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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>.

"Mazes"

Currently on display, 9:30am-5:30pm (Tue-Sun), Oregon Museum of Science & Industry (1945 SE Water Ave, Portland). Explore 13 interactive mazes and come face-to-face with mystifying illusions and mind-boggling puzzles at "Mazes," a challenging maze experience for all ages. Each maze features an environment where guests can discover a surprise around every corner and develop new methods of problem solving. For info, call (503) 797-4000 or visit <www.oms.edu>.

Free tax help

Through Apr 12 (Fri-Sun), Tigard Public Library (13500 SW Hall Blvd, Tigard, Ore.). Taxpayers seeking help filling out their tax forms are encouraged to sign up for assistance offered through AARP and the Tigard Public Library. Tax help is offered on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday through April 12. To schedule an appointment, call the Reference Desk at (503) 718-2517. For info, visit <www.wccls.org/taxhelp>.

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>.

"Digital Safety" workshop

Mar 17, 6-8pm, Harriet Tubman Leadership Academy for Young Women (2231 N Flint Ave, Portland). Learn practical ways to support your child and keep them safe at a "Digital Safety" workshop. The workshop, which is presented by Sgt. Tom Hamann of the Lake Oswego Police Department, is designed for parents of middle-grade students who are active on the internet. Childcare and a light dinner are provided. To reserve a space, or to request interpretation services, call (503) 916-3045.

OCAPIA public meeting

Mar 18, 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 and other subjects of interest to the commission. For info, call (503) 302-9725, e-mail <OACO.mail@das.state.or.us>, or visit <www.oregon.gov/OCAPIA/contact_us.shtml>.

"Transitions" information sessions

Mar 18, noon-2pm, 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>.

"Affordable Meals & Healthy Snacks"

Mar 21, 10-11:30am, Celebration Tabernacle (8131 N Denver Ave, Portland). Learn how to prepare simple, affordable, healthy meals at "Affordable Meals & Healthy Snacks." The free seminar, which is hosted by Fresh Start, is followed by a question-and-answer session. 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. Snacks and door prizes are provided. For info, call (503) 890-5393 or visit <www.freshstarthealth.org>.

CSA Share Fair

Mar 21, 10am-2pm, The Redd (831 SE Salmon St, Portland). Attend the CSA Share Fair, a free, public event featuring farmer matchmaking, food, a cookbook swap meet, chef demos, activities for children, and more. The event is presented by the Portland area's Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) Coalition and Ecotrust. For info, call 753-5006 or (503) 227-6225, or visit <www.portlandcsa.org> or <www.ecotrust.org/event/sharefair>.

"Crossing the Indian Ocean: Asia/Africa Connections"

Mar 21, Mar 28 & Apr 4, 9:30-11am, Seattle Asian Art



SOLAR MAMAS. *Solar Mamas, an Independent Lens presentation highlighting India's Barefoot College, which provides rural women living in poverty with an education that empowers them, airs March 31 on Oregon Public Broadcasting. Pictured are Rafea (top photo) in a reflective moment at Barefoot College and students in a classroom "learning-by-doing" at the college. (Photos courtesy of Independent Lens)*

Museum (1400 E Prospect St, in Volunteer Park, Seattle). Attend "Africa Rising: How Can China Help?" (March 21), "Everybody Was Kung Fu Fighting: Afro-Asian Worlds since World War II" (March 28), and "Understanding China's Booming Relations with Africa: A Historical Perspective" (April 4) 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>.

"Tempura Kakiage"

Mar 22, 10am-1:30pm, West Linn Adult Community Center (1180 Rosemont Rd, West Linn, Ore.). Learn the ins and outs of making "Tempura Kakiage" 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>.

"Walk for Water"

Mar 22, 12:30pm (registration), 1pm (walk), City of Vancouver Water Center (4600 SE Columbia Way, Vancouver, Wash.). Join the "Walk for Water" on World Water Day. The goal of the family-friendly walk is to raise awareness about the need for drinkable water and sustainable management of freshwater resources. For info, call (360) 487-7130 or visit <www.cityofvancouver.us/watercenter>.

Free beginning swim lessons

Mar 23-26, East Portland Community Center (740 SE 106th Ave, Portland) & Mt. Scott Community Center (5530 SE 72nd Ave, Portland). Learn the lifetime skill of swimming at free classes offered by Portland Parks & Recreation during spring break. The beginner courses are available for all ages and include parent/tot classes. Classes at East Portland are held at 9:00am, 9:35am, 10:10am, and 10:45am, and Mt. Scott courses take place at 9:00am, 9:40am, and 10:20am. For info, visit <www.portlandoregon.gov/parks/66991>. To register (required), call (503) 823-3450 (East Portland) or (503) 823-3183 (Mt. Scott), or visit the community centers in person.

Free lead-poisoning prevention workshop

Mar 24, Community Energy Project (2900 SE Stark St, Suite A, Portland). Attend a free, family-friendly workshop focusing on the prevention of lead poisoning. Participants learn about lead-safety techniques and qualified attendees receive a free kit of safety and cleaning materials. For info, or to register, call (503) 284-6827, ext. 109, or visit <www.communityenergyproject.org>.

Free SuperBrain Yoga class

Mar 25, 7-9pm, RoseSprings Center (5215 NE Elam Young Parkway, Suite A, Hillsboro, Ore.). Learn how to balance and strengthen brain energy at "Boost your Brainpower with SuperBrain Yoga." For info, call (503) 502-5186 or visit <www.heart-to-heart-healing.com>. To register (required), e-mail <liza@heart-to-heart-healing.com>.

"Change Your Energy, Change Your Life"

Mar 26, 1-3pm, West Linn Adult Community Center (1180 Rosemont Rd, West Linn, Ore.). Attend "Change Your Energy, Change Your Life," a free class offered by Heart-to-Heart Healing. Participants learn how to assess their energetic condition, reduce stress, treat common ailments such as cuts, scrapes, and burns, and more. For info, call (503) 502-5186 or visit <www.heart-to-heart-healing.com>. To register (required), e-mail <liza@heart-to-heart-healing.com>.

Marie-Rose Phan-Le

Mar 26, 7pm, Third Place Books (17171 Bothell Way NE, Lake Forest Park, Wash.). Join Marie-Rose Phan-Le as she presents *Talking Story*, a book about the author's exploration of the Old World. Phan-Le is the writer, director, and producer of the award-winning documentary film *Talking Story*, a companion to

the book. For info, call (206) 366-3333 or visit <www.thirdplacebooks.com>.

"Japan's Earthquake: Lessons for Oregon"

Mar 26, 8:30pm, Oregon Public Broadcasting (OPB). Watch "Japan's Earthquake: Lessons for Oregon," an episode of Oregon Field Guide examining lessons learned from the devastating earthquake and tsunami that struck Japan in March 2011 as Oregon prepares for the eventual Cascadia Subduction Zone earthquake. To verify showtime, call (503) 293-1982 or visit <www.opb.org>.

"The Roots of Sex Trafficking"

Mar 30, 6:30-8pm, Kells Irish Restaurant & Pub (112 SW Second Ave, Portland). Attend "The Roots of Sex Trafficking," a free health and public-safety forum. Topics addressed include misogyny, demand, the addictive side of pornography, and more. For info, call (503) 228-7231 or visit <www.pdxcityclub.org>.

Cancer: The Emperor of All Maladies

Mar 30-Apr 1, 9-11pm, Oregon Public Broadcasting (OPB). Watch *Cancer: The Emperor of All Maladies*, a three-part "biography" of cancer that may reshape the way the public sees the disease and strip away some of the fear and misunderstanding surrounding it. The segments featured include "Magic Bullets" (March 30), "The Blind Men and The Elephant" (March 31), and "Finding the Achilles Heel" (April 1). For info, call (503) 293-1982, or visit <www.opb.org> or <www.cancerfilms.org>. See related story on page 9.

Solar Mamas

Mar 31, 11pm-midnight, Oregon Public Broadcasting (OPB). Watch *Solar Mamas*, an Independent Lens presentation about India's Barefoot College, where rural, poor, and often illiterate women from around the world are offered a rare opportunity to receive an education that teaches them how to make their communities self-reliant and sustainable. To verify showtime, call (503) 293-1982 or visit <www.opb.org>.

"A Future of Trade with China"

Apr 2, 11:30am-1pm, Portland Marriott Downtown Waterfront (1401 SW Naito Pkwy, Portland). Attend "A Future of Trade with China," a talk by ambassador Luo Linquan, the consul-general of the People's Republic of China in San Francisco. The event also includes special guest Jianning Li, chief representative for the Technological Development Area. For info, or to register, call (503) 224-8684 or visit <www.portlandalliance.com>.

Japanese Speech Contest

Apr 2, 5pm (deadline to register). Register to compete in the annual Japanese Speech Contest, sponsored by the Consulate-General of Japan in Portland. The contest, which is open to middle- and high-school students who are studying Japanese, is held Saturday, April 18 at Two World Trade Center in downtown Portland. Registration closes when a set number of seats are filled. For info, call (503) 221-1811 or e-mail <bunkaportland@se.mofa.go.jp>. To download contest guidelines and an entry form, visit <www.portland.us.emb-japan.go.jp/tips/TentativeGuideline_The27thAnnualJapaneseSpeechContest.pdf>.

"Shedding New Light on Old Chinatown"

Apr 4, 9:30-11am, Portland State University (PSU), Academic and Student Recreation Center, Room 001 (1800 SW Sixth Ave, Portland). Attend "Shedding New Light on Old Chinatown," a free talk by historian Jacqueline Peterson-Loomis about the history of Chinese Americans in the U.S. and Portland. For info, call (503) 725-8576, e-mail <asianstudies@pdx.edu>, or visit <www.pdx.edu/asian-studies>.

"Xi Wang Gala"

Apr 4, 5:30pm, Northwest Events & Environments (2900 NW 229th Ave, Hillsboro, Ore.). Attend the "Xi Wang (Hope) Gala," a fundraising event for the Hope Chinese Charter School, a public school alternative in the Beaverton School District that offers an immersion program in Mandarin Chinese. The adults-only event, which helps fund the next school year's budget gap, features entertainment, games, dinner, drinks, and silent and live auctions. For info, call (971) 226-7500 or visit <www.hopeccs.org>. To buy tickets, e-mail <czarina_boyce@comcast.net> or visit <hccs.ejoinme.org/?tabid=578714>.

"Diversity Summit 2015"

Apr 7, 7am-6pm, Oregon Convention Center (777 NE Martin Luther King Jr Blvd, Portland). Learn about diversity issues at "Diversity Summit 2015," presented by Portland General Electric. The event includes workshops, two keynote speakers, breakout sessions, networking, and more. For info, or to register, call (503) 226-2377 or visit <www.pgediversitysummit.com>.

"Angel Island: Immigrant Gateway to America"

Apr 8, 6pm, University of Oregon, Lawrence Hall, Room 177 (1190 Franklin Blvd, Eugene). Attend "Angel Island: Immigrant Gateway to America," a talk by Dr. Judy Yung, professor emerita from the University of California, Santa Cruz, about the multiethnic history of immigration through Angel Island. For info, call (541) 346-3656 or visit <www.uoregon.edu>.

Arts Education and Access Income Tax

Apr 15 (postmark deadline). The Arts Education and Access Income Tax, approved by Portland voters in 2012, is due April 15, 2015. Adult Portland residents are required to pay the tax of \$35 per person, which funds the arts and arts education in Portland. New this year is the Permanent Senior Filing Exemption Program, which is available to qualifying taxpayers 70 years old or older who receive only non-taxable income. Arts Tax forms are now available in alternate languages (Chinese, Japanese, Lao, Vietnamese, Arabic, Russian, and others). For info, to obtain forms, or to learn how to pay online, call (503) 865-4ART (4278) or visit <www.portlandoregon.gov/artstax>.