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Crow and the Canyon

Crow and the Canyon comes to Fort George

ASTORIA — Crow and the Canyon, an American roots music band, plays Fort George Brewery at 8 p.m. Sunday, April 3.

The all-ages show does not have a cover.

The group just released their debut album, "Leaving Soon."

Songwriter and vocalist Ben Larsen plays guitar and mandolin He is originally from Connecticut and came to Portland's Lewis and Clark College. There, he studied jazz guitar and classical mandolin

Vocalist Leigh Jones, from North Carolina, said "I feel like our story is a very 'Portland' story," says vocalist Leigh Jones. "It didn't take long to find each other." Originally from Savannah, Georgia, banjo player Austin Quattlebaum was raised on Led Zeppelin and Jimi Hendrix records before delving into bluegrass while living in the Blue Ridge Mountains of North Carolina.

Bassist Miles Berry is from Northern California. His blues-musician father introduced him to jazz and West

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Sou'wester Lodge offers musical events this week

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Drugstore Cowboy.

SEAVIEW, WASH. — Portland band Drugstore Cowboy joins coastal author Matt Love in a Sou'wester! Spoken Word event at 8 p.m. Saturday, April 2.

Drugstore Cowboy is described as having and alternative country/psychedelic sound.

Love said, "I will present from my latest project, a spoken word CD/download called Oregon Tavern Age. The guitar player in the band is the producer and we'll actually be recording some of these tracks live in the lodge."

Then at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Misè and Monika take the stage.

Monika, an "asymmetrical experimental pop band" will start the show, followed by Misè, who will perform some of her original psych rock/folk music.

Sou'wester Lodge is at 3728 J Place in Seaview.

Grammy winner holds guitar workshop, concert

LONG BEACH, WASH — Grammy-winning guitarist Doug Smith is holding a guitar workshop at 1 p.m. Saturday, April 2, at the Peninsula Performing Arts Center, 504 Pacific Ave. N. in Long Beach, Wash.

Players at all levels of expertise and in any genre are welcome. The cost is $20, payable at the workshop.

Then at 7 p.m. Saturday Smith and his wife, flutist/vocalist Judy Koch Smith, are in concert.

His playing can be heard on the big screen in the 2007 film "August Rush" and his original compositions are heard on the radio. His music combines folk, classical and jazz elements and has been called "a cross between Chet Atkins, Leo Kottke and Michael Hedges," according to a press release.

Originals such as "Renewal" and "Order of Magnitude," arrangements such as his medley of "Ave Maria" and "Can't Help Falling in Love," pieces like "Stars and Stripes Forever," have delighted audiences around the country and the world, including Japan, Taiwan and China.

Smith earned up a Grammy Award in 2005 for his contribution to the Henry Mancini tribute CD, "Pink Guitar," which won in the category of Best Pop Instrumental CD. By himself, he has a dozen CDs to his credit.

Admission is $12 at the door or online through BrownPaperTickets.com or by calling 360-901-0962.

Wine, beer, and other refreshments are available for purchase.

Concerts benefit the Long Beach Peninsula Acoustic Music Association, a 501(c)3 nonprofit charitable organization.

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Judy Koch Smith and Doug Smith.

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