

Expressions West 2015 exhibit at Coos Museum

COOS BAY — Now through June 27, the Coos Art Museum will be exhibiting the Expressions West 2015 juried painting competition. Artists from 13 western states were invited to compete in this annual event.

Juror Brian Hoover selected sixty-one paintings by forty-four artists residing in California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, New Mexico, Montana, Oregon and Washington.

Juror Brian Hoover is a professor of painting and printmaking at Southern Utah University. He received his art training at the Cleveland Institute of Art, Kutztown University and the State University of New York.

Hoover has had one-person exhibitions at the Springville Museum of Art in Springville, Utah and at Penn State University in Harrisburg, Pa.

He was the winner of the 2009 Expressions West exhibition at Coos Art Museum with his painting *Girl with Fantastic Hat IX Saturnalia*.

Artists accepted into the Expressions West 2015 exhibition include:

Oregon artists include: Doug Anderson, Sherrie Brooks, Susan Canavarro, David Castleberry, Patricia Cink, Barbara Council, Jeanne Cuddeford, Andy DeWeerd, Claire Duncan, Carol Heidrick-



"Girl with Fantastic Hat IX Saturnalia" by Brian Hoover

Medvick, Richard Herr, Carol Jacquet, Sharon Jensen, Morgan Burton Johnson, Win Jolley, Carol Kumpula-Clark, Susan Lehman, David Carmack Lewis, Chas Martin, Patti McNutt, Georgiana Nehl, W.M. Ralston-Burger, William Selden, Bonni Silver, Pat Snyder, Sarita Southgate and Christine Zachary.

California artists: Yi Shin Chiang, Rebecca Fogg, Dana Mano-Flank and James Vogel

Washington artists – Mimi Cernyar Fox, Martha Mason and Naoko Morisawa.

Idaho artists: Scott Berger, Pam Demo and Tricia Florence,

Colorado artists: David Burtner, Ronnie Cramer and Claire van der Plas.

New Mexico artists: Nigel Conway and Christopher Owen Nelson.

Montana artist: Nan Parsons.

Hawaii artist: Monica Guillory.

Coos Art Museum hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Tuesday through Friday, and 1 to 4 pm on Saturday.

Museum admission: \$5 general; \$2 students veterans and seniors; free to museum members.

Doors open to new Bay Casino in Coos Bay

COOS BAY — Three Rivers Casino Resort celebrated the grand opening of its new casino May 7.

The new casino, located at 1297 Ocean Blvd. NW in Coos Bay, kicked off the event with tribal members of the Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw tribes, along with local business leaders, Three Rivers Players Club Members and numerous other guests.

Afterward, the Bay Casino officially opened its doors to the public.

The casino features more than 250 new games and a full service onsite restaurant, Café 1297.

Bob Garcia oversees all operations of the facility and provides all

coordination between it and the existing Three Rivers Casino Resort in Florence.

Garcia also heads up all community relations and outreach in the Coos Bay area.

Three Rivers projects the new Coos Bay casino will eventually provide more than 90 job positions relating to the operation of the facility. These positions vary from bartender to cage cashier, security to slot tech and several other casino-related roles.

Four onsite property shift managers oversee all daily operations of the casino, in addition to being involved in all aspects of the recruit-

ment, selection and training process for the 90-plus employees.

The addition of this facility falls in the footsteps of the Three Rivers' evolution of its Florence facility into a full resort property.

According to Bob Garcia, "Our investment in this facility reflects the Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians' long-term commitment to the local southern Oregon coast community.

"We believe in this community and we want to build and maintain a positive partnership with everyone here."

For more information visit www.threeriverscasino.com.

Pacific Auditorium to host Umpqua Singers June 13

REEDSPORT — Umpqua Community College has announced its Umpqua Singers will again be visiting Coastal Douglas. The performance will be Saturday, June 13, at 6:30 p.m., at the Pacific Auditorium, 2260 Longwood Drive in Reedsport.

The Umpqua Singers are one of the premiere vocal jazz ensembles in the Pacific Northwest. This 10-member group performs a broad range of musical styles ranging from traditional swing to contemporary R and B. With 18 CDs to their credit, the group performs 45-50 engagements per year.

The production is sponsored by Coastal Douglas Arts and Business Alliance (CDABA) and Rising Tide Live! Tickets are \$5 and are available at the door.

For more information, contact Joe Coyne at 541-271-2103.