

Novel written by UO administrator to become HBO series

University of Oregon

A novel by a University of Oregon administrator will be made into a television series to stream on HBO Max.

Kimberly Johnson, the UO's vice provost for undergraduate education, recently sold the rights to her book, "This is My America," to film production company Picturestart of Los Angeles.



Johnson

Jessica Watson, writer for the show "Pen15," will write the script and Josh Schwartz and Stephanie Savage of Fake Empire Productions, which produces "Gossip Girl," will be executive producers for the project.

Johnson also will have an executive producer credit on the show, which she said is rare for a debut novelist new to the industry.

"It made me really confident that whatever ended up being created

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ADA-accessible pier part of marina plans

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The Columbia Press

A handicapped-accessible pier for fishing and crabbing officially has been added to improvement plans for Hammond Marina.

The estimated \$1.9 million project would include a seawall that offered the ability to walk and fish from the top.

"The construction of this fishing pier/seawall would stabilize erosion in that area, preserving the park for the future, as well as provide much-needed access to fishing and crabbing for all residents as it would be built from the ground up with ADA accessibility in mind for the entire pier," Pam Ackley told city commissioners last month.

Ackley, who left the commission in January, now heads the city's newly created Marinas Advisory Committee.

The group's goal is to identify problems and improvement ideas for Hammond and Warrenton marinas and pass them along to

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Above: A view from the overlook at Seafarer's Park in Hammond.

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Left: A rendering of what a new handicapped-accessible fishing pier would look like at the same spot.

City of Warrenton



Don Frank/courtesy city of Seaside

A statue of explorers Lewis and Clark are featured at the Turnaround, which separates north and south ends of The Prom.

Seaside celebrates The Prom's first 100 years

Seaside's historic Promenade turns 100 this year and the city plans a celebration.

On Aug. 7, 1921, hundreds of officials from across the state joined then-Gov. Ben Olcott in christening the 1 1/2-mile-long Seaside Promenade, now usually just referred to as "The Prom." Martha Hagmeier, 8, broke a bottle of sea water on the concrete to christen the site.

The city will host a parade and ceremony on Saturday, Aug. 7, to celebrate the occasion.

The Prom Centennial Parade will begin at 10 a.m. near City Hall, 989 Broadway, which was the historic location of Seaside's train station, and then proceed west down Broadway to the Turnaround.

The Royal Rosarians, Portland's official ambassadors of goodwill, were present at the 1921 dedication and will return to Seaside to join the parade this year. Additionally, the group's prime minister will plant a rose at 11:30 a.m. at the corner of Broadway and Holladay in the city's Historic Gilbert District to commemorate the day's activities.

Visitors and residents are invited to an official ceremony at 1 p.m. at the Turnaround, which will include remarks from mayors past and present, community representatives, and other officials. State Sen. Betsy Johnson will give the keynote speech. A time capsule will be buried

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