

Take the road less traveled

River GALLERY

from Folk Art to Fine Art



May — June 2025

Located on the historic Independence riverfront, River Gallery has been a destination for art lovers since 1998. A partnership of artists, our focus has always been to provide a venue for the incredible number of talented Oregon artists we have encountered.

Wild Women 2025 — Celebrating Women

Wild Women 2025 coming in June. The show will run June 5 through June 29. Again this year there is no specific theme — Celebrate! Here are the details.

Submissions

- Each artist may submit one piece of art in any medium.
- There will be a \$25.00 entry/hanging fee due when artwork is dropped off.
- The entries will not be juried in or out. All accepted art will be hung.
- The gallery reserves the right to not show submitted work. If a piece is not shown and is returned to the artist the \$25.00 entry fee will be refunded.

Dropping off your artwork:

- Drop off dates will be May 29 — June 1 from 11 am to 4 pm.
- Each artist will complete a label for their artwork at the gallery.
- Each artist will complete a show agreement form and sign in their work in an inventory book. Gallery partners will be on hand to help and we will have more details coming soon.
- We will hang the show on June 2 and it will open June 5.

Reception

The reception will be held Saturday, June 21 from 4—8 pm.

Always a fun gathering and we look forward to celebrating with you!

Watch for more information on our website at <https://www.rivergalleryart.com>, and on our Facebook and Instagram pages.



Exhibit at Lincoln City Cultural Center

Carol Chapel has a show at the Lincoln City Cultural Center in the Chessman Gallery. The show will be up until May 18, 2025 <https://www.lincolncity-culturalcenter.org/>



Carol Chapel

River Gallery, 184 S. Main Street, Independence, Oregon 97351 — 503—838—6171
Current gallery hours — Thursday through Sunday, 11noon — 4pm. Find us on Facebook at
[www.facebook.com/River—Gallery](https://www.facebook.com/River-Gallery) and Instagram at www.instagram.com/rivergalleryart/

Focus Artist — May

May 2025 Focus Show: "Rare Birds" by **Chris St. Clair Hannegan**. A collection of portraits of artful people on display at River Gallery.

"This show began some 56 years ago in Mr. Tom Hoots' art classroom at Tigard High School. I was creating large portraits on poster board using long handled brushes and working in oil paint. I only did a few of these; they were slow to dry and the medium was smelly but the seed was planted.

That seed waited for the next 40+ years while I was drawing and painting birds and teaching. Then I retired. I picked up those long handled brushes, gathered the oil paints and began making portraits of people I know. The paintings are all about artists and their art. Those Rare Birds who create. I plan to continue with this idea and make as many paintings of artists as I have time. I believe it is my purpose. And of course, I will need to keep drawing birds; the birds I know and learn from; the birds I record daily in my journal."

This exhibit is available May 1st — May 31, 2025. There will be a reception on Sunday, May 18th, 2025 from 11:00am—4:00pm.



Christine St. Clair Hanegan

Focus Artist — June

The June 2025 Focus Show will exhibit the pastel art by **Heather Taylor**.

Heather will display her pastel artwork in a collection called "Oh, the places you will go." She recently returned from a trip to Ireland and will include some of that work in the show. The exhibit will focus on the small beauties of traveling; both locally and internationally. Her medium is predominantly soft pastel with bold color palettes.



*Oak Trees at Sunset
(County Mayo, Ireland)
Pastel by Heather Taylor.*

Art About Agriculture Tour 2025 — Opening Reception

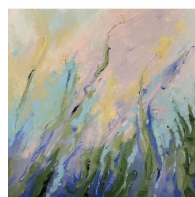
Tour Opening Reception:

May 5, 5 – 7:30pm

Giustina Gallery at The LaSells Stewart Center
875 SW 26th St., Corvallis, OR 97331
(541) 737—2402

Open hours: Monday – Friday, 8:00am – 5:00pm

River Gallery artists **Rich Bergman** and **Carol Chapel** are represented in the 2025 Art About Agriculture Touring Exhibition. <https://agsci.oregonstate.edu/art/art—shows/2025—competition—and—touring—exhibition>
Their work can always be seen at River Gallery.



Pam Serra Wenz has a show at Jacob Williams Winery... the exhibit is called "Painting my Dreams". Show runs from April 27—July 31. Artist talk on Sunday, June 8 from 2:00—4:00.

"My paintings embody movement and color intensity. Sometimes, I dream about my art. The results of my dreams are reflected in some of my abstract paintings. Being an artist provides the ability to immerse myself in hours of play and creativity. It allows me to share my dreams with others." **Pam Serra Wenz**

In the Window

May and June 2025 Window Artists:
Sheryl Thompson and **Richard Staats**

Would you like to add some extra color or enhance a specific area of your yard? Then visit River Gallery in May and June to select art pieces that will add a beautiful touch to your outdoor spaces. These yard art pieces will definitely brighten up your day as well as your garden!



Sunday Drawing at the Gallery

Reminder... Every third Sunday of each month from 1:00 pm—2:00 pm, River Gallery offers an opportunity to gather around the table and draw. No rules. No grades. No pressure. Just bring paper or a sketchbook and something to draw with. Everyone is welcome. The next two drawing sessions will be on Sunday, May 18 from 1:00 pm—2:00 pm and Sunday, June 15 from 1:00 pm—2:00 pm. Join us for some fun! Hope to see you then.

