

**‘Nature Matters’ talk focuses on invasive crab species**

ASTORIA — Coastal specialist Alex Stote and Willapa-Grays Harbor Oyster Growers Association executive director David Beugli will give a talk on the highly invasive European green crab at Fort George Brewery’s Lovell Showroom on Thursday at 7 p.m.

Considered one of the most widespread invasive species in estuarine waters, the European green crab has grown in population along the Oregon and Washington state coasts in recent years, threatening other native species.

This event is part of “Nature Matters,” a program featuring monthly conversations hosted by Lewis and Clark National Historical Park in partnership with the North Coast Watershed Association, Lewis and Clark National Park Association and Fort George Brewery.

This event is free and open to the public. Doors open at 6 p.m. For more information, visit [www.nps.gov/lewi](http://www.nps.gov/lewi).

**‘Tribute mania’ comes to Liberty Theatre**

ASTORIA — A series of cover artists will take the stage for “Tribute Mania,” paying homage to the catalogs of 1980s favorites at the Liberty Theatre on Saturday at 7:30 p.m.

First, local musicians Roger Jaime, James “Bucky” Pottschmidt, Mat “Hurricane” Banke, Michael Simpson and John Elkins, forming the tribute band Back Into Black, will perform AC/DC’s “Back In Black” album in full. Next, Jett-A-Tar, featuring vocalist Marcie Attig Long, will perform hits from Pat Benatar and wrap up the evening with a tribute to Joan Jett.

Admission for the show is \$20. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. For more information, visit [www.libertyastoria.org](http://www.libertyastoria.org).

**Portland Audubon Society offers bird monitor training**

PORTLAND — The Portland Audubon Society will offer a virtual train-



The black oystercatcher is a striking and vulnerable North Coast resident.



The invasive European green crab will be the topic of this month’s ‘Nature Matters’ talk.

ing session for those interested in helping to monitor the North Coast’s black oystercatchers on Thursday from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

The session, a partnership with the Friends of Cape Falcon, Haystack Rock Awareness Program and other local and state organizations, aims to educate community members about the challenges faced by black oystercatchers and prepare them to participate in a community nest monitoring program.

This event is free and open to all. For more information, visit [www.audubon-portland.org](http://www.audubon-portland.org).

**Cascadia Chamber Opera set to perform in Astoria**

ASTORIA — The Cascadia Chamber Opera will host Pint Sized Opera, a singing event highlighting favorite opera pieces at Merry Time Bar and Grill on Sunday at 1 p.m.

The opera, which aims to make the genre accessible for all, will feature familiar community members Deac Guidi, Bereniece Jones-Centeno and Christ-Lynn Taylor joined by newcomer Esteban Zuniga, singing opera and Broadway favorites.

This event is free and open to all. For more information, visit [www.cascadiaconcertopera.org](http://www.cascadiaconcertopera.org).

**Gem, Bead and Mineral Show to be held in Seaside**

SEASIDE — The Gem, Bead and Mineral Show will take place at the Seaside Civic and Convention Center beginning on Monday.

The event, organized by Shiva Endeavors, will feature unique minerals, beads, fossils and meteorites found across the globe, on display through May 15.

For more information, visit [www.seasideconvention.com](http://www.seasideconvention.com).



Instrumental and comedy duo Bridge and Wolak will perform at the Raymond Theatre in Raymond on Sunday.

**Bridge and Wolak to perform at Raymond Theatre**

RAYMOND, Wash. — Music and comedy duo Bridge and Wolak will perform as part of the Raymond Theatre’s Sunday Afternoon Live series on Sunday at 3 p.m.

The duo, consisting of Michael Bridge on accordion and piano and Kornel Wolak

on clarinet and piano, fuse acoustic instrumentation with contemporary electronic sounds. The pair also infuse comedy in each of their performances.

Admission for the show is \$20 for adults and \$5 for students. For more information, visit [www.sundayafternoonlive.org](http://www.sundayafternoonlive.org).

**CrosswordAnswers**

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