

Lewi Longmire brings roots rock, Americana to Peninsula Arts Center

LONG BEACH, Wash. — The Peninsula Arts Center will host Americana musician and Northwest guitarist Lewi Longmire in concert at 7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 19.

Longmire has built a reputation as Portland's multi-instrumentalist go-to guy. In the years since relocating to Portland from Albuquerque, New Mexico, he's been included in shows and on recordings by many of the Northwest's finest bands and songwriters.

He's played with national acts Michael Hurley, Victoria Williams, Dolorean, Ages and Ages, Sallie Ford & the Sound Outside, the Minus 5, and many others as well as local luminaries.

Recently though, Longmire has taken all the things he learned from working with these fine performers and



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Lewi Longmire will perform Nov. 19 at the Peninsula Arts Center.

has been spending his time leading a roots rock/Americana band of his own, singing his own original compositions. This group owes much to the American tradition of good songs played with high energy, deep roots and an unpretentious sense of fun.

Their sound finds the connection between the basement feel of The Band, the raspy blue-eyed soul of Joe Cocker, the desert space of Giant Sand, the "without a net" deep space improvisations of the San Francisco ballrooms, the punk abandon of The Stooges and the quiet contemplation of Neil Young playing solo.

Wine, beer, and other refreshments will be available for purchase. The Peninsula Arts Center is located at 504 Pacific Ave. N.

Admission is \$12 at the door or online through Brown Paper Tickets, or call Bill at 360-901-0962.

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

Merry Time Bar & Grill holds fundraiser for Pierce Christie

The Malternative owner had a stroke in September

ASTORIA — The Merry Time Bar & Grill will host a fundraiser silent auction and entertainment show at 7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 18 to assist Pierce Christie and his family with costs resulting from his severe stroke in September.

A life-long musician and pillar of the Astoria community, Christie has mentored countless aspiring musicians through The Malternative, his eclectic music shop in Astoria. Unfortunately, like many musicians, Christie did not have a safety net" for himself, and his daughter, Portland musician and Astoria native Heather Christie, has been

scrambling to navigate through the medical system, insurance, care facilities, and to keep The Malternative running.

A suggested donation of \$5 to \$10 at the door will go directly to the family as well as all proceeds from the silent auction and all proceeds from the sale of Pierce's favorite adult beverage (vodka with freshly squeezed grapefruit juice).

The silent auction will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. featuring donations from numerous Astoria merchants and artists including: Gimre's Shoes, Purple Cow Toys, Sweater Heads, Commercial Street Antiques, Terra Stones, Finn Ware, Hyggae Hair Co., The Merry Time Bar & Grill, Cold Water Skate Shop, A Gypsy's Whimsy, Bikes & Beyond,

Jane Herold, Buoy Beer Co., Astor Street Opry Company, Terry Robinett and more.

Live entertainment will include comedian and storyteller Gideon F. For-muk-wai, country songwriter and yodeler Wild Bill, Astor Street Opry Company's ChrisLynn Taylor, and The Columbians, a bluegrass band comprised of members from the popular Cannon Beach band the Floating Glass Balls.

Find more information about Christie and to donate directly, find the family's GoFundMe page at www.gofundme.com/christie recovery

The Merry Time Bar & Grill is located at 995 Marine Drive. For more information, call the bar at 503-468-0852.

Cash'd Out concert brings the Man in Black's music to Raymond

Johnny Cash tribute band to perform Nov. 20

RAYMOND, Wash. — A San Diego-based band, Cash'd Out channels Johnny Cash in about as close a manner to the real thing as it gets. After 11 years, hundreds of thousands of miles on the road and many more fans, those fans continually tell the group how grateful they are that Cash'd Out carries the torch of Johnny Cash.

Courtesy of Sunday Afternoon Live, Cash'd Out is coming to the Raymond Theatre at 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 20 at the theater, located at 323 Third St. A sell-out show is expected much like the 2015 Patsy Cline Tribute.

Tickets, at \$20 each, are

separate from Sunday Afternoon Live season tickets and may be purchased in advance at Raymond Pharmacy, South Bend Pharmacy and the theater. They also are available by calling 360-875-5157, by emailing johnnyatsal@gmail.com or at sundayafternoonlive.org

The band features Douglas Benson on vocals, Kevin Manuel on guitar, George Bernardo on drums and Stephen Rey on bass.

Besides music critics anointing Cash'd Out the "next best thing to Johnny Cash," the highlights have been many: W.S. Holland, Cash's longtime drummer, has sat in with Cash'd Out; front man Benson has played Cash's cherry sunburst Guild guitar; and longtime Cash manager Lou Robin had

been to several Cash'd Out shows and claimed that if he closed his eyes it was like "going back in time."

Cash'd Out has over 150 of Cash's songs in its repertoire, including the June Carter Cash duets brought back to fame in the Oscar-winning film "Walk the Line."

The band's live shows respectfully reference the late, great Man in Black's Sun Records and early Columbia-era sound, combined with the energy of the classic multi-platinum live recordings from Folsom Prison and San Quentin. The group's genuine love (and authentic recreation) of Cash's music and its appeal to fans of all ages and musical genres makes each show a must-see event.

