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Metro TV Channel 21 to Receive International Film Festival Films on Special Loan

Lane County Comcast Metro TV Channel 21 is receiving the loan of newly released indie films from two area international juried film festivals, with the permission of the filmmakers. Metro TV staff review and accept films which are family friendly and feature length.



The opportunity for the community to view recent juried films that may never have been broadcast in this area before, provides a rare community TV occasion to showcase indie films currently on the festival circuit. Films will be loaned for a month after each festival has concluded, with no limitation on the number of times that Channel 21 can air the films. The titles and schedules of these films will be announced on Channel 21.

One contributor is the non-profit DisOrient Asian American Film Festival of Oregon, sited in Eugene, celebrating their 11th year. Films will be screened at Bijou Art Cinemas on 13th Avenue and Broadway

Metro downtown during the festival weekend, Apr. 29 – May 1. The DisOrient Film Festival is an Asian Celebration partner event which promotes the talent of Asian filmmakers and portrays important Asian themes using film as the medium. The festival was established by Jason Mak, a former City employee now working at the State of Oregon. For more on this event, visit www.disorientfilm.org.



The other contributor is the non-profit Archeology International Film Festival, also sited in Eugene, which is the longest-running film festival in the area. This festival runs May 12 - 15. For more information, visit <https://archaeologychannel.org>.

Metro TV Channel 21 operates within the Comcast areas of Eugene, Springfield and Lane County. Community TV channels are an effective means of reaching cable audiences on a wide range of issues. The channels are provided through a contract with Comcast TV for their long-term use of the public rights-of-way, managed by the City's Telecommunications Program. For additional information about this new programming opportunity for Metro TV Channel 21, please contact Telecommunications Program Manager Pam Berrian, Information Services Division, at 541-682-5590, or Neil Moyer, Metro TV, at 541-682-3799.

2015 Toxics Right-to-Know Program Data Now Available

With Eugene's Toxics Right-to-Know Program now in its 20th year, 2015 Materials Balance Reports have been filed electronically by all 35 businesses that are required to report. Data from the 2015 Toxics Reports are now available on the Toxics Program's website at www.eugene-or.gov/toxics, and in printed form at the Eugene Public Library as required by the City Charter.

The Eugene Toxics Right-to-Know Program was created and is governed by Section 54 of the Eugene City Charter, Amendment IV, adopted by citizen initiative in November 1996. It requires that businesses meeting certain criteria report their hazardous substance use to the City, that the City make that information public, and that hazardous substance users pay fees as necessary to operate the program.

For more information on the Eugene Toxics Right-to-Know Program, contact Jo Eppli at 541-682-7118.

(sub)Urban Projections Multimedia Festival Offers Unique, Immersive Experience

The fifth annual multimedia festival *(sub)Urban Projections* returns to the Hult Center on Apr. 21 and 22. The unique event is a collaboration between local artists, Harmonic Laboratory, University of Oregon students, the Hult Center and City of Eugene Cultural Services.

This year, *(sub)Urban Projections: Ritual* will transform the Hult Center on Apr. 21, intersecting more than 60 dancers, performers, musicians and visual artists with technical entrepreneurs to create an immersive experience. Tickets are free with advanced reservation required at hultcenter.org.



The second half of the festival on Apr. 22 will showcase a grand multimedia collaboration called *Kid Koala's Nufonia Must Fall*. The performance brings Kid Koala's graphic novel to life, animated in real time with a live soundtrack. The show is directed by acclaimed director K.K. Barrett and presents a score written and performed by Kid Koala and the Afiara Quartet. Tickets start at \$26 and are available at hultcenter.org. For more information, please contact Sarah-Kate Sharkey at 541-682-6342, or visit <http://suburbanprojections.com/>.

Teen Court Gives Experience in Decision-Making, Communication, Law and Ethics

Teen Court is a lesser-known program within the City of Eugene's Recreation division. The court is run by students trained in the concept of restorative justice and adult attorneys acting as judges. The court conducts peer hearings to recommend consequences for first-time juvenile offenders cited for non-violent misdemeanors and violations. Youth volunteers develop skills in decision-making, cooperation, public speaking, law and ethics while helping their peers and improving the community.



One Teen Court volunteer, Alondra Duran, has invested over 300 hours with the program since eighth grade. Now a high school senior, she is involved in student leadership, community service and fundraising through her school.

Alondra represents the type of exceptional young leaders who participate in Teen Court. She has demonstrated excellent leadership, working hard to facilitate successful hearings for everyone involved. Alondra is often the welcoming face with whom defendants' families become comfortable. Recently, Alondra was selected to be featured as a young community leader for the nationally televised show ¡Que Noche! on the Telemundo network.

For more information, please contact Billy Hernandez at 541-682-6376.