

EVENTS CONTINUED

Saturday, Dec. 12 (continued)

Gifts That Make A Difference

Noon, Liberty Theater, 1203 Commercial St., Astoria, 503-325-6886. This popular event offers the public a chance to donate in the names of friends and family. Gifts That Make A Difference provides showcasing, networking and fundraising for nonprofits in a festive atmosphere.

Dye Silk Scarves

1 p.m., Astoria Fiber Arts Studio, 1296 Duane St., Astoria, 5 and older. Dye a silk scarf with instant dyes and make Christmas gifts at this sixth annual event.

Gingerbread Tea

1 p.m., Butterfield Cottage, 570 Necanicum Drive, Seaside, 503-738-7065, www.seasidemuseum.org, \$3 to \$5, all ages. Events include everything gingerbread from cookies to tea, with live music and a raffle.

Plum Pudding & Tea

1 p.m., Flavel House Museum, 714 Exchange St., Astoria, 503-325-2203, www.cumtux.org, \$12, all ages. Kick off the annual Plum Pudding and Tea event with a traditional Victorian holiday treat of fresh, warm plum pudding, tea and a self-guided tour of the museum.

Editor's Pick:



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B&B Holiday Open House and Food Drive

1 to 4 p.m., various locations, Long Beach Peninsula, Wash., 360-642-8069, boreas@boreasinn.com, all ages. Three peninsula bed-and-breakfast inns invite the community to the annual Holiday Open House. Enjoy homemade treats and see the inns decorated for the holidays. They are: Boreas Inn, 607 Ocean Beach Blvd. N. in Long Beach; Shelburne Inn, 4415 Pacific Highway in Seaview; and Campbell House, 904 227th Lane in Ocean Park. Each inn will be accepting non-perishable food donations to help those in need.

Artist Reception

5 p.m., Cannon Beach Gallery, 1064 S. Hemlock St., Cannon Beach, 503-436-0744, www.cannonbeacharts.org. This exhibit and reception pays homage to the power of the photograph in a retrospective of Pierre Toutain-Dorbec's varied and distinguished career.

Astoria Second Saturday Art Walk

5 to 8 p.m., downtown Astoria, all ages. Celebrate the arts in Astoria where businesses are open late, provide refreshments, entertainment and exhibit original works of art or craft. Look for the colorful pinwheels at participating merchants. For more information and a map, see Page 10.

Group Artist Reception

6 p.m., LightBox Photographic Gallery, 1045 Marine Drive, Astoria, 503-468-0238, www.lightbox-photographic.com. LightBox Gallery will host an artist reception for its LightBox members in celebration of their work and contribution to the medium.

Book Launch

7 p.m., Hoffman Center for the Arts, 594 Laneda Ave., Manzanita, 503-368-3846, http://hoffmanblog.org. Author Lauren Kessler will launch her new book "Raising the Barre: Big Dreams, False Starts, and my Midlife Quest to Dance the Nutcracker"

Sunday, Dec. 13

Art on Sunday

Noon to 3 p.m., RiverSea Gallery, 1160 Commercial St., Astoria, 503-325-1270, www.riverseagallery.com. North Coast artist and calligrapher Christi Payne will demonstrate the art of medieval illumination, creating intricate, small keepsake letters for visitors.

Astoria Historic Church Tour

1 p.m., Francis Apartments, 1030 Franklin Ave., Astoria, free, donations accepted, all ages. Lower Columbia Preservation Society presents a self-guided tour of four Astoria historic churches: First Presbyterian Church, First United Methodist Church, Grace Episcopal Church, and St. Mary's Star of the Sea. A social hour from 1 to 2 p.m. features refreshments, church history and directions. The tour takes place from 2 to 5 p.m.

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Community Christmas Party

4 to 6 p.m., Carruthers Building, 1198 Commercial St., Astoria, 503-325-9896, www.astoriamusicfestival.org, \$15, all ages. Enjoy a festive buffet of holiday treats and beverages, entertainment and caroling at an information Christmas party and Lutfisk Challenge, sponsored by the Astoria Music Festival.

Monday, Dec. 14

Knochlers Pinochle Group

1 p.m., Bob Chisholm Community Center, 1225 Avenue A, Seaside, all ages, \$1 per session per person. This is a weekly, regular play card game.

Old Fashioned Christmas

6 p.m., Flavel House Museum, 714 Exchange St., Astoria, 503-325-2203, www.cumtux.org. St. Nick will attend this old-fashioned Christmas with holiday music, refreshments, crafts, games and stories for the kids.

Tuesday, Dec. 15

AAUW Film Discussion

3 p.m., at the home of Diane McVey, Warrenton. The next film discussed will be "Defending Your Life" starring Albert Brooks and Meryl Streep. To participate in the discussion, view films prior to attending. For directions, call 503-735-5919.

ABATE Chapter Meeting

5:30 p.m., Astoria Moose Lodge, 420 17th St., Astoria, 503-325-3566, www.northcoastabate.com. ABATE is a north coast group of motorcycle enthusiasts who ride, have fun and provide community support.

Wednesday, Dec. 16

Trivia at Salvatore's

6:30 p.m., Salvatore's Café & Pub, 414 N. Prom, Seaside, 503-738-3334, free. Go solo or bring a team of up to five people. There are three questions per round and three rounds.

Cannon Beach Reads

7 p.m., Cannon Beach Library, 131 N. Hemlock St., Cannon Beach, 503-436-1391, www.cannonbeachlibrary.org. This month's selection is "The Boys in the Boat: Nine Americans and Their Epic Quest for Gold in the 1936 Olympics" by Daniel James Brown.

Thursday, Dec. 17

"Of Orcas & Men"

7 p.m., Seaside Public Library, 1131 Broadway, Seaside, 503-738-6742, www.seasidelibrary.org, free. Investigative journalist David Neiwert will discuss his latest book "Of Orcas and Men: What Killer Whales Can Teach Us."

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Pictures with Santa

11 a.m., Seaside Outlets, 1111 N. Roosevelt Drive, Seaside, 503-717-1603, www.seasideoutlets.com. Santa will be at the outlet center on four separate days. All proceeds will go to the Seaside Outlets' adopted family.

Children's Celebration

1 p.m., Seaside Civic & Convention Center, 415 First Ave., Seaside, 503-738-3311, www.sunsetempire.com. The children's holiday celebration features performances from Encore Dance and Maddox Dance studios, crafts, snacks and a visit from Santa.

Photos with Santa

1 p.m., Flash From the Past Old-Time Photos, 300 Broadway, #18, Seaside, 503-738-9600. Have a photo taken with Santa Claus for that special gift to family and friends. Santa will be available daily (except Tuesdays and Wednesdays) to Dec. 24.

Pictures with Santa

1 p.m., Cannon Beach Chamber of Commerce, 207 N. Spruce St., Cannon Beach, 503-436-2623, www.cannonbeach.org. Santa Claus is coming to town, so don't miss out on this special holiday photo op.

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Teen Tuesdays

3:30 p.m., Seaside Public Library, 1131 Broadway, Seaside, 503-738-6742, www.seasidelibrary.org. teens. Teen Tuesdays will feature the holiday movie "Elf," a zany comedy with Will Ferrell, rated PG.

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4 p.m., Seaside Outlets, 1111 N. Roosevelt Drive, Seaside, 503-717-1603, www.seasideoutlets.com.

CLASSES

Thursday, Dec. 10

Pain Education

5:30 to 7:30 p.m., Providence Seaside Hospital, 725 S. Wahanna Road, Seaside, 800-562-8964, www.providence.org/classes, free. This is the final class in the series "Understanding Pain" held in the education center. Registration required.

Friday, Dec. 11

AARP "Smart" Driver Course

9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Clatsop Community College, 1651 Lexington Ave., Astoria, 503-325-0910, \$15 to \$20, 50 and older. Full day attendance is required to receive a certificate of completion. John Benson will instruct this class. Preregistration is required. For questions, call 503-738-5925.

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Candle Making

4 to 8 p.m., Creative Beginnings, 620 S. Holladay Drive, Seaside, 503-738-9580, www.seasidecreativebeginnings.com, \$10 to \$30. Learn the art of candle making with Mia. Cost includes either of one, three or five candles.

Preregister

Writing Workshop

10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Jan. 9, 2016, Hoffman Center, 594 Laneda Ave., Manzanita, 503-368-3846, www.hoffmanblog.org, \$50. Dec. 20 is the deadline for "How Objects Tell a Story," a writing workshop facilitated by author Mindy Halleck and is useful for writers working in novel, short story or memoir.