

Events & Announcements



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Seattle Children's Festival

Arpan Arts performed traditional Indian dance during the Northwest Folklife's Seattle Children's Festival Oct. 8 at Seattle Center. The event is a multi-cultural, intergenerational festival that features music and dance performances and workshops, storytelling, and lots of other activities for children and their parents to be creative and learn new things.

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Port Commissioners use their power to create more living-wage jobs? Come to this fall's most interesting candidate forum, sponsored by CIRCC (Coalition of Immigrants, Refugees and Communities of Color) Oct. 14 at the Eritrean Association of Greater Seattle, 1528 Valentine Pl S.

CIRCC's forums bring together African, Asian and Latino immigrant communities along with Seattle's traditional communities of color to hear directly from candidates. The forums attract young and old participants and give youth a chance to directly pose questions to candidates.

This year's forum will feature Mayoral Candidates Jenny Durkin and Cary Moon, City Council Candidates Teresa Mosqueda, Jon Grant, Lorena Gonzalez and Pat Murakami, along with candidates for Port of Seattle Commissioner positions. Through generous community donations, lunch will be served.

The CIRCC is a group combining multi-cultural organizations and individuals dedicated to building informed, engaged, and equitable communities. CIRCC includes members of East African, Latino, Southeast Asian, and other communities, and conducts activities such as candidate forums and discussions about policy issues that impact immigrants, refugees, and people of color throughout Seattle.

In addition, CIRCC is expanding its network with two churches - Beacon Methodist Church and Blaine Memorial and millennials at both the Seattle Central College and the University of Washington.

For more information, visit www.circc.org.

Seattle's Museum of History & Industry to Exhibit Photos of Al Smith

This fall, explore Seattle on the Spot: The Photographs of Al Smith, on view at the Museum of History & Industry (MOHAI) Nov. 18 through June 17. An in-depth exhibit of legendary Seattle photographer Al Smith, this special show illustrates how Smith used photography to document the African American community in the Pacific Northwest during the mid-20th century.

A retrospective of Smith's work, Seattle on the Spot: The Photographs of Al Smith honors the collection of more than 40,000 photographs generously donated to MOHAI by the Smith family. This irreplaceable work serves as a unique example of capturing history through the lens, film and flashbulb.

Curated by Howard Giske, MOHAI's Curator of Photography and a long-time friend of Al Smith, this important exhibit uncovers a collection as unique as the man who created it. "Al was as comfortable in church on Sunday morning as he was in a nightclub on Saturday night," said Giske. This inclusive attitude inspired Smith to create lively documentary photographs of diverse subjects.

For more than half a century, Smith documented African American community life in his hometown of Seattle. During that time, he amassed thousands of prints and negatives (taken between 1930 and 2005), which he stashed in drawers and cabinets and grocery bags in his home.

Born in 1916, Al Smith received his first camera as a gift as a teenager. He fell in love with photography as he began to capture images of the Central District community where he was raised. After working as a steward on steamships, and sailing to Hawaii, Japan, China, and the Philippines, he returned to Seattle with a professional camera and began to explore his own city with the curiosity that had carried him around the Pacific. He brought his camera wherever he went, capturing friends and family, meeting and gatherings, and the vibrant social life, focusing on the Central District in the 1940s, 50s, and 60s.

Seattle on the Spot: The Photographs of Al Smith is accompanied by an illustrated book with contributions by Jacqueline E. A. Lawson, Howard Giske, Al "Butch" Smith Jr., Paul de Barros and Quin'Nita Cobbins. The book is distributed by the Museum of History & Industry and the University of Washington Press.

Up-to-date information about Seattle on the Spot and related programming can be found in the MOHAI online calendar at mohai.org, on Facebook or by calling (206) 324-1126.

Seattle CityClub Launches Video Series Aimed at Voter Apathy

Seattle CityClub released the first video in its four-part "Vote Because You Care" series focused on encouraging Seattle residents to vote by addressing voter apathy. The first video in the series features why Seattle residents care about homelessness and how their vote impacts the issue.

Each video in the "Vote Because You Care" series is a collection of interview responses from Seattle residents about four critical issues facing Seattle and dominating this year's election cycle. Along with homelessness, residents were interviewed about transportation, affordability and education. Subsequent videos will be released each Wednesday of October.

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Swingin' Seattle - Seattle vocalist Clarence Smith singing with the Leon Vaughan Band, ca. 1948.

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tion service is at 11 a.m. with a special dinner to follow. Sharon Seventh-Day Adventist Church, 5209 NE 22nd Ave.

PSU'S ANNUAL HAUNTED HOUSE: Come walk the haunted halls of Montgomery as the students transform it into a dreadful dungeon of doom. \$2 donation or \$5 donation lets you skip the line. 7 p.m. - 10 p.m., Montgomery Court, 1802 SW 10th Ave.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22

PLANT-FOR-THE-PLANET: A free, day-long academy for all youth grades 4th through 12th and their families to make a difference in climate change & recovery. Parents will participate in a workshop in the morning and are invited back to join their students at 1 p.m. to watch the student presentations and the graduation of the new Climate Justice Ambassadors. For sign-ups go to www.climatechangerecovery.org 9 a.m. - 2 p.m., MET Community Center, 10330 SW Scholls Ferry Rd., Tigard. Lunch will also be served.

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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12

KING COUNTY CONSTRUCTION CAREER DAY: High School Construction Career Day. Around 700 people anticipated to attend this event. 7 a.m. - 5 p.m., Hanger 30, Magnuson Park, 6310 NE 74th St.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14

HALLOWEEN FAMILY MAGIC SHOW AT THE SEATTLE CENTER: Take the whole family to this one-hour magic show at the Seattle Center. Watch Magician Raymond combine comedy, magic, spooky stage illusions, mind reading and lots of audience participation to engage and entertain children of all ages. Cost is \$5.00 CASH AT THE DOOR, KIDS 3 AND UNDER ARE FREE! 1 P.M. - 2 P.M., Center House Theatre at Seattle Center, 305 Harrison St.

ORTING PUMPKIN FEST: Harvest celebration Orting Pumpkin Fest features: Food and beverages with pumpkin menu items, live entertainment for all ages on two stages, car show, games, bounce house, arts and crafts vendors, Little Pal Pumpkin Parade and so much more. 10 a.m. - 6 p.m., Orting City Park, Train St. SW, Orting.

PRE-HOLIDAY BAZAAR & PASTA-PALOOZA: All proceeds from Pasta & Palooza and bazaar vendor fees will go to providing scholarships for the Rainier Community Center programs. There will be a host of vendors selling various items in the gym, while pasta meals are served in the multi-purpose room. \$5.00 (ages 16-24), \$3.00 (ages 3-15 & 65+), free (2 & under). 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Rainier Beach Community Center, 8825 Rainier Ave. S.

PROVIDENCE HOSPICE OF SEATTLE AUTUMN BONFIRE: Providence Hospice of Seattle invites Seattle families who have lost a loved one to gather for an autumn bonfire at Alikei Beach Park to share stories and remember loved ones who are no longer with us. No charge, all ages invited to share their stories. 3 p.m. - 5 p.m., Alikei Beach Park, 1702 Alikei Ave. S.W.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15

SANCAFEST: Come to SANCAFEST SANCA's annual fall open house and flying trapeze show. It's a day filled with circus activities like juggling, tight wire walking, flying trapeze, or trampoline. Shows are free. \$1 tickets for carnival games. 1 p.m. - 5:30 p.m., SANCA, 674 S. Orcas St.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21

THE GREAT PUMPKIN HUNT FESTIVAL: Gather your friends and family and head down to NW Arts Center for an evening of holiday fun. Carnival games, Halloween crafts, entertainment and the Great Pumpkin Hunt! \$15 per participant (child), free for parents and grandparents. Pre-registration is highly recommended. This event sold out last year! Please sign up at NWC@BELLEVUE-WA.GOV or by calling (425) 452-4106. 5:30 - 8:30 p.m., NW Arts Center, 9825 NE 24TH St., Bellevue.

Seattle CityClub, a nonpartisan nonprofit organization commissioned the video series in an effort to increase resident engagement in King County's upcoming November 7 election.

Videos will be available at www.seattlecityclub.org/vote-because-you-care-homelessness and their Facebook page. "Vote Because You Care" was produced by Armory Pacific, a Seattle based video production company.