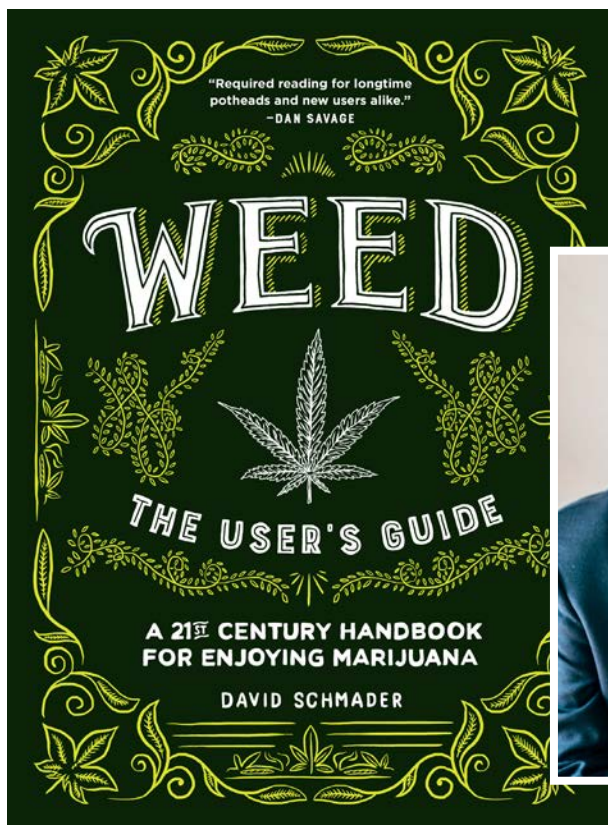


WHAT'S HAPPENING

Ever accidentally get way too stoned way too fast and suddenly your brain is spinning sticky webs of neurotic fear and paranoia until you feel like Woody Allen on bad acid? Wouldn't it have been nice, during that endless moment, to have a kind, gentle and pot-smart voice whispering sage advice into your ear? Well, author **David Schmader** is that voice. A stage performer and longtime columnist for Seattle alt weekly *The Stranger*, Schmader has written **Weed: The User's Guide**, a "21st century handbook for enjoying marijuana" that takes newbies and users alike through the ABCs of cannabinoid culture. From a brief history of weed ("Which presidents were potheads?") to modes of ingestion, types of weed and the varieties of effects — including more specific rubrics like marijuana etiquette, munchies navigation and, yes, what to do "if you're high and don't like it" — Schmader covers all the stoner bases in a voice that is at once generous, funny and sharp, though never pushy (in his words, he refuses "reckless encouragement" to smoke pot). "I want the book to be a smart, honest guide to weed and its life enhancing potential that keeps readers delighted on a sentence-by-sentence basis," Schmader says. "I wanted it to be like a guide to scotch or coffee — knowledgeable info for interested parties."

David Schmader reads from and signs his book *WEED: The User's Guide*, 7pm Friday, April 29, Barn Light East, 545 E. 8th Ave. FREE. — *Rick Levin*



THURSDAY

APRIL 28
SUNRISE 6:07 AM; SUNSET 8:13 PM
AVG. HIGH 63; AVG. LOW 40

FOOD/DRINKS From Pint to Trail: Eugene Brewshed & Outdoors Celebration, 6-8:30pm, Ninkasi, 155 Blair Blvd. FREE.

GATHERINGS Parkinson's Disease Support Group, 10-11:30am, Trinity Lutheran Church, 675 S. 7th St., Cottage Grove. FREE.

Eugene Metro Business Networking International, 11:30am today & Thursday, May 5, LCC Downtown Center, 101 W. 10th Ave. \$12 lunch.

Downtown Public Speakers Toastmasters Club, drop-ins welcome noon-1:05pm today & Thursday, May 5, Les Lyle Conference Rm, fourth floor Wells Fargo Bldg., 99 E. Broadway Ave., 485-1182. FREE.

Exhibit Talks, 2pm today, Saturday, Sunday & Tuesday through Thursday, May 5, Museum of Natural and Cultural History, 1680 E. 15th Ave., natural-history.uoregon.edu. FREE with price of museum admission.

Ancil Payne Award for Ethics in Journalism Panel & Awards Reception, 3pm, Allen Hall, UO. FREE.

Open Figure Drawing, 4-6pm today & Thursday, May 5, MECCA, 449 Willamette St. Pay what you want.

Beyond Toxics New Volunteer Orientation Party, 5-7pm, 601 W. 13th Ave. FREE.

Candidate Forum: Eugene Mayor, 7pm, Lane County Public Services, 125 E. 8th Ave. FREE.

Guitar Club, 7-8pm, Cush Cafe, 1235 Railroad Blvd. FREE.

Home Grown Community Radio Forming KEPW-FM, 7pm, today & Thursday, May 5, Growers Market, 454 Willamette St., 343-8548. FREE.

Nar-Anon Meeting, beginners, 7pm today & Thursday, May 5, Wesley United Methodist Church, 1385 Oak Rd. FREE.

Psychoanalysis in Eugene, clinical & literary discussion group, 7-9pm today & Thursday, May 5, 355 W. 8th Ave., rsvp to michaelhejazi@gmail.com. FREE.

HEALTH Group Acupuncture Clinic, 10-11:30am, Trauma Healing Project, 2222 Coburg Rd., 687-9447. Don.

Mindfulness Group, 4-5pm, NAMI Resource Center, 2411 Martin Luther King Blvd., 520-3096. FREE.

KIDS/FAMILIES Wonderful Ones Storytime, 1-year-olds w/caregivers, 10:15am & 11am today & Thursday, May 5, downtown library, 682-8316. FREE.

Prechool Fun w/Art & Science: \$\$\$ for Little Pockets, 10:30-11:15am, Springfield library, 225 5th St., Spfd. FREE.

DanceAbility Class for Youth, 4-5pm today & Thursday, May 5, Hilyard Community Center, 2580 Hilyard St. Call 357-4982 or see danceability.com for registration info.

LECTURES Optimize Your Social Security Benefits, 5:30pm, downtown library. FREE.

"The Big View: Climate Change in Human History," 6pm, Willamette Hall, UO. FREE.

Crypto Judaism & the Question of Human Agency w/David Wacks, 6:30pm, Allen Hall, UO. FREE.

Oregon WAND: "If They Aren't in Jail..." w/climate change activists Patty Hine & Deb McGee, 7pm, First United Methodist Church, 1376 Olive St. FREE.

LITERARY ARTS Lunch w/authors Pat Edwards & Jennifer Chambers, noon, The Book Nest, 1461 Mohawk St., Spfd. FREE.

ON THE AIR "The Point," 9-9:30am today & Thursday, May 5, KPOV 88.9FM.

"Arts Journal," current local arts, 9-10pm today & Thursday, May 5, Comcast channel 29.

Thursday Night Jazz w/David Gizara, 10pm today & Thursday, May 5, KLCC 89.7FM.

OUTDOORS/RECREATION Pool Hall for seniors, 8:30am-4:30pm today, tomorrow & Monday through Thursday, May 5, Campbell Community Center, 155 High St. \$0.25.

GEARS Bike Club: McKenzie View & Sunderman, 35 miles, medium pace, 9am; Women Only Ride, easy pace, 6pm, Alton Baker Park. FREE.

Lunchtime Running Group, 3-4 miles, 12:15-12:45pm today & Thursday, May 5, Tap & Growler, 207 E. 5th Ave. FREE.

Duplicate Bridge, 1pm today, Sunday, Tuesday & Thursday, May 5; 9:30am Monday; 6:30pm Wednesday, Emerald Bridge Club, 1782 Centennial Blvd., Spfd. \$8.

Board Game Night, 6-11pm today, Tuesday & Thursday, May 5, Funagain Games, 1280 Willamette St. FREE.

"Categorically Correct" trivia w/Elliot Martinez, 6:30pm, Oregon Wine LAB, 488 Lincoln St. FREE.

Sci-Fi Trivia w/Gen Schaack, 7-9pm, Starlight Lounge, 830 Olive St. FREE.

Trivia, 7-9pm today & Thursday, May 5, Brew & Cue, 2222 Hwy 99. FREE.

WDYK Trivia w/Rick, 9pm today & Thursday, May 5, Side Bar, 1680 Coburg Rd. FREE.

SOCIAL DANCE English & Scottish Country Dancing, 7pm today & Thursday, May 5, Vet's Ballroom, 1620 Willamette St. \$7, first time FREE.

Music & Dance Workshops w/Taller de Son Jarocho, 7-9pm today & Thursday, May 5, American Legion Hall, 344 8th St., Spfd. FREE.

Doc's Pad Drag Queen Bingo w/Karess, 9pm today & Thursday, May 5, Doc's Pad, 710 Willamette St. FREE.

SPIRITUAL Zen Meditation Group, 7-8am today & Thursday, May 5, Blue Cliff Zen Center, 439 W. 2nd Ave. FREE.

Open Heart Meditation, 4:30pm today & Thursday, May 5, 1840 Willamettes St. FREE.

Insight Meditation, 6:30-8pm today & Thursday, May 5, Eugene Yoga Annex, 3575 Donald St. Don.

THEATER *Blackberry Winter*, 7:30pm today through Saturday & Thursday, May 5; 2pm Sunday, Oregon Contemporary Theatre, 194 W. Broadway. FREE.

LCC student production: Shakespeare's *Cymbeline*, 7:30pm today through Saturday, Ragozzino Hall, LCC main campus. \$5-\$10.

No Shame Eugene, short-form improv theatre, 7:30pm today & Thursday, May 5, New Zone Gallery, 164 W. Broadway. FREE.

Annie Get Your Gun, 8pm today through Saturday & 2:30pm Sunday, Cottage Theatre, 700 Village Dr., Cottage Grove. \$20-\$25.

University Theatre: *Stage Kiss*, 8pm today through Saturday & 2pm Sunday, Robinson Theatre, UO. \$14-\$16.

VOLUNTEER Native Plant Nursery Volunteer Work Party, 9-11am today; 9am-noon Monday, Tuesday & Thursday, May 5, Native Plant Nursery in Buford Park, rsvp to volunteer@bufordpark.org. FREE.

Care for Owen Rose Garden, bring gloves & small hand-weeding tools, instruction provided, noon-3pm, end of N. Jefferson St., 682-5025.

FRIDAY

APRIL 29
SUNRISE 6:06 AM; SUNSET 8:14 PM
AVG. HIGH 63; AVG. LOW 40

BENEFIT Art Show for St. Mary's Episcopal Church, 10am-5pm today & tomorrow, 9-1pm Sunday, St. Mary's, 1300 Pearl St. FREE.

Concert & discussion w/Rob Tobias for KEPW 93.7FM community radio, 7-7:45pm, Reality Kitchen, 645 River Rd. \$5.

FARMERS MARKETS Market-place@Sprout, year-round indoor & outdoor farmers market w/entertainment, 3-7pm, 418 A St., Spfd. info at sproutfoodhub.org.

FILM Disorient: Asian American Film Festival, today & tomorrow, Bijou Art Cinemas & Broadway Metro, disorientfilm.org.

FOOD/DRINK Wine & Music, 4-10pm, Noble Estate Urban, 560 Commercial St. FREE.

Wine Tasting, 6-9pm, Sweet Cheeks Winery, 27007 Briggs Hill Rd. FREE.

GATHERINGS Rainspout Music Festival, today through Sunday, Yachats Commons. \$10-\$60.

Yawn Patrol Toastmasters, 6-7:45am, LCC Downtown Center, 110 W. 10th Ave. FREE.

City Club of Eugene: Earthquake Preparedness, noon, UO Academic Extension, Downtown Baker Center, 975 High St. \$5 non-members, FREE for members.

Nar-Anon Meeting, 12:30pm, Springfield Lutheran Church, 1542 I St., Spfd. FREE.

Food Not Bombs, vegan meal, 2-4pm, 8th & Oak. FREE.