

Kenneth B. Gallery to close studio and move online

The brick and mortar building currently housing the Kenneth B Gallery will close officially on Dec. 31, but the gallery will continue to function and represent artists as an online gallery after January 2017.

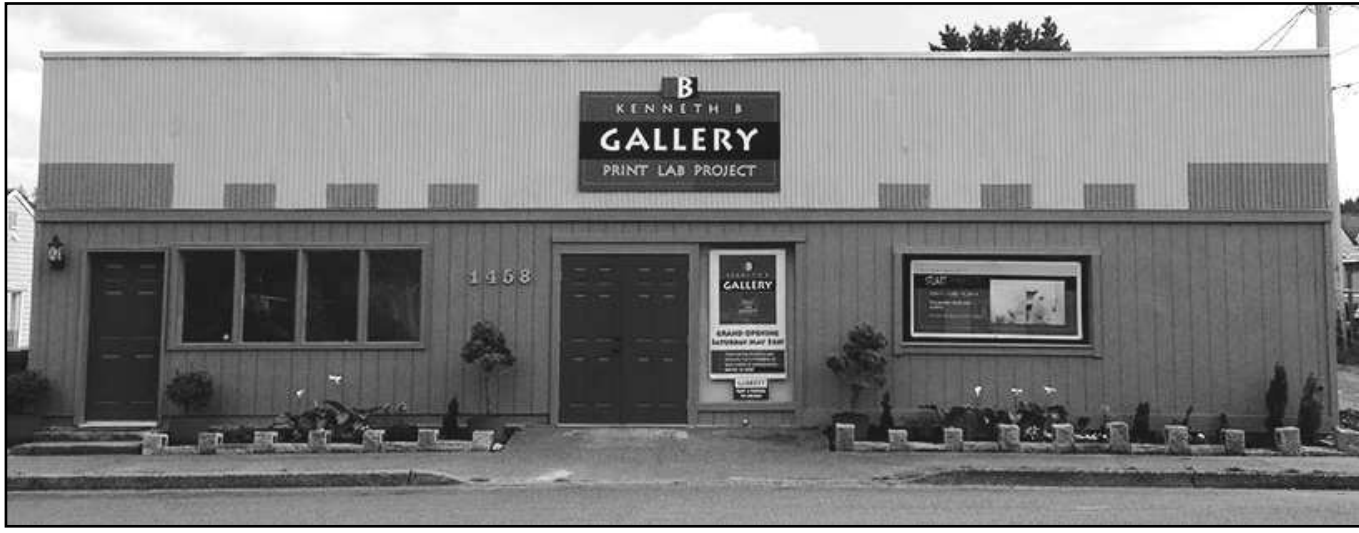
The gallery's closing was announced online and in a press release by owner SK Lindsey.

Lindsey said, "It's been an absolute dream come true to pull this off and I have enjoyed every moment, most especially due to the amazing friendships I've made with my fellow resident artists, Gigi Lassar and Tamarah Phillips, along with many local artists and fellow entrepreneurs."

The gallery will close out the year with a final show featuring Lassar and Phillips today through Dec. 31.

It will also be open for the Second Saturday Gallery Tour today from noon to 4 p.m.

The last special event for the gallery



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Kenneth B. Gallery will close its brick and mortar location on First Street on Dec. 31, but continue to sell artwork from local artists online. It will be open today for the Second Saturday Gallery Tour.

will be a benefit concert for the Siuslaw High School Band on Thursday, Dec. 29. The entertainment will be provided by local band "Ready, Set, Go!" Doors open at 6p.m. The Kenneth B. Gallery is located at 1458 First St. For more information, call 914-554-0044 or visit www.kennethbgallery.com.

CROW announces audition dates for new youth musical

"The Addams Family," based on the characters created by Charles Addams, features an original story — and it's every father's nightmare.

"Wednesday Addams," the ultimate princess of darkness, has grown up and fallen in love with a sweet, smart young man from a respectable family. He also happens to be a man her parents have never met.

And if that weren't upsetting enough, Wednesday confides in her father and begs him not to tell her mother. Now, Gomez Addams must do something he's never done before: keep a secret from his beloved wife, Morticia.

Everything will change for the Addams' on the fateful night they host a dinner for Wednesday's "normal" boyfriend and his parents.

Part romance and part twisted

comedy, "The Addams Family" is a dark, spooky and fun show for the whole family.

CROW (Children's Repertory of Oregon Workshops) will be hosting open auditions Jan. 9 and 10.

This marks CROW's sixth mainstage production.

The show will be performed April 21 through 23 at the Florence Events Center, and for invited school audiences on April 20.

Local audiences may recall that last spring, CROW pro-



CROW will hold auditions for its spring production of "The Addams Family" musical in January.

duced a main stage production of "Shrek The Musical, Jr." which dazzled and delighted local audiences.

CROW is a Florence-based nonprofit organization dedicat-

and founded the program.

"It's much more than just theater. It's an opportunity to hone crucial life skills such as teamwork, motivation, dedication and self-esteem," said Heard. "We hope that these things will serve our kids well, no matter what life path they may select."

In addition to providing a very professional work environment for the cast members, CROW utilizes the highest caliber costumes, sets, lighting design, choreography, music, sound, stage makeup and much more.

There are roles for ages 6 to 22 and older, and all young people are encouraged to try out regardless of previous stage experience.

Mature 4 to 6 years olds will be considered for "Telegrammers," which is a reduced commitment. Auditions will be held at CROW Center for the Performing Arts, 3120 Highway 101, on Jan. 9 and 10, at 6:30 p.m.

Invited callbacks will be held on Jan. 11 at 6:30 p.m.

There are approximately 40-45 onstage roles, and several behind-the-scenes jobs for kids interested in technical theatre.

To audition or participate backstage, kids must attend the audition. Parents should also attend to help fill out forms. Onstage performer hopefuls will need to bring 16 to 32 bars from a song that they would like to sing (sheet music or a CD, MP3 track with no background voices is also acceptable), and a headshot/resume if they have one.

Prospective cast members will also be taught a short dance combination, and those asked to come to callbacks will read lines from the script.

No experience is required, so don't be afraid to come and give it a try. Interested families are strongly encouraged to visit the CROW website for any information needed to prepare for the audition.

Rehearsals will begin Jan. 23 and are generally held week-nights from 6:30 to 8:45 p.m.

A schedule will be available for perusal at the audition.

Heard stresses that performing in these productions is a big commitment.

"Performing in one of our shows is very hard work and requires dedication, but when the curtain opens in April, we know everyone will agree that it was worth it," said Heard.

For a casting breakdown, FAQs and detailed audition information, visit www.crowkids.com.

People can contact Heard at 541-999-8641 or by email at crowtheatrekids@yahoo.com.

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Oil Painting with Michael Wood
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