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From left: Vicki Sullivan, Susan Raymond, and Linda Marsh prepare for the Peninsula Clay Artists Show and Sale inside Bay Avenue Gallery in Ocean Park, Washington.

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# Make a big change, build a tiny house

## Seaside Public Library hosts Olympia author Dee Williams

SEASIDE — On Thursday, Aug. 6, the Friends of the Seaside Library will welcome Dee Williams, author of “The Big Tiny.” The event will take place in the Community Room at 7 p.m., and there will be book sales and signings.

Dee Williams is a tiny house pioneer who built and moved into her tiny abode in 2004. After a medical emergency, Williams reassessed her priorities and decided that her friends, family and community deserved more time than her sprawling three-bedroom Portland home and built an 84-square-foot tiny house — on her own. “The Big Tiny: A Built-it-Myself Memoir” is her story.

Even though she hadn’t tackled anything like it before, Williams rolled up her sleeves to design and build her own tiny house. The experience reshaped not just her day-to-day activities, but also her confidence that her life really was in her own hands, and she could build the reality she wanted.

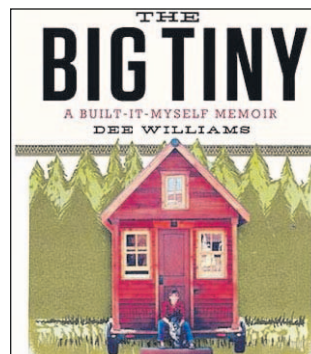
Today, Williams can list everything she owns on one sheet of paper, her monthly housekeeping bills amount to about eight dollars, and it takes her 10 minutes to clean

the entire house. Adapting a new lifestyle left her with the ultimate luxury — more time to spend with friends and family — and gave her

the freedom to head out for adventure at a moment’s notice or watch a sunset from her tiny deck.

Williams’ house, life and book “The Big Tiny” have been featured in The New York Times, L.A. Times, CBS’ “This Morning” and The Weather Channel. She co-founded Portland Alternative Dwellings to help others find the confidence to build the life they dreamed about. Williams lives in Olympia, Washington.

Seaside Public Library is located at 1131 Broadway. For more information call 503-738-6742 or visit www.seasidelibrary.org



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“The Big Tiny: A Built-it-Myself Memoir” by Dee Williams.

## Author appearance

7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 6

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