

## Merry Time Bar & Grill to host regional pinball tournament



Vintage game enjoys a resurgence



ASTORIA – The Merry Time Bar & Grill presents the Salty Mermaid Cup, a regional pinball tournament, on Saturday and Sunday.

The event will feature 32 players, with qualifying rounds on Saturday followed by final rounds on Sunday. In addition to the Merry Time's eleven pinball machines,

additional vintage games will be brought in for the tournament.

Pinball has enjoyed a resurgence in recent years, and the Northwest was once home to a pinball craze. Portland once laid claim to having the most pinball machines per capita of any U.S. city. The event is currently sold out.

## Chamber orchestra holds March concerts

The North Coast Chamber Orchestra will present two concerts of classical music titled "Concert Overtures" this weekend.

The first concert is at 7 p.m. on Friday at St. Catherine's Episcopal Church, 36335 N. U.S. Highway 101 in Nehalem. The second concert is at 3 p.m. on Sunday at the Charlene Larsen Center for the Performing Arts, 588 16th St. in Astoria.

Directed by conductor Cory Pederson, the concerts will feature overtures that recall some of classical music's endearing operas, ballets and oratorios.

Selections performed by the orchestra

include "Echoes of Ossian," "Light Cavalry Overture" and "Overture to Rienzi," among others. The programs will also include solo performances by Cannon Beach pianist Diane Amos, the orchestra's Judy Woodward and guest artist Mike Woods.

Admission for each concert is \$10 for adults, \$5 for students and free for children under 12 (with adult supervision). Masks and proof of vaccination are required for all attendees. Tickets can be purchased online at [www.partnersfortheopac.org](http://www.partnersfortheopac.org) or by phone at 503-338-9132.

## Liberty Theatre presents Sondheim tribute

ASTORIA – The musicians of Portland's 45th Parallel Universe will perform a night of tributes to musical theatre icon Stephen Sondheim at 7 p.m. on Friday at the Liberty Theatre.

Sondheim was known for shows that tackled unexpected themes with complex musical arrangements. His works include "West Side Story," "A Funny Thing Hap-

pened on the Way to the Forum," "Follies," and "Into the Woods," among others.

Admission for the event is \$25 for adults and \$5 for those under 18. Doors open at 6 p.m. and concessions will be closed for this show. Proof of vaccination or negative COVID test required for all attendees. For more information and to buy tickets, visit [www.libertyastoria.org](http://www.libertyastoria.org).

# North Coast Comedy Night held at Liberty

ASTORIA – The Liberty Theatre presents North Coast Comedy Night, the first of a new series of live stand-up shows, on Saturday at 8 p.m.

Hosted by Drew Wilson-McGrath, this event will feature headlining comedian Tyler Boeh, known for winning over Northwest audiences with his quick wit, charm and relatable humor. Also featured is Oregon comedy scene staple

Tory Ward, whose biting and cavalier observations on family, personal health and dating are sure to bring laughs.

Admission for the event is \$10. Doors open at 6 p.m. Proof of vaccination or negative COVID test required for all attendees. For more information and to buy tickets, visit [www.libertyastoria.org](http://www.libertyastoria.org). This event is for those 21 and over only.

## CrosswordAnswers

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