

COMMUNITY LIFE

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1 Mixed media: Multnomah Arts Center Gallery displays "Dictionary Habitat," an exhibit of mixed media collage by James Halvorson. Halvorson uses encyclopedia pages and book covers and paints and collages on them to converge stories and generate stories. An opening reception will be held in the gallery Friday, July 1, 7 – 9 p.m. The show runs through August 2 at the MAC, 7688 SW Capitol Hwy.

8 Fellini on stage: Lakewood Theatre Company opens its 64th season July 8 with the Portland area premier of the Tony award-winning musical "Nine." The play is based on Fellini's surreal biographical film, "8½." Nine examines one man's growing inability to distinguish between his creative life and personal life. Performances are Thursday through Sunday from July 8 – August 14. For tickets call the Lakewood Box Office at 503-635-3901.

9 Two new bridges to cross: SW Trails walk will explore Portland's two new bridges. The walk will begin at Willamette Park, loop over the new Sellwood Bridge, along the Springwater Trail on east side of the Willamette River, back over the Willamette River on the

Tilikum Crossing and through South Waterfront and Johns Landing back to Willamette Park. The walk is 7.5 miles but very little elevation gain. To carpool, meet behind the bleachers, near the food carts, at Wilson High School, Southwest Sunset Boulevard and Capitol Highway at 9 a.m. on Saturday, July 9. For more information, contact Sharon Fekety (fekety@hevanet.com).

10 Death in the afternoon: Death Cafe is a growing international movement of people who come together in a relaxed and safe setting to discuss death. Drink some tea and talk about whatever is on your mind regarding death in small groups. The goal is to increase awareness of death with a view to helping people make the most of their (finite) lives. Made possible by The National Endowment for the Humanities Fund of the Library Foundation. Sunday, July 10, 2 – 4 p.m. at the Hillsdale Library, 1525 SW Sunset Blvd. Register online, in the library, or by calling 503-988-5234.

12 Lost Pacific Empire: The Garden Home Community Library's Book Group meets Tuesday, July 12 at 7 p.m. at the library, 7475 SW Oleson Road. Read Peter Stark's *Astoria: John Jacob Astor and Thomas Jefferson's Lost Pacific Empire*. Discussion lasts 90 minutes, refreshments are served. Request copies of the book at the library or call 503-245-9932 for more information.

13 Older But Wiser: Enjoy an evening of comedy that will take you back to the era of comedians who entertained in the Catskill Mountains resorts. Performed by residents of the Rose Schnitzer Manor's "Older But Wiser" group and led by Naomi Fredgant. The group has been learning stand-up (and sit-down) comedy. The event takes place Wednesday, July 13 at 7 p.m. at the Mittleman Jewish Community Center, 6651 SW Capitol Hwy. For more information: 503-244-0111. Free and open to the community.



Ecaterina Lynn, Chrissy Kelly-Pettit, Matthew Hayward, Terra Lynn Hill, and Lisamarie Harrison in the Portland-area premiere of the musical "Nine." (Photo by Triumph Studios)

19 Recycling trash into art: Learn how to recycle old books and turn them into notebooks that you will treasure. The whole family can learn how to recycle old or damaged books and upcycle them into unique notebooks using simple ring and prong style binding. Tuesday, July 19, 2:30 – 4 p.m. at the Capitol Hill Library, 10723 SW Capitol Hwy. Free. For more information, call 503-988-5385.

23 Make your own terrarium: How to keep plants healthy and happy by planting them in a closed glass container. Large or tiny, terrariums are a fun hobby and easy! Come learn the history, science and art of high humidity, enclosed terrariums. You'll leave with one of your own. Saturday, July 23, 2 – 4 p.m. at the Hillsdale Library, 1525 SW Sunset Blvd. Registration required in the library, or online. For more information call 503-988-5388.

26 Summer, sports and science: Let Mad Science show you how athletes use physics to keep their balance and manipulate gravity. Help our Mad Scientist light the Mad Science Olympic Torch and learn how physics and nutrition can help you throw farther, jump higher, and run faster. Tuesday, July 26, 2:30 – 4 p.m. at the Capitol Hill Library, 10723 S.W. Capitol Hwy. Free tickets available 30 minutes in advance. For more information, call 503-988-5385.



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