

>>> **QUICK TAKES**a brief look at what's happening
in northeast oregon >>>**Nez Perce artist show
opens Sunday**

JOSEPH — The Josephy Center will open the show “Nez Perce Artists, Traditional and Contemporary” with a reception from 2-4 p.m. Jan. 5. The center is located at 409 N. Main St., Joseph.

Stacia Morfin, a young artist and entrepreneur, is the curator of this show, which features traditional as well as contemporary art. War clubs, bead work, basket hats, paintings — all the work of tribal artists. Most of the artists are just beginning careers in art, but both seasoned and emerging artists will be featured in the exhibit.

According to a press release, “the Josephy Center welcomes this opportunity to work with tribal artists and to help further their careers in art and in the communication of Nez Perce culture to the broader world.”

**Community African
Drumming class set**

LA GRANDE — A workshop in Community African Drumming for ages 12 and older begins Jan. 7 and will meet from 6-7 p.m. Tuesdays through March 17 at Loso Hall, Room 123, at Eastern Oregon University in La Grande.

Community African Drumming is made up of students and community members practicing the traditional music of Western Africa. All skill levels are welcome. The teaching artist is Luke McKern.

Cost is \$45 for Art Center East members, \$55 for nonmembers. Register at www.artcentereast.org.

**Abstract painting class
offered at Josephy Center**

JOSEPH — Jennifer Klimsza will teach “Abstract Painting — Feel the Color” from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Jan. 12 at the Josephy Center for Arts and Culture, 409 N. Main St., Joseph.

This workshop is for all levels, including beginners. The focus will be to explore the action and reaction of color on canvas, and

Art show at Josephy Center

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A show titled “Nez Perce Artists, Traditional and Contemporary” opens Jan. 5 at the Josephy Center in Joseph. This painting is by John Seven Wilson.

the world of colors as they relate to each other. Students will go home with two paintings and a deeper understanding of hues: how to create them, how they behave and how they react to each other. Bring aprons, cotton rags, snacks and drinks. Get ready to be messy and relax into good artistic fun.

The cost is \$100. Pre-register at www.josephy.org/abstract-painting-feel-the-color/.

**Beginner Latin dance
lessons offered**

LA GRANDE — Dan Sizer from Go Wild: American Adventures will teach beginner Latin dance lessons at 7 p.m. every Monday from Jan.

13 to Feb. 2 upstairs at Wine Down, 115 Depot St., La Grande. The price per lesson is \$10 and includes a beer. All levels and ages welcome. Drop-ins are welcome, and no partner is needed. Come learn the basics of salsa, bachata and more.

**Watercolor workshop set
for Jan. 18 at Crossroads**

BAKER CITY — Becky Litke will teach a workshop titled “Watercolor on Canvas with Pen and Ink” from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Jan. 18 at Crossroads Carnegie Art Center, 2020 Auburn Ave., Baker City.

Students will learn to paint watercolor animals on an 11x14 canvas. Participants are to bring

watercolors; the instructor will supply a wrapped watercolor canvas.

Cost is \$40 for Crossroads members or \$60 for nonmembers. Extra supplies will be available for beginners and additional canvases may be purchased at the workshop.

To register for the class, call Crossroads at 541-523-5369, stop by the art center, or go to www.crossroads-arts.org.

**Community Choir's winter
term starts Jan. 9**

LA GRANDE — The Grande Ronde Community Choir's winter term will run from Jan. 9 to March 12. Rehearsals are from 7-9 p.m. Thursdays at Loso Hall, Room 123, at Eastern Oregon University in La Grande.

The Grande Ronde Community Choir is a 50-65 voice mixed choral ensemble open to community members, high school students and EOU students, staff and faculty. The choir rehearses and performs a wide variety of choral literature ranging from major works with orchestra to spirituals and musical theater repertoire.

Three or more concerts are scheduled each year. Periodic concerts are presented in conjunction with the EOU Chamber Choir, Oregon Chorale and the Grande Ronde Symphony Orchestra.

Cost is \$45 for Art Center East members, \$55 for nonmembers. Register at www.artcentereast.org.

**Free bingo returns to the
Rusty Spur in Joseph**

JOSEPH — The Rusty Spur Bar & Grill, 100 S. Main St., Joseph, offers karaoke at 9 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday.

“Sunday Funday” brings free pool and, from 2-4 p.m., free bingo. Prizes will be rewarded, with the final blackout card winning a free meal.

**Learn the engraving art of
the scrimshaw**

JOSEPH — Terri Rice will teach “The Art of Scrimshaw” from 10 a.m. to noon Jan. 18 at the Josephy Center for Arts and Culture, 409 N. Main St., Joseph.

Scrimshaw is an engraving art that originated in the early 1800s. Originally the material used for scrimshaw was whalebone and whale teeth. It was created out of the sheer boredom of endless hours spent on whaling ships waiting for that elusive whale to appear. As a result, scrimshaw is mostly nautical themed and fairly intricate.

The cost is \$40. Pre-registration is required nine days before the start of class. No experience is necessary.

**Drop-ins welcome at
Saturday family art
classes**

JOSEPH — Every Saturday, the Josephy Center offers a family art class from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. Cost is free or by donation. Join various instructors in these easy, family-friendly classes. Each week will feature a different project for a family to create together. Drop-ins are welcome. For more information, go to www.josephy.org.

**Wine Down hosts local
talent Saturday**

LA GRANDE — Beginning at 8 p.m. Jan. 4, Wine Down will host an evening of local music featuring Bryn McLaughlin and Elwood. The wine bar and restaurant is at 115 Depot St., La Grande.

**FRIDAY**

High 44 Low 32

A shower

**SATURDAY**

High 38 Low 29

Rather cloudy

**SUNDAY**

High 35 Low 24

Snow showers