

PENDLETON

'Firebird' rises up to fund Oregon East Symphony teaching position

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A commissioned piece of artwork by Pendleton artist Hiroko Cannon will help fund a newly created teaching position with the Oregon East Symphony.

"Firebird" was commissioned following a 2008 fire on Pendleton's Main Street that destroyed the symphony office, said executive director J.D. Kindle.

"The Firebird, or Phoenix, is a Greek mythological being that is reborn from the ashes of the flames it perishes in," Kindle explained.

A "Firebird" fine art print — one of five created — was purchased by Shari and David Dallas. After framing the piece, the Pendleton couple donated it to the symphony.

Bids are being accepted for "Firebird" through Friday, April 20. It will be awarded to the winning bidder during the symphony's season finale concert Saturday, April 21 at the Vert Auditorium.

The framed print is currently in the window display at the Pendleton Downtown Association, 380 S. Main St. Throughout the bidding process, it will rotate to different Pendleton businesses and the symphony office, 345 S.W. Fourth St.

The Dallases are long-time supporters of the arts, including visual and the performing arts. Shari served as president of the symphony board from 2010-12 and was vice president from 2007-10.

While saddened to let the print go, Kindle said proceeds will be used to help meet community demands



Contributed by J.D. Kindle

"Firebird," a print by Pendleton artist Hiroko Cannon, is being auctioned to benefit the Oregon East Symphony. The piece was commissioned after a 2008 fire destroyed the symphony office.

for additional classical strings education. The new teaching position will strengthen the symphony's Playing For Keeps education offerings and increase the capacity for future program expansion, he said.

Cannon, who began her art career as a commercial and graphic illustrator in Japan, emigrated to the United States in the mid-1980s when her late husband got a job in Pendleton.

After the auction, people approached Cannon asking how they could purchase her work. Soon after, Pendleton Center for the Arts asked her to create a painting, which

resulted in a great blue heron standing on a piece of wood in the river. The piece, including intricate details in each feather, was amazing, said Roberta Lavadour, arts center executive director.

In 2015, Hiroko was one of 21 Oregon artists chosen to receive an Oregon Arts Commission Career Opportunity Grant. She used the money to frame paintings for her first major solo exhibit in the art center's East Oregonian Gallery.

To bid on Cannon's "Firebird" print, contact oesofficeinfo@gmail.com or 541-276-0320. For more about Oregon East Symphony programs, visit www.oregoneastsymphony.org.

BRIEFLY

Group to lead conversation with courts, minority groups

HERMISTON — A local circuit court judge and some Hermiston residents are putting together an event to start a conversation between the courts and minority communities.

The event, called "Cafe with a Judge," was spearheaded by circuit court Judge Eva Temple, along with a local group from Hermiston that has been putting on multicultural events.

Temple and circuit court judges Dan Hill and Jon Lieuallen will be present at the event, which takes place Tuesday, Feb. 27 at 6 p.m. in Hermiston.

Alex Hobbs, a member of the group, said they have been trying to determine the best way to gather information from minority groups in Hermiston about their relationship with and view of the court system.

"We hope to get the conversation going about how local minority communities perceive the courts system, and how they have been treated by the courts," she said.

She said the goal of the event is to offer a safe, informal forum for people to learn about the courts system and share their experiences. She said translators and child care will be provided. If the event

is successful, she said, they hope to host more like it.

Daddy Hair School brushes up on techniques

PENDLETON — A tutorial for dads on how to help their daughters get gussied up for school, church or parties is offered in Pendleton.

Daddy Hair School provides tips on performing simple hair styles for their little ones. The free event is Thursday, Jan. 25 at 5 p.m. at the Pendleton Public Library, 502 S.W. Dorion Ave.

For more information, call 541-966-0380 or visit www.pendletonlibrary.weebly.com.

Town & Country tickets now available

HEPPNER — People who buy their tickets early for the Heppner Chamber of Commerce's Town and Country Community Awards banquet can get a discount.

The annual dinner event is Thursday, Feb. 8 at 6 p.m. at the Morrow County Fairgrounds in Heppner. Tickets purchased before Monday, Feb. 5 are \$25 each, then the price increases to \$30. In addition, reserved tables are available on a first-come basis.

Tickets can be purchased at Bank of Eastern Oregon, Heppner City Hall, Community Bank, Murray's Drug and the Heppner chamber. For questions or to reserve a round table for eight or a long table for six or more, contact the chamber at 541-676-5536 or heppnerchamber@centurytel.net.



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COMING EVENTS

THURSDAY, JAN. 18 HERMISTON SENIOR MEAL SERVICE

12 p.m., Our Lady of Angels Catholic Church parish hall, 565 W. Hermiston Ave., Hermiston. Cost is \$4 for adults, free for children 10 and under, \$4 for Meals on Wheels. Extra 50 cents for utensils/dishes. Bus service to parish hall by donation. (541-567-3582)

BOARDMAN SENIOR MEAL SERVICE, 12 p.m., Boardman Senior Center, 100 Tatone St., Boardman. Cost is \$4 for seniors 55 and over or \$5 for adults. (541-481-3257)

PENDLETON SENIOR MEAL SERVICE, 12-1 p.m., Pendleton Senior Center, 510 S.W. 10th St., Pendleton. Costs \$3.50 or \$6 for those under 60. Pool, puzzles, crafts, snacks, Second Time Around thrift store 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. For Meals on Wheels, call 541-276-1926. (541-276-7101)

SENSORY STORY TIME, 12:30 p.m., Boardman Public Library, 200 S. Main St., Boardman. For children from birth to age 4. (541-481-2665)

SKILLS FOR LIFE, 3-5 p.m., Pendleton Recreation Center, 510 S.W. Dorion Ave., Pendleton. Gym activities at 3 p.m., life skills at 4 p.m. for middle and high school students. Registration requested. (Suzanne Moore 541-276-3987)

TODDLER DRIVE-IN MOVIE, 5 p.m., Pendleton Public Library, 502 S.W. Dorion Ave., Pendleton. For ages 0-6. Registration required. (541-966-0380)

DADDY HAIR SCHOOL, 5 p.m., Pendleton Public Library, 502 S.W. Dorion Ave., Pendleton. For ages 2 and up and dad or male guardian. Learn simple hairstyles for your little one from a fellow dad. Registration required. (541-966-0380)

YARN CLUB, 5:30 p.m., Hermiston Public Library, 235 E. Gladys Ave., Hermiston. (541-567-2882)

COUNTY BINGO, 6-10 p.m., The Arc Building, 215 W. Orchard Ave., Hermiston. Doors open at 6 p.m., seats may be held until 6:30 p.m., then all seats first come, first served; games begin at 7 p.m. Proceeds benefit Umatilla County citizens with developmental disabilities. 18 years or older, must have proof of age and photo I.D. Basic pot \$20, prizes range from \$20-\$750. (541-567-7615)

FIDDLER'S NIGHT, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Brookdale Assisted Living, 980 W. Highland Ave., Hermiston. Enjoy light refreshments, listen to some favorite oldies or join in the jam session. All ages welcome. (541-567-3141)

FIRST DRAFT WRITERS' SERIES, 7-9 p.m., Pendleton Center for the Arts, 214 N. Main St., Pendleton. Pendleton short-story writer Steve Crisman will read from his work. Open mic slots of 3-5 minutes available following main presentation. Free. (Roberta Lavadour 541-278-9201)

THURSDAY AFTERNOON & EVENING

Table with columns for time slots (12 PM, 1:30, 3:00, 4:30, 6:00, 7:30, 9:00, 10:30, 11:30) and rows for various channels (FOX, CBS, NBC, ABC, PBS, KATU, KGW, etc.) listing program titles and times.

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Large grid table for January 18, 2018, listing programs for various channels (A&E, AMC, ANPL, CMT, CNBC, CNN, DISC, DISN, ESPN, ESPN2, FOX, FOC, FREE, FX, GOLF, GSN, HALL, HGTV, HIST, LIFE, NICK, ROOT, SPIKE, SYFY, TBS, TCM, TLC, TNT, UNI, USA, WE, WGN, HBO, HBO2, HBO3, MAX, STARZ, SHOW, STZENC) across time slots (12 PM, 1:30, 3:00, 4:30, 6:00, 7:30, 9:00, 10:30, 11:30).

THURSDAY LATE NIGHT & FRIDAY MORNING

Table with columns for time slots (12 AM, 1 AM, 2 AM, 3:30, 4 AM, 4:30, 5 AM, 5:30, 6 AM, 6:30, 7 AM, 7:30, 8 AM, 8:30, 9 AM, 9:30, 10 AM, 10:30, 11 AM, 11:30) and rows for channels (FOX, CBS, NBC, ABC, PBS, KATU, KGW, etc.) listing late night and morning programs.