

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### Nikkei farmers exhibit

Through Jan 6, 11am-3pm (Tue-Sat), noon-3pm (Sun), Oregon Nikkei Legacy Center (121 NW Second Ave, Portland). See story by Toni Tabora-Roberts on page 9.

### The Fall '01 video

Oct 2, 7-7:45pm, North Portland Library (512 N Killingsworth St, Portland). Watch a video from the world-premiere screenings of *The Fall '01*, a choreographic multimedia drama addressing the dehumanizing aspects of the war on terror. The event is free and open to the public. For info, call (503) 715-1866 or visit <www.TheFall01.info>.

### Free adult English class

Oct 2-Nov 22 (Tue & Thu), 6-8pm, Marshall Campus SUN Center (3905 SE 91st Ave, Portland). Attend free adult English classes for speakers of other languages, held at Marshall Campus SUN Center. No advance registration is required; students need only be at class on Oct 2. For info, call Amber McGill at (971) 570-1384.

### 2007 MED Week luncheon & trade show

Oct 3, 10am-5pm; 10am-3pm (trade show), 11:30am-1:30pm (awards luncheon), 3-5pm (reception); Oregon Convention Center (777 NE Martin Luther King Jr Blvd, Portland). Join the Minority Business Opportunity Committee for Minority Enterprise Development (MED) Week, this year themed "Partnering to Prosper Together!" The daylong event features a trade show, an awards luncheon showcasing outstanding minority-owned businesses in Oregon and Southwest Washington, and a reception. The keynote speaker for the luncheon is Otis Williams of Otis Williams Limitless. For info, or to purchase tickets for the luncheon, e-mail <cinamonw@hapdx.org> or visit <www.bdiweb.org/mboc\_pages/mbocmedweek.htm#MEDweek07>.

### Citizenship classes

Oct 3-Nov 14 (Wed except Oct 31), 5:30-7:30pm, Fairview-Columbia Library (1520 NE Village St, Fairview, Ore.). Learn about the process of becoming a U.S. citizen and prepare for the citizenship interview in free classes taught in English by library volunteers. Participants will learn about U.S. history and government. For info, call (503) 988-4081 or visit <events.multicolib.org>. To register (required), call (503) 988-5655.

### Japan educator workshop

Oct 4 (deadline to register). Attend a workshop for K-12 educators that offers a fast-paced introduction to curriculum materials, online resources, and teaching ideas that use Japanese art as a tool for teaching about major events and concepts in Japan's relationship with the U.S. and Europe. "Japan's Interactions With the West: The Visual Record" will take place Oct 18 (5-8:30pm) at the University of Washington's Thomson Hall, Room 325, in Seattle. For info, or to register, call (206) 543-1921, e-mail <earc@u.washington.edu>, or visit <jsis.washington.edu/earc>.

### Energy Awareness Day

Oct 4, 9:30am-2:30pm, Oregon State Capitol (900 Court St NE, Salem, Ore.). Learn how to save energy and money at the Energy Fair at the Oregon State Capitol. The event will feature an exhibit of alternative-fuel vehicles including the Kettle Foods bio-diesel Bug, an electric car, the new Eco-fueler compressed natural gas roadster, and more. For info, call Lorna at (503) 588-2424 or Kat at (503) 399-3288.

### Media exposure workshop

Oct 4, 10am-noon, Montgomery Park (2701 NW Vaughn St, Portland). Learn how to create more media exposure for a nonprofit, association, organization, or business. "A Conversation With The Media!" offers a unique opportunity to hear from Portland's top media professionals, including representatives of KPTV, KOIN, KXL, and *The Oregonian*. The event is presented by Oregon Partnership. For info, or to register, call Danny Slifman at (503) 244-5211, e-mail <dslifman@orpartnership.org>, or visit <www.orpartnership.org>.

### Marjane Satrapi discussion

Oct 4, 2:30-3:45pm, Multnomah County Central Library (801 SW 10th Ave, Portland). Engage in stimulating conversation about books and get to know your neighbors at a Pageturners discussion sponsored by Friends of the Library. The book for discussion is *Persepolis*, by Marjane Satrapi. For info, call (503) 988-5123 or visit <events.multicolib.org>.

### Japanese writing lecture

Oct 4, 3-5pm, University of Washington, Odegaard Undergraduate Library, Room 220 (Seattle). Join Professor Tetsuji Atsui of Kyoto University as he talks about the history of Chinese characters and how the Japanese writing system evolved. The lecture includes a demonstration of calligraphy by Hirokazu Kosaka, artistic director of the Japanese American Cultural and Community Center in Los Angeles. Space is limited, and advance registration is advised. For info, or to register, call K. Yokota-Carter at (206) 543-7051 or e-mail <ealib@u.washington.edu>.

### "China Who Makes and Fakes"

Oct 4, 3:30-5pm, University of Washington, Thomson Hall, Room 317 (Seattle). Join Professor Laikwan Pang of the University of Hong Kong as she presents an academic talk entitled "China Who Makes and Fakes: A Semiotics of the Counterfeit." Pang looks at China's embrace of the so-called "Creative Economy" and how actual cultural and economic activities are subversive or indifferent to the late-capitalist tendency of privatization and commodification of culture. For info, call (206) 543-4391.



**DOCUWEEK.** The *Cats of Mirikitani* is being shown on Thursday, October 4 in conjunction with the International Documentary Association's Docuweek in Salem, Oregon. Pictured is Jimmy Mirikitani sketching a cat. (Photo courtesy of lucid dreaming inc.)

### The Cats of Mirikitani

Oct 4, 5pm, Salem Cinema (445 High St SE, Salem, Ore.). Watch Linda Hattendorf's documentary film *The Cats of Mirikitani*. After the 2001 terrorist attacks in New York City, Hattendorf invited her documentary subject, the homeless, Sacramento-born, Hiroshima-raised artist Jimmy Mirikitani, into her small apartment, and joined him on his road to healing. See review by Ronault L.S. Catalani ("Jimmy's 60-year journey," *AR*, May 1, 2007) at <www.asianreporter.com>. (USA, 2006, Linda Hattendorf, 74 mins.) The film and others are being shown in conjunction with the International Documentary Association's Docuweek. For info, or to buy tickets, call (503) 378-7676 or visit <www.salemcinema.com>.

### Peace movement forum

Oct 4, 7pm, Portland State University, Smith Center (1825 SW Broadway, Portland). Attend a public forum and kick-off event for the Center for Intercultural Organizing's new project, Organizing for Peace and Engaging Newcomers (OPEN). The three-year program is designed to make the peace movement more inclusive of immigrants and refugees. Speakers include Kilong Ung of the Cambodian-American Community of Oregon, Iraqi refugee Zahra Hamid Sultan, and Waddah Sofan of the Muslim Education Trust. For info, call Mary at (503) 287-4117, e-mail <maryb@interculturalorganizing.org>, or visit <www.interculturalorganizing.org>.

### Shibori dyeing class

Oct 5, 1-4:30pm, Multnomah Arts Center (7688 SW Capitol Hwy, Portland). Learn the basic techniques of *shibori*, a Japanese fabric-dyeing technique similar to tie-dyeing. Participants will gain hands-on experience they can apply to textile design, fabrics, and fashion. For info, or to register, call (503) 823-ARTS (2787) or visit <www.multnomahartscenter.org>.

### Made in China

Oct 5, 7pm, Northwest Film Forum (1515 - 12th Ave, Seattle). Follow the travels of Seattle filmmaker John Helde in his personal documentary that uncovers his father's unusual childhood as an American boy in pre-World-War-II China. *Made in China* ranges from modern Shanghai and industrial Changsha to a rugged mountain in Western Sichuan. (USA, 2007, John Helde, 70 mins.) For info, call (206) 267-5380 or visit <www.nwfilmforum.org>.

### Japanese Garden photo talk & workshop

Oct 5-6, 7-9pm (Fri), 8am-noon (Sat), Portland Japanese Garden, Pavilion (611 SW Kingston Ave, Portland). Join professional photographer and author Rick Sammon for a Friday evening talk entitled "Exploring Digital Imaging," at which he will present his pictures from around the globe and share his photographic techniques and photo philosophy. On Saturday, Sammon will lead a photo workshop in the Japanese Garden, instructing participants in his macro and wide-angle lens techniques and his natural light and flash photography tips. Advance registration is required for both events. For info, or to register, call (503) 542-0280 or visit <www.japanesegarden.com> and choose "Events."

### Friends of the Library book sale

Oct 5-8, 6-9pm (Fri, members only), 9am-6pm (Sat), 11am-5pm (Sun), 9am-3pm (Mon), Wild Oats Building (3026 SE Division St, Portland). Attend the 34th annual used book sale presented by the Friends of the Multnomah County Library. Thousands of non-English-language titles will be available along with CDs, DVDs, maps, and more. For info, call (503) 224-9176 or visit <www.friends-library.org>.

### English Chatter Group

Oct 5 & 19, 6:30-7:30pm, Tigard Public Library (13500 SW Hall Blvd, Tigard, Ore.). Practice English conversation skills with other adults in the English Chatter Group. Meeting on the first and third Friday of each month, the group is a great way to practice spoken English in a comfortable, informal setting. All levels are welcome, and native English speakers are also encouraged to join. For info, call (503) 718-2517 or visit <www.ci.tigard.or.us/library>.

### Kids' safety event

Oct 6, 9am-3pm, Portland Children's Museum (4015 SW Canyon Rd, Portland). Attend a free safety event packed with child injury prevention demonstrations and activities on topics such as car seat and fire safety, and window fall, poison, drowning, and head injury (bicycle helmet fitting provided) prevention. Firefighters will be present and have a truck on display. A box of free safety supplies will be given to the first 2,000 kids at the event. For info, call (503) 418-5666.

### Bone marrow drive

Oct 6, noon-5pm, Chinese Faith Baptist Church (2830 NE Flanders St, Portland). Register as a bone marrow donor at a drive organized by friends of Jonah Chuang, a Chinese-American infant in California who was recently diagnosed with a rare immune cell condition. Persons of Asian ancestry, and especially Chinese, are encouraged to join the bone marrow database, as a match is most likely among people of shared ethnic heritage. For info, call (503) 334-3511 or (206) 925-3083, or e-mail <savejonahportland@gmail.com>.



Bone marrow drive. Pictured is infant Jonah Chuang.

### Anti-racism community rally

Oct 6, 1pm, Lents Park (SE 92nd Ave & SE Holgate St, Portland). Attend a community gathering and rally in response to the Oct 5 through 7 meeting in Portland of the avowedly racist "Hammerskin Nation" neo-Nazi organization. For info, call (971) 285-4688 or e-mail <fight\_them\_back@riseup.net>.

### JACL Poker Classic

Oct 6, 5pm, NW Natural, Hospitality Room (220 NW Second Ave, Portland). Play poker, win prizes, and support civil rights all at once at the Japanese American Citizens League's first Texas Hold 'Em Poker Classic. Beginners and non-players are welcome at the event, which is for people age 21 and older. Prizes include a flat-panel TV, iPod, golf clinics, and more. The price includes beer and hors d'oeuvres. For info, call 1-877-843-6914 or visit <www.pdxjacl.org>.

### "Watering the Roots of Peace" benefit

Oct 6, 6-8:30pm, Dharma Rain Zen Center (2539 SE Madison St, Portland). Attend a benefit dinner and silent auction for the Dharma Rain Zen Center. The event will feature live jazz from Boplicity and auction items including art from local artists and Zen masters. Space is limited, and early ticket purchase is recommended. For info, or to buy tickets, call (503) 239-4846 or visit <www.dharma-rain.org>.

### Mahro Emamzadeh

Oct 6, 6:30-8:30pm, Portland State University, Smith Center, Room 238 (1825 SW Broadway, Portland). Attend a reception for Mahro Emamzadeh, author of *Mohammad, Manifestation of the Divine*. Ms. Emamzadeh will discuss her book and sign copies at the event, which is free and open to the public. For info, call (503) 901-7345 or e-mail <nourpublications@hotmail.com>.

### Tibetan Buddhist teaching

Oct 6, 7-9pm, Bodhi Tree Center (5403 SE Center St, Portland). Join the Venerable Achok Rinpoche as he presents teaching on the relationship between God (the creator) and the triple gem (object of refuge and essence of dharma practice). Achok Rinpoche has represented H.H. the Dalai Lama at a number of international conferences. Offerings will be accepted, but no one will be turned away for lack of funds. For info, call (503) 788-6465 or visit <www.stbportland.org>.

### Auricular medicine lecture

Oct 6-7, 9am-4:30pm, Oregon College of Oriental Medicine (OCOM), Clinic Building (10525 SE Cherry Blossom Dr, Portland). Join Chinese physician Dr. Li-Chun Huang for a lecture entitled "Auricular Medicine: Diagnosis and Treatment Through the Use of the Ear." OCOM's continuing education program helps acupuncturists and other healthcare professionals earn required credits while gaining tools to enhance their practice. For info, or to register, call (503) 253-3443, ext. 111 or visit <www.ocom.edu>.

### Yoga instruction for mature adults

Oct 6-27 (Sat), 10:30am-noon, Yoga Nook (1332 SE 31st Ave, Portland). Take part in yoga instruction for all levels in a four-session class led by Terri Ferrario. Use of props such as blankets, blocks, walls, straps, and chairs will enable every pose to be accessible to all students. The classes are presented by OASIS and are for adults age 50 and older. For info, or to register, call (503) 241-3059 or visit <www.oasisnet.org/portland>.

### Pigs family encounter

Oct 7, 10-11am, Oregon Zoo (4001 SW Canyon Rd, Portland). Learn about the zoo's Babirusa pigs, Itchy and Scratchy, and their neighbors the Visayan warty pigs at a Behind the Scenes Family Encounter event. Participants age eight through 13 accompanied by an adult will be able to hide treats and watch the pigs use their snouts to find them. For info, or to register, call (503) 220-2781 or visit <www.oregonzoo.org>.

### Oregon Buddhist Temple Sukiyaki Bazaar

Oct 7, 11:30am-3:30pm, Oregon Buddhist Temple (3720 SE 34th Ave, near SE Powell Blvd, Portland). Attend the Oregon Buddhist Temple's annual Sukiyaki Bazaar. The event will feature sukiyaki, chow mein, chicken bento, a snack bar, and a gift shop. For info, call (503) 234-9456 or visit <www.oregonbuddhisttemple.com>.

### "Three Poisons" workshop

Oct 7, 14 & 21, 3:30-5:30pm, Portland Dharma Center (2514 SE Madison St, Portland). Attend a three-session workshop entitled "Transform your Relationship to the Three Poisons: Using Mindfulness and Nonviolent Communication as Founded by Marshall Rosenberg." In classes led by LaShelle Charde and

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