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## Coast Community Radio

Graham Nystrom, Coast Community Radio station manager, has been guiding the organization's radio stations through the pandemic. For KMUN 91.9 FM, the impacts of the pandemic have been largely felt through the loss of interactions between staff and volunteers, Nystrom said.

The station usually has over 100 volunteers regularly coming in and out of the building, plus a variety of special in-studio guests.

"The staff and I both dearly miss our usual rotating cast of characters," Nystrom said.

Now, KMUN's volunteers are creating shows from their homes, using recording equipment either purchased themselves or provided by the station.

"We call it our 'Homegrown Radio.' And while it's not quite as good as live radio, it's the very next best thing," Nystrom said.

"We are very fortunate to not have been as negatively impacted financially as many other businesses. We were able to continue to provide our service, and our members have been graciously and generously continuing to support us."

KMUN has also been producing recorded video performances of musicals guests and uploading them to YouTube, Nystrom said.



Hailey Hoffman/The Astorian

**Gates block the entrance to the Liberty Theatre on March 15, 2020.**

"Lots more great on-demand performances coming your way throughout the year," Nystrom said.

Nystrom is looking forward to KMUN's partnership with the Liberty Theatre. The two organizations will produce a classical music series together.

"Our audience has a strong contingency of classical music lovers," he said.

The first performance, which features members of the 45th Parallel Universe Orchestra, released Monday, coinciding with the station's spring pledge drive.



M.J. Cody

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