

HOLIDAY EVENTS & SHOWS

Christmas Ship Parade

Through Dec 20, Willamette & Columbia Rivers (Portland). Watch two fleets of colorfully decorated ships ply the Willamette and Columbia Rivers. The Christmas Ship Parade has been a Portland tradition since 1954. The combined fleets average 50 to 60 boats. For route schedule, viewing locations, or to make a donation, visit <www.christmasships.org>.

Omiyage museum store

Through Dec 23, 11am-6pm (Tue-Sat), noon-4pm (Sun), Oregon Nikkei Legacy Center (121 NW Second Ave, Portland). Shop for unique Japan-inspired gifts and crafts by local artists and designers at *Omiyage*, the Oregon Nikkei Legacy Center's holiday shop. Featured items for sale include jewelry, fashion and home accessories, cards, origami creations, anime-inspired merchandise, books, a selection of curated vintage items, and more. For info, call (503) 224-1458 or visit <www.oregonnikkei.org>.

Winter Wonderland at PIR

Through Dec 29, 5:30-9:30pm (Sun-Thu), 5-11pm (Fri-Sat), Portland International Raceway (1940 N Victory Blvd, Portland). Enjoy the annual Winter Wonderland drive-through holiday lights extravaganza at Portland International Raceway (PIR). Illuminating the skies are Toyland, the Poinsettia Arch, Candy Cane Lane, Reindeer Road, and 250 display pieces and animated scenes. Winter Wonderland benefits the Portland Police Bureau Sunshine Division, an organization that provides food and clothing to those in need. For info, call (503) 823-7223, ext. 1, or visit <www.winterwonderlandportland.com>.

Peacock Lane

Through Dec 31, 6-11pm, Peacock Lane (between SE Stark & SE Belmont St, one block east of SE César Chávez Blvd, Portland). Experience all the holiday warmth that 110 volts of AC power can provide as Portland's famous Christmas-light display illuminates the night. The free event is presented by homeowners, who encourage visitors to view the display on foot and enjoy hot cocoa or hot cider. For info, e-mail <pdxpeacocklane@gmail.com> or visit <www.peacocklane.org>.

"Holiday Laser Magic"

Through Dec 31, 11am, 1pm, 3pm & 6pm, Oregon Museum of Science & Industry (OMSI), Kendall Planetarium (1945 SE Water Ave, Portland). Watch "Holiday Laser Magic," a 25-minute full-color laser show with seasonal tunes. The show gives new meaning to the words "holiday lights." For info, or to buy tickets, call (503) 797-4000 or visit <www.oms.edu>.

"Gingerbread Adventures"

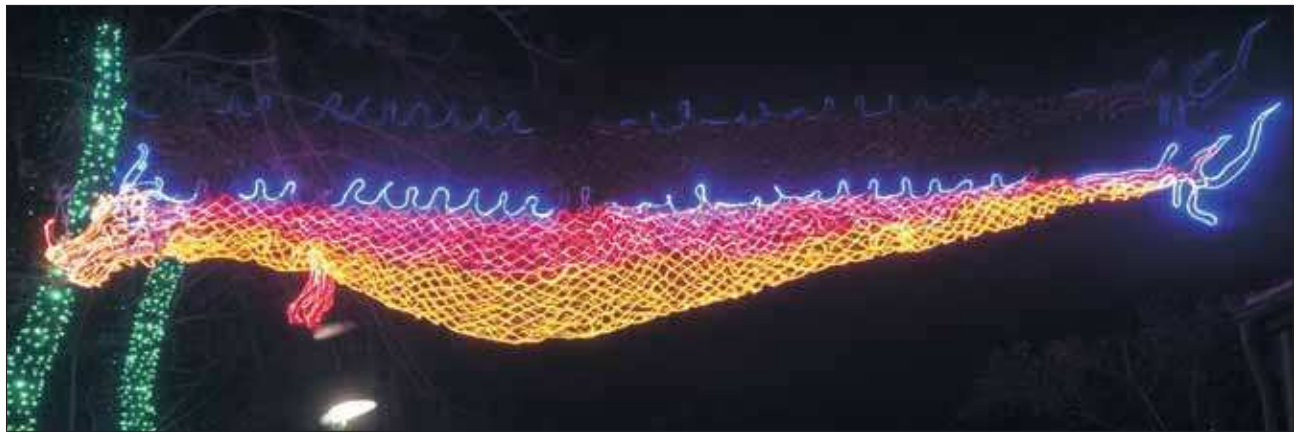
Through Jan 1, 9:30am-5:30pm, Oregon Museum of Science & Industry (1945 SE Water Ave, Portland). View "Gingerbread Adventures," a display of towering gingerbread sculptures designed by expert bakers, architects, designers, and construction firms highlighting the food science, biology, technology, engineering, architecture, and physics involved in creating the artistic creations. Exhibit-related events include hands-on activities, science demos, festive decorations, origami sphinx folding, decoding hieroglyphs, build-it-yourself food science workshops, and more. Visitors also have an opportunity to vote for their favorite sculpture. For info, or to buy tickets, call (503) 797-4000 or visit <www.oms.edu>.

ZooLights

Through Jan 5, 5-9pm (except Dec 24-25), Oregon Zoo (4001 SW Canyon Rd, Portland). Ring in the holiday season with the annual ZooLights display at the Oregon Zoo. The family tradition features music, animals, and more than a million-and-a-half lights illuminating life-size animal silhouettes, trees, buildings, walkways, and the zoo train. Popular returning displays include trumpeting elephants, swinging siamangs, a 35-foot-long Chinese dragon, leaping reindeer, tobogganing polar bears, playful penguins, and more. For info, or to buy tickets, call (503) 226-1561 or visit <www.oregonzoo.org/zoolights>.

Diving Santa at the Oregon Zoo

Dec 18-22, 11-11:45am, Oregon Zoo, Steller Cove (4001 SW Canyon Rd, Portland). Watch Diving Santa hang out with the resident seals at Steller Cove. Swimming Santa takes a festive



1.6 MILLION LIGHTS. The more than 1.6 million lights that make up the Oregon Zoo's ZooLights display are on view through January 5. Visitors are able to walk the zoo grounds, see the lights, listen to music, view the animals, ride the zoo train, and more. (AR Photo/Jody Lim)

holiday dive with the zoo's popular residents, harbor seals Kaya, her mother Atuun, Tongass, and recent Chicago transplant Sterling. For info, or to buy tickets, call (503) 226-1561 or visit <www.oregonzoo.org>. See photo on page one.

OBT's *The Nutcracker*

Dec 20-26, 2pm & 7:30pm (Thu-Sun), noon (Mon), 2pm (Wed), Keller Auditorium (222 SW Clay St, Portland). Watch the Oregon Ballet Theatre's presentation of George Balanchine's *The Nutcracker*. Popular with young and old, the work is both a paragon of classical ballet and a fun fantasy for all. For info, or to buy tickets, call (503) 2-BALLET (222-5538) or visit <www.obt.org>.

"Yule Log"

Dec 24, 10pm-2am, Oregon Public Broadcasting Plus (OPB Plus). Enjoy all the benefits of a holiday fire in the hearth without the trouble of hauling logs and cleaning up ashes. On Christmas Eve, Oregon Public Broadcasting plays seasonal music while televising a roaring fire. Viewers should not attempt to toast marshmallows at the screen. To verify showtime, call (503) 293-1982 or visit <www.opb.org>.

Union Gospel Mission Christmas meal

Dec 25, 10am-1pm, Union Gospel Mission (15 NW Third Ave, Portland). Those in need and the homeless are invited to join Union Gospel Mission for a Christmas Day meal with ham, potatoes, green beans with bacon and onions, Ambrosia fruit salad, dinner rolls, pie, hot coffee, punch, and water. As part of this year's event, the organization is distributing gift bags with a scarf, gloves, hand warmers, flashlight, and hygiene kit to attendees. For info, or to make or drop off a donation, call (503) 274-4483 or visit <www.ugmportland.org>.

Potluck in the Park

Dec 25, noon-3pm, Portland Art Museum, Mark Building (1119 SW Park Ave, Portland). Enjoy or volunteer at a free Christmas dinner. The meal — featuring turkey with all the trimmings — is available to anyone in need or alone this holiday. The event, which takes place on Park Avenue between S.W. Main & Madison Streets, includes jazz musicians playing dinner music, free phone calls to loved ones, photos with Santa, and gifts. Pet food and kennels are available during the meal. Potluck in the Park also serves a free meal to anyone in need at 3:00pm every Sunday of the year, rain or shine, at its current temporary site located at Tom McCall Waterfront Park on S.W. Naito Parkway

in Portland (under the Hawthorne Bridge ramp). For info, to arrange transportation, or to make a donation, call (503) 255-7611, e-mail <potluck@potluckinthepark.org>, or visit <www.potluckinthepark.org>.

Kwanzaa celebration

Dec 29, 10:30am-noon, North Portland Library (512 N Killingsworth St, Portland). Learn about the seven principles of Kwanzaa at a family event celebrating the fifth principle, *Nia* (purpose). For info, call (503) 988-5123 or visit <events.multcolib.org>.

New Year's at noon

Dec 31, 11am-2pm, Portland Children's Museum (4015 SW Canyon Rd, Portland). Young people are invited to ring in the New Year hours before the grownups with festive noisemakers, multiple countdowns, a dance party, art and craft activities, and more. For info, call (503) 223-6500 or visit <www.portlandcm.org>.

New Year's Eve sangha event

Dec 31, 7pm-midnight, Dharma Rain Zen Center (8500 NE Siskiyou St, Portland). Attend a New Year's Eve celebration, a sangha event featuring a vegetarian potluck (7:00pm), sacred dancing (8:30-9:00pm), 108 tolls of the bell (10:30pm), a New Year's ceremony (11:40pm), and more. Attendees attending dinner are asked to bring a vegetarian dish to share. For info, call (503) 894-8891, e-mail <registrar@zendust.org>, or visit <www.zendust.org>.

DJ Anjali & The Incredible Kid New Year

Dec 31, 8pm (doors open), 9pm-1am, Wonder Ballroom (128 NE Russell St, Portland). Ring in the New Year with DJ Anjali and The Incredible Kid, who drop the latest electronic sounds emerging from South Asia, the Middle East, Africa, Latin America, Jamaica, and the U.K. The event is for persons age 21 and older. For info, call (503) 281-3918 or visit <www.anjaliandthekid.com>.

"Bollywood Masquerade"

Dec 31, 8pm (doors open), 9pm-2am, Hawthorne Theatre (1507 SE César Chávez Blvd, Portland). Attend "Bollywood Masquerade," a New Year party for persons age 21 and older featuring DJ Prashant and special guests. For info, call (971) 344-2022 or visit <www.bollywoodpdx.com>.

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