

The Focus Entertainment Guide

Objects for the Emancipated Consumer Through May 19

Throughout the end of April until May 19, Portland's theatre and media ensemble Liminal will present "Objects for the Emancipated Consumer," a sci-fi spy drama and 360-degree performance that merges theatre and technology into a unique interactive event. Audiences can explore the frenzied story of six characters as they search for answers to past, present and future crimes in an international airport city. The showings will be at the Dekum Building, top floor, located at 519 SW. Third Ave. For more information, call 503/229-3979.

Ascending the Cosmic Mountain Through Wednesday, June 3

The Portland Art Museum, located at 1219 SW. Park Avenue will be offering an exhibition of a selection of Tibetan religious art and artifacts from Portland private collections. The event is part of the "Tibetan Arts and Culture Festival," which will run prior and concurrently to the Dalai Lama's visit in mid-May and includes Tibetan film, visual arts, music and dance. For more information on the art showing, call 503/226-2811.

Our Dream Gallery Through Tuesday, June 9

Our Dream Gallery will present Ron Smith and The Arthur Wright, two outstanding artists from Northern California with the showing of "This & That," which will run through June 9. Ron Smith work ranges from images of the African savannah to his Jazz series. Arthur Wright also paints images of African wildlife using a secret technique involving bleach and black paper. The gallery is located at 2209 N.E. Alberta St. Call 503/288-3024.

The Language of Western Art Through Sunday, June 24

Join the Portland Art Museum, located at 1219 SW. Park Avenue, for a fascinating look at America's two most celebrated Western artists, Frederic Remington and Charles Russell. Their depictions

of broncos and buffalo, cowboys and American Indians helped shape our view of the American West of the late 19th century. The exhibition runs from Thursday, April 26 until Sunday, June 24. It consists of an exceptional group of over 100 paintings, sculptures, watercolors, drawings, book illustrations and photographs.

Visions and Visionaries May 1 through Oct. 31

"Visions and Visionaries," thirty-plus paintings by important Oregon artists from the era 1880-1930, will be exhibited at Pittock Mansion from May 1 through Oct. 31. Visitors may view "Visions and Visionaries" beginning May 1, from 12 - 4 p.m. daily. The public is encouraged to call 503/823-3624 for further information.

Oregon's "Premier Adult Symphonic Band"

Wednesday, May 2

Oregon's "Premier Adult Symphonic Band" members include the best professional instrumentalists, music educators, professional business people and other walks of life. Their next concert will be on Wednesday, May 2 at the Century HS PAC, located at 2000 SW. 234th in Hillsboro. For more information, call Jay Burchak at 503/255-0486.

Jewelry & Metal Design Show & Sale Thursday, May 3

The Creative Metal Arts guild presents the 13th Annual Jewelry & Metal Design Show & Sale. This show continues the tradition of showcasing some of the most talented and creative jewelry and metal artists and sculptors from across the Pacific Northwest. Gala opening is May 3, 6-9 p.m. at the World Forestry Center, Miller Hall, 4033 SW. Canyon Rd. Call 503/640-3971, 503/620-1499 or 503/233-6919.

Mountain Writers Series

Thursday, May 3

The Mountain Writers Series is pleased to announce the Northwest Regional Residency of Heather McHugh. On Thursday, May 3, there will be a poetry reading with opening music by bassist Glen Moore. Door open at 7 p.m. Advance tickets can be purchased at MWS, located at 3624 S.E.

Milwaukie or Looking Glass Bookstore. Call 503/236-4854.

45th Annual Loyalty Day and Sea Fair Festival

Thursday, May 3 - Sunday, May 6

One of the Oregon Coast's largest, oldest and most popular festivals reaches a milestone this year. Newport Loyalty Day and Sea Fair Festival, a four-day celebration of the City of Newport, turns 45. Besides parade watching, festival-goers can visit the U.S. Coast Guard Station, which will hold an open house, on board and tour two military ships visiting Yaquina Bay. The highlight of the event, the 45th Annual Parade, proceeds down Highway 101 on Saturday, May 5 between noon and 2 p.m.

Celebrate Cinco de Mayo

Friday, May 4 & Saturday, May 5

Celebrate Cinco de Mayo with the unique sound of Los Lobos, playing at Chinook Winds. They will perform on Friday, May 4 and Saturday, May 5 every night at 8 p.m. Don't miss the opportunity to see this exciting, groundbreaking band without traveling to East L.A. Experience the flavor of Mexico on the Oregon Coast. Call 1-888-MAIN-ACT, or Fastixx at 1-800-992-TIXX (8499).

19th Annual Ceramic Showcase

May 4, 5 & 6

The Oregon Potters Association will be having their 19th Annual Show and Sale on Friday, May, Saturday, May 5 and Sunday, May 6 from 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. at the Oregon Convention Center. There will be over 200 artists showing, clay demonstrations and a children's clay activity area.

Fulton Pub Celebrates 75 Years

Saturday, May 5

On Saturday, May 5, join neighbors, families and college students in celebrating the Fulton Pub & Brewery's

75th anniversary with a day of Mexican-style food specials beginning at 6 p.m. The Fulton Pub & Brewery is located at 0619 SW. Nebraska. Call 503/246-9530, or visit their website at www.mcmenamins.com.

Singing for Our Lives Saturday, May 5

Aurora Chorus returns to the Arlene Schnitzer Concert Hall for a concert benefiting the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation. The centerpiece of the evening will be Aurora's performance of "Where I Live, A Breast Cancer Oratorio" by Minneapolis composer Diane Benjamin. Call the Aurora Chorus at 503/721-0262.

The Portland Youth Philharmonic Sunday, May 6

The Portland Youth Philharmonic, Huw Edwards, Conductor and Music Director, will conclude the Season with the "Spring Concert" on Sunday, May 6 at 7:30 p.m. in the Arlene Schnitzer Concert Hall. The program will include two premieres for America's first youth orchestra including Elgar's Concert Overture "Cockaigne." Also a premiere for the Philharmonic is Lutoslawski's "Concerto for Orchestra." Call 503/223-5939 or the Portland Art Museum Box Office at 503/226-0973.

98 Degrees at the Memorial Coliseum Thursday, May 10

Tickets for the May 10, 98 Degrees show is currently on sale Friday, March 30 at 5 p.m.

Joining this must-see, hubbub band are top-notch acts including Debelah Morgan, and Baha Men, with their hit song "Who Let the Dogs Out." Tickets are available at the Rose Quarter Ticket Office or on the web at www.rosequarter.com or www.ticketmaster.com. Call 503/224-4400.

Poems Over Broadway Friday, May 11

Poems Over Broadway, held at the Barnes & Noble Booksellers at Lloyd Center is a regular, non-confrontational, intimate open-mike for poets of any age, style and skill level to read their poetry. It starts Friday, May 11 at 7 p.m. For more information, call 503/335-0201.

PCC Community Fair

Saturday, May 12

Portland Community College will be having another Community Fair at their PCC Rock Creek campus, located at S.W. 185th and Springville Rd., from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Along with displays about PCC programs, activities include dog agility demonstrations, horse-drawn wagon rides, a helicopter drop with prizes for kids, clowns, facepainters and jugglers. The headline act this year is the N.W. Afrikan American Ballet presenting two free performances in the Forum Theatre at 12:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.

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