

Events & Announcements

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FRIDAY – SUNDAY, MARCH 10 – 19

"IN THE HEIGHTS," THE TONY AWARD MUSICAL BY LIN-MANUEL MIRANDA: The high-energy show features hip-hop dancing and Latin flavored music that will surely leave you dancing in your seats. Join PCC Visual and Performance Arts and Design as they present this show. For tickets and show times, go to pcc.edu/about/theater. PCC Sylvania Performing Arts Center Theater, 12000 SW 49th Ave.

SATURDAY, MARCH 11

IMMIGRATION RIGHTS: In an effort to help minimize fear around the new immigration guidelines that may target innocent people and separate families, a rapid response and observer training has been scheduled. The training is open to the public, and will be in English. 10 a.m. – 1 p.m., St Andrew Catholic Church in the gym, NE 8th and Alberta St.

ALLEN TEMPLE CME CHURCH CELEBRATING 68TH CHURCH ANNIVERSARY PRAYER BREAKFAST: Join the Allen Temple for praise and worship giving thanks for God's blessings, fellowship and a Southern Breakfast. You can purchase tickets in advance or at the door for \$20. Contact Sister Regina Green at (503) 282-9813 or email rgreen6025@gmail.com. 10 a.m. – 1 p.m., Maranath Church, 4222 NE 12th Ave.

AFRICAN MARIMBA CONCERT: Six marimba bands will be performing high-energy music from Zimbabwe, Botswana and South Africa. Put your dancing shoes on and come for any part of the concert. There will also be an amazing raffle and silent auction to raise money for the Kutsinhina Center and Africa AIDS Resource. All ages welcome! 11:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m., Evangel Baptist Church, 2830 NE Flanders.

ST PADDY'S FOR KIDS: St. Paddy's for kids is a free, public event that offers fun activities for children. Children will follow the rainbow on their journey through Ireland to discover amazing arts and crafts, hands-on activities and much more. A pot of gold filled with prizes awaits at the end of the journey. 10 a.m. – 2 p.m., Luepke Community Center, 1009 E. McLoughlin Blvd., Vancouver.

SUNDAY, MARCH 12

CONCERT OF REMEMBRANCE: Presented by Cascadia Composers, commemorates the 75th anniversary of President Franklin D. Roosevelt's Executive Order 9066, which uprooted over 100,000 people of Japanese ancestry who lived on the U.S. Pacific Coast and placed them in internment camps. 2 p.m. – 4 p.m., Oregon Historical Society, 1200 SW Park Ave.

TUESDAY, MARCH 14

GUN SAFETY: Responsible Use, Responsible Policy, Presented By The League of Women Voters of Portland Education Fund. The panel will address the facts and statistics on firearms injuries and fatalities and much more will be discussed. The program is free and open to the public. 7 p.m. – 8:45 p.m. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Multnomah County Board Room, 501 SE Hawthorne Blvd.

FRIDAY, MARCH 17

MARCH & RALLY: THE QUAGMIRE CONTINUES 14 YEARS IN IRAQ: The rally begins at 5 p.m. Peace and Justice Works Iraq Affinity Group is co-sponsoring the Portland Peace Response Coalition Rally. Pioneer Courthouse Square, SW Yamhill and Broadway St.

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THURSDAY, MARCH 9

CAPITOL RALLY FOR INFORMED CHOICE AND MEDICAL FREEDOM: Please join us as we rally at the capitol in Olympia to Informed Choice and Medical Freedom. Come learn and have your voices heard before it's too late. 11 a.m. – 1 p.m., Washington State Capitol Campus, 1115 Washington St. SE, Olympia.

SATURDAY, MARCH 11

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY FAIR: The fair is free and open

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August Wilson Monologue Finalists

The Portland Regional Finals for the August Wilson Monologue Competition took place Feb. 27 at Newmark Theatre in downtown Portland. This year's finalists were Alexis Cannard, Roosevelt High School, Senior (first place), Jazanna Riddlesprigger, Arts & Communication Magnet Academy, Sophomore (second place) and Noreena McCleave, Wilson High School, Junior.

The first and second place winners will be competing in the National AWMC Finals at the August Wilson Theatre in New York City on May 1. They will perform alongside students from nine other cities who take part in the competition. The annual competition features a diverse group of high school students performing August Wilson, the foremost chronicler of the African-American experience in dramatic literature.

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St. Andrew Church to Host Immigration Rights Training

In an effort to help minimize fear around new immigration guidelines that may target innocent people and separate families, a Rapid Response and Observer Training has been scheduled by St. Andrew Catholic church, Northeast 8th and Alberta, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, March 11 in the church's gym. This training is open to the public and will be in English.

PassinArt Presents 'The Gospel of Lovingkindness'

When playwright Marcus Gardley talked to the people of 15-year-old Hadiya Pendleton's Chicago neighborhood after she was shot in 2013, he was asked to write a play that offered a way out, a path not only of forgiveness but one in which the community could solve its own problems. Gardley took this to heart. His play, "The Gospel of Lovingkindness," is hard-hitting, but it also offers hope and redemption for its characters and audiences.

"The Gospel of Lovingkindness" explores the tremendous toll youth and gun violence take in low-income neighborhoods and communities of color. In the play, a young Black man is murdered by another after a gang initiation goes terribly wrong. Audiences witness these events through the boys' mothers, the survivors, and what emerges is not just grief, but also the hope that a solution can be found through the community's coming together.

The play opens March 10 at the Interstate Firehouse Cultural Center, 5340 N Interstate Ave. and continues its run through April 10. Friday and Saturday performances start at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday performances start at 3 p.m. Tickets are available at www.passinart.net.

EPA Holds Information Sessions on Portland Harbor Cleanup

Beginning March 7, the Environmental Protection Agency will host a series of community information sessions focused on the Portland Harbor Cleanup, as planning and design work gets underway for the cleanup of an approximately 10-mile stretch of the lower Willamette River. The public is encouraged to attend the session(s) that are most convenient for their schedules. The EPA will present the same information at each of these sessions on March 7, 8 and 9. There will also be a webinar on March 14, covering the same material, for those who are unable to attend the in-person sessions.

The lower Willamette River runs through the economic heart of Portland and is a treasured natural re-

source. Portland Harbor - or the section of the river between the Broadway Bridge and Sauvie Island - has many contaminants on the river bottom and river banks which are potentially harmful to people, fish and wildlife. In early January, 2017, the EPA signed the cleanup plan (the Record of Decision) for that section of the River.

Aware that there are still many unanswered questions among residents along and around the River, the EPA community involvement specialists and project leaders have designed a series of informal information sessions to provide an opportunity to speak with project experts, ask questions and discuss the final cleanup plan (see the list below).

The public is encouraged to attend any of the EPA community information sessions to hear:

- Background on the Portland Harbor Cleanup
- Discuss why the cleanup is important to you, your family and your neighbors
- Answer questions about what happens next and what you can expect to see, short and long-term.

March 9: Leaven Community Center, 5:30 p.m. – 8 p.m.

Location: 5431 NE 20th Ave.
Schedule: Open House (5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.), EPA Presentation (6:30 p.m. – 7 p.m.), Q&A (7 p.m. – 8 p.m.)

Interpretation and Special Accommodations: Spanish interpretation will be available. If you have any other special accommodation needs, contact Laura Knudsen (knudsen.laura@epa.gov or (206) 553-1838).

March 14: Community Information Webinar, 6:30 p.m. – 8: p.m.

Location: Online - Register at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/epa-community-information-webinar-for-the-portland-harbor-rod-registration-32157624320>.

Schedule: EPA Presentation (6:30 p.m. – 7 p.m.), Q&A (7 p.m. – 8 p.m.)

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North Portland Library Announces March, April Technology Classes

The North Portland branch of the Multnomah County Library will hold the following classes in March and April.

Google Search*

Learn about Google images, Google advanced search options, Google news, Google maps, Google books and more.

Wed, March 15, 3:45-5:45 p.m.

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