

Events & Announcements

Community Calendar 2018

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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 14

BENEFIT CONCERT FOR PARADISE: Listen to the stellar sounds of several acts including Galaxy Research, Mouth Painter, and Party Witch as they share their art in support of North Valley Community Foundation Camp Fire Relief – a Chico-based non-profit helping those affected by the devastating Paradise fire. Donations support Camp Fire Relief. 8 p.m., Turn! Turn! Turn!, 8 NE Killingsworth St.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 15

A CELEBRATION OF OREGON'S IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES: Join us for an all ages program of cultural events and activities celebrating some of Oregon's immigrant communities! We'll make tissue paper suncatchers and dragon hand puppets. There will be artifact tables, cultural music, dance and much more. Free to attend, 12 - 4 p.m., Oregon Historical Society, 1200 SW Park Ave.

COMMUNITY FEED-IN: Help prep and distribute warm meals for hungry folks at this grassroots community feed-in held in collaboration with five local groups. The Hughes Memorial also serves as an ongoing site for hospitality kit and clothing drop off, so be sure to bring along additional resources. Meet at 10 a.m., Hughes Memorial United Methodist Church, 111 NE Failing St.

A MIDSUMMER NIGHT AT THE SAVOY: Four choreographers, one story line, plus a community ensemble will bring the energy of Harlem to Portland through a distinctive performance examining spaces that allowed African American arts to flourish and marinate in U.S. history. Imagine Shakespeare's A Midsummer Night's Dream as a poetic through line with a recreated set of the Savoy Ballroom, the first integrated ballroom in the country and an artistic incubator in Harlem. From 2 - 3:30 p.m., Multnomah County Central Library, 801 SW 10th Ave.

BLACK STORYTIME: The African and African American experience comes alive for children from birth to age 6. In a positive and affirming environment, have fun with books and stories, songs, and movement activities. Black Storytime builds language and literacy skills your child needs to be ready for kindergarten. From 10:30 - 11:00 a.m., North Portland Library, 512 N. Killingsworth St.

SANTA VISITS THE OREGON HISTORICAL SOCIETY: Santa Claus will be landing his sleigh in Santaland this month at the Oregon Historical Society! All are welcome to visit the exhibit, admission is free, and visitors are invited to take their own photos with St. Nick. From 12 - 4 p.m., Oregon Historical Society Museum, 1200 SW Park Ave

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Oregon Historical Society Hosts A Celebration of Oregon's Immigrant Communities

Family Day: A Celebration of Oregon's Immigrant Communities will take place from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m. Dec. 15 at the Oregon Historical Society, 1200 SW Park Ave. The event is family-friendly, free and open to the public. Exhibitions include Vietnamese cultural performances, Iraqi cultural music and dance, a Borana women's group cultural music and dance. Activities include making a tissue paper stained-glass suncatcher; dragon, cow and goat hand puppets; sponge-patterned gift bags; and a Bosnian artifact table by BECO (Bosniaks Educational & Cultural Organization). For more information, visit <https://ohs.org/events/a-celebration-of-oregons-immigrant-communities.cfm>.

Portland News Briefs

2019 Oregon Music Hall of Fame College Scholarships Applications Available

The Oregon Music Hall of Fame is pleased to announce that applications for its college scholarships are available again and the application deadline is February 14, 2019. Thanks to the generous contributions of EPB&B (5th year in a row), our scholarships rose from \$1000 each to \$2500 each (4 total) for 2019. The organization wishes to thank KNRK/94.7 FM for contributing to our Music Education assemblies in the Oregon K-8 schools and college scholarships this year through matinee concerts with such big names as: Portugal.TheMan, Cage the Elephant, Grouplove and the Interrupters.

Each applicant should be a student studying music with the talent of instrument or voice graduating spring 2019 from an Oregon high school and continuing their collegiate/university academics as a major or minor in music at any college or university in the country. The Oregon Music Hall of Fame strives to inspire the continuing of higher musical education by offering assistance with college expenses, so that music students may aspire to the level of those that have musically made an impact before and the immense variety of music they created.

Any questions may be emailed to: info@omhof.org or please take a look at the website at: <http://www.omhof.org> where an online version of the application is available. All items must be mailed together, in order to qualify: Oregon Music Hall of Fame, PO Box 82173, Portland, OR 97282.

Fertile Ground Festival of New Works Celebrates 10th Anniversary

The Portland-grown Fertile Ground City-Wide Festival of New Works celebrates its 10th anniversary this January

in a town of prolific playwrights, abundant actors, innovative dancers, talented designers and adventuresome producers. Since its first festival in 2009, Fertile Ground has welcomed more than 1,000 "acts of creation" from Portland's artistic communities that thrive on stages, nooks and crannies all over the city for 11 days. The decennial will run from Thursday, January 24 to Sunday, February 3, 2019.

Fertile Ground is an incubator for new work in all forms and stages of creation, offering 11 days of theatre and dance, workshops, staged readings, readings and multidisciplinary events running at all times. Offering an astonishing breadth of creative work are seasoned theatre and dance companies alongside new art-creators of every ilk.

A full list of Fertile Ground 2019 events can be found here.

Fertile Ground 2019's myriad of new works spans theatre in long and short form, musical theatre, circus arts, sketch and improvisational comedy, animation, a wide variety of dance disciplines, social action through arts, as well as the voices of youth, lesser heard voices, and shows that are derived from audience participation or input. In addition to seasoned producers, dozens of emerging young producers, playwrights, choreographers and animators will offer their work in this collaborative Portland showcase festival.

The 2019 Festival offers a robust lineup of works from regularly producing companies like Echo Theatre Company, Live on Stage, Lakewood Theatre and Theatre Vertigo, along with producing veteran companies like Passin'Art, Many Hats Collaboration, CoHo Productions and CompassWorks, but leans strongly into the work of emerging playwrights and producers offering works-in-progress or World Premiere work like MediaRites' Theatre Diaspora, Deep End Theater and Fuse Theatre.

Mental Health Association of Oregon is Rebranding

Mental Health Association of Oregon is rebranding to be inclusive of addiction recovery services. The organization is excited to announce that their new name will be Mental Health & Addiction Association of Oregon, abbreviated MHA AO.

In January of 2015, the organization launched EVOLVE, which offers peer support services to individuals struggling with mental health and addiction issues. The organization's new name reflects the work that they actually do as it relates to their direct peer support services.

This name change also reflects the diversity of peers and organizations served by MHA AO's other

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