

It's a virtual masterpiece

Almost all of us have been on lockdown for the past few months, but some of us have been more productive than others. The Oregon Coast Council for the Arts is showcasing the fruits of these labors in the "Oregon Coast Online Art Show," featuring works from 157 artists in a variety of media.

Organized in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the show was developed as most galleries and art spaces were shuttered leaving artists unable to present their work to a viewing public.

"This show is a substantial representation of artists living on the Oregon Coast or who have shown their work here," said Tom Webb, OCCA's director of the Newport Visual Arts Center. "We have come together remotely to present a rich assortment of visual media for the public to enjoy and consider bringing home."

The Oregon Coast Online Art Show is both a benefit for the participating artists and the OCCA, with all works available to buy.

"The Visual Art Center in Newport has truly stepped up to the plate to help artists to continue to receive exposure and sales of their work," said Sandy Roumagoux, a noted oil painter and former mayor of Newport. "This kind of innovation is truly appreciated."

The 157 show participants represent 56 different towns and six states. Newport artists

provided 26 submissions, the most of any one town, followed by Portland at 17. The Oregon Coast itself is represented by 101 artists, from nearly every town and hamlet on the map from Brookings to Astoria. Noted Oregon artists such as Roumagoux, Darren Orange of Astoria, Erik Sandgren of Portland, Henk Pander of Portland and Bets Cole of Elmira, among many others, contributed artwork

The "Oregon Coast Online Art Show" will continue to accept submissions on a rolling basis through July 20. Artists should email twebb@coastarts.org for show guidelines. Art enthusiasts are encouraged to return frequently to the online gallery to review new work. The show is also being promoted through the Lincoln County School District as a summer distance-learning opportunity. Various online artist talks and gatherings are being scheduled.

In addition to the visual art, Randy McCoy, a singer-songwriter based in Yachats, shared his new original song and music video, "Our Time Alone Will Bring Us Together," for gallery visitors to listen to while scrolling through the artwork.

The show runs through September 7 and is available to view at <https://coastarts.org/visual-arts-center/oregon-coast-online-art-show>.



"Three Capes" by Dee Vandais



"Coquille Light" by Erik Sandgren



"Point 1" by Darren Orange

Oil be there

Ivan Kelly Studio-Gallery in Toledo will host a Reopen Reception this weekend, inviting people to view new oil paintings including "A Robin Spring" and "Setting Sun, The Rugged Coast."

Kelly's focus on oils began more than 40 years ago. Recently, he has been expanding his subject matter to include birds in addition to the big game and marine oil paintings for which is well known. He has been awarded national and international awards in several juried art exhibits including Oil Painters of America, the International Museum of Contemporary Masters of Fine Art and the American Society of Marine Artists.

Located at 207 East Graham Street, the gallery will be open from 11 am to 5 pm on Saturday, June 6, and 1 to 5 pm on Sunday, June 7.

For more information, call 541-336.1124 or find Ivan Kelly Studio-Gallery on Facebook.



"The Rugged Coast" by Ivan Kelly



"A Robin Spring" by Ivan Kelly