



ONGOING EVENTS

“Behind the Shoji: Hokkaido Marketplace”

Through Sep 15, noon-7pm (Mon), 10am-7pm (Tue-Sun), Portland Japanese Garden (611 SW Kingston Ave, Portland). Attend the “Behind the Shoji: Hokkaido Marketplace” art show and sale. The event features wood, textiles, and more from Hokkaido’s native Ainu peoples. For info, or to buy tickets, call (503) 223-1321 or visit <www.japanesegarden.com>.

“A Potter’s Eye”

Through Sep 22, noon-7pm (Mon), 10am-7pm (Tue-Sun), Portland Japanese Garden (611 SW Kingston Ave, Portland). View “A Potter’s Eye: The George Cummings Collection of Japanese Ceramics,” an exhibit featuring both Japanese pieces and the artist’s handcrafted works. For info, or to buy tickets, call (503) 223-1321 or visit <www.japanese garden.com>.

“Gnarly: The Dan Robinson Retrospective”

Through Sep 29 (Tue-Sun), 10am-4pm, Pacific Bonsai Museum (2515 S 336th St, Federal Way, Wash.). View “Gnarly: The Dan Robinson Retrospective,” an exhibit honoring a lifetime of work by a bonsai legend. The display looks back on the career of American bonsai renegade Dan Robinson, who pioneered unorthodox techniques and championed the gnarly, twisted forms of aged trees in nature. For info, call (253) 353-7345 or visit <www.pacificbonsaimuseum.org>.

“Dramatic Impressions: Japanese Actor Prints”

Through Oct 13, 10am-5pm (Tue-Wed & Sat-Sun), 10am-8pm (Thu-Fri), Portland Art Museum (1219 SW Park Ave, Portland). View “Dramatic Impressions: Japanese Actor Prints,” an exhibit of more than three dozen woodblock prints of actors on the *kabuki* stage. The prints began to flourish in the late 17th century in Japan’s great cities. A quintessential form of urban entertainment, kabuki brought to life vivid scenes from dramatic storylines, at turns hilarious, tragic, breathtaking, or bawdy. Pictures of actors — *oryakusha-e* — were inextricably tied to the world of theater and the fan culture it promoted. Printed portraits could highlight exciting moments of suspended action or dramatic tension. Above all, they captured the distinctive poses of an actor, making the actor iconic through his most characteristic expressions and recognizable roles. For info, call (503) 226-2811 or visit <www.portlandart museum.org>.

Cambodian Rock Band

Through Oct 27, Oregon Shakespeare Festival, Thomas Theatre (15 S Pioneer St, Ashland, Ore.). Watch *Cambodian Rock Band*, a musical journey 30 years in the making. The epic play/rock concert thrusts viewers into the life of a young woman trying to piece together her family history 30 years after her father fled Cambodia. Featuring actor/musicians who perform a mix of contemporary Dengue Fever hits and classic Cambodian oldies live, playwright Lauren Yee brings to life the Cambodian rock scene of the ’60s and ’70s, a movement cut short by the Khmer Rouge’s brutal attempt to erase the music (and musicians) once and for all. For info, showtimes, or to buy tickets, call (541) 482-2111 or visit <www.osfashland.org>.

Carrie Yamaoka

Through Nov 3, 11am-4pm (Wed, Fri & Sat-Sun), 11am-9pm (Thu), Henry Art Gallery, East Gallery (15th Ave NE & NE 41st St, Seattle). View “recto/verso,” an exhibit that brings together work by Carrie Yamaoka spanning the early 1990s to the present. The display highlights the artist’s recurring themes of (in)visibility and perception across her practice. For info, call (206) 543-2280 or visit <www.henryart.org>.

“Gentleman Warrior: Art of the Samurai”

Through Dec 1, 10am-5pm (Mon, Wed & Fri-Sun), 10am-9pm (Thu), Seattle Art Museum (1300 First Ave, Seattle). View “Gentleman Warrior: Art of the Samurai,” an exhibit offering a multifaceted view of the samurai culture. More than 20 works from the museum’s collection and two sets of on-loan samurai armor demonstrate the important roles samurai played in the tea ceremony, *noh* theater, Buddhist practices, and the art of armor and battles. For info, call (206) 654-3100 or visit <www.seattleartmuseum.org>.

SHU-JU WANG



September 3 to 29

Tuesday through Saturday: 11:00am to 5:30pm ♦ Sunday: 11:00am to 4:00pm  
Preview: September 4, 5:00 to 8:00pm ♦ Artist talk: September 15, 11:00am to noon  
Waterstone Gallery, 124 N.W. Ninth Avenue, Portland

View “Things That Don’t Float,” an exhibit by Shu-Ju Wang featuring mixed-media sculptures and paintings. Memories of the artist’s four-year-old self dressed in a swimming suit made of corduroy laid the foundation of her new series. The exhibit includes recent paintings of sodden objects and sculptures. For more information, call (503) 226-6196 or visit <www.waterstonegallery.com>.

Pictured are “Swimming Suit Made of Inappropriate Materials #1” (left), reclaimed futon cotton, gouache, acrylic, thread, wood, glass, metal, 12.5” x 9” x 9”, 2019, and “Inundation #5, A Sea Urchin Meets a Little Black Book Lost to Sea,” gouache, color pencils, cold wax, 7” x 5”, 2019. (Photos courtesy of the Waterstone Gallery)

UPCOMING EVENTS

Procyon II

Sep 5, 6-8pm, Floating World Comics (400 NW Couch St, Portland). Join Karissa Sakumoto as she celebrates the release of her new book, *Procyon II*. Set on a distant space colony, *Procyon II* follows a nameless protagonist through the city labyrinth in what is either an escape from a simulation, the recollection of a dream, or a betrayal of the self. For info, call (503) 241-0227 or visit <www.floatingworld comics.com>.

Time-Based Art Festival

Sep 5-15, several venues in Portland. Attend the 2019 Time-Based Art Festival, a gathering of artists and audiences from around the world for 10 days of contemporary performance, music, visual art, film, workshops, lectures, and conversation. Featured artists include Eiko Otake (September 12-14), Takashi Makino (September 14-15), and many others. For info, to buy tickets, or to obtain a full schedule of events, call (503) 242-1419 or visit <www.pica.org/tba>.

Michihiro Kosuge’s “Contemplative Place”

Sep 6, 10:30am, Leach Botanical Garden, Upper Garden (6704 SE 122nd Ave, Portland). Attend a public dedication event celebrating the relocation of Michihiro Kosuge’s “Contemplative Place,” an art installation that has been moved from Ed Benedict Park to the Leach Botanical Garden. See story on page 11. For info, call (503) 823-1671 or visit <www.leach garden.org>.

Mary H.K. Choi

Sep 7, 2pm, Powell’s Books at Cedar Hills Crossing (3415 SW Cedar Hills Blvd, Beaverton, Ore.). Join Mary H.K. Choi as she presents *Permanent Record*, a new YA romance about how social media influences relationships. Choi is joined in conversation by Laini Taylor, author of the *Daughter of Smoke & Bone* trilogy. For info, call (503) 643-3131 or visit <www.powells.com>.

Timbers vs. Sporting KC

Sep 7, 7:30pm, Providence Park (SW 18th Ave & SW Morrison St, Portland). Watch the Portland Timbers take on Sporting Kansas City in Major League Soccer action. Portland’s squad features Bill Tuiloma, Diego Valeri, and others. The Kansas City roster includes Graham Zusi, Wan Kuzain Wan Kamal, and others. For info, or to buy tickets, call (503) 553-5555 or visit <www.portlandtimbers.com>.

Tropitaal

Sep 7, 9pm-2am, Goodfoot Lounge (2845 SE Stark St, Portland). Attend Tropitaal, a dance party hosted by DJ Anjali and The Incredible Kid. The Desi/Latino soundclash features the hottest club sounds from India and Latin America. Tropitaal is for persons age 21 and older. For info, call (503) 281-3918, e-mail

<theکید@theincredibleکید.com>, or visit <www.anjaliandtheid.com>.

Mid-Autumn Festival

Sep 10, 13 & 14; Sep 10, 6-7:30pm, Holgate Library (7905 SE Holgate Blvd, Portland); Sep 13, 3-4:30pm, Gregory Heights Library (7921 NE Sandy Blvd, Portland); Sep 14, 2-4pm, Woodstock Library (6008 SE 49th Ave, Portland). Celebrate the Mid-Autumn Festival (also known as the Harvest Moon Festival), one of the oldest and best-loved holidays in many parts of Asia. The event features stories about the festival, craft activities, and traditional performances. For info, call (503) 988-5123 or visit <events.multcolib.org>.

Portland Thorns FC

Sep 11, 7:30pm, Providence Park (SW 18th Ave & SW Morrison St, Portland). Watch Portland Thorns FC take on the North Carolina Courage in the National Women’s Soccer League. Thorns FC features Christine Sinclair, Dagny Brynjarsdottir, Meghan Klingenberg, and others. The Courage includes Abby Erceg, Crystal Dunn, and others. For info, or to buy tickets, call (503) 553-5555 or visit <www.portlandthorns.com>.

Er-Gene Kahng

Sep 13 & 15; Sep 13, 7:30pm, First United Methodist Church (1838 SW Jefferson St, Portland); Sep 15, 3pm, Mt. Hood Community College Theater (26000 SE Stark St, Gresham, Ore). Enjoy “Brahms’ First Symphony,” the season-opening concert of the Portland Columbia Symphony Orchestra featuring violinist Er-Gene Kahng performing the solo role in the one-movement Violin Concerto No. 2 by Price. Kahng currently serves as concertmaster of the Arkansas Philharmonic and is professor of violin at the University of Arkansas, which houses much of the Price collection. The event also features pieces by Brahms and Rossini. For info, or to buy tickets, call (503) 234-4077 or visit <www.columbia symphony.org>.

O-tsukimi

Sep 13-15, 7-9:30pm, Portland Japanese Garden (611 SW Kingston Ave, Portland). Take part in the custom of *o-tsukimi*, or moonviewing, one of the oldest and most elegant traditions in Japanese culture. Participants observe a quiet tea ceremony, enjoy live music, and toast the rising moon in the company of friends while listening to the gentle sounds of the *koto* and

*shakuhachi* (bamboo flute). For info, or to register (required), call (503) 223-1321 or visit <www.japanesegarden.com>.

Autumn Moon Festival

Sep 14, 10am-6pm, Lan Su Chinese Garden (239 NW Everett St, Portland). Celebrate the Autumn Moon Festival at Lan Su Chinese Garden. The event features calligraphy, lion dances, mooncakes, and more. For info, call (503) 228-8131 or visit <www.lansugarden.org>.

The Orchid Trio

Sep 14, 3:30-4:30pm, Woodstock Library (6008 SE 49th Ave, Portland). Listen to classical, popular, and world music for string trio presented by The Orchid Trio — violinist Siying Ge, cellist Quinn Liu, and violist Deborah Shuster. The trio’s mission is to share an appreciation of chamber music performance and collaboration with the community. For info, call (503) 988-5123 or visit <events.multcolib.org>.

Timbers vs. D.C. United

Sep 15, 4:30pm, Providence Park (SW 18th Ave & SW Morrison St, Portland). Watch the Portland Timbers take on D.C. United in Major League Soccer action. Portland’s squad features Bill Tuiloma, Diego Valeri, and others. For info, or to buy tickets, call (503) 553-5555 or visit <www.portlandtimbers.com>.

Amitav Ghosh

Sep 18, 7:30pm, Powell’s City of Books (1005 W Burnside St, Portland). Join Amitav Ghosh as he presents *Gun Island*, a novel that effortlessly spans space and time. The book tells the story of a world on the brink, of increasing displacement, and unstoppable transition, but it is also a story of hope, of a man whose faith in the world and the future is restored by two remarkable women. For info, call (503) 228-4651 or visit <www.powells.com>.

Timbers vs. Red Bulls

Sep 18, 7:30pm, Providence Park (SW 18th Ave & SW Morrison St, Portland). Watch the Portland Timbers take on the New York Red Bulls in Major League Soccer action. Portland’s squad features Bill Tuiloma, Diego Valeri, and others. The New York roster includes Luis Robles, Bradley Wright-Phillips, and others. For info, or to buy tickets, call (503) 553-5555 or visit <www.portlandtimbers.com>.

“Decorigami” for adults

Sep 21, 2-4pm, Gresham Library (385 NW Miller Ave, Gresham, Ore.). Attend “Decorigami,” a class for adults led by artist Yuki Martin. “Decorigami” — a made-up word combining “decorate” and “origami” — describes projects that are embellished, doodled, or colored after folding paper. For info, or to register (required), call (503) 988-5123 or visit <events.multcolib.org>.

Koto concert

Sep 22, 3-3:45pm, Hillsdale Library (1525 SW Sunset Blvd, Portland). Attend a free *koto* performance presented by Oregon Koto-Kai. The program includes both classical and contemporary koto music. For info, call (503) 988-5123 or visit <events.multcolib.org>.

Sandangaw: A Waray Tale

Sep 29, 2-4pm, St. Barbra Pinoy Bakery (2311 SW Sixth Ave, Portland). Attend a free, family-friendly release event for *Sandangaw: A Waray Tale*, a book by poet, teacher, and language advocate Voltaire Q. Oyzon written in his mother tongue, Waray. The children’s book tells the tale of a boy no bigger than a handspan, who desperately wishes to grow bigger. Freshly baked Filipino sweets are available for attendees. For info, call (510) 408-7229 or visit <www.sarisaristorybooks.com>. To register (requested), visit <www.tinyurl.com/sandangaw-port>.

Danseur

Sep 29, 3:30pm, Cinema 21 (616 NW 21st Ave, Portland). Watch *Danseur*, a documentary that explores the struggles and determination of young men who pursue ballet. The film — which features stories from John Lam and Derek Dunn of the Boston Ballet, James Whiteside of the American Ballet Theatre, Harper Watters of the Houston Ballet, and others — addresses the difficult subjects of bullying and homophobia while also illustrating the vitality of dance. For info, or to buy tickets, call (503) 452-8448 or visit <www.theportland ballet.org>.

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