

# Events & Announcements

## Community Calendar 2016

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#### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 2

**CHRISTMAS IN THE PARK:** Come to Esther Short Park for Activate Church's fifth annual free Christmas at the Park event, where we will give away 100 free Christmas trees. Other activities include Christmas caroling, costumed characters, a cookie-making tent and much more. All are welcome and everything is free. 6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m., Esther Short Park, 605 Esther St., Vancouver.

**ASSUMPTION VILLAGE HOLIDAY BAZAAR:** Arts and crafts, unique gifts, baked goodies, plants, handmade knit & crochet items, hot beverages and much more. Admission is free and all proceeds go to Assumption Village Residents. 10 a.m. - 3 p.m., 9121 N. Burr Ave.

#### FRIDAY - SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2 - 4

**CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY PRESENTS ITS 66TH ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CHORALE:** a SERVICE OF LESSONS & CAROLS: More than 100 Concordia student vocalists and musicians participate in the traditional Service of Lessons and Carols. Admission is free and the event is open to the public. Seating is limited and on a first come, first seated basis. Event begins at 7 p.m. Friday & Saturday and at 3 p.m. Sunday. St. Michael's Lutheran Church, 6700 NE 29th Ave.

#### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3

**PORTLAND CHRISTIAN ROYALS HOLIDAY BAZAAR:** Join us and enjoy artisan-crafted paper goods, jewelry, home décor and more. Get started on your holiday shopping. 9 a.m. - 4 p.m., Portland Christian Jr/Sr High School, 12425 NE San Rafael St.

#### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4

**THE ARMORY HOLIDAY BAZAAR!** Shop locally this holiday season by supporting The Armory - affiliated artisans who will be on hand to sell their crafts and goods on the Mezzanine throughout the day. Enjoy free hot chocolate, cider, live music and more! Free Admission Noon - 6 p.m., The Armory, 128 NW Eleventh Ave.

#### TUESDAY - THURSDAY, DECEMBER 6 - 9

**PORTLAND SATURDAY MARKET PRESENTS PORTLAND ARTISAN FESTIVAL AT THE SQUARE:** More than 30 vendors from Portland Saturday Market will be selling their wares, including wood-working, jewelry, art and more. Just in time for the holidays. 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Pioneer Courthouse Square, 555 S Yamhill St.

#### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10

**26TH ANNUAL TUBA CHRISTMAS CONCERT:** Downtown will pulse with melodic sounds of big brass as over 250 tubas play in unison for the 26th Annual Tuba Christmas Concert in the heart of downtown Portland. 1:30 p.m. - 3 p.m., Pioneer Courthouse Square, 555 SW Yamhill St.

**EAST PORTLAND HOLIDAY BAZAAR:** The East Portland Holiday Bazaar is a fun filled single-day holiday market. You will find local, affordable, handmade holiday gifts. Such as crafts, art, greeting cards and so much more. Free admission. 10 a.m. - 5 p.m., Apano Jams, 8114 SE Division St.

#### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11

**MOVIE NIGHT AT THE ARMORY: BROADWAY MUSICALS, A JEWISH LEGACY:** Narrated by Joel Grey. Explores the unique role of Jewish composers and lyricists in the creation of modern American musical. Free Admission. Arrive at 7 p.m. to enjoy complimentary Sizzle Pie Pizza and Soda before the movie. Movie begins at 7:30 p.m. The Armory Vigeland Rehearsal Hall, 128 NW Eleventh Ave.

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## City and County Employee Art Exhibit Opens Dec. 15

The Regional Arts & Culture Council will be hosting the 20th annual City of Portland and Multnomah County employee art exhibit, "all the art that fits," opening Dec. 15. The exhibit will be held in the Portland Building lobby Installation Space and is a yearly favorite for both the artists and regular visitors. Only original artwork created by current employees of the City or County is eligible. The exhibition is free and open to the public 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday - Friday. The Portland Building is located at 1120 SW 5th Avenue in downtown Portland.

## Portland News Briefs

### Black Santa to Visit Matt Dishman Community Center Dec. 4

Black Santa will visit Matt Dishman Community Center from 3 to 5 p.m. Dec. 4 at 77 NE Knott Street. The cost for a visit and 4-inch-by-6-inch professional photo is \$15.

The visit is sponsored by Jack and Jill of America, Inc., a membership organization of mothers with children ages 2-19, dedicated to nurturing future African American leaders by strengthening children through leadership development, volunteer service, philanthropic giving and civic duty.

Founded in 1938 in Philadelphia, today Jack and Jill of America boasts more than 230 chapters nationwide, representing more than 40,000 family members.

Proceeds from the event will benefit from Camp ELISO, which has a mission to empower youth of color to explore the possibilities of careers in science fields by exposing them to unique outdoor learning opportunities, while nurturing a love for the outdoors. Learn more about Camp ELISO at [www.campelso.org](http://www.campelso.org). This event is open to the general public.

### Urban League, Partners to Launch an Oregon Agenda for Justice

The Urban League of Portland, along with the Oregon Health Equity Alliance and Fair Shot For All Coalition will launch a bold slate of policy solutions that address inequities in housing, health care, safety and secure employment from 5:30 to 8:00 p.m. Dec. 1 at Vancouver Ave First Baptist Church, 3138 N Vancouver Ave.

Hundreds of Oregonians are expected to turn out in support of the state agenda, building momentum around the effort to ensure that Oregon leads the way in creating policies to benefit all Oregonians.

A broad coalition of racial justice, labor and community groups from across the state will unveil a bold legislative agenda to protect human and civil rights in Oregon. The policy agenda will be announced at a community rally at Portland's Vancouver Avenue First Baptist Church at 5:30 PM on Thursday, December 1st.

Register at <https://goo.gl/S3XXCo> to come together in preparation for the 2017 Legislative Session. Food and childcare will be provided.

### Lan Su Chinese Garden Offers Free Admission with Food Item Dec. 3-11

Lan Su Chinese Garden is partnering with Oregon Food Bank to present Nine Free Days Dec. 3 through Dec. 11. Lan Su will open its doors with complimentary

admission (regularly \$9.50) to the garden with a donation of canned or non-perishable food items.

Nine Free Days is designed to help families and the community visit Lan Su Chinese Garden who might not normally be able to. We are honored to partner with Oregon Food Bank to expand this reach. Last year, Oregon Food Bank distributed 96.2 million pounds to help feed 270,000 people every month, 92,000 of them children. During Lan Su's last food drive with Oregon Food Bank, visitors helped meet this need to with more than 11,000 pounds of food during our celebration.

During Nine Free Days, visitors will see all of the beauty of Lan Su, escape the cold with tea in the cozy teahouse, and learn about the rich cultural history of China while supporting hungry families throughout Oregon. As this event draws large numbers of visitors, the Garden Shop will expand into the garden's largest pavilion with a dazzling display of Chinese New Year essentials.

During Lan Su's Nine Free Days, the Garden Shop overflows into the Hall of Brocade Clouds with a dazzling display of unique items to fit all of your holiday shopping needs.

Featuring a selection of kid-friendly items, locally made mooncakes, visually stunning paper goods and books, and more—the Garden Shop's Holiday Pop-up Shop is the ideal place to find the perfect gift and get ready for Chinese New Year. Chinese New Year - The Year of the Rooster begins - Saturday, January 28.

For more information about Nine Free Days at Lan Su, visit [www.lansugarden.org/freedays](http://www.lansugarden.org/freedays). For a complete list of all events, visit [www.lansugarden.org/eventcalendar](http://www.lansugarden.org/eventcalendar).

### Local Authors to Appear at Oregon Historical Society Book Sale Dec. 4

The Oregon Historical Society will host a festive book sale & literary celebration from noon to 4 p.m. Dec. 4 at 1200 SW Park Avenue, downtown Portland. Holiday Cheer begins at noon at the Oregon Historical Society and authors will be signing until 4pm. Admission is free to both the book sale and to the museum.

A Portland tradition for nearly 50 years, Holiday Cheer is a chance to celebrate the rich literary talents in Oregon, and marks the start of the holiday season at the Oregon Historical Society.

Authors are spread throughout the museum, selling everything from cookbooks and mysteries to comics and children's books... and, of course, history books! All featured authors have published a book in 2016, though many will also have past titles available.

Notable local authors in attendance include mystery writer Phillip Margolin, historical fiction author Jane Kirkpatrick, children's book author Bart King, and the one and only Gerry Frank. At Holiday

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