

Ghost conference returns to Seaside

Seaside Signal

Haunted graveyards, forensic hypnosis regression and a healing sound bath are some of the features coming to Seaside this month. They come with haunted tours of local landmarks deep into the wee hours in search of Seaside's hidden past.

Rocky Smith and the Oregon Ghost Conference are back in Seaside from March 25 to March 27. They will celebrate their 10th anniversary — their fifth conference in Seaside — at the Seaside Civic and Convention Center.

"I think ghosts are not more common in this day and age," Smith said. "It is just people are much more open to talking about it."

The event, which began in 2012 in Smith's hometown of Oregon City, came to the convention center in 2016 with exhibits, psychics, authors and tours of haunted Seaside. In 2020 the event was canceled as a result of the pandemic, and was held virtually in 2021.

This year's in-person return includes "Shadowing with Spirit," and the premiere of the documentary



Rocky Smith

Fans of the ghostly gather at the Seaside Civic and Convention Center for the Oregon Ghost Conference.

"Parasense," screening at the Times Theatre.

"Shadowing with Spirit," at 7:30 p.m. on March 25 in the Necanicum Room of the convention center, features English medium Vivien Powell and medium William Becker. Sit back and watch volunteers from the audience be called up on stage and the spirits are asked to join them.

"Parasense," paranormal veteran Ross Allison focuses his attention on the physical aspects of ghosts actually touching the living. His struggle to prove this phenomena takes a crucial turn when a real scientist and inventor, Chad Goodwin, joins his team as they take subjects into the most haunted sites known for supernatural physical contact.

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BRIEFS

Seaside Museum extends hours

With the onset of spring break, the Seaside Museum will extend its hours of operation.

Beginning March 23, the museum will be open 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. from Wednesday through Saturday. Spring break hours will continue through April 9.

The special exhibit Meet on the Prom has been extended through the summer. Standing exhibits are being refurbished and new exhibits are underway.

Those interested in volunteering at the museum can call 503-738-7065 or email seasideoregonmuseum@gmail.com.

The Seaside Museum is

located at 570 Necanicum. More information is available at www.seasideoregonmuseum.com.

Events at Seaside Public Library

The Seaside Public Library presents live and virtual events throughout March.

The Friends of Seaside Public Library will host author Brian Ratty at 2 p.m. Saturday, March 19. Ratty will give a presentation titled "Glimpses of Yesterday" based on his two non-fiction books, Tillamook Rock Lighthouse and Broken Arrow. Sign-ups are required to attend.

Teen Tuesday, for grades

six through 12, takes place at the Seaside Public Library. March 29, at 4 p.m., features a "STEM Challenges!"

In-person Storytime, for preschool children, on Thursday, March 24, at 10:30 a.m. will feature the theme "Springtime!" In-person Storytime on Thursday, March 31, at 10:30 a.m. will feature the theme "Tools!"

Trail's End reveals April show

The Trail's End Art Association Gallery will open a new show in April featuring paintings and other art forms by Jo Pomeroy Crockett.

Crockett lives in War-

renton and is co-owner of Astoria Art Loft. She studied art at the University of Arizona, Phoenix College, and participated in numerous workshops by well-known artists such as Gerald Brommer, Don Anderson, and others.

She is a juried member of the Watercolor Society of Oregon. She has exhibited in Arizona and Oregon, and her work is in private collections in England and Holland. She is a long-time member of and a former president of TEAA.

There will be a reception for the artists on April 2 during the Gearhart Art Walk, 2 to 5 p.m. The show will be open Fridays through Sundays, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. through April.

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