Celebrate agriculture and art at Crossroads

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BAKER CITY — Crossroads Carnegie Art Center is hosting Oregon State University's Art About Agriculture exhibit this month, and will welcome special speakers as part of the experience.

The exhibit's theme is "The Sustainable Feast." It can be viewed at Crossroads, 2020 Auburn Ave., through July 30. The center is open Monday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

The touring exhibit features 2D and 3D works from artists across the Pacific Northwest. Each piece has been juried in by a five-member judge panel.

Simonich

The public events are set for Monday, July 18, and will feature numerous panelists, including Dr. Staci Simonich, dean of the college of agricultural sciences at OSU.

"Crossroads is honored to host Dr. Staci Simonich for numerous events over the busy Miners Jubilee weekend," said Ginger Savage, Crossroads executive director. "We very much wanted this opportunity for the dean to talk directly with producers and agricultural partners about the direction our state's land grant college and its critical Agricultural Science

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"Flying Cabbage" by Craig Barber is featured in the **OSU Art About Agriculture** exhibit "The Sustainable Feast." The exhibit is on display through July 30 at Crossroads Carnegie Art Center in Baker

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College will be taking in the years ahead. Baker County is a huge part of the agriculture in this state and we want locals to have some time to talk about industry needs and challenges directly with the dean."

EVENTS

On Sunday, July 17, Crossroads and the Oregon State University Alumni Services will be hosting an invitation-only Baker County OSU Alumni Event. This afternoon event features the Gem Strings, a bluegrass band from Idaho, wine and light refreshments. Simonich will be present with staff from OSU Alumni Services for an opportunity for OSU "Beaver Believers" to come together, see old friends and

Monday, July 18, brings two special events open to the public.

At 7:30 a.m., Crossroads invites all local agricultural producers, agricultural partners and support industries to a morning coffee time with Dr. Simonich. Coffee and light refreshments will be provided.

At 10 a.m., a panel discussion on "It's More Than Organic" will feature experts and locals.

"This panel discussion is perfect for

large and small agricultural producers, hobbyist gardeners and the average citizen who cares about their food." Savage said.

Panelists from OSU are Simonich, Dr. Dave Stone (director of the Food Innovation Center) and Bryan Endress (associate professor and Rangeland Sciences Program Lead of OSU Agriculture and Natural Resources Program at EOU). Local panelists are Amy Young of Young Roots Farm, Amari Sauna of Hedge Rose Farm and artist Sarah Wynn.





