

Five-time Grammy winner to stop in Enterprise

Victor Wooten Trio to perform at OK Theatre on Tuesday

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Performing a special brand of music that encompasses multiple genres, the Victor Wooten Trio is making a stop in Wallowa County as part of its West Coast tour.

The group, led by world-renowned bassist Wooten, also features drummer Dennis Chambers and saxophonist Bob Franceschini. The performance is Tuesday, Oct. 3 at 7 p.m. at the OK Theatre, 208 W. Main St., Enterprise. Wooten, who began taking bass lessons at the age of 2 from his brother, is a five-time Grammy winner. He is a founding member of Béla Fleck & The Flecktones as well as his namesake trio and he has played for a variety of musicians too long to list.

Wooten has been recognized as bassist of the year three times by Bass Player Magazine, the only bassist to win it more than once. To top that, he was voted one of the top 10 bassists of all time by Rolling Stone magazine readers in 2011. Wooten also is the author of the music-themed book “The Music Lesson: A Spiritual Search for Growth Through Music,” which has inspired countless musicians. He recently released “TRYPNOTYX,” his first album in five years, which also features Chambers and Franceschini.

Providing the backbeat for the trio, Chambers first started playing drums when he was 4 years old and was playing gigs at Baltimore-area nightclubs two years later. In 2016, he was included in the list of the 100 greatest drummers of all time in Rolling Stone. He was inducted into the Modern Drummer Hall of Fame in 2001.

Playing a variety of woodwind instru-



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The Victor Wooten Trio, which includes Dennis Chambers, back left, and Bob Franceschini, back right, will perform Tuesday, Oct. 3 at the OK Theatre in Enterprise.

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owner, OK Theatre

ments, Franceschini was born in New York City, graduating from Music and Art High School. In addition to playing on more than 200 albums for numerous musicians, Franceschini has performed as a touring musician with Paul Simon, Chaka Khan, George Benson and many more.

Theatre owner Darrell Brann said it’s the biggest show he’s attempted to bring to the Wallowa Valley. Wooten, Brann said, has nearly 600,000 Facebook followers and videos with more than six million views.

“For people who make it to the show, this is a historic moment for the community,” he said. “We’ve never had a musician of this caliber. This is really upping the ante for our shows because of Victor’s global appeal as a musician.”

Brann said the reason he could bring the bassist to the county was because of Wooten’s passion to bring music education to the outer reaches. After playing four shows at Jazz Alley in Seattle, Wooten and his crew will make a stop at Revolution Hall in Portland before swinging over to Enterprise on their way to Reno.

General admission tickets are \$45 and are available via www.eventbrite.com. In addition, they can be purchased at several Wallowa County locations, including M.C. Crow in Lostine, the Joseph Hardware in Joseph, and Bookloft and Dollar Stretcher in Enterprise. For more information, visit www.theoldok.com. For more about Wooten, go to www.victorwooten.com.

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BRIEFLY

Frenchtown Rendezvous helps preserve history

WALLA WALLA — Historical presentations about Frenchtown, silent auction items, historic displays and a raffle are included during the 2017 Frenchtown Rendezvous.

A hands-on family history workshop kicks off the event, which is Saturday, Oct. 7 from 2-6 p.m. in Frenchtown Hall at the Assumption Church Parish Hall, 2098 E. Alder St., Walla Walla. A fundraiser for the nonprofit organization, tickets are \$35 (which features a tri-tip dinner) and can be purchased at <http://tinyurl.com/frenchtownrdv>. Raffle tickets are \$5 each or six for \$25.

Sarah Hurlburt and board members Nicki and Jessie Day-Lucore will give a presentation (4 p.m.) titled “Buried Lives: the St. Rose of Lima Cemetery.” The trio will discuss the Frenchtown interpretive plan and cemetery restoration project as a starting point to explore the intersections of French-Canadian, Native American, and Walla Walla history.

The Frenchtown Historical Foundation is committed to maintaining and developing the historic site, which opened Dec. 11, 2010. Interpretive signage provides family histories and burial records as well as information on the Oregon Trail, the fur trade, the interactions between local tribes and settlers, and more. The Frenchtown Historic Site is located eight miles west of Walla Walla on Old Highway 12. It’s open daily from dawn to dusk.

For more information, contact Rich Monacelli at 509-522-3763, richnan@charter.net or visit www.frenchtownwa.org.

Peterson’s Gallery flourishes in fall colors

BAKER CITY — To usher in and celebrate the arrival of fall, Peterson’s Gallery will be curating a selection of pieces by a variety of regional artists that demonstrate the activities, colors and mood of fall in the region.

Peterson’s Fall 2017 opens Friday, Oct. 6 at 6 p.m. at 1925 Main St., Baker City. The event coincides with the First Friday Artwalk in downtown Baker City.

For more information, contact 541-523-1022 or mail@petersonsgallery.net.

Festivals

Pendleton Farmers Market Fall Festival
•Saturday, Sept. 30; 4-10 p.m.
•Heritage Station Museum, 108 S.W. Frazer Ave., Pendleton
www.heritagestationmuseum.org

\$25/ adults, free/youths 12 and under (\$5 for dinner). Features social hour, light dinner and music by James Dean Kindie & the Eastern Oregon Playboys.

Friends Free Family Fun Festival
•Saturday, Sept. 30; 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
•Power House Theatre, 111 N. Sixth Ave., Walla Walla
www.phtwww.com

Free. Festival features family activities, information booths, live performances and Izzy the Camel. Food available for purchase.

Oregon Alpenfest
•Sept 28-Oct. 1
•Enterprise, Joseph, Walla Lake
www.oregonalpenfest.com

Opening day and several free activities. Tickets \$15-\$18/ daily, \$8/ages 5-12. Celebration of Swiss & Bavarian culture with polka music, folk dancing, alphorn blowing and Swiss yodeling, food and beverages.

Harvest Festival
•Saturday, Oct. 7; 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
•SAGE Center, 101 Olson Road, Boardman
www.visitsage.com

Free. Family fun event featured kids’ activities, beer/wine tasting, a photo booth, vendors, mule-drawn wagon rides and more.

Project Community Connect & Umatilla/Morrow Veterans Stand Down
•Saturday, Oct. 7; 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
•Pendleton Convention Center, 1601 Westgate

Free. For veterans, the homeless and those at risk of homelessness. Offers a hot meal, health screenings and exams, information booths for community resources interactive displays, pet care, haircuts, hygiene supplies, clothing and more. For info, call 800-752-1139 or 541-276-1926. Free transportation on Kayak.

Frenchtown Rendezvous
•Saturday, Oct. 7; 2-6 p.m.
•Assumption Church Parish Hall, 2098 E. Alder St., Walla Walla
www.frenchtownwa.org

\$35/admission. \$5/raffle tickets. Historical presentations about Frenchtown, silent auction items, historic displays, a raffle and hands-on family history workshop.

Oktoberfest Pendleton
•Saturday, Oct. 14; noon-9 p.m.
•Pendleton Round-Up Grounds
www.facebook.com/oktoberfestpendleton

\$12/Includes beer mug and drink ticket. \$5/non-drinkers. Live music, kids activities, food and, of course, beer.

Altrusa Oktoberfest
•Saturday, Oct. 14; 4 p.m.
•Hermiston Conference Center, 415 S. Highway 395
www.facebook.com/AltrusaInternationalOfHermiston

\$30. Festive fun with authentic German meal catered by Diner Thyme (5-7 p.m.), silent/live auctions, raffle for \$2,000 VISA card.

WHAT TO DO



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The Wasteland Kings will perform Oct. 6 at Hamley Steakhouse & Saloon in Pendleton.

Wasteland Kings to rock Hamley’s

PENDLETON — A regional band that aren’t strangers to the region are returning to Pendleton for an upcoming performance.

Rockin’ the Americana sound since 2008, The Wasteland Kings will perform Friday, Oct. 6 at 9 p.m. at Hamley Steakhouse & Saloon, 8 S.E. Court Ave., Pendleton. There is no cover charge.

Hailing from La Grande, the group cites such influences as Steve Earle, Rolling Stones, Townes Van Zant, Muddy Waters and The Pogues. They add their own twist to provide audiences a unique show.

For more information, contact Amy at bookkeeper@hamleysteakhouse.com or 541-278-1100. For more about the band, go to www.wlkmusic.com.

Art, Museums & Authors

“Places to Thrive”
•Monday-Thursdays, 9:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

•Betty Feves Memorial Gallery, BMCC, 2411 N.W. Carden Ave., Pendleton.

Free. Features professional and emerging Pacific Northwest artists. The annual invitational art exhibit is organized by the Oregon State University College of Agricultural Sciences through its Art About Agriculture program. Gallery also open by appointment by calling 541-278-5952. The exhibit runs through Oct. 26.

“Stochastic Resonance”
•Monday-Fridays, 11 a.m.-4 p.m.

•Nightingale Gallery, Eastern Oregon University, La Grande

Free. John Whitten, a Portland-based artist and art instructor at Oregon State University, explores the philosophical significance of what it means to wander. Runs through Nov. 3.

“How Do You Like Them Apples?”
•Saturdays/Sundays; noon-5 p.m.

•Arts Portal Gallery, 508 N. Main St., Milton-Freewater
www.facebook.com/artsportalgallery

Free. Features watercolor artist Jean Ann Mitchell and photographer Lori Montgomery. Runs through Sept. 30.

“Prairies Paintings”
•Tuesday-Fridays, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.; Saturdays, noon-4 p.m.

•Pendleton Center for the Arts, 214 N. Main St.
www.pendletonarts.org

Free. Features paintings of Wallowa County artist Malcolm Phinney. Also, paintings of Pendleton artist Nicci Sloan in Lorenzen Board Room Gallery. Runs through Sept. 30.

A Kaleidoscope of Color: American Indian Trade Blankets
•Monday-Saturdays, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

•Tamástslíkt Cultural Institute, near Wildhorse Resort & Casino.
www.tamastslíkt.org

\$10/adults, \$9/senior citizens, \$6/youths, free/5 and under or \$25/family of four. Showcases pre-1925 Indian trade blankets from historic manufacturers, including Pendleton Woolen Mills. Runs through Oct. 14.

“Fall Colors”
•Friday, Oct. 6; 6 p.m., opening
•Tuesday-Sundays, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

•Peterson’s Gallery and Chocolatier, 1925 Main St., Baker City
www.petersonsgallery.net

Free. Features a collection of artwork by regional artists depicting the fall season in Eastern Oregon. Opening held in conjunction with the First Friday Artwalk in downtown Baker City. Runs through Oct. 31.

Archaeology Kids Camp
•Saturday, Oct. 7; 8:30 a.m.-3:45 p.m.

•Fort Walla Walla, 755 Myra Road, Walla Walla

\$30. Open to kids ages 9-11, who will work alongside real archaeologists and participate in surveying, mapping and identifying artifacts.

Music

Decade X

•Saturday, Sept. 30; 8 p.m. No cover

•Wildhorse Sports Bar, Wildhorse Resort & Casino, off I-84 Exit 216, Mission

Mimicking Birds

•Thursday, Oct. 5; 7-9 p.m.
•Great Pacific Wine & Coffee Co., 403 S. Main St., Pendleton

No cover. All ages.

Live Music Thursday

•Thursday, Oct. 5; 7-9 p.m. No cover

•40 Taps, 337 S.W. Emigrant Ave., Pendleton

Jamie & Luke

•Friday, Oct. 6; 7 p.m. No cover

•Sno Road Winery, 111 W. Main St., Echo

The Wasteland Kings

•Friday, Oct. 6; 9 p.m. No cover

•Hamley Steakhouse & Saloon, 8 S.E. Court Ave., Pendleton

Brass Fire

•Saturday, Oct. 7; 7-10 p.m.
•Red Lion, 304 S.E. Nye Ave., Pendleton

No cover. Features regional horn band, playing the music of Santana, Chicago, Elvis, Earth Wind & Fire.

Oldies Night in Milton-Freewater

•Saturday, Oct. 7; 7 p.m.
•Wesley Methodist Church, 816 S. Main St., Milton-Freewater.

Free. BJ the DJ spins Cajun and Zydeco tunes of southwestern Louisiana. Snacks available.

Sawyer Brown

•Saturday, Oct. 7; 8 p.m.
•Rivers Event Center, Wildhorse Resort & Casino, off I-84 Exit 216, Mission

www.wildhorseresort.com
\$89-\$99. All tickets for the 21-and-older show are standing/dancing room only. Ticket price includes barbecue from 6-8 p.m. No-host bar available.

Liberty Quartet

•Sunday, Oct. 8; 6 p.m.
•Stanfield Baptist Church, 310 E. Wheeler Ave.
www.libertyquartet.com

Free, love offering taken. The Southern gospel quartet provides ministry in music.

Acoustic Kings Wasteland Striptown

•Friday, Oct. 13; 6:30-9:30 p.m. No cover.

•Nookie’s/Hermiston Brewing Co., 125 N. First St., Hermiston

Cale Moon

•Saturday, Oct. 14; 9 p.m. No cover

•Midway Tavern, 1750 N. First St., Hermiston

Taylor & The Train Robbers
•Monday, Oct. 16; 7-9 p.m.

•Great Pacific Wine & Coffee Co., 403 S. Main St., Pendleton

No cover. All ages.

J.D. Kindie & the Eastern Oregon Playboys

•Wednesday, Oct. 18; 7-9 p.m.

•Great Pacific Wine & Coffee Co., 403 S. Main St., Pendleton

No cover. All ages.

James Dean. Kindie

•Thursday, Oct. 19; 7-9 p.m.
•Great Pacific Wine & Coffee Co., 403 S. Main St., Pendleton

No cover. All ages.

Karaoke w/DJ David

•Saturdays; 8 p.m.
•Riverside Sports Bar, 1501 Sixth St., Umatilla

Digital Karaoke

•Thursdays and Fridays, 8 p.m.

•The Pheasant, 149 E. Main St., Hermiston

Wine tasting

•Fridays, 4-8 p.m.
•Sno Road Winery, 111 W. Main St., Echo.

Open Mic

•First/third Friday each month, 8 p.m.-midnight

•The Packard Tavern, 118 S.E. Court Ave., Pendleton
www.facebook.com/groups/pendletonopenmic

Karaoke w/DJ David

•Fridays; 8 p.m.
•Riverside Sports Bar, 1501 Sixth St., Umatilla

DJ and dancing

•Fridays, 8 p.m.
•The Pheasant, 149 E. Main St., Hermiston

Cimmi’s Late Night Martini Lounge

•Fridays, 9 p.m.-midnight
•Virgil’s at Cimmiyotti’s, 137 S. Main St., Pendleton

No cover. Features martinis, mixology and music.

Theater, stage, film & lectures

Manhattan Short Film Festival

•Saturday, Sept. 30; 7:30 p.m.; Sunday, Oct 1 & Tuesday, Oct. 3; 6:30 p.m.

•The Liberty Theater, 344 E. Main St., Dayton, Wash.
www.libertytheater.org

\$7-\$9. Film-goers have an opportunity to become movie critics during the 20th annual global event. View and vote on 10 short films, including a range of genres with comedy, drama, horror, sci-fi, animation and martial arts.

Murder Mystery Dinner Show

•Saturday, Oct. 7; 6 p.m.
•Sub Zero Restaurant & Lounge, 100 W. Highway 730, Irrigon

\$40/regular, \$49/VIP. A Roaring Twenties theme during the interactive event.

Heritage Dinner: A Talk with Teddy

•Tuesday, Oct. 10; 5 p.m.
•Heritage Station Museum, 108 S.W. Frazer Ave., Pendleton

www.heritagestationmuseum.org

\$55/general admission; \$50/Umatilla County Historical Society members. Joe Weigand, an actor and historian who portrays Theodore Roosevelt, will provide a riveting performance.

“The Addams Family”

•Oct. 13-14, 20-21, 27-28, 30-31; 7:30 p.m.

•Oct. 14, 21, 28; 2:30 p.m.
•Elgin Opera House, 104 N. Eighth St.
www.elginoperahouse.com

Reserved \$17/\$8. The kooky, upside-down world of the Addams Family offers quirky fun.

America’s Greatest Game Shows

•Sunday, Oct. 29; 5 p.m.
•Rivers Event Center, Wildhorse Resort & Casino, off I-84 Exit 216, Mission.

www.wildhorseresort.com

Win tickets for live show for a chance to win game play/cash prizes, including \$100,000. Features host Erik Estrada.

Hot tickets

Fall Concert Series: Sawyer Brown (Oct. 7), **Travis Tritt** (Nov. 17) at Wildhorse Resort & Casino. Tickets for the 21-and-older shows (\$19-\$99) available via www.wildhorseresort.com