

This issue's
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"Sawasdee Thailand"

Through Jan 17, 10am-5pm (Mon-Fri), 1-4pm (Sat), World Beat Gallery, Reed Opera House (189 Liberty St SE, Second Floor, Salem, Ore.). View "Sawasdee Thailand," a display featuring pottery, nap mats, traditional clothing, instruments, and many other unique and fascinating items from Thailand, a country located in the center of the Indochinese peninsula in Southeast Asia. Proceeds from the art sale benefit the Association for the Promotion of the Status of Women in Bangkok. For info, call (503) 581-2004 or visit <www.salemmulticultural.org>.

"Do You Know Bruce?"

Through Feb 11 (Tue-Sun), 10am-5pm, Wing Luke Museum of the Asian Pacific American Experience (719 S King St, Seattle). Learn about Bruce Lee — including his multifaceted approach to life — at "Do You Know Bruce?" Part three of the display — "Day in the Life of Bruce Lee: Do You Know Bruce?" — explores what it took to become "Bruce Lee." Attendees get a glimpse of how Lee approached every day — from his personal habits, routines, and workout strategies to his written and visual art, reading, and time with family and friends — in the final segment of the three-year exhibit. For info, call (206) 623-5124, or visit <www.wingluke.org> or <www.doyouknowbruce.com>.

"Illusion: Nothing Is As It Seems"

Through Feb 19 (Tue-Sun), 9:30am-5:30pm, Oregon Museum of Science & Industry (1945 SE Water Ave, Portland). View "Illusion: Nothing Is As It Seems," a mind-bending experience that offers insight into the human mind by exploring sensory deception. The exhibit from the Science Gallery at Trinity College Dublin features more than 40 installations that deceive the senses and show that what we perceive is often radically different from the reality of what our eyes observe or ears hear. For info, call (503) 797-4000 or visit <www.oms.edu>.

"What's in Your Cup? Community-Brewed Culture"

Through Sep 16 (Tue-Sun), 10am-5pm, Wing Luke Museum of the Asian Pacific American Experience (719 S King St, Seattle). View "What's in Your Cup? Community-Brewed Culture," an exhibit that looks at the beverages that have given life to communities — from farmers and families who nurture the raw materials to friends and kin who bond over shared drinks. The display explores stories of the growers, scientists, and innovators who created and continue to adapt Asian beverages so cultures can thrive. For info, call (206) 623-5124 or visit <www.wingluke.org>.

WOU 10th annual MLK Jr. celebration

Jan 15-18, Western Oregon University (345 Monmouth Ave N, Monmouth, Ore.). Join Western Oregon University (WOU) for its 10th annual MLK Jr. celebration. On January 15 (10:00am-2:00pm), community members and WOU students are invited to volunteer to pack care packages for the WOU community at Historic Gentle House (855 Monmouth Ave N, Monmouth, Ore.). On January 16 (2:00-4:00pm), a free "poverty simulation" is held, and January 17 (6:00pm) features the MLK Jr. celebration dinner with Oregon public scholar and activist Walidah Imarisha. The final event, the "Media's Representation of Marginalized Communities," is a student-led forum held on January 18 (4:00-6:00). For info, call (503) 838-8000 or visit <www.wou.edu>.

Mahjong group

Jan 16, 23 & 30, 1-4pm, Gresham Library (385 NW Miller Ave, Gresham, Ore.). Players of all skill levels are invited to join a mahjong group. A coach is available to teach new players. For info, call (503) 988-5123 or visit <events.multcolib.org>.

OCAPIA public meeting

Jan 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) 302-9725, e-mail <OACO.mail@oregon.gov>, or visit <www.oregon.gov/OCAPIA>.

Clark College MLK Jr. celebration

Jan 17, 10am-6pm (exhibit), 1-2pm (presentation), Clark College, Gaiser Student Center (1933 Fort Vancouver Way, Vancouver, Wash.). Join Clark College as it honors the teachings of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. with a travelling exhibit and multimedia presentation. The theme is "1968," in reference to the 50th anniversary of the assassination of Dr. King. The day's activities focus on how the events of 1968 shaped American history and culture. Both events are free and open to the public. For info, call (360) 699-6398 or visit <www.clark.edu/cc/mlk>.

Yasmin Nguyen: "From FOMO to MOFO"

Jan 18, 11:30am-1:30pm, Portland City Grill (111 SW Fifth Ave, 30th Floor, Portland). Attend "From FOMO to MOFO," a talk by thought leader, speaker, podcast host, and entrepreneur Yasmin Nguyen, who shares specific, actionable strategies to release FOMO (Fear of Missing Out) to become a MOFO (Manifestor of Fantastic Opportunities). For info, or to register, call (503) 308-9532 or visit <www.wifspportland.metro.org>.

Tohoku no Shingetsu: A New Moon Over Tohoku

Jan 18, 6:30pm, Epworth United Methodist Church (1333 SE



RHINOS, RICKSHAWS, REVOLUTIONS. "Rhinos, Rickshaws, and Revolutions," a "National Geographic Live" talk by wildlife photojournalist Ami Vitale, takes place January 22 at Portland's Newmark Theatre. Vitale recounts her experiences at the event, focusing on conflicts such as the border dispute between India and Pakistan; the last rickshaws in Kolkata, India; the reintroduction of pandas and white rhinos into the wild; and more. Pictured are Hindus washing in the Saruj River in India. (Photo/ Ami Vitale, courtesy of "National Geographic Live")

28th Ave, Portland). Watch a screening of *Tohoku no Shingetsu: A New Moon Over Tohoku*, a film about love, survival, and Japanese tradition in the aftermath of the 2011 earthquake, tsunami, and nuclear disaster in northeastern Japan. Shot on location over two-and-a-half years in the coastal villages of Miyagi, Iwate, and Fukushima, the documentary chronicles a healing journey of both the Canadian-Japanese filmmaker and the Japanese residents affected by the disaster. The screening is preceded by refreshments and a short meeting of the Portland Japanese American Citizens League. (Canada & Japan, 2016, Linda Ohama, 98 mins.) For info, call (503) 232-5253.

MLK tribute at PSU

Jan 22, 7pm, Portland State University (PSU), Smith Memorial Student Union (1825 SW Broadway, Portland). Attend "Living the Legacy: Afrofuturism & Possibilities for Oregon," Portland State University's MLK tribute event featuring public scholar, organizer, and author Walidah Imarisha. A book signing follows the lecture. For info, visit <www.pdx.edu/diversity>. To reserve free tickets, call (503) 725-3307 or visit <www.pdx.edu/boxoffice/home>.

"National Geographic Live"

Jan 22, 7:30pm, Newmark Theatre (1111 SW Broadway, Portland). Attend "Rhinos, Rickshaws, and Revolutions," a "National Geographic Live" talk by wildlife photojournalist Ami Vitale. Vitale recounts her experiences focusing on conflicts, such as the border dispute between India and Pakistan; the last rickshaws in Kolkata, India; the reintroduction of pandas and white rhinos into the wild; and more. For info, or to buy tickets, call (503) 248-4335 or visit <www.portland5.com>.

"A Friend in Deed"

Jan 25, 6:30-8pm, Portland State University, Smith Memorial Student Union, Rooms 296-298 (1825 SW Broadway, Portland). Attend "A Friend in Deed: Lu Xun and Uchimura Kanzo in Shanghai, 1927-1936," a free talk by Dr. Joshua Fogel of York University in Toronto, Canada. For info, call (503) 725-8576 or visit <www.pdx.edu/asian-studies>.

Gem Faire

Jan 26-28, noon-6pm (Fri), 10am-6pm (Sat), 10am-5pm (Sun), Washington County Fairgrounds (873 NE 34th Ave, Hillsboro, Ore.). Browse an assortment of gemstones, jewelry, beads, crystals, and more at Gem Faire. Jewelry repair and cleaning services are also available. For info, call (503) 252-8300 or visit <www.gemfaire.com>.

Free "Fix-It Fair"

Jan 27, 9:30am-2:30pm, George Middle School (10000 N Burr 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

information on home and personal health, utility savings, food and nutrition, community resources, recycling, yard care, lead testing, and more. The event also features a Repair Café from 10:00am to 1:30pm, as well as lunch and free on-site childcare. For info, call (503) 823-4309, e-mail <fixitfair@portlandoregon.gov>, or visit <www.portlandoregon.gov/bps/41892>.

"Meet a Scientist" at OMSI

Jan 27, Feb 10 & 24, 1-4pm, Oregon Museum of Science & Industry (1945 SE Water Ave, Portland). Attend "Meet a Scientist," a program featuring local scientists who are Science Communication Fellows at the Oregon Museum of Science & Industry. Each afternoon event includes the scientists sharing their research and knowledge through hands-on activities and conversation. For info, call (503) 797-4000 or visit <www.oms.edu>.

"Seed Swap" & Putsata Reang lecture

Jan 28, 10am-noon, Midland Library (805 SE 122nd Ave, Portland). Join a "Seed Swap" event at Midland Library on "National Seed Swap Day." The event, hosted by Grow Portland, also includes a free lecture (10:15am) by journalist Putsata Reang about the influences of Chinese urban farmers, who, going back as far as the late 1800s and early 1900s, eked out a living tilling open fields in Portland neighborhoods such as Goose Hollow in the west and Albina in the east. For info, or to register (encouraged), call (503) 477-2333 or visit <www.growportland.org/seed-swap>.

OMSI After Dark: "Now You See It"

Jan 31, 6-10pm, Oregon Museum of Science & Industry (1945 SE Water Ave, Portland). Peruse Oregon Museum of Science & Industry (OMSI) exhibits, watch live demonstrations, and more at OMSI After Dark, an event for persons age 21 and older. Visitors can taste and learn the science behind food and beverages while probing OMSI's exhibits and labs at the event, which this month explores the mysterious realm that Houdini once called home, as well as the science behind the curtain, with "Now You See It." For info, call (503) 797-4000 or visit <www.oms.edu>.

\$2 Days at OMSI

Feb 4 & Mar 4, 9:30am-5:30pm, Oregon Museum of Science & Industry (1945 SE Water Ave, Portland). Take advantage of low-cost admission to the Oregon Museum of Science & Industry (OMSI) during the first Sunday of each month. The \$2 ticket includes general admission to the museum. For info, call (503) 797-4000 or visit <www.oms.edu>.

Asian food market tour

Feb 10, 11am-3pm, East Portland. Join Indonesia-born chef Surja Tjahaja for a tour of markets specializing in fresh, inexpensive vegetables, seafood, and other Asian food in the Portland area. The tour, which features ideas for the Lunar New Year, includes a gourmet Asian lunch. For info, meeting location, or to register (by February 1), call (503) 656-8910. To learn more, visit <www.chef2go.biz>.

"Prom-si After Dark!"

Feb 14, 6-10pm, Oregon Museum of Science & Industry (1945 SE Water Ave, Portland). Peruse Oregon Museum of Science & Industry (OMSI) exhibits, watch live demonstrations, and more at OMSI After Dark, an event for persons age 21 and older. Visitors can taste and learn the science behind food and beverages while probing OMSI's exhibits and labs at February's special "Prom-si After Dark!" For info, call (503) 797-4000 or visit <www.oms.edu>.

"Revitalizing Dialogue: Strategies for Engaging in a Polarized Society"

Feb 26-27, Washington State University Vancouver (14204 NE Salmon Creek Ave, Vancouver, Wash.). High school and college students and faculty are invited to attend "Revitalizing Dialogue: Strategies for Engaging in a Polarized Society," a statewide conference on civility. Participants learn how to promote civility in their communities through civil dialogue around contentious issues, learn and practice skills required to become an IPD Civility Fellow, including deliberative democracy, cultural competency, facilitation skills, how to guide conversations, and ways to foster understanding. The event is sponsored by Washington State University Vancouver's Initiative for Public Deliberation. For info, call (360) 546-9788 or visit <www.vancouver.wsu.edu>. To register (required by February 9), visit <bit.ly/IPDconference>.

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The Year of the Dog begins February 16, 2018.
The Asian Reporter's Lunar New Year special issue in honor of the Year of the Dog will be published on Monday, February 5.