

Arts & ENTERTAINMENT



A bald eagle makes for a breathtaking show on natural resources at last year's Sturgeon Festival, returning Saturday to the Water Resources Education Center at 4600 S.E. Columbia Way in Vancouver.

Festival on Natural Resources

You're invited to join the fun as spectacular sturgeon, breathtaking birds and remarkable reptiles are showcased at the 19th annual Sturgeon Festival, Saturday, Sept. 19 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Vancouver's Water Resources Education Center, 4600 S.E. Columbia Way.

Each year, this free family event attracts hundreds to cele-

brate the Columbia River ecosystems and learn about sturgeon, one of the oldest families of bony fish still alive. With the numbers of this prehistoric fish in the Lower Columbia River currently on the decline, there's never been a better time to discover more about them.

Returning this year, come see the popular and breathtaking Birds of Prey show at 10:30 a.m., pre-

sented by Raptor House. Featured raptors include eagles, falcons, owls and hawks. Be sure to end the event viewing various snakes and lizards displayed during the captivating Creature Feature Live Reptile show at 2 p.m.

For more information or directions, call the Water Center at 360-487-7111 or visit cityofvancouver.us/watercenter.

Boogie Cat's 70th Birthday

An open invitation is out to join "Boogie Cat" Norman Sylvester, a music ambassador of our community since 1965, for a Birthday Blues Bash in honor of his 70th birthday.

Sylvester's band with Lloyd Jones and Sarah Billings will front the celebration on Sunday, Sept. 20 from 2:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Spare Room Bar and Grill, 4830 N.E. 42nd Ave.

This is the first year that Sylvester can't share his birthday with one of his greatest influences, BB King, who died earlier this year.

Sylvester grew up in Louisiana hearing BB King, who shared the date he was born exactly 20 years apart.

Sylvester loves his Blues and loves his town and invites friends, family and fans to stop by the party.

He asks that any gifts or tips be donated to his high school



'Boogie Cat' Norman Sylvester has been a music ambassador for our community since 1965.

friend and keyboard player from diabetes.

Frankie Redding, who has been struggling with health issues For more information, visit normansylvester.com.



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