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## INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY



PHOTO BY SUSAN FRIED

Tayna Dowers joined several hundred Native Americans and other Seattleites in a celebration of Indigenous Peoples Day Monday with a march from Westlake Park to City Hall where the celebration continued with traditional drumming, singing and dance performances, a few words from local politicians and a speech by author Sherman Alexie.

### Thelma Johnson Streat Mural Finds a Permanent Home

Artist's work will be displayed in African American history museum

By Arashi Young  
 Of The Skanner News

If not for the dedication of her family, Thelma Johnson Streat's artistic legacy would have been lost to history. Now her work is a permanent fixture in the Smithsonian. The Smithsonian purchased Streat's "Medicine and Transportation Mural" to be a part of their permanent collection for the African American Museum of History and Culture in Washington D.C. The work hangs near famed American visual artists Romare Beardon and Jacob Lawrence. Carlene Jackson, Streat's niece, flew to attend the museum preview last month to honor her late aunt's contribution. Jackson said the visit was an emotional one for her. "It was wonderful to see it there. I even got a little teary eyed thinking about my aunt and how proud she would have been," Jackson said.

The mural was part of a series of paintings Streat made in the 1940s. These murals were made to educate children on the historical accomplishments of African Americans. Jackson believes the "Medicine and Transportation Mural" was painted somewhere between 1942 and 1944. Streat was born in 1911 in Yakima, Washington and moved to the Portland area when she was a child. She lived with her parents in four siblings near Benson

High School in Northeast Portland and graduated from Washington High School. Jackson said that Streat took some art classes in Portland through the Portland Art Museum School, but her interest in art predated any formal training. Jackson attributes this interest to Streat's father, who was an artist as well. "She really started at a very young age -- recognizing that this was her talent, this was her calling," Jackson said.

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### Judge Extends Voter Registration in Battleground Florida

Voter registration extended until Oct. 18 due to disruption caused by Hurricane Matthew

By Gary Fineout  
 Associated Press

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — A federal judge on Wednesday extended voter registration until Oct. 18 in the battleground state of Florida, due to the disruption and damage from Hurricane Matthew. During a hearing Wednesday, U.S. District Judge Mark Walker agreed to extend the deadline for six more

days. He had already extended the Oct. 11 deadline one day, after the Florida Democratic Party filed a lawsuit last weekend, following the hurricane's brush with Florida's east coast. Walker said in an order issued shortly afterward that he acted swiftly because "no right is more precious than having a voice in our democracy."

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President Barack Obama waves as he walks from Marine One helicopter on the South Lawn of the White House in Washington Tuesday after a day trip to North Carolina. Obama told Miami radio station WHQT on Wednesday Florida voters have "no excuse" for failing to register to vote after a federal judge extended the deadline by six days, to next Tuesday.



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The Portland City Council voted 3-1 Wednesday to accept the city's contract with the Portland Police Association, in a closed conference room that excluded the public.

### Council Approves New Police Contract

Council voted in closed meeting to accept controversial agreement

By The Skanner News Staff

The Portland City Council voted Wednesday to approve a contract between the Portland Police Bureau and its union — despite calls from activists to postpone the vote until Mayor-elect Ted Wheeler steps into office.

Commissioners Amanda Fritz and Nick Fish both voted aye on the contract, as did Mayor Charlie Hales. Com-

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A woman looks up as a worker uses salvaged sheets of mangled metal, full of holes, to create a makeshift roof atop her home damaged by Hurricane Matthew, in Port-a-Piment, Haiti, Oct. 10. Nearly a week after the storm smashed into southwestern Haiti, some communities along the southern coast have yet to receive any assistance, leaving residents who have lost their homes and belongings struggling to find shelter and water.

### Haiti Recovery Effort

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### 'Maya Angelou: And Still I Rise' Movie Review

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