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"Do You Know Bruce?"

Currently on display (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>.

American Red Cross blood drive

Through Feb 28; 1:30-7:30pm (Mon), 1-6:30pm (Tue), 11:30am-5pm (Wed), 9:30am-3pm (Thu), 7:30am-1:30pm (Fri), 8am-1pm (Sat), American Red Cross, Portland Donor Center (3131 N Vancouver Ave, Portland); 1:30-7pm (Mon-Tue), 10:30am-4pm (Wed), 8am-1pm (Fri), 8am-1:30pm (Sat), American Red Cross, Clark County Donor Center (5109 NE 82nd Ave, Vancouver, Wash.). Roll up your sleeve and help those in need during the month of February. Donors of all blood types are needed, especially people with O negative, A negative, and B negative blood. For info, to schedule a blood donation appointment, or to locate additional donation centers, call 1-800-RED-CROSS (733-2767) or visit <www.redcrossblood.org>.

Free tax-preparation assistance

Through Apr 15, 11am-7pm (Tue-Fri), 9am-5pm (Sat), Beaverton Activities Center (12500 SW Allen Blvd, Beaverton, Ore.). Obtain free help filing your 2014 tax returns through a program arranged through the City of Beaverton, AARP Tax-Aide, and Creating Assets, Savings, and Hope (CASH) Oregon. The city is encouraging eligible low- and middle-income families to take advantage of the Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) with the help of volunteer preparers. Tax filers should bring with them picture identification; a copy of their 2013 tax return, if available; Social Security or Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN) for all persons on the return; W-2 forms from every employer; other forms and receipts, such as 1099s; child and dependent-care information; new health insurance documentation (Form 1095-A), if you or anyone on your tax return had coverage through the Health Insurance Marketplace; and more. For info, call Megan at (503) 526-2584 or e-mail <mcohen@beavertonoregon.gov>. To locate additional venues, call 211 or visit <www.CASHOregon.org>.

"Who's Afraid of the Big Bad Dragon?"

Feb 17, 6:30pm, Oregon Historical Society Museum, Pavilion (1200 SW Park Ave, Portland). Attend "Who's Afraid of the Big Bad Dragon?: Why China Has the Best (and Worst) Education System in the World," a talk by Yong Zhao, an author and presidential chair and director of the Institute for Global and Online Education at the University of Oregon. For info, call (503) 306-5252 or visit <www.worldoregon.org>.

Free vaccination clinic

Feb 17-18; Feb 17, 9am-3pm, State Office Building in Portland, First Floor (800 NE Oregon St, Portland); Feb 18, 9am-3pm, Multnomah County East County Services Building, Second Floor (600 NE Eighth St, Gresham, Ore.). "School Exclusion Day" in Oregon is Wednesday, February 18. Children in Multnomah County who need immunizations are invited to receive free vaccinations on February 17 and 18. Exclusion Day applies to children in all public and private schools, preschools, Head Start programs, kindergartens, alternative schools, and childcare facilities. For info, call (503) 988-3406 or (503) 257-1760, or visit <www.multco.us/health/immunizations> or visit <www.mesd.k12.or.us>.

"Transitions" information sessions

Feb 17 & 26; Feb 17, 11am-noon; Feb 26, 3-4pm; Mt. Hood Community College, Gresham Campus, Academic Center, Lower Level, Room 50 (26000 SE Stark St, Gresham, Ore). Learn about the Transitions Program, which offers help to women who speak English as a second language or are immigrants or minorities; single parents; and displaced homemakers who want to develop a career but need information, encouragement, and guidance. For info, call (503) 491-7680 or visit <www.mhcc.edu/transitions>.

"School Exclusion Day"

Feb 18. "School Exclusion Day" in Oregon is Wednesday, February 18. Parents need to bring their children's immunization records to schools and childcare facilities no later than February 18. Children without up-to-date immunization documentation or exemption paperwork are not allowed to attend school or childcare if the records on file show missing immunizations. For info about immunizations, visit <www.healthoregon.org/imm>. To learn more about required immunizations, or to obtain inoculations, contact your healthcare provider or local health department, or call (971) 673-0300 or 1-800-422-6012.

"Say Hey!"

Feb 19, 5:30-8pm, Oregon Museum of Science & Industry, Turbine Hall (1945 SE Water Ave, Portland). Attend an event designed to help professionals of color make connections as they settle in Portland. Food is provided and everyone who supports diversity in the workplace is welcome. For info, or to register, call (503) 552-6775, e-mail <mwatanabe@portlandalliance.com>, or visit <www.partnersindiversity.org>.

Free "Fix-It Fair"

Feb 21, 9:30am-3pm, David Douglas High School (1001 SE 135th Ave, Portland). Attend a free City of Portland "Fix-It Fair" connecting residents with money-saving, environmentally friendly resources and activities. Exhibits and workshops offer



CROSSROADS LECTURE. Fr. Trung Pham, SJ, an assistant professor of art at Seattle University, is speaking at the Loyola Jesuit Center in southeast Portland at 7:00pm on Monday, February 23. In his talk, he discusses how his Jesuit spirituality has influenced and informed his art.

information on home and personal health, utility savings, food and nutrition, community resources, recycling, yard care, lead testing, bike maintenance, and more. The event also features lunch and free on-site childcare. For info, call (503) 823-4309, e-mail <fixitfair@portlandoregon.gov>, or visit <www.portlandoregon.gov/bps/41892>.

Youth badminton tournament

Feb 21, 10am, Portland Badminton Club (7275 NW Evergreen Pkwy, Building F#250, Hillsboro, Ore.). Watch as youth boys and girls compete in singles and doubles badminton action during a tournament presented by the Portland Badminton Club. The competition is open to all skill levels. For info, or to obtain a schedule, call (503) 640-8659 or visit <www.portlandbadmintonclub.com>.

Mercy & Wisdom Community Garden inaugural work party

Feb 21, 11am-2pm, Mercy & Wisdom Community Garden (8401 SE Powell Blvd, Portland). Join the inaugural work party for the Mercy & Wisdom Community Garden. Volunteers are needed to put soil into nine raised beds and plant fruit trees at the garden. Work tools are available, but please bring gloves, wheelbarrows, and shovels, if possible. Lunch and refreshments are provided. For info, to reserve a space, or to learn about other volunteer opportunities, call (503) 227-1222, e-mail <mwhealthclinic@gmail.com>, or visit <www.mercyandwisdom.org>.

Sustainability Summit

Feb 21, 11:30am-4:30pm, Beach School (1710 N Humboldt St, Portland). Attend the Sustainability Summit, an event connecting groups performing sustainability work, encouraging activism and volunteerism, and creating an avenue for discussion about race and equity issues faced by people who live in north Portland. For info, call (971) 570-0468 or visit <www.sustainableoverlook.org/summit>.

"Start Your Own Homestay for Travellers: Airbnb and Beyond"

Feb 21 & 23; Feb 21, 3-4pm, Belmont Library (1038 SE 39th Ave, Portland); Feb 23, 6:30-7:30pm, St. Johns Library (7510 N Charleston Ave, Portland). Learn how to monetize your spare room at "Start Your Own Homestay for Travellers: Airbnb and Beyond." The talk addresses rules, regulations, and safety issues for people considering homestays as a business venture. For info, call (503) 988-5382 (Belmont) or (503) 988-5397 (St. Johns), or visit <events.multcolib.org>.

"Crossing the Indian Ocean: Asia/Africa Connections"

Feb 21 & 28, 9:30-11am, Seattle Asian Art Museum (1400 E Prospect St, in Volunteer Park, Seattle). Attend "African Rulers, Generals, Sufi Saints, and Court Elites in India" (February 21) and "A Moveable Feast: Sufi Festivals from the Silk Road to the Indian Ocean" (February 28) as part of the "Saturday University" lecture series. The series — this year themed "Crossing the Indian Ocean: Asia/Africa Connections" — is presented by the Seattle Asian Art Museum, the UW Jackson School of International Studies, and the Elliott Bay Book Company. For info, or to buy tickets, call (206) 654-3210 or visit <www.seattleartmuseum.org/gardnercenter>.

"Jap Jae & Kim Chi" cooking class

Feb 22, 10am-1:30pm, West Linn Adult Community Center (1180 Rosemont Rd, West Linn, Ore.). Learn the ins and outs of making "Jap Jae & Kim Chi" at a class taught by Indonesia-born chef Surja Tjahaja. For info, or to register, call (503) 557-4700 or visit <www.westlinnoregon.gov/parksrec>.

UP Reading Fair

Feb 22, 11am-3pm, University of Portland (UP), Chiles Center (5000 N Willamette Blvd, Portland). Attend "Blast Off Into Reading," UP's 21st annual Reading Fair. The free event for families and children in pre-kindergarten through middle school features crafts, games focusing on reading, an obstacle course, and a free book for each child. For info, call (503) 943-7135, e-mail <nevillea17@up.edu> or <nelsonm17@up.edu>, or visit <www.up.edu>.

Talk Time in St. Johns

Feb 22, 1:30-3pm, St. Johns Library (7510 N Charleston 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) 988-5397 or visit <events.multcolib.org>.

Free women's domestic violence support class

Begins Feb 23, 1:30-3:30pm, Clackamas County, Ore. Women who have been affected by domestic violence are invited to attend a free 14-week class presented by the Women's Empowerment Project. The course — which meets once per week for two hours — covers topics such as safety planning, establishing healthy relationships, accessing community resources, and understanding the cycle of violence. For info, including location and time, or to register, call Shannon at (503) 655-8776 or e-mail <sbarkley@clackamas.us>.

Crossroads Lecture: Fr. Trung Pham

Feb 23, 7pm, Loyola Jesuit Center (3220 SE 43rd Ave, Portland). Attend "Extreme Beauty: Experiencing God Through Art," a Crossroads Lecture presented by Fr. Trung Pham, SJ, who is an assistant professor of art at Seattle University. At the talk, Fr. Pham discusses how his Jesuit spirituality has influenced and informed his art. For info, call Chuck at (503) 221-2311 or visit <www.nwjesuits.org>.

"Hunter Gatherers Survive in Asia"

Feb 24, 6:30pm, University of Washington (UW), Thomson Hall, Room 101 (Seattle). Attend "Hunter Gatherers Survive in Asia," a slideshow and talk by Edith Mirante, author of *The Wind in the Bamboo: A Journey in Search of Asia's 'Negrito' Indigenous Peoples*. The book focuses on hunter gatherers who are struggling to survive in India's remote Andaman Islands, the Philippines, and Malaysia. For info, call (206) 543-9606 or visit <www.jsis.washington.edu/seac>.

Diversity Employment Day Career Fair

Feb 25, 11am-3pm, Ambridge Event Center (1333 NE Martin Luther King Jr Blvd, Portland). Job seekers age 18 and older are invited to attend the Diversity Employment Day Career Fair. Business attire and résumés are required. For info, call (562) 863-9042 or visit <www.citycareerfair.com>. To preregister, e-mail <fastrack@citycareerfair.com>.

"Youth Career Expo"

Feb 26, 8:30am-noon, Clackamas Community College, Randall Gymnasium (19600 S Molalla Ave, Oregon City, Ore.). Job seekers between 14 and 21 years old are invited to attend the "Youth Career Expo" at Clackamas Community College (CCC). The event, which features more than 50 employers, is held in conjunction with CCC's 37th Annual Clackamas Regional Skills Competition. Attendees are able to explore a wide range of career fields, obtain information about colleges and training programs, and "speed network" with employers. For info, call (503) 594-3960 or visit <www.clackamas.edu>.

"Memory Wars in East Asia II"

Feb 26, 6pm, Portland State University (PSU), Smith Center, Rooms 327/8/9 (1825 SW Broadway, Portland). Attend "Memory Wars in East Asia II: Master Narratives of Modern Korean History Told in Museums in Seoul," a talk by Portland State University professor Ken Ruoff. For info, call (503) 725-8577 or visit <www.pdx.edu/cjs>.

Free health screenings

Feb 28, 10am-1pm, Celebration Tabernacle (8131 N Denver Ave, Portland). Receive free screenings for blood glucose (three-hour fast required), body mass index, and blood pressure courtesy of Fresh Start Restorative Health Services and the Linfield Good Samaritan School of Nursing. Children between seven and 13 years old are also invited to participate in Kids Club, a program that teaches health and fitness in a fun setting. For info, call (503) 890-5393 or visit <www.freshstarthealth.org>.

"Community Discussions on Race and Policing"

Feb 28, 4-5:30pm, Rockwood Library (17917 SE Stark St, Portland). Attend "Community Discussions on Race and Policing," a free event led by trained facilitators. For info, call (503) 241-0543, or visit <www.oregonhumanities.org> or <events.multcolib.org>.

The Land of Many Palaces

Mar 2, 4pm, Fifth Avenue Cinema (510 SW Hall St, Portland). Attend a screening of *The Land of Many Palaces*, a one-hour documentary about thousands of farmers in Ordos, China, who are being relocated into a new city under a government plan to modernize the region. A question-and-answer session with co-director Adam Smith takes place after the film. (USA/China, 2014, Adam Smith & Song Ting, 60 mins.) For info, call (503) 725-8576 or visit <www.pdx.edu/asian-studies>.

"Race, Place, and Gender"

Mar 3, 6-7:30pm, North Portland Library (512 N Killingsworth St, Portland). Attend "Race, Place, and Gender," a roundtable discussion about how questions of race in *The Residue Years* intersect with issues of social justice, housing policy and gentrification, gender, definitions of community and family, and the changing contours of Portland. For info, call (503) 988-5394 or visit <events.multcolib.org>.

Great Decisions lecture series

Mar 6, noon-1pm, Portland State University (PSU), Student Rec Center, Room 001 (1800 SW Sixth Ave, Portland). Attend "India Changes Course," a free event held as part of the World Affairs Council of Oregon's Great Decisions lecture series. For info, call (503) 306-5252 or visit <www.worldoregon.org>.

"Polish the Jade District"

Mar 7, 10am-2pm, Harrison Park (SE 84th Ave & SE Harrison St, Portland). Join volunteers with the Asian Pacific American Network of Oregon and others at "Polish the Jade District." Participants are scheduled to build new raised beds in the community garden, pick up trash, and more. For info, or to sign up, call (971) 340-4861 or visit <www.apano.org>.