

Local artist to release mural at Seed to Table

Local illustrator and painter Maren Inga Burck will be revealing her community mural at Seed to Table Farm, Wednesday, August 7, from 4 to 7 p.m. during Seed to Table's Growing Community Event (see column, page 4).

The event will feature Burck's mural release — a 26-by-12-foot installation that is at the centerpiece of the nonprofit education farm.

Burck is an illustrator and painter raised in Central Oregon. She graduated from Sisters High School in 2007 and received a bachelor's degree in art from Oregon State University.

Her mother's Norwegian heritage has been a heavy influence in her work over the past decade. Elements of traditional Scandinavian textile design, woodcarving, needlework, and folklore can

be seen in much of her work.

Burck finds inspiration in the forms and movement of plant life, and the communication between simple and intricate concepts, forms and shapes. Having travelled and lived throughout Southern Oregon, the Willamette Valley and Austin, Texas, Maren is thrilled to be back in Central Oregon sharing her work with the community.

Seed to Table's Growing Community Event will feature the mural release, farm-fresh Boone Dog Pizza, live music by the band Honey Don't and Kids Farm Olympic activities. The event costs \$15 for adults and is free for kids 12 and under. Bring your own drinks and chairs or picnic blanket. For more information and tickets visit www.seedtotableoregon.org/events.



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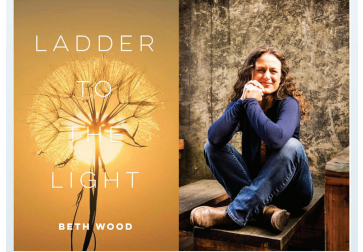
Maren Inga Burck will unveil a new mural at Seed to Table Farm as part of their Wednesday, August 7 Growing Community Event.



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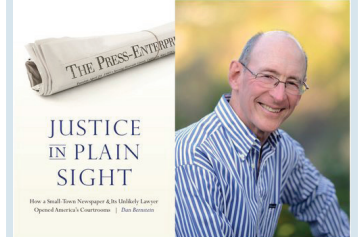
BETH WOOD
Ladder to the Light + Musical Performance



Texas-born, Portland-based singer-songwriter and poet Beth Wood will read poems from her two poetry books, *Ladder to the Light* and *Kazoo Symphonies*.

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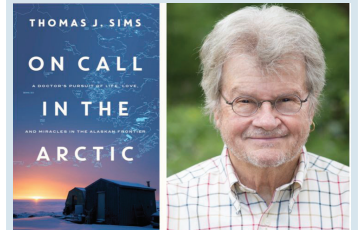
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Justice in Plain Sight



The story of a hometown newspaper in Riverside, CA, that set out to do its job: tell readers about shocking crimes in their own backyard. When judges slammed the courtroom door on the public and press, the newspaper took two cases to the U.S. Supreme Court in the 1980s. They won both cases and established First Amendment rights that broadened public access to the judicial system.

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TOM SIMS
On Call in the Arctic



Tom Sims relates his incredible experience saving lives in one of the world's most isolated and unforgiving environments — Nome, Alaska.

Donor sets record in school supply drive

Just when they thought they'd seen their largest donation ever in 2018, Mid Oregon Credit Union kicked off its annual Supplies 4 Schools 2019 supply drive with yet another record donation from a Redmond resident who stuffed 190+ backpacks with school supplies ready for local students.

The donor, Vikki Olds, topped her previous year's contribution of 140 backpacks by a significant margin, saying that she planned ahead and ordered many of the supplies earlier in the year to get maximum benefit from her investment. Her husband, daughter, son-in-law and a group of family

friends worked several weekends in a row to organize and assemble the backpacks.

Although Olds is a Redmond resident, she requested that her donations be distributed throughout Central Oregon to ensure that students with the greatest need have what they need to start the school year, regardless of where they live. "I researched the statistics on food insecurity in our local area, and it showed kids in every part of Central Oregon could use the help," Olds said. "I just want to see that the supplies go to students who'll benefit the most."

In 2018, Olds and her

family drove a trailer to the Redmond Mid Oregon Credit Union branch to deliver the bounty. This year, Mid Oregon Credit Union came to her — bringing the credit union's classic blue 1970s-era Chevy van to her front door to load up the enormous donation.

"Vikki is one of those amazing people who acts from her heart and makes big things happen," says Marketing Vice President Kyle Frick. "Our Supplies 4 Schools drive allows all our members to contribute to help kids have what they need for school, and Vikki takes it to a whole new level."

The Supplies 4 Schools

fundraiser and supply drive is underway during the month of August at all seven locations within Mid Oregon Credit Union's service area, including Sisters. All donations of cash and supplies stay in the community where they are collected. In most communities, Mid Oregon partners with Family Access Network and other local agencies to distribute the supplies to students in Deschutes, Crook, and Jefferson counties who may lack the basic necessities to be successful at school.

Mid Oregon Credit Union's Sisters branch is located at 703 N. Larch St., next to the Deschutes County Sheriff's Office substation.

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