

# CCC invites public to Adopt-A-Garden

ASTORIA — Clatsop Community College, with sponsorship from its Wellness Committee, announces a new program to actively engage students, staff and community members in

healthy outdoor activity that promotes community and helps beautify the college campuses.

The Adopt-A-Garden program invites volunteers to select a landscape area on one of the

CCC campuses and maintain and beautify that space during spring, summer and fall terms. Volunteers can also participate in the campus-wide Spring Clean-Up Day to be announced soon.

Those adopting an area are asked to maintain the space by weeding and pruning existing plants. Beds should be tended approximately every two or three weeks as needed. Annual flowers may be planted if approved by the CCC Facilities Department and removed at

the end of the growing season. Only non-toxic substances may be applied, and access to water is limited so volunteers should plan accordingly.

The program is open to individuals and groups, and volunteers will be recognized on the CCC website and in its An-

nual Report to the Community.

For additional information, a map of available spaces and volunteer forms, visit [www.clatsopcc.edu/community/volunteer-opportunities](http://www.clatsopcc.edu/community/volunteer-opportunities) or contact Patricia Warren at 503-338-2306 or [pwarren@clatsopcc.edu](mailto:pwarren@clatsopcc.edu).

## Encore Dance Studio to offer SNAP camp Special Needs Arts & Performance Camp set for summer

GEARHART — Encore Dance Studio announces that this summer it will offer an innovative performing arts camp for special needs children on the Oregon Coast.

Special Needs Arts & Performance Camp, known as SNAP, will be held June 22 through June 25, from 10 a.m. to noon at Encore Dance Studio's Gearhart location, 3631 U.S. Highway 101 N.

SNAP camp will be instructed by Cheryl Cochran and assisted by Denele Sweet. Cochran has directed summer

musical theater camps for years, holds a master's degree in special education and teaches for the Ocean Beach School District.

Cochran and Sweet have collaborated for years and both note, "the time was right to start an arts camp for our communities' exceptional children."

SNAP camp recognizes that all children grow and develop at different paces and is designed to invite children with special needs into the world of the performing arts.

Campers will use their special talents to create a showcase performance the last day of camp. Activities will be structured to support a variety of disabilities including but not limited to physical disabilities, ADHD, Autism Spectrum Disorder, Learning and Communication Disorders, and Down Syndrome.

For more information, contact Encore Dance Studio at [encoregearhart@msn.com](mailto:encoregearhart@msn.com), or call 503-717-1637. Enrollment is open online now at [www.getyoudancing.com](http://www.getyoudancing.com)

## Chica y Los Gatos brings twin sister harmonies to Sou'Wester Lodge

SEAVIEW, Wash. — Singer/songwriter project Chica y Los Gatos will play at Sou'Wester Lodge at 8 p.m. Saturday, April 25. The concert is free and open to the public.

Portland-based Chica y Los Gatos breaks free from traditional pop song structures with frolicsome guitar progressions and intricate melodies. Yet, somehow, amid the adventurous twists and turns, singer and songwriter guitarist Renée Muzquiz still manages to weave in hooks, turning around the choruses just when the verses seem to have sauntered daringly off-course.

Chica y Los Gatos has performed at numerous venues around Portland, Muzquiz' hometown of Dallas, Texas, and festivals such as Eugene Pride and the Santa Cruz Dyke March. Curve Magazine has compared her voice to Joni

Mitchell and Tori Amos and urged its readers to "keep an ear out for this one."

Twin sister and multi-instrumentalist Rochelle Muzquiz will be accompanying these colorful and theatrical originals as well as adding in a few of her own songs.



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Chica y Los Gatos will perform Saturday, April 25 at the Sou'Wester Lodge.

Chica y Los Gatos' sophomore album "The Clearing" is out now and available at [www.chicaylosgatos.bandcamp.com](http://www.chicaylosgatos.bandcamp.com)

For more information, call 360-642-2542 or visit [www.souwesterlodge.com](http://www.souwesterlodge.com). Sou'Wester Lodge is located at 3728 J Place.



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Jazz Guitars 4 Peace will perform a gypsy jazz concert Saturday, April 25 at the Astoria Public Library.

## Astoria library hosts jazz guitar concert Hear Jazz Guitars 4 Peace at Library After Hours event

ASTORIA — Astoria Public Library and Astor Library Friends Association presents Library After Hours with a gypsy jazz concert by Jazz Guitars 4 Peace at 6 p.m. Saturday, April 25. Admission is free and light refreshments will be provided.

Jazz Guitars 4 Peace is a modern gypsy jazz group from Portland comprised of Tommy Houston and Tim Morgan on manouche guitars and Jim Delaney on upright bass. They will perform upbeat swing, Latin and jazz music influenced by the gypsy guitar master Django Reinhardt. The idea behind Jazz Guitars 4 Peace is to inspire peace and harmony through the fire and magic of music.

Library After Hours is a free series of cultural events

that take place at the library after regular hours of operation. The library is located at 450 10th St.

The Astoria Public Library is a department of the city of Astoria, providing tax-supported services to all residents living within the city boundaries. Guided by the mission statement "Ex-

plore ideas, engage minds, excite imagination," the Astoria Public Library is an active and responsive part of the community. For more information about Library After Hours and other library programs and services, call 503-325-7323, email [comments@astorialibrary.org](mailto:comments@astorialibrary.org) or visit [www.astorialibrary.org](http://www.astorialibrary.org)

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