

EVENTS

April 16

[D2L Version 10.2 Workshop](#)

1 to 3 p.m., 437 Neuberger, free

[Google Mail: Setup, Shortcuts, Tips, Chat, Tasks](#)

1 to 3 p.m., 439 Neuberger, free

[An Evening with Photographer Pierre de Vallombreuse](#)

7 p.m., 75 Lincoln Hall, free

[Lecture by Architect Stefan Behnisch](#)

7 p.m., 212 Shattuck Hall, free

April 17

[Kanda Mbenza-Ngoma and Meghan Wilson Jazz Recital](#)

Noon, 75 Lincoln Hall, free

[International Student's Impact on Investment, Culture & Economic Development](#)

5 to 8:15 p.m., 228 Smith Union, free

[Ethnicity in Southeast Asia and in the USA](#)

6 p.m., 228 Smith Union, free

[My Walk Has Never Been Average: A Staged Reading](#)

6 to 7:30 p.m., 55 Lincoln Hall, \$10/\$7

[Film: Twin Peaks: Fire Walk With Me](#)

7 p.m., 294 Smith Union, free

April 18

[Friday Transportation Seminar: Transportation and Road Weather](#)

Noon to 1 p.m., 204 Distance Learning Center, free

[Social Capital and Social Cohesion through Food Systems Initiatives](#)

2 to 4 p.m., 660 Campus Rec, free

Thai New Year

5:30 to 7:30 p.m., 335 Smith Union, \$7/\$5

The Creative Fire

7 p.m., Xhurch, 4550 NE 20th Ave., free

April 19

[Arbor Month Events](#)

10 a.m., 12:30 p.m., and 6 p.m., Hoffmann Hall, free

April 20

[Cascadia Rising: A Bioregional Confluence](#)

9 a.m. to 6:30 p.m., Smith Union, free

April 21

[Empire State of Mind: Race, Music and Democracy Promotion](#)

5:30 p.m., 238 Smith Union, free

April 22

[Google Sites Intro](#)

10 a.m. to noon, 439 Neuberger, free

[Intro to DataMaster Reports](#)

10 to 11 a.m., 450 Neuberger, free

[HR Healthy, Wealthy: Mindfulness Based Stress Reduction](#)

Noon to 1 p.m., 294 Smith Union, free

[SHAC: Mental Health Resiliency](#)

1 to 2 p.m., 212 Urban Center Building, free

[Film: Glacial Balance](#)

5 p.m., 296 Smith Union, free

Tom Guarna Jazz

5 p.m., 47 Lincoln Hall, free

PEOPLE

[Javier Faulín Fajardo, Miguel Figliozzi, Scott Thompson](#)

PRESENTED

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First Provost's Challenge project completed

Students submitted nearly 20,000 forms in one week after the [Online Major Change Mechanism](#) went

live—the first completed

[Provost's Challenge](#) project. The mechanism prompts undergraduates to verify or change majors each term, better communicating major requirements and academic plans to students and enabling them to easily manage their majors. In seven days 3,735 majors were changed and 15,855 were confirmed. The project, one of 24 funded by the \$3 million Provost's Challenge initiative, was led by the Registrar's Office, in collaboration with the Office of Information Technology.

Leadership changes announced

Last week, two Portland State deans announced that they are leaving Portland State for new posts. [Scott Dawson](#), dean of the School of Business Administration, will leave at the end of July to become dean of Orfalea College of Business at Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo; and [Sue Beatty](#), dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, has accepted a position as provost of The Sage Colleges in New York. She leaves at the end of June.

Protect sensitive Internet information

Major news outlets recently announced a serious, worldwide Internet vulnerability known as the Heartbleed bug. This bug affects a vast portion of all Internet traffic and has direct implications for nearly all users. Members of the PSU community should take steps to keep their information secure by changing their Odin passwords at [oam.pdx.edu](#). The PSU Office of Information Technology also recommends changing passwords for any sites that contain sensitive information (such as banking sites, social networking sites, online retailers, etc.). [READ MORE](#)

Author and alumnus to share story

Mitchell Jackson, PSU alumnus and author of the critically acclaimed novel *The Residue Years*, returns to campus Friday, April 25.He will read from his book and will be interviewed by Sam Adams, City Club executive director and former Portland Mayor. The event is from 6 to 8 p.m. in 238 Smith Center and is free with a PSU ID, but reservations are required. *The Residue Years* is autobiographical, telling the story of young black man who grows up in Portland amid adults who are in and out of prison, and then sells drugs and serves his own time. [READ MORE](#)

Shared governance opportunities for students

Do you know a student with strong leadership skills who communicates well? The General Student Affairs Committee, a Faculty Senate committee, is asking faculty and staff to help recruit such students for an All University Committee. The 36 committees report to the Faculty Senate and address such issues as student academic appeals, the University's budget, child care services on campus, and much more. Interested students may contact Rayleen McMillan, ASPSU University Affairs Director at [aspsu.ud@pdx.edu](#). [READ MORE](#)

SHAC commemorates 10th anniversary

The Center for Student Health and Counseling is officially 10 years old. To celebrate, SHAC is hosting a weeklong series of events, including a special talk on Mental Health Resiliency, April 22. An Anniversary Open House is planned from 3 to 5 p.m. on April 24 to show off SHAC's recent remodel, which has greatly expanded services for students. Students, staff, and faculty are invited to all events. [EVENTS LIST](#)

Celebrating Earth Week

A Day of Service on Saturday, April 19, will kick off a week of Earth Day events demonstrating support for environmental protection. [Registered volunteers](#) will work onprojects on and around campus beginning at 9 a.m., followed by lunch and a talk by a guest speaker. Films, talks and tours are planned throughout the week, including an Earth Day Festival from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on April 22 in the Park Blocks. [MORE EVENTS](#)

Nominate an outstanding student by Friday

Faculty and staff are encouraged to nominate exceptional students for PSU's annual Student Achievement Awards by Friday, April 18. Students are recognized for their academic achievement, service to the University, and engagement with the community. An online nomination form is available. The awards ceremony is scheduled for June 12. [READ MORE](#)

Red Cross blood drive comes to campus

Giving blood is easy during the campus American Red Cross Blood Drive April 21-24, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Smith Union Ballroom. Make an appointment on the [redcrossblood.org](#) site using the sponsor code "Portlandstate" or call the Red Cross directly at 1-800-red-cross. Volunteers are also need to help with the drive and may sign up online. [READ MORE](#)CURRENTLY IS PUBLISHED online every Monday during the academic year. News items should be sent to the Office of University Communications (mail code: UCOMM; e-mail address: [currently@pdx.edu](#)) by the Tuesday noon before publication.