

Backstreet Gallery welcomes two new members

Backstreet Gallery, 1321 Bay Street, has added two new artists to their collective, Colleen McKnight and Kathleen Wenzel.

Colleen McKnight is a gourd artist extraordinaire and Kathleen Wenzel is a designer of remarkable seed bead jewelry.

As Colleen has only been decorating gourds since 2015, one could wonder at the expertise she has developed in such a short time.

Every sculptural piece is individually created to enhance the organic shape of each unique gourd.

Colleen carves graceful shapes and cutouts, then finishes them with a range of subtle colors and metallic finishes. Many of her sophisticated creations have lids making them useful items as well as being decorative pieces.

After moving from Southern California to Florence nine years ago, Kathleen began beading in earnest.

While she is a talented artist in several media, her outstanding beadwork is



An interesting and unusual gourd offering from new Backstreet Gallery member, Colleen McKnight.

what caught the eye of other members of the Backstreet Gallery.

Her one of a kind jewelry ranges from items as simple as a snowflake pendant to intricate necklaces, earrings, pins and amulet bags entwined in beaded chains.

Each piece is woven of tiny seed beads into intricate designs that often are three dimensional and always elegant.

These new members of the Backstreet Artist's Collective will begin showing their work this month at the Gallery. During the winter Backstreet Gallery is open daily from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. for more information call 541-997-8980.

KXCR invites all to 'Hearts and Flowers' event at Elks

On Saturday evening, Feb. 11, invites everyone to a dance and buffet event at the Florence Elk's Lodge.

KXCR DJ's will present a great selection of American dance music of the last half century for the community to enjoy. The music played will draw from many eras. From Glenn Miller's Moonlight Serenade to Patti Page's Tennessee Waltz to Frank Sinatra, Johnny Mathis, Anne Murray, Debbie Reynolds the Beatles to the Everly Brothers and from Aretha to Natalie.

The evening will be rounded out with raffle ticket prizes from generous local business owners.

A free buffet table stands ready to sustain happy and hungry dancers, and the Elks Lodge no host bar will be available to provide beverages for the thirsty.

This Valentine Dance Special continues the stations string of music and dance presentations we hope will help familiarize friends and neighbors with our local, volunteer-powered, nonprofit, non-commercial, community radio station. KXCR is located on your dial at 90.7FM.

All are welcome. The Elks' west door opens at 7 p.m. Admission is \$5 per person and raffle tickets are for available inside.



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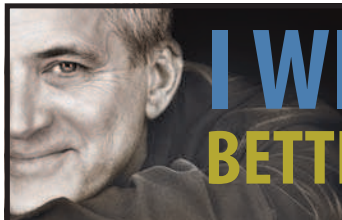
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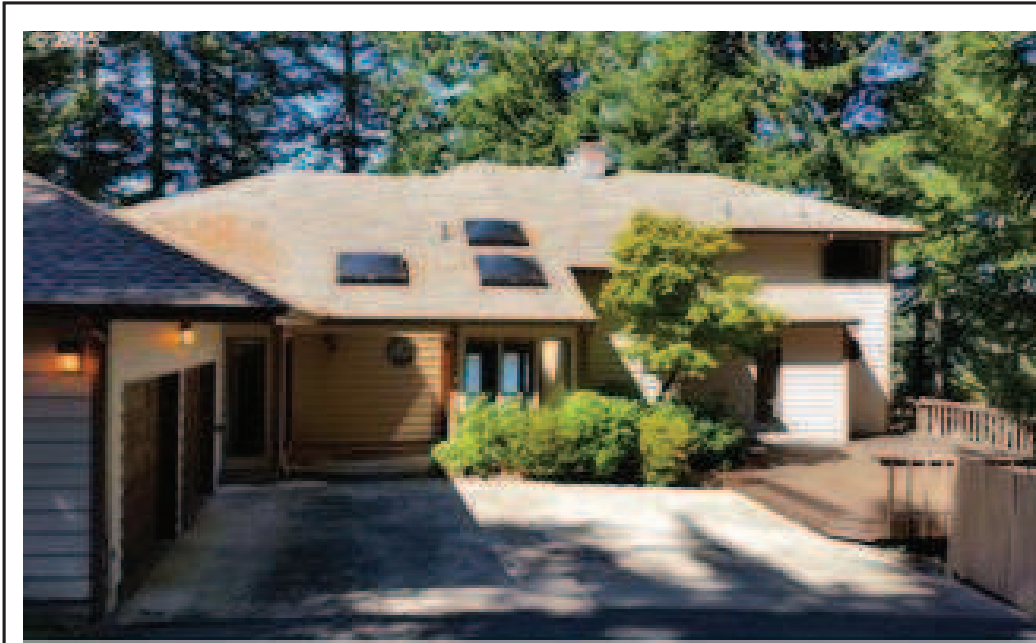
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