

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

“Beyond the Gate: A Tale of Portland’s Historic Chinatowns”

Currently on display (Thu-Sun), 11am-4pm, Portland Chinatown Museum (127 NW Third Ave, Portland). View “Beyond the Gate: A Tale of Portland’s Historic Chinatowns,” a display of rare and seldom-seen objects such as Chinese opera costumes, theatrical sets, bilingual text, audio-visual media, and interactive visitor stations that tell a sprawling transnational story of contact and trade between China and the west, focusing on Portland’s Old Chinatown (1850-1905) and New Chinatown (1905-1950). The exhibit is an expanded permanent version of the display featured at the Oregon Historical Society in 2016. See story by Kelly La Croix, “Beyond the Gate’ showcases Portland Chinatown’s past and present” (AR, May 6, 2019), at <www.asianreporter.com>. For info, call (503) 224-0008 or visit <www.portlandchinatown.org>.

Portland Dining Month

Through Mar 31, Portland area restaurants. Enjoy a high-quality three-course meal for a great price during Portland Dining Month, which is held every March. For info, call (503) 427-1372. To locate participating restaurants, visit <www.travelportland.com/dining-month>.

“Life Wide Angle/Close Up”

Through Apr 19 (Tue-Sun), 10am-5pm, Wing Luke Museum of the Asian Pacific American Experience (719 S King St, Seattle). View “Life Wide Angle/Close Up,” a multimedia photography-based exhibit that sparks conversation about what goes into making healthy and sustainable communities, what they contribute to the larger society, and strategies and policies that can protect and support them. Borne of the necessities of survival and the restrictions of racism, ethnic enclaves arose to form vibrant communities where newcomers could bring a taste of home. Chinatowns, *Nihonmachi*s, Little Manilas, and others formed in the early 20th centuries, migrating to neighborhoods where early immigrants had established themselves and thriving in communities where neglect meant housing was affordable. Curated by photographer Carina A. del Rosario, the display features pieces by Dean Wong, Mel Ponder, Andrew Hida, and the Chinatown Art Brigade collective. For info, call (206) 623-5124 or visit <www.wingluke.org>.

“After Promontory: 150 Years of Transcontinental Railroad”

Through Apr 25, 10am-5pm (Wed-Sat), Architectural Heritage Center (701 SE Grand Ave, Portland). View “After Promontory: 150 Years of Transcontinental Railroad,” a travelling photography exhibit organized by the Center for Railroad Photography & Art in Madison, Wisconsin that illustrates how railroads profoundly reshaped the human geography of the west. For info, call (503) 231-7264 or visit <www.visitahc.org>.

“East Portland: A Changing Landscape, a Forgotten City”

Through Apr 25, 10am-5pm (Wed-Sat), Architectural Heritage Center (701 SE Grand Ave, Portland). View “East Portland: A Changing Landscape, a Forgotten City,” an original Architectural Heritage Center exhibit focusing on the historic city of East Portland between the 1840s and 1910s. The display explores the people who lived there, the impact of the arrival of railroad and industry, and the changing landscape that in the course of only a few decades turned a flood zone into a thriving city. For info, call (503) 231-7264 or visit <www.visitahc.org>.

International Speaker Series

Mar 4 & May 14, 7pm, Arlene Schnitzer Concert Hall (1037 SW Broadway, Portland). Attend “The Last Girl — My Story of Courage and Resilience,” a talk on March 4 by Nadia Murad, the 2018 Nobel Peace Prize Winner and human-rights activist, and “Global Leadership & the Humanitarian Challenge — Lessons from 35 Years of Covering the World,” a talk on May 14 by Nicholas D. Kristof, an award-winning *New York Times* columnist. Both lectures are held as part of the WorldOregon’s International Speaker Series. For info, or to buy tickets, call (503) 306-5252 or visit <www.worldoregon.org>.

“Collections Up Close” First Thursday

Mar 5, 3-6pm, Japanese American Museum of Oregon (121 NW Second Ave, Portland). Attend “Collections Up Close” on First Thursday, a free event focusing on the Anzen artifacts donated to the museum by the Matsushima family. Anzen, previously known as Teikoku Company, operated from 1905 to 2014 and was one of the longest running Japanese-American businesses in Portland. Originally located in Nihonmachi, Teikoku (meaning “Imperial”) was started by Mosaburo Matsushima. The store sold dry goods, non-perishable food, and clothing such as logging boots for the many Japanese laborers who came to Portland in the early 1900s. The store acted as a labor brokerage and bank, providing jobs and the transfer of funds back to Japan. After the bombing of Pearl Harbor in 1941, the store was forced to close as the Matsushima family was incarcerated at the Crystal City, Texas, internment camp run by the U.S. Department of Justice. Upon returning to Portland in 1946, the family borrowed funds from friends and reopened the store at 211 N.W. Davis Street. The federal government forced the Matsushimas to change the store name, and they chose the name Anzen, meaning “safety.” Anzen later moved and opened multiple locations. For info, call (503) 224-1458 or visit <www.oregonnikkei.org>.

“Great Decisions!”

Mar 6, noon-1pm, Portland State University, Academic and Student Recreation Center, Room 230 (1800 SW Sixth Ave, Portland). Join a “Great Decisions!” noontime discussion. The talk, “U.S. Relations with the Northern Triangle,” features H. Warren Binford of Willamette University. The talk is also

livestreamed online. For info, or to buy tickets, call (503) 306-5252 or visit <www.worldoregon.org>.

“Census 2020 Ambassador Training Summit”

Mar 7, 9am-4pm, Muslim Educational Trust (10330 SW Scholls Ferry Rd, Tigard, Ore.). Learn about the census process and why it is critical for every resident of Oregon (regardless of citizenship status) to be counted at a “Census 2020 Ambassador Training Summit.” The training qualifies participants to serve at the Muslim Educational Trust’s Census 2020 Assistance Center, which opens soon, and to also be hired as an enumerator by the U.S. Census Bureau. This leadership opportunity is open to youth and adults. For info, or to register, call (503) 579-6621 or visit <www.metpdx.org>.

“Census 101 — What you need to know about the 2020 Census”

Mar 10, 9:30-11am, Northwest Health Foundation, Ramona Room (221 NW Second Ave, Third Floor, Portland). Attend “Census 101 — What you need to know about the 2020 Census,” a free introductory course about what members of the community should know about the 2020 Census. Participants learn what the 2020 Census is and why it is important, the timeline and process, and how this one is different from the last census. The workshop is open to the public. An online video and phone call-in are also available. For info, or to register, call (503) 475-6056, e-mail <brian@housingoregon.org>, or visit <www.housingoregon.org>.

“Fruit Propagation Fair”

Mar 15, 10am-4pm, Clackamas County Fairgrounds (694 NE Fourth Ave, Canby, Ore.). Attend the Home Orchard Society’s annual “Fruit Propagation Fair,” an event offering hundreds of varieties of free scions and cuttings. For info, call (503) 338-8479 or visit <www.homeorchardsociety.org>.

Spring Bazaar

Mar 15, 11:30am-3pm, Nichiren Buddhist Temple (2025 SE Yamhill St, Portland). Order and pick up chicken donburi, tofu donburi, chow mein, and special Nichiren tonkatsu bento (preorder only) as part of the Nichiren Buddhist Temple’s annual Spring Bazaar. For info, or to place an order (by March 10), call (503) 235-8292.

“Portlanders Stand with Refugees and Immigrants” celebration

Mar 19, 6-8:30pm, Southwest Community Center (6820 SW 45th Ave, Portland). Enjoy music and food while meeting new community members at the “Portlanders Stand with Refugees and Immigrants” celebration. The event is free and open to the public. For info, call (503) 823-PLAY (7529) or visit <www.portlandoregon.gov/parks/stand>.

Obukan Kata and Shiai tournament

Mar 20-21, Portland Community College (PCC), Cascade Campus, Physical Education Building Gymnasium (600 N Killingsworth St, Portland). Watch children and adults compete at the 64th annual Obukan Kata and Shiai tournament. For info, call (503) 208-3035 or visit <www.obukanjudo.org>.

Gem Faire

Mar 20-22, noon-6pm (Fri), 10am-6pm (Sat), 10am-5pm (Sun), Oregon Convention Center (777 NE Martin Luther King Jr Blvd, Portland). Browse an assortment of gemstones, jewelry, beads, crystals, minerals, fossils, and more at Gem Faire. Jewelry repair and cleaning services are also available. In addition, the Portland Bead Society provides educational displays. For info, call (503) 252-8300 or visit <www.gemfaire.com>.

Asian & Pacific Islander Census Summit

Mar 21, 9am-4:30pm, SEIU (6401 SE Foster Rd, Portland). Attend the Asian & Pacific Islander Census Summit, an event celebrating the Asian and Pacific Islander community and spreading the word to be sure to be counted in the census. All are welcome. For info, call (971) 340-4861 or visit <www.apano.org>. To reserve space, visit <bit.ly/APISummit2020>.

SOLVE Beach Cleanup

Mar 28, 10am-1pm, Oregon Coast. Join fellow Oregonians for the annual SOLVE Beach Cleanup. Volunteers are needed to clean Oregon’s beaches from the Washington to the California border. Participants are asked to check in at one of 45 meeting sites and clean up the coastline for wildlife and visitors. Sturdy shoes, weather-appropriate clothing, a reusable container for drinking water, a reusable bag or bucket for collecting trash, and gloves are suggested. Volunteers are also encouraged to carpool or use public transportation where possible, pack a “trash-free” lunch, and bring an old colander or kitty-litter scooper to beach cleanup sites to sift the tide lines for harmful, bite-sized bits of plastic and cigarette butts. For info, or to register, call (503) 844-9571 or 1-800-333-SOLV (7658), ext. 332, or visit <www.solveoregon.org>.

“Minoru Yasui Day”

Mar 28, 10am-1:30pm, University of Oregon, White Stag Building (70 NW Couch St, Portland). Join “Minoru Yasui Day,” a day held in celebration of the historic bill passed unanimously in 2016 by the Oregon Senate and House designating March 28 of each year as “Minoru Yasui Day.” March 28, 1942 was Yasui’s day of resistance against the curfew imposed on Japanese-American residents on the west coast. The theme this year is “Beyond the Refugee Crisis: Learning from our Past and Re-envisioning America’s Immigration Policies.” The goal of the event is to bring together people of diverse ages and backgrounds to discuss, learn, and expand awareness, as well as find ways to respond and speak up for the latest groups of marginalized communities. For info, call (503) 224-1458. To learn more, visit <www.oregonnikkei.org/miniyasui.htm> and <www.minoriyasuilegacy.org>.

Cherry Blossom Bazaar

Apr 4-5, 10am-4pm, 139 NW Second Ave (Portland). Attend the annual Cherry Blossom Bazaar, a large rummage sale of Japanese treasures, including collectibles, dolls, furniture, fans, kimono, *ikebana*, *kokeshi*, jewelry, books, dishware, and more. The event is free and open to the public. For info, call (503) 224-1458 or visit <www.oregonnikkei.org>.

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