

# McNary student's art will grace Awesome 3000 shirts

This year's Awesome 3000 T-shirts will feature original artwork drawn by McNary High School sophomore, Emily Palmer.



Submitted  
Emily Palmer with the Awesome 3000 artwork that will appear on the official T-shirts.

Chosen from 60 entries, Palmer's artwork features the Salem-Keizer Education Foundation's mascot, Geo, relaxing after the run while hugging his medal.

Representatives of the SKEF recognized Palmer with an in-class presentation on January 18. Asked about her inspiration to enter the contest, Palmer said: "I participated in the Awesome (3000) when I was younger and I just liked that everyone won. I knew I could share that by entering this contest."

Each year, the SKEF invites young artists in the Salem-Keizer School District to come

up with a design for the Awesome 3000 fun run held the first Saturday in May.

In addition to seeing her artwork on 5,000 T-shirts and thousands of registration forms, posters and more, Palmer receives a check for \$100. She also earns a \$250 contribution to the McNary High School art department.

The second and third place designs came from students at

Sprague High School.

Tyler Massey, volunteer co-chair of the Awesome 3000 and SKEF board member said: "All the entries captured the energy and spirit of the event. The selection process gets more difficult every year."

All of the colorful designs must feature Geo and show the words "Awesome 3000," the SKEF logo and "2019" prominently.

Palmer will be onsite at the Awesome 3000 to sign T-shirts, posters and programs featuring her artwork. This year's Awesome 3000 is May 4.

Registration forms will be available in schools one week before spring break and online at [www.skeducationfoundation.org](http://www.skeducationfoundation.org). Volunteer and sponsorship opportunities also can be found on the SKEF website.

# Play tackles the taboo for a cause

By ERIC A. HOWALD  
*Of the Keizertimes*

Local members of a global organization focused on ending sexual violence will stage *The Vagina Monologues* at the Keizer Cultural Center Feb. 7-9.

The production organizers, part of the local chapter of Rise With Us, are renting the Keizer Homegrown Theatre space inside the cultural center, 980 Chemawa Road N.E. Doors open at 7 p.m. and curtain time is 7:30 p.m. each evening. Tickets – available at [vdaysalem.brownpapertickets.com](http://vdaysalem.brownpapertickets.com) – are \$20.

All proceeds from the show will benefit Safety Compass of Silverton, which offers support

for survivors of commercial sexual exploitation and sex-trafficking navigating the criminal and social justice systems in the Willamette Valley.

Written by Eve Ensler, *The Vagina Monologues* is an episodic tale exploring how sexual identity and experiences impact female empowerment. During the course of the play, audiences hear from a 6-year-old girl, a septuagenarian New Yorker, a vagina workshop participant, a woman who witnesses the birth of her granddaughter, a Bosnian survivor of rape and a feminist with an adoring partner. The cast is comprised entirely of women from the communities around Salem. The play includes mature content and

audience discretion is advised.

Between Feb. 1 and April 30, Ensler's V-Day non-profit permits local groups to perform the play free-of-charge in support of grassroots organizations dedicated to stopping violence against women and girls.

This is the fourth V-Day production in the Salem area and the first to take place in Keizer.

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## Free film screening Feb. 2

The Golden Rule Project, a peace-promoting group, will host a free screening of *Making Waves: Rebirth of the Golden Rule* on Saturday, Feb. 2, at the Unitarian Universalist Church, 5090 Center Street in Salem.

Filmmaker James Seamus Knight and a visiting Oregon State University professor will be on-hand to discuss the film and current peace efforts. The screening begins at 7 p.m.

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- Simone Lamsma**, violin

**Prokofiev**: Symphony No. 1 "Classical"

- Khachaturian**: Violin Concerto
- Dvořák**: Symphony No. 8

**Simone Lamsma**  
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