

ARTISTS CALLED FOR BANDON BOARDWALK ART SHOW



The annual Port of Bandon Boardwalk Art Show is Bandon's uniquely accessible public art display on the picturesque boardwalk in Old Town. The 2018 theme is "Salmon Dreams, Marshes and Streams."

Artists of all ages are invited to enter.

The show features works by amateur and professional artists living throughout southwestern Oregon and beyond. Prizes are awarded in youth and adult categories, along with people's choice winners. The show opens Memorial Day weekend and continues through the second weekend in September.

Submissions are accepted through Friday, May 18, at noon.

Art boards and entry forms are available in Bandon at the Port of Bandon office, 390 First St. SW; and Art by the Sea Gallery, 145 Fillmore Ave. SE; and in North Bend at the Coquille Tribal Administration office, 3050 Tremont St.

A \$10 entry fee covers the cost of art boards and prizes. Scholarship boards are available: inquire at the Port of Bandon.

The 2018 show is presented by the Port of Bandon, with grant support by the Coquille Tribal Community Fund, and sponsored by the Bandon Professional Center.

Contact 541-347-3206 or visit portofbandon.com for more information.

Liberty Theatre presents 'Shrek'

The Liberty Theatre, Home of Little Theatre on the Bay, will bring "Shrek the Musical" to North Bend in May. With performances May 4 to 27, this is a chance to see Shrek, Fiona, Donkey and a host of Fairy Tale Creatures as they take on epic roadtrips, dragons and Lord Farquar.

"Once upon a time, there was a little ogre named Shrek..." And thus begins the tale of an unlikely hero who finds himself on a life-changing journey alongside a wisecracking Donkey and a feisty princess who resists her rescue. Throw in a short-tempered bad guy, a cookie with an attitude and over a dozen other fairy tale misfits, and you've got the kind of mess that calls for a real hero. Luckily, there's one on hand ... and his name is Shrek.

The show runs May 4 to 27 with Friday and Saturday showings at 7 p.m. and Sunday matinees at 2 p.m.

For more information, visit thelibertytheatre.org, stop in at 2100 Sherman Ave. in North Bend or call 541-756-4336.

Oregon Coast Chamber Orchestra holds Spring Series

The Oregon Coast Chamber Orchestra (OCCO) wraps up the 2017-18 season with a Spring Concert series in April and May. The final performances will be at Florence Community Baptist Church, 4590 Highway 101, on Sunday, May 6, 2 p.m.

The coastal community is invited to come along as Maestro John Monks, with soloist Deidre Henderson on flute employing "Meditation" (Massenet) and Richard Jones on alto sax using the power of "Persuasion" (Nicotine).

The concert will take the group on a journey to mythical places with fantastical beings. They form a "Fellowship of the Ring" (Shore) and join a "March of the Dwarfs" (Grieg) to "Swan Lake" (Tchaikovsky) via a "Cumberland Rhapsody" (Barton) to soar beyond "So Many Stars" (Menes) by the "Claire de Lune" (Debussy) to a "The Kingdom of Crystal Skulls" (Williams).

The Oregon Coast Chamber Orchestra is a community orchestra based on the central coast in Florence with players

in the forefront since his retirement as a music educator, playing saxophone for the OCCO as well as with the Pacific Coast Wind Ensemble, and Yachats Big Band.

Admission is \$10 for adults and children and students are free.

Visit OCCOrchestra.org for details.



Oregon Coast Chamber Orchestra features Deidre Henderson and Richard Jones.



coming from as far north as Lincoln City and Salem, east as far as Springfield and from the south as far as Port Orford.

Soloists Deidre Henderson and Richard Jones both call Florence home. Ms. Henderson is completing her third season with OCCO, playing flute and piccolo. In addition to OCCO she plays with Pacific Coast Wind Ensemble and has performed in the pit orchestra for several local musicals. Mr. Jones keeps music

Calling all poets: Big Wave Poetry returns to Florence

The third annual Big Wave Poetry Slam, sponsored by the Florence Regional Arts Center (FRAA), will roll into the Florence Events Center on June 30. Poets from across the Pacific Northwest will compete for the largest cash prizes in the state.

On Saturday, June 30, starting at 6:30 p.m., up to 30 poets will perform their 3-minute original poems or spoken word pieces for the audience and the judges. The entry fee is \$15.

The first-place prize is \$500, second place takes home \$250 and third place is \$100.

Contestants are judged on both poem content and presentation.

Registration for the event is not yet open so stay tuned.

Friends of poetry and the arts are invited to attend and enjoy a great evening of poetry performed in the slam style — which means the poems or spoken word pieces are per-

formed dramatically, which makes for some great entertainment.

Admission this year is \$5 and doors open to the public at 6 p.m.

The Big Wave Poetry committee is encouraging all poets interested in entering the slam contest to start polishing their poems and practicing their performances. Florence has an excellent opportunity for poets to come out and practice in front of fellow poets dur-

ing the open mic poetry night on the first Tuesday of each month at Florence Regional Arts Alliance Art Center, 120 Maple St. in Historic Old Town Florence.

The committee is also looking for volunteers who are willing to help organize and set up for the Poetry Slam.

For more information, call 541-997-4435 or visit www.fraaoregon.org and click on "Poetry Fest."