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### December 5

[Transportation Seminar: Evaluating the Planning and Implementation of Major Transit Capital Projects in the Portland Region](#)

[Social Sustainability: Challenge in Creating Sustainable Communities, Update on Work in Australia](#)

[Economics Seminar: "Do Our Taxes and Budget Reflect Oregonians' Priorities?"](#)

[Music Forward! A Holiday Concert Benefiting Music Scholarships](#)

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

### December 6

[Confucian Sacred Landscapes, Linda Walton](#)

### December 8

[The Monumental Agenda of Hatshepsut, Ancient Egypt's Female King](#)

### December 10

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

[OIT Workshop: Google Spreadsheets and Forms/Surveys](#)

### December 11

[OAI Faculty Workshop: Creating Screencasts for Your Course](#)

[PSU Board of Trustees Meeting](#)

[OIT Workshop: D2L Quizzes](#)

[A Room With A View: China Forbes Sings Opera with PSU Orchestra](#)

**December 12, 17, 22, 30**

[OIT Workshop: D2L Version 10.2](#)

### December 13

[Men's Basketball: PSU vs. CSU Bakersfield](#)

### December 14

[Women's Basketball: PSU vs. Western Washington](#)

### December 16

[OIT Workshop: Google Introduction](#)

[OIT Workshop: Intro to DataMaster](#)

[OIT Workshop: Exploring DataMaster Reports](#)

### December 22

[Men's Basketball: PSU vs. Walla Walla](#)

### December 25-26

University Closed

### January 1

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[Men's Basketball: PSU vs. Southern Utah](#)

### January 3

[Men's Basketball: PSU vs. Northern Arizona](#)

### January 5

[PSU Faculty Senate Regular Meeting](#)

### January 8

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

### January 10

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

### January 12

[OAI Faculty Workshop: JumpStart Writing Program](#)

### January 14

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

[OIT Workshop: Google Calendar, Google+, Hangouts](#)

## PEOPLE

[Paula Carder, Susan Kirtley](#)

## PRESENTED

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## DECEMBER 3, 2014

**THIS IS THE LAST ISSUE** of Currently for fall term. The newsletter will resume weekly publication Jan. 12, with a submission deadline of noon Tuesday, Jan. 6.

## Governor recommends increased higher education budget

Oregon's public universities would get \$626 million over the next two years in Gov. John Kitzhaber's recommended budget, which he released Monday. The total represents a spending increase from the previous two years—ending years of budget cuts—but it falls short of the progress university presidents were hoping for. [READ MORE](#)

## Pink Martini singer to perform with PSU Orchestra

The opera soundtrack from the movie *A Room with a View* inspired China Forbes to become an opera singer. Things changed for the Pink Martini singer, but at 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 11, accompanied by the PSU Orchestra, she will sing the movie's arias at the First Congregational Church, 1126 SW Park Ave. Tickets cost \$15 and are available from the PSU Box Office. [READ MORE](#)

## New vice provosts announced

Provost Sona Andrews has announced the appointment of Shelly Chabon and Margaret Everett to top academic posts. Chabon is the new vice provost for Academic Personnel and Leadership Development in the Office of Academic Affairs. Everett has been assigned the duties of vice provost for International Affairs. [READ MORE](#)

## Celebrate the Season on Dec. 9

The campus community is invited to Celebrate the Season at the annual PSU holiday open house from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 9, in the Smith Memorial Student Union Ballroom. The event includes a short performance by the PSU Community Choir, a donation drive for PSU student parents and a chance to reconnect with colleagues.

## Angela Davis to deliver MLK keynote

American political activist, scholar and author Angela Davis is the keynote speaker for the campus Martin Luther King Jr. Day Tribute. She will discuss "Living the Legacy: The Meaning of

Freedom" at 6 p.m., Wednesday, Jan. 21, in the Stott Center gymnasium. Davis, an professor emerita from University of California - Santa Cruz, started as an activist and radical in the 1960s. Today she is a speaker on social justice and the author of nine books. Her talk is free to PSU students and \$15 for faculty, staff and the general public. Reserve tickets at the PSU Box Office.

## Start the year a healthier you

Early-bird registration is now open for this year's Healthy U Wellness Challenge, Jan. 12 through March 8. Participants may log points in three categories: healthy habits, exercise, and event participation. Join as an individual or team and earn incentives along the way, plus compete for grand prizes. The challenge is open to the entire PSU campus—Rec Center membership not required. Visit [wellness.pdx.edu](#) for more information and instructions on how to register.

## Fearless Artist

Kevin Truong '04 is on a mission to create the world's largest collection of photos of gay men. He travels the world, capturing thousands of images with a goal of breaking down misconceptions. Truong's story is part of the University's [Fearless campaign](#). Know a fearless alumnus, student or faculty member? Recommend them through a [PSU Google form](#). [Read more about Truong](#).

## Athletic director candidates on campus

The campus community is invited to attend open forums next week with three candidates for athletic director. The sessions are scheduled for 2-2:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 9, in 238 Smith Union; 4-4:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 10, in 294 Smith Union; and 4:45-5:15 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 11, in 236 Smith Union. The candidates will address questions about the challenges of the post and their qualifications followed by a Q-and-A session. Candidates' credentials will be posted on the [PSU Athletics website](#) 24 hours before their visit. Feedback should be emailed to Robert Lockwood, search committee chairperson, at [lockwoodr@pdx.edu](#).

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