

Events & Announcements



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Unity Luncheon

Teaching artist Aramis Hamer steps down off the stage after introducing Garfield High School student and 2017 NAAM youth curator Aujah Anderson at the Northwest African American Museum's Unity Luncheon April 20 at Benaroya Hall.

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THURSDAY, APRIL 27

COMMUNITY OPEN HOUSE HOSTED BY NEIGHBORS: City of Seattle staff will have maps and other information regarding proposed zoning changes to create more affordable housing. All ages are welcome to attend. 6 p.m. - 8 p.m., Hale's Ales Brewery, 4301 Leary Way NW.

TUESDAY, MAY 2

DISCOVER YOUR WILD NEIGHBORS WITH RANGER RICK: Kids and families are welcome to join Ranger Rick to discover the wildlife living in and around Yesler Community Center. Activities include exploring wildlife, scavenger hunt, creating wildlife crafts and much more. 3 p.m. - 5 p.m., Yesler Community Center, 835 E. Yesler Way.

FRIDAY, MAY 5

TASTE OF CREATIVITY: Central District forum for Arts & Ideas is proud to announce our forthcoming fundraiser. Taste of Creativity an evening of food, performance, and community. This evening will include a delicious three course meal by highly acclaimed local black chefs. There will also be live performances after dinner. 5:30 p.m. cocktail hour. Lanston Hughes Performing Arts Center, 104 17th Ave. S. For more information, please call (206) 684-4757.

SATURDAY, MAY 6

MAYFEST: Come celebrate the annual time of Spring and all the things that garden. A week of Ikebana displays, pottery demos, exhibits and activities. Admission is \$9 general, \$7 seniors, military and students, children under 12 are free. 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., Lakewood Gardens, 12317 Gravelly Lake Dr. SW, Lakewood.

CINCO de MAYO CELEBRATION: Our celebration will include a bazaar, music, food, resource booths and much more. Come join in all the fun at this free event. Noon - 4 p.m., El Centro de la Raza, 1660 S. Roberto Maestas Festival St.

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To learn more about POWGirls and to register for all workshops, go to www.powgirls.com.

Seattle News Briefs

CD Forum Presents 'Divine Ammunition: The Sculpture of Al Farrow'

Central District Forum for Arts & Ideas and Bellevue Arts Museum will present Poet & Kitchen Sessions Curator Imani Sims, and Central District Forum staffer & young adult fiction writer Helen K. Thomas will lead an exclusive tour of "Divine Ammunition: The Sculpture of Al Farrow" from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Saturday. The artists will share their perspectives on Farrow's provocative sculptures built of guns and ammunition and engage attendees in discussion about the present and past of conflict.

This event is presented in partnership with Bellevue Arts Museum.

Admission is \$5 for members and \$10 for nonmembers.

To register, visit <https://interland3.donorperfect.net/weblink/WebLink.aspx?name=bellevue&id=115>.

Imani Sims is the creator and curator of Kitchen Sessions series presented by Central District Forum for Arts & Ideas. She is also a spicy Chai tea-loving Seattle native who spun her first performance poem at the age of fourteen. She believes in the healing power of words and the transformational nuance of the human story.

Imani works to empower youth and adults through various writing courses and interdisciplinary shows all over the nation. She is an Artist Trust and City-Artist Grant recipient, Central District Forum for Arts and Ideas curator, and Gay City Arts Fellow where she brought Afrofuturism and Performance Art together for eight shows. Her book "A(live) Heart" is available on Sibling Rivalry Press.

Mayor Murray, Paul G. Allen Announce Partnership to Provide \$35 Million to Support Homeless Families

On Wednesday Mayor Ed Murray and philanthropist Paul G. Allen announced a partnership to address the region's homelessness crisis through an innovative, permanent supportive housing and onsite services community that will serve as a resource hub for Seattle-area families with children who are experiencing homelessness. Under the partnership, Mr. Allen will provide \$30 million in capital toward the development, with the City of Seattle committing \$5

million in capital and additional funds to support operation and maintenance of the center.

Mercy Housing Northwest, one of the nation's largest non-profit developers of affordable housing operating 48 properties in Washington state, will develop, own, and operate the multi-family complex. It is anticipated that other nonprofit providers will partner to provide services for children and families in the community.

There are currently 1,684 families awaiting housing in King County and more than 3,498 homeless students enrolled in Seattle Public Schools who experienced homelessness during the 2015-2016 school year. According to the Homeless Needs Assessment, 43 percent of homeless adults experienced homelessness before the age of 25. Through a mix of housing and onsite services, this project aims to assist families experiencing homelessness, helping them transition to stable housing and break the cycle of homelessness. This development aligns with the guidelines identified in Mayor Murray's Pathways Home plan

We honor the many accomplishments of African Americans.



It is our primary goal as a labor union to **better the lives of all people working in the building trades** through advocacy, civil demonstration, and the long-held belief that workers deserve a "family wage" - fair pay for an honest day's work.

A family wage, and the benefits that go with it, not only strengthens families, but also **allows our communities to become stronger**, more cohesive, and more responsive to their citizens' needs.

Our family wage agenda reflects our commitment to people working in the building trades, and to workers everywhere. In this small way, we are doing our part to **help people achieve the American Dream**. This dream that workers can hold dear regardless of race, color, national origin, gender, creed, or religious beliefs.



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