## **Tunnel Falls**

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Happy Trails To You!

To experience Tunnel Falls in its full summer glory, just incredible, the hot summer sun poured in for hours at a perfect angle, no rush, I spent hours around the waterfall, soaking in the sounds, sun, shadows, cliffs, rocks, plants, mist, water, rainbows, the natural power, the green is so bright, I feel I need sunglasses, greenglasses.

Sitting at the bottom, eating lunch, as the sounds, mist, and rainbows radiated over us. Truly an unforgettable lifetime experience.

Especially not rushing, giving the nature full attention, taking the time to let it soak in. Spend a few hours to let it permeate you. Healthy vibrations. It becomes part of your soul. Branded for life.

Waterfall, nothing can harm me at all, My worries seem so very small With my waterfall.

I can see my rainbow calling me Through the misty breeze Of my waterfall.

Some people say day-dreaming's For the lazy minded fools With nothing else to do.

So let them laugh, laugh at me, So just as long as I have you *To see me through,* I have nothing to lose 'long as I have you.

Waterfall, don't ever change your ways. Fall with me for a million days, Oh, my waterfall.

- Jimi Hendrix - "May This Be Love"

from the album "Are You Experienced" "Used to be an Experience meant making you a bit older. This one makes you wider," another Hendrix quote I picked up on a distant island. "When the power of love overcomes the love of power the world will know peace."

Interested in guided hikes next year? Contact me. Small groups only.



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My photographs, art booth, and website are in full swing for the holidays. Photographs make great gifts! Good for everyone. They last a lifetime.

Hope to see you at my market booth or on the website! Please don't hesitate to call my studio landline. 503 429 5909.

You can find Peter Nelson photography at Made In Vernonia,



## **Harlem Crowns**

The world famous Harlem Crowns brought their unique style of basketball and entertainment to the Vernonia High School Gymnasium on December 8, 2012. The Crowns faced off against the Mighty Vernonia Scepters, a team of local basketball all-stars, coached by local legends Steve

Whiteman and Larry Steele. Justin Ward and Matt Blair were the referees. The Crowns used basketball skill, showmanship and lots of audience participation to thrill the crowd and put a smile on everyone's face. The event was a fundraiser for the 2013 VHS Prom.







## Vernonia Cares **Holiday Boxes**

Left: Treasurer Amy Smith presents a \$500 check from the Vernonia Volunteer Firefighters Association to Vernonia Cares director Sandy Welch for use in purchasing supplies for the annual "Holiday Boxes." Recipients must register at the Food Bank on any Tuesday or Thursday before December 18. "Holiday Boxes" will be given out shortly before Christmas.

Right: George Tice of the Lions Club of Vernonia presents Rosie McCoy and Sandy Welch with a check for \$500 to go towards "Holiday Boxes."





