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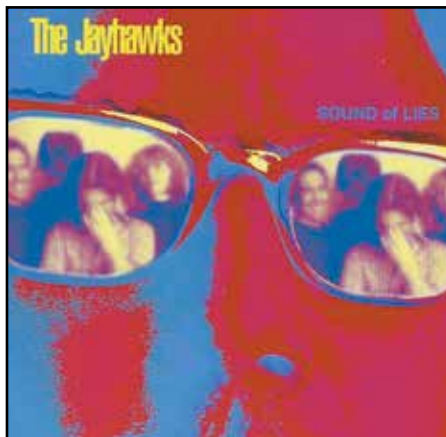
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Lynne Patton is one of the 500 artists whose work is for sale at the Big 500.

The Big 500: What happens when 500 local artists produce original art on 8 inch x 8 inch wood panels? You get thousands of original works of art that each sell for \$40. All the work is on display and available for purchase through Jan. 11 in the four galleries on the top floor on the Pioneer Place Mall, 700 SW Fifth Ave. Open Thursday through Sunday from 12–6 p.m. A portion of each sale benefits the Oregon Food Bank.

2 “The Child,” a show of paintings, wood-burns and prints by Nate Orton, opens Jan. 2 in the Multnomah Arts Center Gallery, 7688 SW Capitol Hwy. The exhibit reflects a focus on simple scenes and ideas of Orton’s city, family and hinterlands. The show will be on display through Feb. 3. For more information, visit www.multnomahartscenter.org.



7 **The Jayhawks:** Hailed as pioneers of the alt-country sound, the Minneapolis band has a 30-year history of strong roots/country-rock influence and power-pop melodies. They play the Aladdin Theater, 3017 SE Milwaukie Ave. (east end of the Ross Island Bridge) on Wednesday, Jan. 7 at 8 p.m. Doors open at 7 p.m. Minors OK with parent or guardian. Tickets are \$35 and available at the box office or online at www.aladdin-theater.com/.

9 “The Seven Wonders of Ballyknock” is a play set in a small Irish town in 1953. Written by Oregonian C.S. Whitcomb, the play originated in 2013 at Portland’s Fertile Ground, a festival for original work. It opens Jan.



Cordelia Snowden (Louise Chambers) reacts to seeing a ghost while having a drink with Jonty (Heath Koerschgen) and Mag (Marilyn Stacey) in “The Seven Wonders of Ballyknock.”

9 and runs through Feb. 15 at the Lakewood Center, 368 S. State St., Lake Oswego. For tickets, call 503-635-3901 or visit www.lakewood-center.org.

10 **Folk Dancing:** Get on your dancing shoes, grab the kids, and head over to the Fulton Park Community Center, 68 SW Miles St., for the Second Saturday Family Dance with live music and caller. It’s on Jan. 10 from 4:30–6:30 p.m. Just \$6 for adults, \$5 for kids, or \$20 per family. For more information call 503-659-0281.

12 **Safety on Shattuck Road** is a primary concern for the Hayhurst Neighborhood Association. Safety vigils and added safety measures by the Portland Bureau of Transportation will be discussed at the next Hayhurst meeting on Monday, Jan. 12, at 7 p.m. at Hayhurst School, 5037 SW Iowa St. Contact Janet Hawkins at 503-244-7703 or janethawkins@msn.com for more information.

14 **Green Goddess Remedies**, a medical marijuana dispensary, has been working on a good neighbor agreement with the Crestwood Neighborhood Association. There are also three Crestwood board positions open. Next Crestwood meeting is Wednesday, Jan. 14, at 7 p.m. at West Portland United Methodist Church, 4729 SW Taylors Ferry Road. Contact Tony Hansen at 503-317-3914 or email crestwoodnaboard@gmail.com for agenda information.

20 **Getting published:** Have you written the next great novel and want to get it into print? Paul Gerald, author of *60 Hikes within 60 Miles of Portland*, has written five books and has the scoop on how the publishing industry works. Gerald will conduct a workshop to answer questions and discuss the pros and cons of self-publishing. The workshop is on Tuesday, Jan. 20 from 7–8:30 p.m. at the Garden Home Community Library, 7475 SW Oleson Road. Limited space, so please call 503-245-9932 to register.

25 **Creating a legacy:** Are you passionate about researching your family? Have you uncovered fascinating information and stories about family history but don’t know what to do next? Come to the Capitol Hill Library for a presentation that will help you turn your research into an illustrated heirloom book to share with your family. Sunday, Jan. 25, 2–4 p.m. at 10723 SW Capitol Hwy. Registration is required. Register online, at the Capitol Hill Library, or by calling 503-988-5234.

28 **Film Night at Flanagan Chapel:** Watch the 1995 film, “Dead Man Walking” in preparation for Sister Helen Prejean’s scheduled February talk about the issue of capital punishment on the 20th anniversary of this ground-breaking film. The film shows on Wednesday, Jan. 28, at 7 p.m. in the Agnes Flanagan Chapel on the campus of Lewis and Clark College. Free. For information on the Sister Prejean’s talk, visit <http://college.lclark.edu/live/events/32088>.

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