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Harvest Moon presents “Wisdom, Weaving, Songs and Legends”

Quinault historian Harvest Moon brings two great talents—traditional basket weaving and storytelling—in her presentation, “Wisdom, Weaving, Songs and Legends.” A free performance will be held at the Olympia Timberland Library on Tuesday, April 13 from 6:30 to 7:45 p.m.

Wearing head-to-toe button blanket regalia, Harvest Moon tells stories such as “The Creation of the Mosquitoes” and “Why it Rains so Much.” The stories are carefully woven with wisdom in order to entertain while imparting morals, history and respect.

As her fingers transform natural materials into an intricate basket, Harvest Moon sings Coastal Salish songs that transition a weaver into what is called the “Basket World.” She also shows some simple indigenous instruments that have been made for the program.

Harvest Moon has presented to one-quarter of a million people of all ages. She has woven over a thousand baskets in the last 31 years and has spent the last 21 years telling stories and teaching the rich cultural history of the Coastal Salish people. She lives in Olympia.



The Olympia Timberland Library is at 313 8th Avenue SE, Olympia. The program is a Humanities Washington Inquiring Mind presentation. The nonprofit organization’s Web site is www.humanities.org. For more information, contact the library at (360) 352-0595 or go to www.TRL.org.

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