



ONGOING EVENTS

Godzilla

Now showing, theaters in metropolitan Portland. Watch actor Ken Watanabe in the action adventure film *Godzilla*. Watanabe plays Serizawa, a Japanese scientist who has devoted his life to the search for Godzilla and hopes to find evidence of the mythical creature's existence in a cave. The release of the film coincides with the 60th anniversary of the original 1954 *Godzilla* by filmmaker Ishiro Honda. (USA, 2014, Gareth Edwards, 123 mins.) For info and showtimes, call 1-800-326-3264 or visit <www.fandango.com>. See story by Mike Street on page 11.

Million Dollar Arm

Now showing, theaters in metropolitan Portland. Watch *Million Dollar Arm*, a film about a sports agent's scheme to locate baseball's next great pitching ace. Hoping to find a young cricket pitcher he can turn into a Major League Baseball star, the agent travels to India to produce a reality show competition called "The Million Dollar Arm." He soon discovers two 18-year-old boys who have no idea about playing baseball, but have a knack for throwing a fastball. For info and showtimes, call 1-800-326-3264 or visit <www.fandango.com>. To learn more, visit <www.disney.com/MillionDollarArm>. See related story by Mike Street on page one.

"Capturing a Generation through the Eye of a Lens"

Through June 15, 11am-3pm (Tue-Sat), noon-3pm (Sun), Oregon Nikkei Legacy Center (121 NW Second Ave, Portland). View "Capturing a Generation through the Eye of a Lens: The Photographs of Frank C. Hirahara, 1948-54," a collection of never-before-seen photographs taken of Portland's *Nisei* (second-generation Japanese Americans). See story by Pamela Ellgen, "A beautiful glimpse of life after internment for Japanese Americans in Portland" (*AR*, May 5, 2014), at <www.asianreporter.com>. For info, call (503) 224-1458 or visit <www.oregonnikkei.org>.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Rose Festival Junior Parade

June 4, 1-2pm, Hollywood District (North-east Portland). Watch the Rose Festival Junior Parade, which features thousands of youngsters on foot, floats, bikes, trikes, unicycles, wagons, scooters, and strollers. The parade begins at the intersection of NE Sandy Blvd & NE 52nd Ave and travels down Sandy Blvd to NE Tillamook St by way of NE 40th Ave, ending at NE 36th Ave & NE Tillamook St. For info, call (503) 227-2681 or visit <www.rosefestival.org>.

Raz

June 5, noon-1pm, Mt. Hood Community College, Student Union (26000 SE Stark St, Gresham, Ore). Attend a free concert by Raz as part of Mt. Hood Community College's "First Thursday" music series. For info, call (503) 491-6422 or visit <www.mhcc.edu>. To learn more, visit <www.raz-music.com>.

Topaz

June 5, 6-8pm, Wing Luke Museum of the Asian Pacific American Experience (719 S King St, Seattle). Join poet Brian Dempster as he reads from *Topaz*, his debut poetry collection about a Japanese-American family's separation and incarceration in a World War II internment camp and its lasting intergenerational impact. For info, call (206) 623-5124 or visit <www.wingluke.org>.

The Reach of Resonance

June 5, 7pm, Portland Art Museum, Northwest Film Center, Whitsell Auditorium (1219 SW Park Ave, Portland). Watch *The Reach of Resonance*, a film about the creative paths of four musicians and sound artists from different parts of the world — composer and *koto* player Miya Masaoka, violinist Jon Rose, composer John Luther Adams, and sound artist Bob Ostertag. (USA/Slovakia/Palestine/France/Czech Republic/Canada/Australia, 2010, Steve Elkins, 118 mins.) For info, call (503) 221-1156 or visit <www.nwfilm.org>.

CityFair entertainment stages

June 5-8, Governor Tom McCall Waterfront Park (SW Naito Parkway between the Burnside & Hawthorne Bridges, Portland). Enjoy a wide variety of performances at the Portland Rose Festival's CityFair entertainment stages, featuring the Ka Lei Hali'a O Ka Lokelani hula

Drama! Dance! Drums!

June 4, 7:00pm

Portland State University, Lincoln Performance Hall, Room 75
1620 S.W. Park Avenue, Portland

Attend *Drama! Dance! Drums!*, a live performing arts program highlighting the Japanese art forms of taiko drumming, *nihon buyo* (traditional dance), and *noh* and *kyogen* theater. For more information, call (503) 725-8577 or visit <www.pdx.edu/cjs>.

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school (June 7, 2pm), the Maharlika Dance Troupe (June 8, 1pm), and many other groups and organizations. CityFair also includes food, rides, a kids' zone, exhibits, and more. For info, or to obtain a complete schedule of events and performers, call (503) 227-2681 or visit <www.rosefestival.org>.

Portland Rose Festival Queen's Coronation & Grand Floral Parade

June 7, 8:30-9:30am (coronation), 10am (parade), Veterans Memorial Coliseum (1401 N Wheeler Ave, Portland). Watch 15 princesses compete for the coveted tiara of the Portland Rose Festival Queen. The newly crowned monarch and her court ride in the Grand Floral Parade along with bands, floats, and more. The parade begins at Veterans Memorial Coliseum and travels through northeast and southwest Portland. For info, or to obtain a map of the parade route and a list of all parade entries, call (503) 227-2681 or visit <www.rosefestival.org>.

SAAM Free First Saturday

June 7, 11am-2pm, Seattle Asian Art Museum (1400 E Prospect St, in Volunteer Park, Seattle). Connect with the art and culture of Asia at the Seattle Asian Art Museum's (SAAM) Free First Saturday. The family-friendly day features a kimono fashion show in celebration of the "Deco Japan: Shaping Art and Culture, 1920-1945" exhibit, which is on view through October 19. For info, call (206) 654-3100 or visit <www.seattleartmuseum.org>.

Cosplay meet-up

June 7, 1-5pm, Uwajimaya Plaza (10500 SW Beaverton-Hillsdale Hwy, Beaverton, Ore.). Join a cosplay meet-up hosted by Beaverton Uwajimaya Plaza. The event features photo opportunities, cosplay contests for individuals or groups with prizes awarded based on creativity and accuracy of a particular character, and more. In addition, the first 100 customers who show up in costume receive a prize. For info, call (503) 643-4512 or visit <www.uwajimaya.com>.

Shikata ga nai

June 7, 3-4:30pm, Wing Luke Museum of the Asian Pacific American Experience (719 S King St, Seattle). Attend *Shikata ga nai*, a performance by Seattle Kokon Taiko. Choreographed by Gabrielle Nomura, the performance weaves dance, theater, and live music into an exploration of the Japanese-American experience during World War II. For info, or to buy tickets, call (206) 623-5124 or visit <www.wingluke.org>.

Hina & The Eel

June 7, 6pm, Skyview High School Concert Hall (1300 NW 139th St, Vancouver, Wash.). Attend *Hina & The Eel: Tahiti's Beauty & The Beast*, a performance featuring the Ora Nui Tahitian Dance Troupe that benefits the Ora Nui scholarship fund. For info, or to buy tickets, call (360) 991-8548 or visit <www.oranui.dance.com>.

Dragon boat races

June 7-8, 8am-4pm, Governor Tom McCall Waterfront Park, RiverPlace Marina (SW Naito Parkway near SW Clay St, Portland). Cheer for the paddling teams at the annual Portland-

Kaohsiung Sister City Association Rose Festival Dragon Boat Races. More than 80 local, national, and international teams compete at the free event, which is held near the south end of Waterfront Park. For info, call (503) 525-1186, or visit <www.pksca.com> or <www.rosefestival.org>.

Pagdiriwang

June 7-8, 10am-6pm (Sat-Sun), Seattle Center (305 Harrison St, Seattle). Attend the annual Pagdiriwang, a celebration of Filipino culture, history, and heritage. The free event includes live performances, demonstrations, cultural displays, food, children's activities, and more. For info, call (206) 684-7200 or visit <www.festpagdiriwang.com>.

Museums on Us® at the Portland Japanese Garden

June 7-8 & July 5-6, 10am-7pm, 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>.

Portland Thorns FC

June 7 & 15; June 7, 7pm; June 15, 2pm; Providence Park (SW 18th Ave & SW Morrison St, Portland). Watch Portland Thorns FC take on the Western New York Flash (June 7) and the Washington Spirit (June 15) in the National Women's Soccer League. The Thorns FC squad features Mana Shim, Angie Kerr-Wozniak, Christine Sinclair, Alex Morgan, and others. The Western New York Flash roster includes Samantha Kerr, Abby Wambach, Carli Lloyd, and others, and the Washington Spirit has Lori Lindsey, Ali Krieger, and others on its squad. See related story, "NWSL kicks off second season" (*AR*, April 7, 2014), at <www.asianreporter.com>. For info, or to buy tickets, call (503) 553-5555 or visit <www.portlandthorns.com>.

Origami workshop

June 8, 1:30-4:30pm, Belmont Library (1038 SE 39th Ave, Portland). Learn a new origami project from local origami instructors at Portland Oregon Paper Shapers. Adults, teens, and children younger than 13 years old accompanied by an adult are welcome. For info, call (503) 988-5382 or visit <events.multicolib.org>.

Persia House poetry night

June 8, 6:30-8:30pm, Portland State University, Cramer Hall, Room 183 (1721 SW Broadway, Portland). Join members of Persia House at Portland State University for a monthly poetry reading. Participants may read one or two poems in English, Persian, or both. The event is free and open to the public. For info, call (503) 725-5214 or visit <www.persia.pdx.edu>.

"Rose Festival Art Show"

June 8-July 11 (Mon-Sat), 1-4pm; June 8, 1-4pm (reception); Oregon Society of Artists (2185 SW Park Place, Portland). Celebrate images of roses and Portland Rose Festival events at the "Rose Festival Art Show." The show features artists from the Pacific Northwest who have created artwork depicting roses or that include the Rose Festival theme. The display is free and open to the public. For info, call (503) 228-0706 or visit <www.oregon.societyofartists.com>.

Mystery of Chess Boxing

June 10, 7:30pm, Hollywood Theatre (4122 NE Sandy Blvd, Portland). Witness the martial arts pandemonium of *Mystery of Chess Boxing* (a.k.a. *Ninja Checkmate*), a film in which a young student must use the basics of chess to defeat the nefarious Ghostface Killer in battle. The film is screening as part of the Hollywood Theatre's Kung Fu Theater series. (Hong Kong/Taiwan, 1979, Joseph Kuo, 90 mins.) For info, call (503) 281-4215 or visit <www.hollywoodtheatre.org>.

Kathryn Ma

June 11, 7:30pm, Powell's City of Books (1005 W Burnside St, Portland). Join Kathryn Ma as she presents *The Year She Left Us*, a book about three generations of Chinese-American women in a San Francisco family who must confront their past and carve out a future. *The Year She Left Us* explores the promise and pain of adoption, the price of assimilation and achievement, the debt we owe to others, and what we owe ourselves. For info, call (503) 228-4651 or visit <www.powells.com>.

Lisa See

June 13-14, 7pm; June 13, Powell's Books at Cedar Hills Crossing (3415 SW Cedar Hills Blvd, Beaverton, Ore.); June 14, Elliott Bay Book Company (1521 Tenth Ave, Seattle). Join Lisa See as she presents *China Dolls*, a novel about three girls from very different backgrounds who are competing at the same audition for showgirl roles at an exclusive nightclub when their lives are changed dramatically by the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor. The book is set in the "Chop Suey Circuit" of San Francisco prior to World War II. For info, call (503) 643-3131 or visit <www.powells.com> (Portland), or call (206) 624-6600 or visit <www.elliottbaybook.com> (Seattle).

CO / MISSION

June 13-15, 7:30pm, Conduit Dance Studio (918 SW Yamhill St, Suite 401, Portland). Attend *CO / MISSION*, an evening of solo dance works transforming the model in which dances are made. The event features performers Suzanne Chi, Jamuna Chiarini, Jen Hackworth, and Rachel Slater. For info, call (503) 221-5857 or visit <www.comission-pdx.com>.

en Taiko

June 14, 1:45pm (doors open), 2pm (concert), da Vinci Arts Middle School (2508 NE Everett St, Portland). Attend *Woodblock Factory*, a free concert by en Taiko. The performance integrates traditional Japanese drumming and marimba. For info, call (503) 367-3597, e-mail <info@entaiko.org>, or visit <www.entaiko.org>.

Venerable Showers of Beauty Gamelan

June 14, 7:30pm, The Headwaters (55 NE Farragut St, Suite 9, Portland). Enjoy a concert featuring traditional Javanese music by Lewis & Clark College's Venerable Showers of Beauty Gamelan ensemble at "Javanese Journey." The performance highlights guest artist Ki Midiyanto from the University of California, Berkeley and his wife, Javanese singer Heni Savitri. For info, call (503) 768-7460, e-mail <vsbgamelan@gmail.com>, or visit <www.vsbgameelan.org>. To buy tickets, visit <www.vsbgameelan.brownpapertickets.com>.

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