

Lunar New Year events

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(Portland). Kick off the Lunar New Year with a mile-long parade in Portland presented by the Portland Chinatown History Foundation. The event starts at the Chinese Consolidated Benevolent Association (315 NW Davis St, Portland) with fireworks and lion dances, followed by a parade that marches through downtown Portland to the Oregon Historical Society Museum (1200 SW Park Ave, Portland), where more performances are held (1:00 to 3:30pm). For info, call (503) 222-1741 or (503) 224-0008, or visit <www.ohs.org> or <www.portlandchinatown.org>.

Oregon Asian Celebration

Feb 17-18, 10am-7pm (Sat), 10am-6pm (Sun), Lane Events Center (796 W 13th Ave, Eugene, Ore.). Attend the 2018 edition of the annual Oregon Asian Celebration. Visitors enjoy a bustling array of Asian culture through a colorful marketplace, Asian and Asian-American entertainment, arts and crafts, cooking and martial arts demonstrations, youth activities, exhibits, Asian cuisine, and more. For info, or to obtain a complete schedule of activities, call (541) 554-9350 or (541) 682-7332, or visit <www.asiancelebration.org>.

Tet Nguyen Dan

Feb 17-18 & 20; Feb 17, 2pm, Gregory Heights Library (7921 NE Sandy Blvd, Portland); Feb 18, 2pm, Multnomah County Central Library, U.S. Bank Room (801 SW 10th Ave, Portland); Feb 20, 6pm, Holgate Library (7905 SE Holgate Blvd, Portland). Families are invited to attend *Tet Nguyen Dan*, the Vietnamese New Year, one of the most important holidays in many Asian cultures, celebrating life, good health, and prosperity. The event includes cultural performances, educational activities, and refreshments. For info, call (503) 988-5123 or visit <events.multcolib.org>.

Tet Festival 2018

Feb 18, 11:30am-5pm, Portland Airport Holiday Inn,



“BARK TO THE FUTURE!” Enjoy a bustling array of Asian culture through a colorful marketplace, Asian and Asian-American entertainment, arts and crafts, cooking and martial arts demonstrations, youth activities, exhibits, Asian cuisine, and more at the Oregon Asian Celebration, which is scheduled during the weekend of February 17 and 18 at the Lane Events Center in Eugene, Oregon. (Photo courtesy of the Oregon Asian Celebration)

Conference Center (8439 NE Columbia Blvd, Portland). Celebrate the Year of the Dog at the Vietnamese Community of Oregon's Tet Festival. Tet, a shortened name for *Tet Nguyen Dan*. Tet is a time to celebrate heritage, honor ancestors, leave the past year's problems

behind, and make a fresh start. The daytime festival features a lion dance, performances, traditional dance, an *ao dai* (long dress) pageant, a kids' fashion show, activities for children, recognition of outstanding students, free health screenings and information, and more. An evening of musical performances takes place after the daytime festival from 6:00pm to 10:00pm (tickets are required). For info, or to buy tickets to the evening concert, call (503) 349-9232 or visit <www.vnco.org>.

Lunar New Year at Uwajimaya Plaza

Feb 18, 1:45pm & 2:30pm, Uwajimaya Plaza (10500 SW Beaverton-Hillsdale Hwy, Beaverton, Ore.). Watch Lunar New Year performances held in honor of the Year of the Dog at Uwajimaya. The event features the Sunflower Chinese Dance Troupe at 1:45pm and a lion dance at 2:30pm. In addition, Uwajimaya stores in Oregon and Washington are giving out lucky red envelopes to customers who make a purchase totalling \$30 or more. For info, call (503) 643-4512 or visit <www.uwajimaya.com>.

C.A.C.A. Chinese New Year

Feb 18, 5-9pm, Wong's King Seafood Restaurant (8733 SE Division St, Portland). Welcome the Year of the Dog at the Chinese American Citizens Alliance's (C.A.C.A.) annual fundraising dinner. Proceeds benefit scholarships and youth-related programs in the Asian community. For info, or to buy tickets, contact Betty at (503) 221-8773 or e-mail <bettyjeanleepdx@gmail.com>.

API Pride Lunar New Year Banquet

Feb 24, 6-9pm, Szechuan Chef (5331 SW Macadam Ave, Portland). Join members of API Pride for the organization's annual Lunar New Year Banquet. The all-ages event includes food, performances, a raffle, and more. API Pride supports lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer people of Asian and Pacific Islander (API) descent in Oregon. For info, or to buy tickets (by February 15), call (503) 877-9379 or e-mail <api.pride@gmail.com>.



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