

Events & Announcements

Community Calendar 2018

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FRIDAY, MARCH 16

PADDY HOUGH PARADE: The parade is an all community event, including Hough Elementary School Students, students from other local schools and preschools, car clubs, local dignitaries and many others. 12:30 p.m., Uptown Village, Main Street, Vancouver.

AN EVENING OF MULTICULTURAL MUSIC AND DANCING FREE AND OPEN TO ALL: The free Portlanders Stand with Refugees & Immigrants event is a public celebration, which includes multicultural music and dance performances. Enjoy food carts on site, serving throughout the event. 6 p.m. - 9 p.m., East Portland Community Center, 740 SE 106th Ave.

SATURDAY, MARCH 17

NAACP MONTHLY MEETING: After a short potluck, the business meeting will begin and guests will speak. All are welcome. 10 a.m. -12:30 p.m., Vancouver Housing Authority, 2500 Main St., Vancouver.

LET'S GET MOVING OPEN HOUSE: This rotating 12-week project in Clark County inspires Vancouver's African American community with a means of coming together for a healthy outlook mentally, socially, and physically for fitness and wellness to become a daily way of life. For two hours each Saturday, participants celebrate with a dance to music, an outdoor walk-rhythm activity along with healthy conversation, a variety of healthy snacks and a fresh drink from a raw vegetable and fruit juicing. The open house will take place at 1 p.m. at Vancouver Housing Authority, 2500 Main Street, Vancouver.

SUNDAY, MARCH 18

HOME ORCHARD SOCIETY'S 43RD ANNUAL FRUIT PROPAGATION FAIR: This event takes place once a year. The propagation fair offers attendees hundreds of varieties of free scions and cuttings. Admission is \$7 per person, \$12 per family. People who join the orchard society at the door will be admitted for free. 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., Clackamas County fairgrounds, 694 NE 4th Ave., Canby.

FRIDAY, MARCH 23

FLASH FICTION SALE: This one-day-only flash sale will offer thousands of overstocked hard bound works of fiction book for just \$1. Used fiction books for adults in a wide variety of genres. There will be plenty of free parking. Please bring your own bags to carry your books home in. Fort Vancouver Regional Library, Operations Center, 1007 E. Mill Plain Blvd. 10 a.m. - 7 p.m., Vancouver.

SATURDAY, MARCH 24

RESEARCHING AFRICAN AMERICAN ANCESTRY: This Genealogy Forum of Oregon workshop is open to all - participants do not have to be members of the organization. 12:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m., GFO, 2505 SE 11th Ave. Suite B-18.

BUNNY FUN RUN: How many laps can you run at the Bunny Fun Run in Holladay Park? Free family fun, edible crafts, board games and face painting at this small family friendly free event. 10 a.m. - 11:30 a.m., Holladay Park, NE Holladay St. & NE 11th Ave.

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THURSDAY, MARCH 15

SAINT PATRICK'S SCAVENGER HUNT: Collect mysterious shamrocks hidden throughout the library. Find them all by the end of the hour and win a prize. All ages welcome, children under 6 need to have an adult with them. Free. 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m., South Hill Library, 15420 Meridian E., Puyallup.

LADIES NIGHT OUT: Grab your best friends and come out for an evening of relaxed shopping. Ladies Night Out at Country Village features drawings,



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PHOTO COURTESY OF BLUE SKY GALLERY

'Father Figure' on Display at Blue Sky Gallery

"Father Figure," a new exhibit by Dr. Zun Lee, opened at Blue Sky Gallery March 1 and will remain on display through April 1. Lee is a Canadian visual artist, physician, and educator whose work encourages alternate ways of thinking about community and belonging. He was born and raised in Germany and has also lived in Atlanta, Philadelphia, and Chicago. Intersubjectivity and trust dynamics are an important component of Lee's work as he embeds himself in his subjects' daily lives to uncover stories of identity and connection. Lee has exhibited solo shows at Duke University, the Harvey B. Gantt Center for African American Arts + Culture and BAND Gallery in Toronto, Jefferson School of African American Heritage Center in Charlottesville, VA, and Galerie Jed Voras in Paris. Selected honors and awards include: Art Gallery of Ontario Artist-in-Residence (2017), Magnum Foundation Fellow (2015), Photo District News Photo Annual Winner (2015), Paris Photo/Aperture Photobook Awards Shortlist (2014), and Photo District News' 30 New and Emerging Photographers to Watch (2014).

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Rental Services Commission to Hold Listening Session March 15

The Rental Services Commission invites community members to share their experiences and perspectives on rental screening criteria and security deposits from 6 to 8 p.m. March 15 at IRCO Community Center, 10301 NE Glisan Street, as they discuss ideas for legislative reform.

The session will include a short presentation to the public on screening criteria and security deposits, followed by an extended opportunity for public testimony.

Dinner and childcare will be provided. Translation is available by request. An RSVP is not required to attend, but to help organizers know how much food to order, or to request translation, visit <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/inform-city-policy-rental-housing-screening-criteria-security-deposits-tickets-42769836733>.

Vancouver Housing Authority Hosts 'Let's Get Moving' March 17

The Vancouver Housing Authority will host a 'Let's Get Moving' healthy living open house at 1 p.m. March 17. The event takes place at Vancouver Housing Authority, 2500 Main Street, Vancouver.

Sponsored by Bridgeview; Clark County Public Health Chronic Disease Prevention, The Noble Foundation; and NAACP Vancouver Branch 1139, the rotating 12-week project in Clark County inspires Vancouver's African American community with a means of coming together for a healthy outlook mentally, socially, and physically for fitness and wellness to become a daily way of life.

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Multnomah County Elections Accepts First Candidate Filing as Nonbinary

This week Multnomah County announced it had for the first time accepted a candidate filing for Precinct Committeeperson from a resident who identifies as neither male nor female, but as nonbinary.

Under the precinct committeeperson statute (ORS 248.015), major political parties

will elect "a committeeperson of each sex for every 500 electors." The state form provided for filing for the position has boxes for "Precinct Committeeman" and "Precinct Committeewoman." On March 5, County Elections Director Tim Scott accepted a filing form in which a candidate had added a third box: "Precinct Committeeperson." The decision means an additional column will be added to the ballot for precinct committeeperson in May.



PHOTO COURTESY OF MULTNOMAH COUNTY
County Elections Director Tim Scott (left) and Precinct Committeeperson candidate Venn Sage Wylde

The County Elections Director notified both major political parties and the Secretary of State's Office of the decision.

On Tuesday local media reported that this move has prompted Secretary of State Dennis Richardson will ask the attorney general to review the state statute for a potential violation of the equal protection clause.

A precinct committeeperson represents voters in their neighborhood registered with their major political party, and can be either elected or appointed. When the statute was first written, it provided for a single "committeeman" from each precinct. It had evolved to its present form, providing for one "committeeperson of each sex" for every 500 voters, by the 1970s. Since mid-2016, Oregon has officially recognized three genders - male, female, and nonbinary.

Venn Sage Wylde, who uses the pronouns they/them, has twice served as chair of the Multnomah County Democratic Party and held a precinct committee position for 15 years. On March 1, Wylde received a Circuit Court judgment for a change of name and sex and to affirm their nonbinary gender identity. Wylde immediately updated their voter registration and filed for office.

Wylde said that checking either existing box - Precinct Committeeman or Precinct Committeewoman - would be false and subject to incurring a penalty or fine."

Multnomah Arts Center Seeks Submissions for 'Migration Stories' Juried Exhibit

The Multnomah Arts Center will sponsor a juried exhibition this June and is looking for artists who are

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