

Last Resort Players to present award-winning musical 'Chicago'

Rouge your knees and roll your stockings down! Oregon Coast stage director David Lauria has announced one of the most exciting fall musicals to be presented by the Last Resort Players: Chicago. The iconic musical score includes one of the most famous opening numbers All That Jazz, along with showstoppers such as Mr. Cellophane, Razzle Dazzle, and Cell Block Tango. This score is fast paced and will leave audiences begging for more.



"June" (Erin Reinke, right)) and "Wilbur" (Ceasar Castillo) share a tense moment in LRP's upcoming production of "Chicago."

Chicago takes place in the roaring twenties when chorine Roxie Hart murders a faithless love and convinces her hapless husband Amos to take the rap. Awaiting trial, Roxie and another "Merry Murderess," Velma Kelly, vie for the spotlight and the headlines. The musical is based on a 1926 play of the same name by reporter Maurine Dallas Watkins about actual criminals and crimes she reported on.

For out of town theatre attendees, LRP has arranged discount lodging along with some secret menu items available at local eateries. To keep up on the latest details of the production and view our travel deals, visit www.lrpproductions.org

Opening night at the Florence Events Center is Nov. 6, with performances on Friday and Saturday at 7 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m.

Performances will be Friday and Saturday (Nov. 6-7 and 13-14) at 7 p.m. and Sundays (Nov. 8 and 15) at 2 p.m. For ticket information, call the Florence Events Center at 541-888-968-4086 or visit www.eventcenter.org.



Chicago cast includes: Front row: Crystal Farnsworth, Matt Korso, Maree Beers. Back row: Erin Reinke, Polly Flemming, Tamara Szalewsky, Angela Palmer, Chantelle Meyer, Jennifer Marus, Tamara Cole, Siarrah Rain, Elizabeth Rose, Sabrina Hand, Courtney Ricketts, and Chantall Guzman.

Call to artists given for 'Season of Caring' exhibit in November, December

The Florence Events Center and Friends of Florence Gallery Committee are presenting a themed exhibit during the months of November and December in Gallery One called "A Season of Caring."

On Nov. 14, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., there will be a reception that will benefit the local Food Share and Siuslaw Outreach Services (SOS) organizations.

There will be a bin for food donations, and one for donations of warm coats and blankets. From 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. there will be a soup-kitchen style lunch offered to all visitors. For \$1, attendees will

be served soup and bread, coffee and water. There will also be an Art Raffle to benefit Food Share and SOS.

The call to artists invites artists and photographers to rent a rod for up to three paintings for \$20, or up to three items for the case.

To follow the theme, artwork can show social needs (children, elderly, homeless), and ways to care; foods of the harvest season, themes involving Thanksgiving, Christmas and family.

Get an application for the show at the FEC office, or on its website at www.eventcenter.org. for more information, email cignatieff@live.com, or call the FEC office at 541-997-1994.



Want to have an impact on local arts? Volunteer or become a Friends of the FEC member

Want to support the local arts and the many activities at the Florence Events Center? Consider a donation of time, talent or dollars by volunteering or becoming a Friends of the FEC member! The FEC couldn't exist without the support of its many volunteers, who contribute more than 6,000 hours each year helping with daily operations and events. Volunteers assist with everything from lighting and sound for theater shows and musical events, to ushering, working the ticket booth and volunteering at the reception desk.

In addition, community members who are unable to volunteer but who want to contribute can either make a specific monetary donation or become a Friends of the FEC member for \$15 per year. Membership has its privileges, the most valuable of which is being a part of what allows the Florence Events Center to be home to dozens of unique artistic experiences every season.

For information of how to become a Friends member, volunteer or make a donation, call the office at 541-997-1994.

