

Events & Announcements

Community Calendar 2019

Portland Metro

FRIDAY, MAY 3 – SUNDAY, MAY 5

PORTLAND CINCO DE MAYO FIESTA: This weekend the Portland Guadalajara Sister City Association (PGSCA) will host its 35th annual Cinco de Mayo Fiesta. The largest multicultural festival in Oregon will include live performances, authentic food, carnival rides, artwork, tequila tasting, animal exhibits, Loteria (Mexican-style Bingo) and more. Adults: \$10, Seniors/Kids Ages 7 - 12: \$7, Children 6 and under: Free, 11 a.m. – 11 p.m., Tom McCall Waterfront Park, 98 SW Naito Pkwy.

SATURDAY, MAY 4 – SUNDAY, MAY 5

PORTLAND AUDUBON'S NATIVE PLANT SALE: The event will feature dozens of native Oregon plant species including trees, shrubs, and wildflowers to add a little pop to your greenspace or boost your pollinator garden. Plant experts will be available to answer gardening and habitat questions. Proceeds will benefit Portland Audubon programs. Free, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Portland Audubon, 5151 NW Cornell Road.

SATURDAY, MAY 4

PROMOTING POLLINATORS HABITAT WORKSHOP: The event organizers will provide background information on the importance of pollinators in the Pacific Northwest and teach attendees how to construct homes for mason bees. The mason bee homes produced during the hands-on workshop will be installed at the Foley Community Orchard. Free (RSVP online), 3 p.m. - 6 p.m., Foley Neighborhood Park Property, 12018 NW 21st Avenue.

PORTLAND MEADOWS DERBY PARTY: The racetrack his hosting its annual Kentucky Derby to celebrate the so-called "fastest two minutes in sports." The event will feature a best Derby hat contest, food carts, music, live wagering and more. Free, 12 p.m. (Doors open at 7 a.m.) – 5 p.m., Portland Meadows, 1001 N Schmeer Road.

THURSDAY, MAY 9

CONVERSATION PROJECT - CREATING EQUITABLE SPACES: Educator Gabe Sheoships will discuss will lead this community discussion and focus on the crucial relationship between human beings and nature, and ways we can create inclusive, equitable spaces within Oregon's natural areas. Free, 6 p.m. - 7 p.m., 3117 NE Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.

MAMAS DAY 2019 – POWER & FLOWERS: Join Forward Together for the third annual Mamas Day event celebrating all mothers regardless of their sexual orientation, gender, income, race, or immigration status. Individuals will also have a chance to pen a card to their special mamas out there. Food, beverages and childcare will be provided. Free (RSVP online), 6 p.m. - 8 p.m., Disjecta, 8371 N Interstate Ave. Free (RSVP online), 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m., Disjecta, 8371 N Interstate Ave.

SATURDAY, MAY 11

THE IMMIGRANT STORY EXHIBITION OPENING RECEPTION: 'Who We Are' is a visual narrative intended to honor those affected by the 2017 Portland Max train violence. The Immigrant Story documented the experiences of six Muslim women who wore hijabs following the MAX train attacks. 'What We Carried: Fragments and Memories from Iraq and Syria' created by photographer Jim Lommasson focuses on objects to tell the stories of refugees fleeing the Iraq and Syria. Free (First come, first served.), 2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m., Collins Library, 801 SW 10th Avenue.

SATURDAY, MAY 18

'THE EVOLVE EXPERIENCE' WORLD PREMIERE: The August Wilson Red Door Project presents the premiere of the 'The Evolve Experience' featuring monologues from the 'Hands Up: 7 Playwrights, 7 Testaments' and 'Cop Out: Beyond Black, White & Blue.' 'The Evolve Experience' analyzes racial profiling, including unique perspectives from members of law enforcement and community members. Pay-What-You-Can (suggested donation: \$20), 7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m., Interstate Firehouse Cultural Center, 5340 N Interstate Ave.

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Ageless Awards

Bernie and Bobbie Foster, the publisher and editor of The Skanner News, were honored April 25, along with former Oregon Lady and lifelong arts advocate Antoinette Hatfield, as well as Bob's Red Mill founder Bob Moore, at the 2019 Ageless Awards Luncheon, presented by the Jessie F. Richardson Foundation at the Multnomah Athletic Club. The foundation was created in 2002 by Dr. Keren Brown Wilson in honor of her mother, Jessie F. Richardson. JFRF works to improve conditions for vulnerable older adults in underserved communities.

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Applications Open for Gladys McCoy Lifetime Achievement Award

The Gladys McCoy Lifetime Achievement Award, presented annually to someone with outstanding lifetime volunteer service dedicated to improving the county community, is now accepting applications.



Gladys McCoy

The award was established in 1994 to honor Multnomah County individuals who have contributed outstanding community service and community involvement over their lifetime. The award is given to an individual who has exemplified the life of the late Multnomah County Chair Gladys McCoy by making major contributions to civil rights, human rights, affirmative action, children and youth, family issues, community, neighborhood, local political party, local government, environmental issues, and/or education.

Past winners have been substantially involved in one or more issues important to Chair McCoy and have a long history of volunteerism and community service.

To nominate an individual for the Gladys McCoy Lifetime Achievement Award, fill out the nomination form online at <https://multco.us/oci>. The deadline for nominations is 5 p.m. May 13.

Gladys McCoy was Chair of the Multnomah County Board of County Commissioners from 1987 until her death in April 1993; before being elected as chair, she served two four-year terms on the commission representing North and Northeast Portland. McCoy's first elected position was on the Portland School Board where she was a strong advocate for quality education. She was the first African American to serve in these positions.

Gladys was married to the late Senator William "Bill" McCoy, Jr., with whom she had seven children. Her activities centered around children, family and civil rights. She was Oregon's 1980 Mother of the Year, nominated by the Black inmates of the Oregon State Penitentiary. She also received many other honors, including the Oregon Assembly of Black Affairs Political Development Award.

The award will be presented at Multnomah Coun-

ty's Annual Volunteer Awards June 19. The event will take place in the Board Room of the Multnomah Building, 501 SE Hawthorne Blvd. in Portland. The recipient's name will appear on a plaque with past winners on permanent public display in the Multnomah County Board Room.

Waitlist for New Affordable Condo Development Closes May 3

The waitlist for a new affordable condominium development for families with generational ties to North/Northeast Portland closes May 3.

To qualify for ownership of these two- or three-bedroom condos at 5020 N. Interstate Ave., which will be move-in ready by 2021, individuals must:

- Be first-time homebuyers and meet the income criteria;
- Qualify for a mortgage with a Proud Ground-approved lender for the purchase price amount (ranging from \$121,000-\$274,500);
- Have at least \$4,000 available for earnest money and inspection costs;
- Demonstrated employment history for two continuous years in same line of work.

Applicants for the development also need to meet income criteria; the majority of units in the development will be affordable to a variety of lower income families who fall between 35 and 100 percent of annual median income for the metro area. Income maximums are based on family size and are as follows: \$56,980 for a family of one; \$65,120 for a family of two; \$73,260 for a family of three; \$81,400 for a family of four and \$87,912 for a family of five.

To apply, visit <https://www.portlandoregon.gov/phb/>.

Clark College Hosting Juneteenth Celebration

Clark College will host a Juneteenth celebration on June 22, 2019.

This year's Juneteenth theme is "Together We Rise." As stated in a release, the celebration organizers chose this theme because it "addresses the idea that together we rise above the fray of hatred, despair, and discord. We join unified to work towards cooperative economics and purpose for our race, community, and nation."

The Juneteenth celebration will take place at Clark College located at 1933 Fort Vancouver Way in Vancouver, Washington from 10 a.m. until 6:00 p.m.

To become a Juneteenth Volunteer email Carol Collier, Job Fair Chairperson, at CarolCollier12345@gmail.com. Once registered, a Volunteer Coordinator will contact individuals about future volunteer information and meetings.

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