

Lunar New Year events



ILLUMINATED GARDEN. Lan Su Chinese Garden celebrations in honor of the Year of the Rabbit begin January 21 and end February 5. Festivities feature cultural performances, festival decorations, craft activities, audio tours, a scavenger hunt, demonstrations, workshops, and Lantern Viewing (pictured). (Photo courtesy of Lan Su Chinese Garden)

Tet Nguyen Dan at PSU

Jan 9, 4-6pm, Portland State University (PSU), Smith Memorial Student Union, Rooms 327/328/329 (1825 SW Broadway, Portland). Learn about the Vietnamese Lunar New Year and sample authentic Vietnamese New Year food at *Tet Nguyen Dan*, presented by the PSU Vietnamese Student Association. For info, call (503) 725-5855, e-mail <vsa.psu@gmail.com>, or visit <<https://pdx.campuslabs.com/engage/event/8641118>>.

"Tet 2023" at Gregory Heights Library

Jan 13, 3-4pm, Gregory Heights Library (7921 NE Sandy Blvd, Portland). Celebrate "Tet 2023," the Vietnamese Year of the Cat, at Gregory Heights Library. Participants are invited to learn fun facts and traditions about Tet at the event, which features craft and read-along activities in English and Vietnamese. Attendance is first come, first served. For info, call (503) 988-5123 or visit <<https://multcolib.org/events/t%E1%BA%BFt-2023-celebrating-vietnamese-year-cat/123268>>.

Tet Festival at Seattle Center

Jan 14-15, 11am-6:30pm (Sat-Sun), Seattle Center (305 Harrison St, Seattle). Attend *Tet Nguyen Dan* — the Vietnamese New Year — presented by Seattle Center Festal in partnership with Tet in Seattle. Tet Festival 2023 ushers in the Lunar New Year with live performances, lion dances, local food vendors, art exhibits, a fashion show, hands-on activities for children, a health fair offering free screenings and services for eye health, osteoporosis, blood pressure, diabetes, immunizations, and more, along with interpreter services. For info, call (206) 684-7200, or visit <www.seattlecenter.com> or <www.tetinseattle.org>.

Vietnamese Lunar New Year Festival

Jan 21, 10am-5pm, SF Supermarket (5253 SE 82nd Ave, Portland). Attend the Vietnamese Lunar New Year Festival, a celebration presented by the Vietnamese Community of Oregon that features lucky red envelopes, a dragon dance, music performances, traditional dance, martial arts, awards for outstanding students, a raffle, vendors, and more. For info, call (503) 349-9232, e-mail <thaotvnc@gmail.com>, or visit <www.facebook.com/vncousa>.

Chinese New Year Cultural Fair

Jan 21, 11am-5pm, Oregon Convention Center (777 NE Martin Luther King Jr Blvd, Portland). Celebrate the Year of the Rabbit at the Chinese New Year Cultural Fair. The daylong event returns in person in 2023 after broadcasting virtually the past two years. The event, themed "Golden Rabbit Celebrating the New Year," includes traditional and contemporary Chinese cultural activities; Chinese folk dance and music; artists from the Oregon Chinese Artist Association showcasing Chinese calligraphy and more; booths offering food, beverages, products, and services; and more. For info, or to obtain the full schedule of events, call (503) 771-9560 or visit <www.portlandchinesetimes.com>.

Chinese New Year at Lan Su

Jan 21-Feb 5 (daily), 10am-4pm, Lan Su Chinese Garden (239 NW Everett St, Portland). Ring in the Chinese Lunar New Year — the Year of the Rabbit — with cultural performances, festival decorations, craft activities, audio tours, a scavenger hunt, demonstrations, workshops, and more at Lan Su Chinese Garden. Festivities kick off January 21 with a lion dance performance at the garden's Entrance Plaza to usher in the Year of the Rabbit. The January 21 community event is free and open to the public and will also be streamed live

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LUNAR CALENDAR

When were you born?

Look up your date of birth to find out what sign and element apply to you!

Jan. 31, 1900 to Feb. 18, 1901 — Metal Rat	Feb. 13, 1964 to Feb. 01, 1965 — Wood Dragon
Feb. 19, 1901 to Feb. 07, 1902 — Metal Ox	Feb. 02, 1965 to Jan. 20, 1966 — Wood Snake
Feb. 08, 1902 to Jan. 28, 1903 — Water Tiger	Jan. 21, 1966 to Feb. 08, 1967 — Fire Horse
Jan. 29, 1903 to Feb. 15, 1904 — Water Rabbit	Feb. 09, 1967 to Jan. 29, 1968 — Fire Sheep
Feb. 16, 1904 to Feb. 03, 1905 — Wood Dragon	Jan. 30, 1968 to Feb. 16, 1969 — Earth Monkey
Feb. 04, 1905 to Jan. 24, 1906 — Wood Snake	Feb. 17, 1969 to Feb. 05, 1970 — Earth Rooster
Jan. 25, 1906 to Feb. 12, 1907 — Fire Horse	
Feb. 13, 1907 to Feb. 01, 1908 — Fire Sheep	Feb. 06, 1970 to Jan. 26, 1971 — Metal Dog
Feb. 02, 1908 to Jan. 21, 1909 — Earth Monkey	Jan. 27, 1971 to Jan. 14, 1972 — Metal Pig
Jan. 22, 1909 to Feb. 09, 1910 — Earth Rooster	Jan. 15, 1972 to Feb. 02, 1973 — Water Rat
	Feb. 03, 1973 to Jan. 22, 1974 — Water Ox
Feb. 10, 1910 to Jan. 29, 1911 — Metal Dog	Jan. 23, 1974 to Feb. 10, 1975 — Wood Tiger
Jan. 30, 1911 to Feb. 17, 1912 — Metal Pig	Feb. 11, 1975 to Jan. 30, 1976 — Wood Rabbit
Feb. 18, 1912 to Feb. 05, 1913 — Water Rat	Jan. 31, 1976 to Feb. 17, 1977 — Fire Dragon
Feb. 06, 1913 to Jan. 25, 1914 — Water Ox	Feb. 18, 1977 to Feb. 06, 1978 — Fire Snake
Jan. 26, 1914 to Feb. 13, 1915 — Wood Tiger	Feb. 07, 1978 to Jan. 27, 1979 — Earth Horse
Feb. 14, 1915 to Feb. 02, 1916 — Wood Rabbit	Jan. 28, 1979 to Feb. 15, 1980 — Earth Sheep
Feb. 03, 1916 to Jan. 22, 1917 — Fire Dragon	
Jan. 23, 1917 to Feb. 10, 1918 — Fire Snake	Feb. 16, 1980 to Feb. 04, 1981 — Metal Monkey
Feb. 11, 1918 to Jan. 31, 1919 — Earth Horse	Feb. 05, 1981 to Jan. 24, 1982 — Metal Rooster
Feb. 01, 1919 to Feb. 19, 1920 — Earth Sheep	Jan. 25, 1982 to Feb. 12, 1983 — Water Dog
	Feb. 13, 1983 to Feb. 01, 1984 — Water Pig
Feb. 20, 1920 to Feb. 07, 1921 — Metal Monkey	Feb. 02, 1984 to Feb. 19, 1985 — Wood Rat
Feb. 08, 1921 to Jan. 27, 1922 — Metal Rooster	Feb. 20, 1985 to Feb. 08, 1986 — Wood Ox
Jan. 28, 1922 to Feb. 15, 1923 — Water Dog	Feb. 09, 1986 to Jan. 28, 1987 — Fire Tiger
Feb. 16, 1923 to Feb. 04, 1924 — Water Pig	Jan. 29, 1987 to Feb. 16, 1988 — Fire Rabbit
Feb. 05, 1924 to Jan. 24, 1925 — Wood Rat	Feb. 17, 1988 to Feb. 05, 1989 — Earth Dragon
Jan. 25, 1925 to Feb. 12, 1926 — Wood Ox	Feb. 06, 1989 to Jan. 26, 1990 — Earth Snake
Feb. 13, 1926 to Feb. 01, 1927 — Fire Tiger	
Feb. 02, 1927 to Jan. 22, 1928 — Fire Rabbit	Jan. 27, 1990 to Feb. 14, 1991 — Metal Horse
Jan. 23, 1928 to Feb. 09, 1929 — Earth Dragon	Feb. 15, 1991 to Feb. 03, 1992 — Metal Sheep
Feb. 10, 1929 to Jan. 29, 1930 — Earth Snake	Feb. 04, 1992 to Jan. 22, 1993 — Water Monkey
	Jan. 23, 1993 to Feb. 09, 1994 — Water Rooster
Jan. 30, 1930 to Feb. 16, 1931 — Metal Horse	Feb. 10, 1994 to Jan. 30, 1995 — Wood Dog
Feb. 17, 1931 to Feb. 05, 1932 — Metal Sheep	Jan. 31, 1995 to Feb. 18, 1996 — Wood Pig
Feb. 06, 1932 to Jan. 25, 1933 — Water Monkey	Feb. 19, 1996 to Feb. 07, 1997 — Fire Rat
Jan. 26, 1933 to Feb. 13, 1934 — Water Rooster	Feb. 08, 1997 to Jan. 27, 1998 — Fire Ox
Feb. 14, 1934 to Feb. 03, 1935 — Wood Dog	Jan. 28, 1998 to Feb. 05, 1999 — Earth Tiger
Feb. 04, 1935 to Jan. 23, 1936 — Wood Pig	Feb. 06, 1999 to Feb. 04, 2000 — Earth Rabbit
Jan. 24, 1936 to Feb. 10, 1937 — Fire Rat	
Feb. 11, 1937 to Jan. 30, 1938 — Fire Ox	Feb. 05, 2000 to Jan. 23, 2001 — Metal Dragon
Jan. 31, 1938 to Feb. 18, 1939 — Earth Tiger	Jan. 24, 2001 to Feb. 11, 2002 — Metal Snake
Feb. 19, 1939 to Feb. 07, 1940 — Earth Rabbit	Feb. 12, 2002 to Jan. 31, 2003 — Water Horse
	Feb. 01, 2003 to Jan. 21, 2004 — Water Sheep
Feb. 08, 1940 to Jan. 26, 1941 — Metal Dragon	Jan. 22, 2004 to Feb. 08, 2005 — Wood Monkey
Jan. 27, 1941 to Feb. 14, 1942 — Metal Snake	Feb. 09, 2005 to Jan. 28, 2006 — Wood Rooster
Feb. 15, 1942 to Feb. 04, 1943 — Water Horse	Jan. 29, 2006 to Feb. 17, 2007 — Fire Dog
Feb. 05, 1943 to Jan. 24, 1944 — Water Sheep	Feb. 18, 2007 to Feb. 06, 2008 — Fire Pig
Jan. 25, 1944 to Feb. 12, 1945 — Wood Monkey	Feb. 07, 2008 to Jan. 25, 2009 — Earth Rat
Feb. 13, 1945 to Feb. 01, 1946 — Wood Rooster	Jan. 26, 2009 to Feb. 13, 2010 — Earth Ox
Feb. 02, 1946 to Jan. 21, 1947 — Fire Dog	
Jan. 22, 1947 to Feb. 09, 1948 — Fire Pig	Feb. 14, 2010 to Feb. 02, 2011 — Metal Tiger
Feb. 10, 1948 to Jan. 28, 1949 — Earth Rat	Feb. 03, 2011 to Jan. 22, 2012 — Metal Rabbit
Jan. 29, 1949 to Feb. 16, 1950 — Earth Ox	Jan. 23, 2012 to Feb. 09, 2013 — Water Dragon
	Feb. 10, 2013 to Jan. 30, 2014 — Water Snake
Feb. 17, 1950 to Feb. 05, 1951 — Metal Tiger	Jan. 31, 2014 to Feb. 18, 2015 — Wood Horse
Feb. 06, 1951 to Jan. 26, 1952 — Metal Rabbit	Feb. 19, 2015 to Feb. 07, 2016 — Wood Sheep
Jan. 27, 1952 to Feb. 13, 1953 — Water Dragon	Feb. 08, 2016 to Jan. 27, 2017 — Fire Monkey
Feb. 14, 1953 to Feb. 02, 1954 — Water Snake	Jan. 28, 2017 to Feb. 15, 2018 — Fire Rooster
Feb. 03, 1954 to Jan. 23, 1955 — Wood Horse	Feb. 16, 2018 to Feb. 04, 2019 — Earth Dog
Jan. 24, 1955 to Feb. 11, 1956 — Wood Sheep	Feb. 05, 2019 to Jan. 24, 2020 — Earth Pig
Feb. 12, 1956 to Jan. 30, 1957 — Fire Monkey	
Jan. 31, 1957 to Feb. 17, 1958 — Fire Rooster	Jan. 25, 2020 to Feb. 11, 2021 — Metal Rat
Feb. 18, 1958 to Feb. 07, 1959 — Earth Dog	Feb. 12, 2021 to Jan. 31, 2022 — Metal Ox
Feb. 08, 1959 to Jan. 27, 1960 — Earth Pig	Feb. 01, 2022 to Jan. 21, 2023 — Water Tiger
	Jan. 22, 2023 to Feb. 09, 2024 — Water Rabbit
Jan. 28, 1960 to Feb. 14, 1961 — Metal Rat	Feb. 10, 2024 to Jan. 28, 2025 — Wood Dragon
Feb. 15, 1961 to Feb. 04, 1962 — Metal Ox	Jan. 29, 2025 to Feb. 16, 2026 — Wood Snake
Feb. 05, 1962 to Jan. 24, 1963 — Water Tiger	Feb. 17, 2026 to Feb. 05, 2027 — Fire Horse
Jan. 25, 1963 to Feb. 12, 1964 — Water Rabbit	Feb. 06, 2027 to Jan. 25, 2028 — Fire Sheep



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DRAGON DANCE PARADE. The Lunar New Year Dragon Dance Parade & Celebration on January 28 starts at 10:00am at the Portland Chinatown Museum with lion dances, drummers, and a 150-foot dragon. The parade then travels through downtown Portland and ends at the Oregon Historical Society Museum. (AR Photo/Jan Landis, File)

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on Lan Su's social media accounts. The first 500 visitors to the garden receive *hong bao*, or traditional lucky red envelope at entry. The 16-day festival, which ends February 5, includes Chinese brush painting, family craft activities, a chopstick challenge, foods of the New Year, a lion dance workshop, a Chinese calligraphy workshop, and more. Another highlight of the celebration is Lunar New Year Lantern Viewing — illuminated hanging red lanterns and large lantern sculptures — which is held on the evenings of January 26 to 29 and February 2 to 5 (separate admission tickets are required). For info, to obtain a complete schedule of activities, or to purchase Lantern Viewing tickets, call (503) 228-8131 or visit <www.lansugarden.org/things-to-do/events/lunar-new-year>.

Lunar New Year Dragon Dance Parade & Celebration

Jan 28, 10am-1pm, NW Davis Street near the Portland Chinatown Museum (127 NW Third Ave, Portland). Kick off the Lunar New Year with a mile-long parade in Portland coordinated by the Oregon Historical Society and numerous community partners. The Lunar New Year Dragon Dance Parade & Celebration starts at the Portland Chinatown Museum with lion dances, drummers, and a 150-foot dragon, followed by a parade that marches under the China Gate and through downtown Portland to the Oregon Historical Society Museum (1200 SW Park Ave, Portland) for a joyous conclusion. Members of the community who are interested in volunteering for the event should e-mail <info@portlandchinatown.org>. For info, call (503) 222-1741 or (503) 224-0008, or visit <www.ohs.org> or <www.portlandchinatownmuseum.org>.

2023 Lunar New Year Fair

Jan 28, 10am-3pm, Wing Luke Museum of the Asian Pacific American Experience (719 S King St, Seattle). Celebrate the Year of the Rabbit at the Wing Luke Museum of the Asian Pacific American Experience's family-friendly Lunar New Year Fair. Events include a live lion dance performance by LQ Lion Dance in front of the museum entrance on King Street to bring good luck for the new year; crafts, games, and art; exploration of a new Lunar New Year exhibit; and a storytime session about lion dancing. Indoor activities require paid museum admission. For info, call (206) 623-5124 or visit <www.wingluke.org>.

Asian Spring Festival Celebration

Jan 28, noon-5pm & 6:30-9pm, Seattle Center (305

Harrison St, Seattle). Celebrate the Year of the Rabbit with friends and family at a Spring Festival celebration organized by the Seattle Chinese Association and Chinese Microsoft Employee Network. A food court, an afternoon performance, games, gifts, a photo booth with traditional Chinese outfits, and more are featured during the afternoon portion of the event, which takes place from noon to 5:00pm. The evening gala held at McCaw Hall is held from 6:30pm to 9:00pm. For info, or to buy tickets, call (206) 684-7200 or visit <www.seattlecenter.com>.

VCA Chinese New Year

Jan 28, 5-7pm (light meal & games), 7-9pm (performances), Skyview High School (1300 NW 139th St, Vancouver, Wash.). Enjoy food, performances, and more at the Vancouver Chinese Association's (VCA) Chinese New Year celebration. For info, or to purchase tickets (required), e-mail <vca_usa@yahoo.com> or visit <<https://vca-wa.org/vca-2023-new-years-gala>>. For addresses of businesses selling tickets in person, visit <www.facebook.com/vcausa>.

2023 Lunar New Year Cake Time

Jan 29, 2-4pm, Virtual. Welcome the new year safely online at the Lunar New Year Cake Time event, presented by Multnomah County Library. For info, call (503) 988-5123 or visit <events.multcolib.org>. To register, visit <<https://multcolib.org/library-location/online>>.

"Lunar New Year: Altars, Ancestors, Traditions, Blessings"

Jan 29, 2022-Jan 8, 2023, 10am-5pm (Tue-Sun), Wing Luke Museum of the Asian Pacific American Experience (719 S King St, Seattle). Learn about how different cultures observe the Lunar New Year at "Lunar New Year: Altars, Ancestors, Traditions, Blessings," a new exhibit at The Wing. For info, call (206) 623-5124 or visit <www.wingluke.org>.

Northwest China Council New Year Gala

Feb 5, 5-9pm, Happy Dragon Restaurant (707 NE 82nd Ave, Portland). Attend the Northwest China Council's annual Chinese New Year Gala ringing in the Year of the Rabbit. The event features a 10-course banquet, silent auction, performances, door prizes, and music. For info, or to purchase tickets (by February 3 at 5:00pm), call (503) 558-5492, e-mail <info@nwchina.org>, or visit <www.nwchina.org>.

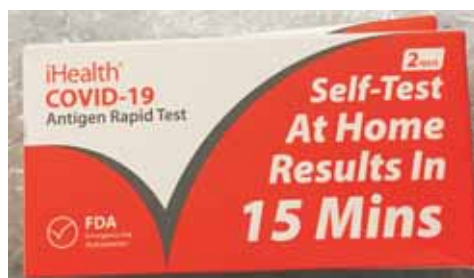


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First of all, I don't even like carrots

By Wayne Chan

The Asian Reporter

I have been living a lie. I'm not who I thought I was. Apparently, everything I knew about myself is now in question.

It wasn't intentional. I would have been fine if I had never found out the truth about my identity. But somehow, somehow, I'm gonna have to live with myself.

You see, I am not a Dragon.

I'm reminded every Lunar New Year, which this year begins January 22. In 2023, we are celebrating the Year of the Rabbit.

For years, actually decades, I had the firm belief I was born in the Year of the Dragon. Why would I think this? Well, when I was a kid, there was no internet. Most people learned information at school, or if they wanted to find out something specific, they read an encyclopedia.

Fortunately for me, I was reminded that I was born in the Year of the Dragon every time my parents took me to their favorite Chinese restaurant.

When we sat down at our favorite booth, it was right there on the table in front of us — a paper placemat with red lettering listing various birth years and how one's birth year correlated to an animal in the lunar zodiac.

Looking at the year I was born, it was as plain as day. I was born in the Year of the Dragon.

I was a Dragon, and this was way before the series "Game of Thrones" made them a cool thing.

And who wouldn't want to be a Dragon? Now that the internet is accessible nearly everywhere, it's easy to expand on the characteristics of the Dragon. The Dragon is "the most vital and powerful beast in the Chinese zodiac." Also, below are characteristics of people born in the Year of the Dragon. (I couldn't help comparing them to my own personality.)

Dragons have:

1. Innate courage. OK ... me.
2. Tenacity. Yup, me again. Keep going.
3. Intelligence. OK, now I'm starting to blush. Stop it!

With all of my natural, inherent intelligence, I set out to learn more about Dragons and the lunar zodiac.

It turns out that with each new year, the celebration of each animal is also a time when that animal is at its most robust and virile. And since my birthday is in early February, not only was I a Dragon, but a Dragon at the top of its game. A truly beautiful and magnificent creature.

Please, please, stop with the compliments. Yes, I'm a powerful, magnificent Dragon at the height of my powers, but I'm just like everyone else — just stronger and more magnificent.

This is what I believed for decades, and to say the least, I was perfectly fine with it.

Until.

Until I got married.

I remember it vividly. My beautiful wife Maya and I went to dinner at a Chinese restaurant. As if right on cue, there was the usual lunar zodiac placemat. It was time for me to regale my wife with my life story and how lucky she was to be married to a courageous, virile, and brilliant Dragon. I pointed at my year of birth and proudly exclaimed, "Yup, I'm a Dragon."

Then Maya picked up her smartphone. After a little research, she said, "Wait, you were born on February 6, and that year, the lunar new year began on February 13.

"WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT!?" I said.

You're not a Dragon. You were born seven days before the new year that year. That means, you're ... a Rabbit!

"WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT!?" I said. Again.

A Rabbit? How can I be a Rabbit? I was a strong, virile, courageous Dragon just two minutes ago!

What makes it worse, is that if I really was born at the tail end of the Rabbit Year, I'm not even a strong, energetic Rabbit. I'm basically a Rabbit at the end of its rope. I'm a Rabbit on its deathbed. I'm a bunny on life support!

In shock and in a panic, I looked up the characteristics of the Rabbit. It turns out that people born in the Year of the Rabbit have soft and tender personality traits. Well, of course they're soft and tender! You're a Rabbit! You'd be soft and tender too if you were a Rabbit on its deathbed on life support!

My whole life is in question. I love my wife, but she cannot be right. I need a second opinion.

Anyone know a reliable lunar zodiac specialist?

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- ✘ Grammar or spelling errors on the product label
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Events calendar

Please note: Policies vary for venues. Please read online guidelines for each event and proceed accordingly. Some activities feature timed ticketing with advance online purchase required.

“Illuminating Time”

Currently on view, 11am-3pm (Fri-Sun), Portland Chinatown Museum (127 NW Third Ave, Portland). View “Illuminating Time,” a display featuring original works by Creative Heights Artists-in-Residence Alex Chiu, Shu-Ju Wang, and Sam Roxas-Chua. The show is curated by artist and residency director Horatio Law. For info, or to purchase tickets, call (503) 224-0008 or visit <www.portlandchinatownmuseum.org>.

“Beyond the Mountain”

Currently on view, 10am-5pm (Fri-Sun), Seattle Asian Art Museum (1400 E Prospect St, in Volunteer Park, Seattle). View “Beyond the Mountain: Contemporary Chinese Artists on the Classical Forms,” an exhibit that conceptualize China’s rich legacies in art, language, and culture. The pieces contemplate the societal tolls of modernity and globalization and the challenge humans create for the natural world. For info, or to purchase tickets, call (206) 654-3100 or visit <www.seattleartmuseum.org>.

“Beyond the Gate: A Tale of Portland’s Historic Chinatowns”

Currently on view, 11am-3pm (Fri-Sun), Portland Chinatown Museum (127 NW Third Ave, Portland). View “Beyond the Gate: A Tale of Portland’s Historic Chinatowns,” a display of rare objects such as Chinese opera costumes, theatrical sets, bilingual text, audio-visual media, and more that tell a sprawling transnational story of contact and trade between China and the west, focusing on Portland’s Old Chinatown (1850-1905) and New Chinatown (1905-1950). For info, or to purchase tickets, call (503) 224-0008 or visit <www.portlandchinatownmuseum.org>.

“Deities & Demons: Supernatural in Japanese Art”

Currently on view, 10am-5pm (Wed-Sun), Seattle Art Museum (1300 First Ave, Seattle). View “Deities & Demons: Supernatural in Japanese Art,” a display of paintings, sculptures, prints, and textiles from the museum’s collection that presents the rich visual culture of the supernatural in Japan. For info, call (206) 654-3210 or visit <www.seattleartmuseum.org>.

Beaverton Winter Lights

Through Jan 5, 4pm-8am, Beaverton City Park (SW 5th St & SW Hall Blvd, Beaverton) & The Round (12655 SW Millikan Way, Beaverton). Stroll along outdoor light displays at Beaverton City Park and The Round daily from 4:00pm to 8:00am. Participants are encouraged to bring a camera to capture the moment, dress in warm clothing, and pack an umbrella in case of rain. For info, call (503) 526-2222 or visit <www.beavertonoregon.gov/winterlights>.

ZooLights

Through Jan 5, 4:30-8pm, Oregon Zoo (4001 SW Canyon Rd, Portland). Ring in the holiday season at the Oregon Zoo’s ZooLights display. The family tradition features more than a million-and-a-half lights illuminating life-size animal silhouettes, trees, buildings, walkways, and the zoo train. The ZooLights “drive” is available January 3 through 5. For info, or to buy tickets, call (503) 226-1561 or visit <www.oregonzoo.org/zoolights>.

Roberta Wong: “Vincent”

Through Jan 8, 10am-5pm (Mon-Sat), noon-5pm (Sun), Oregon Historical Society Museum (1200 SW Park Ave, Portland). View “Vincent,” a display by Roberta Wong in memory of Vincent Chin, who was murdered in 1982 in Detroit. For info, or to purchase tickets, call (503) 222-1741 or visit <www.ohs.org>.

“I Am an American: Stories of Exclusion and Belonging”

Through Jan 8, 10am-5pm (Mon-Sat), noon-5pm (Sun), Oregon Historical Society Museum (1200 SW Park Ave, Portland). View “I Am an American: Stories of Exclusion and



“SAME OLD SONG.” “Srijon Chowdhury: Same Old Song” is on view at the Henry Art Gallery in Seattle through January 15. Pictured is “Pale Rider,” 2019, oil on linen, 84” x 192”. (Image courtesy of the Henry Art Gallery)

Belonging,” an exhibit featuring photographs, paintings, and installation art designed to focus on the experiences of Asian Americans. For info, call (503) 222-1741 or visit <www.ohs.org>. To learn about the project behind the exhibit, visit <www.theimmigrantstory.org>.

“Srijon Chowdhury: Same Old Song”

Through Jan 15, 10am-7pm (Thu), 10am-5pm (Fri-Sun), Henry Art Gallery (15th Ave NE & NE 41st St, Seattle). View “Srijon Chowdhury: Same Old Song,” a display by Portland-based Srijon Chowdhury. The artist’s dreamlike oil paintings consider the present moment as part of a larger mythology. Moving between a highly stylized approach and startling realism, Chowdhury brings an uncanny contemporary twist to genres like family portraiture, biblical scenes, and vanitas still lifes. For info, call (206) 543-2280 or visit <www.henryart.org>.

“Finding Your Roots” casting call

Through Jan 27, Online. “Finding Your Roots,” a popular program of the Public Broadcasting Service (PBS) hosted by Henry Louis Gates, Jr., is looking for a non-celebrity viewer who has a “family mystery” that the show might be able to solve. The person cast would be featured on season 10 of the family ancestry series. Interested individuals may apply online at <<http://findingyourrootscasting.com>>.

“Human | Nature: 150 Years of Japanese Landscape Prints”

Through May 7, 2023, 10am-5pm (Wed-Sun), Portland Art Museum (1219 SW Park Ave, Portland). View “Human | Nature: 150 Years of Japanese Landscape Prints,” an exhibit that explores Japan’s journey with and through nature during the 19th century and into the modern age through the lens of landscape prints. For info, or to purchase tickets, call (503) 226-2811 or visit <www.portlandartmuseum.org>.

Moulin Rouge! The Musical

Jan 4-15, Keller Auditorium (222 SW Clay St, Portland). Watch *Moulin Rouge! The Musical*, a performance held as part of the Broadway in Portland series. The show takes theater-goers to a world of splendor and romance, of eye-popping excess, of glitz, grandeur, and glory — a place where Bohemians and aristocrats rub elbows and revel in electrifying enchantment. For info, showtimes, or to purchase tickets, call (503) 248-4335 or visit <www.broadwayinportland.com>.

The TL Collective

Jan 26-28, 8pm, Portland State University, Lincoln Performance Hall 1620 SW Park Ave, Portland. Watch a performance of *Drift* by the 8-member TL Collective. For info, or to purchase tickets, call (503) 245-1600 or visit <www.whitebird.org>.

“Alliance”

Jan 28, 7pm, Portland State University, Lincoln Performance Hall, Room 75 (1620 SW Park Ave, Portland). Attend “Alliance,” an event that brings together five winners of the International Association for Women in Music’s (IAWM) annual jazz composition prize to play with the Portland Jazz Composers Ensemble. The featured composers — lauded instrumentalists and bandleaders of their own ensembles — include Migiwa “Miggy” Miyajima, Sam Spear, Jhoely Garay, Yu Nishiyama, and Eliana Fishbeyn. For info, or to purchase tickets, call (503) 291-4718, e-mail <info@pjce.org>, or visit <www.pjce.org/event/alliance>.

Sidecar ambulances help moms give birth in India

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In the weekly market at Orchha, where hundreds gather from far-flung villages to buy basics or to attend the keenly contested cockfighting tournament, government health workers are busy screening people for diseases like diabetes and malaria.

Blood tests revealed that Poyam’s iron levels were dangerously low, likely because of a poor diet. This can lead to complications, like excessive bleeding while giving birth, so doctors prescribed supplements to help her.

Dilesh also tested positive for malaria. He immediately was hospitalized and treated for the virus, which kills thousands of children every year.

Dilesh has since returned to the village to stay with his father. Regular meals, boosted by supplements, have raised Poyam’s iron levels and she’s put on 9 pounds.

And a little after 2:00am, she gave birth to a healthy baby boy.

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