

IN THE COMMUNITY

“What’s your motivation to vote?”



“Well I decided not to because of the turn of events that happened with Trump coming into office and then Kavanaugh. Essentially, it’s just shown us that we really don’t have the power that we were told that we did have.”
--Chloe, northeast Portland

“Well I think being a person in the society, if you’re a citizen, that should be part of being a citizen is voting and participating and showing that you care. It’s a responsibility...There is definitely things that I am concerned about and I know that at least voting or if you call people and voice your opinion on things, you can make a difference.”



--Brittany Abelein, southeast Portland



“There’s a lot of important issues...constitutional amendments and bond issues for Portland. It’s a big deal and not to mention it’s a governor’s race and, you know, there’s lots of important city candidates. It’s just big all around.”
--Miles Craig, northeast Portland

“Well I vote every year... So that you can participate in the process. So that you can make a difference and influence decisions that are made about your well being.”
--Raymond Quinton, northeast Portland



“What motivates me to vote is to make a difference and letting a voice out.”
--Elizabeth Keener, north Portland

Arts & ENTERTAINMENT

Space Oddities at OMSI



A new star can be seen forming (top) and infrared allows you to see through dust and see a whirlpool forming a new star (bottom).

From afar, shimmering stars set in the night sky seem peaceful and tranquil. However, telescopic images can paint a different picture, showing us star “oddities.” For instance, older stars can become unstable and even explode. Many stars have doubles; there’s at least one instance of a person describing a “star within a star.”

Some stars are outright dangerous, too. In 2004, a star exploding over 50,000 light-years away affected Earth’s atmosphere and another potentially hazardous star could send a burst of gamma rays directly towards us.

Planetarium Director Pat Hanrahan will present “Space Oddities: Stars That Are Stranger Than Fiction” on Tuesday, Nov. 6, and Friday, Nov. 9, with shows at 6 and 7:15 p.m. on both days. Hanrahan will also identify stars in the current night sky and show observers where to find some of these curious stars and other attractions.

Visitors are encouraged to ask questions during each 45-minute live program. Children are welcome to attend.



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