

Oregon Coast Online Art Show celebrates 157 artists

Oregon Coast Council for the Arts organizes remote gallery offering

The Oregon Coast Council for the Arts presents the "Oregon Coast Online Art Show" from May 29 to Sept. 7 online at www.coastarts.org/visual-arts-center/oregon-coast-online-art-show.

Organized in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the show was developed as most galleries and art spaces are shuttered and artists are unable to present their work to a viewing public.

The "Oregon Coast Online Art Show" currently includes the work of 157 contributing artists, exhibiting painting, sculpture, photography, mixed media and wearable art works.

The Oregon Coast Online Art Show is open to all artists living on the Oregon coast, artists who have shown their work at the Newport Visual Arts Center in the past or current members of the Oregon Coast Council for the Arts.

"This show is a substantial representation of artists living on the Oregon coast or who have shown their work here," said Tom Webb, OCCA's director for the Newport Visual Arts

Center. "We have come together remotely to present a rich assortment of visual media for the public to enjoy and consider bringing home."

The Oregon Coast Online Art Show is both a benefit for the participating artists and the OCCA. All works are for sale and transactions will be handled through OCCA.

The Oregon Coast Online Art Show was organized remotely. Following a call for submissions, artists emailed photographs of their work and accompanying information to OCCA, which then created an online gallery space.

Artists are limited to one artwork per person, though they may post an additional work if one sells. Coastal art associations, such as the Pelican Bay Art Association and the Nestucca Valley Artists, helped spread the word.

Past VAC exhibition partners, such as the Sandgren PaintOut Project, the Watercolor Society of Oregon and the Blackfish Gallery, shared the call with their members. Coastal media outlets and KLCC radio presented

the exhibit opportunity to readers and listeners across the state.

"The Visual Art Center in Newport has truly stepped up to the plate to help artists to continue to receive exposure and sales of their work," said Sandy Roumagoux, a noted oil painter and former mayor of Newport. "This kind of innovation is truly appreciated."

The 157 show participants represent 56 different towns and six U.S. states.

Newport artists provided 26 submissions, the most of any one town, followed by Portland at 17.

The Oregon coast itself is represented by 101 artists, from nearly every town and hamlet on the map from Brookings to Astoria.

Noted Oregon artists such as Roumagoux, Darren Orange of Astoria, Erik Sandgren of Portland, Henk Pander of Portland and Bets Cole of Elmira, among many others, contributed artwork.

"Thank you for this opportunity to show in the online gallery. It is so important for artists to have an audience and the Newport Arts Center and Oregon Coast Council for the

Arts are doing just that," said contributing painter Bets Cole. "I am always fascinated by the variety of works that emerge from an area, so personal yet so connected."

"It will be a visual feast."

The Oregon Coast Online Art Show will continue to accept submissions on a rolling basis through July 20.

Artists should email twebb@coastarts.org for show guidelines.

Art enthusiasts are encouraged to return frequently to the online gallery to review new work.

The show is also being promoted through the Lincoln County School District as a summer distance-learning opportunity.

Various online artist talks and gatherings are being scheduled.

In addition to the visual art, Randy McCoy, a singer-songwriter based in Yachats, shared his new original song and music video, "Our Time Alone Will Bring Us Together," for gallery visitors to listen to while scrolling through the artwork.

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The \$2,500 Marteen Wick Future First Citizen Scholarship was presented to Tiffany Hine (OSU).

The \$1,000 Alan and Virginia Robertson Scholarship was presented to Chloe Madden (OSU).

Amelia Wells (LCC) and Ramiro Ramirez (LCC) each received \$1,000 Joan Orr Scholarships.

The \$1000 Larry and Florence Englund Scholarships went to Zachary Stinger (PCC).

The \$1000 Pat Knipe Visual Arts Scholarship went to Elissa Hurley (Academy of Art Univ).

Two \$750 Art and Jean Koning Scholarships were awarded to Ricardo Loza-Sanchez (LCC) and

Kaleigh Anderson (PSU), Trinity Holmes (TBA) and Theryn Schwertferger (LCC) each won \$750 Joe and Pearl Ellingson Scholarships.

The \$750 Roger and Sherrie McCorkle Scholarship was earned by Olivia Olmstead (LCC).

The \$500 Elmer Waite Scholarship was awarded to Brooklyn Cahoon (George Fox) and the \$500 Hal and Lee Hylton Scholarship was presented to Nina Aaron (UO).

Jonah Jarman (TBA) received the \$500 Johnston Family Scholarship, Layla Blakely (PSU) won the \$500 Judd and Lucy Huntington Scholarship, and Lillian Wells (LCC) was awarded the \$500 Justin Black Scholarship.

Wendy Vaughn (LCC) received the \$500 Noel

and Mary Dobyns Scholarship, Margot Fleming (OSU Bend) won the \$500 Richard and Barbara Whitmore Scholarship, and Caleb Hennessee (SUCC) was awarded the \$500 Willard Meyers Scholarship.

There were three Beachcomber Community Dan Barnum Memorial Scholarships awarded this year: \$2,500 to Brayson Myrick (Ind. TACH Plumbing Apprentice Program), \$2000 to Caleb Hennessee (SUCC) and \$500 to Lindsay Long (LCC).

These scholarships were made possible by the generous bequests of past and present individuals and families of this community.

"These scholarships represent the WLCF's

ongoing mission of investing in Western Lane Community's youth by encouraging and supporting their desire to further their education," said Grano. "Congratulations to all these fine young men and women."

The Foundation, founded in 1974, is a community trust, private nonprofit organization attracting, administering, and distributing private charitable resources for the benefit of residents of Western Lane County.

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publication that is produced in Florence.

The winner of this contest will receive \$300 as well as have their photo and bio in the

phone book.

To learn further details and instructions about this contest, visit the Florence Regional Arts Alliance (FRAA) website at www.fraaoregon.org/central-coast-entry-instructions.

html.

The deadline for submissions is July 15, 2020.

Photography should represent the area the publication serves from Yachats to the North, Reedsport to the South, and East to Deadwood.

Pacific Publishing will determine the winner by July 22 and notice of being chosen as the winner will be made via email after July 22.

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