

## Call for mystery-themed art for writers' series

MANZANITA — To highlight our November Manzanita Writers' Series mystery theme, artists are invited to submit art to be displayed in the Hoffman Center for the Arts in November 2017.

The art should be inspired by the literary reference "Quoth the Raven, 'Nevermore'" in some manner. It can include up to two pieces of any two-dimensional medium.

Artists are welcome to sell their work, with a 30-percent commission to the Hoffman Center.

Ready-to-hang art should be dropped off at the Hoffman Center

between 10 a.m. and noon Monday, Oct. 30. The show will be hung that afternoon and will be among the art on display throughout November.

On Monday, Nov. 20, author Ingrid Thoft will teach a workshop titled "Mastering Murder" and read from her latest thriller, "Duplicity," that evening.

The Manzanita Writers' Series is a program of the Hoffman Center for the Arts and will be held at Center (594 Laneda Ave.). More information is available at [hoffmanblog.org](http://hoffmanblog.org), or contact Kathie Hightower at [kathiejhightower@gmail.com](mailto:kathiejhightower@gmail.com).



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From left: David Sweeney, Karen Martin and Ellen Jensen

## Haunting romantic comedy runs through Oct. 28

CANNON BEACH — Noel Coward's supernatural comedy "Blithe Spirit" haunts the Coaster Theatre stage weekends through Saturday, Oct. 28.

Socialite and novelist Charles Condomine invites the eccentric medium and clairvoyant Madame Arcati to his house to conduct a séance in hopes of gathering material for his next book. The scheme backfires when he is haunted by the ghost of his temperamental first wife, Elvira.

Elvira attempts to disrupt Charles's marriage to his current wife, Ruth, who cannot see or hear the ghost. As the (worldly and unworldly) personalities clash, Charles risks being haunted into perpetuity.

This romantic comedy features North Coast actors and is directed by Edward James. Tickets are \$25 or \$20 and can be purchased at [coastertheatre.com](http://coastertheatre.com) or by calling 503-436-1242.

Friday and Saturday shows begin at 7:30 p.m., Sunday shows at 3 p.m.

# FALL FUN ON NETARTS BAY: FOSSILS, BIRDS AND LONG-LOST STORIES

NETARTS BAY — Friends of Netarts Bay WEBS (Watershed, Estuary, Beach, and Sea) is wrapping up the 2017 season with three final programs.

From fossils to birds to long-lost stories, Netarts will be a cozy place of discovery. The Saturday, Oct. 21, event is part of the Explore Nature series of hikes, walks, paddles and outdoor adventures.

Explore Nature events are hosted by a consortium of volunteer community and nonprofit organizations, and are meaningful nature-based experiences meant to highlight the unique beauty of Tillamook County and the work being done to preserve and conserve the area's natural resources and natural resource-based economy.

The events are free and open to public. Tax-exempt donations to the Friends group are gladly accepted. All events require registration and are held near Netarts. Additional information is provided once spots are secured.

To register, follow the links to the events on the Friends of Netarts Bay home page: [netartsbaytoday.org](http://netartsbaytoday.org). Learn more at [explorenaturetillamookCoast.com](http://explorenaturetillamookCoast.com).

### "Geology of Netarts Bay: Fossil Forensics 101": 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 14.

Oregon resident and avocational paleontologist Guy DiTorrice (aka "Oregon Fossil Guy") presents "Geology of Netarts Bay: Fossil Forensics 101."

A multi-media presentation will provide an entertaining overview of the wide variety of 10- to 20-million-year-old fossils found in the gravel and cobble piles below sea cliffs



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Cormorants



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Historic Netarts circa 1919



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A fossil

and on sandy beaches along Oregon's rugged coastline. Then participants will travel to Cape Lookout State Park to do some fossil investigations themselves.

Registration is required. Transportation to natural

areas will be provided by WEBS. Please be prepared for dynamic coastal weather.

### "Fall Birding on the Bay": 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 21

Oregon coastal wildlife

artist, professional photographer and biologist Ram Papish will lead this fall tour. Search for loons, grebes, pelicans, cormorants and a variety of other seabirds along Netarts Bay.

The event kicks off with a short presentation on local and migrating birds that seasonally visit the bay. This is followed by a bus tour along the bay with stops to observe wildlife. The event is also part of the Explore Nature series of walks, hikes, paddles and outdoor adventures.

Registration is required. Transportation to natural areas will be provided by WEBS. Please be prepared for dynamic coastal weather. Binoculars are encouraged.

### "Stories from Netarts Past": 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, Nov. 4.

Netarts is an area steeped in history with many secrets to reveal. How did Whiskey Creek get its names? What was life like in Netarts more than 100 years ago? Grab a warm drink and listen to stories gleaned from the rich history of the Netarts Bay Area.

Registration is required.