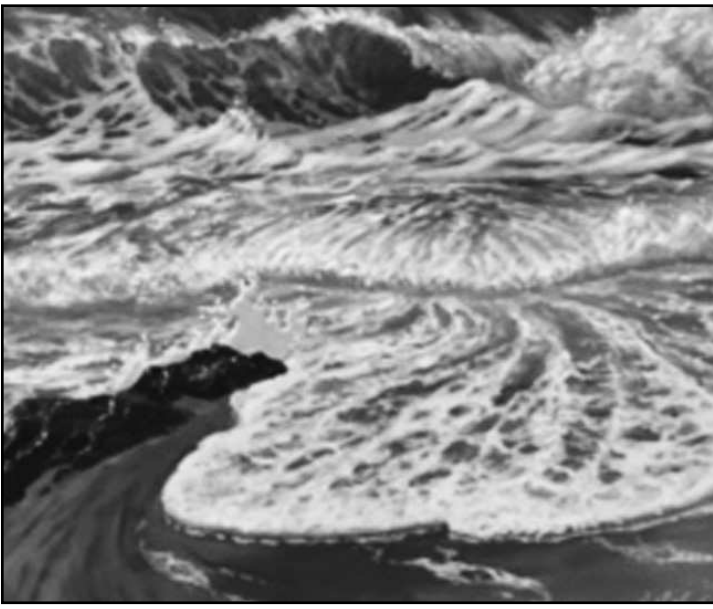


Paul Kingsbury's painted seascapes at OPB in March



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OPB in Florence will display seascapes by Paul Kingsbury, a lover of the sea, in March.

Seascape artist Paul Kingsbury's paintings are on display during the month of March at Oregon Pacific Bank on Highway 101 in Florence.

Kingsbury lived in the Pacific Islands for 15 years, has crossed both the Atlantic and the Mediterranean and lived on three sides of the Caribbean. He fell in love with the ocean, and his attempts to depict the surging surf and billowing clouds has yielded some great art over the years.

As Kingsbury states, "My love for the surging seas and dramatic skies is reflected in bold realism."

His works are created in

acrylics in the style of oils. He uses a variety of techniques, including "transparent glazes, thin washes, heavy accents, dry brushing, color blending and meticulous detailing."

Kingsbury has been a member of several art associations, including the Lone Star Art Guild in Houston, the Banyan Tree Art Guild in Maui, the San Diego Visual Arts Guild and the Mountain Arts Guild in Arizona.

He is a member of the Florence Regional Arts Alliance (FRAA), 120 Maple St. in Old Town Florence, where one can view several more pieces of his artwork.

Pianist Robin Spielberg to play in Florence March 12

Kathy Parsons' 2018 house concert series is kicking off with the return of very special guest artist, Robin Spielberg, on Monday, March 12.

There is a suggested donation of \$20 at the door. Reservations are required by emailing Kathy Parsons at kathy_piano@gmail.com or calling her at 541-999-9720.

Parsons is a local piano teacher in the Sandpines West community of Florence, and has a full-size grand piano that will be utilized for the concert.

For more information about the concert series, visit www.MainlyPiano.com.

With more than a million recordings sold, Spielberg is one of the best-loved pianists in the US. With eighteen albums, inclusion in more than forty compilations, and her award-winning autobiography, "Naked on the Bench: My Adventures in Pianoland," Spielberg enchants with her music as well as her vivid stories about the inspiration for each piece.



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Her discography includes albums of original piano solos, arrangements of American standards, original pieces for piano/ensemble, recordings for the holidays, a collection of favorite Americana melodies and a lullaby album. Her newest recording, "On the Edge of a Dream," due for release in April, is an improvisational solo piano album "for

Robin Spielberg returns to Florence to play Kathy Parsons' grand piano during the next House Concert on March 12.

dreaming, contemplation, relaxation and medical therapies."

A Steinway artist, Spielberg made her Carnegie Hall debut in 1997 with a sold-out performance at the Weill Recital Hall and has performed there twice since. Other memorable performances include a guest spot on a PBS Christmas special; live performances on CBS Saturday Morning, Good Morning Arizona, Life Time Live, CBS New Orleans and a private concert for the factory workers at the Steinway & Sons historic piano factory in New York.

Spielberg is also a celebrity spokesperson for the American Music Therapy Association.

Her interest in music and

healing grew when she witnessed the positive effect music had on her own baby daughter (born prematurely) during her four-month stay in the neonatal intensive care unit. As spokesperson, Spielberg conducts workshops and seminars on the topic of music and healing throughout the U.S. in hospitals, schools, community centers, nursing care facilities and performing arts centers.

She was the featured performer at two of AMTA's national conferences, performing for music therapists from around the world. In 2014, she was asked to do a TEDx TALK on music and wellness (now on YouTube on the TEDx channel).

Spielberg is also a founding member of the Tony-award winning Atlantic Theater Company.

She currently resides in rural Pennsylvania with her husband/business partner, Larry Kossion.

Their daughter, Valerie, is now in college.

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