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Molly Hardin

Florence's own Molly Hardin will perform at the Florence Events Center as she kicks off the music tour of her new album "Skin Deep."

Former Florence resident, singer, songwriter, recording artist and touring performer Molly Hardin is bringing her excitingly choreographed stage production, an R&B Ballet of her debut full length album Skin Deep, to the FEC main stage.

Niece of the late Tim Hardin ("If I Were a Carpenter," "Reason to Believe," and many other classics), Molly Hardin has joined forces with choreographer Joselito Castillo to interpret the album's music with contemporary dance, jazz ballet and street dance to create a completely original interpretation.

With soulful vocals and stage dramatics, this family-friendly production has been choreographed to present a message of unity, love and peace through the celebration of diversity, music and dance.

Performer Mary Dana will open the stage, preparing the audience to go on a journey with Hardin, Dana and the show's extraordinary dancers.

Be prepared to be asked on stage to dance if you are in the front few rows!

It's a journey that begins the moment audience members take their seats, and lasts until the final encore — a moving tribute song she wrote for her dad and nephew, both

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The new music event is an extension of the long-running Siletz Bay Music Festival and will bring many of the festival's internationally known singers and musicians to the FEC.

Three years ago, Florence resident and City Councilor Joshua Greene was introduced to the Siletz Bay Music Festival — a small celebration of music and education held each year in Lincoln City.

"Each time I attended, I came away impressed with the passion and spirit on display with each performance," said Greene. "My relationship with the festival grew and I thought about how fantastic it would be to bring some of these world-class musicians to the Florence Events Center (FEC)."

Greene extended an invitation to Siletz Bay Artistic Director Yaacov Bergman and some members of the organizing board.

"After a tour of the FEC, they became excited by the possibility of the musicians performing in a theater setting," Greene said, explaining how the Siltez Bay Music Festival is on a flat floor as opposed to a theater.

"The opportunity to play in a formal theater with real acoustics became an exciting prospect," said Greene.

International renown jazz and soul performer Clairdee will co-host the Siuslaw Jam which debutes this July in Florence.

With the support of the Siletz Bay Music Festival, Greene pursued the creation of an annual event in

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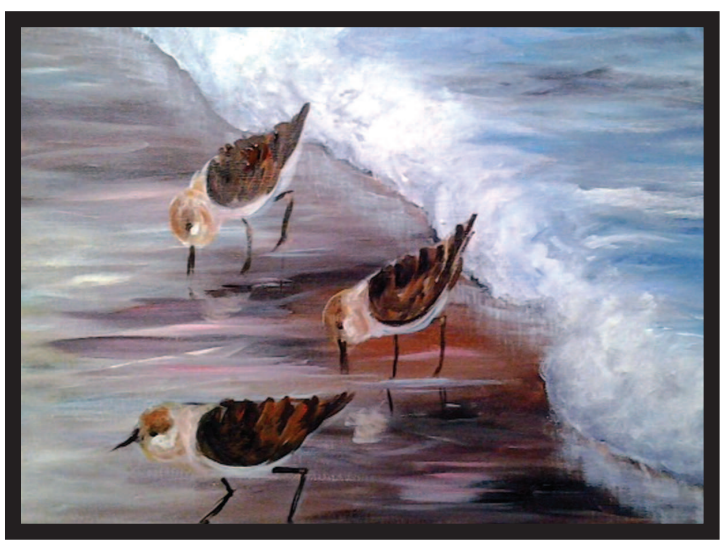

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