

Spring 2024



Mark your calendars!

The 2024 Talent Craft Crawl is Saturday, May 11, from 11 am - 5 pm!

The Talent Craft Crawl is a walkable event that showcases local crafters, artists, makers and food & beverage vendors in multiple hubs around the city. Produced by the Talent Business Alliance, our goal is to create a thriving and anticipated market that draws guests from throughout the Rogue Valley into downtown Talent, Oregon.

How you can become involved: OTHER FUN!

This is a great way to highlight your business and 'get on the event map'!

If your business wants to host some extra fun that day, let us know and we can add you to our printed event map that will be passed out to all visitors.

Other fun could be: Live Music at your business, a project for Talent Craft Crawl participants (last year Talent Maker City screen printed bags), art installations around town, or the Talent Garden Club's annual plant sale!

Email the event organizers to add your business' 'other fun' to the Talent Craft Crawl event map: talentcraftcrawl@gmail.com.

Visit our website for all updates and event details! www.talentbusinessalliance.org/craftcrawl



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Upcoming Business Mixer - April 2024

Our next mixer event is at **Sound & Vision Wine Co**! Come join us in Talent and connect with other local business owners and entrepreneurs.

Host: Sound & Vision Wine Co.

717 South Pacific Hwy. Talent

5:00 - 7:00 PM

RSVP to <u>info@talentbusinessalliance.org</u> so that complimentary snacks can be planned accordingly.



Upcoming Events

Business Events

- Sat. April 20: <u>Talent Maker City</u> Maker Mixer Bid-a-thon! Fundraiser and Auction
- **Tues. April 23:** "Websites for Everyone" class at Talent Community Center (5:30-7 pm) (RSVP)
- Mon. April 29: Business Mixer at Sound & Vision, 5 7 pm
- Sat. May 11: 2nd Annual <u>Talent Craft Crawl</u> (11 am 5 pm)
- Wed. May 22: Mixer at Suncrest Place Assisted Living, 6 8 pm



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January Business Mixer Talent Public Library

The host for our January Business Mixer was **Talent Public Library**. Roslyn Donald, Business Librarian of Jackson County Library Services spoke to us about their mission, which is to,"connect everyone to information, ideas, and each other.."

We learned that our Library offers more than books and ebooks. They also offer the ability to rent items such as sewing machines, small appliances and a variety other useful items that are listed under, JCLS Library of Things." Additionally they offer musical performances, art exhibits and select classes which are available to all.









February Business Mixer Talent Maker City

This month's Business Mixer was hosted by Alli French, the Executive Director of **Talent Maker City**, (TMC) which is an "Inclusive Maker's Space NonProfit Organization working to build a more connected and prosperous community through hands on creativity and STEAM-based learning." TMC offers Educational Programming to Jackson and Josephine County, adult and family workshops and community partner support as well as the Maslow Project, empowering homeless youth.

TMC offers a multitude of educational opportunities, including ceramics, fiber arts, laser engraving, robotics, woodshop,, bicycle repair and wheelchair maintenance. TMC's new 8000 sq. foot Makerspace will be completed in the fall of 2024.

There will be an art auction fundraiser May 20th, 2024. To donate directly go to, <u>talentmakercity.org</u>.



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March Business Mixer

Over 30 businesses came out to the March mixer event hosted by the Talent Historical Society! The Talent Historical Society was founded in 1994 as a non-profit organization dedicated to collecting, preserving, and interpreting the rich history of Talent and the surrounding area in Southern Oregon. The Historical Society maintains a museum and research library at 105 North Market Street in Talent and provides weekly museum/library hours for the public as well as monthly "Night At The Museum" programs to educate and entertain citizens in the Talent area.

Thank you **Talent Historical Society** for being our hosts for March!







Entrepreneur's Corner

Websites for Everyone Workshop

Want to create a website but not sure where to begin? Join us for this free workshop using the popular Wix platform. We'll cover the Wix interface, tools and templates, as well as domain names, SEO and more.

This is a hands-on class, so participants will need to bring a laptop (tablets are not compatible with the builder, though they can be used for managing the site once it's built and published.)

RSVP required - spaces are limited!

One-on-one Technical Assistance

TBA currently offers individual support sessions of up to three (3) hours with consultants in a variety of areas, including social media, grant writing support services, website building and more!

This is a FREE offering for businesses in Talent and Phoenix. Support for these programs is generously provided through Business Oregon Technical Assistance grant funding.

For more information about this service, email <u>info@talentbusinessalliance.org</u>.