

LIFE OF MOZART



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The Siuslaw Public Library sponsored a performance by the acting troupe The Traveling Lantern, which presented the "Life of Mozart" to a small, attentive group last Thursday. The library's Summer Reading Program continues all through July. More information is online at siuslawlibrary.info.

Free discussion about faith and politics as part of Conversation Project

While faith and politics have long been taboo subjects in polite conversation, it's no secret that people's political affiliations and support are often influenced by their faiths. At the same time, faith-based movements, such as the Religious Right of the 1980s, have exhibited great power in political arenas.

How do our faith systems influence our political beliefs — and vice versa — today, both in Oregon and nationally?

How do our religious ideas and political identities mix and what it means for our common life together?

This is the focus of "Faith and Politics in Oregon and Beyond," a free conversation with Russ Pierson on Sunday, July 8, at 2 p.m. at Florence United Methodist Church Fellowship Room, 333 Kingwood St., Florence.

This event is part of Oregon Humanities' statewide Conversation Project and is hosted by Florence United Methodist Church and sponsored by Oregon Humanities.

Pierson is a GreenFaith fellow who earned a doctor of ministry in global leadership from George Fox University and holds several sustainability-related certifications. He is dean of the

Lane Community College Florence Center on the Oregon coast and has a mixed-up background in construction management, the faith community and higher education.

Through the Conversation Project, Oregon Humanities offers free programs that engage community members in thoughtful, challenging conversations about ideas critical to our daily lives and our state's future.

For more information about this free community discussion, contact Paula Ziegelsch at 541-603-6948 or pziegelsch@gmail.com.

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Summer paving scams under way

SALEM—The Construction Contractors Board (CCB) is investigating reports of paving scams across the state.

"Homeowners should be wary of people who knock on the door and make an offer to pave a driveway at an unrealistic price," Lead Investigator Eric McLauchlin said.

People can call the CCB at 503-934-2229. They can also report scams locally.

Scam suspects are often unlicensed, but not always.

Consumers can look up a contractor on the CCB website, ww.oregon.gov/ccb, to see if they are actively licensed and whether complaints have been filed against them.

Nearly all home improvement work requires a CCB license, meaning the contractor has a bond and insurance that offer some protection.



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Next Art Change-Out Day
Monday, July 9th, 9-11 am
Please pick up your artwork and bring something new to help keep the art at FRAA fresh to our visitors.

Spirit of Summer Art Exhibit, FRAA and the Friends of the Florence Gallery Committee
Artwork on display in July and August 2018 at the Event Center. Reception for all w/ the Patron's and Artists on July 11, 5-7 pm.

FRAA Quarterly Member's Meeting
Monday, July 16th, 3:30 pm. Come learn what we have been doing, upcoming events, and provide inputs for the future.

Painting with John Leasure
Saturdays 9 am - 12 pm
Contact: jleasure@hotmail.com or 541-991-2754 for details and fees.

Whimsical Hand Building Ceramics w/ Alissa Clark
Wednesdays, 3-5 pm & Thursdays, 6-8 pm
Open Lab Ceramics on Saturdays
Drop in, work at own pace. Sat 12-5 pm
Call Alissa with questions, 503-957-5222.
All ceramics classes held at Alissa's Studio. 180 Laurel Street.

Big Wave Poetry 1st Tuesday Open Mic
July 3rd at 6:30 pm. Admission is free and refreshments will be available.

Poetry Writing Class with Jeff Lovejoy
Tuesday, July 10th, 6-8 pm. All levels welcome! Recapping intro class; new poems, exercises, discussion of poetry problems. Contact Jeff for questions and registration: jlovejoy54@gmail.com

Bastille Day Literary Salon with Catherine Rourke
Saturday, July 14th, 6:30-8:30 pm
Writers Open Mic, Tribute to Tom Wolfe, Phil Roth, Anthony Bourdain
Free public event, \$5 suggested donation
Email CJReditor@gmail.com or 541-708-2120

Writers on the River - Creative Writing w/ Catherine Rourke - Writing to Heal Your Life
Sat., July 28th 10 am - 12 noon
Journaling/storytelling for transformation. All writing levels and genres. Contact: CJReditor@gmail.com, 541-708-2120

For more information about classes, visit fraaoregon.org. To register for these classes, please call or visit FRAA at our art center on Maple Street.