



MARCH 11, 2019

**THIS IS THE LAST ISSUE** of Currently for winter term. The newsletter will resume weekly publication April 1 with a Tuesday noon, March 26, deadline.

## Upcoming budget forum on March 18 is faculty, staff focused

The University's 2019-20 fiscal budget will be discussed at a faculty and staff focused [Town Hall Forum](#) Monday, March 18, 2 to 4 p.m. in 327 Smith Union. Kevin Reynolds, vice president of Finance and Administration, will also discuss the process of setting tuition rates and the higher education environment in Oregon. Questions are welcome. The last of three student focused budget forums is scheduled April 4, 5 to 6:50 p.m. All forums, which are co-sponsored by ASPSU, are open to the public.

## Debate over armed police intensifies at campus safety meeting

The Board of Trustees on Thursday, March 7, heard campus safety recommendations from security firm Margolis Healy at a meeting largely focused on whether campus police should be armed. Students, faculty, staff and others packed the Smith Union ballroom to hear consultants detail their findings and recommendations, including continuing with sworn, armed officers but adding more unarmed security officers, improving training for all officers and adding mental health professionals to response teams. [READ MORE](#)



## Ticket deals available for TechfestNW

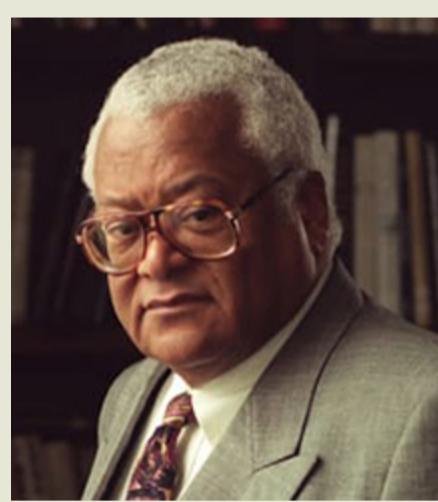
For the second year, TechfestNW—a gathering of innovators, startups, entrepreneurs, tech companies and investors—is taking place in the PSU Viking Pavilion at the Peter W. Stott Center. Tickets have gone on sale for the April 4-5 event. Faculty and staff are eligible for \$99 two-day tickets using promo code PSUSTAFF and \$50 one-day tickets using promo code PSUSTAFFONEDAY. [READ MORE](#)

## Social Work dean candidates coming to campus in April

Four finalists for the School of Social Work Dean position will be on campus in April. Candidate names, curriculum vitae and cover letters, along with a feedback survey, will be available 24 hours prior to each visit on the Office of Academic Affairs and the School of Social Work websites. Open campus forums, where candidates will answer specific questions, are scheduled for April 2, 11 a.m. to noon, 294 Smith Union; April 5, 3 to 4 p.m., 212 Urban Center Building; April 12, 11 a.m. to noon, 212 Urban Center Building; and April 16, 3 to 4 p.m., 327 Smith Union. [READ MORE](#)

## Learn about free speech on college campuses from expert

University of Oregon professor Kyu Ho Youm, an expert on free speech, will discuss the history and contemporary context of free speech on college campuses Thursday, March 28, from 2 to 4 p.m. in 515 Academic and Student Recreation Center. He will explore the concepts of time, place and manner as it relates to events and speech on campuses. His talk is free and open to the Portland State community. [RSVP by March 22.](#)



## Civil rights icon coming to campus

The Rev. James Lawson, the original nonviolence trainer and educator for the American Freedom Movement of the 1950s and '60s, will be on campus April 24-28 for the [Sixth James Lawson Institute](#), which includes a public talk the first evening. Lawson, now 90, was credited by Dr. Martin Luther

King, Jr, as an architect of the movement. Joining Lawson for the institute are civil resistance scholars, strategists and trainers. This is only the second time the institute has come to the West Coast. The [application process](#) is rigorous and scholarships are available. The event is sponsored by the PSU Conflict Resolution Program.

## Train to be an evacuation warden

Campus community members are invited to become [evacuation wardens](#) for their floor, department or building and attend a 1 hour and 30 minute training session offered March 26, 27 or April 3. Volunteers are trained to facilitate safe evacuation of their area in the case of a campus or building emergency. Those interested in becoming an evacuation warden must fill out a [brief registration](#) in order to attend a training session.

## World premiere of *We Met in Moscow*

Light Opera of Portland will present [We Met in Moscow](#), an original romantic musical based on the life of professor emeritus Ralph Bunch, with evening and matinee performances March 22-31 at the Alpenrose Dairy Opera House, 6149 SW Shattuck Rd. *We Met in Moscow* promotes the idea that love has no boundaries and honors Bunch's late, Russian-born wife, Eleonora Andreevna. The two were middle-aged and broken-hearted when they met and fell in love during the post-Cold War era. [Tickets cost \\$5-\\$18.](#)

## Notices

The Office of Information Technology has launched a **new online PSU Help Center** at [go.pdx.edu/help](#) for requesting services and finding answers to technology-related questions. [Read more about its features.](#)

Faculty, staff and students may reserve part-time care at **Little Vikings** for children ages 6 weeks to 12 years old for spring term. [Visit online](#) or call 5-8800 or email [lvikings@pdx.edu](#).

**Bring Your Kids to Campus Day** on Monday, April 8, is a full day of free department and student club hosted activities for the children of staff, faculty and students. [Pre-register](#) through the Resource Center for Students with Children. For more information [visit the FAQ](#) or call 5-9878.



The campus community is invited to showcase projects and nominate **PSU Sustainability Celebration** May 23. [RSVP awards presented, submit projects by April 12, and forward nominations by April 13.](#)

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## EVENTS

**March 11**  
[Mobility Matters Conference](#)

[What Technical Communicators Need to Know About APIs](#)

[Physics Seminar Series: What Lies Beneath](#)

[PSU Community Chorus Winter Concert](#)

**March 11, 13-15, 18**  
[Architecture Winter Final Reviews](#)

**March 12**  
[Mobility Matters Breakfast](#)

[FS Training: AP Policy](#)

[MFA Studio Critical Conversation Series: Samantha Wall](#)

[Softball: PSU vs. Ohio State](#)

**March 12-13**  
[Relating to Opera Lecture Series: Opera Topics from the Past 50 Years](#)

**March 13**  
[HR Training: PSU Manager Series](#)

[Promoting Professional Advancement and Systemic Change for Future Generations of Women](#)

[PSU Vocal Collective: A Celebration of Women in Art](#)

**March 14**  
[FS Training: PCard Policy](#)

[Biology Seminar: Mammalian Tree of Life from Genes and Demos to Grades and Clades](#)

[Noon Concert: Student Chamber Music](#)

[Faculty/Staff Bowling Tournament](#)

[Projectile Vomit: Video Installation by PSU Students](#)

**March 15**  
[Elevating Impact Summit](#)

[Transportation Seminar: Addressing Equity through Citywide Pedestrian Planning](#)

[Chemistry Seminar: How the Surfaces that Surround You Affect What You Breathe](#)

[Art Practice Open Studios](#)

**March 17**  
[My Soul is a Witness: Spirit and Spirituality in the Songs of America's Enslaved](#)

**March 18**  
[HR Training: New Employee Orientation](#)

[HR Training: Timesheet and Leave Reports](#)

[FS Training: Travel Policy and Viking Travel](#)

[PSU Budget Town Hall Forum - Faculty, Staff Focused](#)

**March 19**  
[OIT Workshop: CampusNexus CRM](#)

[OIT Workshop: Intro to Cognos \(DataMaster\)](#)

[OIT Workshop: Exploring Cognos Reports](#)

**March 21**  
[HR Training: Performance Evaluation Writing Workshop](#)

**March 22**  
[Speech & Hearing Sciences Fun-etic Fridays](#)

**March 22-24, 29-31**  
[We Met in Moscow](#)

**March 23**  
[NEWROZ - Traditional Kurdish Dancing, Performances, Food & More](#)

**March 27**  
[Softball: PSU vs. Corban](#)

**March 27-28**  
[HR Training: Crucial Conversations](#)

**March 29**  
[HR Training: Benefits Information](#)

**March 29-30**  
[Softball: PSU vs. Northern Colorado](#)

## PEOPLE

**Talya Bauer, Berrin Erdogan, Dannelle Stevens, Suwako Watanabe**

## PRESENTED

**Anita Bright, Eva Thanheiser, Amanda Sugimoto, Suwako Watanabe**

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## ADDITIONAL LINKS

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Events  
Athletics News & Schedules  
Training & Development  
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HR Policies, Contracts and Forms  
University Policy Library  
University Place Hotel & Conference Center