

YOU CAN'T RAIN ON THIS PARADE

Stormy Weather Arts Festival creates pandemic-safe fun

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Rain or shine, the 33rd annual Stormy Weather Arts Festival is happening.

The festival will take place Friday through Sunday in Cannon Beach.

Though the event will look different due to the coronavirus pandemic, the festival will still be a way to safely celebrate art of both regional and national artists.

Cannon Beach galleries will be open throughout the weekend for limited in-person viewing, along with outdoor performances from local musicians around town on Saturday.

“One of the great things about our community is that everyone is artistic in one way or another, so it really gets to show itself this weekend,” said Jim Paino, executive director of the Cannon Beach Chamber of Commerce.



Jeffrey Hull Gallery, featuring the artist's works, will be open during the festival.

“My favorite part of (the festival) is that all the galleries get new art,” Clayton said. “So for us, we get a lot of new art all the time but during these special times the artists do really pick it up a little bit. It’s more about seeing the new art that’s coming in.”

Cannon Beach Gallery is another long-time-participating member of the festival. The gallery will be hosting virtual events on the gallery’s social media pages in addition to limited-capacity gallery viewings.

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A painting by artist Dorota Haber-Leigh, featured at Cannon Beach Gallery.

If You Go

Stormy Weather Arts Festival
Friday through Sunday
Cannon Beach
Tickets: cannonbeach.org

Longtime galleries return

Bronze Coast Gallery is a veteran participant in the festival. The gallery specializes in bronze sculptures, paintings and jewelry — in total featuring the work of more than 40 artists from the U.S. and Canada.

The gallery won’t be hosting its usual artist receptions and will instead host several limited-attendance presentations by artists, said Joe Clayton, the gallery’s managing director. Artists who will be featured include sculptors Dan Chen, Carol Gold and David Crawford.

The artists will be showcasing new art specifically for the event, Clayton said.

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