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# WINE, ART, JAZZ FESTIVAL RETURNING

Seven national-caliber jazz acts will complement 12 Oregon wineries and an invitational juried art show and sale, to lure aficionados of discerning tastes to Florence, Ore., for FlorenceFest '18.

The two-day event takes place at the Florence Events Center, 715 Quince St., from 2 to 8 p.m. Friday, April 27, and noon to 8 p.m. on Saturday, April 28.

The stellar music line-up includes headliners the Tony Glausi Quartet on Friday and the George Colligan Quartet on Saturday. Both performers are highly-respected composer/ arranger/collaborators on the national scene.

Friday's line-up begins at 2 p.m. and includes Bossa PDX and the Paula Byrne Quartet.

Saturday's shows start at noon and feature the Michael Anderson Trio, Bossanaire and the Gerry Rempel Jazz Syndicate.

Wineries from throughout Oregon will include Hanson Vineyards, Cathedral Ridge Winery, J Scott Cellars, Sineann, Campbell Lane Winery, Lady Hill Winery, Noble Estate Vineyard and Winery, HV Cellars, Abbey Creek, Emerson Winery, Cardwell Hill Cellars and Troon Vineyard.

Coast Radio KCST/KCFM in Florence is producing FlorenceFest '18.

"If you appreciate wine, art or jazz, you're invited. Come enjoy," said Jon Thompson, owner of Coast Radio. "Last year's inaugural FlorenceFest was a great success. We hosted several hundred wine, art and jazz aficionados from throughout Oregon and the West Coast. The quality of the wine, art, food and music was critical to last year's big success, and this year's event is shaping up to be even better."

The juried art show and sale will be conducted by Margaret Prentice, who has curated numerous exhibitions throughout the Northwest. She is currently a Professor Emeritus in the University of Oregon's Art Department. Her work is featured in more than 55 public collections, the Getty Museum and leading university galleries.

The show and sale will include 60-plus finalists out of more than 100 entries from Florence, Eugene, Portland, Ashland and nine other states as far away as the East Coast.

The top-three best-in-show prizes range from \$250 to \$1,000, with additional cash awards of \$250 for best in 2-D, 3-D, photography and a People's Choice award.

The event is coordinated by the Florence Regional Arts Alliance (FRAA).

Thompson said that throughout the two days, a tapas-style menu will be available from a variety of providers.

"Florence bills itself as 'Oregon's Coastal Playground,' and this event at this venue is a great part of all the fun Florence has to offer. We want to fill the town with people who are into fine art, fine wine and international caliber jazz," he added.

Pre-event tickets are \$20 for Friday, \$25 for Saturday, and a two-day pass is \$40.

Tickets are available exclusively at FlorenceChamber. com/FlorenceFest or at the Florence Area Chamber of Commerce's Visitors' Center, 290 Highway 101.

Tickets are limited in number and, if available at the door, will be an additional \$5 each.

Admission is restricted to adults 21 and over. For more information visit FlorenceFestOregon.com or call Coast Radio at 541-997-9136; or contact the Florence Area Chamber of Commerce at 541-997-3128 or FlorenceChamber.com/FlorenceFest.

### **BOOK REVIEW** "As Bright As Heaven"

By Susan Meissner In 1918, Philadelphia is a city teeming with promise. Even as its young men go off to fight in the Great War, there are opportunities for a fresh start on its cobblestone streets.

Into this bustling town come Pauline Bright and her husband, filled with the hope that they could now give their three daughters — Evelyn, Maggie and Willa — a chance at a better life.

Their dreams are short-lived. Just months after they arrive, the Spanish flu reaches the shores of North America. As the pandemic claims more than 12,000 victims in their adopted city, Pauline and her family find themselves in a world that looks nothing like the one they knew.

But even as they lose loved ones, they take in a baby, orphaned by the disease, who becomes their single source of hope. Amidst the tragedy and challenges that surround them they learn what they cannot live without — and what they are willing to do about it.

"As Bright as Heaven," by Susan Meissner, is the compelling story of a mother and her daughters who find themselves in a harsh world not of their making that will either crush their resolve to survive or purify it.

Meissner is the award-winning author of "A Bridge Across the Ocean," "Secrets of a Charmed Life," "A Fall of Marigolds" and "Stars Over Sunset Boulevard," among other novels.

#### **Watercolor Society Show**

Don't forget that the library is displaying the award-winning paintings of the Watercolor Society of Oregon through April 4. This is a great opportunity to see some of the best works of art produced by Oregon watercol-

#### **PoetryMusic**

The library is pleased to present musical duo Chris Lee and Colleen O'Brien on Wednesday, April 4, at 1 p.m., in a free concert entitled "PoetryMusic."

The world class chamber jazz duo is dedicated to performing poetry that has been set to music and the poetry is sung. This performance multi-media includes an accompanying slide presentation with each poem projected on the screen along with photographic images so that the audience can follow the written world with the poem being sung. This event celebrates April as Poetry Month.

#### **Borrowing Material from Other Libraries**

Do you ever need a book or other material which we don't have here at the Siuslaw Public Library? You can always ask if we can order it on "interlibrary loan."

Interlibrary loan is a system where we search for the material at other libraries and request to borrow it for you. Books are usually the easiest to borrow.

Many libraries have restrictions on lending audiovisual materials such as DVDs, videos and recorded books, as well as special collections such as genealogy or local history, but it's always worth a try to see if we can borrow it.

The next time you need something just stop by the reference desk and we will see if we can help you out.

# CONCEALED CARRY PERMIT CLASS **I-STATE April 4th** 1pm & 6pm Florence Event Center 715 Quince St. Walk-in's welcome. Multi-State: \$80.00 RESIDENT NON PERMIT Oregon Included No Fee NOT HONORED **Oregon Only: \$45.00**

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## Green Film series brings 'WASTED!' to Florence

The Siuslaw News and KCST/KCFM Coast Radio is excited to once again partner with City Lights Cinemas to

host a community-screening of the new food waste film, "WASTED!: The Story of Food Waste."

There will be two sho ings on Thursday, April 26, at 12:30 and 6 p.m.

This film aims to change the way people buy, cook, recycle and eat food. Through the eyes of some of America's favorite food-waste conscious chefs, such as Anthony Bourdain, Dan Barber, Massimo Bottura and Danny Bowien, audiences will see how the world's most influential chefs make the most of every kind of food, transforming what most people consider

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scraps into incredible dishes that create a more secure food system.

"WASTED!" exposes the



criminality of food waste and how it's directly contributing to climate change and shows us how each of us can make small changes - all of them delicious - to solve one of the greatest problems of the 21st Century.

Admission for the film will be free with a donation of a

**SATURDAY** 

canned or dry food item for Florence Food Share, whose mission is to alleviate hunger in Western Lane County.

Admission tickets are required, limit two per person, and available starting March 26 at Siuslaw News, 148 Maple St., and City Lights Cinemas, 1920 Highway 101.

"WASTED!" is shown as part of Siuslaw News and Coast Radio's Green Film series, targeting important topics through innovative films and community discussion. January's showing of "A Plastic Ocean" was a sold-out event and allowed people to engage with the global issue of plastic pollution locally.

\*SALE RUNS UNTIL APRIL 15TH.

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