

FEB. 22, 2016

## New award for classified staff

Finance Vice President Kevin Reynolds and SEIU President Marc Nisenfeld are pleased to announce that nominations are now open for the Outstanding Classified Staff Award. This is a new award created to recognize and honor dedication and outstanding contributions by a classified staff member at Portland State. PSU faculty, staff, or students may nominate anyone who has been employed at PSU as a classified staff member for at least one year. [Nominations](#) are due by Tuesday, March 22, and the award will be presented at Top of the Class event in July. [READ MORE](#)

## Kabuki in English comes to campus

Experience the beauty, drama and pathos of Kabuki in *Revenge of the 47 Loyal Samurai*, performed in English Feb. 25-March 5 in Lincoln Performance Hall. This is the first-ever production of this beloved Japanese play by a North American university. Professor Laurence Kominz is directing a large company of student performers and has called in experts in Japanese music, dance and costuming. Tickets cost \$8/\$12/\$15 and may be purchased from the PSU Box Office. [READ MORE](#)

## Campus Public Safety open house

The Campus Public Safety Office is moving from the basement of Shattuck Hall to Koinonia House on the corner of Broadway and SW Montgomery. It will hold an open house at the new location Wednesday, Feb. 24 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. The open house will feature free hot dogs and tours of the new facility. [READ MORE](#)

## Celebrating decades of staff, faculty service

For 50 years English Professor Tony Wolk (pictured here) has served Portland State. He will be honored at the yearly Length of Services Awards reception Thursday, March 3, from 3 to 4:30 p.m. in the Smith Union Ballroom. The

campus community is invited to celebrate the career of Wolk and other faculty and staff who in 2015 reached the milestones of 20, 25, 30, 35 and 40 years of service at the University. See a full list of honorees under News and Announcements on the [Human Resources website](#).

## Islamophobia teach-in set for Feb. 25

The University will hold a teach-in focusing on Islamophobia and the consequences of xenophobia on Thursday, Feb. 25, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in room 001 Academic and Student Recreation Center. It will be led by a panel of speakers who will share personal stories and guide a discussion about the consequences of fear, bias and hate, as well as the role of government, media and the education system and the consequences of policies and laws targeting certain groups. The teach-in is open to the PSU community. [READ MORE](#)

## PSU Orchestra to perform Zappa

The PSU Orchestra will perform works by Rachmaninov, Mahler and Frank Zappa at Portland's historic rock hall the Crystal Ballroom Thursday, Feb. 25, at 7:30 p.m. This is the first time a full orchestra has performed in the McMenamin-owned ballroom, at 1332 W. Burnside. Conducted by music professor Ken Selden, the concert will feature pianist Saelin Ho, winner of the PSU Concerto Competition, and voice faculty member Harry Baechtel. Tickets cost \$10/\$15 and may be [purchased through etix](#).

## Last week for food drive

Faculty and staff are welcome to make donations of nonperishable food or money during the Governor's State Employees Food Drive in February. All donations made on campus remain in the Portland metropolitan area. More than [25 food barrels](#) have been placed around campus this month. Cash and checks made out to the Oregon Food Bank are also accepted and may be delivered to Rachel Martinez in the President's Office, or call her at 5-4411 and your check can be picked up. Contributions are also appreciated using the [Governor's Food Drive payroll deduction form](#).

## Plan a Portland State of Mind event

Departments interested in hosting an event during Portland State of Mind, the University's annual 10-day celebration of knowledge and culture for the community, are invited to attend a stakeholder meeting at 10:30 a.m. Friday, March 4, in room 515 Academic Student and Recreation Center. Portland State of Mind is set for Oct. 13-22, 2016. RSVP for the stakeholder meeting with [Chelsea Kastelnik](#), co-chair of the PSOM Steering Committee.

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### EVENTS

**February 22**  
[Student Employee Award Nominations Due Today](#)

[City Council Candidate Forum](#)

[Taking Root: The Vision of Wangari Maathai Film Screening](#)

[Gentle Yoga with Erica Wagner](#)

[Sista in the Brotherhood Film Screening and Discussion](#)

**February 22-25**  
[Free Campus Rec Access for Staff, Faculty, Alumni](#)

**February 23**  
[Explore PSU Majors](#)

[OIT Workshop: Google Drive Documents, Presentations, Drawings](#)

[Michael McGregor Faculty Reading](#)

**February 24**  
[OAI Workshop: Cogbooks Presentation—Adaptive Learning Platform](#)

[Campus Public Safety Open House](#)

[Erik Geschke: Winter 2016 Faculty Fellow Lecture](#)

[Library Workshop: How to Make Your Research Data Sing](#)

**February 25**  
[Graphic Design Show & Tell: Kathy Fry of Mayer Reed](#)

[PDX Jazz Festival Talk: Alicia Olatuja & Jon Cowherd with Jeff Baker](#)

[Performance Series: George Colligan, Jazz](#)

[Using Ecosystem Services as an Environmental Planning or Decision-Making Tool in a Land Management Agency](#)

[Outdoor Program Trip: Whitewater Kayaking Seminar](#)

[How the Chinese Writer Lu Xun Bridges China's Civic Commentary—Ancient, Modern, and Digital](#)

[Islamophobia Teach-In](#)

[PSU Orchestra at Crystal Ballroom](#)

[Women's Basketball: PSU vs. North Dakota](#)

**February 25-March 5**  
[Revenge of the 47 Loyal Samurai English Kabuki](#)

**February 26**  
[Outdoor Program Trip: Smith Rock Climbing](#)

[OAI Workshop: D2L Update 10.5.6](#)

[OIT Workshop: Intro to DataMaster](#)

[OIT Workshop: Exploring DataMaster](#)

[PDX Jazz Festival Talk: Ravi Coltrane, Orrin Evans & Reggie Workman](#)

[Transportation Seminar: A Study of LA County Parking Supply and Growth](#)

[Orchard pruning workshop](#)

[EcoReps Present: Sustainable YOUiverse](#)

[Chemistry Seminar Series: Gojko Lalic](#)

[Architecture Fridays@4: Thesis Projects](#)

[Presentation and exhibition of modern Chinese ink painting](#)

[Applications Due: Faculty-in-Residence for Internationalization through Technology](#)

[Women's Tennis: PSU vs. Seattle](#)

**February 26, 27**  
[2016 Jazz Forward Competition](#)

**February 27**  
[Outdoor Program Trip: Twin Lakes Snowshoe](#)

[Women's Tennis: PSU vs. Northern Colorado](#)

[Men's Tennis: PSU vs. Northern Colorado](#)

[Women's Basketball: PSU vs. Northern California](#)

### PEOPLE

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