

Portland and SW Washington

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Grants for Arts

Children participating in a summer camp at The Dalles Art Center hold up self-portraits using a stencil process. Arts organizations like The Dalles Art Center are eligible to apply for an Arts Commission Small Operating Grant. The two-year pilot grant program, designed to provide operating support to arts organizations with budgets under \$150,000, is now open at the Oregon Arts Commission. Applications for the first round of funding will be accepted until 5 p.m. Sept. 16, at <http://oregon.culturegrants.org/>. Eligibility is limited to organizations that have operated as an IRS recognized 501(c)(3) nonprofit for two years or more.

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and access other services that support aging-in-place.

Each year, Store to Door serves 500+ home-bound Oregonians with 7,500+ deliveries, and these numbers will continue to grow.

You can help support Store to Door by dining out at one of the participating restaurants Aug. 25. To find out more, visit Store to Door's Facebook page.

City of Vancouver Seeks Applicants For Planning Commission

The City of Vancouver is seeking applicants to fill one vacancy on the Planning Commission. The open position is for a four-year term beginning in January 2016.

The deadline to submit an application for the position is 5 p.m., Sept. 18.

To apply online, visit www.cityofvancouver.us/boards. To request an application or for more information, contact Alexis Bafus in the City Manager's Office at City Hall, P.O. Box 1995, Vancouver, WA 98668-1995, alexis.bafus@city-ofvancouver.us or by calling (360) 487-8607.

The seven-member Planning Commission is a volunteer citizen advisory body and makes recommendations to City Council on the comprehensive plan, sub-area plans, zoning and other city land use matters.

The Planning Commission reflects a broad range of neighborhoods, professional and community experience and perspectives and seeks to be representative of the cultural diversity of the Vancouver community. The City is seeking candidates with interest and experience in community planning, urban design or housing development, and who are active in business, neighborhood or community affairs.

Participation in the City's Planning Commission requires a significant time commitment of approximately 15 hours per month. This includes regular attendance at meetings on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at City Hall (415 W. 6th St.). Attendance at other sub-committee or City Council meetings may also be required. Commissioners prepare for meetings by reviewing a variety of maps and technical information and making site visits.

Visit www.cityofvancouver.us/pc to learn more about the City's Planning Commission, including access to past meeting minutes and agendas.

Greater Solid Rock Outreach Ministries Holds Family Fun Day

Greater Solid Rock Outreach Ministries will hold its second annual Family Fun Day from noon to 4 p.m. Saturday.

The event will take place at Woodlawn Park, situated at the intersection of NE 13th and Dekum. Activities will include a three-legged race, tug-of-war, a relay race, a coloring contest and a raffle.

Food and refreshments will also be available for sale at the event. For more information, contact Shannon Olive, (503) 875-1725.

Portland Restaurants to Support Local Senior Program Aug. 25

Nationally, less than three percent of all philanthropic dollars go to support programs for seniors, but on Aug. 25, 26 Portland area restaurants will donate 10 to 20 percent of sales to Store to Door. Store to Door is a nonprofit organization dedicated to providing a low-cost, volunteer-based grocery shopping and delivery service for seniors and people with disabilities. The program helps low-income elders maintain their independence, increase their social supports,

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Thursday, August 20

"SO I'M NOT REALLY CRAZY": THE INTERSECTION OF TRAUMA AND ADDICTIVE DISEASE: Counselor Ann Church will speak on maintaining recovery while coping with the aftermath of traumatic events. She will speak on 12-step principles that are effective anchors for healing. No charge to attend and open to all who are interested in recovery. 7 p.m. Hazelden Betty Ford Beaverton Center, 1500 NW Bethany Blvd. #240. RSVP requested to fgreen577@gmail.com or call (503) 707-9522.

Friday, August 21

FLICK ON THE BRICKS: The movie will be "Mrs. Doubtfire" (PG-13). Admission to this fun and exciting evening is free. Just bring your low lawn chairs and blankets. The event kicks off at 7 p.m. with live entertainment followed by the movie at dusk. Food and drinks will be available for purchase. Pioneer Courthouse square, downtown Portland.

Saturday, August 22

WALMART CRUISE-IN & FUNDRAISING CONCERT FOR THE VETERANS COMMUNITY GARDEN: The purpose of the Clark County Veterans Community Garden is to provide a community garden specially created to benefit veterans. Concerts begin at 9 a.m.

Cruise-In starts at 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. There will be lots of food vendors and events for all ages. Walmart, 430 SE 192nd Ave., Vancouver.

Sunday, August 23

PACIFIC PARADISE LUAU @ COMMUNITY PARTY: Dress in your island attire and enjoy the fun for a Community Party! Authentic dancers will be performing and giving dance lessons. There will be activities for the young at heart. 9 a.m. – 3 p.m., Westfield Vancouver Mall Parking Lot, 8702 Van Mall Dr. across from Twin Credit Union, Vancouver.

BLACK WOMEN FOR PEACE PRESENTS: 2015 PEACE FESTIVAL: Empowering youth, celebrating culture, promoting peace. Free and open to the public. Please join us for an inspiring afternoon of youth performances. 3 p.m., Benson Polytechnic High School, 546 NE 12th Ave.

Tuesday, August 25

CELEBRITY CHOCOLATE CAKE CONTEST: The 150th Oregon State Fair will open on Friday August 28th. To celebrate the fair's historic sesquicentennial, OHS will be hosting a celebrity chocolate cake contest. Free and open to the public. Noon – 1 p.m., Oregon Historical Society, 1200 S W. Park Ave.

Wednesday, August 26

15TH ANNUAL DIVERSITY EMPLOYMENT DAY CAREER FAIR! The career fair offers the general public a rare opportunity to meet face-to-face with recruiters and staffing managers. Free and open to the public 18 years of age and older. Business attire and resumes are required. Candidates can skip the lines by emailing resumes to [fasttrack@cityca-](mailto:fasttrack@cityca-reerfair.com)

reerfair.com with Portland II in the subject line. 11 a.m. – 3 p.m., The Ambridge Events Center, 1333 NE MLK. JR. Blvd.

Friday, August 28

WRITE AROUND PORTLAND 48TH BOOK RELEASE & FREE PUBLIC READING: We invite the public to attend this reading of the powerful work written by participants in our summer 2015 writing workshops. FREE. 6:30 p.m. – 8 p.m. Collins Hall at the back of the First United Methodist Church, 1838 SW Jefferson St. at the Goose Hollow TriMet Max Stop.

Saturday, August 29

PORTLAND PRIME'S FOURTH ANNUAL SHOE AND STEAK GIVEAWAY! Each child will receive their feet washed if they choose, a pair of new shoes and a backpack filled with school supplies. We will also serve steak sandwiches to all children and family. This year we will have boys' and girls' stations. The girls can get their fingernails polished and the boys can receive a free haircut. 10 a.m. – 3 p.m., Portland Prime, 319 SW Pine St.

CAMPUS BLUES FEST: A tribute to Janice Scroggins & Linda Hornbuckle. Join us for this free event. All day entertainment and lots of food vendors. Noon – 8 p.m., Concordia University Campus Green, Corner of NE 29th Ave. & NE Rosa Parks Way.

Monday, August 31

HOME FRONT STORIES OF WORLD WAR II – Join us for beer & history. Listen to stories from individuals who worked on the Oregon Home Front during World War II. Free and open to all. 7 p.m. – 9 p.m., McMenemy's Kennedy School Theater, 5736 NE 33rd Ave.