

Welcome, Salmon Creek Grand Opening



Bravo! Vancouver brings Dubrovnik Symphony to Vancouver, Northwest



From the shores of the Adriatic Sea comes the Dubrovnik, Croatia Symphony Orchestra, touring the Pacific Northwest with The Bravo! Vancouver Chorale. The Vancouver performance is at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 30.

Bravo! Vancouver, in its 15th year of bringing an eclectic mix of classical, jazz and avant-garde music to Vancouver, opens its 2008-2009 season with seven performances by the Dubrovnik Symphony Orchestra, most of which will be accompanied by the Bravo! Vancouver Chorale.

The most easily reached concert for Vancouver audiences, and the most locally in demand, is the 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 30, concert in St. Joseph Catholic Church, 400 S. Andresen Road. Admission is \$20. Tickets may be bought through TicketsWest or by calling **904-0441**.

The first concert this Saturday is in the Portland Hilton for the Rotary International and is sold out. Tickets are available, however, for a 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 28, concert in the Winningstad Theatre in Portland.

A Monday concert in the Vancouver School for the Arts & Academics is open only to VSAA students and faculty. The series continues on Thursday, Oct. 2, in the Center for the Performing Arts

in Olympia, then to the Croatian Festival in the Seattle Center at 12:30 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 5, and concludes with a 7 p.m. concert that Sunday in the Edmonds Center for the Performing Arts.

Bravo! Vancouver singers and musicians have performed in Dubrovnik, Croatia, hence the reciprocation.

Bravo! Vancouver is a product of **Michael Kissinger** and his wife, **Maria Manzo**. The Dubrovnik concert is free to Bravo! Vancouver season ticket holders. The regular season opens with the traditional Handel *Messiah: An Oratorio* at 3 p.m. Dec. 7, in St. Joseph Church. Deadline for purchasing season tickets is Friday, Oct. 17.

Kissinger is also producer of the annual Vancouver Wine & Jazz Festival and has plans to produce an international jazz festival in Dubrovnik.

Art work contributed to Humane Society auction

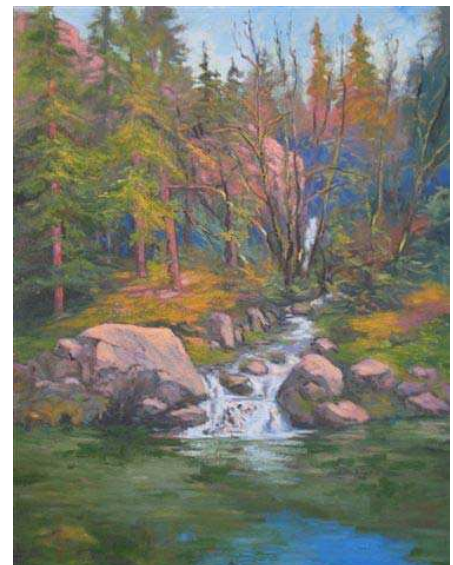
Four of Art on the Boulevard's top artists have made contributions for the Saturday, October 18, Humane Society of Southwest Washington dinner and auction, reports Art on the Boulevard's executive director **Kevin Weaver**.

All four pieces—two oil paintings, one pastel painting and a bronze sculpture—are by award-winning Northwest artists.

Artists and their work are as follows: **Sandee Burman**, Milwaukie, "Entrance to the Gorge," a 36"x48" painting valued at \$8000; **Steve Reinmuth**, Eugene, a bronze "Paisley Perch," a bronze sculpture valued at \$2200; **Harry Wheeler**, Vancouver, "Washougal River Tributary," a 28"x22" painting valued at \$1100; and **Steve Hill**, Lopez Island, "Safe Haven," a 7"x11" painting valued at \$750.

Three Creeks advisory group to wrap up work on Thursday

The Three Creeks Advisory Council will complete a discussion about the community vision and mission statement for the Three Creeks Special Planning Area during a public meeting from 10 a.m. to noon Thursday, Sept. 25, in the Clark Regional Wastewater District, 8000 N.E. 52nd Court.



Vancouver artist Harry Wheeler has donated his 22-by 28-inch painting, "Washougal River Tributary" to the Humane Society's Saturday, Oct. 24 art auction

The council will also make a presentation on the effort to plan for future public uses on nearly 80 acres on NE 78th Street, the property formerly used by Washington State University for agricultural research.

The advisory council was appointed by the board of Clark County commissioners to assist the county on transportation, land-use planning and related issues for unincorporated areas around Hazel Dell, Felida, Lake Shore, Salmon Creek and the county fairgrounds.

Museum offers free day of fun Saturday

Clark County Historical Society's 5th annual, free Harvest Fun Day is 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 27, at the museum at 1511 Main Street.

Activities include pie-eating and corn-shucking contests, a Fort Vancouver Antique Farm Equipment Association demonstration, craft demonstrations, scarecrow making, blacksmithing, spinning, quilting, wood carving and pumpkin decorating. Chickens, rabbits and sheep will be on exhibit.

The pie-eating contests, for adults and children, start at 11:30 a.m.

Registration open for 2008 Celebrate Freedom Veterans Day Parade

The Vancouver National Historic Reserve Trust is accepting entry applications for the 22nd annual Celebrate Freedom Veterans Day Parade. This year's theme is "A Historic Reserve Reveille for Our Veterans."

For 22 years, Vancouver has honored veterans with this annual parade sanctioned by the Department of Defense. The parade starts with a 21-gun salute fired by Howitzer cannons from the parade grounds on the Historic Reserve. More than 2,500 individuals representing more than 100 military, veteran and civic organizations participate in the parade, one of the largest sanctioned Veterans Day Parades on the West coast.

This annual community event takes place at 11 a.m., rain or shine, on Saturday, Nov. 8. The parade route begins on Evergreen Boulevard and East Reserve Street, proceeds west on Evergreen to Main Street and concludes on 8th Street at Esther Short Park. Parade applications are available on the Trust's website at

www.veteransdayparade.us or by calling **Deborah Walstra** at **992-1801**.

Calendar

The Southwest Washington Blood Program is holding a blood drive from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 25, at the Quarry in the Columbia Tech Center, 415 SE 177th Avenue. <> The Fort Vancouver Regional Library District directors are holding a special meeting at 9 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 25, to consider purchasing land and a building for the Battle Ground Library. The meeting will be in the Vancouver Community Library, 1007 E Mill Plain Boulevard. <> The Columbia River Economic Development Council's "Keeping Manufacturing Alive" quarterly meeting opens at 1130 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 25, in the Heathman Lodge. For further information, call **Pat Mobley** at **695-1561**.

Wednesday on the air

Vancouver City Council (9/15)—4:30 p.m. CVTV

Senate Transportation Committee (9/5)—6 p.m. CVTV

Los Angeles at Seattle Mariners (live)—7 p.m. FSN, KFX

Clark County Close Up (9/7)—8 p.m. CVTV

Port of Vancouver Commissioners (9/23)—8:31 p.m. CVTV

Vancouver Planning Commission (9/23)—11:30 p.m. CVTV

Town Tabloids and the Weather

Bonnie Cross having the best White House idea yet. <> **Ray Barney** and **Nancy Baker** giving Pennsylvania Avenue a little extra class. <> **John Pezza** promoting homeless concert. <> **Carol Fenstermacher** saying hello. <> **Mike Yakouba** making career progress. <> **Wednesday**, light afternoon showers expected, 56-65. **Thursday**, more showers, 52-65. **Friday**, partly cloudy, 52-74.