

Free Regatta concert boasts 100-plus musicians

ASTORIA — More than 100 musicians from Oregon and Washington will come together to celebrate the Astoria Regatta in a free, family-oriented concert 7 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 11.

Astoria's Columbia River Symphony and Vancouver's Beacock Music Concert Band combine their talents to present a "Summer Pops" show as part of the Astoria Regatta's weekend celebrations.

The concert will be in the Astoria High School Auditorium, 1001 W. Marine Drive. The concert is free, but donations will be accepted. Each ensemble will perform selections separately for the first half of the concert before joining together after intermission.

The program will feature selections from popular Hollywood films, musicals and classics such as "The Lord of the Rings," "Star Wars," "Jurassic World," "Somewhere in Time," "Wonder Woman," Glenn Miller tunes and much more.

This concert marks the fifth time the two ensembles have come together in the last six years. The groups' directors are identical twin brothers.

The 70-member Columbia River Symphony is composed of adults and youth from local schools. Led by Conductor Cory Pederson, and now in its 10th year, the Columbia River Symphony is a community-based, all-volunteer, nonprofit performing arts group.

The symphony welcomes new members and is open to anyone who plays a string or wind instrument or percussion. For more information about joining the symphony or information about upcoming concerts, visit columbiariversymphony.org or call 503-836-2198.

Cary Pederson's Beacock Music Concert Band is a 30-plus member ensemble, part of the New Horizons music program operating across the nation.

The Columbia River Symphony preforms at Clatsop Community College.

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Liberty Theatre's Classical Series enters second year

ASTORIA — The Liberty Theatre is proud to present its second year of classical performances and school workshops.

Please join us in welcoming the following ensembles:

- 7 p.m. Sept. 22, 2018: Portland Chamber Orchestra
- 7 p.m. Jan. 13, 2019: Quartetto Gelato
- 7 p.m. Feb. 23, 2019: BodyVox Dance
- 7 p.m. March 7, 2019: Trio Solisti
- 7 p.m. April 26, 2019: Clarinetist David Shifrin, with Cary Lewis
- 7 p.m. May 4, 2019: Soprano Deborah Mayer, with Cary Lewis

The first season presented seven workshops within Astoria and Warrenton high schools, reaching more than 100 students. Thanks to foundations, corporations and donors, the Liberty is planning to reach many more area schools during the 2018-19 season.

Along with this educational outreach, we have chosen performers from around the country that we



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Portland Chamber Orchestra.

know you will enjoy.

The season opener with Portland Chamber Orchestra and Music Director Yacov Bergman is titled "The Eight Seasons." Works will include Antonio Vivaldi's "The Four Seasons" and Astor Piazzolla's "The Four Seasons of Buenos Aires."

The Portland Chamber Orchestra, one of America's oldest chamber orchestras, was founded in 1947 by Finnish composer and conductor Boris Sirpo, who came to Portland after

leaving his war-torn native country, and the orchestra was initially composed entirely of his music students at Lewis and Clark College.

Tickets are available at libertyastoria.org or in our Box Office, 2 to 5:30 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday. Single tickets and season packages are available. Tickets for reserved seating are \$20, \$30 and \$40.

The Liberty Theatre is located at 1203 Commercial St.

Songster Lauren Sheehan sings at dinner concert

MANZANITA — The Lauren Sheehan Duo will perform a dinner concert at Bread & Ocean in Manzanita on Thursday, Aug. 9. Dinner starts at 6 p.m., the music at 7:30 p.m.

Admission is \$40 for both dinner and two hours of Sheehan's music. Dinner includes a salad, an entrée, two sides and dessert.

Entrée choices: fresh wild-caught sockeye salmon baked in parchment,

stuffed chicken breast or vegetarian lasagna. Russ Carlisle, a virtuoso harmonica player, joins Sheehan for an evening of vintage American roots music, including country blues.

This will be an evening of tasty sound to complement a lovely dinner.

Contact George Reddish for a reservation: 503-368-5823 (restaurant) or 503-801-6804 (cell).



Lauren Sheehan

Bread & Ocean is located at 154 Laneda Ave.