

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### The Oceans Connect Us — Navigating Micronesian Cultures

Through Jan 16 (Mon-Fri), 10am-2pm, World Beat Gallery, Reed Opera House (189 Liberty St SE, Second Floor, Salem, Ore.). View The Oceans Connect Us — Navigating Micronesian Cultures, an exhibit highlighting Chuuk, Pohnpei, Kosrae, and Yap cultures as well as the Marshall Islands, Guam, the Commonwealth of Northern Mariana Islands, and Palau. Features include famous Yapese stone money, Chuukese love sticks, the role of *sakau* in Pohnpei, the legend of the coconut from the Marshall Islands, and more. For info, call (503) 581-2004 or visit <www.salemmulticultural.org>.

### Beyond Convention: Women of the Portland JACL

Through Mar 21, 7:30am-midnight (Mon-Thu), 7:30am-7pm (Fri), 10am-7pm (Sat), noon-midnight (Sun), Portland State University, Millar Library (1875 SW Park Ave, Portland). View Beyond Convention: Women of the Portland Japanese American Citizens League, an exhibit highlighting the pivotal roles women have played in the Portland Japanese American Citizens League (JACL) since its inception in the 1930s. The display draws on Portland State University's collection of historical records from the JACL. For info, or to verify library hours, call (503) 725-5874 or (503) 725-8577, or visit <www.pdx.edu/cjs>.

### Manzanar: The Wartime Photographs of Ansel Adams

Through Mar 29 (Mon-Sat), 10am-4pm, Gonzaga University, Jundt Art Museum (502 E Boone Ave, Spokane, Wash.). View Manzanar: The Wartime Photographs of Ansel Adams, an exhibit of 50 images taken by the renowned photographer at the Japanese-American relocation camp in Manzanar, California during World War II. Also included in the display are three reproductions of Dorothea Lange photographing Japanese Americans who were being evacuated; a first edition copy of the 1944 book, *Born Free and Equal*, by Ansel Adams; a watercolor painting of a camp by an internee; an original 1942 poster of the civilian exclusion order that announced Japanese Americans were to be rounded up for imprisonment; and many other items. For info, call (509) 313-6611 or visit <www.gonzaga.edu/jundt>.

### Mahjong group

Jan 7, 14, 21 & 28, 1-4pm, Gresham Library (385 NW Miller Ave, Gresham, Ore.). Players of all skill levels are invited to attend a *mahjong* group. A coach is available to teach new players. For info, call (503) 988-5387 or visit <events.multcolib.org>.

### Talk Time at Central Library

Jan 8, 15, 22 & 29, 5:30-7pm, Multnomah County Central Library, Room 2B (801 SW 10th Ave, Portland). Join other non-native English speakers at an informal conversation circle for people who want to practice speaking English. Talk Time is not a class, but an opportunity to meet new people, share culture, and have fun. Only English is spoken. For info, call (503) 988-5123 or visit <events.multcolib.org>.

### "Pre-K Mandarin"

Jan 9-Feb 6 (Thu), 9:15-10am, East Portland Community Center (740 SE 106th Ave, Portland). Children three to five years old are invited to join a Thursday "Pre-K Mandarin" class. For info, call (503) 888-8270 or visit <www.portlandchineselessons.com>. To register, call (503) 823-3450 or visit <www.portlandparks.org>.

### Mandarin conversation group

Jan 9 & Feb 13, Lan Su Chinese Garden (NW Third Ave & NW Everett St, Portland). Join a Mandarin conversation group to learn about travel vocabulary, use of tone, basic conversation, and more. The gathering is open to all ages. For info, or to register, call (503) 888-8270 or visit <www.portlandchineselessons.com>.



**BORN FREE AND EQUAL.** *Manzanar: The Wartime Photographs of Ansel Adams, an exhibit of 50 images taken by the renowned photographer at the Japanese-American relocation camp in Manzanar, California during World War II, is on view through March 29 in the Jundt Art Museum at Gonzaga University in Spokane, Washington. Pictured are "Potatoe Field" (top photo) and "People Leaving Church, Winter," 16" x 20" gelatin silver prints taken in 1943 by Ansel Adams. (Photos courtesy of the Jundt Art Museum)*

### "Japanese Interpretation Workshop"

Jan 9-Mar 20 (Thu), 6:40-8:30pm, Portland State University, Neuberger Hall, Room 454 (724 SW Harrison St, Portland). Learn how to accurately comprehend text and speech in Japanese and English and effectively interpret text and speech from Japanese into English, and from English into Japanese, in "Japanese Interpretation Workshop," a course offered by Portland State University's Department of World Languages & Literatures. For info, call (503) 725-8577 or visit <www.pdx.edu/cjs>. To register, visit <www.pdx.edu/admissions/non-degree-applicants>.

### "Building Stronger Families" event

Jan 10, 5:30-8pm, Portland Children's Museum (4015 SW Canyon Rd, Portland). Immigrant and Refugee Community Organization (IRCO) families, clients, and staff are invited to a free night of play at the Portland Children's Museum. The event, which features puppet shows, art, music, crafts, and more, is open to Portland-area immigrants and refugees as part of the IRCO Refugee Immigrant Family Empowerment (RIFE) Program. For info, or to inquire about a MAX pass, call (503) 234-1541, e-mail <crystal@mail.irco.org>, or visit <www.irco.org>.

### Winter zazenkaï

Jan 11, 7:30am-5pm, Heart of Wisdom Zen Temple (6401 NE 10th Ave, Portland). Take part in a winter zazenkaï, a day of meditation, chanting, dharma talks, a fusatsu ceremony to renew the intention to live an ethical life, and more. For info, or to register, call (503) 728-0654 or visit <www.zendust.org>.

### "Financial Aid Day" at PCC

Jan 11, 9am-noon, Portland Community College (PCC) Cascade Campus, Technology Education Building (705 N Killingsworth St, Portland), PCC Sylvania Campus, Library (12000 SW 49th Ave, Portland), PCC Rock Creek Campus, Building 2 (17705 NW Springville Rd, Portland), and PCC Southeast Center, Mount Tabor Hall (2305 SE 82nd Ave, Portland). Attend "Financial Aid Day," an opportunity to obtain help filling out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) form and learn about college grants and loan programs

available from the federal and state government. The form should be filled out annually by current and future college students to determine eligibility for federal student financial aid. PCC Financial Aid Day is part of the College Goal Oregon program. For info, including materials participants should bring, call (971) 722-5291 (Cascade), (971) 722-8521 (Sylvania), (971) 722-7225 (Rock Creek), or (971) 722-6348 (Southeast Center), or visit <www.pcc.edu/finaiday>.

### "Project Clean Slate"

Jan 11, 3-3:45pm, Multnomah County Central Library (801 SW 10th Ave, Portland). Attend "It's Time for a Fresh Start: Project Clean Slate" to learn how to clean up your record. The workshop introduces attendees to resources and services to start fresh after having a driver license suspended for unpaid fines, falling behind on child support, overcoming a minor criminal conviction, and more. For info, call (503) 988-5123 or visit <events.multcolib.org>.

### Talk Time at Gregory Heights Library

Jan 12, 19 & 26, 12:30-2pm, Gregory Heights Library (7921 NE Sandy Blvd, Portland). Join other non-native English speakers at an informal conversation circle for people who want to practice speaking English. Talk Time is not a class, but an opportunity to meet new people, share culture, and have fun. Only English is spoken. For info, call (503) 988-5386 or visit <events.multcolib.org>.

### "Let's Talk About It: Muslim Journeys"

Jan 13, 6:30-7:45pm, Multnomah County Central Library (801 SW 10th Ave, Portland). Attend "Let's Talk About It: Muslim Journeys," a book discussion series led by Portland State University professor Kimberly Brown exploring five memoirs and novels around the theme "points of view." For info, or to register (required), call (503) 988-5234 or visit <events.multcolib.org>.

### Snow Flower and the Secret Fan

Jan 13, 6:30-7:45pm, St. Johns Library (7510 N Charleston Ave, Portland). Engage in conversation about books at a Page-turners discussion sponsored by Friends of the Library. The book for discussion is Lisa See's *Snow Flower and the Secret Fan*, a historical novel set in China that looks at *nu shu*, a secret code writing used by women in one Chinese county for a thousand years. For info, call (503) 988-5397 or visit <events.multcolib.org>.

### Madame Chiang Kai-Shek

Jan 13, 10-11pm, Oregon Public Broadcasting (OPB). Watch an episode of Extraordinary Women about Madame Chiang Kai-Shek, the controversial former First Lady of the Republic of China. To verify showtime, call (503) 293-1982 or visit <www.opb.org>.

### APACC networking event

Jan 14, 5:30-7:30pm, State Farm Insurance, Office of HQ La (2858 NE Sandy Blvd, Portland). Attend a free networking event presented by the Asian Pacific American Chamber of Commerce (APACC) of Oregon and Southwest Washington. The evening includes progress updates and reports by representatives from the City of Portland and the Portland Development Commission. For info, or to register (by Jan 13), call (503) 205-8398 or visit <www.apacc-or.org>.

### Frontline: "Secret State of North Korea"

Jan 14, 10-11pm; repeats Jan 16, 3-4am; Oregon Public Broadcasting (OPB). Watch "Secret State of North Korea," an episode of Frontline featuring new footage smuggled from inside the country and never-before-told stories from recent defectors living in South Korea. To verify showtimes, call (503) 293-1982 or visit <www.opb.org>.

### "Extreme by Design"

Jan 14, 11pm-midnight; repeats Jan 16, 4-5am; Oregon Public Broadcasting (OPB). Watch "Extreme by Design," a show about students at Stanford University who build products to meet basic needs of the world's poor. To verify showtimes, call (503) 293-1982 or visit <www.opb.org>.

### "Asian Soups"

Jan 15, 3:30-5pm, Midland Library (805 SE 122nd Ave, Portland). Teens in grades six through 12 are invited to learn how to make Lao chicken noodle soup using homemade noodles topped with fresh fried garlic, green onions, and cilantro at an "Asian Soups" class. While waiting for the soup to cook, participants can roll up and enjoy salad rolls for appetizers. For info, call (503) 988-5392 or visit <events.multcolib.org>.

### Public safety center open house

Jan 16, 6-8pm, Beaverton City Hall (4755 SW Griffith Dr, Beaverton, Ore). Attend an open house to learn about updated plans for a new public safety center in Beaverton. Light refreshments are provided. For info, call (503) 526-2658 or visit <www.renewforourblue.com>.

### Krakatoa: The Last Days

Jan 17, 9-10:30pm; repeats Jan 20, 2-3:30am; Oregon Public Broadcasting (OPB). Revisit the May 20, 1883 eruption of Krakatoa, which led to one of the Indian Ocean's most devastating tsunamis. *Krakatoa: The Last Days* explains how the gasses from the Krakatoa eruption altered the world's temperature. To verify showtimes, call (503) 293-1982 or visit <www.opb.org>.

### MLK Weekend of Service

Jan 18-20, Portland-Vancouver metropolitan area. Join the United Way MLK Weekend of Service, an event celebrating the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. with volunteer opportunities for individuals and groups. Projects are available for people of all ages and abilities. For info, call (503) 228-9131. To sign up for a project, visit <www.unitedway-pdx.org/mlk>.

### Martin Luther King Jr. Breakfast

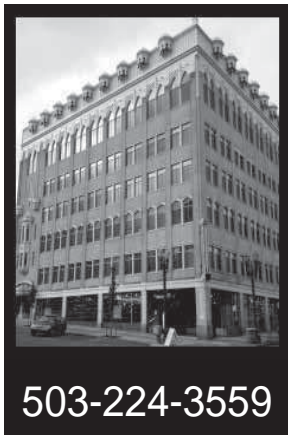
Jan 20, 8:30-10:30am, Oregon Convention Center (777 NE

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