

My Mallows Bay Challenge

You're invited to share the memories or meaning that Mallows Bay brings to you. Whether you've spent your whole life fishing there, paddled your first kayak, or had a memorable wildlife encounter amongst the Ghost Fleet, Mallows Bay offers something truly special. It's one of the many reasons it was designated as a National Marine Sanctuary. Custom challenge coins will be awarded to the first 250 submissions.

- **Category 1- Creative Writing/Poetry**

- This category accepts entries in the form of short stories or poetry, no more than 250 words.

- **Category 2- Photo Storytelling**

- This category accepts photography entries, up to a series of 5 photos

- **Category 3- Artistic Interpretation**

- This category accepts entries from all non-photographic forms of visual artistry, from paintings to drawings to multi-media creations.

Submissions accepted until Tuesday, September 2, 2025.

Entries can be submitted: via email to gilroye@charlescountymd.gov or delivered via either mail or in person to our office:

C/O Mallows Bay Park 107 Centennial Street, Suite A, La Plata, MD 20646

*In person entries accepted during business hours – Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Submission Form

Name:

Age:

Mailing Address:

City:

State:

Zip Code:

Email Address:

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I grant permission to the Charles County Government – Department of Recreation, Parks & Tourism to utilize my submission on social media, websites, or in other marketing initiatives.

I would like to receive promotional emails from Charles County Recreation, Parks & Tourism.

Signature:

Date: