



**SATURDAY, MARCH 4**

**Celebrating Creative Women: Artist Panel** • Arcata Playhouse; 1-2:30pm; free

*“There is a vitality, a life force...that is translated through you into action, and because there is only one of you in all time, this expression is unique. And if you block it, it will never exist.”*

~ Martha Graham

For some, creative energy takes the form of a recognized art. For others, it unfolds in their home, relationships, and work. Art has the ability to wake in each of us the choice to compose a life worth living. Regardless if you identify as an artist, the collective wisdom and unfolding lives of these creative women may just inspire you to fully claim your unique voice. Audience members will have an opportunity to ask this fierce panel their own burning questions. Why and how do they do what they do? What motivates and inspires them to move through the very real and complex challenges of creating? Together, we will explore how to sustain and unleash our unique, expressive self.

Panelists: Jacqueline Dandeneau, Leslie Castellano, Joyce Jonte, Laura Montagna, Vanessa Vrtiak, Lyndsey Battle, Carla Paliaga

**Why Create? with Therese FitzMaurice** • Arcata Playhouse; 2:30-4pm; free

Writers, performers, dancers, singers come explore the question, what influence has art had in your life? Participants will have an opportunity to respond to the prompt individually in their chosen genre, then to creatively collaborate in pairs or groups of three. Consider staying to share your creation at the Open “Mae” Mic directly following the workshop.

**Open “Mae” Mic with a Reason to Listen** • Arcata Playhouse; 4-5pm; free

*“You only live once, but if you do it right, once is enough.”* ~ Mae West

Poets, performers, musicians, comedians, storytellers bring your words and songs to share with an open supportive audience. Do what you do. Step into a new space. Craft a piece under five minutes. Sign up at the event, or email ahead of time to guarantee a spot. And remember, Every Voice is a Reason to Listen!

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❖ **Pink Boots Society Beer Tasting with Sarah McKinney and Jen McFerrin** • The Tiny Purple House; 5:30-7:30; \$25

A chance for women to taste and talk about beer! The Pink Boots Society beer tasting is hosted by local beer enthusiasts Sarah McKinney and Jen McFerrin. You will be walked through the spectrum of beer styles with delicious nibbles available that draw out the flavors of the beer and enhance the experience! This is a chance for women to gather together and celebrate beer and each other. Whether you are a seasoned beer drinker or just getting started, there will surely be a style to fit your tastes! Limited tickets available.

❖ **Women of the Northwest** • Arcata Playhouse; 8-10pm; \$15/\$12

Back by popular demand! A Zero to Fierce revival of the 2013 hit production *Women of the Northwest* will feature new stories celebrating the diversity of Humboldt County. Featuring original live music, this production is a montage of women’s lives behind the redwood curtain. The show explores the stories of amazing female Olympians, Native Women, immigrants, bohemians, mothers, schoolmarms, cross-dressers, and more. Reserve your seats now as this show sells out fast!

