

BEST PHOTOS OF 2017



Colin Murphey/The Daily Astorian

Rescue swimmers keep a lookout for other emergency personnel bringing in 'victims' during a beach rescue drill near Long Beach, Wash.



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Mike Holland-Moritz of Portland searches for wild mushrooms at Fort Stevens State Park near Warrenton.

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As 2017 winds down, The Daily Astorian decided to look back at the events of the past year with a collection of what we think are the best photos.

The year provided a wealth of opportunities to document the people, places and events around the Columbia-Pacific region. Whether it was a solar eclipse from the Astoria Column, a beauty pageant in Seaside, fishermen in Warrenton or tourists on the sands of Cannon Beach, we were fortunate enough to be there for the moments that help define the times, experiences and lives of the people around us.



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A contestant in the 2017 Miss Oregon pageant competes in the evening wear portion of the competition held in Seaside.



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People at the base of the Astoria Column gaze up at a solar eclipse in August. Hundreds of people chose the spot to observe the phenomenon.



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Spectators watch the Fourth of July fireworks display near the Astoria Riverwalk.



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Bruce Faling pilots the historic Tourist No. 2 ferry along with Jacquelyn Harris and about 15 other passengers during a brief outing on the Columbia River.



Damian Mulinix/EO Media Group
Ophelia Wise was one of 40 local elementary school students learning to dance for the middle school play, 'Wonderland.'



Danny Miller/The Daily Astorian
Brandon Williams, the uncle of Trevor Secord, and his son, Judas Williams, Secord's cousin, share a moment attending the candlelight vigil to remember Secord's life at Warrenton City Park.