



"Snailiens — Date Night" by Jen Elliott

Featured artist

Jen Elliott is the artist of the month at the Artist's Studio Association in Lincoln City, with her colorful and energetic pieces on display throughout December.

Working in her art studio two blocks from the beach, Elliott often creates pieces based on her recent dreams, evoking a sense of play and wonder. Her

polymer clay, chalk pastel, driftwood and acrylic creations reside in the homes and offices of international collectors, across many states and here on the Oregon Coast.

Elliott's artwork will be available to view from 10 am to 5 pm daily at 620 NE Hwy. 101.

Do some Om-schooling in Newport

Registration is now open for a meditation workshop that will run from December through March at the Newport 60+ Activity Center.

Led by instructor Joseph Armenio, the workshop will introduce participants to a meditation technique that has its roots in Zen practice.

"In our everyday lives we can see how complex life can be and how we need to have a place to relax and catch our breath sometimes," Armenio said, "In this workshop, you will learn that this place of rest already exists in our own bodies. The most important point in this workshop is to learn how to simply sit, and be

comfortable and restful — a practice and tool that can be applied to any life endeavor."

The workshop will be held the first Thursday of each month, starting on Dec. 5 and running through March 2020.

Members of the Newport 60+ Activity Center can enjoy the class free of charge, and for everyone else there will be a \$2 drop-in fee.

To register, go to www.newportoregon.gov/sc and click on the dark blue banner "Browse the catalog and register."

For more information, drop by the center at 20 SE 2nd Street, or call 541-265-9617.



End your November with May, in Pacific City

Acclaimed folk musician Tom May will return to Pacific City this Friday and Saturday for his annual Thanksgiving weekend performances at The Sportsman Pub.

May has been coming to Pacific City to perform on Thanksgiving weekend for more than 20 years. A longtime friend of The Sportsman Pub proprietor Rob Royster, May says he always looks forward to his visits there.

In his long career as a professional singer-songwriter, May has touched hundreds of thousands of lives through his concerts across the US and overseas, his ongoing weekly national radio broadcast "River City Folk" and his work on producing events such as "Winterfolk;" Portland's largest annual folk music event, a benefit for "JOINpdx," which finds stable housing for the homeless.

May has opened concerts and shared stages with Gordon Lightfoot, Willie Nelson, Alabama and many others. He has produced 17 albums on various labels — most recently his 2018 release "A Road Worth Driving Down."

May's performing venues have included prestigious concert halls, small town auditoriums, and humble coffeehouses and pubs. His festival appearances include the Kerrville Folk Festival in Texas; The Napa Valley Folk Festival; Sisters Folk Festival; The Juan De Fuca Festival in Port Angeles; Washington, and dozens more.

He is author of a book released internationally in 2007, for Routledge Publishers of New York, called "Promoting Your Music; The Loving of the Game." The book features anecdotes and advice from Tom's life in music, as well as interviews with his old pal Gordon Lightfoot, Eliza Gilkyson, Harry Manx and representatives of other aspects of this multi-faceted enterprise. May also has a memoir slated to be published in 2020.

The Thanksgiving weekend concerts, which are free and open to all, will run from 8 to 11 pm on Friday and Saturday, Nov. 29 and 30, at 36975 Brooten Road, next to the flashing red light in the center of town.

For more information, call 503-965-9991.

For more details on May, go to www.tommayfolk.com.