# Events & Announcements



## 'Seattle Sports' Reading

Former NBA All-star and Seattle Super Sonics Basketball coach Lenny Wilkens greets University of Washington Professor Emeritus Dr. Al Black after Wilkens talked about his life as a basketball player and coach and as a civil rights activist during readings from the anthology "Seattle Sports: Play, Identity, and the Pursuit of Credibility in the Emerald City", April 1 at Moscozzi Studio. The collection which was edited by Dr. Terry Scott, an assistant professor of American and African American History at Hood College, features a variety of stories about the history of sports in Seattle.

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03 Arts Competition after the controversial 2017 Congressional Art Competition. In 2017, members of the House removed a student's artwork depicting a conflict between law enforcement and the African American community in Ferguson, Missouri following the shooting of Michael Brown.

Republican leadership had the painting removed, citing a rule that artwork in the Capitol cannot "depict contemporary political controversy, or of a sensationalistic or gruesome nature."

Student submissions should be submitted by Wednesday, May 1, at 5:00 p.m. at Representative Earl Blumenauer's office located at 911 NE 11th Ave. Suite 200, Portland, Oregon. Individuals submitting artwork for consideration will need to call (503) 231-2300 and a member of the staff will come down to accept the piece.

#### **Officials Share Details of Family's Death in California Cliff Plunge**

WILLITS, Calif. (AP) – Jennifer Hart was drunk when she drove her large family off a Northern California cliff in March 2018, authorities said during a coroner's inquest Wednesday.

Greg Pizarro, a forensic pathologist, testified that an autopsy found she had an alcohol level of 0.102. California drivers are considered drunk with a level of 0.08 or higher.

The crash happened just days after authorities in Washington state, where the family moved in 2017 from Oregon, opened an investigation following allegations the children were being neglected.

A neighbor of the Harts in Woodland, Washington, had filed a complaint with the state, saving the children were apparently being deprived of food as punishment. No one answered when social workers checking on the report went to the family's home near Portland, Oregon, on March 23. Authorities also said Hart's wife, Sarah, and several children had large amounts of a drug in their systems that can cause drowsiness, authorities have said. The family's SUV plunged off a seaside cliff more than 160 miles (250 kilometers) north of San Francis-CO. Sarah Hart pleaded guilty in 2011 to a domestic assault charge in Minnesota over what she said was a spanking given to one of her children. Oregon child welfare officials also investigated the couple in 2013, but closed the case without taking any action.

Seattle Mayor Jenny A. Durkan, and Seattle Foundation President and CEO Tony Mestres created the first-ever Regional Census Fund to provide \$1 million in funding to help community organizations prepare for the 2020 Census, which will be conducted one year from today: April 1, 2020.

The Regional Census Fund (RCF) is a \$1 million pooled fund that will allocate money to Seattle and King County-based community organizations to help fund outreach and other activities for the United States 2020 Census. Seattle Foundation established the RCF with \$500,000, and King County and the City of Seattle each contributed \$250,000. This is the first-ever partnership between King County, the City of Seattle, and Seattle Foundation to fund Census outreach.

The Census is supposed to count everyone in an area, regardless of immigration status. The federal government is attempting to add a "citizenship question" to the Census, which has not been included on the Census form for almost 70 years. The last-minute addition of this question appears to be the federal government's attempt to politicize the Census and deter people from participating, which jeopardizes a complete 2020 Census count and could potentially harm immigrant-dense communities. This is one of the primary reasons why Seattle Foundation, King County, and the City of Seattle are partnering with community members to act urgently to ensure a complete, safe, and fair Census count.

The Regional Census Fund will help community-based organizations conduct outreach to historically undercounted populations, such as: communities of color; immigrants and refugees; young children; Native communities; LGBTQ people; renters; students; and people experiencing homelessness. This is the first time the United States decennial Census will be administered primarily online, leading to further challenges in counting under-resourced communities. Applications for the Regional Census Fund will go live in the coming weeks. Funds will be available in summer 2019, and will be administered by Seattle Foundation. Due to institutional neglect and other systemic issues, each of these populations has a historically low participation rate in the Census. Because the federal government uses Census results to allocate billions in federal funding, incomplete counts could result in these same populations receiving less federal funding for programs that our families and communities rely on, including Head Start, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Medicare, and Medicaid. Funding isn't the only issue at stake for Washington communities. Census results also determine federal representation for states; the 2010 Census resulted in an additional Congressional seat for Washington State.

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#### **TUESDAY, APRIL 16**

OHSU FILM SCREENING No Más Bebés: The OHSU Center for Women's Health and the OHSU Library will be screening the Emmy nominated film No Más Bebés. The documentary features a group of Mexican immigrant mothers who were sterilized while giving birth at Los Angeles County General Hospital in the 1960s and 1970s. Free, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m., Collaborative Life Sciences Building and Skourtes Tower, 2730 SW Moody Ave.

#### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17

BLACK GIRL IN SUBURBIA SCREENING: Director Melissa Lowery's documentary film details the experiences of Black girls growing up in White-majority communities. A Q&A with Lowery will follow the film. Free (register online), 12 p.m. - 1:30 p.m., Zapproved, Inc, 1414 Northwest Northrup Street #700.

URBAN WEEDS WORKSHOP: The East Multnomah Soil and Water Conservation District is hosting a workshop to help people learn about common garden weeds and how to manage them without using synthetic herbicides. Free (register online), 6 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. at Gresham City Hall, 1333 NW Eastman Pkwy, Gresham.

### **Seattle Metro**

#### **SATURDAY, APRIL 6**

NOELLE PRICE PRESENTS VOID: BASE Performance Space will host writer, poet and choreographer Noelle Price. Throughout the evening, Price will present spoken pieces alongside an art installation and a series of films. Free (register online). Donations will go to Price's dance collective PRICEarts. 7:30 p.m. -8:30 p.m., Base: Experimental Arts + Space, 6520 5th Avenue South #122.

#### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10

UKULELE OPEN MIC AT THE HANGAR: The Uke Society collaborates with small business throughout the area to host free ukulele performances and group lessons. The event will also include workshops on technique for beginners and advanced musicians. Free (register online) 5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m., The Hangar, 6728 Northeast 181st Street, Kenmore.

#### **SATURDAY, APRIL 13**

THE SOURCE: ART - INDIGENOUS REFLECTIONS ON WATER: Friends of Waterfront Seattle partners with yahaw to host an open exhibition presenting and celebrating contemporary Indigenous art created in the Pacific Northwest. Free, 1 p.m. - 7 p.m., Waterfront Space, 1400 Western Ave.

#### **SATURDAY, APRIL 13**

BUILDING SOIL FOR RAISED BEDS AND CONTAINERS: Join The Beet Box for a free community tutorial on urban gardening. This event will include tutorials on selecting the right soil for your garden, composting with red wiggler worms, and how to start seeds without the use of plastics. Free (register online), 11 a.m. -1 p.m., The Beet Box, 6901 Martin Luther King Jr Way S.

funding allocations, ensuring a complete, safe, and fair Census is a significant priority for local government and the philanthropic sector. Seattle Foundation is one of many foundations across the nation contributing financial resources, voice, and expertise to nonprofits and others working to ensure the Census is carried out properly.

# **Seattle News Briefs**

#### **Constantine, Durkan and Seattle** Foundation Announce First-Ever \$1 **Million Regional Census Fund**

Joined by community members at Seattle's El Cento de la Raza, King County Executive Dow Constantine,

Given the role of the 2020 Census in critical federal

#### **Groups Sue to Restrict Salmon** Fishing, Help Northwest Orcas

Federal officials say they may restrict salmon fishing off the West Coast to help the Pacific Northwest's critically endangered killer whales, but two environmental groups are suing anyway to ensure it happens.

The Center for Biological Diversity, which filed a lawsuit nearly two decades ago to force the U.S. government to list the orcas as endangered, and the Wild Fish Conservancy asked the U.S. District Court in Seattle on Wednesday to order officials to reconsider a 2009 finding that commercial and recreational fisheries did not jeopardize the orcas' survival.

The National Marine Fisheries Service issued a letter early last month indicating that it intends to do so. Julie Teel Simmonds, an attorney with the Center for Biological Diversity, said the point of the lawsuit is to ensure they finish the job with urgency, given the plight of the whales, and to take short-term steps in the meantime to help provide more of the orcas' favored prey, Chinook salmon.