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Norma Holmes is featured in a major exhibit of east-side art.

## Local artist exhibits in Baker City

Well-known Sisters pastel artist Norma Holmes is exhibiting through the month of May at Crossroads Carnegie Art Center in Baker City.

Holmes is the featured artist in the exhibition "Land – Escapes on Oregon's Eastside."

"With my pastels I have traveled and painted many breathtaking scenes en plein air, a method used by today's

contemporary landscape painters as a means of interpreting the life, lay, and light of the land with expressive energy," Holmes said. "My medium, dry pastel, captures with immediacy the many moods of Mother Nature. I believe that the power of nature nurtures artistic expression."

The art will be on display and available for purchase through Saturday, May 30.

## WOMEN BUILD: Event is part of a national Habitat program

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these families. They work so hard to fulfill their dream of being a homeowner."

Darlene Snider is a team leader who traces her passion for community service to her service in the U.S. Air Force. She says she likes "building things and being outside," and strives to build community through her work. This is her second year with Women Build and she hopes to continue working with Habitat for Humanity.

Sandy Brink, a Sisters Habitat board member, who also works at US Bank, helped with the landscaping at a Habitat home across the street last year and this year decided to pound some nails. She enjoys the whole experience, the friendships she makes, and says, "It's just a good thing to do."

David Spain is particularly interested in getting his family into their own home as quickly as possible. He and daughter Marie, a junior at Sisters High School, and son Brock, an eighth-grader at Sisters Middle School, look forward to each having their own room and their dream of



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Marla Brinkman, a future Habitat for Humanity homeowner, put in work at Thursday's Women's Build event.

homeownership coming true.

If you are looking for a way to give back to the community, have some time on your hands, want to meet new people and make new friends, community members are invited to become a volunteer with Habitat for Humanity Thrift Store or ReStore or the building crew. Orientations

are held the first and third Wednesday of every month above the Thrift Store at 141 W. Main Ave.

For information or to RSVP for the next orientation, contact Volunteer and Family Services Manager Marie Clasen at [marie@sistershabitat.org](mailto:marie@sistershabitat.org) or 541-549-1193.

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