



## **2016 Women’s Voting Brunch**

**Sunday, October 30, 11 am—1 pm**

### **Lagunitas Brewing Community Room**

**237 NE Broadway St., Portland**

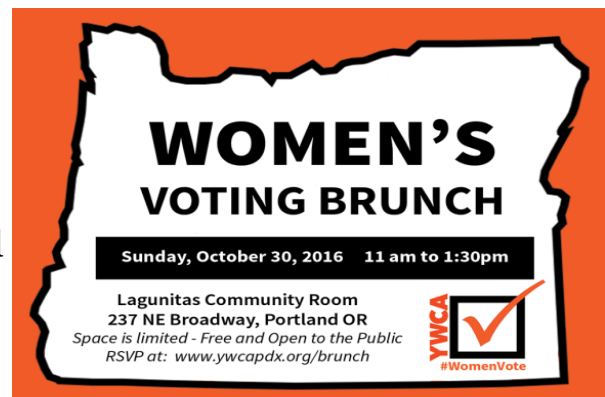
Sponsored by the YWCA of Greater Portland, Portland AAUW, League of Women Voters of Portland and the Women’s Foundation of Oregon

Join with other women for an engaging presentation and lively discussion about important statewide initiatives that will appear on Oregon’s ballot in November. Brunch will be served.

This event will be moderated by Kate Titus, Executive Director of Common Cause Oregon. Representatives of the League of Women Voters and the Portland City Club will present an overview of the initiatives and an in-depth presentation of the pro and con positions for each measure.

This event is free, but there is a suggested donation of \$10. Space is limited. Please RSVP early at <http://www.ywcapdx.org>. For questions or further information, contact Diane Winn at 503-954-3976 or [dgwinn@uci.edu](mailto:dgwinn@uci.edu). Please check the AAUW PDX website (<http://www.aauwpdx.org>) in mid-October for updated information.

Directions: The Lagunitas Brewing Room is located at NE Broadway and NE 3rd Ave. It is easily accessible by bus and the A and B streetcar lines.



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## A Message from Our Co-Presidents

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Dear Members,

The Portland Branch is off and running!! At the brunch and general meeting, we will learn first hand about the interesting topics that Branch members pursue – from literary, theatrical, not-so-wimpy walking and just plain fun. We have a long history of active study and interest groups, and it looks as if that vibrant tradition will continue. Thank you Linda Loftin for sharing your community room!

Next up – on October 30th, at 11:00 a.m., PDX AAUW, the YWCA of Greater Portland and the League of Women Voters of Portland are sponsoring a Brunch and Ballot Measure Overview. The event is open to the public, but we are counting on a big Branch contingent. Measure 98 deals with high school dropout prevention, and Measure 97 increases the corporate minimum tax. The event takes place at the Portland Purely Non-Profit Fund-Raising Community Room at Lagunitas Brewing Company, 237 N.E. Broadway. We'll see you there!

We were recently treated to a visit by Lisa Maatz, AAUW Vice President of Government Relations and Advocacy. The turnout was excellent and, in fact, we approached the fire-limit number of attendees for the event. Lisa gave us her unique take on this election season. She encouraged all of us to get out the vote, or as AAUW is framing it "It's My Vote: I Will Be Heard in 2016." We also learned some tips taken from the book that she was recently featured in, *Secrets of Powerful Women*.

While we're on the topic of Public Policy and elections, don't forget to sign up and use the Two Minute Activist Action Network. It's easy and you can actually have an impact on legislative decision-making.

Co-Presidents, Ilga Ross and Trish Garner

# SAVE THE DATE

## AAUW Funds Holiday Luncheon and Fundraiser

**Saturday, December 3, 2016**

10:00 am - 1:00 pm

Multnomah Athletic Club  
1849 SW Salmon Street  
Portland



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## CELEBRATE OUR LOCAL SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

Our branch local scholarships are granted to female students who are at least age 25 and enrolled in a STEM transfer program. The scholarships are administered by Portland Community College Foundation. Through fundraising and your generous donations, we were able to grant two \$1500 scholarships this year to deserving women. PCC holds a wonderful annual event that brings together students and donors. The PCC Foundation Scholarship Reception will be held on Friday, October 21, 2016, beginning at 4 p.m. at the Sylvania Campus. This event honors and celebrates all the outstanding scholarship recipients and those who made their scholarships possible. If you would like to attend and represent Portland Branch, please contact our Scholarship Chairperson Susan Marthens, [semarthens@comcast.net](mailto:semarthens@comcast.net). RSVPs are due to the college by October 14.

# Welcoming Committee

Many thanks to the following Branch members who have served over the past year or two on the Branch Welcoming Committee: Julie Donaldson, Ilga Ross, Peggy Hickman, Kate Skelton, Eleanor Krause and Leslie Dolin. The increase in our membership is due in large part to your work “welcoming” new members and making them feel at home.

And at the beginning of this new program year, we’re grateful that the following members have agreed to serve for the coming year (or maybe longer) on the Committee: Kate Skelton, Nancy Thomas, Julie Skinner, Eileen Elliot, Suzanne Fleming, Linda Loftin, Mary Shaw, Kathe Hart, Jane Lancaster, and Joyce Kligman. We look forward to another successful year of the Committee.

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## Introducing New Members of the Branch

### Leslie New

Born and raised in Philadelphia, PA, Leslie moved to Portland from DC at the end of 2014 to take up a faculty position at Washington State University, Vancouver. An avid traveler, Leslie lived in Scotland for 6 years and continues to see exciting places to visit, both domestically and around the world. She is also an avid reader, enjoys exploring Portland’s restaurants, and getting out into its green spaces, whether by foot or by horseback. She joined AAUW to get involved in the local community and to meet vibrant, active, like-minded women.

## Study and Interest Groups October 2016. . . .

*Interest groups that are not at capacity welcome new members. They are indicated by an “(open)” below. Call the contact person for more information and to RSVP. And to start a new group, just contact Donna Pregill, 503 292-8659 or [dmp503@gmail.com](mailto:dmp503@gmail.com).*

### **Art Enjoyment** (open)

The Art Enjoyment interest group is continuing on an informal basis this year. Contact: Julie Skinner, 503-762-1094 or [jaswans@centurylink.net](mailto:jaswans@centurylink.net) to be put on an e-mail list for activities

### **Breakfast in Bridgetown** (open)

Second Thursdays, 9:00 am, unless otherwise stated  
Date: No October breakfast  
Contact: Linda Stern, 503-232-5637

### **Classics: Past, Present and Future** (open)

Third Thursdays, 6:30 pm  
Date: No October meeting  
Contact: Kathy Phillips, 503-901-0162

### **Curtain Call** (open)

Date: October 13  
Little Shop of Horrors at Portland Center Stage  
Contact: Kathe Hart, 503-372-6338

### **First Tuesday Reader's Theater** (open)

Coffee 10:00, performance at 10:30  
Date: October 4  
Educating Rita by Willy Russell  
The Sanctuary, 1785 NE Sandy Blvd.  
Contact: Judy Holt, 503-387-5602

### **AAUW Happy Hour** (open)

A time to relax, chat and nibble  
Date: October 27, 4 pm  
Q, SW Taylor and 2nd Ave.  
Contact: Linda Stern, 503-232-5637

### **Literary Comments and Criticism I** (open)

Third Tuesdays, 12 noon  
Date: October 18  
The Little Paris Bookshop by Nina George  
Discussion Leader/Hostess: Linda Stern  
Contact: Linda Stern, 503-232-5637

### **Literary Comments and Criticisms II**

Fourth Thursdays, 11:30 am  
Date: October 27  
The Rosie Project by Graeme Simsion  
Hostess: Ellen Rice

### **Literary Comments and Criticisms III**

Second Tuesdays, 9:30 am  
Date: October 11  
The Hotel DuLac by Anita Brookner  
Hostess: Mary Shaw

### **Modern Fiction** (open)

Fourth Tuesdays, 11:30 am  
Date: October 25  
The Snow Child by Eowyn Ivey  
Hostess: Rose Toufexis  
Contact: Rose Toufexis, 971 271-8980

### **Movie Mavens** (open)

Monthly meetings to select and discuss movies  
Second Friday, 1:30 pm  
Date: October 14  
Hostess: Suzanne Fleming  
Contact: Suzanne Fleming, 714-898-6456 or Karn Hill, 503-206-8444

### **Non-Fiction Book Group I** (open)

Third Wednesday, 9:30 am  
Date: October 19  
A Spy Among Friends by Ben Macintyre  
Hostess: TBD  
Contact: Kathe Hart, 503-372-6338

### **Non-Fiction Book Group II** (open)

Third Fridays, 7 pm  
Date: October 21  
Alexander Hamilton by Ron Chernow  
Hostess: Joyce Lew  
Contact: Kathe Hart, 503-372-6338

### **Sleuth Sisters**

Fourth Wednesdays, lunch & discussion  
Date: October 26, 12:00 pm at Albertina Kerr  
The Typhoon Lover by Sujata Massey

### **Wimpy Walkers** (open)

First Friday or Saturday, 3-4 miles with breakfast/lunch  
Date: Saturday, October 1, 9:30 am  
Meet at Vivienne Kitchen and Pantry, 4128 NE Sandy Blvd. for a walk through the Hollywood District and surrounding neighborhoods  
Contact: Diane Winn, 503-954-3976

## Member Update/Information

The e-mail address of Jennifer McBratney was incorrect in the September 2016 newsletter. The correct address is [jennifer/mcbratney@gmail.com](mailto:jennifer/mcbratney@gmail.com).

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### New Interest Group Starting

Are you interested in discussing world affairs? If you are, this new interest group is for you. A new member, Mitsy Dunlap, would like to start a Great Decisions interest group. Great Decisions is America's largest discussion program on world affairs. The program model involves reading a briefing book, watching a DVD and then meeting to discuss a critical global issue facing America today.

Meetings would be held weekly at the home of Mitsy Dunlap from mid-January to mid-March. There would be a small charge to cover the costs of the briefing book and the DVD.

If you are interested in joining this group, please contact Donna Pregill, Study Group VP, at 503-292-8659, or Mitsy Dunlap at 503-206-4612.

#### Word of the Month

##### *fugacious*

*Meaning:* adjective, lasting a short time; evanescent

*Origin:* Latin *fugac-*, *fugax*, from *fugere*.

*First use:* 1634

*Example:* Savor the *fugacious* pleasures of life as intensely as the more enduring ones.

## Branch STEM Project, 2016 - 2017

Beginning in October, the Branch STEM project will resume its activities. For new members, STEM is an acronym for “science, technology, engineering and math”. The goal of our project is to encourage interest in and inspire young girls to consider further study in computer technology. The leader of our project is one of our members, Barbara Miner, a retired scientist and engineer who is currently working with the Saturday Academy in Portland. She has made a connection with the Girl Scouts of Portland and SW Washington to offer programs for young girls to learn basic programming for the computer. The program is called “Girls Engage Technology”.

Sue Thomas and Lisa Perrine are continuing to head up AAUW’s supportive connection to this project. They are looking for our volunteers from last year to again offer their support and are also seeking additional new volunteers to help. Two volunteers are needed for each teaching session. Our commitment is to attend the scheduled teaching sessions, usually offered on Sunday afternoons, and assist Barbara through record-keeping, adult supervision of the attendees, and help with the teaching process as you become more familiar with what is being offered. Barbara leads the sessions, with the assistance of high school aged young women who have been trained by Barbara to do the teaching.

Our participation will enable the program to be offered to many additional participants. According to Barbara Miner, there is far more interest in the program than she can accommodate without additional help. Please consider this invitation to help expand a program vital to inspiring young girls to seek careers in science and math. Please call either Sue Thomas at (503) 427-0403 or Lisa Perrine at (503) 648-1691 to volunteer.



# CURTAIN CALL 2016/17 SCHEDULE

Tickets for Curtain Call events are usually ordered months ahead of the performance. In order to ensure that all members of the Branch can participate, the organizing committee is sharing the entire 2016-17 schedule. If you are interested in going to one or more of the performances below, please call the contact person listed for the performance.

**DATE: October 13, 2016**

EVENT: Little Shop of Horrors at Portland Center Stage

CONTACT PERSON: Kathe Hart, 503-372-6338

**DATE: November 8**

EVENT: The Capitol Steps at the Schnitz

CONTACT PERSON: Sue Thomas, 503-427-0403

**DATE: December 8**

EVENT: A Civil War Christmas at Artists Rep

CONTACT PERSON: Lisa Perrine, 503-648-1691

**DATE: January 20, 2017**

EVENT: Pablo Sainz Villegas, guitarist, at the Newmark (Portland Symphony)

CONTACT PERSON: Lisa Perrine, 503-648-1691

**DATE: February 9**

EVENT: Murder on the Nile at the Lakewood Theatre

CONTACT PERSON: Sue Trotter, 503-659-5678

**DATE: March 16**

EVENT: Feathers and Teeth at Artists Rep

CONTACT PERSON: Judy Holt, 503-387-5602

**DATE: April 20**

EVENT: Emerson String Quartet at the Newmark (Chamber Music NW)

CONTACT PERSON: Linda Stern, 503-232-5637

**DATE: May 10**

EVENT: Martha Graham at the Schnitz (White Bird)

CONTACT PERSON: Linda Stern, 503-232-5637

**DATE: May 14 (matinee)**

EVENT: Persephone at the Schnitz (Portland Symphony)

CONTACT PERSON: Julie Skinner, 503-762-1094

**DATE: May 25**

EVENT: The Language Archive at the Portland Playhouse

CONTACT PERSON: Sue Trotter, 503-659-5678



## AAUW Program Schedule 2016-17

Oct. 30	2016 Women's Voting Brunch
Nov. 14	Program on Women Veterans
Dec. 3	Holiday Luncheon
January	TWIG meetings
February 15	Lobby Day
March 18	Annual Meeting and Brunch
April 21-23	AAUW State Convention
May 18	Honors Luncheon



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