

## ENTERTAINMENT *Update*

### Mountain Film Fest April 24-26

Hood River Mountain Film Festival, aka "Best of the Fest," returns April 24-26 at Skylight Draffthouse Theater and Pub, presented by Mr. Elive Productions. Tickets are \$20 for 12 adventure, environmental and adrenaline short films, ranging from 3 to 26 minutes. The festival features films from Vancouver International Mountain Film Festival and Banff Film Festival. Selections include "Caleb," voted top kayaking film of 2014, "Dream," by Gorge filmmaker Skip Armstrong and filmed on the White Salmon River, and the featured film, "Sufferfest 2".

### Tracy Klass & Jeff Carrell at White Buffalo April 16

The Tracy Klass & Jeff Carrell duo bring original and American roots music to the White Buffalo stage for a complimentary wine tasting, Thursday, April 16, 6-8 pm. Tracy and Jeff's compelling vocals and perfect harmonies will compliment outstanding wines from this week's featured winery, Cougar Crest of Walla Walla, Wash. White Buffalo Wines, 4040 Westcliff Dr., Hood River; 541-386-5534.

### David Crowe Comedy Night at the Columbia Gorge Hotel

The Columbia Gorge Hotel is proud to present, comedy veteran David Crowe for one-night-only, Saturday, May 2, at 9 p.m. Tickets are \$10 and the show is for adults 18 and over. David Crowe is a 20 year veteran of the comedy stage. After winning both the Seattle and San Francisco Comedy Competitions, then performing for a US President the same year, his career took off and has never stopped. On stage Crowe is armed with a "gallery of facial expressions," a host of accents and a "nerdy charisma that is utterly captivating." Columbia Gorge Hotel, 4000 Westcliff Dr., Hood River; 541-386-5566.

### Aaron Meyer show May 1

On Friday, May 1, at 7:30 p.m. violinist Aaron Meyer and guitarist Tim Ellis will perform with the Columbia Gorge Sinfonietta at the Hood River Middle School. Join Aaron and Tim as they perform their original music from their CD, "Two Sides To This Story." General admission tickets are \$20, available at the door or in advance at brownpapertickets.com. Hood River Middle School Auditorium, 1602 May St, Hood River.

### Hop Trip at Volcanic April 18

Local band Hop Trip plays the Volcanic Bottle Shoppe Saturday, April 18. "Hoppy Hour" starts at 7 p.m. with Bart Popenoe, Ed Dietrich, Mark Daly, and a few special guests. The music is the perfect blend of folk with just a little funk, and always fun. Volcanic Bottle Shoppe, 1410 12th St., Hood River; 541-436-1226.

### Art of Movement April 25

Columbia Center for the Arts and Columbia Gorge Dance Academy are proud to present for the 10th year, "Art of Movement" a celebration of local dance on April 25 returns at Columbia Center for the Arts. "Art of Movement" will celebrate with 2 performances at 4 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, April 25. Tickets are \$10 for students and seniors, \$8 for children 11 and under and \$12 for adults, available at Columbia Center for the Arts, Waucoma Bookstore or at www.columbiaarts.org.

Entertainment listings can be e-mailed to [jd Drake@hoodrivernews.com](mailto:jd Drake@hoodrivernews.com)

## 'Voice' finalist Taylor John Williams plays Gorge April 26

The Griffin House opens its musical season with a house concert by Taylor John Williams on Sunday, April 26. Williams, an Oregon native, has become well known around the world after competing on "The Voice" with a fifth place finish. His performance at The Griffin House is part of William's Northwest house concert tour. Limited seating is available and tickets must be reserved through the Fanswell website ([fanswell.com/show/BKV7Dxm7ax](http://fanswell.com/show/BKV7Dxm7ax)).



## 'Gelato' plays April 16

Mid-Columbia Community Concert Association proudly presents Quartetto Gelato. This group of energetic and accomplished musicians has been dazzling audiences and critics around the world for nearly two decades.

The concert starts Thursday, April 16, at 7 p.m. at the Calvary Baptist Church, 3350 Columbia View Dr., The Dalles. Season ticket holders are free, but general audience can purchase tickets at the door; Klindt's Book Sellers and Columbia River Music.

## I CARRIED A WATERMELON: A Dirty Dancing Story by TriptheDark Dance Company debuts April 17

Columbia Center for the Arts is proud to host TriptheDark for their fifth season as a dance company invites you into the world of Patrick Swayze's hips. The show is Friday, April 17, at 8 p.m.

Keeping to their tradition of bringing entertaining dance performances to Portland, "I Carried A Watermelon: A Dirty Dancing Story" is equal parts homage and irreverence: everything you always loved about Dirty Danc-

ing, and everything you didn't know it was missing. Hood River gets a rare opportunity to see this Portland Based Company locally.

Tragedy and social strata befall Johnny and his crew, and he finds himself in need of a new dance partner. "I Carried A Watermelon" doesn't just retell your favorite eighties movie masterpiece, it takes your dusty old VHS cassette, throws in some glitter, spandex, TriptheDark's legendary

humor and accessibility and presents it for you as fresh and relevant as ever before. So be there or be square. And squares have corners. And nobody, but nobody, puts baby in the corner. Doors open at 7:15 with the show at 8 p.m. Tickets (\$18 adults/\$15 students and seniors/\$10 children under 12) are available at [www.tripthedark.com](http://www.tripthedark.com). Columbia Center for the Arts is located at 215 Cascade Ave. in downtown Hood River.

## 'Organ Crawl' highlights historic pipe organs of The Dalles April 19

Classical music lovers of the Mid-Columbia will have an opportunity to experience the fifth biennial Organ Crawl, a series of five performances on the historic pipe organs of The Dalles on Sunday, April 19, from 2 to 5 p.m.

The event was initiated by the late Robert Carsner in 2007, and friends who supported him in the first four Crawls determined to continue the tradition in Carsner's memory after his death in

January 2014.

This year's Crawl begins with a 20-minute performance by Caroline Homer at St. Peter's Landmark featuring short pieces by Edvard Grieg, J.S. Bach, Arthur Sullivan, Meredith Willson and others.

When this instrument was built, the Kilgen Organ Company had one of the best reputations for building organs in the country. The organ dates to 1907 and was dedi-

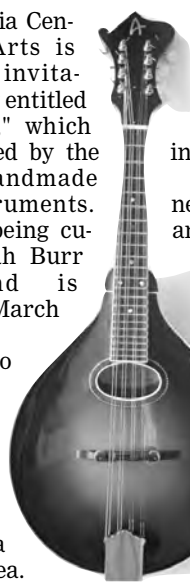
cated in 1925 with major renovation in 1974.

From St. Peter's Landmark, attendees will proceed to United Church of Christ Congregational to enjoy a performance by Cheryl Ortega with selections by Rodgers and Hammerstein, Bach and Camille Saint-Saens. Ortega will offer her own arrangement of "Fairest Lord Jesus" and the UCCC choir will join in a spiritual.

## Call for instrument makers, artists for 'Instrumental' art show in 2016

The Columbia Center for the Arts is planning an invitational art show entitled "Instrumental," which will be inspired by the beauty of handmade musical instruments. The show is being curated by Sarah Burr Arnold, and is planned for March 2016.

"We hope to exhibit instruments created by any and all instrument makers working in the Columbia River Gorge area.



In addition we will have artists working with each instrument maker to translate the process, the music, the result into art," Arnold said.

Instrument makers would need to be willing to allow an artist to observe the creative process and/or listen to the instruments as they are played so they could create visual art based on what they see and hear.

In addition to the show, music performances and other special events are being

planned for the Art Center theater during the month of the show.

Local musician Jim Drake came up with the idea for the show.

"The Gorge has always had a unique music culture, and combining instrument makers and artists into a show seems like a natural fit. I want the show to demonstrate how the process of making a musical instrument can be translated into art that can be seen and heard," Drake said.

For consideration into this invitational art show, contact Sarah Burr Arnold at [sba\\_352@gorge.net](mailto:sba_352@gorge.net).

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**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**April 25th & 26th**  
Art of the Gorge

**May 2nd**  
David Crowe Comedy Night

**May 10th**  
Mothers Day Brunch

**May 17th**  
Mad Hatters Tea

**July 19th**  
Gregg Rolie

**August 14th**  
Hell's Belles

**September 6th**  
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