Artists sought for 'extinct' show

Endangered and extinct plants and animals will be featured in an exhibit throughout the month of September at Astoria Art Loft.

Each year, the gallery sponsors a judged exhibit featuring endangered plants, animals, birds, fish, and insects. This year, a slightly broader theme was chosen, "Extinct and Endangered Plants and Animals."

Plants includes all species of plant life and animals includes all creatures that are not plants.

All artists -- children and adults -- are invited to participate. Artwork can be twothree-dimensional and should be professionally presented and ready to display.

Each artist can enter two pieces. Two-dimensional art should be no larger than 660 square inches.

Artwork should be delivered between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Aug. 25, 26, or 27 to Astoria Art Loft, 106 Third St., Astoria. Entry fee is \$10 per entry or \$15 for two entries.

The exhibit can be viewed Sept. 3-30.

Winning pieces will be announced Sept. 11, during the Second Saturday Art Walk.

Clatsop College receives funds for computers

Clatsop Community College is one of 61 libraries, museums and nonprofit groups to win an award tied to the federal American Rescue Plan Act of 2021.

The college will receive \$19.800 to buy laptops, handicapped-accessible workstations and specialized computers to meet student demand and provide equitable access to technol-

State Library of Oregon received nearly \$3 million from ARPA to provide grants to help agencies address needs arising from

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the pandemic and to help ensure everyone has equal access to technology.

Other projects include:

Vernonia Public Library will use its \$15,176 grant to upgrade public computers and Wi-Fi and to purchase technology to help with community presentations and meetings.

St. Helens Public Library will receive \$5,390 to uphandicapped-accessible equipment and purchase software to facilitate conferences, webinars and online meetings.

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District will use its \$15,400 to create an outdoor area for community members and homeless people to charge devices and use Wi-Fi outside of regular hours.

Rainier City Library will use its \$9,698 grant to increase internet access in the community and to establish a lending library at a senior apartment complex.

The Oregon Historical Society will use its \$150,000 to redesign the state's digital history tools, such as the Oregon History Project, Oregon History Wayfinder and the Oregon TimeWeb.







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County groups win state funds

Several Clatsop County groups will receive summer enrichment grants from Oregon Community Foundation.

The city of Astoria's summer program for children in kindergarten through high school will receive \$40,000.

Havstack Rock Awareness Program's summer programming for children will receive \$15,200, which will help the city of Cannon Beach provide transportation, materials and other expenses for school children.

Columbia River Maritime Museum will receive \$20,105 for its K-12 summer programming.

Sunset Park & Recreation Foundation in Seaside will receive \$50,000 for K-12 summer programming.

Tumblewheel **Studios** in Scappose will receive \$20,000 to support the creation of a mural as part of summer programming.

Ultimook, a children's program in Tillamook, will receive \$70,800.

OCF is handing out \$41.2 million in state funds throughout Oregon's 36 counties.