

OPERA FOLK

Singer-songwriter **Phoebe Blume** offers an eerily breathtaking setting — much like this winter itself — in her dark and moody oeuvre.

“I don’t have a choice. I’m definitely dark,” Blume says. “But that is my happy; that’s my light. It’s a very honest approach that I take, which is just the essence of who I am.”

Blume, local to Eugene, followed in the footsteps of her musician father and often sang (playfully) in his band as a child. By 19, she was taking private opera lessons, brooding the whole way. “My dad tells me I’m a major chorus in a minor key,” she says.

Her weapons of choice are a piano and her versatile vocals, coarse yet delicate. She is drawn to themes of sadness and mystery, often creating a magical setting in her lyrics, amplified by her opera-trained pipes.

“There are points in certain songs when I bring that vocal quality into it,” Blume says. She notes that her music “is still really traditional, but bringing that voice adds in a different dreaminess.”

Opera is Blume’s only professionally trained skill and she’s had to teach herself everything from playing the piano to mixing her past three albums. “I’m not some kind of maestro, but you know, I get through it,” she laughs.

Now on her fourth album, *Switches and Ashes*, she offers her audience a more refined and acoustic twist on her classically dark sound. In addition to her Dec. 29 performance, mark your calendars for Blume’s Jan. 15 CD release party with local musician Tyler Morin at Oregon Contemporary Theatre.

Ellis Moore joins Phoebe Blume 9 pm Thursday, Dec. 29, at Sam Bond’s Garage; \$3-\$5, 21-plus. — *Kelsey Anne Rankin*



MUSIC LISTINGS

THURSDAY 12/22

AXE & FIDDLE Classic County Night w/DJ Rock n Roll Damnation—8:30pm; n/c

B&B LOUNGE Karaoke—9:30pm

BEERGARDEN Peter Giri Trio—7:30pm; Blues, n/c

CAFE SORIAH Celtic Instrumental and Vocal Music by Linda Danielson & Chico Shwall—9:30pm; \$10

GROWLER UNDERGROUND Acoustic Underground Open Mic—7pm; n/c

HAPPY HOURS Crystal Harmony Karaoke—8:30pm; n/c

HI-FI LOUNGE Jake McNeillie & Co., Megan Johns—9pm; Rock/folk, \$5

THE LOUNGE Karaoke w/Sassy Patty—7pm; n/c

LUCKEY’S Grateful Dead Jam—10pm; \$3

MAC’S Shreve Jones Shreve Project—6pm; blues, n/c

MAX’S DJ Victor—10pm; Hits, old standards, requests, n/c

OLD NICK’S Winter Solstice Party w/Live Swordplay & Celtic Jam—9pm; Bring your instruments, n/c

SAM BONDS BREWING Austin Farrell—6pm; Indie folk, n/c

SAM BONDS GARAGE Pretty Gritty, Small Souls, Tyler Fortier—9pm; Americana, \$5

SHADOWFOX Open Mic—8pm; n/c

TERRITORIAL VINEYARDS Olem Alves Duo—7pm; Guitar, n/c

FRIDAY 12/23

AXE & FIDDLE Hip Hop Showcase—9pm; n/c

BLAIRALLY Church of ‘80s w/Chris, Jen & John—8pm; ‘80s vinyl, \$3

THE DAVIS DJ Crown—10pm; Hip-hop, Dance, ‘90s, \$5

DUCK BAR Karaoke w/Bre—9pm; n/c

EL TAPATIO CANTINA Karaoke w/KJ Rick—9pm; n/c

HI-FI LOUNGE ROBNO w/Nara, Chris Undermind, & Triangle Man—10pm; DJ dance party, \$5, \$7 after 11pm

JAZZ STATION Sarah Burkhart—7pm & 9pm; Holiday jazz show, \$12

JERSEY’S Karaoke w/Sassy Patty—9pm; n/c

LUCKEY’S Crimson Guardian, Sick Monkey, Dredge—10pm; Metal, \$5

MAC’S John Swann & The Revelators—8pm; blues, \$7

MOHAWK TAVERN Outlaw ‘Shine—9pm; country, n/c

OLD NICK’S Patricia Mariucci Medical Benefit Show w/Phil Merwin, Norma Fraser & Sophie Miller—9pm; \$5-\$10

OREGON WINE LAB Gumbo Groove—7pm; n/c

SAGINAW VINEYARDS Timothy Patrick—6pm; Acoustic variety & humor, n/c

SAM BOND’S BREWERY Elizabeth Cable Christmas—7-9pm; guitar, n/c

SAM BONDS GARAGE Corwin Bolt & the Wingnuts, The Sam Bond’s Bluegrass Jam band—9:30pm; total mind-folk, don.

SWEET CHEEKS TASTING ROOM Peter Almeida & MISsing MAS—6:30pm; Classic/original psychedelic rock, n/c

TERRITORIAL VINEYARDS Lonesome Randall—7pm; Campy covers, n/c

VALHALLA WINERY Gus Russell & Laurie Hammond—6pm; n/c

SATURDAY 12/24

CAFE SORIAH Celtic Instrumental and Vocal Music by Linda Danielson & Chico Shwall—3pm; \$10

CITY NIGHTCLUB Crystal Harmony Karaoke—9pm; EDM; n/c

MAX’S DJ Victor—10pm; current hits, old standards & requests, n/c

MOHAWK TAVERN Ugly Sweater Party w/ Music/Karaoke by Caught in the Act—9pm; n/c

RASTA PLUS Open Mic—7pm; n/c

SAM BONDS GARAGE Banjo Younblood & Eugene Jeans Tim—9:30pm; \$5

TRACKSTIRS Karaoke—9pm; n/c

SUNDAY 12/25

CAFE SORIAH Celtic Instrumental and Vocal Music by Linda Danielson & Chico Shwall—3pm; \$10

COWFISH DJ Kalien’s Planet of Pop—9pm; Hip hop, pop remix, n/c

CUSH CAFE Open Mic—2pm; n/c

THE EMBERS Karaoke w/Sassy Patty—7pm; n/c

LUCKEY’S The Broadway Revue Burlesque Show! Christmas Edition—10pm; \$5

MOHAWK TAVERN Karaoke—8pm; n/c

MULLIGANS Open Mic—8:30pm; Variety, n/c

OLD NICK’S Chef Jevon’s Big-Ass NY Christmas Chinese Dinner—All day till it’s gone!

MONDAY 12/26

BREWSTATION Open Mic—5pm; n/c

THE EMBERS Karaoke w/Jim Jim & Sassy Patty—8pm; n/c

FIRST NATIONAL TAPHOUSE Open Mic—8pm; Rock, n/c

OLD NICK’S Irish Jam—9pm; happy hour, n/c

TUESDAY 12/27

BEERGARDEN Trivia w/Ty Connor—7pm; n/c

5TH ST. CORNUCOPIA Jesse Meade w/Mariah Stevens; 9:30pm; n/c

CUSH Poetry Open Mic—7:30pm; n/c

THE EMBERS DJ Victor—8pm; Current hits, standards, requests, n/c

HOT MAMA’S WINGS Open Mic—8pm; n/c

MAC’S Roosters Blues Jam w/Skip Jones & Byron Case—7pm; n/c

OLD NICK’S Which Way, Burning Biscuit—9pm; Rock, n/c

SAM BOND’S BREWING Peter Almeida & MISsing MAS—6pm; Classic/original, psychedelic rock, n/c

SAM BONDS GARAGE Bluegrass Jam—9pm; n/c

WEDNESDAY 12/28

5TH ST. CORNUCOPIA Karaoke w/Slick Nick—9pm

HAPPY HOURS Mama Jan’s Blues Jam w/Brian Chevalier—8pm; n/c

JERSEY’S Karaoke w/Sassy Patty—8pm; n/c

MAC’S Gus Russell & Paul Biondi—6pm; jazz, n/c

MOHAWK TAVERN Karaoke w/Caught in the Act—9pm; n/c

MULLIGANS Open Mic—8:30pm; Variety, n/c

OLD NICK’S Magic Happy Hour—4-9pm; Rock, n/c

SAM BOND’S GARAGE TheFreeOnes, Elana Leona—9pm; Acoustic, hip-hop, \$3

WHIRLED PIES DOWNTOWN Whirled Music Series ft. Rudolf Korv—6pm; Americana, blues n/c

WILDCRAFT CIDER WORKS The Hipbillies—6pm; Acoustic folk, n/c

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