

New gallery opens at Port of Ilwaco

ArtPort Gallery hosts grand opening exhibit Saturday

ILWACO, Wash. — Art appreciators will have a new destination to set their GPS to this year on the coast. ArtPort Gallery, the newest fine art gallery on the Long Beach Peninsula at the Port of Ilwaco is celebrating its grand opening from 5 to 7 p.m. Saturday, May 2 with its first exhibition of artworks representing 11 artists.

This port-side gallery will

Grand opening

5 to 7 p.m. Saturday, May 2

ArtPort Gallery

177 Howerton Way S.E., Ilwaco, Wash.

360-244-5818

provide an exciting and fresh mix of two-dimensional and three-dimensional artwork

throughout the season and will feature mediums such as printmaking, painting, pottery, glass art, and contemporary fine art jewelry.

ArtPort Gallery artists will place an emphasis on community outreach, with a variety of events to connect the public with the arts, and help artists hone their professional skills.

“We are thrilled to open our

new gallery at the beautiful Port of Ilwaco,” said Rebecca Read, president of ArtPort Artists Association. “Our goal is for artists to present their work and engage with the community to build support and enjoyment of the visual arts. It’s that simple.”

Gallery location is 177 Howerton Way S.E. Hours are Tuesday through Sunday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. To contact the gallery visit Facebook/ArtPort Gallery, or call 360-244-5818.

Sweet Basil’s Cafe hosts blues player Lloyd Jones

CANNON BEACH — Sweet Basil’s Café in Cannon Beach will host blues player Lloyd Jones at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, May 2.

This Portland roots artist has recorded six critically acclaimed albums, toured internationally and racked up dozens of major awards and accolades. Enthusiastic crowds can’t get enough of his swampy blues, his back porch picking, his funk, soul, roadhouse two-beats, and old-school rhythm and blues. Yet he may be the most invisible, best-kept blues and Americana secret on the contemporary scene. Jones is a master of the soulful understatement, the raw growl and the groove.

From his roots in muddy Oregon soil, he’s forged a 30-plus-year career as an impassioned singer and guitar slinger, a soulful songwriter, a bandleader, record producer and an almost strident torchbearer for all that’s true and good about America’s music.

He’s shared stages and spotlights with Albert Collins, Cray, Raitt, Delbert McClinton, Taj Mahal, B.B. King, Dr. John, John Hammond, Junior Wells and Buddy Guy, and a hundred more. And, except for Albert and Junior, Jones’ timeless, swampified American songwriting style is tailor-made for dancing.



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Lloyd Jones will perform at Sweet Basil’s Cafe in Cannon Beach on May 2.

McClinton said, “When I heard Lloyd Jones live for the first time in January 1999, it was like exhaling after holding my breath for 15 years!”

When he plays Sweet Basils, the room gets quiet, people stop eating and all eyes turn to the bluesman in the corner of the room. Jones delivers a night of joy, fun and outstanding music. He is no poser; no youngster who copped a couple of quick blues licks and headed for the big time with a cocky swagger and a brand-new Strat. You see it in his face when he plays — the ear-to-ear grin, the soul-gripping grimace when he bites off another stinging note.

Sweet Basils is located at 271 N. Hemlock St. For information, call 503-436-1539.

Enjoy ‘Choral Gems’ in Cannon Beach, Nehalem

CANNON BEACH and NEHALEM — The Cannon Beach Chorus announces its spring concert season entitled “Choral Gems.” Choral gems are those outstand-

ing choral works that continue to be loved and performed by choruses around the world.

The selections include Randall Thompson’s “Alleluia,” Hayden’s

“Awake the Harp,” Brahms’ “How Lovely is thy Dwelling Place,” Beethoven’s “Hallelujah,” Mozart’s “Ave Verum Corpus” and many more. You are likely to hear a number of selections that you’ve enjoyed before.

The chorus’ first concert will be at 7 p.m. Friday, May 1 at the Cannon Beach Community Church in Cannon Beach.

The second concert will be held at 7 p.m. Saturday, May 2 at the North County Recreation District in Nehalem. This concert is being done entirely as a benefit for NCRD to help it purchase new seats for the recently refur-

bished theater.

Admission for either concert is \$10. Students 16 and under are admitted free. For more information about the concert or ticket information, call 503-436-0378 or visit www.cannonbeachchorus.org

‘Choral Gems’

7 p.m. Friday, May 1

Cannon Beach Community Church

132 E Washington St., Cannon Beach

7 p.m. Saturday, May 2

North County Recreation District

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