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~ Media Advisory ~

Notan Art Workshop

Wordcrafters Writing Workshop

Join artist Judy O'Brien for a hands-on workshop exploring Notan art. Notan is a Japanese design term that means "light-dark" and refers to a specific high-contrast composition of art that plays with symmetry and balance, space and shape. In this free workshop, participants will use light and dark paper, scissors, and glue to create amazing "mirror" cutouts that take on an almost three-dimensional appearance. The workshop is for adults and teens. No experience necessary and all materials provided.

Pre-registration is encouraged to secure a seat. Call 541.726.3766 or sign up at the Springfield Public Library, 225 Fifth Street, Springfield, OR. This program is generously sponsored by the Springfield Public Library Foundation.

About O'Brien

Judy O'Brien retired 15 years ago and decided to overcome her reluctance to call herself an artist. She built her own studio and learned to let go and play. She discovered that creating art meant letting go of expectations, perfectionism, and judgments. She invites everyone to join her in playing in art. Judy has worked with many art media, including acrylic paint, weaving, tissue painting, clay and ceramics, as well as paper and glue, metal, and glass.

What: Notan Art Workshop

When: 5:30 p.m., Monday, July 10

Where: Library Meeting Room, Springfield Public Library, 225 Fifth Street, Springfield OR

Additional Information: Thea Hart, 541.726.2238, thart@springfield-or.gov

Summer Spanish Language Storytime at Springfield Library

Families are invited for a weekly Monday Cuentos storytime.

During the summer we are offering bilingual storytimes outside in the City Hall Fountain Plaza at 12:45 p.m., every Monday through August 28. Join us each Monday for interactive bilingual stories, songs and

a craft. Each week we will have a special theme. See our event calendars for more details. Families of all ages are welcome!

What: Cuentos / Bilingual Story time in Spanish

When: 12:45 p.m., Monday, July 3

Where: Fountain Plaza, Springfield Public Library, 225 Fifth Street, Springfield OR

Additional Information: Contact Kristen Curé at 541.726.2232

Cuentos bilingües en Español **en la biblioteca de springfield este verano** *Se invite las familias a los Cuentos cada lunes en Español.*

Durante el verano vamos a ofrecer *Cuentos* bilingües en la plaza de la fuente enfrente de la biblioteca de Springfield todos los lunes a las 12:45pm (del 26 de junio al 28 de agosto). Acompáñenos cada lunes para cuentos bilingües, canciones y manualidades. Cada semana tendremos un tema especial. Lea nuestro calendario de eventos para más información. ¡Se invita a las familias con niños de todas las edades!

Que: Cuentos Sabatinos Bilingües en Español

Cuando: 12:45 p.m. lunes, 3 de julio

Donde: La Biblioteca Pública de Springfield, en la plaza de la fuente

Para más información se puede comunicarse con Kristen Curé al 541.726.2232

PLANK TOWN PRESENTS: MADE IN OREGON **July SpringFilm at the Wildish Theater**

*A FREE monthly film & discussion in downtown Springfield brought to you
by Plank Town, the Springfield Library Foundation, and Willamalane*

The monthly film and discussion event, **Plank Town Presents: Springfilm *Made in Oregon*** continues this July with *Dead Man*. Through August 2017, *Springfilm* features a monthly free screening of a film that was made in Oregon.

Please join us at 6:30 p.m. Thursday July 6 the Wildish Theater for a free screening of *Dead Man*.

Rotten Tomatoes sums it up best: "Jim Jarmusch takes his quirky, uniquely modern sensibilities back in time, with this western black comedy about a city slicker turned gunfighter, on the run with an enigmatic Indian buddy in the Northwest wilderness." Filmed throughout the west (including the Southwest and Pacific Northwest), specific scenes take place on the Oregon Coast, as well as in Rogue River, Takilma and Grants Pass, Oregon.

Starring Johnny Depp, Gary Farmer and Crispin Glover; directed by Jim Jarmusch; 121 minutes; 1995.

Watch the film and stay for a short after-film discussion! The movie and discussion are free to attend. The ongoing film series is presented by Plank Town Restaurant and Brewery and coordinated by a partnership between the Springfield Library, the Springfield Library Foundation, and Willamalane Park & Recreation District.

Springfilm: *Made in Oregon* will continue at 6:30 p.m., Thursday, August 3 with *Night Moves*.

What: Plank Town presents: Springfilm, "Made in Oregon," screening *Dead Man*

When: 6:30 p.m. Thursday 6 July

Where: Wildish Theater, 630 Main Street, Springfield, OR

Additional Information: Thea Hart, 541.726.2238, thart@springfield-or.gov

Library Tour for Families

Learn to make the most of your library membership!

Have you ever wondered how we decide where to put library books, which items to purchase and what exists in the library you don't even know about? This tour is for you! Families are invited to join us for a tour of the library at 2 p.m., Thursday, July 6. We'll begin in the children's area with a story and song, then move through our collection and services, both in the library and online, so you know how to make the most of your library membership. No registration is required; free and open to the community.

What: Library Tour for Families

When: 2 p.m., Thursday, July 6

Where: Starts in the Children's Area, Springfield Public Library, 225 Fifth Street, Springfield OR

Additional Information: Taylor Worley, 541.726.2243, tworley@springfield-or.gov

Magic Show with Micheal O'Neil

Comedy, Magic, and Juggling for Families

Families are invited to a fantastic magic and comedy performance by Micheal O'Neil at 3 p.m, Friday, July 7 in the Library Meeting Room, 225 Fifth Street, Springfield OR. This program is free and no registration is required. It is generously sponsored by a grant from the Gray Family Foundation.

[Michael O'Neill](#) is a teacher, director, and performer who works in a wide range of styles, including clown, commedia dell'arte, new vaudeville, musical theatre, Shakespeare, and devised theatre. Michael brings a rich educational background to his work: he received his BA from Castleton State College, is a graduate of Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Clown College and the Dell'Arte International School of Physical Theatre and completed his graduate work at the University of Portland, receiving a Masters in Fine Arts in Directing in 2010.

Michael has performed in all 50 states and more than a dozen countries throughout the last 20 years, from clown to vaudeville to puppeteering. Recently, Michael directed and performed in *The Spirit of Magic*, which had a sixteen-week run on the Portland Spirit in Portland Oregon. Portland has also seen

Michael's directing work the Commedia dell'Arte show 'A Servant of Two Masters' at the University of Portland, a production of 'The Taming of the Shrew' at George Fox University, and vaudeville/variety shows such as Portland's highly-successful annual Clowns Without Borders benefit shows. A co-founder of the Nomadic Theatre Company, Michael has directed and performed in several Nomadic productions. As an educator, he has written curriculum and taught students in public and private schools, from pre-kindergarten through university levels.

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Mixed Media Art Class

Learn to create a comic strip!

Want to learn how to draw your own comic strip? Are you between the ages of 7 and 12? This class is for you! Come to the library at 10:30 a.m., Saturday, July 8 and learn about the process of making a 3-to-5-paneled comic strip. We'll look at some famous cartoonists, too! This program is free and generously sponsored by the Springfield Arts Commission. No registration is required.

What: Mixed Media Art Class for Kids

When: 10:30 a.m., Saturday, July, 8

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