

Closing receptions and an announcement at ACE

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LA GRANDE — Art Center East will celebrate two current exhibits and announce the new name of the Co-Op Gallery on Friday, March 11, 6-8 p.m. at ACE, 1006 Penn Ave.

There will be, however, a few more weeks to see the featured artwork. The two exhibits each run until March 26.

FIBER ARTS AND JEWELRY

The sixth annual Fiber Arts and Jewelry Exhibit, with the theme "Fiber Focused on Color," features work from Northeastern Oregon fiber and jewelry artists.

A quilt created and donated by local artist Joy Cleaver will be on display and raffled off as a fundraiser for the art center. Visitors may purchase raffle tickets in the Gift Gallery or on the ACE website. The winning raffle ticket will be drawn at the end of the exhibit. The quilt is valued at \$275.

Art Center East has also collaborated with the Union County Warming Station for this exhibit — visitors who bring one item from the warming station's wish list (see ucwarmingstation.org) will receive one free raffle ticket in exchange (one exchange per visitor).



Courtesy of the artist

Works by oil painter Sarah Bird will be on display through March 26 at Art Center East. A closing reception is set for Friday, March 11, 6-8 p.m.

NEW WORKS BY SARAH BIRD

Oil painter Sarah Bird's exhibit, "New Works by Sarah Bird," is on display in ACE's main gallery. This show, according to an ACE press release, "showcases Bird's oil paintings of traditional altar-like arrangements of natural objects set against cloth backgrounds and also her

nontraditional landscape compositions of plants, leaves and branches."

CO-OP GALLERY

For several months, ACE has invited the community to vote on a new name for the Co-Op Gallery. In an effort to honor a local artist, ACE took nominations of



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This necklace by Crystal Collier is an example of items featured in the Fiber Arts and Jewelry Exhibit at Art Center East, on display through March.

names and the list was narrowed to four: Dennis "Craig" Canoy, Sue Orlaske, Kat Galloway and Thomas "Tom" Madden.

All were nominated posthumously.

Voting ended March 10, and the honoree will be announced Friday, March 11, during the closing reception for the art shows.

ABOUT ACE

Regular gallery hours are Wednesday-Friday, noon-5 p.m., and Saturday, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Exhibits can also be viewed online at artcentereast.org thanks to a partnership with John J. Howard Real Estate. Galleries are open to the public and admission is always free.

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