

Events & Announcements



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10 Years of Tap

Northwest Tap Connection celebrated 10 years of teaching dance to Seattle's underserved youth with 2 amazing shows December 3rd at the Paul Robeson Performing Arts Center. More than 200 Students and instructors from their beginning tap classes for two-to four-year olds to their African intergenerational dance class performed for two sold out audiences. The money earned from the performances helps pay for classes for children who otherwise couldn't afford to participate.

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- Jan. 10, 5:30-7:30 p.m., Fairview Columbia Library, 1520 NE Village St., Fairview
- Jan. 22, 2:30-4:30 p.m. - Central Library, 801 SW 10th Ave

Do-It-Yourself Insulation Workshop

This free workshop teaches participants how to weatherize a flat attic.

Learn more and register at www.communityenergyproject.org or call (503)284.6827 x108

- Dec. 17, 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. - Proud Ground, 5288 N Interstate Ave

Lead Poisoning Prevention Workshop

Free workshop where participants learn how to prevent lead exposure in their home.

Qualified participants receive a free kit of safety and testing supplies. Register at www.communityenergyproject.org or call (503) 284-6827x109

- Dec. 13, 6-8 p.m. - Community Energy Project, 2900 SE Stark St Ste A
- Jan. 5, 3-4:30 p.m. - NE WIC, 5329 NE Martin Luther King Jr Blvd
- Mon, Jan 9, 2-3pm - East County WIC, 600 NE 8th St, Gresham, OR 97030
- Sat, Jan 14, 1-2:30pm - Community Energy Project, 2900 SE Stark St Ste A, Portland, OR 97214
- Thurs, Feb 9, 6:30-8pm - East Portland Community Center, 740 SE 106th Ave, Portland, OR 97216

Lead-Safe Home Projects Workshop

Before any demo, scraping, sanding, or remodeling in pre-1978 housing, check out this class! Register at www.communityenergyproject.org or call 503.284.6827 x109.

- Sun, Dec 18, 10:30am-12pm - Community Energy Project - 2900 SE Stark St Suite A, Portland, OR 97214
- Tues, Jan 17, 6:30-8pm - Community Energy Project - 2900 SE Stark St Suite A, Portland, OR 97214
- Wed, Feb 8, 6-7:30pm - NE Portland Tool Library - 5431 NE 20th Ave, Portland, OR 97211

Seattle News Briefs

Resources Available for People with Alzheimer's and Their Caregivers

Alzheimer's Association family caregiver support groups provide a consistent and caring place for people to learn, share and gain emotional support from others who are also on a unique journey of providing care to a person with memory loss.

Meetings are held the third Thursday of the month, 1 to 2:30 p.m., at SeaTac Community Center, 13735-24th Ave S, SeaTac, WA 98168.

For information call Gerry Crouch, (206) 632-3985.

Metro Launches 'Transit GO Ticket' Mobile App

King County Metro Transit is launching the Puget Sound region's first-ever mobile ticket app - Transit GO Ticket - allowing riders to buy and redeem transit tickets on their mobile device without needing cash to ride.

Tickets can be purchased for use on King County Metro buses, King County Water Taxi, Seattle Streetcar and Sound Transit's Link light rail and Sounder trains.

Riders who don't want to pay cash to ride transit now have a new way to pay. King County Metro Transit is launching the Puget Sound region's first-ever mobile ticket app - Transit GO Ticket - allowing riders to buy and redeem transit tickets on their mobile device without needing cash to ride. Under a six to 12 month pilot project, tickets can be purchased for use on King County Metro buses, King County Water Taxi, Seattle Streetcar and Sound Transit's Link light rail and Sounder trains.

Currently, riders pay cash, purchase tickets or use an ORCA card to ride transit. Having an app is designed to be more convenient for infrequent transit riders - including visitors, sports fans or those who would otherwise pay cash.

Riders can simply use the app to purchase a Transit GO Ticket on an Apple, Android or Windows mobile device and show it to a transit operator, fare collector or fare inspector.

Mobile tickets are the latest milestone in Executive Constantine's efforts toward greater regional transit integration between King County Metro and Sound Transit.

This includes joint regional planning and the bus and rail integration as Sound Transit extended Link light rail to Capitol Hill and UW.

Data gathered in the next year will determine whether Metro fully implements the service or makes adjustments.

Water taxi customers also can pay to ride with their mobile device.

How does it work?

Riders who don't want to pay cash or purchase an ORCA pass can:

- Download the Transit GO Ticket app for Android, Apple or Windows mobile devices.
- Create an account
- Purchase one or more tickets through the app using a credit card or debit card.
- Activate the tickets needed just prior to boarding, there is no limit to the number of tickets that can be activated at one time.
- Show the mobile display to a transit operator, a water taxi fare collector, or have it available if request-

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tions and hundreds of luminaries. In celebration of the parks 10th anniversary. 6 p.m. - 9 p.m., Seattle Art Museum, 1300 First Ave.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17

ANNUAL TOY DRIVE: 2 - Twins Radio & The Seattle Medium Newspaper Present The Annual toy Drive: Bring a new unwrapped toy to help less fortunate children & families this holiday season. We'll be broadcasting live from the Toy Drive. 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., 2600 S. Jackson St.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18

A BONSAI SOLSTICE: Come see the trees lie never before as we will illuminate the museum by candlelight. Bring your own flashlight and walk around and enjoy cocoa or coffee while you take in the beautiful sights of all the lights. 4 p.m. - 7 p.m., Pacific Bonsai Museum, 2515 S. 336th St. Federal Way, WA 98003. Free admission, commemorative votive candle with \$5 donation.

ANNUAL HOLIDAY MAKERS MARKET POP UP: We are Curating an amazing group of local makers along with food, drink and music in the gorgeous Fremont Foundry! Shop small, support our local makers and pick up those last minute gifts. Free event! 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Fremont Foundry Events, 154 N. 35th St.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 23

HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS: Visit with Santa 9:30 a.m. - 11 a.m. & 2:30 p.m. - 3 p.m. The Dickens Carolers Concert is at 11:30 a.m. & 1 p.m. Create a Reindeer Tree Buddy in the art studio and also do some carpet skating. Free with museum admission. 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Imagine Children's Museum, 1502 Wall St. Everett.

ed by a fare inspector on RapidRide, Link light rail or Sounder.

- Transfers are allowed between Metro buses within a two-hour window.

The Transit GO Ticket app pilot project was created under contract by Bytemark, which has similar systems in use in Austin, Texas; New York Waterway; Massachusetts DOT, Atlanta, Toronto and York. With its partners at Sound Transit, the City of Seattle and King County Marine Division, Metro will evaluate the performance of the app and gather rider feedback through November 2017. The results also will guide further developments of mobile ticketing.

The pilot project is budgeted at approximately \$470,000 and 86 percent of the project is funded by Federal Transit Administration grant.

Seattle Residents Receive \$100 in Democracy Vouchers Beginning January 2017

Democracy Vouchers are a new way for Seattle residents to become more active in city government by donating to candidate campaigns and/or running for elected positions themselves.

Beginning Dec. 1, Seattle residents may apply to receive four \$25 Democracy Vouchers to give to candidates running in the 2017 City of Seattle elections.

Registered voters in Seattle will automatically receive \$100 in Democracy Vouchers by mail after Jan. 3, 2017. Seattle residents do not have to be registered voters to receive Democracy Vouchers.

To be eligible to use the \$100 in Democracy Vouchers, residents must:

- Live in Seattle;
- Be at least 18 years of age; and
- Be either a U.S. citizen, U.S. national, or lawful permanent resident "green card holder".

If residents meet the eligibility requirements, they are encouraged to apply for Democracy Vouchers. The application is available in 15 languages at www.seattle.gov/democracyvoucher.

Seattle residents may only give Democracy Vouchers to participating candidates running for City Council or City Attorney. The program will expand to include the Mayor's race in 2021. Residents may give participating candidates one (\$25), two (\$50), three (\$75), or all four (\$100) of their Democracy Vouchers.