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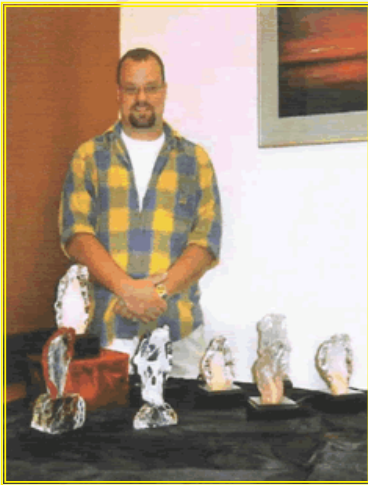


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Hope you all made it through the Halloween encounters you may have come across in your travels. Unfortunately, Elvis never made his presence known in the hot shop..... too bad.

Wonderful things are beginning to happen for the Edge Gallery. Ryan was recently asked by A.T. Ronan of the Oregon Coast Community College Foundation to prepare the awards for the Oyster Cloyster held last weekend, November 5th. The following is the article from our local News-Times newspaper:



We are excited to have Ryan chosen as the creator of the oyster awards and hopefully can continue this in future years.

Next up, we have been asked to be a part of the Newport Boosters auction this year. We have been approached by Judy Luther who is in charge of the "featured artist" section of the Boosters auction. Judy has made it her priority to select three local artists, interview them and work up a feature piece for each artist, which is set to poster size for viewing along with the artist's donated piece available that same evening for auction. We are pleased to announce two of the featured artists this year are from The Edge Gallery!

One is Alan Parker, maker of the steel flowers you see not only at the gallery but all over the county. The other artist is Karen Fitzgibbon who creates sculptures and abstract paintings. The Edge Gallery has gone one step further though, due to the wonderful artists who are a part of this gallery, The Edge is donating a gift basket with items from Mike Crowley, Debbie Crowley, Ryan Bledsoe, Harold Lofton and Bret Butler. Thank you to all you wonderful people who are so giving of yourself and your art! We have been advised the auction is being held this Friday, November 11th at the Embarcadero at 5pm. We will let you know how that turns out.

The Edge has also become a tree sponsor for the Eleventh Annual Festival of Trees. We will be decorating a tree with ornaments for either a live or silent auction. The proceeds will benefit the new Health Education Center at Samaritan Pacific Communities Hospital. There are only 20 trees being sponsored for this year's festival, so we are happy we are able to be a part of this benefit. We will be receiving a 7 foot noble fir to decorate along with 6 sets of 100 white lights. Can you imagine the lights twinkling within those glass ornaments! Fantastic! If any one of you have ornaments you would like to donate, we will be placing mainly,

but not limited to, glass ornaments on the tree to represent the gallery. If you have donations for the tree, please bring them to the Gallery before Thanksgiving. We would appreciate your contacting us beforehand to let us know you will be donating so that we will know what to expect in advance. We will be decorating the tree beginning Monday, November 28th and need to know what we will have to work with. Thank you for your generosity in advance!

During this time frame, as those of you locally may have already heard, on some of the radio stations, The Edge is offering a 2 for 1 glass blowing class. We believe our customers would enjoy not only learning the process of making either a glass float or paperweight, but also being able to give a specialty handmade gift to someone for Christmas. What a wonderful way to get an opportunity to try out glass blowing for the first time. Please let anyone you know who may be interested to contact the gallery for more information.

And last, but not least, we would like to invite you all for an artist's reception for one of our newer artists, Linda Roggenburg. Linda will be greeting guests on Saturday, December 3rd from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the gallery. Please come down and welcome her to the gallery and take a look at the wonderful paintings she has brought in. We are very happy to have Linda and her work with us. She has become a well known painter in the community.

(If anyone of you would like to hold your own artist reception at the gallery, just contact the gallery for more information.)

We are proud to announce that we now have 25 artists in the gallery, 16 of whom are local. The diversity of artwork just keeps getting better. Thanks to you all!

That's it for now. If you have information you would like shared in the newsletter, just let us know. Thanks!

All of us here at the gallery would like to wish you all a very Happy Holiday season and a wonderful new year!

Ryan Bledsoe, Owner

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