

# WHAT'S happening



Sure, they look like buxom, four-legged beauty pageant contestants in the guise of miniature horses, but the My Little Pony stock of Pinkie Pie, Minty, Sweetberry and Wysteria have been around since 1982, and they've got staying power. They took a loss with 1986's *My Little Pony: The Movie* but have since bounced back into demand after the straight-to-DVD releases *A Very Minty Christmas* and *The Princess Promenade*. Now, the ponies hit the Hult for **My Little Pony Live!** Dubbed the **World's Biggest Tea Party**, the show is produced by the VEE Corporation, responsible for the delightful run of *Sesame Street Live!* The press indicates parents will enjoy the "Broadway-quality stagecraft" while the kids can sing along to the tunes of "I'm a Little Teapot" and "Shake Your Cutie." As a bonus to parents with large families who can't quite pony up all the dough, Friday's opening night comes with a discount (all seats are \$14). Sounds like a sure bet, though this calendar editor is still waiting for *G.I. Joe Live!* The World's Biggest War Party. See Friday, Saturday and Sunday Calendar.



Organizers for the upcoming **First Friday ARTWalk** were probably taking the area's recent watery weather into account when planning the evening's walk – which takes place entirely under the eaves of the historic 5th St. Public Market (pictured). Dana Howe, marketing director for the market, will start the cozy tour in front of the mural in the 5th Ave. entrance. First stop is the IMAGINE Gallery, showcasing woodfire ceramics by Joshua Mazat and metal jewelry by Robin Mix. Stop #2 is Garden Artsapes, featuring traditional hand forged metal art by David Thompson. Jewelry by Alison Shiboski is highlighted at Stop #3 at NEWTWIST. For those ready to brave the elements, a host of other galleries and shops throughout downtown will stay open late for art walkers. See [LaneArts.org](http://LaneArts.org) and Friday Calendar.



Starting out in 2004 as a monthlong scattering of art displays and performances in local libraries, the **Eugene Irish Cultural Festival** (now in its fourth year) has been boiled down to one action-packed day at two locations. Sheldon High School will host the daytime activities, which includes short performances, workshops, food courts and an Irish ceili (KAY-lee) dance. The festivities will conclude in the evening with an all-out performance at the UO's Beall Hall. The concert's title, **Masters of Traditional Irish Music**, says it all. The *masters* include Randal Bays (pictured), Aiden Brennan, Catherine McEvoy, James Keane, Patrick Ourceau and Gearóid Ó hAllmhuráin (pronounced Ga-ROAD O-hal-ver-awn). See [EugeneIrishFest.com](http://EugeneIrishFest.com) and Saturday Calendar.