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“Reimagining Home: The Cultural Journey of South Asian Americans”

Through Apr 22, 10am-5pm (Sun), 10am-8pm (Mon), noon-8pm (Tue-Wed), 10am-6pm (Thu-Sat), Multnomah County Central Library, Collins Gallery (801 SW 10th Ave, Portland). View “Reimagining Home: The Cultural Journey of South Asian Americans,” an exhibit that explores the cultural footprint of the South Asian diaspora in America. Immigrants from the Indian subcontinent, a vast land that encompasses ancient civilizations, rich mythology, and epic political struggles, come from countries such as India, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Nepal, Bhutan, and Bangladesh. Visitors are invited to discover visual art, dance, music, poetry, literature, textiles, and food through multimedia installations, everyday objects, and more. For info, call (503) 988-5123 or visit <events.multcolib.org>.

“Glimpses of a Forever Foreigner”

Through Apr 22 (Tue-Sun), 10am-5pm, Wing Luke Museum of the Asian Pacific American Experience (719 S King St, Seattle). View “Year of Remembrance: Glimpses of a Forever Foreigner,” an exhibit featuring poems by Lawrence Matsuda and artwork by Roger Shimomura. The display explores historic and contemporary issues of racism, discrimination, and human rights. For info, call (206) 623-5124 or visit <www.wingluke.org>.

“Oregon My Oregon”

Through Apr 29, 10am-5pm (Mon-Sat), noon-5pm (Sun), Oregon Historical Society Museum (1200 SW Park Ave, Portland). Learn about Oregon history at “Oregon My Oregon.” The exhibit features a re-creation of the Hood River Yasui Brothers Mercantile stocked with 1940s-era merchandise, a Hudson’s Bay Company ship hull, a 19th-century explorer’s tent, a covered wagon, and more. Admission to the museum is free for Multnomah County residents and all Oregon school groups. For info, call (503) 222-1741 or visit <www.ohs.org>.

“Voyage to Vietnam: Celebrating the Tet Festival”

Through May 6 (daily), 9am-5pm, Portland Children’s Museum (4015 SW Canyon Rd, Portland). View “Voyage to Vietnam: Celebrating the Tet Festival,” a hands-on exhibit offering children an opportunity to discover the beauty, sights, and sounds of Vietnam through its most important celebration of the year — *Tet* — the Vietnamese New Year. While welcoming and celebrating the Year of the Dog, museum-goers learn about the traditions, customs, and values exemplified by the annual celebration. See related story, “Voyage to Vietnam: Celebrating the Tet Festival” opens February 9 at the Portland Children’s Museum” (AR, February 5, 2018), at <www.asianreporter.com>. For info, call (503) 223-6500 or visit <www.portlandcm.org>.

“Robot Revolution”

Through Sep 3 (Tue-Sun), 9:30am-5:30pm, Oregon Museum of Science & Industry (1945 SE Water Ave, Portland). View “Robot Revolution,” an exhibit that explores how robots, created by human ingenuity, ultimately may become our companions and colleagues, changing how we play, live, and work together. The display comes to life with a collection of cutting-edge robots secured from innovative global robotics companies and universities. For info, call (503) 797-4000 or visit <www.oms.oregon.gov>.

Community budget forum

Apr 17, 6:30pm-8:30pm, Roosevelt High School, Commons (6941 N Central St, Portland). Portland residents are invited to learn about the proposed city budget and offer feedback at a community forum presented by the Portland City Council. Testimony tickets are available at 5:00pm. Tickets are drawn at random throughout the course of the evening and each speaker has two minutes to address the council. For info, call (503) 823-6925, e-mail <CityBudgetOffice@portlandoregon.gov>, or visit <www.portlandoregon.gov/cbo>.

Free cancer screenings

Apr 18, 9am-5pm, Providence Portland Medical Center Campus, Robert W. Franz Cancer Center, Jill Lematta Learning Center (4805 NE Glisan St, Portland). Receive free oral, head, and neck cancer screenings by Providence Cancer Institute experts. Screenings take only a few minutes. For info, or to register (recommended), call (503) 574-6595.

“Spotlight on Thailand”

Apr 19, 6:30pm, Portland State University, Smith Memorial Student Union, Rooms 296-298 (1825 SW Broadway, Portland). Attend “Spotlight on Thailand,” a lecture by Katherine Bowie, a professor of anthropology at the University of Wisconsin-Madison who has conducted extensive research in Thailand for more than 40 years. In her work, Bowie explores Thai peasant history, political economy, social movements, electoral politics, gender, anthropological approaches to Theravada Buddhism, and more. For info, call (503) 725-8576 or visit <www.pdx.edu/asian-studies>.

50th anniversary of the Fair Housing Act

Apr 19 & 30; Apr 19, 7-9pm, Alberta Abbey (126 NE Alberta St, Portland); Apr 30, 7-8:30pm, McMenamins Kennedy School (5736 NE 33rd Ave, Portland). Join the Oregon Historical Society as it commemorates the 50th anniversary of the Fair Housing Act. Events include “The Color of Law: The Forgotten History of How Our Government Segregated America” (April 19, \$10), a talk presented by Richard Rothstein with Dr. Karen Gibson, and “Making Home & Community Before & After the Fair Housing



LOVE & BANANAS. Love & Bananas: An Elephant Story, a documentary that follows a team of elephant rescuers as they embark on a daring mission to rescue Noi Na, a 70-year-old captive, partially blind trekking elephant and bring her 500 miles across Thailand to freedom, is screening April 22 at the Kiggins Theatre in Vancouver, Washington. (Photo courtesy of the Kiggins Theatre)

Act” (April 30, free), a panel discussion moderated by Carmen Thompson. For info, call (503) 222-1741 or visit <www.ohs.org>. To buy tickets to the April 19 event, visit <www.rothstein.brownpapertickets.com>.

DisOrient Asian American Film Festival

Apr 19-22, Eugene-area theaters & venues (Eugene, Ore.). View portrayals of the Asian-American experience and support Asian-American artists at the 2018 DisOrient Asian American Film Festival, the first film festival in Oregon featuring independent films and video by and/or about Asian Americans. This year’s event highlights many films, including *The Chinese Exclusion Act* (April 17 pre-opening film), *The Jade Pendant* (April 19), *Badass Beauty Queen* (April 20), *Drawn Together* (April 21), *The Sakada Series* (April 21), *Proof of Loyalty: Kazuo Yamane and the Nisei Soldiers of Hawaii* (April 21), *Grass* (April 21), *A Taste of Home* (April 22), *Out of State* (April 22), *Kuleana* (April 22), and *Find Me* (April 22). The festival also includes question-and-answer sessions with several filmmakers as well as special events, a music video, and the display of “Architecture of Internment: The Buildup to Wartime Incarceration” (April 17-23). See related story on page 11. For info, or to obtain a schedule of free and ticketed events, call (541) 954-1798 or visit <www.disorientfilm.org>. To buy tickets, visit <www.brownpapertickets.com/producer/2220>.

IAS 20th anniversary forum & panel discussion

Apr 20, 2-4pm, Portland State University, Urban Center Building, Second Floor Gallery (506 SW Mill St, Portland). Attend a free forum and panel discussion about the current status and future direction of Asian studies. Panelists include representatives from Portland State University, Portland Community College, Reed College, the University of Oregon, and the University of Wisconsin-Madison. The event is held in honor of the 20th anniversary of the Portland State University Institute for Asian Studies (IAS). Light refreshments are provided. For info, call (503) 725-8576 or visit <www.pdx.edu/asian-studies>.

“Japanese Tourism” lecture

Apr 20, 6pm, Portland State University, Native American Student Community Center, Room 110 (710 SW Jackson St, Portland). Attend “Japanese Tourism to Nanjing, Shenyang (Mukden), and Qufu, 1938-1943,” a free talk by Ken Ruoff, a professor at Portland State University. For info, call (503) 725-8576 or visit <www.pdx.edu/asian-studies>.

Repair Café

Apr 21, June 7 & Aug 9; Apr 21, 10:30am-12:30pm, Cascade Park Community Library (600 NE 136th Ave, Vancouver, Wash.); June 7, 5:30-7:30pm, Vancouver Community Library (901 C St, Vancouver, Wash.); Aug 9, 6-8pm, Filbin’s ACE Hardware (809 NE Minnehaha St, Vancouver, Wash.). Do you have electronics, clothing, jewelry, knives, small appliances or tools, or other items that need fixed? If you do, bring them to the free Repair Café, an event at which volunteers share their expertise and knowledge to help diagnose and fix a variety of

common household items. For info, or to learn more about items that can be brought, call (360) 882-0936, ext. 224, or visit <www.repairclarkcounty.org>.

Love & Bananas: An Elephant Story

Apr 22, 1pm, Kiggins Theatre (1011 Main St, Vancouver, Wash.). Watch *Love & Bananas: An Elephant Story*, a documentary that follows a team of elephant rescuers as they embark on a daring mission to rescue Noi Na, a 70-year-old captive, partially blind trekking elephant and bring her 500 miles across Thailand to freedom. The film screening is held in observance of Earth Day. (Cambodia/Thailand/USA, 2018, Ashley Bell, 77 mins.) For info, call (360) 816-0352 or visit <www.kigginstheatre.com>.

Deadline to register to vote in Oregon

Apr 24 (last day to register to vote in Oregon). Oregon residents must register to vote by Tuesday, April 24 in order to participate in the May 15 primary election. To be eligible to vote, a potential voter must be a resident of Oregon, a citizen of the United States, and at least 18 years of age. To learn how to register, visit <www.oregonvotes.org> or go to your county elections office.

PCC Cascade Job Fair

Apr 24, 11am-3pm, Portland Community College (PCC), Cascade Campus, Physical Education Building Gymnasium (600 N Killingsworth St, Portland). Attend PCC’s annual Cascade Job Fair, which features more than 100 employers as well as information about job searching and more. Job seekers are encouraged to dress for interviews and bring copies of their résumé to the free public event. For info, call (971) 722-5600 or visit <www.pcc.edu/cascadejobfair>.

Nonpartisan candidate forum

Apr 24, 6-9pm, Multnomah Building, Boardroom (501 SE Hawthorne Blvd, Portland). Join the League of Women Voters of Portland Education Fund for public nonpartisan candidate forums held ahead of the May 15 Oregon Primary Election. The forum includes two panels of candidates (times are approximate): Portland commissioner positions 2 & 3 (6:00-7:25pm) and Metro councillor for districts 2 & 4 (7:35-9:00pm). For voter convenience, the forum is available for on-demand viewing online post-event (check website for details). For info, call (503) 228-1675 or visit <www.lwvpx.org>.

PDX Global Eats

Apr 26, 6pm, Lagunitas Community Room (237 NE Broadway St, Suite 300, Portland). Attend PDX Global Eats, a fundraiser benefitting the Educating Refugee & Immigrant Students program of Refugee Center Online. The event features Tibetan momos, Iraqi dolmas, Somali sambusas, Cuban pastries, beverages, and a raffle. For info, call (503) 468-5474 or e-mail <info@therefugeecenter.org>. To register (required), visit <www.therefugeecenter.org/global-eats>.

Asian and Pacific Islander Day in Salem

Apr 28, 10am-2pm, Oregon State Capitol (900 Court St NE, Salem, Ore.). Attend Asian and Pacific Islander Day at the Oregon State Capitol, an event featuring performances, booths, and more. For info, or to become involved in the event, call (503) 986-1388 or visit <www.oregoncapitol.com>.

Japanese American Graduation Banquet

May 6, 1pm, Monarch Hotel & Conference Center (12566 SE 93rd Ave, Clackamas, Ore.). Attend the annual Japanese American Graduation Banquet, an event celebrating the achievements of the Japanese-American high school class of 2018 who reside in the Portland metropolitan area. This year’s keynote speaker is Mark Mitsui, president of Portland Community College. The scholarships are sponsored by Portland-area businesses and organizations. To nominate a Japanese-American high school senior for recognition, contact Linda at <naninotton@hotmail.com>. For info, call 1-877-843-6914 or visit <www.pdxjacl.org>.

Budget committee public hearing

May 10, 6-8:30pm, Portland City Hall, City Council Chambers (1221 SW Fourth Ave, Portland). Portland residents are invited to learn about the proposed city budget by attending a budget committee public hearing presented by the Portland City Council. For info, call (503) 823-6925, e-mail <CityBudgetOffice@portlandoregon.gov>, or visit <www.portlandoregon.gov/cbo>.

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