

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Free ESL classes

Through Oct 31, noon-2pm (Mon-Fri), 6-7:30pm (Mon-Tue), Rockwood Library (17917 SE Stark St, Portland). Attend free English-as-a-Second-Language (ESL) classes offered in east Portland. All levels are welcome and no registration is required. For info, call (503) 988-5396 or visit <events.multcolib.org>.

"Roots of Wisdom: Native Knowledge. Shared Science."

Through Dec 8 (daily), 9:30am-7pm, Oregon Museum of Science & Industry, Earth Hall (1945 SE Water Ave, Portland). View a new collaborative exhibit — "Roots of Wisdom: Native Knowledge. Shared Science." — that explores the many challenges Native American and native Hawaiian communities face regarding their ecosystems and health. Drawing from traditional knowledge and science, native communities are developing innovative solutions to tackle current ecological and health challenges. For info, call (503) 797-4000 or visit <www.oms.edu>.

"Uprooted: Japanese American Farm Labor Camps During World War II"

Through Dec 12 (Mon-Sat), 10am-5pm, Four Rivers Cultural Center (676 SW Fifth Ave, Ontario, Ore.). View "Uprooted: Japanese American Farm Labor Camps During World War II," an exhibit about Japanese-American farm labor camps. On February 19, 1942, U.S. President Franklin D. Roosevelt signed Executive Order 9066, which authorized the forced removal and incarceration of more than 120,000 U.S. residents of Japanese ancestry during World War II. Between 1942 and 1944, approximately 33,000 individual contracts were issued for seasonal farm labor, with many incarcerated Japanese Americans working in the sugar beet industry. "Uprooted" tells the story of the first such labor camp in Nyssa, Oregon, which, at its peak, held 350 people. The display includes a selection of images documenting the labor camps near Nyssa as well as the towns of Rupert, Shelley, and Twin Falls, Idaho taken by Farm Security Administration (FSA) photographer Russell Lee. For info, call (541) 889-8191, or visit <www.4rcc.com> or <www.uprootedexhibit.com>.

Forum on racial impact statements

Sep 16, noon-1pm, Oregon State Capitol, Hearing Room 50 (900 Court St NE, Salem, Ore.). Join Oregon state senator Chip Shields (District 22: N/NE Portland) for an informational forum about addressing racial disparities in the 2015 legislative session through the implementation of racial impact statements. The Oregon State Legislature last passed racial impact statement legislation in the 2013 legislative session. Racial impact statements are a relatively new tool developed to estimate the impacts of proposed child-welfare and criminal-sentencing legislation on racial minority populations. The forum is open to the public. For info, call (503) 231-2564, e-mail <sen.chipshields@state.or.us>, or visit <www.oregonlegislature.gov/shieldsc>.

Mahjong group

Sep 16, 23 & 30, 1-4pm, Gresham Library (385 NW Miller Ave, Gresham, Ore.). Players of all skill levels are invited to attend a mahjong group. A coach is available to teach new players. For info, call (503) 988-5387 or visit <events.multcolib.org>.

OCAPIA public meeting

Sep 17, 9:30am-noon, Oregon State Bar, Sandy Meeting Room (16037 SW Upper Boones Ferry Rd, Tigard, Ore.). Attend a public meeting of the Oregon Commission on Asian and Pacific Islander Affairs (OCAPIA). The meeting agenda includes commissioner reports, other subjects of interest to the commission, and more. For info, call (503) 250-2695, e-mail <OACO.mail@das.state.or.us>, or visit <www.oregon.gov/OCAPIA/contact_us.shtml>.

APANO Statewide Convention

Sep 20, 8:30am-8:30pm, Warner Pacific College (2219 SE 68th Ave, Portland). Attend "Rolling Tides," the Asian Pacific American Network of Oregon's (APANO) Statewide Convention. The event features workshops, networking, cultural sharing, performances, and more. Keynote speakers include journalist, filmmaker, and immigration activist Jose Antonio Vargas as well as activist and writer Deepa Iyer. For info, or to register, call (971) 340-4861 or visit <www.apano.org>.

"International Literacy Day 2014"

Sep 20, 1-4pm, Midland Library (805 SE 122nd Ave, Portland). Attend "International Literacy Day 2014," an event offering avenues for people to find assistance with reading, the citizenship process, GED preparation, learning English, and personal finances. Attendees are able to meet with representatives of more than 20 community groups, including Sponsors Organized to Assist Refugees (SOAR), Portland ESL



Manakamana, a documentary about a group of pilgrims who travel to Nepal to worship at the legendary Manakamana temple, screens October 3 and 4 at Portland's Whitsell Auditorium. (Photo courtesy of the Northwest Film Center)

Network, SE Works, Innovative Changes, Immigration Legal Services, and others. For info, call (503) 988-5392 or visit <events.multcolib.org>.

"Images of China"

Sep 20, 2-2:45pm, Gresham Library (385 NW Miller Ave, Gresham, Ore.). Attend "Images of China," a theatrical show of puppetry and music featuring a series of vignettes based on Chinese traditional (and sometimes not so traditional) tales. For info, call (503) 988-5387 or visit <events.multcolib.org>.

PNA Masquerade Ball

Sep 20, 5:30pm, Embassy Suites Hotel, Portland Airport (7900 NE 82nd Ave, Portland). Attend the Philippine Nurses Association of Oregon and Washington's (PNA-OR/WA) Masquerade Ball, a fundraising event benefitting the 2015 International Outreach Mission, which assists poor families in the Philippines. For info, call (360) 852-2176, e-mail <pnaa.ow@gmail.com>, or visit <www.pnaow.org>.

Talk Time at Midland Library

Sep 20 & 27, 3:30-5pm, Midland Library (805 SE 122nd Ave, Portland). Join other non-native English speakers at an informal conversation circle for people who want to practice speaking English. Talk Time is not a class, but an opportunity to meet new people, share culture, and have fun. Only English is spoken. For info, call (503) 988-5392 or visit <events.multcolib.org>.

Chinese Chess

Sep 21 & 28, 2:30-3:30pm, Holgate Library (7905 SE Holgate Blvd, Portland). Play Chinese Chess with others at an all-ages chess session. Boards and pieces are provided. For info, call (503) 988-5389 or visit <events.multcolib.org>.

Pad thai cooking class

Sep 23, 6-7:30pm, Holgate Library (7905 SE Holgate Blvd, Portland). Learn to cook pad thai noodles, a traditional Thai dish loved and enjoyed by many. Participants prepare the simple noodle dish as a group and sample their creation at the end of class. For info, call (503) 988-5389 or visit <events.multcolib.org>.

Celebration of Honor

Sep 23-28, Chinook Winds Casino Resort (1777 NW 44th St, Lincoln City, Ore.). Attend the Celebration of Honor, an annual public event honoring active-duty personnel, military veterans, and their families that features a field of 1,000 flags overlooking the Pacific Ocean. This year's tribute includes the Oregon Travelling Tribute Wall (September 24), a free meal for veterans and active-duty personnel at the Siletz Bay Buffet (September 25), ceremonies (September 25-27), the rededication of the Desert Storm Memorial (September 28, 2pm), and more. For info, call (541) 996-5775 or 1-888-CHINOOK (244-6665), or visit <www.chinookwindscasino.com>.

Vietnamese back-to-school night

Sep 24, 6-7:30pm, Midland Library (805 SE 122nd Ave, Portland). Enjoy games, crafts, activities, and light refreshments with Vietnamese-speaking library staff in celebration of the new school year. The event also includes information about resources and services to help children be successful in school. For info, call (503) 988-5392 or visit <events.multcolib.org>.

Free citizenship classes

Sep 24-Oct 29 (Wed), 5:30-7:30pm, Gresham Library (385 NW Miller Ave, Gresham, Ore.). Learn about the process of becoming a U.S. citizen and prepare for the citizenship interview at free classes taught in English by library volunteers. Participants learn about U.S. history and government. For info, call (503) 988-6318. To register (required), call (503) 988-5234 or visit <events.multcolib.org>.

APACC Fall Mixer

Sep 25, 4-8pm, Crowne Plaza Hotel Ballroom (1441 NE Second Ave, Portland). Attend the annual Fall Mixer of the Asian Pacific American Chamber of Commerce (APACC) of Oregon and Southwest Washington, an event featuring a keynote address by Oregon treasurer Ted Wheeler, networking, and more. For info, or to register (required), call (503) 205-6020 or visit <www.apacc-or.org>.

SOLVE Beach & Riverside Cleanup

Sep 27, 10am-1pm, Oregon Coast and inland rivers. Join fellow Oregonians for the annual SOLVE Beach & Riverside Cleanup. The event marks the 30th anniversary of the first volunteer, coast-wide beach cleanup in the world, which was held in Oregon back in 1984. Volunteers are needed to clean Oregon's beaches and inland riversides from the Washington to the California border. Participants are asked to check in at one of more than 100 meeting sites and clean up the coastline and riverbanks for wildlife and visitors. Sturdy shoes, weather-appropriate clothing, a reusable container for drinking water, a reusable bag or bucket for collecting trash, and gloves are suggested. For info, or to register, call (503) 844-9571 or 1-800-333-SOLV (7658), or visit <www.solve.org>.

Multnomah County Library 150th anniversary celebration

Sep 27, 11am-5pm, Multnomah County Central Library (801 SW 10th Ave, Portland). In honor of its 150th anniversary, the Multnomah County Library is hosting a free outdoor community celebration featuring music, dance, tours, giveaways, library programs for people of all ages, live entertainment, refreshments, and more. The event also includes storytimes in Vietnamese, Chinese, English, Spanish, and Russian beginning at 11:30am, ecoroof tours starting at 10:30am, and a Symphony Storytime at 10:15am. On February 15, 1864, when Portland was a town with muddy streets and wooden sidewalks, the Multnomah County Library, the first free, tax-supported library in Oregon, was formed. The oldest public library west of the Mississippi River, the library today is one of the nation's busiest. For info, call (503) 988-5123 or visit <events.multcolib.org>.

Sunday Parkways: Southwest Portland

Sep 28, 11am-4pm, Gabriel Park, Multnomah Village, and the Hillsdale Business District (Southwest Portland). Walk and bike through southwest Portland neighborhoods and parks without motor traffic during a Sunday Parkways event. Entertainment and activities take place in the parks and along the six-mile, two-way route, which has no start or finish. For info, call (503) 823-7599 or visit <www.portlandsundayparkways.org>.

2014 Fall Take-Out Bazaar

Sep 28, 11:30am-2pm, Nichiren Buddhist Temple (2025 SE Yamhill St, Portland). Order and pick up chicken chow mein and combination bento as part of the 2014 Fall Take-Out Bazaar fundraiser at Nichiren Buddhist Temple. All food must be preordered by September 21. For info, call (503) 232-8064.

O.N.E. 25th anniversary celebration

Sep 28, 5pm (reception), 6pm (dinner), Multnomah Athletic Club (1849 SW Salmon St, Portland). Attend a banquet held in celebration of the 25th anniversary of the Oregon Nikkei Endowment (O.N.E.). The event features a keynote address by producer and television anchor David Ono and honors the interviewees of the Minidoka Oral History Project. Music is provided by the Minidoka Swing Band, a tribute band dedicated to playing music popular in Japanese-American internment camps during World War II. For info, or to buy tickets (by September 22), call (503) 224-1458, e-mail <info@oregonnikkei.org>, or visit <www.oregonnikkei.org>.

Manakamana

Oct 3-4, 7pm, Portland Art Museum, Northwest Film Center, Whitsell Auditorium (1219 SW Park Ave, Portland). Watch *Manakamana*, a documentary about a group of pilgrims who travel to Nepal to worship at the legendary Manakamana temple. (Nepal/USA, 2013, Stephanie Spray & Pacho Velez, 118 mins.) For info, or to obtain screening times, call (503) 221-1156 or visit <www.nwfilm.org>.

"Do You Know Bruce?"

Opens Oct 4 (Tue-Sun), 10am-5pm, Wing Luke Museum of the Asian Pacific American Experience (719 S King St, Seattle). Learn about Bruce Lee — including his personal story and his connection to Seattle — at "Do You Know Bruce?" Scheduled to be on view at The Wing for three years, the display follows Lee's arrival in Seattle in 1959, where he attended the University of Washington, met and married his wife, opened his first martial-arts studio, and was ultimately laid to rest. For info, call (206) 623-5124 or visit <www.wingluke.org>.

OBT Sukiyaki Bazaar

Oct 5, 11am-3pm, Oregon Buddhist Temple (3720 SE 34th Ave, near SE Powell Blvd, Portland). Attend the Oregon Buddhist Temple's (OBT) annual Sukiyaki Bazaar, an event featuring sukiyaki, chow mein, chicken bento, produce, and an omiyage (gift) shop. Attendees can also view *ikebana* and calligraphy displays. For info, or to preorder food (by October 1), call (503) 234-9456, e-mail <bazaar@oregonbuddhisttemple.com>, or visit <www.oregonbuddhisttemple.com>.

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