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Hey Lover will play the Voodoo Room in Astoria on May 2.

Hey Lover plays Voodoo

ASTORIA — Garage-pop trio Hey Lover will play a free show at the Voodoo Room at 9 p.m. Saturday, May 2.

Formed almost a decade ago, the group just finished a Puget Sound tour and wrapped up recording its new album last month. While in Astoria, Hey Lover plans to film a video for its upcoming single “Sinking Ships” — an anthemic love letter

to Astoria.

This trio is made up of husband-and-wife team Justin Varga and Terah Beth Baltzer Varga on guitar and drums, respectively, and bass player Tim Janchar.

Hey Lover released its self-titled debut LP in 2007 to mass local acclaim. Their follow-up, “Tennessee,” released on Portland punk label Hovercraft in 2011, combines punk and 1960s pop.

Beach Books to celebrate Independent Bookstore Day

SEASIDE — Beach Books and independent bookstores across the country have reason to celebrate: Saturday, May 2 is Independent Bookstore Day.

Beach Books will be open from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., starting the morning with scones and mimosas at 9 a.m., serving cupcakes at 1 p.m., and wine and hors d’oeuvres for the Seaside First Saturday Art Walk at 5 p.m.

There will be lots of prizes: scratch-offs for the first 50 kids and first 50 adults in the door, a scavenger hunt, rewards for customers, exclusive books and art pieces, and face painting from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Local authors will also drop by and sign their books.

One author on tap is Cannon Beach writer Gregory E. Zschomler, who will launch his new picture book “Louie, the Lonely Lighthouse,” from noon to 2 p.m. Illustrated by Florence artist Roxanne Bowman, the book tells the tale of Louie the lighthouse, who is forgotten and at risk of becoming a relic, until one dark and stormy night when



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Cannon Beach author Gregory Zschomler will launch his new children’s picture book, “Louie, the Lonely Lighthouse” at Beach Books during Independent Bookstore Day.

his light saves the day.

“I love lighthouses,” says Zschomler, “not only because of the romanticism, but because they have long been a metaphor for salvation. But I didn’t write the book simply because I like lighthouses — I want to help save them.”

Each keepsake paperback sold in a lighthouse gift shop or museum will create revenue for lighthouse preservation and upkeep.

Von Trapp family singers come to Astoria

Coast Community Radio presents concert at Liberty Theater

ASTORIA — On this 50th anniversary of “The Sound of Music” movie, Coast Community Radio is bringing the von Trapps to the Liberty Theater for a one-night-only concert beginning at 7:30 p.m. Friday, May 1. Doors open 7 p.m. and tickets are \$25.

You cannot find another name as universally beloved as von Trapp. The story of the family who escaped Austria, moved to the United States and, for two decades, toured the world singing, has inspired generations since the film

“The Sound of Music” was released in 1965.

The history continues as the great-grandchildren of Captain and Maria von Trapp take up the family tradition and reinvent their legacy for the modern age. Sofi, Melanie, Amanda and August von Trapp are four siblings who, for the last 12 years, have been singing on stages around the world to critical acclaim and packed houses.

Their performances make room for melodicas and ukuleles, lyrics that can unspool in

10 languages, twinges of Appalachia and Portlandia, some shout-outs to the Mamas & Papas, all filtered through the DNA of the most beloved musical ever. They have toured extensively from Beijing’s Forbidden City to the Sydney Opera House, performed with major symphonies across the country, appeared on Oprah, and recorded with artists such as Wayne Newton and Rufus Wainwright.

For the past few years, the von Trapps have been frequent guest performers with Pink



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The von Trapps will perform Friday, May 1 at the Liberty Theater in Astoria.

Oregon Symphonic Band to perform in Clatskanie

CLATSKANIE — The Oregon Symphonic Band will present the finale performance of the Clatskanie Arts Commission’s 2014-15 Performing Arts Series at 3 p.m. Sunday, May 3 at the Donavon Wooley Performing Arts Center at Clatskanie Middle/High School, located at 471 S.W. BelAir Drive.

The concert is sponsored by Mike Arthur Machine Service.

Tickets are available in advance at Hump’s Restaurant,

at the box office beginning at 2:30 p.m. the day of the concert, or by calling Elsa at 503 728-3403. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$8 for students or seniors, and \$6 for children.

Under the direction of Michael Burch-Pesses, the program will include John Williams’ “Superman March,” Ralph Ford’s “She Flies With Her Own Wings,” Walter Piston’s “Tunbridge Fair,” Walter M. Smith’s “Three Kings,”



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The Oregon Symphonic Band is comprised of some of the Portland area’s best instrumentalists, both professional and amateur.

Jonathan Bartz’s “Tall Tales: Pecos Bill,” Howard Cable’s “Old Fort Henry,” Robert Russell Bennett’s “Suite of Old

The von Trapps

7:30 p.m. Friday, May 1

Liberty Theater

1203 Commercial St., Astoria

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Martini. The two groups collaborated on Pink Martini’s eighth studio album “Dream a Little Dream.” Released in March 2014, the album has sold more than 20,000 copies in the United States alone and was featured on NPR’s Week-end Edition.

Seeking out a kindred spirit, the siblings approached Israel Nebeker, lead singer and songwriter of Blind Pilot, to produce their latest album “Dancing in Gold.” Nebeker, who gets right to the heart and soul of the matter, said, “Their sound is an open collage, unafraid of combining disparate style and sentiment. Most importantly to me, it communicates honestly and is sung from the heart.”

The Liberty Theater is located at 1203 Commercial St. For information, call 503-325-5922 or visit www.liberty-theater.org. Tickets may be purchased at the box office from 2 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday or two hours before each performance; through www.ticketwest.com; or by calling 800-992-8499.