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Scare CROW preps for spooky Halloween event

Children's Repertory of Oregon Workshops (CROW) announced a new annual Halloween haunted house in Florence from Thursday, Oct. 29, through Saturday, Oct. 31: Scare CROW!

In late October, chains will rattle, doors will squeak, ghouls will howl with delight and even brave adults might find themselves trembling in the dark as the CROW production team presents it's first annual "Scare-Haunted CROW Maze Fundraiser!"

According to CROW Artistic Director Melanie Heard, "The maze is sure to freak out even the most unwavering attendee, and will feature spooktacular minute, we don't want to give anything away! You will just have to come and see for yourself!"

Heard is delighted to undertake this new creative endeavor for the nonprofit youth theatre organization because it combines two of her very favorite things: theatre arts and Halloween.

Currently, the talented maze team members, which include Genevieve Meltzer, Polly Fleming, Karen Mechek, Christopher Heard, Crystal Shahan, Mike and Ellen Jacobson, and many others, are collecting props and costume pieces, creating the floor pattern for the maze, and planning the logistics of how the eerie event will work best.

"We are treating this like a



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elements, such as — wait a CROW has cast an eerie amount of student and adult actors for the new three-day haunted maze over Halloween weekend at its building, 3120 Highway 101.

> big show, and there is a lot to be done," says Heard.

Those who have seen a CROW mainstage musical know that CROW always goes the extra mile, when it comes to production quality.

"This maze will be no exception!" assures Heard.

The Scare-CROW Haunted Maze Fundraiser will be the inaugural event in the new CROW Center for the Performing Arts at 3120 Highway 101.

Thanks to the generosity of the City of Florence, CROW has been given permission to hold this event, although the building will not yet be totally complete.

Scare-CROW hours will be Thursday and Friday, Oct. 29 and 30, from 6-9 p.m. and Saturday, Oct. 31, from 3-6 p.m.

Suggested ages are 8 and up, at parents' discretion.

The first hour of each day will be "less-scary" and younger children may be accompanied through the maze with an adult.

Admission will be \$4 per person, per entry. Attendees can also purchase a one night handstamp, which allows unlimited entry for \$14.

CROW stresses that entry into the maze will be at your own risk, and nobody should enter with a medical complication or other factor that could Heard. "This event is going to cause difficulty.

All funds raised will directly impact the renovation of the building.

"I hope you'll mark your calendar and plan to join us!" says

be so much fun, and we look forward to making it better and better year after year. So...come show you care by getting scared!"

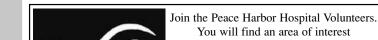
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donate scary props or costumes you may have lurking in your garage, or to volunteer to help with this event, contact Melanie Heard at 541-999-8641 or at crowtheatrekids@ yahoo.com.



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