

Artists invited to focus on the landscape

CANNON BEACH — In Looking at Landscape, the Cannon Beach Arts Association is putting together a weekend of activities June 18 and 19 based around contemporary landscape art.

The weekend will include an artists' discussion on contemporary landscape painting, two plein air oil painting classes, and a country cookout set in a beautiful forested garden.

The artists' discussion will take place from 10:30 a.m. to noon June 18. Artists Jef Gunn, Joan Stuart Ross and Michael Southern will meet in the Cannon Beach Gallery to engage in conversation about their work and contemporary landscape. The discussion is free; no booking is required.

The three artists will have work in the gallery's "Landscape as Perception" exhibition, on display June

11 to July 10.

Then, from 1 to 4 p.m., Joanne Radmilovich Kollman will teach a coastal plein air oil painting class. Meeting at the gallery for preparation, the class will then move to a scenic location to paint. The class is open to artists at any level of experience. We advise you to bring your own materials, but sufficient materials will be made available to participate at a beginner level. Participants should dress for painting, sun and changeable weather.

The next day, June 19, Kollman will teach a landscape plein air oil painting class from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The location for this class is at Cannon Beach Arts' Program Director's home with panoramic views of forest land above Astoria. Transport will be provided from Cannon Beach, leaving

Cannon Beach Gallery at 9:30 a.m., or you can make your own way and meet the group there; the location will be provided on booking.

To make the most of what promises to be a lovely day of painting and as a fundraiser for Cannon Beach Art Association, following Kollman's class, there will be a cookout at 2 p.m.

Artists are then invited to stay and paint as long as the light is good. Friends and family may buy tickets for this event and join their artist for lunch in this lovely location. Anyone wanting to support CBAA can buy tickets for this event. Artists can bring their sketchbooks or just relax. The menu will be based around a southern shrimp boil, and buffet. Soft drinks will be provided.

The weekend can be booked as individual classes and events or as a full week-

end package.

Weekend package tickets cost \$100; there is a 10 percent discount for CBAA members. The package includes the artists' talk, the two classes, transportation if required, and the cookout meal. Participants will also be given the option of exhibiting selected works created during this weekend in the CBAA's mobile gallery during the Pein Air Festival, taking place June 24, 25 and 26.

The artists' talk is free; single tickets for the two classes are \$50 each; single tickets for the country cookout are \$20 each.

To book tickets, email cannonbeacharts@gmail.com; organizers will send you a registration form and reserve you a place. Places in the two painting classes are limited to eight participants.



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Too Slim & The Taildraggers will perform June 5 at The Birk.

Hear the blues at The Birk

BIRKENFELD — The Birk will host Too Slim & The Taildraggers for a concert at 3 p.m. Sunday, June 5.

Advanced tickets are \$15 and available online at <http://tinyurl.com/tooslimtickets>. Tickets at the door will be \$20. The venue is located at 11139 Oregon Highway 202, about 40 miles east of Astoria and 18 miles south of Clatskanie.

Creating an eclectic style of blues and rock that has become a genre all its own, Tim "Too Slim" Langford's ever-evolving musical direction cannot easily be classified. Too Slim & The Taildraggers effortlessly cross genres. Flavoring blues with rock and Americana, the

band appeals to audiences of varying musical tastes.

Langford has won multiple individual awards for best guitarist, best slide guitarist and best songwriter, and the band is in the Hall of Fame in three Northwest blues societies. The band's 2013 release "Blue Heart" reached as high as No. 3 on the Billboard Top Blues Album Chart, and "Shiver," the band's previous release, was a 2012 Blues Music Award nominee for blues rock recording of the year.

Too Slim & The Taildraggers' current rhythm section consists of Nashville bassist Eric "Stretch" Hanson and drummer Jeff "Shakey" Fowlkes.

Camp, park and fish for free this weekend

HAMMOND — It's a great time to get outside, explore and play this weekend in Oregon.

Saturday, June 4 is Oregon State Parks Day. Camping is free Saturday night, and there are no day-use or parking fees June 4 and 5.

"State Parks Day is our way of thanking Oregonians for their commitment to our state parks," said Oregon Parks and Recreation Department Director Lisa Sumption. "We invite Oregonians to come out and explore a new park or visit an old favorite."

Saturday and Sunday are also Oregon's Free Fishing Weekend, put on by the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife. No license is required to fish, crab or clam. It's a great opportunity to introduce a friend, child, co-worker or



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June 4 and 5 are Oregon's Free Fishing Weekend, where it's free to fish, crab or clam without a license. Fort Stevens State Park will hold a kids fishing derby Saturday at Coffenbury Lake.

family member to fishing.

For Free Fishing Weekend, Fort Stevens State Park, ODFW and the Rainland Flycasters will host free fishing activities at Coffenbury Lake from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday.

A kids fishing derby

will be held with prizes and a biggest fish competition. A limited number of poles, tackle and bait will be provided for participants.

There will be fly casting demos put on by the Rainland Flycasters.

A barbecue lunch will be served, and prizes will be awarded for the biggest fish.

For more information, contact Fort Stevens State Park Ranger Dane Osis by calling 503-861-3170.

ODFW puts on Oregon's Free Fishing Weekend the first full weekend in June each year.

The Oregon State Legislature established Oregon State Parks Day in 1997 to focus public attention on Oregon's state park system. The event is always the first Saturday in June.

Campsite reservations may be made by calling 800-452-5687 before 5 p.m. Friday, June 3. Or you can reserve online at www.oregonstateparks.org. While the campsite rental is free, an \$8 non-refundable reservation fee still applies.

Test your trivia skills

Seaside library hosts Night of All Knowledge Trivia Tournament

SEASIDE — At 6 p.m. Wednesday, June 8, the Seaside Public Library will host its monthly Team Trivia Tournament. Teams can consist of one person or have as many as six people.

Trivia nights are informal, fun competitions where teams battle to see who has

the greatest knowledge of all matters trivial. General questions will be asked by the trivia host, and the winners are the team that, at the end of the night, has correctly answered the most questions. Prizes will be awarded, but the main prize is knowing you have the smartest trivia team in Clatsop County.

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