

# Events & Announcements

## Community Calendar 2017

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### Portland Metro

#### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1

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

#### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2

**DAVID MOORE'S DARK COMEDY "YOUTH IN OREGON" SHOWING AT KIGGINS THEATRE:** Fixed on being euthanized for his 80th birthday. Raymond (Frank Langella) embarks on a cross-county road trip with a son-in-law (Billy Crudup) determined to change his mind in "Youth in Oregon" at 7 p.m. All Seats \$9. Kiggins Theatre, 1011 Main St., Vancouver.

#### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 4

**FREE BOAT INSPECTIONS FROM COLUMBIA COUNTY MARINE PATROL:** The Columbia County Marine Patrol will be holding free boat inspections at the Scappoose Bay Marina. The event begins at 10 a.m. and runs through 3 p.m. Inspections generally take 10 minutes or less. Scappoose Bay Marina, 57420 Old Portland Rd., Warren.

**3RD ANNUAL RIONA'S CAVE OF TREASURES ARTISAN FAIRE:** Artisan fair meets renaissance faire, vendor village meets sci-fi and steampunk imporium 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.

#### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6

**CELEBRATION FOR THE START OF THE PIONEER COURTHOUSE SQUARE RENOVATION PROJECT:** All are welcome to a special celebration at the square to mark the start of construction. Guest speakers will include Commissioner Amanda Fitz, (PP&R) Director Mike Abbate and more. Noon, Pioneer Courthouse Square, SW Morrison and Yamhill and SW 6th and Broadway.

#### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8

**LEAD- SAFE HOME PROJECTS WORKSHOP:** Before any demo,

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## Black Film Festival

Pam Grier will be in attendance on Feb. 11 to present a 35mm screening of Jack Hill's 1973 classic "Coffy" (shown here), the story of an unassuming nurse who moonlights as a one-woman avenger by night, as part of the 2017 Portland Black Film Festival, which starts next weekend. For more information or to buy tickets, visit <https://hollywoodtheatre.org/programs/series/portland-black-film-festival/>.

## Portland News Briefs

### Oregon Historical Society Hosts Genealogy Workshops in February

Have you just started digging into your family tree, or are you a genealogy veteran who wants to learn more tips and tricks? Whether you have a lot, or a little, or even no experience with genealogy, family historians from the OHS Research Library will make digging up the past loads of fun! Join us for an upcoming family history workshop to help you discover your roots.

All workshops take place at the Oregon Historical Society and are \$20 (\$15 for OHS members) - follow the links below to register now!

#### Getting Off to the Right Start

Saturday, February 11, 2017

Presented by Hannah Allan

Family history is fun, addicting, and before you know it, overwhelming. Start your research right. Learn how to stay focused, organized, and sane. Register at <https://orhs.ejoinme.org/genealogyfeb11>.

#### Bury the Dead, Not the Living: Organizing Your Records

Saturday, March 11, 2017

Presented by Hannah Allan

Do you have boxes full of papers? Or perhaps you've repeated your research one too many times. Learn how to stay on top of (instead of underneath) those piles of pedigrees, pensions, and probates by organizing electronically. Lay to rest that ancestor without digging through catacombs of records to find him!

Register at <https://orhs.ejoinme.org/genealogy-mar11>.

#### History for the Genealogist and How to Use Historical Societies

Saturday, April 8, 2017

Presented by Hannah Allan

Let's put the "History" in Family History! Come learn how to overcome genealogical roadblocks and flesh out an ancestor's story through general history. You will also learn the value of historical societies and how to use their resources

to find records, answer questions, and write biographies.

Register at <https://orhs.ejoinme.org/genealogyapr8>.

#### Researching Chinese American Family History

Saturday, May 27, 2017

Presented by Christine DeVillier

In this class, researchers of Chinese American family history will gain background knowledge and techniques specific to researching the Chinese American population. Participants will learn about the complexity of names in both Chinese and English transliterations, immigration history (both legal and otherwise), grave marker reading, Chinese obituaries, historic and contemporary family tree documentation, unique sources and databases for Chinese Americans, village mapping, and Chinese literacy challenges in research. This class will illustrate the use of resources ranging from historic and archival documents to contemporary DNA testing, and everything in between. This class encourages the use of the internet as a tool to maximize research yields.

Register at <https://orhs.ejoinme.org/genealogy-may27>.

The research library is open five days a week on Tuesdays from 1-5pm and Wednesdays-Saturdays from 10am-5pm, or browse its extensive collection at <http://librarycatalog.ohs.org/EOSWebOPAC/OPAC/Index.aspx>.

Please note that the Oregon Historical Society Research Library will be closed Feb. 14-18 for collections maintenance.

### BOLI directs \$17,000 to 11 unpaid film crew workers and urges others to file claims

The Bureau of Labor and Industries (BOLI) has directed \$17,835 to 11 unpaid employees working on the V Force: New Dawn of V.I.C.T.O.R.Y. film set, Labor Commissioner Brad Avakian announced this week.

The agency directed payments through the state's Wage Security Fund after the film became unable to meet payroll. The fund helps employees receive wages earned during the 60 days preceding a business closure if the employer is financially unable to pay.

BOLI encouraged employees who've yet to be paid to contact the agency's Wage and Hour Division.

Filming stopped around August of last year. Although 15 workers have filed wage claims — two were determined to be independent contractors not eligible for Wage Security Fund payments and two investigations are still open — many more are potentially eligible for payments.

Investigators determine and verify how much, if any, is owed each worker. BOLI may direct a maxi-

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