

Rain magazine 2016 is released

Attend a public reading, reception
May 20 at CCC

ASTORIA — Clatsop Community College invites the community to celebrate the release of the 2016 edition of Rain Magazine at a free public reading and reception taking place from 6 to 8:30 p.m. Friday, May 20 in the third-floor commons in Towler Hall at the Astoria campus. Gather at 5:30 p.m. for an author meet-and-greet and reading signup before the program begins.

Many contributors will be on hand to read excerpts from their works, and original artwork from the magazine will be on display. Light refreshments will be served, and copies of this limited-edition Clatsop Community College publication will be available to the public.

This year's Rain Magazine includes new writing from Robert Michael Pyle, Alex Autio, Wayne Downing, Florence Sage, Jim Dott, John Ciminello, Ben Chambers, Emily Linstrom, Katie Burgher, Saga Freyr, Elizabeth McMaster, Rich Beveridge, Alec Chapa and more.



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The 2016 Rain Magazine — the preservation edition — features artwork by Astoria artist Robert Paulmenn on the cover.

Artwork by Terry Shumaker, Stirling Gorsuch, Nancy Cook, Ryan Crouter, Sarah Hendrickson, Laurel Fleet, Kimber Peterson, Adam Dean and many others is included. This year's cover features a painting by Astoria artist Robert Paulmenn.

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Bistro, Astoria Co-op Grocery, Astoria Sunday Market, Baked Alaska, Bella Espresso, Buoy Beer Co., Charlie's Chowder House, Commercial Astoria, Bikes & Beyond, Blue Scorchers Bakery, Coffee Girl, Columbia Riverkeeper, Columbian Theater, Doe & Arrow, Ebb Tide Resort, Eleventh Street Barber, Englund Marine & Industrial Supply, Fort George Brewery, Fox & Fawn, Frite & Scoop, Fulio's Pastaria, Godfather's Books, Forsythea Home & Garden Arts, Imogen Gallery, KP Graphic Arts, Lucy's Books, Three Cups Coffee House, Wimahl Family Clinic, Yoga Namasté, Cloud & Leaf Bookstore, Dragonheart Health Care, Pizza a'fetta, Cannon Beach Gallery Group, Beach Books, Christian Zupancic, the Gilbert Historic District, Hi Tide Oceanfront Inn, Hold Fast Tattoo, Old Town Framing Co., Patty's Wicker Café, Ratz & Co., RiversZen Yoga, Seaside Coffee House, Seastar Gelato, Shanghaied Tattooing, Shear Pleasures Salon & Spa, SpinLogic Enterprises Inc., Star Furniture, SunRose Gallery, Street 14 Café, Tora Sushi, NAPA Auto Parts, Luminari Arts, Windermere Real Estate/Reba Owen, Kathleen and Douglas Peterson, Evan and Tiffany Adams, Steven Nagata, Jordan Clayton, Terry Shumaker, Tommie and Mark Redwine, Robert and Elizabeth Stricklin, and Bernie Wood.

Following the reading, copies of this year's Rain Magazine will be available at the CCC Library, CCC Bookstore, and other area business sponsors. Cost is a suggested donation of \$10; one copy per family, as only a limited number are available.



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The cast of "Shanghaied in Astoria" lets out a cheer on stage in 2015.

Villains and heroes and sturdy women! OH MY!

ASTORIA — Come one, come all (17 and older, please) to the Astor Street Opry Company Playhouse at 129 w. Bond St. for "Shanghaied in Astoria" auditions noon to 2 p.m. Saturday, May 21, for newcomers to the award-winning Broadway-style musical melodrama. Veteran performers audition from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Sunday, May 22.

Being a part of "Shanghaied" is guaranteed to make your summer a rewarding life-time memory as you connect, learn and grow through theater techniques and this precise style of stagecraft performance, says a press release.

More than two dozen colorful parts are open for

men and women, 17 and older, including parts for: Sturdy Women, Nefarious Saloon Owners, Fun Fishermen, Nasty Villains and a Sweetheart or two! Along with spots for dancers, musicians and technical help.

"Shanghaied in Astoria" began in 1985 with a bare-bones budget and cast of friends, and has now grown into a piece of Astoria's folklore, entertaining over 83,000 people in its 31 year history. The story centers on the "Shanghaied" of our hero and his daring rescue, all done in a melodramatic style with audience participation by cheering, booing, sighing and throwing popcorn.

But don't be shy, encourages the release. This process of theatrical

training provides the way for good way jump into the art live performance, whether you're a seasoned veteran or have always had a dream to be on stage.

Anyone who is unable to attend this audition, but is interested in joining the cast, call to arrange a different time.

The Astor Street Opry Company is a not-for-profit community theater organization and is seeking show sponsors for this 32nd season of "Shanghaied In Astoria," running July 7 through Sept. 10. Sponsorships start at \$150 (cash or in-kind donation).

For more information, call 503-791-1037 or email jniland@pacifier.com or visit www.astorstreetycompany.com

