



ONGOING EVENTS

37th annual Portland International Film Festival

Through Feb 22, Portland area theaters. Watch a wide-ranging selection of international films at the 37th annual Portland International Film Festival (PIFF). Featuring more than 125 films from 44 countries, PIFF offers moviegoers a broad multicultural medley of documentaries, feature-length films, and shorts to satisfy nearly any cinematic taste. Remaining Asian-interest films include *Back to 1942* (Feb 18), *The Last Step* (Feb 18), *The Great Passage* (Feb 19), *American Dreams in China* (Feb 20), *Thy Womb* (Feb 20), *The Snow on the Pines* (Feb 20), *Nobody's Daughter Haewon* (Feb 20), and *The Way We Dance* (Feb 21). To order advance tickets, call (503) 276-4310. For info, locations, or to obtain a complete schedule of films, call (503) 221-1156 or visit <www.nwfilm.org>.

"Shine"

Through Feb 28 (Wed-Sat), 10:30am-5:30pm, Charles A. Hartman Fine Art (134 NW Eighth Ave, Portland). View "Shine," a group exhibit illuminating the short gray days that characterize the winter in Portland, Oregon. The display features works by Issei Suda, Holly Andres, Raymond Meeks, and others. For info, call (503) 287-3886 or visit <www.hartmanfineart.net>.

"Tradition Unwrapped: Korean Bojagi and Joomchi"

Through Feb 28 (Tue-Sat), 11am-5:30pm, ArtXchange (512 First Ave S, Seattle). View "Tradition Unwrapped: Korean Bojagi and Joomchi," a display featuring works by Chunghie Lee and Jiyoung Chung along with pieces by artists from the Korea Bojagi Forum and Rhode Island School of Design (RISD). Textile artist Lee creates *bojagi*, a traditional Korean wrapping cloth created from leftover scraps of fabric by women of a household and used to wrap or carry everything from precious ritual objects to common everyday items. Chung uses a Korean method of papermaking called *joomchi*. For info, call (206) 839-0377 or visit <www.artxchange.org>.

UW MFA exhibit

Through Feb 28 (Wed-Sat), noon-4pm, University of Washington (UW), School of Art Building, Jacob Lawrence Gallery, Room 132 (Seattle). View works by first-year University of Washington (UW) Master of Fine Arts (MFA) candidates, including Zheng (Victor) Wu, Lanxia (Summer) Xie, and others. Featured pieces were produced in 3D4M, photomedia, and painting + drawing. For info, (206) 685-2552, e-mail <sfrucci@uw.edu>, or visit <www.art.washington.edu>.

Blackfish group exhibit

Through Mar 1 (Tue-Sat), 11am-5pm, Blackfish Gallery (420 NW Ninth Ave, Portland). View "i-ron-ic i'rānik/," a group exhibit by 11 Blackfish artists including Kane Ikeda, Jana Demartini, Sandy Roumagoux, and others. The display explores aspects of irony, humor, and satire — from broad political satire to subtle visual puns illuminating the shadows of ironic contradiction. For info, call (503) 224-2634 or visit <www.blackfish.com>.

"Doorways to the Divine"

Through Mar 2 (daily), 9am-5pm, Trinity Episcopal Cathedral, Kempton Hall (147 NW 19th Ave, Portland). View "Doorways to the Divine," an exhibit of mosaics, constructions, and paintings by Samyak Yamauchi. For info, call (503) 222-9811 or visit <www.trinity-episcopal.org>.

"Flatlands"

Through Mar 2 (Fri-Sun), noon-5pm, Nisus Gallery (8371 N Interstate Ave, Studio 1, Portland). View "Flatlands," a group exhibit about duality and the complexity of perception featuring paintings by Michael Endo, Daniela Molnar, Roy Tomlinson, and others. For info, call (503) 806-1427 or visit <www.nisusgallery.com>.

"Qalam"

Through Apr 27 (Tue-Sun), noon-5pm; Feb 18, 5-7pm (reception); Reed College, Douglas F. Cooley Memorial Art Gallery (3203 SE Woodstock Blvd, Portland). View "Qalam, Arabic Calligraphy from the Middle Ages to the Present," a display of historical Arabic calligraphy and related material. At the center of the exhibit is a group of rare works on loan

Cloud Gate Dance Theatre of Taiwan



March 4, 7:30pm

Keller Auditorium, 222 S.W. Clay Street, Portland

Attend a performance by Cloud Gate Dance Theatre of Taiwan. The show features choreographer Lin Hwai-min's *Songs of the Wanderers*, a visually stunning evocation of a spiritual pilgrimage brought to life with a set featuring three-and-a-half tons of shimmering golden grains of rice. For more information, or to buy tickets, call (503) 245-1600 or visit <www.whitebird.org>. To learn more, visit <www.cloudgate.org.tw/eng>.

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from the Asian Art Museum of San Francisco. An array of manuscript folios from the collection of Reed College alumnus Steven Herold is also featured. A lecture by visiting scholar Hamidreza Ghelichkhani takes place April 1 at 7:00pm at the school's Eliot Hall. For info, call (503) 517-7851, e-mail <cooley@reed.edu>, or visit <www.reed.edu/gallery>.

UPCOMING EVENTS

"Rite of Spring"

Feb 20, 8pm, Hult Center for the Performing Arts, Silva Hall (One Eugene Center at Seventh Ave & Willamette St, Eugene, Ore.). Attend "Rite of Spring," a Eugene Symphony concert featuring violinist Fumiaki Miura. The performance includes pieces by Debussy, Prokofiev, and Stravinsky. For info, or to buy tickets, call (541) 682-5000 or visit <www.eugenesympphony.org>.

Fireworks

Feb 21, 7:30pm, Reed College, Kaul Auditorium (3203 SE Woodstock Blvd, Portland). Enjoy a performance by indie-classical band Fireworks, who defy convention with a jazz-like approach to an extraordinary range of styles. The program, titled "American Tapestry," ties together the richly diverse threads of America's musical heritage. For info, or to buy tickets, call (503) 224-9842 or visit <www.focm.org>. To learn more, visit <www.fireworksensemble.org>.

Northwest China Council New Year Gala

Feb 22, 5-9pm, Wong's King Seafood Restaurant (8733 SE Division St, Portland). Attend the Northwest China Council's annual Chinese New Year Gala ringing in the Year of the Horse. The event features a dinner, live and silent auctions, a lion dance, live music, and the presentation of the Flying Horse Award. For info, or to buy tickets, call (503) 973-5451 or visit <www.nwchina.org>.

Persian poetry and literature

Feb 22, 7-9pm, Portland State University, Smith Center (1825 SW Broadway, Portland). Attend "A Night of Poetry & Literature," a free event featuring special guest Dr. Ahmad Karimi-Hakak talking about Roudaki, who is regarded by many as the father of Persian poetry. For info, call (503) 862-8362 or visit <www.andisheh.org>.

Andaz

Feb 22, 9pm-2am, Star Theater (13 NW Sixth Ave, Portland). Join the party at Andaz and enjoy the latest electronic dance music of the South Asian diaspora. Hosts DJ Anjali and The Incredible Kid provide the bhangra, Bollywood, Punjabi, and Desi beats. A bhangra dance lesson taught by DJ Anjali begins at 10:00pm. Andaz is for persons age 21 and older. For info, call (503) 281-3918 or visit <www.anjaliandthekid.com>.

Reveal

Feb 22-Mar 1, 7:30pm (Thu-Sat), 2pm (Sun), Keller Auditorium (SW Third Ave & Clay St, Portland). Attend the Oregon Ballet Theatre's *Reveal*. For info, or to buy tickets, call (503) 2-BALLET (222-5538) or visit <www.obt.org>.

"Isamu Noguchi and Qi Baishi: Beijing 1930"

Feb 22-May 25, 11am-5pm (Tue-Wed & Fri-Sun), 11am-7pm (Thu), Frye Art Museum (704 Terry Ave, Seattle). View "Isamu Noguchi and Qi Baishi: Beijing 1930," an exhibit that brings together for the first time the work of two of the most influential artists of the 20th century: American Isamu Noguchi (1904-1988) and China's Qi Baishi (1864-1957). The display includes drawings, ink paintings, calligraphic works, and sculptures, and sheds new light on the little-known relationship between the two artists. For info, call (206) 622-9250 or visit <www.fryemuseum.org>.

"Mark Tobey and Teng Baiye: Seattle/Shanghai"

Feb 22-May 25, 11am-5pm (Tue-Wed & Fri-Sun), 11am-7pm (Thu), Frye Art Museum (704 Terry Ave, Seattle). View "Mark Tobey and Teng Baiye: Seattle/Shanghai," an exhibit that explores the artistic and intellectual exchanges between Chinese artist Teng Baiye (1900-1980) and his American contemporary Mark Tobey (1890-1976). For info, call (206) 622-9250 or visit <www.fryemuseum.org>.

Hina Matsuri

Feb 26-Mar 3, noon-4pm (Mon), 10am-4pm (Tue-Sun), Portland Japanese Garden (611 SW Kingston Ave, Portland). Celebrate *Hina Matsuri*, the Japanese Festival of Dolls, at the Portland Japanese Garden. The event features a display of *hina ningyo* dolls — elaborately costumed figures depicting the imperial family and its courtiers — as well as an opportunity to dress girls in cotton *yukata* for photographs in front of the dolls. For info, call (503) 223-1321 or visit <www.japanesegarden.com>.

The Wind Rises

Opening Feb 28 at theaters in metropolitan Portland. Watch Hayao Miyazaki's *The Wind Rises*, an animated adaptation of the legendary filmmaker's own serialized *manga* that brings to life Jiro Horikoshi, one of the world's most

innovative and accomplished airplane designers. The film chronicles much of his life and depicts key historical events, including the Great Kanto Earthquake of 1923, the Great Depression, the tuberculosis epidemic, and Japan's plunge into war. For info and showtimes, call 1-800-326-3264 or visit <www.fandango.com>.

Fil-Am poetry reading

Feb 28, 7pm, Seattle University, Wycoff Auditorium (901 12th Ave, Seattle). Attend a free poetry reading by members of the Philippine American Writers and Artists (PAWA) organization. Filipino-American poets featured include Barbara Jane Reyes, Jon Pineda, Aimee Suzara, Oscar Penaranda, and Rachel Cruz. For info, call (206) 696-1114 or e-mail <ladlada@seattleu.edu>.

Museums on Us® at the Portland Japanese Garden

Mar 1-2, 10am-4pm, Portland Japanese Garden (611 SW Kingston Ave, Portland). Take advantage of free admission at the Portland Japanese Garden through the Bank of America Museums on Us® program. Anyone who presents their active Bank of America or Merrill Lynch debit or credit card and a valid photo ID receives one free general admission during the first full weekend of the month. Attendees can enjoy the five gardens — the Flat Garden, the Tea Garden, the Strolling Pond Garden, the Natural Garden, and the Sand & Stone Garden. For info, call (503) 223-1321 or visit <www.japanesegarden.com>.

"Classics from Studio Ghibli"

Mar 1-29, Portland Art Museum, Northwest Film Center, Whitsell Auditorium (1219 SW Park Ave, Portland). Watch films as part of "Classics from Studio Ghibli," a monthlong retrospective of the legendary Japanese animation company. Upcoming films include *Nausicaä of the Valley of the Wind* (Mar 1, 7pm), *My Neighbor Totoro* (Mar 7, 7pm), *Only Yesterday* (Mar 15, 2pm), *Princess Mononoke* (Mar 15, 4:30pm), *Porco Rosso* (Mar 22, 2pm), *Spirited Away* (Mar 22, 4:30pm), *Pom Poko* (Mar 23, 4:30pm), *Castle in the Sky* (Mar 27, 7pm), and *Howl's Moving Castle* (Mar 29, 4:30pm). For info, or to buy tickets, call (503) 221-1156 or visit <www.nwfilm.org>.

Leach Botanical Garden free Saturday tours

Mar 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29, 11am-noon, Leach Botanical Garden (6704 SE 122nd Ave, Portland). Join a free Saturday tour of the Leach Botanical Garden in southeast Portland. Each week features a new theme and spaces for the tour are filled on a first-come, first-served basis. For info, call (503) 823-1671 or visit <www.leachgarden.org>.

Vietnamese & Cantonese storytimes at Holgate Library

Mar 1-30 (Sat-Sun); Mar 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29, 1-1:45pm (Vietnamese); Mar 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30, 2:15-3pm (Cantonese); Holgate Library (7905 SE Holgate Blvd, Portland). Enjoy free storytime sessions presented in Vietnamese (Saturday) and Cantonese (Sunday). The events are for children younger than seven years old with an accompanying adult. For info, call (503) 988-5389 or visit <events.multcolib.org>.

"Uke Can Do It"

Mar 2, 2-3pm, Belmont Library (1038 SE 39th Ave, Portland). Learn to play simple chords and songs on the ukulele at "Uke Can Do It." For info, call (503) 988-5382 or visit <events.multcolib.org>.

Mandarin storytime

Mar 2 & 16, 3-3:45pm, Woodstock Library (6008 SE 49th Ave, Portland). Enjoy a storytime presented in Mandarin Chinese. The free readings are for children three to seven years old with an accompanying adult. For info, call (503) 988-5399 or visit <events.multcolib.org>.

Li Tie

Mar 7-Apr 1, 9am-9pm (Mon-Fri), 9am-5pm (Sat); Mar 7, 7-9pm (reception); Multnomah Arts Center (7688 SW Capitol Hwy, Portland). View "In the Space of Memory," an exhibit of paintings and drawings by Li Tie. The display is inspired by modern sensibilities tangled up in the study of ancient ideologies such as Taoism and Buddhism. For info, call (503) 823-2787 or visit <www.multnomahartscenter.org>.

Submit your Asian-related calendar listings to:

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