January is one of my favorite months. It's not the weather that appeals to me, but the fresh start that January 1 brings to my schedule. I've learned not to make New Year's resolutions, but rather to just take on the mindset that anything is possible beginning January 1.

So, with that, there are a few things I want to share with you regarding our volunteer program!

Two new ad hoc workgroups will be forming in January. The first group led by Nancy Beall, will be taking the outdated Volunteer Program bylaws and revamping them into Volunteer Program Policies and Procedures. Metro has asked that all volunteer programs through Metro and MERC standardize policies around volunteer roles and responsibilities. You will not see a noticeable difference in your day-to-day volunteer role, however, a new Volunteer Handbook will be coming as a product of this workgroup. An initial meeting of this small group has been scheduled for the end of the month.

2020 will see the beginning of a junior volunteer program at Portland'5! High school students, ages 14 to 18 will be able to apply to become Portland'5 ambassadors who will support the performances of the Oregon Children's Theatre, and with adult permission, other performances in our theaters. An ad hoc workgroup, spun off the Usher Advisory Committee, will be working with me on creating the junior volunteer program. Junior volunteers will be encouraged to assist with Summer Arts and Music on Main, as well as expanded community tabling events during the summer months.

I am very excited to begin work on both of these projects and thank the volunteers who are already committed to these new endeavors.
VOLUNTEER SURVEY BEGINS
TUESDAY, JANUARY 21

Please take a few minutes to complete the volunteer survey that will be delivered to your email on Tuesday, January 21. The 10 question survey will measure your satisfaction with our scheduling system, communication methods and satisfaction in your volunteer role. The survey will be available online through Survey Monkey. It will also be available in paper form in the coat room. The survey window will close on February 21. Thank you!

Alone we can do so little, together we can do so much.

- Helen Keller

**Usher Training**

Do you know anyone who would be a great fit as a P5 volunteer usher? Let them know that now is their chance! We are holding new usher training January 22 and 29, at 6pm on the 4th floor lobby. Trainees must attend both sessions.

CELAYIX BRUSH-UP on January 29! RSVP to Megan.

**NOONTIME SHOWCASE SCHEDULE**

Even if you’re not scheduled to work, come enjoy these free performances! Tell a friend, too!

Noon, Antoinette Hatfield Hall Rotunda

- Monday, January 13 – Stumptown Stages - selections from Mamma Mia!
- Monday, February 10 – Sally Harmon and Frank Gruner
- Monday, March 9 – Oregon Ballet Theatre 2
- Monday, April 13 – Jefferson Dancers
FINAL HOLIDAY ANIMAL DRIVE GOES OUT WITH A BANG!

You certainly came through for the kids during our final holiday stuffed animal drive! We donated a total of 143 animals to Clackamas Co. Fire Services and Crime Victims’ Advocates of Clackamas County. A big thank you to Michael Eyer for delivering the menagerie, and to everyone who donated an animal to comfort a child:

 Janice Avidan, Sue Blader, Virginia Bozich, Mary Bremen, Joan Daly, Pat Dannen, Marilee Davies, Justin Desjardins, Rod & Susan Edwards, Sharon Fantz, Deb Farrington, Eddie Feinstein, Paula Frechen, Terry Lou Glafka, Gail Grossen, Cathy Hahlo, Sharon High, Jean Hillebrand, Rosemary Hutchinson, Mike & Mary Johnson, Shauna Jones, Jennifer Kallenbach, Donna Kauffman, Cindy Lang, Elaine Lycan, John Odgers, Linda Ostomel, Margaretta Pfeffer, Irene Pugh, Robin Pulskamp, Gail Richardson, Arlene Robinson, Forrest Romig, Kendall Rundberg, Blair Ryan, Gerdy Sahlbrandt, Barb Sahli, Emily Smith, Camille Stark, Patt Trobaugh, Dixie Villa, Sue Vonderheide, Una Beth Westfall, Carolyn Willemse, Elizabeth Wolfe, Barbara Yale, Melissa Yale

NOTES ON EVACUATION DRILLS

This month’s drill will be held on January 30 in the Keller, Newmark, Winningstad and Brunish (no drill for Schnitzer).

- We will announce the date of the drills in the newsletter, and the house manager will announce it at that day’s briefing.
- We try to select dates when multiple venues are running, so we can capture the most staff and volunteers possible.
- We try to schedule after matinees, so it is still light out and may not be as cold.
- If the show is not conducive to a drill (such as a large post-show meet and greet), the house manager may choose to cancel the drill.
- If it is raining or 40 degrees or below, the drill will be canceled.
STAR PERFORMERS

To: Kristine Henderer
From: Brian Coltman
We were short ushers for the last performance of the Nutcracker. She was immensely helpful in assisting to seat patrons.

Did a fellow volunteer especially impress you? Let us know about it! Email Lori or Megan for Star Performers.

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

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VOUCHER CHANGES

Beginning in February, we will no longer be accepting expired vouchers. Please discard your old vouchers.

When the vouchers are sent out for Dragons Love Tacos (when that show ends), there will be a new line for your volunteer ID number. Please be sure to fill it out!

TOUR GUIDE TRAINING

Join the Tour Guide ranks! The next tour guide training session is Saturday, February 1st, at 10:30am. RSVP to lorigeres@portland5.com
Volunteer Update

Meeting

Tuesday, January 14
6:00pm – 8:00pm
Winningstad Theatre

Join us for the first update meeting of 2020!

Social time with refreshments begins in the Rotunda at 6:00pm.

At 6:30pm the update begins with a presentation from Sarah Berkemeier, Community Safety Coordinator and Jenni Pullen, Crime Prevention Coordinator in the City of Portland’s Office of Community & Civic Life to discuss personal safety in the downtown core. They will be bringing handouts and taking questions.

Stay for a wonderful performance from Mac Sumner. Mac’s repertoire includes moving Northern American, Irish, and British ballads, as well as Americana/country songs and fiddle music, beginning at 7:15pm.

Bring a friend who may be interested in becoming a volunteer! Usher training begins January 22nd.

RSVP by January 10th to meganwaddle@portland5.com
### Tentative calendar for the month of FEBRUARY

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February 2020 Synopsis

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Oregon Ballet Symphony **The Sleeping Beauty** February 15 – 23, check calendar for times
Set to Tchaikovsky's opulent score, it features a cast of fantastical characters, spectacular sets, and legendary music.

SCHNITZER

Oregon Symphony **Special: Game ON!** February 1, 7:30pm
Featuring concert premieres from 14 blockbuster video games. Game ON! combines unrivaled, world-class symphonic arrangements with stunning in-game HD videos and never-before-seen concept art.

Oregon Symphony **Kids #2: Young Person's Guide to the Orchestra** February 2, 2:00pm
We'll spirit the young audience away for a musical adventure inside the orchestra with Britten’s Young Person’s Guide to the Orchestra.

Oregon Symphony **Classical #10: Pictures at an Exhibition** February 8-10, check calendar for times
Mussorgsky's depiction of a stroll through an art exhibit is a perennial symphonic favorite. Augustin Hadelich, *Musical America’s* 2018 Instrumentalist of the Year, brings his astonishing technical wizardry to Paganini’s dazzling virtuosic First Violin Concerto.

Oregon Symphony **Special: Itzhak Perlman** January 16, 7:30pm
The reigning virtuoso of the violin returns to share Beethoven’s Violin Concerto.

White Bird Presents **Grupo Corpo** February 12, 7:30pm
Brazil's seductive Grupo Corpo returns to White Bird with two new works what will light up the stage featuring the company's mix of contemporary dance, ballet, and Afro-Brazilian movement.

Oregon Symphony **Special: Casablanca** February 14, 7:30pm
One of the most beloved films of all time is screened as the symphony plays the score.
Oregon Symphony **Pops #4: Music of John Williams** February 15–16, check calendar for times
Take a thrilling journey through some of Williams’ most beloved cinematic scores, including Star Wars and Close Encounters of the Third Kind, as well as his Olympic Fanfare.

World Oregon **General H.R. McMaster** February 19, 7:30pm
**Topic: Geopolitics, Security, and the State of the World Today**

Literary Arts **Susan Orlean** February 20, 7:30pm
Author of *The Library Book, Rin Tin Tin, Saturday Night,* and *The Orchid Thief* (which was made into the Academy Award-winning film Adaptation).

Oregon Symphony **Special: Lyle Lovett & His Acoustic Group** February 26, 7:30pm
The Grammy-winning Texas trailblazer and his backup band perform for the first time alongside the Oregon Symphony.

Oregon Symphony **Special: Harry Potter & the Goblet of Fire** February 28 – March 1, check calendar for times
For the first time ever, audiences can rediscover the magic of this film while the Oregon Symphony performs Patrick Doyle's unforgettable score.

**NEWMARK**

Oregon Children’s Theatre **Dragons Love Tacos** January 18 – February 16, check calendar for times
This hilarious, dance-filled journey into the field of Dragonology is equal parts ridiculous and delicious, and has all the ingredients for a fantastic time!

Powell’s Books **Nicholas Kristof & Sheryl WuDunn** February 6, 7:30pm

Live Nation **Pee-Wee's Big Adventure 35th Anniversary Tour** February 14, 7:30pm
A special 35th anniversary screening of Pee-Wee's Big Adventure, followed by amazing stories about the making of the movie told by Paul Reubens.

Portland’5 Presents **BYU Vocal Point** February 18, 7:30pm
Vocal Point captures faithful audiences throughout the world with their stunning, high-energy a cappella performances.
All Classical Public Media **Lovefest** February 19, 7:00pm
Performances by Portland’s top musical talent introduced on stage by your favorite
All Classical Portland radio hosts.

**Portland’5 Presents Bela Fleck & Abigail Washburn** February 20, 7:30pm
The “king and queen of the banjo” have a musical partnership like no other. Fleck is
a 15 time Grammy winner who has taken the instrument across multiple genres.
Washburn is a singer-songwriter and clawhammer banjo player.

**PDX Jazz Larry Carlton** February 21, 7:00pm
Four-time Grammy winner and all-time guitar great, Larry Carlton’s studio credits
include Steely Dan, Joni Mitchell, Sammy Davis, Jr., Quincy Jones, Dolly Parton, and
dozens of others.

**PDX Jazz Archie Shepp Quartet with Blue Cranes** February 22, 7:00pm
The Dictionary of Jazz defines Shepp in the following way: “A first rate artist and
intellectual, he has been at the head of the Avant-Garde Free Jazz movement and
has been able to join the mainstream of jazz while remaining true to his esthetic.”

**PDX Jazz An Evening with Branford Marsalis** February 23, 7:00pm
After four decades in the international spotlight, the achievements of saxophonist
Marsalis continue to grow. The instrumentalist, composer, bandleader, and
educator has become an avatar of contemporary artistic excellence.

**Portland’5 Presents We Shall Overcome** February 24, 11:00am & 7:30pm
Inspired by the words and action of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., We Shall Overcome
showcases repertoire from across the African American music traditions that
electrified generations of civil rights activists and defenders with interwoven
spoken word from Dr. King’s recorded speeches.

**La Jolla Booking Agency Beatles vs. Stones – A Musical Showdown** February 25,
7:30pm
Beatles tribute band Abbey Road will engage in a barrage of hits against premier
Rolling Stones tribute band Satisfaction.

**White Bird Presents Cirque Alfonse – TABARNAK** February 27 - 29, 7:30pm
A fiesta of circus, music and nonstop movement. TABARNAK is an acrobatic rock
musical performed by a team of young circus artists, dancers and musicians.
Stumptown Stages Mamma Mia! January 30 – February 16, check calendar for times
Sophie dreams of a perfect wedding on a small Greek island that includes her father giving her away. But she doesn’t know who her father is. Her mother is uncooperative, so Sophie takes matters into her own hands. Featuring the music of ABBA.

PDX Jazz Terry Riley with Gyan Riley: Live at 85! February 21, 10:00pm
Composer, pianist, vocalist Terry Riley launched the minimalist movement with his classic IN C, composed in 1964, which was to have an enormous impact on the course of western music. In addition to his solo piano concerts, Mr. Riley performs with his son, classical guitarist Gyan Riley.

EnergyOfShirazi Siamak Shirazi & Babak Amini in Concert February 22, 7:30pm
Shirazi and Amini’s unique perspectives about music and life is expressed in their upcoming album. They are combining more than 30 years of Babak’s experience as an award-winning performer, composer, arranger, and producer and Siamak’s experience as a wellness guru and a vocalist. Their sound is a fusion of jazz, flamenco, and contemporary Persian music.

Oregon Children’s Theatre Journal of Ben Uchida February 29 – March 22, check calendar for times
In 1942, 12 year old Ben Uchida and his family are forcibly removed from their home in San Francisco and relocated to Mirror Lake Internment Camp along with hundreds of thousands of other Japanese-American families. In this unfamiliar place, Ben’s emotional journey is even more upsetting than his physical one.

BRUNISH

Live on Stage Portland Mini Musical Festival January 30 – February 2, check calendar for times
Portland’s own festival of all new musicals. Six brand new 15-minute shows by local writers and composers.

HATFIELD HALL

Portland'5 Centers for the Arts Noontime Showcase: Sally Harmon & Frank Gruner February 10, 12:00pm
Sally, with her classical background, teams up with Frank and his jazz and pop background to create a whimsical and passionate variety of styles.