

Peninsula quilters display hard work at quilting show

ILWACO, Wash. — The Peninsula Quilt Guild will present the 21st annual Quilting at the Beach quilt show Friday to Sunday, March 18 to 20. Over 100 quilts will be on display in three galleries at the Columbia Pacific Heritage Museum, located at 115 Lake St.

The guild has grown to nearly 80 members from Washington and Oregon. The quilts displayed will be as varied as the quilters themselves. Attendees will see quilts in many styles, from scrappy and embroidered to appliqué and art, and there will be items quilted by hand, home machine and long arm machine. Quilts may be adorned with thread, buttons, rick-rack and even drift wood. The quilt show is a tribute to the enthusiasm that bubbles up when quilt people meet.

Quilting at the Beach is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday

and Saturday and from noon to 4 p.m. Sunday. There will be daily demonstrations, and attendees can meet the quilters and vote for their favorite quilts and challenge blocks. Admission is free.

Each year, members participate in the construction of a prize quilt. This year's quilt, "Indian Summer," features a feathered star as a center medallion. Raffle tickets are \$1 each, and the drawing will be held at 3 p.m. Sunday.

Tickets sold for the prize quilt generate about \$3,000. The money is donated to many charitable organizations on the Long Beach Peninsula.

The guild participates in several charitable projects. Quilts are donated to OHSU hospice, the Rotary Club, and teddy bears with scrappy quilts are donated to children at Ocean Beach Hospital and the emer-



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Members of the Peninsula Quilt Guild stand next to this year's prize quilt, "Indian Summer," which will be offered in a drawing at the quilt show.

gency room at Columbia Memorial Hospital.

The Challenge Blocks displayed at Quilting at the Beach are made by guild members from fabric purchased from Boardwalk Quilts. Each member designs and makes a 12.5-inch quilt block that is judged. The winning block receives an award. After the show, these

blocks are made into a quilt and donated to the Ocean Beach Education Foundation.

The guild meets at the Peninsula Church Center at 5000 N. Place in Seaview. Anyone interested in membership is welcome to join; talk to any of the hosts at the show or come to the church at 1 p.m. the second Monday of any month.

Seattle songstresses bring dreamy music to Sou'Wester

SEAVIEW, Wash. — The Sou'Wester Lodge will host two ethereal Seattle singers for a performance at 8 p.m. Wednesday, March 23: Briana Marela and Lilac.

Briana Marela is known for her dreamy ambient pop music and forceful lyrics, which create a balance of the abstract and intimate.

Throughout her second album, "All Around Us," traditional song structure gives way to plainspoken declarations that pull back the record's shroud. Her first single, "Surrender," is musically delicate at first, with flickering blips and chords that float into earshot like fireflies. "Take Care of Me" is the album's brightest and most immediate song, a buoyant celebration

of friendship with a skittering beat and a warm, sweet melody. The title track "All Around Us" is stark but inspiring, built on the memory of a family member who passed away and the sadness of not being able to say "goodbye" or "I love you" one last time.

Lilac, aka Madeline Franks, is a dreamy electronic solo musician. Born in the Midwest, she grew up playing piano and singing before adding electronic instruments to her repertoire as a young adult. Her first solo EP, "Dream Journal," was released in early 2015, and she is currently working on a second album.

The Sou'Wester Lodge is located at 3728 J Place. For more information, call 360-642-2542.



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Briana Marela, left, and Lilac will perform at the Sou'Wester Lodge on March 23.

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