

2009 Press Calendar

The following exhibition information is current as of June 1. Information is subject to change. To confirm dates, titles and other pertinent information, or for more information about an exhibit, contact Kimberly Adams, public relations coordinator, at 253-798-5877 or kadams@wshs.wa.gov.



Jean Sherrard

Washington Then & Now

Jan. 17 – June 21, 2009

Noted regional historian, Paul Dorpat, in collaboration with photographer Jean Sherrard, has created a state wide version of his popular 'Then & Now' photo feature in *The Seattle Times*. The exhibit will compare and contrast historic photographs of state locations with contemporary photographs. This is the largest visual analysis ever done on Washington. Guests will witness the many ways humans have left their mark on our state. Organized by the Washington State History Museum, Paul Dorpat, and Jean Sherrard.

WITH OUR HANDS: World Folk Art Traditions of Washington

Jan. 21 – Aug. 23, 2009

The History Museum and the Washington State Arts Commission have partnered to develop this folk art celebration that will introduce visitors to various folk art traditions; ranging from traditional Chinese paper cutting to Mexican horse hair weaving. The exhibit will feature the history of folk art and folk artists in Washington. Organized by the Washington State History Museum and Washington State Arts Commission. Supported by National Endowment for the Arts.



Maria Cuc Jiatz

WITH OUR HANDS: World Folk Art Festival

April 18 & 19, 2009

A weekend festival with more than 20 artists will be held April 18 and 19 in the *Great Hall of Washington History*. See master artists perfecting their craft and teaching their apprentices their tricks of the trade.



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Animals and Acrobats: Circus Posters from the Washington State Historical Society

Feb. 14 – June 21, 2009

See two dozen posters from our collection recalling the days of traveling circuses in Washington. These colorful posters show the charm of vintage graphics, and for many, will bring back memories of excitement when the circus came to town. Organized by the Washington State History Museum.

Women's Votes, Women's Voices

Feb. 28 – Sept. 27, 2009

See the history of the struggle of women to attain the right to vote in our state, in commemoration of the Washington suffrage centennial. Learn how women from various ethnic and economic groups achieved a voice in public life, and how women's voting influenced history. Organized by the Washington Women's History Consortium under the auspices of the Washington State History Museum and the Northwest Museum of Arts & Culture. Supported by Francis C. Heidner Fund of The Greater Tacoma Community Foundation, Clear Channel Outdoor, Washington State Grange, and Pierce County Central Labor Council.



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Nurses at Your Service: A Century of Caring

April 11 – July 5, 2009

Rare documents and medical equipment help uncover a century's development of nursing in Washington. Wars, new technology, science, and compassion have drastically changed the field in just 100 years. Organized by the Washington State History Museum and the Washington State Nursing Centennial Consortium.

Fast Moving Water: The Hoh River Story

June 27 – Oct. 18, 2009

Acclaimed nature photographer, Keith Lazelle, has captured the beauty of the Hoh River, one of only a few virtually intact rivers in the contiguous United States. Explore the rich history and cultural significance of this ecosystem, including efforts to protect and preserve it. Organized by the Burke Museum of Natural History and Culture at the University of Washington, Seattle, in collaboration with the Hoh River Trust.



Keith Lazelle



In the Spirit: Contemporary Northwest Native Arts Exhibit

July 9 – Aug. 30, 2009

The Washington State History Museum and the Longhouse Education and Cultural Center at The Evergreen State College present the fourth annual *In the Spirit: Contemporary Northwest Native Arts Exhibit*. This juried art exhibit showcases the works of contemporary Northwest Native American artists. **FREE** public opening event July 16! Organized by the Washington State History Museum and The Longhouse Education and Cultural Center at The Evergreen State College.



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Northwest Native Arts Market & Festival

Aug. 8 > 10 AM to 5 PM; Aug. 9 > NOON to 5 PM

This outdoor festival will feature products from Northwest carvers, printmakers, weavers, bead artists, and other artisans. Visitors can also experience Native cultures by taking in live performances by dancers, musicians, and storytellers from local tribes. Outdoor activities are **FREE** and open to the public. Regular admission rates apply for entry to the museum.

Marking Time: Voyage to Vietnam

Sept. 17 – Dec. 13, 2009

Graffiti has long been a form of artistic or political expression; some call it art, some call it vandalism. But archeologists and art historians find it useful to provide context and insight into the minds of those who inscribe personal messages in public places. View an original sleeping station with graffiti-inscribed canvases, and personal stories of young Americans traveling to the Vietnam War in *Marking Time: Voyage to Vietnam*. Organized by the Vietnam Graffiti Project, in partnership with the Virginia Foundation for the Humanities.



Vietnam Graffiti Project



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Icons of Washington

Nov. 11 – July 3, 2010

See symbolic 'icons' of the features, events, people, and landscapes that make Washington state unique. This exhibit not only identifies icons, but explores why and how these icons came to be. From the Space Needle to Lucky Lager brewing company, and from Ezra Meeker's efforts to save the Oregon Trail, to game five of the Seattle Mariners' 1995 divisional series against the New York Yankees, explore what Washington has done for the country and the world. Organized by the Washington State History Museum.

Model Train Festival

Dec. 26 – Jan. 2, 2010

With several different layouts on display, there's sure to be a model train layout for every member of the family during the 14th Annual Model Train Festival! Also, check out the largest permanent model train layout in the state, by the Puget Sound Model Railroad Engineers.



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