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Clara (Allyssa Berger) and Nutcracker Prince (Joseph Justice) practice their dance, while choreographer Emily Madsen and others look on. Little Ballet Theater's "The Nutcracker" takes the stage Saturday and Sunday at the Astoria High School auditorium.

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**Create a holiday botanical greeting card**

Dorota Haber-Lehigh to teach class at Seaside Public Library

SEASIDE — Do you like to draw? Like the holidays? Why not combine the two and sign up for Seaside Public Library's Holiday Botanical Greeting Card Class with local artist and illustrator Dorota Haber-Lehigh.

Haber-Lehigh's classes have been so popular that the library is bringing her back for another holiday installment. The workshop will take place at 1 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 5 and is sponsored by the Friends of the Seaside Library. Registration is required; you can sign up at the circulation desk or by phone. All materials will be provided.

Botanical illustration is the art of depicting the form, color and details of plant species. These are often printed with a botanical descriptions in books, magazines and other media.

Participants in this workshop will create a winter botanical card to celebrate the holiday season. Whether you are celebrating Hanukkah, Christmas, Kwanzaa, winter solstice, or the New Year, you can create a card depicting the gifts of nature. Bring a plant, fruit, nut, flower, pine cone, winter berries, or any botanical item that is symbolic to you during the holidays. The greeting cards you make in this class will be a one-of-a-kind delight

Coast Weekend welcomes comments and contributions from readers. New items for publication consideration must be submitted by 10 a.m. Tuesday, one week and two days before publication.

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Haber-Lehigh received a Bachelor of Arts degree, from Pacific University, with a focus on printmaking and art history. She has designed, illustrated and published the children's books "ABC of Native Plants of the Coastal Pacific Northwest" and "Native Berries of the Coastal Pacific Northwest." She is currently at work on a book about native wildflowers. She is also a member of the Oregon Botanical Artists and the Native Plant Society of Oregon.

Seaside Public Library is located at 1131 Broadway. For more information call 503-738-6742 or visit [www.seasidelibrary.org](http://www.seasidelibrary.org)

**Holiday Botanical  
Greeting Card  
Class**

1 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 5

Seaside Public Library

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