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## SENIOR NEWS CALENDAR

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**A month of  
Galleries, restaurants and  
more feature Valentine's  
entertainment and romance**

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**F**ebruary is a time for heartfelt events and the celebration of love. Below, find some of the Valentine concerts, showings, parties and events going on this month.

*All week through Sunday*

• Kiwanis will sell candy every day through Valentine's Day from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Sears Showroom, Sixth Street and Highway 101.

*Wednesday, Feb. 10*

• "Moonlight and Love Songs" will debut as part of Starlight Cabaret at 6 p.m. at the Florence Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, 87738 Highway 101. The Starlight Cabaret is a bi-monthly celebration of local musical talent. Six talented and professional musicians and vocalists will perform nostalgic love songs, original compositions and contemporary hits on piano, guitar, flute, bass, strings and harmonica. For more information, visit [www.florenceuuf.org](http://www.florenceuuf.org) or call 541-997-2840.

*Friday, Feb. 12*

• "For the Love of Animals," an exhibit at the Florence Events Center, 715 Quince St., will hold a reception from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. This is a benefit for the Florence Area Humane Society and leashed pets are welcome. The event includes refreshments, a photo booth, raffles and a display of artwork in Gallery One. Admission is free with a donation of dog or cat food.

*Saturday, Feb. 13*

• Mon Ami Gourmet Deli and Antiques, 490 Highway 101, will hold its 18th Annual Valentine's Day High Tea. Reservations are required for the two seatings, at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. Tickets are \$18.95 per person and can be reserved by calling 541-997-9234.

• The Second Saturday Gallery Tour, from 3 to 5 p.m., invites all to "Love the Arts" at various galleries in Florence. Many locations offer refreshments and some feature live music. Backstreet Gallery, 1341 Bay St., continues its Stormy Weather show with refreshments by Le Bouchon and live music by singer/songwriter, Phil Berglund. The gallery tour is free to the public and more information is available at [www.2ndSaturdayGalleryTour.com](http://www.2ndSaturdayGalleryTour.com).

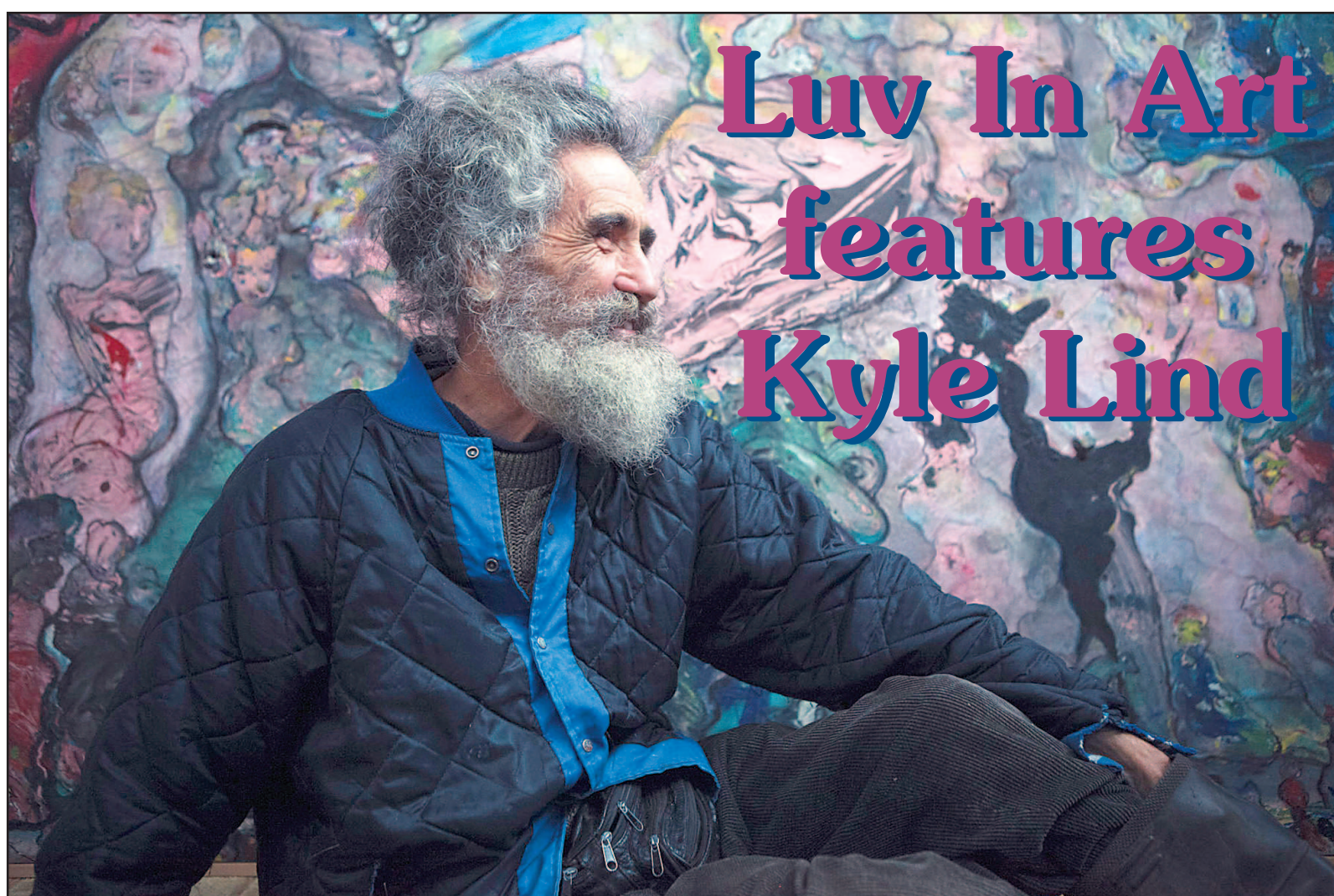
• Share Your Heart, put on by Children's Repertory of Oregon Workshops (CROW) at the FEC at 6:30 p.m., will showcase performances by CROW students. There also will be a silent auction, live dessert auction, hors d'oeuvres and wine (adults only). Single tickets are \$40 and tables can be purchased for \$300. To reserve seats, call the FEC at 541-997-1994 or visit [www.eventcenter.org](http://www.eventcenter.org).

*Sunday, Feb. 14*

• For the 21st year, independent minister Mary Crook will preside over the Little Log Church's Vow Renewal Ceremony at 328 W. Third St., in Yachats. Two ceremonies will be held this year, one at noon and the second at 5:30 p.m. Seating is limited to 25 couples for each service and reservations are required. For more information, call 541-547-4547.

*Saturday, Feb. 20*

• Sick of love? Don't worry, one more event in February details the heartbreak and emotion that comes from being single on Valentine's Day. Original songs and spoken word poetry will be the focus of the "Love Gone Bad, You Done Me Wrong" Poetry and Song Fest, from 6 to 8 p.m., at the Florence Regional Arts Alliance Art Center, 120 Maple St. For more information and to purchase tickets, visit [www.fraa.oregon.org](http://www.fraa.oregon.org) or call 503-910-3625.



**Luv In Art  
features  
Kyle Lind**

PHOTO COURTESY TODD COOPER/EUGENE WEEKLY

Artist Kyle Lind promoted his book, "GodArtMeFun," in Eugene in 2012. Now, he is the focus of a new art tour.

## Dunes City artist prominent in the love movement focus of mobile art show touring North America

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**T**he enigmatic works of Florence-area artist Kyle Lind will be the feature focus of a new national art tour called "Luv In Art," which will include a 40-foot coach and 20-foot trailer surrounded by panels displaying the art of Lind and others.

"We will be traveling throughout North America, setting up our installation at some of the largest art and music festivals," said "Luv In Art" spokesperson

Kevin Warren. "Many of these events have attendance of more than 50,000."

The project is the brainchild of Dale Cripps, publisher of HDTV Magazine, and one of the original promoters of high definition TV, who currently lives in Alsea, east of Waldport. Cripps is also working on converting an old house on his 350-acre ranch into an art museum that will also feature Lind's work.

Lind moved to Oregon from Los Angeles in the mid 1970s. He lives on Siltcoos Lake, south of Florence in Dunes City.

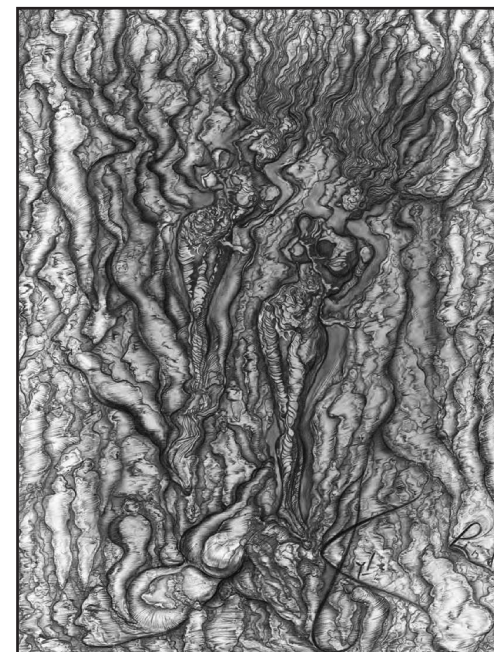
Much of his inspiration came from the surrealist artist Salvador Dali, whom Lind met while in New York.

According to Warren, Lind and Dali shared many experiences together.

Cripps and Lind met four years ago. Cripps became interested in promoting Lind's art after seeing a copy of a massive 40-pound coffee table book titled "GodArtMeFun" created by Lind and featuring thousands of examples of his works.

According to Warren, Lind is one of the originators of an art style developed in the 1960s and 1970s called "process art." He was also a key player in the love movement of that time in California and was part of the original group that started the "Love In" and "Be In" counterculture movements.

This was the inspiration for the "Luv In Art" project.



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"Celestial Rose" by Kyle Lind

"Lind's particular way of doing process art is through meditation and yoga," Warren said. "Many of his pieces have taken him decades to complete. He is still working on pieces that he started back in the '60s. He has one piece of art that is 14 feet wide by eight feet tall. It is called 'Cartoon in the Interior of an Atom.'"

Another feature of Lind's artistic style is the minute detail he incorporates into his work.

Warren said, "Dale realized that a lot of the artwork being produced today, like Lind's, that was inspired by

the styles that came out of the '60s and early '70s love movement is so intricate and detailed that we should be merging some of the latest imaging technology because imaging technology today is just now getting good enough that we can really highlight the art."

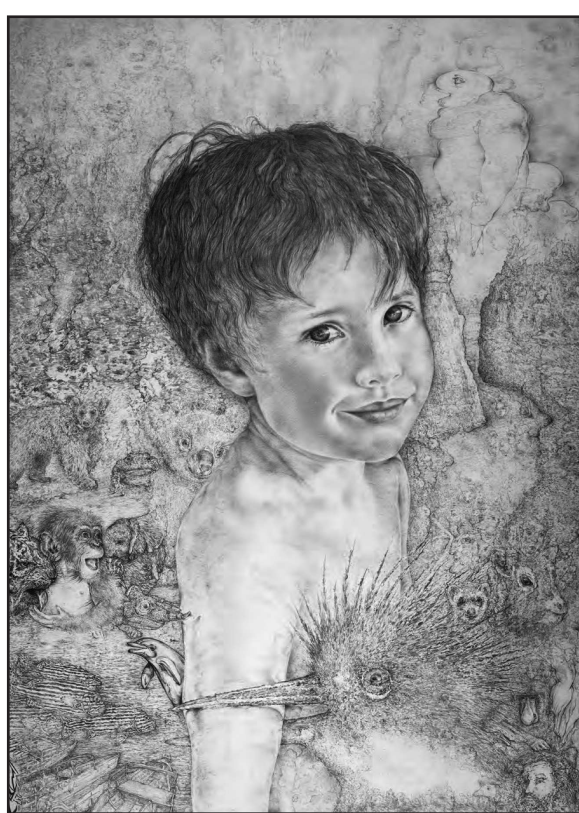
Some of this art is so intricate and detailed that it requires high-resolution display or zoom magnification to view the details.

Cripps plans to have the art museum in Alsea ready in time to be the first stop for the "Luv In Art" mobile art gallery coach and trailer exhibit March 20.

For more information about the show, visit the website at [www.luvinart.org](http://www.luvinart.org) or on Kyle Lind's Facebook page, [www.facebook.com/theartofkylelind/](http://www.facebook.com/theartofkylelind/).

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Above, "Rio," and left, "Life Around the Cabin," are examples of Lind's delicate and expressive art style in pen-and-ink drawings. Lind also works in self-portraits, paintings and wood sculpture.



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