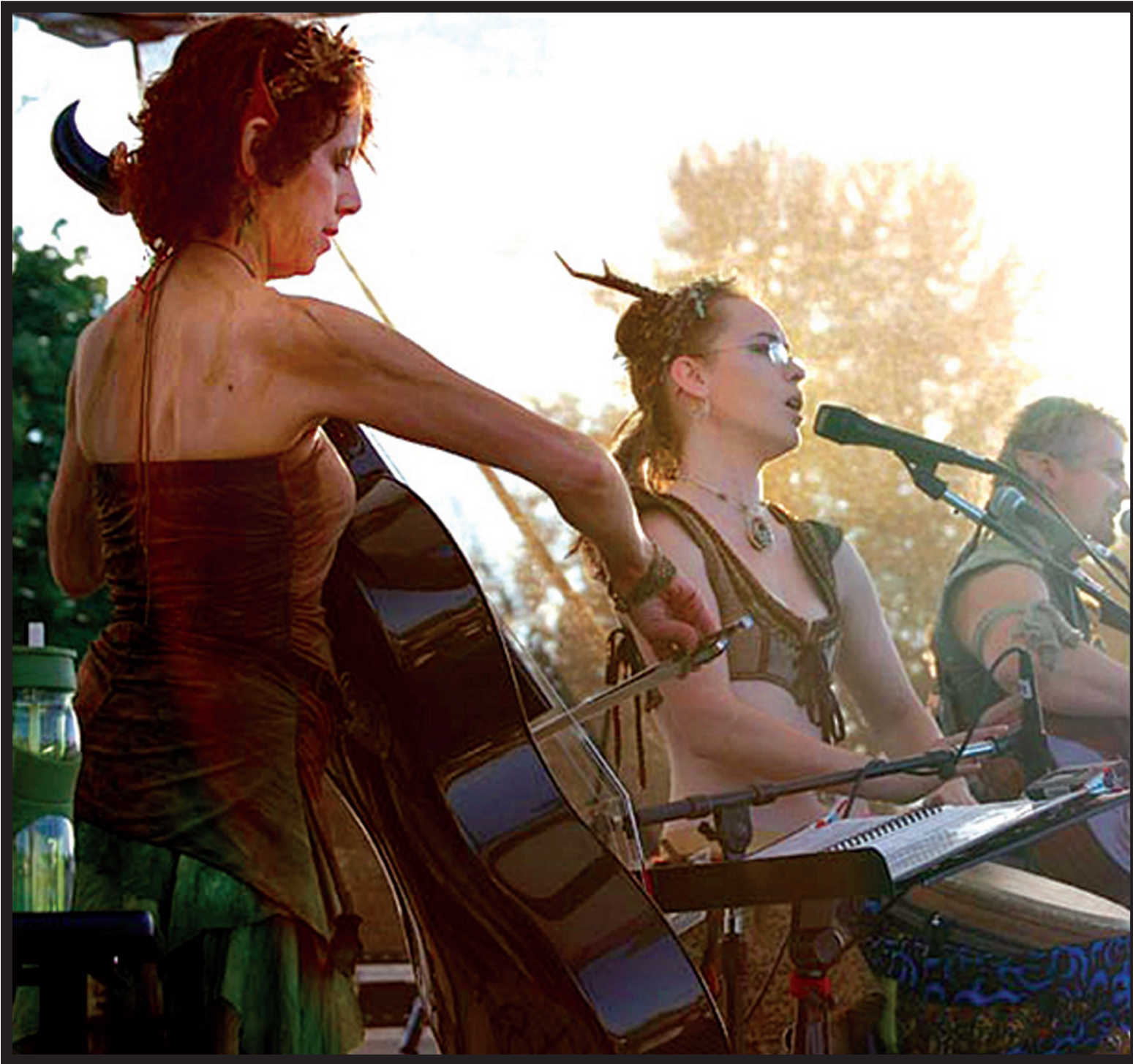


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‘Neverland’ comes to Florence

Come experience creative inspiration and whimsy when the 2nd Star Festival presents its second annual cultural arts celebration honoring creativity in all its forms Aug. 13 and 14. The event will highlight artisans, authors, illustrators, musical performers, storytelling and puppetry. It is an experience for all ages to be mesmerized and immersed in a land of imagination and inspiration. “What an amazing event filled with incredible vendors, wonder-



ful performances and abounding with creative energy,” said Brian W. Parker, a visitor to last year’s festival. “I can’t wait to bring my family back again this year.”

Following a fun, exciting, successful first year at the FEC in 2015, festivities for 2016 will include opportunities for participants to be captivated by many unique areas of creativity meant to inspire and encourage. Artisan booths will offer unique ink stamps for attendees to collect in their “passports” as they wind their way through the indoor Goblin Market, where travelers can meet guest artists Charles Mason and

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Calendar of Events

- Aug. 2**
Concealed Hand Gun Class
1 p.m. and 6 p.m.
- Aug. 8**
Lane Blood Drive
11:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.
- Sept. 2**
Gallery One reception
3 to 5 p.m.
- Sept. 10 and 11**
FloTones Concert (times vary)
- Sept. 23 and 24**
Florence Festival of Books
(times vary)

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GALLERY ONE



‘Visual Dynamics’ in Gallery One

Gallery One is featuring the exhibit ‘Visual Dynamics,’ a special, four-artist show that highlights the artwork of South Coast artists Pat Snyder of Coos Bay, Susan Lehman of Bandon, Janne LaVelle of Lakeside and Wendy Ralston-Burger of North Bend.

The group’s first show together, titled “Then and Now,” was hosted at Pacific Park Gallery in Coos Bay, where the exhibit received accolades for its combination of experimental paintings in oil, acrylics and collages.

Throughout August, visitors can experience these artist’s interpretations of earthly elements through a mixture of mediums.

CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT: “STORM OVER DUNES” BY WENDY RALSTON-BURGER; “TAKE ME THERE” BY SUSAN LEHMAN; “BLUE GORGE” BY JAYNE LAVELLE; AND “SIGNA” BY PAT SNYDER.



CALL TO ARTISTS

Artists sought for ‘Artistic Visions’ exhibit and more

Friends of the Florence Events Center is offering artists the opportunity to participate in the second annual Artistic Visions Awards Show.

Artist’s work will be exhibited in Galleries One and Five at the FEC during the months of October and November, with awards presented at a special reception Oct. 15, from 3 to 5 p.m.

Three judges from outside the Florence area, each respected in their field of expertise, have been asked to select award winners. There will be cash awards for first, second, and third place in each of three categories: 2-D, photography and 3-D.

There will also be a “People’s Choice” award. Each artist can submit up to three pieces of artwork, and due to space restraints, art will be

accepted on a first-come, first-served basis.

A non-refundable fee of \$20 per work must be sent with the entry form. High school artist fees will be \$10 per work.

All artwork must be for sale, and content must be appropriate for the FEC. The artist will receive 75 percent of the price, and 25 percent will be retained by the Friends of FEC.

Entry forms and guidelines can be obtained from the FEC Office, 715 Quince St., during regular business hours. They are also available on the FEC website, www.eventcenter.org.

Artwork must be hand-delivered to the FEC on Tuesday, Sept. 27, between 9 a.m. and noon.

In addition to “Artistic Visions,” the FEC will have several other opportunities for artists to dis-

UPCOMING EXHIBITS:

- “ARTISTIC VISIONS” (October and November)
- “GIVE ART THIS CHRISTMAS” (December)
- “FOR THE LOVE OF ANIMALS” (January and February)

play their talents in Gallery One and Five during the fall and winter of 2016 and continuing in 2017.

In December, a new exhibit will encourage people to “Give Art this Christmas.” Artists will be asked to submit works that are \$100 or less,

and a fun reception will be planned with live music, refreshments and photos with Santa.

January and February of 2017 will be third annual “For the Love of Animals” exhibit, with a reception held to benefit the Florence Area Humane Society. Pet photos are always a fun part of this event. March and April will be a patriotic themed exhibit, with a reception benefiting DAV and the Oregon Coast Military Heritage Museum (OCMHM).

Publicity and details on each of the upcoming exhibits will be available the month prior, and applications will also be available at that time at www.eventcenter.org.

For more information, contact the FEC office at 541-997-1994.

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NEW TASTES

Pavilion Catering now official FEC caterer

Beginning Aug. 1, the kitchen at the FEC will be home to Pavilion Catering, an exciting new culinary service catering events, shows and gatherings both on-site and off-site events.

After 13 years as a chef and co-owner of Burton's Restaurant in Corvallis, Jesus Peralta established Pavilion Catering in 2015 with longtime friend Annie Boatner, a native of Corvallis.

When planning a special gathering or event, Jesus and Annie can cater it with a variety of delicious choices, whether it's a simple traditional meal, buffet or special custom menu.

Pavilion Catering can cook any special requests and even provide all your table decorations to make a memorable dining experience.



"Food is our passion and our art is creating exquisite menus that will overwhelm your senses," says Jesus.

Pavilion Catering uses only the best ingredients when preparing food and strives to incorporate locally grown foods whenever possible.

Pavilion Catering can cater small meetings, annual company parties, weddings, birthdays or any special personal event at the FEC.

A sampling of entree menu items include:



Roasted pork loin with homemade pork gravy, apple and almond stuffed chicken, braised beef short ribs and prime rib, country fried steak with gravy, and Native American-style salmon or

baked Tilapia.

Pavilion Catering also offers specialty vegan, vegetarian and gluten-free options, such as Tempeh tacos, broccoli meatballs with garlic tomato sauce and more, along with a full array of soups and salads, from creamy corn or clam chowder to garden salad with ranch, honey mustard or huckleberry vinaigrette.

And dessert? How about caramel bread pudding or Southern chocolate cake?

Pavilion Catering is ready to customize a menu that best fits your needs, from menu creation to table decorations and equipment rental.

For more information, contact Pavilion Catering at the FEC at 541-997-1994, or visit the catering website at www.PavilionCatering.org.

COLLECTORS

Coin show is for collectors as well as the curious

Man has used some form of coin in exchange for goods and services for more than 2,000 years, from the Romans to the Aztecs. At the 19th annual Coin and Stamp Show, nearly 50 vendors from Oregon, Washington, Idaho, California and as far away as Connecticut will be exhibiting, trading and selling coins from around the world. On hand will be U.S. territorial gold coins, as well as coins from Greece, Italy, the Middle East and more.

"Buy, Sell or Trade" is the theme. For anyone who is new to coin collecting, or who has never been to a major coin show, here are a few tips to make the show more enjoyable:

- Plan to arrive early in the day rather



COINS CAN BE IDENTIFIED, APPRAISED AND COLLECTED AT THE 19TH ANNUAL EVENT.

than later. This will allow plenty of time to look at all the exhibits and talk with dealers.

- Bring a good coin guide with prices for reference. There will be many coin dealers at the show. Find out who can offer the best value by having the current pricing chart handy and visible.

- Bring a notebook or use the memo function in your smart phone to keep track of contact information for dealers you may want to contact again in the future.

The show will be held Saturday, Aug. 20, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sunday, Aug. 21., from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Admission is free to the public and coin appraisals will be available.

SECOND STAR FESTIVAL

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Tayliss Forge from the popular TV show "Steampunk'd." They can also meet Eugene interactive steampunk artist Joe Mross, who will be displaying some of his unique creations.

Food and non-alcoholic drinks will be catered by popular Florence eatery, Mon Ami Cafe.

Talks from the Flight Deck's stories and musical performances on the theater stage will inspire and encourage all those who find a seat in the audience.

Take a step through the gates of The Tesla Field in the outdoor area, where visitors will find mermaids, pirates, face painting, demonstrations, workshops, a gaming area, a vardo acoustic music stage, Nymbol's Secret Garden, Fooble the Dragon and a beer garden sponsored by local WildCraft Cider Works.

Come for a fun-filled, inspiring week-

end of creative wonder — and don't be afraid to dress up!

Saturday and Sunday, the festival will be open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. for all of the daytime activities. Then, at 7:30 p.m., on Saturday evening, The Nathaniel Johnstone Band will take the main stage, along with the opening act: magician Matt Van Zee.

The festival is within walking distance to Florence's Old Town district, along the beautiful Siuslaw River.

For more information, visit www.2ndstarfestival.com for complete details, including a list of artisans, sponsors and guest artists.

Tickets will be available by calling the Florence Events Center at 541-997-1994 or toll free at 1-888-968-4086. Children ages 12 and under will be admitted free.

Tickets for adults (ages 13 and older)



THE NATHANIEL JOHNSTONE BAND WILL HEADLINE THIS YEAR'S FESTIVAL

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package including both days and concert is available for \$35 per person.

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CONCERTS AND SHOWS

SEAcOast announces exciting 2016-17 season



FROM LEFT: "DALLAS BRASS" (MARCH 29); "PINK MARTINI" (NOV. 18); AND "BARRAGE 8" (APRIL 26)

"Since its beginning 36 years ago, SEA has brought top quality performers to Florence audiences," said Linda Gargis, SEA board vice-president. "This upcoming season continues that tradition. We have seven fantastic shows, including midweek concerts, plus a new 'Dinner and a Show' package available for season ticket holders."

The season opens Wednesday, Oct. 5, at 7 p.m., with "Cantus," one of the premier vocal groups in the United States. This all-male ensemble will highlight the camaraderie, bonding and honor of the Armed Forces. SEA will partner with local veterans groups to help set the tone for Veterans Day.

The holiday season kicks off Nov. 18 with the incomparable musical group "Pink Martini." Oregon's own "little orchestra" will provide two performanc-

es at the FEC: Friday, Nov. 18, at 7 p.m., as part of the SEA season, and again on Saturday, Nov. 19, at 7:30 p.m., in partnership with the Friends of the Florence Event Center.

SEA season ticket holders will have reserved seats for Nov. 18 as part of the regular season ticket package.

Single tickets for the Friday or Saturday shows will be \$49.

The Joe Trio will entertain on Saturday, Jan. 21, 2017, at 7 p.m., bringing their humor, versatility and wit to the FEC stage. The three tremendously musical, classically trained players (piano, cello, and violin) will bring all a fresh appreciation for the standard concert repertoire (think "Beethoven meets The Pink Panther") while entertaining the audience with humor and spontaneity.

Celebrate Mardi Gras a couple of days early with "Bria Skonberg's New Orleans Jazz Band" during a Sunday afternoon tea dance Feb. 26, 2017, at 4 p.m. Bria is a specialist in classic American hot jazz. She leads her band, wails on the trumpet, and beautifully vocalizes jazz standards with energy and pizzazz.

SEA is providing Florence fans of brass with a much-needed dose of energy with the Dallas Brass on Wednesday, March 29, 2017, at 7 p.m. The quintet masters all aspects of the brass repertoire: classical, Dixieland, swing, show tunes and more as they provide a musical travelogue through American instrumental history.

On Wednesday, April 26, 2017, at 7 p.m., SEA presents "Barrage 8", a high-energy dose of modern string instruments and movement. Their innovative

stage performance blends wonderfully with their musical talent - and strings like you have never heard them before.

On Wednesday, May 24, 2017, at 7 p.m., it will be an incomparable night for keyboard fans: dueling pianos when "The Piano Caméléons" will ring out the SEA season on two grand pianos, expertly manned by a pair of virtuoso pianists. They revisit great classic pieces with interpretations touched by traditional jazz, world beat and other influences.

Single-ticket sales begin Aug. 1 at 9 a.m. Tickets can be purchased at the Florence Events Center box office, 715 Quince St., or by phone at 541-997-1994 during regular business hours.

Artist profiles, show times, links to video clips, and more are available at www.SEAcoastEA.org.

SPECIAL EVENTS

FloTones vocal group set to go 'South of the border'

Since the FloTones first organized 15 years ago, the last 12 as an independent nonprofit organization, it has entertained Florence audiences with a number of performances, primarily presenting music from "The Great American Songbook."

This includes music by such composers as Irving Berlin, Cole Porter and the Gershwins.

In a change of pace, the Florence jazz vocal group will tackle tunes from South of the border in "The FloTones and Friends present Latin Rhythms" to be

performed in September at the Florence Events Center with an encore performance at the newly opened Class Act Theater.

But, true to its roots, the group will throw in a couple of Latin-tinged songs by Porter and Gershwin.

Several rhythmic styles will be featured, including the bossa nova, the mambo, the samba and the beguine. The Brazilian bossa nova evolved from the earlier samba and attained prominence in the melodies of Antonio Carlos Jobim.

Among his tunes to be performed are "Desafinado" and "Wave." About the same time, the mambo became all the rage.

The program will include "Mambo Italiano" popularized by songstress Rosemary Clooney.

Other composers featured include Henry Mancini's "It Had Better Be Tonight" from the movie "The Pink Panther" and Burt Bacharach's "The Look of Love" from the James Bond film "Casino Royale."

FloTones "Friends" joining the

evening will include the musical accompaniment team of Jennifer Weier on keyboard, Ron Green on trumpet, Nate Kaplan on drums and Lynette Kristine on bass.

Performances on the FEC flat floor will be Saturday, Sept. 10, at 7 p.m., followed by another on Sunday, Sept. 11, at 3 p.m.

The following weekend, FloTones and Friends will appear at the Class Act Theater (CAT) on Friday and Saturday, Sept. 16 and 17, at 7 p.m.

Tickets for all concerts are \$15.

Authors, publishers and readers to converge for book fair

The annual Florence Festival of Books, a book fair for authors and publishers, will take place Saturday, Sept. 24, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., with preliminary events on Friday to compliment the book festival. The event is hosted by the Friends of the FEC and the FFOB planning committee.

Now in its sixth year, the book fair continues to be a popular gathering for authors, publishers and potential future authors. The public is invited to this free

event to meet the authors and have their books signed.

The book fair will feature at least six publishers. In addition, writers are invited to bring their manuscripts for a chance to meet with publishers representing many genres: fiction, non-fiction, memoir, children's literature, fantasy, mystery, young adult, poetry and more. Nearly 20 of the authors in attendance will be local residents.

On Friday, Sept. 23, at 3 p.m., a panel

of authors will speak on the topic "My first book: the process of idea to print." Different authors will discuss their unique journey of the first book and how it made its way to a printed publication.

The event will take place in the FEC theater and is free to attend.

At 7 p.m. that evening, suspense thriller author Phillip Margolin will be the featured keynote speaker for the festival. Margolin has written 19 novels, many of them New York Times best-

selling, including the recent "Woman with a Gun," "Worthy Brown's Daughter," "Sleight of Hand" and the "Washington Trilogy."

Tickets are \$8 in advance or \$10 at the door for the conversation with Phillip Margolin.

Registration for authors and publishers for the Florence Festival of Books is now open through the Festival website at www.florencefestivalofbooks.org.

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