plot, has long been more than just a movie. It’s a lifestyle celebrated at events like this and even in academic papers. A screening of the film will be preceded by a trivia contest, costume awards and music. And don’t forget your bathrobe: Everyone who comes dressed as a character from the movie gets a free pass for a future film at the Drafthouse. Doors open at 7 p.m., movie at 9 p.m. Arlington Cinema ‘N’ Drafthouse, 2903 Columbia Pike, Arlington. 703-486-2345. www.arlingtondrafthouse.com. \$12.

FRI | 03

“**Love, Politics and Scrabble: The Games People Play**” Artists in this juried show depict such varied games as Angry Birds, baseball, mental manipulation and gossiping. Opening reception 7-10 p.m. Through Feb. 26. Del Ray Artisans, Nicholas A. Colasanto Center, 2704 Mount Vernon Ave., Alexandria. 703-838-4827. www.thedelrayartisans.org. Free.

“**Almost, Maine**” John Cariani’s play, set in the fictional town of Almost, tells nine stories about people falling in and out of love. Presented by