## Celebrate Picture Attic's expanded gallery, new artists in style

LONG BEACH, Wash.

— An Evening at the Attic

— an event celebrating the bigger space and new art at The Picture Attic in Long Beach, Wash. — takes place 5:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 23. There will be live music by Fred Carter, plus food and other refreshments.

Now art and artists include Darlene Montgomery's rope baskets, made with recycled crab fishermen's rope; acrylics by Cecelia Haack; and Beverly Cole's painted rocks.

Other participating artists: Susan Mitchel, with oils and pastels; Susan Wilson, with stained glass mirrors, wall hangings and jewelry; Linda Marsh with pots and mugs with faces, hand-decorated vases and vessels, and other handmade pottery items; Jean Nitzel's watercolors and acrylics; Al Betters' acrylic paintings of wildlife and military life; Carol Couch's



Jean Nitz

## A painting of a forest path by Jean Nitzel.

watercolors; Monica Cameron's watercolors and prints; Lynda Kinnuen's art pieces crafted with colored leather and nails; Wes Moenhke's watercolors of trains, bridges and old cars; and abstract oils by Oscar Nelson.

The Picture Attic is at 711 Pacific North on Washington State Route 103, eight blocks north of Bolstad Avenue in Long Beach, Wash.

## Go down the rabbit hole in Cannon Beach

CANNON BEACH — Go down the rabbit hole with a free, one-woman performance of "Alice in Wonderland" at 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 23, at Tolovana Hall in Cannon Beach.

All of Lewis Carroll's indelible characters — including Alice, the Queen, Cheshire Cat and the Mad Hatter — will be channeled by Anne Rutherford, an award-winning storyteller and arts educator from Portland.

Rutherford's ping-ponging among Wonderland's wild points of view might seem daunting — if not downright mad — but Carroll's story, after all, is about exploring what's really possible. As Carroll wrote, "Alice had begun to think that very few things indeed were really impossible."

Perhaps it's fitting for a single performer to adapt and deliver this shapeshifting tale. As Alice herself says: "How puzzling all



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Anne Rutherford, an award-winning storyteller and arts educator from Portland, performs 'Alice in Wonderland' as a one-woman show.

these changes are! I'm never sure what I'm going to be, from one minute to another."

Presented by Tolovana Arts Colony, this show for familes and children of all ages is made possible by a grant from the City of Cannon Beach.

Tolovana Hall is at 3779

S. Hemlock St. For more information, visit tolovanaartscolony.org, email tolovanaartscolony@gmail.com or call 541-215-4445.

## Writers read essays, poems about North Coast life

CANNON BEACH — Life on the North Coast will be the topic of essays and poems read by local writers during the Writers Read Celebration at 7 p.m.

Friday, March 1, in the Cannon Beach Library.

The 10 writers' residences range from Gray's River on the Washington Coast to Nehalem in Oregon. Their pieces were selected from among 49 entries by a panel of library volunteers, a bookstore representative and a professional writer.

Many iconic experiences special to the North Coast are contained in the selections. They include a walk along the Columbia River waterfront, a drive from Portland to Manzanita, an early morning stroll between the river and the sea, a visit to Klootchy Creek, a child's discovery in the Haystack

Rock tidepools and a new resident's first impressions of living here full time

From November through January, the Cannon Beach Library asked local residents and visitors to submit entries about life on the North Coast to be read at the Writers Read event. The pieces were to be no longer than 600 words. The panel making the selections read the submissions without knowing who the authors were.

Entries — both those that will be read March 1 and others submitted — will be compiled in a permanent collection at the library.



