



Drea Rose Frost, left, and Jeremy Furnish's wife Mandy Furnish, look through a dumpster at the Recology office in Warrenton for materials to use in its artist in residence program.

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# TRASH, RECLAIMED

## Artists make art from discarded objects

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“Everything Old Is New Again.” The words to this song by Peter Allen, and from the movie, “All That Jazz,” might come to mind when you consider the artists selected for this year’s Coastal Oregon Artist Residency program will create works of art from discarded objects gleaned from the Recology Astoria Recycling Depot and Transfer Station. The annual Recology Western Oregon

and Astoria Visual Arts residency program, now in its fourth year, supports repurposing discarded material into works of art.

Artists Drea Rose Frost of Cannon Beach and Jeremy Furnish of Clatskanie were selected for the four-month residency out of 11 applicants, the highest number ever of people who applied.

The program brings a whole new meaning to dumpster diving.

“I’ve been dumpster diving for 20 years,” Furnish said.



From left: Mandy Furnish, Drea Rose Frost and Jeremy Furnish jokingly grab a shopping cart to look for materials at the Recology Astoria Transfer Station as part of the artist in residence program.

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