QUICK TAKES

FISHTRAP FIRESIDE SEASON OPENS NOV. 5

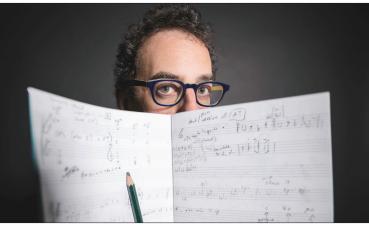
ENTERPRISE — A special online November episode of Fishtrap Fireside will feature readings from three Wallowa County writers: Lauren MacDonald, Randi Movich, and Amy Zahm. The next episode is available for streaming beginning Friday, Nov. 5, at www.fishtrap.org and on Fishtrap's YouTube Channel.

Fishtrap Fireside is a monthly reading series designed to feature diverse voices from local writers. Each month offers a fresh look at what people of the West are thinking about and writing down.

ORNAMENTS, GIFT ITEMS SOUGHT FOR CROSSROADS SHOW

BAKER CITY — Crossroads Carnegie Art Center will again have an ornament expo and The Gift of Art shows this holiday season. The expo opens Nov. 5.

Those interested in entering ornament art or gift pieces for the the December show can stop by the center at 2020 Auburn Ave., visit the Quick Forms link at www.crossroads-arts.org,



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Oregon East Symphony presents "Blow It Up, Start Again," composed by Jonathan Newman (above), on Sunday, Nov. 7, at Vert Auditorium in Pendleton.

or contact Alyson Spiering at 541-523-5369 or alyson@ crossroads-arts.org.

OREGON EAST SYMPHONY RETURNS WITH A BANG

PENDLETON — The 2021-22 Oregon East Symphony concert season launches Sunday, Nov. 7, with "Blow It Up, Start Again," a concert Executive Director J.D. Kindle describes as "explosive."

"Blow It Up, Start Again!" begins at 2:30 p.m. at the Vert Auditorium, 470 SW Dorion Ave.

This concert will test a new feature for the Oregon East Symphony: free seating. Through the support of the Pendleton Foundation Trust, free concert passes are available from multiple businesses and organizations in Pendleton. Those passes will be used for free admission — first-come, first-served — at the concert.

In addition to the free general seating, balcony and reserved floor seats are available for purchase online or by contacting the Symphony office. Reserved seats are \$25 for adults, \$20 for seniors, \$15 for students or \$65 for a family (two adults and children of the same household).

Face coverings are required for all audience members. Find

more information and a list of complimentary ticket locations at oregoneastsymphony.org.

FAIR TRADE SALE BENEFITS ARTISANS WORLDWIDE

PENDLETON — People can get a jump start on their Christmas list by shopping at the Fair Trade Sale, hosted by the First Presbyterian Church of Pendleton, 201 SW Dorion Ave.

The sale kicks off Friday, Nov. 5, from 5-7 p.m. and continues Saturday, Nov. 6, from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Shoppers are reminded to wear a mask.

A fundraiser for the Presbyterian Women Mission efforts, the sale helps support artisans in developing countries across the globe. Many of the handmade items — including jewelry, toys, ornaments, baskets, home decor and Nativity scenes — are upcycled or made from materials local to their region. In addition, a selection of coffee, chocolate, olive oil and more will be available.

The soup supper portion of the event has been canceled but people can take home and enjoy the homemade noodles. They will be dried, packaged and available for purchase.

For more information, contact the church at 541-276-7681, fpcp@pendletonpresbyterian. com or search Facebook.

MARTIN GERSCHWITZ TO PERFORM IN ECHO NOV. 6

ECHO — Multi-instrumentalist Martin Gerschwitz plays everything from classical music to psychedelic rock — and he's returning to Eastern Oregon for a performance in Echo.

Gerschwitz is said to provide a versatile and unique experience for audiences. See for yourself — Saturday, Nov. 6, 3:30 p.m. at Sno Road Winery, 111 W. Main St., Echo. Food and beverages will be available.

Known for his mastery of the keyboards and violin, the musician has performed with Iron Butterfly, Eric Burdon and the Animals, Meat Loaf, Walter Trout Band and more. Honing his classical training and rock influences, Gerschwitz created his own style.

For more information, call 541-376-0421 or visit www.face-book.com/snoroadwinery.

