

## Traveling troubadours to play in Florence

FLORENCE — KXCR brings new duo Amy Sue Berlin and Kendra Kinsey to Florence in July.

The pair has the Kerrville Folk Festival, in Texas, in their rearview mirrors. Now the two young women are hitting the road as a folk singing package, bringing their musical backgrounds and memories with them to share with audiences around Oregon this summer.

Their stop in Florence will be at the Siuslaw Public Library's Bromley Room, 1460 Ninth St., Wednesday, July 6, at 7 p.m.

In the troubadour tradition, there will be no charge at the door. A passing hat and appreciative audience will send the performers happily down the road.

Kinsey has been singing since she learned words. She grew up singing in the choir and going yearly to the Kerrville Folk Festival, which formed a seedbed of melody and tunes. After earning a bachelor's of arts degree in studio art, Kendra came back to music after discovering a love of harmony. Along came the ukulele — it was love at first sight.

Kinsey sings solo but also likes to harmonize. She is working on an album.

Berlin was born in Pittsburgh, Pa., but was destined for the American Southwest.

Early on, she traveled with her mother, Anne Feeny, a musician and activist. Each year they made the trek to



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Folk singers Kendra Kinsey and Amy Sue Berlin

Texas for the Kerrville Folk Festival. It was those trips that silently pulled Amy Sue to move to Austin, Texas, where she eventually laid down her roots.

Her involvement in the music industry is long, but much of that time was spent behind the scenes — selling merchandise, promoting, managing and learning the ropes. It wasn't until September 2012 that Amy got her first taste for songwriting. Sitting in on some

classes at a song writing camp in Sisters, Ore., altered Amy's path forever. She found herself a pen and never put it down.

"She sparks the spirit of summer with her singing. Her voice is like no other. She is an Austin Original," says The Austin Chronicle.

The show is sponsored by KXCR. For more information, go to [kxcr.net](http://kxcr.net) or call 541-997-5252.

## New author to sign books at Books 'n' Bears

FLORENCE — Join new local author Linda K. Richison during a special book signing of her new release, "The Spirit of Love: Heart and Souls."

This is the first book in the "Spirit of Love" series.

Richison will be at Books 'n' Bears on July 21, from 2 to 4 p.m.

Her book chronicles "Serena," who is left with shattered dreams and a broken heart as she picks up the scattered pieces of her life.

Desperation pushes her to a new location, where she is destined for a brand new start.

But to her dismay, the vision and her reality painted a different picture.

Follow the perils of Serena as she becomes tangled in a world of mystery and fantasy, where she must rescue a helpless spirit with the help of a dangerously sexy man.

Richison lives with her husband and their four furry kids in Oregon. Her passions are singing, dancing and writing, also spending time outdoors.

She love to get together with her family and friends and values her time with her children and six grandchildren.

Books 'n' Bears is at 1255 Bay St. in Florence.

## Yachats Arts Guild to host 9th annual show



Artwork by (from left) Kathy Whitson, Claire Good and Carol Summers

YACHATS — The Yachats Arts Guild Summer Show runs through Monday, July 4, in room 8 of the Yachats Commons, 441 Highway 101 N., from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day.

The guild will feature new

members Debra Aken and Bob Berthelotte.

The guild offers a variety of art for sale including watercolor, oil, acrylic, colored pencil and pen and ink, wood turning and photography.

Cards and prints of the orig-

inal art are also available.

The Yachats Arts Guild began in 2007 with seven founding members and has grown to the present 25 members, all from the Central Oregon Coast.

The guild recently had art

on display at the Canyon Way Restaurant in Newport through last month. Art by members also can be seen in local galleries, restaurants, book stores and gift shops.

Come meet the artists at the Commons in Yachats.

## Senior Center to host garage sale event July 16

FLORENCE — The Florence Senior Center will be holding a "garage sale" July 16, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Indoor spaces will rent for \$20, which includes a table, or outdoor spaces in the parking lot for \$15. Tables may be set up between 2 and 5 p.m. on Friday, July 15.

Call Ron Borge at 541-991-7977 by July 11 to reserve a space.

Anyone who would like to donate items (no clothing) can bring them to the center on Friday, July 15, between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m., or contact Borge for pick up.

All proceeds from this event will support the Florence Senior Center's expansion project.