

College's student art show opens May 17

ASTORIA — Clatsop Community College's 2018 Annual Art Student Show will be featured in the Royal Nebeker Gallery, 1799 Lexington Ave., in Astoria Thursday, May 17, through Friday, June 8.

The opening reception will take place 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, May 17, and will kick off with a special dedication of the gallery sign in honor of Royal Nebeker and the naming of the gallery in his memory.

Following the dedication, cash prizes and award winners will be announced. The juror for this year's show is Sarah Nebeker, who will attend the dedication and awards presentations and give a brief gallery talk.

Sarah is a Clatsop County Commissioner who initiated the creation of the Arts Council of Clatsop County. For 47 years, she has lived in Gearhart, where she and her husband, Royal Nebeker, raised a family, emphasizing the arts and

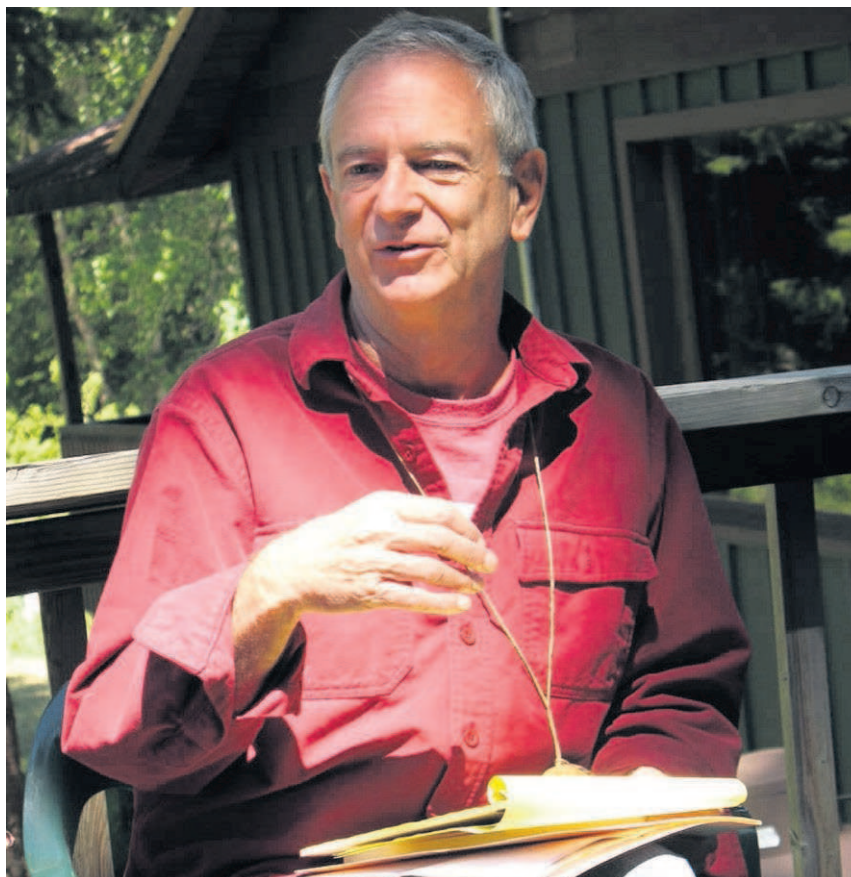
creativity. She was the manager of Royal's exhibitions and body of work throughout his career as an artist.

In the early years of Astoria's rich arts community, Sarah organized, choreographed and danced in performances in Astoria and Portland, and also worked with her husband to develop and grow an arts community in Clatsop County through education and community collaboration.

The Art Student Show is an annual juried event that showcases the talents and creativity of the college's art students and features a range of disciplines, including graphic arts, basic design, drawing, painting, ceramics, photography and printmaking.

For more information about CCC or to learn more about the Royal Nebeker Gallery, visit clatsopcc.edu/community/ccc-royal-nebeker-art-gallery, or contact Kristin Shauck at kshauck@clatsopcc.edu.

An Oregon author's 'voyage of discovery' along the Columbia



Oregon author Robin Cody

COURTESY LEWIS AND CLARK NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK

ASTORIA — Nature Matters ends its season Thursday, May 10, with Oregon author Robin Cody.

Cody will tell river stories based on his experiences canoeing the Columbia River from its source. Doors will open at 6 p.m.; the free presentation starts at 7 p.m.

Cody's "Voyage of a Summer Sun: Canoeing the Columbia River" won the 1996 Oregon Book Award for literary non-fiction. Please join us for the evening in the Fort George Lovell showroom. The program is free and open to the public.

Cody calls his time on the Columbia a "voyage of discovery on a river I thought I knew." He also wrote "Ricochet River," a novel, and "Another Way the River Has," a collection of short true stories full of rivers, fish and Oregon lore.

Nature Matters is a lively conversation about the intersection of nature and culture, held the second Thursday of each month, October through May. The series is hosted by Lewis and Clark National Historical Park, in partnership with the North Coast Watershed Association, the Lewis & Clark National Park Association and Fort George Brewery.

For more information, call the park at 503-861-2471 or check out nps.gov/lewi or Lewis and Clark National Historical Park on Facebook.

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Thursday Night Talk: the scramble for control of Oregon

ASTORIA — The last lecture in the Clatsop County Historical Society's Thursday Night Talks series will take place May 17 at the Fort George Showroom in the Lovell Building. The topic: "Lewis and Clark and the International Competition for Oregon" by author Mark Eifler.

Doors open at 6 p.m.; lectures begin at 7 p.m. Seasonal beers are on tap, and food and other beverages are available for purchase. Minors are welcome with an accompanying adult. The event is free and open to the public.

The Pacific Northwest coast was a hotbed of international competition between 1775 and 1815, when four nations — Spain, Russian, Great Britain and the U.S. — sought control of the region. By the time of the Lewis and Clark Expedition, it was apparent that the key to regional dominance focused on the mouth of the Columbia River.

Most students of American history are familiar with the scientific goals President Jefferson established for the Corps of Discovery, but Jefferson also had his eye on political and eco-



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Author Mark Eifler

nomie power as he sought to map the vast territory recently purchased from France.

Though the expedition

did not make direct contact with representatives of the other nations, historian and author Mark Eifler will discuss the remarkable geopolitical ramifications of Lewis and Clark's journey, the end of Spain's already weak hold on the Pacific Northwest, a frenzy of Russian activity to seize the coast and a further opening of the door for British fur traders.

For more information about this event or other Clatsop County Historical Society activities, call 503-325-2203 or email cchs@cumtux.org.