

Events & Announcements

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THURSDAY – SATURDAY, JAN. 26 – 28

55TH ANNUAL CLARK COLLEGE JAZZ FESTIVAL: Clark College hosts the 55th Annual Clark College Jazz Festival presents three full days of exhilarating big band jazz. Admission is \$5 per day. Clark College students and children under 12 accompanied by an adult will be admitted free of charge. This is a three-day event. Times vary, but there will be jazz all day long. 10 a.m., Gaiser Hall, 1933 Fort Vancouver Way, Vancouver.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 27

LUNAR NEW YEAR: Help us welcome the year of the Fire Rooster with games, crafts and activities. Ages 2 – 10 with family. This is a free fun event for the whole family. 4 p.m., Beaverton Library, 12375 SW Fifth St., Beaverton.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 28

MET 9TH ANNUAL CAREER DAY: Join MET’s 9th Annual Career Day. And help your child find his/her passion and plan out their college career. 11 a.m. – 2 p.m., MET Community Center, 10330 SW Scholls Ferry Rd., Tigard.

MARCH FOR JUSTICE: Albina Ministerial Coalition for Justice and Police Reform will hold a March for Justice to bring together people from North, Northeast and Southeast Portland and elsewhere. The date coincides with the 7th anniversary of the death of Aaron Campbell, an unarmed African American man shot by Portland Police in 2010. 10 a.m., Martin Luther King, Jr. Statue (NE MLK Blvd. at Holladay St.).

NAACP PORTLAND BRANCH INVITES THE COMMUNITY TO ITS MONTHLY GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING: President Jo Ann Hardesty and executive leadership will provide updates about current and future initiatives. This is an opportunity to connect with Portland NAACP’s work in advancing, racial justice in the community. 1 p.m. Maranatha Church following the rally, 4222 NE 12th Ave.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1

WEATHERIZATION WORKSHOP: Free workshop where participants learn how to stop drafts in their home. Great for renter’s too! Qualified participants receive a free kit of weatherization supplies. Register at www.communityenergyproject.org or call (503) 284-6827 x 108. 5:30 – 7:30 p.m., Cherry Park Elementary School, 1930 SE 104th Ave.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 4

3RD ANNUAL RIONA’S CAVE OF TREASURES ARTISAN FAIRE: Artisan fair meets renaissance faire, vendor village meets sci-fi and steampunk emporium meets comic con artists alley. \$1 admission. 11 a.m. – 6 p.m., Double Tree Lloyd Center, Exhibit Hall, 1000 Multnomah Ave.

2017 ST. JOHNS SWAP’N’PLAY’S PRESCHOOL, KINDER, AND CAMP FIRE: Families find the programs of your dreams, schools, help families choose your program by meeting them at the event. 10 a.m., St. Johns Library, 7510 N. Charleston Ave.

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14TH ANNUAL FATHER-DAUGHTER DANCE: “A Night in Never Never Land” will transform Capital High School into Neverland for two evenings. Each night will have music, crafts, ice cream, dancing and raffle prizes. Corsages and pictures available to capture those special moments. Cost for the Father Daughter Dance is \$35.00 per couple. 6 p.m. – 9 p.m. Capital High School, 2707 Conger Ave. NW, Olympia.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 28

ELECTRICAL SNAP CIRCUITS: Fun, fast and easy way to build electronics and build confidence. You will explore electronic components and circuits. Registration is required. Please register at <http://tacomalibrary.org> . 2:30 p.m., Tacoma Public Library – Moore Branch, 215 S. 56th Ave., Tacoma.

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PHOTO COURTESY OF THE PORTLAND ART MUSEUM

‘Constructing Identity’ Exhibit Opens

The Portland Art Museum presents “Constructing Identity,” an exhibit of the Petrucci Family Foundation’s collection of African American Art, opening Jan. 28 and running through June 18. This exhibit brings together paintings, sculpture, prints, and drawings by prominent contemporary African American artists along with a selection of historical works from the 1930s, 1940s, and the Civil Rights era. Drawing from the Petrucci Family Foundation collection, it features works by more than 80 artists, including Henry Ossawa Tanner, Elizabeth Catlett, Romare Bearden, Norman Lewis, Faith Ringgold, Radcliffe Bailey, Kara Walker, and Mickalene Thomas as well as John Biggers, Barbara Bullock, David Driskell, Joyce Scott, and Sonya Clark, among others. Pictured here is Portland artist Arvie Smith’s “The Trapeze Artist.”

Portland News Briefs

Sen. Jeff Merkley to Hold Town Halls Saturday

Senator Jeff Merkley (D-Oregon) will update constituents on his work in Washington, D.C. and answer questions and invite suggestions from constituents at two town halls in Portland and Tigard Saturday. The first will take place at 11 a.m. at Tigard High School, 9000 SW Durham Rd. The second will take place at 2:30 p.m. at Franklin High School, Marshall Campus, 3905 SE 91st Ave.

Sanchez, Kotek, Frederick to Hold Town Hall on 2017 Legislative Session

Three Oregon legislators will hold a town hall Saturday to discuss the 2017 legislative session. House speaker Tina Kotek, Sen. Lew Frederick and Rep. Tawna Sanchez will be at the Moriarty Auditorium at PCC Cascade at the northeast corner of Albina and Killingsworth from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Travel Portland Hires James Jessie as Vice President of Convention Sales

Travel Portland, the official destination marketing organization for the city of Portland, has hired industry stalwart James Jessie as vice president of convention sales. A national sales manager for Travel Portland’s predecessor organization, the Portland Oregon Visitors Association (POVA), in the late 1990s, Jessie has spent the past nearly two decades leading sales efforts at Visit Phoenix in Arizona.

Since 1999, Jessie has served as senior vice president of sales and services at Visit Phoenix, where he led successful pre-booking efforts and opening production strategies for a city-owned headquarter convention hotel as well as for an expanded convention center. In addition, he was instrumental in directing hotel and convention center sales efforts toward successful bids to host the 2015 and 2008 NFL Super Bowls, 2015 College Football Playoff Championship, 2010 MLB All-Star Game and 2009 NBA All-Star Game.

Prior to his time at POVA, Jessie spent time as national sales and services manager at the Lane County Convention and Visitors Bureau in Eugene, Oregon. He is a member of the American Society of Association Executives, Professional Convention Managers Association, AMC Institute and National Coalition of Black Meeting Planners.

Jessie is a graduate of the University of Oregon in Eugene, where he earned a Bachelor of Science in tourism and recreation management. He is a member of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity and the Order of the

O, the University of Oregon Alumni Football Players Association.

Clark College Announces Winter STEM Seminar Series

Clark College is inviting the public to come back to school for a series of free lunchtime seminars that explore Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM). Begun in 2015, the Clark College STEM Seminar Series launches its 2017 Winter season on Friday, January 20, at noon in Clark’s new STEM Building with “Hair-Raising Volcanic Hazards.”

This seminar features Liz Westby of the U.S. Geological Survey sharing information about volcanic hazards and their impacts, along with monitoring efforts on Cascade Range volcanoes. She will also be sharing a series of videos about volcanic hazards.

Other winter quarter events in this series include:

- Feb. 3: Amazing Animal Acupuncture with Dr. Christy Novick, veterinarian at Feline Medical Clinic and owner of Columbia Companion Animal Acupuncture
- Feb. 24: Historic and Hazardous Hanford with Ginger Wireman, outreach specialist for the Washington Department of Ecology working at Hanford
- March 10: Great Gravitational Waves with Dr. Duane Ray, former instructor for Clark College Economic & Community Development and holder of a doctorate degree in physics

All events are held on Fridays from noon to 1 p.m. in Clark College’s new STEM Building on Clark’s main campus. All are open to the public. Light snacks will be available and guests are welcome to bring their own lunches with them.

Clark College is located at 1933 Fort Vancouver Way, Vancouver. Driving directions and parking maps are available at www.clark.edu/maps. Anyone needing accommodation due to a disability in order to fully participate in this event should contact Clark College’s Disability Support Services Office at (360) 992-2314 or (360) 991-0901 (VP), or visit Penguin Union Building room 013, as soon as possible.

Clark College Dental Hygiene Students Offer Free Children’s Dental Health Day Feb. 4

The Clark College Dental Hygiene Program will hold a free children’s dental clinic from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Feb. 4 on the main campus of Clark College. The event will take place in the Firstenburg Dental Hygiene Education and Care Center in the Health Sciences Building on Clark’s main campus.

Dental hygiene students from Clark College will provide care under the direct supervision of licensed

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