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The Day of the Dead event will be held at the Barbey Maritime Center in Astoria.

## Celebrate Dia de los Muertos at the Barbey Maritime Center

ASTORIA — The Columbia River Maritime Museum and the Lower Columbia Hispanic Council will host a celebration of the Mexican and Central American tradition of Dia de los Muertos, aka Day of the Dead at the Barbey Maritime Center.

The Day of the Dead Community Celebration is free and will take place from 1 to 6 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 29. This is the second year the event has been offered.

“Last year’s event exceeded all expectations and in my opinion it was a huge success,” said Jorge Gutierrez, executive director of the Lower Columbia Hispanic Council. “The event created a great space for families from diverse backgrounds to interact in a fun and culturally enriching environment.”

Visitors of all ages will enjoy learning about this ancient festival that serves as a way to honor and memorialize the lives of deceased loved ones while celebrating the continuity of life.

Attendees can explore displays of altars, partic-



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Attendees can decorate sweet treats during the event.

ipate in family activities, get their faces painted, and shop for Day of the Dead trinkets and treats at a traditional Mexican mercado (street market) as you learn more about this extraordinary observance.

The celebration will include a community altar. Visitors are invited to bring a photo or memento of a family member or friend who has passed to a place on the communal altar as an offering.

### COMMUNITY CELEBRATION

1 to 6 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 29

Barbey Maritime Center, 2042 Marine Drive, Astoria

503-325-2323

Free

# Celebrate Halloween in downtown Seaside

Trick-or-treat in the downtown on Halloween day

SEASIDE — The Seaside Downtown Development Association will host Halloween Happenin’s and a special Boos, Blues & Brews event to celebrate Halloween.

On Friday, Oct. 28, enter a decorated pumpkin contest from 3 to 5 p.m. at Flash from the Past in the Carousel Mall. Judging of pumpkins will take place at 5 p.m., and winning entries will be put on display at the Pig ‘N Pancake.

Saturday, Oct. 29 offers fun events for both young and old. Seattle comic, juggler and magician Alex Zerbe, the Zaniac, will perform at 1:30 p.m. and again at 3 p.m. at the Seaside Shark Exhibit. Many fun activities take place from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.: face painting at Del Sol, a kid’s craft station at Pacific Pearl Bistro, fish prints at Buddha Kat Winery & Tasting Room and an aquatic touch tank at the Seaside Carousel Mall.

You can also find coloring pages for all ages from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Pig ‘N Pancake, get an airbrush tattoo from noon to 3 p.m. at Sea Star Gelato, and hear Halloween stories at Beach Books at 11 a.m. and again at 2 p.m.

The evening’s Boos, Blues & Brews event at the Seaside Elk Lodge promises to be fun and memorable. Admission is free if you wear a Halloween costume and bring two cans of food or monetary donation for the South County Food Pantry; otherwise admission is \$5. The night will include a costume party and contest with

## HALLOWEEN HAPPENIN’S

Downtown Seaside

Friday to Monday, Oct. 28 to 31

### BOOS, BLUES & BREWS

6:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 29

Seaside Elks Lodge

Free w/ costume and two cans of food or \$5



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Ted Vaughn will bring his blues band to Seaside for a concert at the Seaside Elks Lodge Oct. 29.

prizes starting at 6:30 p.m. and a 7 p.m. performance by the Zaniac magician.

The main event of the evening is a live concert by the Ted Vaughn Blues Band starting at 8:15 p.m., a performance sponsored by KBGE The Bridge 94.9 FM. The band will electrify blues lovers with a high-energy performance. A Selfie Station and brews will be available during the entire event. A barbecue pulled pork dinner will be available for \$10.

On Sunday, Oct. 30, enter your pet in a costume contest at noon at Quatat Park (to be held in the Carousel Mall in case of bad weather). There is a \$5 suggested donation toward Clatsop Animal Assistance.

Then, watch the pet parade at 12:45 p.m., traveling from Quatat Park to Broadway, Columbia, to Edgewood. Del Sol will host face painting again from noon to 2 p.m.

Maggie’s on the Prom will put on a 1920s-themed Murder Mystery Dinner Theater at 6 p.m. The restaurant will serve a special three-course dinner while the Murder Mystery Company of Portland puts on the show, “Crime and Pun-ishment.” The mystery puns will be flying. Attendees can participate as much or as little as they like — you may even be holding the murder weapon. Costumes are encouraged, especially 1920s costumes, like flapper dresses and zuit suits.

Tickets to the dinner theater show are \$55 per person and include dinner and the show. Tickets must be purchased prior to the show and can be purchased in person or by calling 503-738-6403.

On Halloween day itself, Monday, Oct. 31, downtown businesses will welcome trick-or-treaters from 2 to 5 p.m. Flash From the Past in the Carousel Mall will also host a kid’s costume contest during that time.

For more information about the events, visit [seasidedowntown.com/halloween](http://seasidedowntown.com/halloween)