

Ken is funny, successful and smart. And he wants to die. Left paralyzed after a car accident and dependent on medical support systems, he is disinclined to wallow among beeping, sanitized hospital equipment. Ken chooses death. The rub, in this particular case, is that he's not allowed to. This is the story of *Whose Life Is It Anyway?*, which opens Friday at the Very Little Theater. For VLT director Cindy Solari, the plot line of this play is more than just speculation. "I am a dialysis patient in end-stage renal failure due to a rare disease called vasculitis," Solari explains. This production marks Solari's return to theater after a 6-year absence following her diagnosis. "There are many ways I relate with the character of Ken," she says. "We would both die if we stop treatment. The battle we face is sobering and extremely hard. And we both use humor to help others cope with it, and fight for our right to make decisions about our care." Solari says she hopes that beyond entertaining audiences, this production will encourage awareness.

Whose Life is it Anyway? runs July 1-10 at Very Little Theatre, 2350 Hilyard St.; \$12, for tickets and times, visit thevlt.com or call 541-344-7751. — Anna Grace



- downtown., info at toddk.pe@gmail.com. FREE.
- Emeralds Photographic Society Club Meeting, 6:45pm, Willamalane Adult Activity Center, 215 W. C St., Spfd. FREE.
- Adult Children of Alcoholics Meeting, 7-8:15pm, Trinity United Methodist Church, 440 Maxwell Rd. FREE.
- Co-Dependents Anonymous 12-step Meeting, 7-8pm, Valley Methodist Church, 25133 E. Broadway, Veneta. FREE.
- Live Drawing, 7-9pm, New Zone Gallery, 164 W. Broadway. \$5.
- Exhibit Talks continue. See Thursday, June 30.
- Open Hack continues. See Friday.
- HEALTH** Nia-Healing Through Movement class, noon-1pm, Trauma Healing Project, 2222 Coburg Rd., 687-9447. Don.
- KIDS/FAMILIES** Baby Pop Music, 9:30am, Daisy's Place, 1244 Lawrence. FREE.
- Baby & Me Storytime, 10am, Springfield library, 225 5th St., Spfd. FREE.
- Seriously Funny Juggling for Kids, 1pm & 3pm today, downtown library; 11am tomorrow, Bethel Branch Library; 2pm tomorrow, Sheldon Branch Library. FREE.
- DIY Solar S'more Ovens for Teens, 2pm, Springfield library, 225 5th St., Spfd. FREE.
- LECTURES/CLASSES** "The Healing Coltrane & the Communion of Sacred Jazz" w/Peter Jan Margry, 1pm, UO. FREE.
- LITERARY ARTS** Open Mic Poetry, 7:30pm sign-up, Cush Cafe, 1235 Railroad Blvd., call 393-6822. FREE.
- ON THE AIR** "The Point," 9-9:30am, KPOV 88.9FM. Anarchy Radio w/John Zerzan, 7pm, KWVA 88.1FM.
- Taste of the World w/Wagoma continues. See Saturday.
- OUTDOORS/RECREATION** Eugene/Spfd. Mossbacks Volkssport Club: 5K & 10K Lincoln City beach walks, 7am carpools leave from the Valley River Inn, 1000 Valley River Way, 726-7169. \$10 carpool fee.
- Running Group, 4 miles, 6-10pm, Tap & Growler, 207 E. 5th Ave. FREE.
- Shuffleboard & Foosball Tournament, 6pm, The Barn Light, 924 Willamette St. FREE.
- Bingo Night w/Zach, 7pm, Side Bar, 1680 Coburg Rd. FREE.
- WDYK Trivia w/Haley, 7pm, First National Taphouse, 51 W. Broadway. FREE.
- Bingo, 8pm, Webfoot, 839 E. 13th Ave. FREE.
- Trivia, 8pm, Duck Bar, 1795 W. 6th Ave. FREE.
- Board Game Night continues. See Thursday, June 30.
- Duplicate Bridge continues. See Thursday, June 30.
- Pool Hall continues. See Thursday, June 30.
- SOCIAL DANCE** Eugene Folk Dancers, weekly international folk dancing, 6:45pm lessons, \$3; 7:45pm dance, \$3, Willamalane Adult Activity Center, 215 W. C St., Spfd., 344-7591.
- Bailonga: Argentine Tango Milonga, lessons & open dance, 8-11pm, Vet's Club, 1626 Willamette St. \$4.
- SPECTATOR SPORTS** Track & Field: Olympic Trials continues. See Friday.

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PUNCH BROTHERS

JULY 5 • 7:30PM

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