

# Photographer McDougal to be featured in show

FLORENCE — On Friday, June 5, and Saturday, June 6, local award-winning nature, scenic and wildlife photographer Ken McDougal will be hosting his first fine art photography show in Florence.

The event will be held at the Faith Fellowship, Foursquare Church, 1624 Highway 101, (next to A&W).

There will be an artist reception Friday night, June 5, from 5 to 9 p.m. The public is invited to come and view many of McDougal's photographs and meet him. There will also be music, a slide show, food, coffee and refreshments.

The show will continue Saturday, June 6, from 10 am to 4 p.m.

Admission is free and open to the public both days.

McDougal has been a professional photographer for nearly 20 years. He is a graduate of the New York Institute of Photography.

He has won several local contests in Florence, as well as this year's first place winning cover photo award for the 2015 Siuslaw News' 30th Annual Business Directory and Relocation Guide.

McDougal's fine art photo work has been displayed at several places in the community such as the Florence Regional Arts Alliance (FRAA), U.S. Bank, PeaceHealth Hospital and many shows at the Florence Events Center.

McDougal is a board member of the Siuslaw Viewfinder's Camera Club and is an active member of FRAA.

McDougal and his wife, Kim, arrived in Florence on June 4, 2012, from Jacksonville, Fla., and attend the Faith Fellowship Foursquare Church.



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**One of several photographs by Ken McDougal that will be on display June 5 and 6.**

For more information, contact the Foursquare Church at 541-997-6337 or McDougal at 541-590-3017.

## Pianist, composing duo Colaiannia and Paris to perform house concert

FLORENCE — Pianists and composers Louis Colaiannia and John Paris will be performing in concert at local piano teacher and music reviewer Kathy Parsons' home in Florence on Saturday, June 6 at 7 p.m.

Louis Colaiannia is a native of Denver, Colo. He has pursued music his entire life with the simple goal of sharing his gift with the world.

Colaiannia is a master of classical piano, an accomplished songwriter, arranger and performer. His music has inspired the lives of thousands of people in performances that have been referred to as "stunning in their power and beauty."

Colaiannia is a nationally touring musician performing solo concerts as well as concerts with other artists. His latest album, "Closer," was recorded at Imaginary Road Studio with Will Ackerman and Tom Eaton.

It was No. 1 on the One World Music Top 100 radio chart, No. 3 on Zone Music Reporter Chart, and was nominated for a Zone Music Award as well as an Enlightened Piano Radio Music award.

As a featured performer alongside the Minneapolis Symphony, an accompanist to the Moody Blues, and a special guest star on The Merv Griffin Show and Jerry Lewis Telethon, John Paris has enjoyed a

diverse and varied career that has spanned four decades.

Touring the country's major cities, Paris entertained millions as the leader, composer and arranger of his show-band, Atlantis, which was based out of Las Vegas. With this extensive resume and impressive credentials, Paris combines professionalism with real life experience.

While jazz runs through his veins, Paris has managed to combine this passion with original new age music on his moving solo piano excursions.

His sound creates a fusion of these elements, generating music that leaves the listener feeling spiritually uplifted, healed,

relaxed, and rejuvenated.

"Music has always been a very special part of my life. It has been my healer, mentor, doorway to spiritual evolution and comforter," said Paris. "As an artist, I venture to bring you to a warm familiar place...like the feeling before a long-awaited homecoming."

Reservations are required and can be made by calling Kathy Parsons at 541-999-9720 or emailing her at KathyPiano@gmail.com.

The address and directions will be given when reservations are made.

There is a suggested donation of \$10-15 at the door.