



A painting by Susan Bish.

Bish showcased at the Astoria Art Loft in January

ASTORIA — A tour of Susan Bish's current exhibit at the Astoria Art Loft is like a tour of the North Coast.

Her landscape paintings include reflections at Camp 18, Coffenburg Lake, Tillamook Head, Haystack Rock, Arch Cape, Willapa Bay, Alderbrook Lagoon and other sites in Oregon.

Not content to paint only landscapes, she also painted animals (orangutan, wolf, squirrel, possums), flowers (peony, jonquils, iris, gladiolas, narcissus, and several abstract florals) and portraits.

The bulk of Bish's exhibit is framed and hanging in the Astoria Art Loft gallery. Also, a large number of paintings are unframed and displayed in print racks for easy viewing. An art lover can choose from among many European scenes (Italy, France, Greece), vivid collages, landscapes, portraits in various in various mediums, florals, and more.

Bish personifies the artist as a lifelong learner.

"Although I have been painting for some time now, I feel I still am and always will be a student," she said in a release. "The leaning process never stops and is an essential part of the evolving artist. I constantly try to challenge myself further than I think I can go."

Bish has studied with Shirley Dahlsten, John Campiche, Carl Purcell, Christopher Schink, Carol Riley, Judy Morris and Eric Wiegardt. She paints regularly with Palette Puddlers.

Bish's exhibit remains at the Astoria Art Loft, 106 Third St., Astoria, through January. The Art Loft is open Tuesday through Saturday, 11 a.m. – 4 p.m. or other times by appointment. Call for information at 325-4442 or astoriaartloft@gmail.com

Race in the New Year on the Riverwalk

Start the New Year off on the right foot. Join Astoria Parks and Recreation for a 5k run on the Astoria Riverwalk.

Meet at the Maritime Memorial Park for registra-

tion at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 1. Cost is \$15 per runner. Snacks and warm refreshments will be served.

The race starts at 11 a.m. There will be prizes for the top finishers.

Crossword Answer

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Museum offers Family Engineering Week

ASTORIA — The Columbia River Maritime Museum hopes to inspire the next generation of critical thinkers and problem solvers with an exciting week of Family Engineering activities geared toward elementary-aged children and adults Monday-Friday, Dec. 27-30.



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Take part in family engineering activities Dec. 27 to 30.

The week will provide an opportunity for children and parents to interact together as they discover the fun and excitement of elementary engineering.

Developed with support from the National Science Foundation and modeled after the Family Science and Family Math programs, Family Engi-

neering promotes 21st century skills of inquiry, creativity, teamwork, and collaborative problem solving. Families will discover the many career opportunities in engineering and will participate in more than 20 different hands-on activities and crafts. Included with paid admission, members are free.



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NEW YEAR'S EVE BLACK AND WHITE EVENT

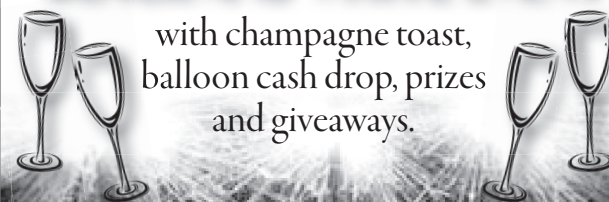
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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 31

Welcome **2017** in style at
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BLACK AND WHITE EVENT

with champagne toast,
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