



ARTscend Marys Peak

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Description:

ARTscend Marys Peak is an annual program to inspire artists to appreciate the ecological, physical, cultural and aesthetic values of Marys Peak and to produce artwork about Marys Peak. We take local visual artists to spend a day (Summer Solstice in June) on Marys Peak with our certified interpretive guides. Depending upon the interests and capabilities of the artists, we can take them either to viewpoints, the summit, meadows, a unique Noble fir forest, a blooming natural rock garden, creeks waterfalls and other special features of the Peak. The guides focus on showing and explaining the ecological, physical and cultural attributes of Marys Peak. Over the summer, the participating artists create one or more pieces of art that was inspired by their day on Marys Peak. The artwork is then displayed throughout downtown Corvallis during the month of September. A special showing is prepared for the evening of the September Corvallis Art Walk (CAW), which occurs near the Fall Equinox. Ten percent (10%) of the artwork sales are donated to the Marys Peak Alliance to support the “Students to the Peak” program, where we take over 500 local students to Marys Peak each year.

Timeframe:

This is our first year. We are holding our first show on September 20, 2018, with the artwork on display in most of the galleries throughout the month of September.

Funding:

We have minimal funds, but need additional funds to continue into the future. This year our funding sources are the Marys Peak Group of the Sierra Club, the Marys Peak Alliance and volunteer hours and gifting by participants. We will need additional funds to expand and improve the program for our second year.

Equity and Accessibility:

Anyone can participate. There are no fees or entry costs. We provide transportation to Marys Peak for those who need it. Neither hiking nor other mobility requirements inhibit participation.

Approvals:

We only need annual approvals of the galleries and institutions that participate. We are flexible in regards to where the artwork is displayed, so we are not beholden to any institution or gallery.

Community Action Plan (CAP) Objectives:

CC2: Variety of Arts & Entertainment Venue
CC5: Tourism & Visitor Attractions
ES2: Community Affordability

Partners:

The U.S. Forest Service, The Marys Peak Group of the Sierra Club, Corvallis Art Walk and 7 local institutions for the showing of the art – The Majestic Theater, Arts in the Valley Gallery, New Morning Bakery, Old World Deli, Pegasus Gallery, The Hold Gallery and The Art Center.

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