

JANUARY 2008

SOUTH WATERFRONT COMMUNITY

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TAKE A STAND ON ROSS ISLAND

The Friends of Ross Island are actively seeking public input on how to shape this important new green space. See the calendar for details on their January 10th presentation at SWF's Discovery Center.

WORD ON THE STREETS

Portland Department of Transportation wants to bring SWF and the immediate surroundings a little TLC from city traffic engineers. Help them give you what you want by filling out their survey!

ARTIST IN RESIDENCE

Join writer, teacher, and activist David Oates during his SWF residency. The author of *City Limits: Walking Portland's Urban Growth Boundary* will lead Wild Writer Workshops in January; see our calendar for details or contact Email: artistinresidence@southwaterfront.com or visit www.southwaterfront.com/art_and_design/artist.

HOME TOUR A HIT

This year's SWF home tour was a runaway success, with 275 people raising nearly \$1,400 for Neighborhood House, which helped push total SWF fund raising for the charity to over \$6,000, with still more coming in. Congratulations!

EVENTS CALENDAR

Find *Current Events*, a calendar for SWF residents and the public, on the back of this newsletter.



We're rolling, ranger: A scene from last summer at Documentary Explorers Camps for kids.

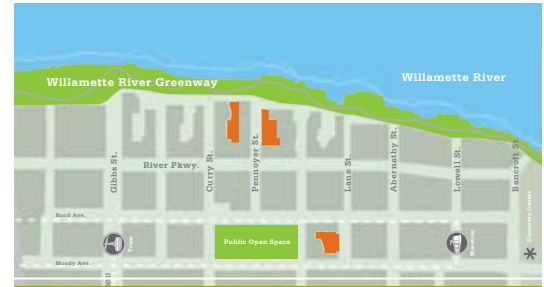
SWF CULTURE

DIY (DOCUMENT IT YOURSELF)

If there's a documentary film burning inside of you - or even if you just like to watch, stop by the Discovery Center from 6:00-8:00 pm on January 24th. That evening, NW Documentary Arts & Media, the people who brought you *Eloquent Nude*, will host an interactive documentary night where you'll get a taste of filmmaking through equipment demonstrations and filmmaker presentations. You'll also have an opportunity to view works by budding documentarians of all ages.

NW Documentary has a long history of helping others bring true stories to film. Their students have produced works on topics ranging from Russian defectors to radical cheerleaders to Pez collectors. The evening will feature screenings of some of those films. You can also meet filmmakers and instructors, including Emmy-award winning filmmaker, Ian McCluskey. There'll be drinks, snacks, an opportunity to buy NW Documentary's Selected Works, Vol. 2 on DVD, and a chance to win a \$335 tuition gift certificate for NW Documentary's workshop, Exploring Documentary Production, so bring your director's chair and come on down. Please RSVP to jeremy@southwaterfront.com or at 503.222.7788 if you would like to attend.

Public welcome. *



From vision to reality?: The Willamette Greenway needs your help to meet its potential.

MAKE A DIFFERENCE

RAISING DOUGH FOR THE DOCK

We've learned that getting the public goodies we want involves making a fuss and raising money in equal parts. SWF 20/20's Nature and Greenspaces Committee is asking neighborhood residents and business owners to do both to help make the Willamette Greenway a better public amenity.

The original vision for the Greenway included a light watercraft dock and a wildlife habitat viewing platform. Neither is funded in the City of Portland's \$6 million project budget, but that could change.

The reasons for supporting the boat dock and platform include providing SWF residents and visitors safe access to the river, protecting bank habitats from unplanned human access to the river, and protecting home values.

A high level of participation in a boat dock and viewing platform fund raising effort by SWF residents and businesses will send a powerful message to the City. Please consider giving to the cause at whatever level is comfortable to you. Checks should be written to Portland Parks & Recreation with SWF Greenway in the memo. In addition, please consider writing a letter to the City or Portland's Project Manager, Patty Freeman, to let her know that access to the river is important to you. Reach her by e-mail at pkpatty@ci.portland.or.us. *

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EVENTS CALENDAR

WEEK OF 12/30/07 - 01/05/08

Artist in Residence First Saturday Salon

Chat with writer David Oates over coffee and bagels and learn about his upcoming SWF residency, the found prose poem "Leaves" that will be gathered from queries left around SWF and the writers workshops he will lead in January.

Saturday, January 5th 11:00 am-1:00 pm

AiR Studio, John Ross at River Pkwy & Gaines

Public welcome

WEEK OF 01/06/08 - 01/12/08

Beyond Networking: Customize Your Outreach Toolkit

Start connecting to grow a thriving business. Learn 6 steps to get connected to your ideal clients with less stress and more ease. Space is limited, to reserve your space call: 503.288.5660.

Monday, January 7th 6:30-7:30 pm

Umpqua Innovation Lab **Public welcome**

A WATERSHED EVENT

New parks and open space are few and far between for Portland, and South Waterfront has perhaps the most exciting public land acquisition since Forest Park right in its backyard (or front yard, depending on where your door is). The Friends of Ross Island, Portland Audubon Society, Willamette Riverkeeper, the Urban Greenspaces Institute, and Greenworks will present decades of planning for the restoration and stewardship of Ross Island at an **Open House at the Discovery Center**. Taste Salmon Safe certified wines from Argyle Winery, Ponzi Vineyards, and Lange Winery; enjoy food from local organic caterer Phresh. Come and add your voice and ideas to the mix. Please RSVP to jeremy@southwaterfront.com

Thursday, January 10th 6:00-8:00 pm

Discovery Center **Public welcome**

WEEK OF 01/13/08 - 01/19/08

Game Night!

Challenge your neighbors to your favorite game (bridge, checkers, chess, etc.). We'll provide the games.

Wednesday, January 16th 5:00-7:00 pm

Umpqua Innovation Lab **Public welcome**

WEEK OF 01/20/08 - 01/26/08

NW Documentary Interactive Workshop

Visit interactive filmmaking stations, meet filmmakers, see great local documentaries. Hors d'oeuvres and drinks served.

Thursday, January 24th 6:00-8:00 pm

Discovery Center **Public Welcome**

WEEK OF 01/27/08 - 02/03/08

Business Therapy: More Than a Brand – Engage Others With Intention

Does your image reflect how you want to be known? Explore easy ways to inspire, engage, connect your purpose and expand your reach by capturing your unique style.

Monday, January 28th 6:30-7:30 pm

Umpqua Innovation Lab **Public welcome**

Time and the River and Us: Some Language for Living Herewith

Guest artist in residence David Oates and writing workshop participants present their work.

Wednesday, January 30th 7:00 pm-8:30 pm

AiR Studio, John Ross at River Pkwy & Gaines

Public welcome

"Goonies" Movie Night

Filmed right here in Oregon, this classic is fun to watch with the whole family. Enjoy the movie showcased on Umpqua's giant screen.

Thursday, January 31st 6:30 pm

Umpqua Innovation Lab **Public welcome**

RECURRING EVENTS

SWF 20/20 Art, Culture & Science Committee

Elevate the arts and sciences in your neighborhood. All faces welcome. More info: artculture@swf2020.com

1st Monday 6:30 pm

Meriwether Lounge **Residents only**

SWF 20/20 Nature & Green Spaces Committee

Better parks and open spaces start with you, join us! More info: naturegreenspace@swf2020.com

2nd Monday, 7:00 pm

Meriwether East Lounge **Residents only**

SWF 20/20 Sustainable Lifestyle & Transportation Committee

Work towards a carbon-neutral SWF. More info: sustainablelifestyle@swf2020.com

2nd Tuesday, 7:00 pm

Meriwether East Lounge **Residents only**

SWF 20/20 Health, Wellness & Social Spaces Committee

We plan the fun stuff, and get the district ready for emergencies. Dates subject to change; confirm at: hwsscom@swf2020.com

2nd Monday, 7:30 pm

Umpqua Innovation Lab **Residents only**

Blazer Games on the Big Screen

Watch hoops on big screen at Umpqua. Portland vs. Chicago **1/3 at 5:00 pm**, New Jersey **1/14 at 4:30 pm**, Boston **1/16 at 4:30 pm**, Miami **1/18 at 4:00 pm**, New Orleans **1/23 at 5:00 pm**.

Umpqua Innovation Lab **Public welcome**

Wild Writers Workshops with David Oates

Join our guest artist in residence for three workshops: Being Present, Recovering the Past, and Imagining the Future.

Wednesdays, January 9th-23rd 6:30-8:30 pm

AiR Studio, John Ross at River Pkwy & Gaines

Public welcome