

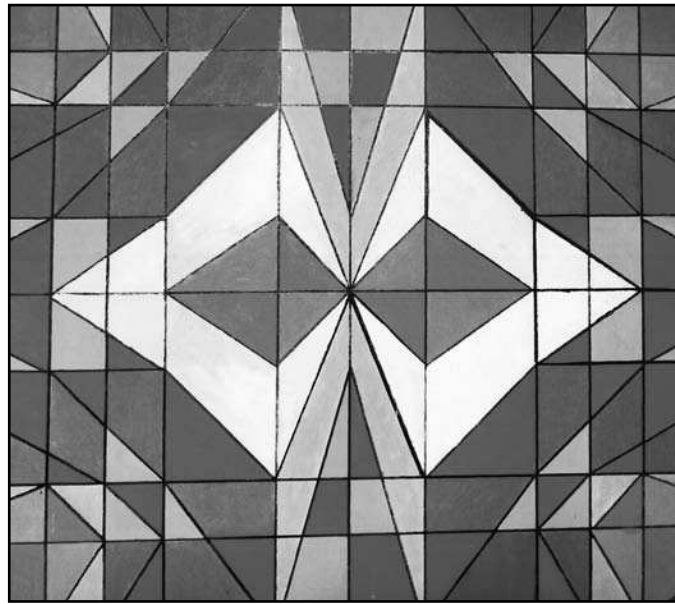
Silver Lining features Hefty art

FLORENCE — Come to The Gallery Above the Silver Lining Boutique, 2217 Highway 101, during the months of June and July to see the artwork of Bob Hefty.

Hefty has shown art there for the past three years and welcomes the opportunity gallery owner Kimberly Flenor has offered to display his paintings to the public.

“Please make every effort to attend this incredible show that The Gallery Above is proud to present,” Flenor said. “I personally guarantee that you will be amazed, astounded and leave feeling better than when you first arrived.”

Hefty’s style in non-objective,



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Artwork by Bob Hefty

which means he makes no effort to duplicate reality — no mountains, trees, skies or seas — only a multitude of organic or geometric shapes and color, some of which may soothe your soul.

His paintings are either of organic or geometric design or both. They are all for sale except for those that are free. But, only a few of the free ones are framed.

This show will be on display from June 1 through July 30, so all art enthusiasts can enjoy this exciting collection. An artist’s reception is Saturday, June 11, from 3 to 5 p.m. to meet the artist and discuss his art.

‘Before Time Began’: paintings by Jesse Reno

COOS BAY — Coos Art Museum presents “Before Time Began,” a solo exhibition of paintings by Portland-based artist Jesse Reno, now through June 25.

Inspired by primitive art, mythology and the painting process, self-taught artist Jesse Reno creates large and compelling mixed media paintings. Reno’s painting style is exuberant and intuitive. He uses acrylic paint on wood and, sometimes, paper, putting down one color and then another, often using his hands and fingers.

He lays down the colors without planning, putting one color next to another — and that, he explains, is the key. Later, he reworks each section of the painting finding ideas in the media and process as each painting develops.

A highly prolific artist, Reno’s work can be found in: fine art galleries, on city walls, skate decks, books, magazines and in private collections around the world. In addition to many solo and group exhibitions throughout the United States he has exhibited in France, Mexico, Canada and Portugal.

“We are more likely to move with feeling when we are not afraid, over time creating images and ideas beyond our own imaginations,” said Reno.

Museum hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Tuesday through Friday, and 1 to 4 p.m. on Saturday. Museum admission is \$5 general, \$2 for students, veterans and seniors, and free to museum members.

Call to artists for OPB, FRAA art collaboration

FLORENCE — Oregon Pacific Bank (OPB) is in partnership with the Florence Regional Arts Alliance (FRAA) in requesting proposals for artwork to be placed on the south wall inside the OPB branch, 1355 Highway 101, in Florence.

This location provides high visibility to all customers and visitors to the bank.

The space is 12 feet across and 42 inches high. Artwork can be of any medium.

Artwork can be either one piece to fill the space, a mural, or a series of pieces. If a mural design is submitted, it must be done on panels that can be adhered to the wall.

All artwork submitted must be “Wall-Ready,” i.e. includes hangers or brackets. Artwork will depict the local scenery and should include at least some or all of the

following elements: the Siuslaw Bridge, the Siuslaw River and the Old Town “scene” (galleries, restaurants, shops, etc.)

Artwork should be done in colors that are compatible with the décor inside the bank. Submissions should include a resume of the artist, including references.

They should include examples of previous finished work.

Submissions will include a color visual representation of their proposal in pdf or jpg format. All submissions must be emailed with the following information to be considered eligible: Full name, address, email address, phone number and the medium they will be using. By submitting a proposal, artist agrees and warrants that artwork is original and unique.

Submissions should be sent by email to

fraaoregon@gmail.com. The deadline is Monday, June 20, at 5 p.m.

The final selection will be announced by June 27.

The selected artwork will be purchased from the artist for a final price of \$1,800 and the design and finished piece will become and remain the exclusive property of Oregon Pacific Bank. Submissions not selected remain the sole property of the artist. Artist is responsible for delivering the finished piece to the designated site no later than Aug. 8.

At that time, ownership of the piece will transfer from the artist to Oregon Pacific Bank and final payment will be made.

A complete copy of this notice is also available online at www.fraaoregon.org.

Friends of Florence Events Center to offer exhibit opportunities for local artists

FLORENCE — Florence Events Center (FEC) will have several opportunities for artists to display their talents in Gallerie One and Five during the fall and winter of 2016, and continuing in 2017.

The FEC Gallery Committee, as part of Friends of the FEC, is giving artists advance notice of upcoming exhibits, as well as offering new and creative challenges to artists.

The first special exhibit will take place

in October and November. This will be the second annual Artistic Visions Award Show. Artists can display up to three pieces of artwork, including 2-D, photography and 3-D.

Cash awards will be given to winners in each category, as well as honorable mention ribbons. Qualified jurors from outside the Florence area will judge this show.

In December, 2016, the FEC will offer a new exhibit encouraging people to

“Give Art this Christmas.” Artists will be asked to submit works that are \$100 or less, and a fun reception will be planned with live music, refreshments and photos with Santa.

January and February of 2017 will be third annual “For the Love of Animals” exhibit, with a reception held to benefit the Florence Area Humane Society.

Pet photos are always a fun part of this event. March and April will be a patriotic

themed exhibit, with a reception benefiting DAV and the Military Heritage Museum.

Florence and the surrounding regions have many talented artists who are encouraged to share their works at the FEC.

Publicity and details on each of the upcoming exhibits will be available the month prior, and applications will also be available online at that time at www.eventcenter.org.