

Events & Announcements

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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 4

JOB FAIR: Explore job opportunities with Portland Parks & Recreation job fair for ages 15 and older. Resume workshops, networking & mock interviews. Free for all. 3 p.m. to 7 p.m., Rice School, 6433 NE Tillamook St.

BRENTWOOD-DARLINGTON HOSTS MEETING ON THE HOMELESS CAMP AT 82ND AND THE SPRINGWATER TRAIL: Everyone is invited to learn and educate others. We have invited elected officials, candidates for office and many others for this meeting. The meeting will held at the Brentwood Darlington Community Center, 7211 SE 62nd Ave. P

IT GETS BREADER – A COMEDY SHOW: It Gets Breader, is a tasty and fulfilling comedy show, featuring the best stand-up acts from around the country. Admission is \$5. Show at 9 p.m. Doors open at 8 p.m. Bunk Bar, 1028 SE Water Ave.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5

"THE ROOFTOPS" KICK-OFF THE CASCADE FESTIVAL OF AFRICAN FILMS: The annual event will feature 18 films throughout the month of February, which is free and open to the public. "The Rooftops" will be showing two times opening night at 6 p.m. and 9:15 p.m. Hollywood Theatre, 4122 NE Sandy Blvd.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6

ANNUAL FATHER DAUGHTER VALENTINE'S DANCE: A fun and memorable event for fathers and daughters of all ages. We will have a live DJ, finger food, and a professional photographer taking pictures and much more. Cost is \$12 for city residents, \$14 for non-city residents. 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. The dance will be held at Pearson Airfield Historic Hanger, 1115 E 5th St., Vancouver. To purchase tickets, please call (360) 487-8600.

CARING ABOUT YOUR HEALTH: From the Fresh Start Team: Free Health Seminar, learn techniques for breathing, exercise, movement, and yoga to promote a stress-free mind and reduce many diseases. 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., New Columbia Community Center, 4625 N. Trenton St.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 7

DRAGON DANCE & PARADE: Kick off the Chinese New Year with a fabulous mile-long parade! The Dragon Dance & Parade will begin at 11 a.m. on the corner of NW Davis & 4th Ave. continuing through Chinatown down 3rd Ave. and up S Jefferson St. The celebration continues at Oregon Historical Society, where we will host tea and almond cookies and special performances by local Lion Dance Teams.

MATTERS OF THE HEART: Emmanuel Church presents free to the public. Matters of the Heart: A dynamic time of worship & praise featuring speakers Ashlei Wells of Emmanuel Church and others. There will be programs 11 a.m. & 5 p.m. Doors open at 9 a.m. & 4 p.m. Emmanuel Church, 1033 N. Sumner St.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 9

"FAT TUESDAY" MARDI GRAS PARTY! Norman Sylvester Band featuring his daughter Lenanne Sylvester and horn player Peter Moss. Join us for this wild & crazy "Fat Tuesday" social event & dance downtown! Tickets \$8 at the door or in advance go to www.tickettomato.com to purchase. Doors open at 6 p.m. Band starts at 7 p.m. and ends at 10 p.m. Adrianna Hill Ballroom in the Pythian Bldg. 918 SW Yamhill St. 2nd floor.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10

CAREER FAIR: Job opportunities include: Inside/Outside sales reps, account executives, customer service, technical sales and more. Bring 10-15 resumes, dress business professional. This is a free event for job seekers. 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Holiday Inn Portland, 8439 NE Columbia Blvd. FREE PARKING.

THURSDAY FEBRUARY 11

BOOK READING: "THE UNWANTED SERIES": Mother-daughter writing team, Sandra Denbro and Tamarine Vilar, will be reading from their series, *The Unwanted Series*, including the recently published *Unwanted Agenda*. Please join them from 7 p.m. – 8 p.m. at Another Read Through, 3932 N. Mississippi Ave.

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PHOTO COURTESY OF THE SHADOW PROJECT

The Shadow Project Relocates

The Shadow Project, a Portland nonprofit helping children in special education set and achieve goals for academic success, has relocated to the Sullivan's Gulch neighborhood of northeast Portland. The Shadow Project's new address is: 2514 NE Broadway, Portland, Ore., 97232. Founded in 2003, The Shadow Project partners with schools and special education teachers to close the achievement gap that separates children with learning disabilities from their peers. For more information, contact The Shadow Project at (971) 373-3457.

Portland News Briefs

Founders of Black Lives Matter to Speak at PSU on Feb. 16

Two of the founders of the Black Lives Matter movement will speak at Portland State University on February 16 as part of Black History Month and the "Living the Legacy" series of campus and community events honoring the memory of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

Patrisse Cullors, Alicia Garza and Opal Tometi created the #BlackLivesMatter hashtag on Twitter in 2013 in response to the acquittal in Florida of George Zimmerman in the shooting death of Trayvon Martin. Spurred by the police shooting death of Michael Brown in Missouri and other deaths of black people, Black Lives Matter has emerged as an international movement promoting social justice and civil rights and condemning racial violence.

Black Lives Matter has grown to more than 25 chapters across the nation — including a Portland chapter — that organize rallies and other events. The group relies on local chapters to focus on issues such as police brutality, racial profiling and inequities in the criminal justice system.

Alicia Garza is an Oakland-based activist and director of special projects for the National Domestic Workers Alliance. She previously served as executive director of People Organized to Win Employment Rights and has won various honors, including two Harvey Milk Democratic Club Community Activist awards.

Opal Tometi of Brooklyn, N.Y. is the child of Nigerian immigrants and a longtime advocate for immigration rights and racial justice. She is executive director of the Black Alliance for Just Immigration and has presented at the United Nations' Global Forum on Migration and participated in the UN Commission on the Status of Women.

Patrisse Cullors, a former Fulbright scholar, is a former community organizer in Los Angeles, where she cofounded the watchdog group, Dignity and Power Now, which successfully advocated for civilian oversight of the Los Angeles Sheriff's Office. Ms. Cullors is unable to attend the PSU event.

The organizers will speak at a public event 7 p.m. Tuesday, February 16 at the Peter Stott Center at PSU. Every winter, Portland State hosts speakers as part of events that honor the legacy of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Recent speakers have included activist and author Angela Davis, Dr. King's daughter and activist Bernice King, and scholar and author Dr. Cornel West.

Tickets for the event in the Stott Center are sold out, but PSU will livestream it to the Smith Memorial Student Union to accommodate more attendees. Overflow tickets are free; contact the PSU Box Office at (503) 725-3307 or www.pdx.edu/boxoffice/tickets

Youth Registration Open for Engineering Week

Teens and young adults interested in visiting local businesses and learning about careers surrounding engineering have until February 16 to register for Business After School Engineering Week.

Business After School Engineering week is February 22-26 and is open to young adults, ages 16-24. MacKay Sposito is a sponsor and companies hosting events are: CID-Bioscience, Cowlitz Public Utilities District, Gibbs & Olson and SEH America.

The companies are hosting two-hour events at their locations and will be providing company tours, hands-on activities and discussions of the necessary education, training, skills and future job prospects.

- Feb. 23, 4-6 p.m. - Gibbs & Olson, Longview, WA
- Feb. 24, 2-4 p.m. - Cowlitz Public Utilities District, Longview, WA
- Feb. 25, 2-4 p.m. - CID-Bioscience, Camas, WA
- Feb. 26, 3-5 p.m. - SEH America, Vancouver, WA

To register to attend an event and for additional information, visit <http://www.business-after-school.org/events-registration>.

There is no cost to attend, but registration is required (no drop-ins) and space is limited. Youth under age 18 must be accompanied by an adult, with a maximum 10 students to one chaperone. Participants will arrange their own transportation.

Many industries will face labor shortages in the near future as long-time employees retire and industry growth outpaces trained workers. Bridging this gap is critical and why the Southwest Washington Workforce Development Council and founding event partners Clark College, Columbia River Economic Development Council, Cowlitz Economic Development Council, Greater Vancouver Chamber of Commerce, Kelso Longview Chamber of Commerce, Lower Columbia College and Washington State University Vancouver created Business After School to help teens and young adults learn about and explore high-growth industries and gather information about career opportunities and skills they'll need to obtain jobs.

Art Show Featuring Northwest-Based Black Artists Runs Feb. 11 to April 3

Onyx Fine Arts of Seattle, Washington presents an exhibition of fine art in the Edith Green-Wendell Wyatt Federal Building at 1220 SW 3rd Ave. The exhibit runs from Feb. 11 to April 3 and is open to the public during regular business hours.

Artwork featured is produced by artists of African ancestry from the Pacific Northwest. This exhibit will have on display original artwork which will showcase

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