

Celtic harps, rare instruments play Saturday

A duo of Celtic harpists and multi-instrumentalists, Lisa Lynne and Aryeh Frankfurter, will be performing rare instruments and sharing stories at the Florence Unitarian Universalist Fellowship on Saturday, Aug. 11, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

The show features Lynne and Frankfurter playing two Celtic harps, the rare Swedish Nyckelharpa, Ukrainian Bandura, Cittern, Viola and more. The audience will hear traditional instrumental music from Sweden and Ireland as well as heartwarming original compositions blended with stories of humor and adventure.

The concert will take place at the Florence Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, 87738 Highway 101 in Florence. Admission is free but donations are appreciated.

Lynne and Frankfurter are a Celtic harp and multi-instrumentalist duo. They share a background as progressive rock musi-



cians who later discovered a love for Celtic, Renaissance and Swedish music on unique acoustic instruments.

They hail from Oregon and tour extensively playing fine performing arts centers, theaters and intimate venues around the U.S. and Europe. They perform as a duo, with legendary storyteller Patrick Ball and with the Windham Hill Winter Solstice tours.

For more information, call 541-997-2840.

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when she was first starting out as a teacher in the late 1980s. "I remember his passion. I thought of the students as little kids at the time, but he didn't. His passion for their writing and symbolism and expression was so important to him."

When McKibbin became the elementary school PE teacher, Church was amazed by his enthusiasm.

"He wouldn't just tell kids how to square dance or how to use a parachute," she said. "He was out there, having fun."

McKibbin also coached for the school wrestling team the Little Toads.

"Little Toads was always such a great thing, and it just kept wrestling going in this community," Church said.

The reason for the boating accident that led to McKibbin's death is unknown.

The night before, condi-

tions were flat and calm on the jetty, but by 10 a.m. there was a breaking wave on the bar that reached eight feet in height.

"That's where we restricted the bar to all recreational vessels and all uninspected commercial vessels due to the occasional eight-foot break that we were seeing into the channel," said MBC Kevin Smith, Executive Petty Officer with USCG Station Siuslaw River.

Warnings were broadcast by USCG through radio, but it is not known when McKibbin went out to sea, or from where.

"I've been in shock trying to figure out what could have happened," Huntington said. "Bruce was very experienced on the water with tons of local knowledge about the ocean and bar crossings up and down the Oregon coast."

He added, "The Siuslaw bar can be one of the roughest bars on the Oregon coast at times."

Smith stressed that all boaters should monitor channels 16 and 22A for USCG broadcasts before venturing through the bar.

"When we have a restricted bar, we broadcast it every hour," he said. "If you're under the restriction, don't go out."

If one is passed the bar when the restriction is placed, Smith recommended calling the USCG on channel 16 to obtain the most up-to-date information on when the bar is anticipated to subside.

He also stated that boaters should wear life preservers at all times.

"Bruce will definitely be missed by all who knew him," Huntington said. "It's not going to be the same not hearing his voice on the marine radio giving out his GPS numbers of where he's catching fish."

"All of our thoughts and prayers go out to his family at this time."

Art Committee seeks grant writer

Florence Public Art Committee has sent out a request for proposals (RFP) for the "Public Art Grant Work Plan Creation & Grant Writer" position.

The City of Florence is seeking proposals from qualified individuals or firms with a proven track record to provide grant writing services for the City's Public Art Committee.

Successful applicants will demonstrate an ability to provide all of the following: researching and finding appropriate grants, drafting a strategic plan, writing, submitting and securing grants.

The Public Art Committee has been tasked with the implementation of its work plan to establish new public art programs for the city, including the establishment of

the art for the Highway 101 and 126 ReVision Florence project.

ReVision Florence is a partnership between the City of Florence, the Florence Urban Renewal Agency, Lane County, Oregon Department of Transportation and the Florence Public Art Committee. Each partner is investing time, money and/or in-kind participation to complete this rehabilitation of the major traffic corridor of Florence.

The plans call for widening sidewalks, placing utilities underground, adding bicycle lanes, realignment of side streets, natural landscaping, bio-swales, benches, contemporary street lighting and the placement of works of art that will be strategically located throughout this new streetscape.

The initial phase of this RFP request is for the completion of a Public Art Grant Work Plan that would recommend all appropriate grants, whether local, nonprofit, state or federal, that may be available to the city and committee, where the monies would go to all costs associated with the creation, installation and maintenance of the artworks.

RFP submittal will also be utilized as a basis for future grant writing work.

Proposers shall provide submittal in either digital or hard copy format, by 5 p.m. on Aug. 14 to Kelli Weese, City Recorder/Economic Development Coordinator.

For full submittal information, visit ci.florence.or.us.

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The fee to participate is \$20. An ad for the Community Wide Garage Sale with a map of all participation sales will be published in the Siuslaw News on September 5th and 8th. Because of print deadlines, the registration deadline is 5pm Thursday August 29 2018.

You will also receive two official Community Wide Garage Sale signs as well as a tip sheet on how to have a great sale. Maps will be available in the Siuslaw News, online and at the Florence Visitors Center.

Please post signs only on private property with the owner's consent. Posting signs on City utility poles, street or signal light poles, and median strips is against the municipal code.

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Bring form and payment to 148 Maple St in Historic Old Town or mail to Siuslaw News PO Box 10, Florence, OR 97439
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