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# LAURIE LEWIS BAN

Great foot-stompin' Bluegrass and more are heading our way Saturday, October 14<sup>th</sup>, when The Laurie Lewis Band takes the Friendship Hall Stage.

Laurie Lewis began playing roots music as a teen, busting onto the Bluegrass scene in the 80's and making an immediate splash. Her dynamic fiddle playing, and versatile vocals were beautiful musical proof that Bluegrass was not a men's only club. Since then, Lewis has been a groundbreaker for women in the genre, with many contemporary artists pointing to her as an inspiration and following her lead.

After years of playing and singing, Laurie took a stab at writing and producing and was soon making waves in those skills as well. Along this nearly 40-year musical road travelled, she has cut over 20 al-

bums, twice been recognized as female vocalist of the year by the International Bluegrass Music Association, won the International Bluegrass Song of the Year with her heart-tugging take on the Kate Long classic "Who Will Watch The Home Place," and had an album nominated for the Best Bluegrass Recording Grammy in 2017.

Her long and successful music career has also led her down some different musical paths, finding new ways to express herself in the art. So, the "more" mentioned in first sentence above means that while Bluegrass will likely dominate the night of the 14<sup>th</sup> we may be treated to a little extra. With Lewis' imagination and versatility, we might hear anything from a yodels-included Marty Robbins cover, bluesy versions of classic country tunes, or country-jazz-based covers of rock & roll or folk pieces.

Whatever she comes up with, it's sure to be enjoyable and expertly delivered. So, mark your calendar to join us at the Pistol River Friendship Hall on Saturday, October 14<sup>th</sup> for a great night of Bluegrass and more - compliments of The Laurie Lewis Band. Doors open at 6:30PM and the music starts at 7:30. Tickets can be purchased online at pistolriver.com or at First Chapter Coffee House in Gold Beach or Wrights Custom Framing in Brookings. Hope to see you there!



We'll see you in 2024!



Tickets for all shows are \$20 at local outlets and at the door (if not sold out!)

### - First Chapter Coffee House 458-236-5135

- Wright's Custom Framing 541-469-7900

Tickets can also be purchased on-line for \$21.

#### - www.pistolriver.com/tickets

#### Notes from the Board:

We are modernizing our ticket sales and member contact information! In addition to our usual local outlets and tickets at the door when not sold out, tickets may now be purchased online at our website. On-line tickets include an additional \$1 service fee per ticket. The newsletter and other correspondence will soon be sent to members via MailChimp, but should include "Pistol River Concert Association" in the address line, so check your spam files for before deleting!

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We want to recognize and thank our new Gold Beach ticket seller, First Chapter Coffee House, as well as our old Brookings friend and ticket outlet, Wrights Custom Framing. Please give them a thank you for their PRCA and community support – and maybe buy a cup of coffee or art supplies while you're at it as your community support!

It may not be obvious when you walk in, but a lot of maintenance has been done to the Friendship Hall. A grant to the Pistol River Friendship Club was huge, but there were also many donations from our members as well, so thank you to all who contributed.

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### Want to become a PRCA Member?

We welcome anyone as a member of the Pistol River Concert Association that has an interest in supporting the concert series. If you want to get a heads up on upcoming shows and wish to become a member or if it is time to renew your membership, please go to pistolriver.com/join. (It's tax deductible !!)