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"Kasagi: Gates of Hope"

Through Aug 10, noon-7pm (Mon), 10am-7pm (Tue-Sun), Portland Japanese Garden (611 SW Kingston Ave, Portland). See related story by Maileen Hamto on page 11.

"Do You Know Bruce?"

Through Sep 6 (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?" Part 1 of the display, which ends September 6, 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. Part 2 of the exhibit opens October 3, 2015. For info, call (206) 623-5124 or visit <www.wingluke.org>.

"World War II: A World at War, A State Transformed"

Through Dec 7, 10am-5pm (Mon-Sat), noon-5pm (Sun), Oregon Historical Society Museum (1200 SW Park Ave, Portland). View "World War II: A World at War, A State Transformed," an exhibit of rare documents and artifacts from world and military leaders. The display also shares stories about the impact of the war on Oregonians. Admission to the museum is free for Multnomah County residents and Oregon school groups. For info, call (503) 222-1741 or visit <www.ohs.org>.

National Night Out celebration

Aug 4, 6-8pm, Beaverton City Park (SW Fifth St & SW Hall Blvd, Beaverton, Ore.). Kids and adults are invited to join the National Night Out celebration at Beaverton City Park. The event includes games and prizes, free food, a police K-9 demonstration, fire trucks, police cars, ambulances, and much more. For info, call (503) 526-2222 or visit <www.beavertonoregon.gov>.

Prayer vigil & peace lunch

Aug 6, 11am (vigil), noon-2pm (lunch), Concordia University (2811 NE Holman, Portland). Attend a prayer vigil and peace lunch featuring keynote speaker Ed Kawasaki, an atomic bomb survivor. The event is held in conjunction with "Never Again," a travelling exhibit from the Ground Zero Museum in Hiroshima, Japan. For info, call (503) 493-6370 or visit <www.cu-portland.edu/academics/library/library-events>. To buy tickets to the peace lunch, e-mail <garyspanovich@wholisticpeaceinstitute.com>.

Hiroshima & Nagasaki remembrance

Aug 6, 6-7pm, Japanese American Historical Plaza (NW Naito Parkway near NW Couch St, Portland). Attend "70 Years After Hiroshima and Nagasaki: The Ever-Present Nuclear Threat," a commemoration of the anniversary of the bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki during World War II. The family-friendly program — honoring lives lost to nuclear weapons and encouraging a nuclear-free future — features guest speakers, a performance by Portland Taiko, and more. For info, call (503) 274-2720 or visit <www.oregonpsr.org>.

A Tale for the Time Being

Aug 6 & 11, 1:30-2:30pm (Thu), 6:30-7:30pm (Tue), Capitol Hill Library (10723 SW Capitol Hwy, Portland). Engage in conversation about literature at a Pageturners discussion sponsored by Friends of the Library. The book for discussion is Ruth Ozeki's *A Tale for the Time Being*, a book about a novelist living on a remote Pacific Northwest island who is pulled into the mystery of a 16-year-old girl whose personal items wash ashore many months after the devastating earthquake and tsunami in Japan. For info, call (503) 988-5385 or visit <events.multco.lib.org>.

"Never Again"

Aug 6-Sep 19, 7am-10pm (Mon-Fri), 7:30am-10pm (Sat), noon-8pm (Sun), Concordia University, George R. White Library (2811 NE Holman, Portland). View "Never Again," a travelling exhibit from the Ground Zero Museum in Hiroshima, Japan. The display includes posters and photographs of the damage, journals, and art (including replicas of the Fat Man and Little Boy atom bombs). For info, call (503) 493-6370 or visit <www.cu-portland.edu/academics/library/library-events>.

Sala Kryszek Art & Writing Competition exhibit

Aug 6-Sep 29, 7am-10pm (Mon-Fri), 7:30am-10pm (Sat), noon-8pm (Sun), Concordia University, George R. White Library (2811 NE Holman, Portland). View a free exhibit highlighting students who participated in the annual Sala Kryszek Art & Writing Competition. The competition, which is open to middle- and high-school students, encourages youth to think about art, history, civics, sociology, and literature. For info, call (503) 493-6370 or visit <www.cu-portland.edu/academics/library/library-events>.

Nikkei community picnic

Aug 7 (deadline to register). Attend the annual Nikkei community picnic, scheduled for Sunday, August 16 from noon to 5:00pm in the South Park Area at Oaks Park (7805 SE Oaks Park Way, near the east end of the Sellwood Bridge, Portland). The free event, which is open to the public, features games, rides, prizes, food, and performances. Attendees should bring a side dish corresponding to their last name: A-Ki, rice or noodle dish; Kl-Sa, salad or vegetable dish; Sc-Z, dessert or bread dish. For info, or to register, call Connie at (503) 243-3291.



JIRO DREAMS OF SUSHI. *Jiro Dreams of Sushi*, a documentary about 85-year-old Jiro Ono, a world-renowned sushi chef who spends his days at his 10-seat sushi-only restaurant in a Tokyo subway station, airs Friday, August 14 on Oregon Public Broadcasting. Pictured are Jiro Ono (left) and Yoshikazu Ono working at Sukiyabashi Jiro restaurant, in *Jiro Dreams of Sushi*, a Magnolia Pictures release. (Photo courtesy of Magnolia Pictures)

A Lego Brickumentary

Opens Aug 7, Kiggins Theatre (1011 Main St, Vancouver, Wash.). Watch *A Lego Brickumentary*, a film about the impact of the LEGO brick and its innovative uses around the world. The documentary takes a look at art galleries full of LEGO creations, life-size LEGO models, LEGO therapy, and more. The screening also features a display of LEGO sculptures and special activities for children. (USA, 2014, Kief Davidson & Daniel Junge, 92 mins.) For info, or to obtain showtimes, call (360) 816-0352 or visit <www.kigginstheatre.com>.

"We Can Do It Together"

Aug 8, 4-9pm, Kenton Park (8417 N Brandon Ave, Portland). Join a day of unity, song, and prayer at "We Can Do It Together," a concert and community gathering bringing together people of all faiths and non-faiths, local law enforcement, and others to celebrate our differences. The event is held in conjunction with the annual National Night Out celebration. For info, call (503) 890-5393, or visit <www.wecandoittogether.net> or <www.properusa.org>.

Walk for peace

Aug 8, 5-8pm, Marylhurst University, Flavia Hall (17600 Pacific Hwy, Marylhurst, Ore.). Join the Labyrinth Group at Marylhurst University for a walk for peace in remembrance of the 70th anniversary of the bombings in Hiroshima and Nagasaki. The event, which is free and open to the public, also includes the folding of origami peace cranes, a minute of silence (7:00pm), and the display of a 24-foot canvas labyrinth at Flavia Salon. For info, call (503) 775-5844, e-mail <jhombres@marylhurst.edu>, or visit <www.marylhurst.edu>.

Portland Shogi Club

Aug 8, 15, 22 & 29, 1-6pm, Kalé (900 SW Morrison St, Portland). Join the Portland Shogi Club on Saturdays to play Japanese chess. The free gathering is open to all levels. Participants can drop in at any time and are encouraged to bring a playing board if available. For info, call (503) 282-1242 or e-mail <portlandshogi@gmail.com>.

A Mother's Prayer and From Hiroshima to the Future

Aug 9, 2-4pm, Concordia University, George R. White Library (2811 NE Holman, Portland). Watch two documentaries about nuclear disasters in Japan — *A Mother's Prayer* and *From Hiroshima to the Future* — screenings held as part of the display of "Never Again," a travelling exhibit from the Ground Zero Museum in Hiroshima, Japan. For info, call (503) 493-6370 or visit <www.cu-portland.edu/academics/library/library-events>.

Bicycle Sunday in Seattle

Aug 9, 16 & 30, 10am-6pm, Part of Lake Washington Boulevard (Seattle). Bike, jog, or stroll along a portion of Lake Washington Boulevard during Bicycle Sunday. From 10:00am to 6:00pm on certain Sundays during the summer, Lake Washington Boulevard is closed to motorized vehicles between the Seward Park entrance and Mount Baker Park's beach. For info, call (206) 684-4075 or visit <www.seattle.gov/parks/bicycle_sunday>.

"Race Talks"

Aug 11, 6pm (doors open), 7-9pm (talk), McMenamins Kennedy School (5736 NE 33rd Ave, Portland). Attend a presentation and discussion about the resurgence of hate crimes in America. The event is held as part of "Race Talks," a series of free community dialogues facilitated by trained volunteers from Uniting to Understand Racism. For info, call (971) 222-8254 or e-mail <racetalks01@gmail.com>.

Twin Sisters

Aug 11, 10-11pm; repeats Aug 13, 3-4am; Oregon Public Broadcasting (OPB). Watch *Twin Sisters*, a film that tells the moving true story of Mia and Alexandra, twin Chinese infants found in a cardboard box who were taken to an orphanage in 2003. Two sets of hopeful parents — from Norway and California — arrived in China to claim the babies, but by a twist of fate, the adopting parents also met each other. Noticing how much the girls looked alike, they wondered if their new daughters might be connected. The new mothers exchanged contact information and a year later did a DNA test confirming the girls were indeed twins, but by then they had already become part of their new families — Mia in bustling Sacramento, California and Alexandra in the isolated village of Fresvik, Norway. The film is airing as part of Independent Lens. To verify showtimes, call

(503) 293-1982 or visit <www.opb.org>.

"The Price of Thirst: Global Water Inequality and the Coming Chaos"

Aug 12, noon-1:30pm, World Affairs Council of Oregon, Madison Room (1200 SW Park Ave, Third Floor, Portland). Attend "The Price of Thirst: Global Water Inequality and the Coming Chaos," a talk by Karen Piper about a harrowing picture of a world out of balance, with the distance between the haves and have-nots of water inexorably widening and the coming crisis moving ever closer. The subject is the culmination of seven years of investigation across six continents and a dozen countries as well as scores of interviews with CEOs, activists, environmentalists, and climate-change specialists. For info, or to buy tickets, call (503) 306-5252 or visit <www.worldoregon.org>.

Twinsters

Opens Aug 14, Kiggins Theatre (1011 Main St, Vancouver, Wash.). Watch Samantha Futerman's *Twinsters*, a film documenting the journey of twin sisters who were separated when they were babies. In February of 2013, Anaïs Bordier, a French fashion student living in London, stumbled upon a YouTube video featuring Samantha Futerman, an actress in Los Angeles. Anaïs was struck by their uncanny resemblance. After discovering they were born on the same day in Busan, Korea and both put up for adoption, Anaïs reached out to Samantha via Facebook. *Twinsters* follows their journey into sisterhood, witnessing everything from their first meeting to their first trip back to Korea. (U.K./France/South Korea/USA, 2015, Samantha Futerman & Ryan Miyamoto, 90 mins.) For info, or to obtain showtimes, call (360) 816-0352 or visit <www.kigginstheatre.com>.

Jiro Dreams of Sushi

Aug 14, 10-11:30pm; repeats Aug 17, 3-4:30am; Oregon Public Broadcasting (OPB). Watch *Jiro Dreams of Sushi*, a documentary about 85-year-old Jiro Ono, a world-renowned sushi chef who spends his days at his 10-seat sushi-only restaurant in a Tokyo subway station. Despite its humble appearance, the restaurant — Sukiyabashi Jiro — was the first of its kind to be awarded a prestigious three-star Michelin review. The film is airing as part of Independent Lens. See story by Maileen Hamto, "Sweet dreams of sushi" (AR, March 19, 2012), at <www.asianreporter.com>. (USA, 2011, David Gelb, 81 mins.) To verify showtimes, call (503) 293-1982 or visit <www.opb.org>.

Chamtrul Rinpoche

Aug 14-16, Samden Ling (1404 SE 25th Ave, Portland). Learn about meditation, chakras, and more at workshops featuring Tibetan teacher Chamtrul Rinpoche. For info, hours, or to register (required), call (503) 790-1064 or visit <www.samdenling.org>.

Seaport Celebration

Aug 15, 10am-4pm, Portland Harbor, Marine Terminal 4 (11040 N Lombard St, Portland). Explore the Portland Harbor's working waterfront at the annual Seaport Celebration, presented by the Port of Portland. The free event includes activities for kids, booths, displays, food, live music, \$10 jet-boat tours, and more. For info, call (503) 460-4800 or visit <www.seaportcelebration.com>.

Slabtown Streetcars

Aug 17, 7:30pm, Powell's City of Books (1005 W Burnside St, Portland). Join historian Richard Thompson as he presents *Slabtown Streetcars*, a recounting of Portland's streetcar history. In 1872, Portland's first streetcars passed close to Slabtown while heading for a terminus in the north end. Slabtown was also home to the first streetcar manufacturing factory on the west coast. Until the 1910s, more than half of all streetcars in the United States were manufactured in shops located on N.W. 23rd Avenue. For info, call (503) 228-4651 or visit <www.powells.com>.

Free health screenings at AHSC

Aug 22, 11am-4pm, Asian Health & Service Center (3430 SE Powell Blvd, Portland). Receive free vision, blood-pressure, diabetes, cholesterol, dental, BMI (body mass index), lead-level, mental-health, and naturopathic-health screenings at the Asian Community Health Fair. Participants can receive general physical checkups, flu shots, and more at the event, which also includes free health information available in English, Chinese, Korean, and Vietnamese. For info, call (503) 872-8822 or visit <www.ahscpd.org>.

"Yakisoba" cooking class

Aug 23, 10am-1:30pm, West Linn Adult Community Center (1180 Rosemont Rd, West Linn, Ore.). Learn the ins and outs of making yakisoba at a class taught by Indonesia-born chef Surja Tjahaja. For info, or to register, call (503) 557-4700 or visit <www.westlinnoregon.gov>.

Sunday Parkways: Southeast Portland

Aug 23, 11am-4pm, Laurelhurst, Colonel Summers, Sewallcrest, and Ivon Parks (Southeast Portland). Walk and bike through southeast Portland neighborhoods and parks without motor traffic during a Sunday Parkways event. Entertainment and activities take place in the parks and along the seven-mile, two-way route, which has no start or finish. For info, call (503) 823-7599 or visit <www.portlandsundayparkways.org>.

"The Zodiac Animals in the Garden of Perfect Brightness"

Aug 23, 2pm, Portland Art Museum (1219 SW Park Ave, Portland). Join Lillian M. Li, professor emerita at Swarthmore College, for "The Zodiac Animals in the Garden of Perfect Brightness: Orientalism, Occidentalism, and Cultural Patrimony." The talk explores the cultural and political symbolism of the original Yuanming Yuan complex, including its destruction at the hands of European troops and its recent reconstruction as a national icon. The event is held in conjunction with "Circle of Animals/Zodiac Heads: Gold," an exhibit of a dozen gold-gilt bronze sculptures by Ai Weiwei currently on display at the Portland Art Museum. For info, call (503) 226-2811 or visit <www.portlandartmuseum.org>.