

January Lectures and Events

*Indicates registration is required.

Thursday, January 2

'Porgy and Bess': Musical or Opera?

We welcome back Geoffrey Block who joins us to talk about the opera (and musical) *Porgy and Bess*. *Porgy and Bess* is probably the most famous opera by an American composer.

2:00 pm, Tobey Jones Parlor

Thursday, January 2

Steve's History Hour: Tacoma's Ties to Literature

6:00 pm, Lillian Pratt Parlor

Friday, January 3

Listening is Reading: Staying Connected with Talking Books

Explore free reading options available from the Washington Talking Book & Braille Library. An easy-to-use digital player with talking books on cartridges will be demonstrated, as well as, a mobile app for users with tablets or smartphones. We will explain the process for getting registered as well as talk about the types of books that are available in our collection.

10:00 am, Lillian Pratt Parlor

Tuesdays, January 7, January 14, January 21, & January 28

Beginning Crochet*

During this this 6-week class from January 7 – February 18 (skipping February 11), students will learn the basics of crochet. The objective of this course is to establish enough knowledge to enable students to crochet basic stitches, read patterns, and create a small project.

10:00 am – 12:00 pm, Tobey Jones Multipurpose Room

Wednesdays, January 8 & 22

Creative Writing: Flash Fiction*

During this this 8-week class (every other Wednesday from January 8 – April 15), we will be working from prompts to develop short works of fiction each week and share them in a workshop setting. Flash fiction is a great way to sharpen both your imagination and your writing skills.

10:30 am – 12:00 pm, Tobey Jones Multipurpose Room

Thursday, January 9

Dabbling in Art History: Profiles in History*

This workshop will offer a brief overview of portraiture. The opportunity will be provided to explore drawing profile portraits. Instruction will be given regarding proportions, capturing a likeness, drawing materials and techniques.

10:00 am – 12:00 pm, Tobey Jones Craft Room

Monday, January 13

Edward Jones Lecture Series: Preparing Your Estate Plan

Basic overview of estate planning -- account registration, beneficiary designation, will, trust, tax information, life insurance and TOD.

11:00 am, Lillian Pratt Parlor

Monday, January 13

Using Your Words: Keep It Simple *

"Keep it simple, show, don't tell, tell a story as only you could tell it" - what does this basic writing advice really mean? This session will be an overview of basic principles, rules and guidelines for writing.

2:00 – 4:00 pm, Tobey Jones Multipurpose Room

Wednesday, January 15

Planning Ahead: Advance Directives, Long-term Care, and Authorized Representative

In this session we will discuss ways to create documents that express your wishes for future health care in the event you are unable to make or communicate decisions yourself. 2:00 pm, Tobey Jones Parlor

Thursday, January 16

Meaningful Movies Tacoma: The Nuns, The Priests, And the Bombs

3:00 – 5:00 pm, Lillian Pratt Parlor

Monday, January 20

Ancient Legends – Myths and Legends about Our Earth

Extreme events in nature have always been a part of human life and ancient peoples from the Arctic to the Andes had their own way of explaining such events. Can we learn from these stories today?

11:00 am, Lillian Pratt Parlor

Monday, January 20

Pop Music Lecture Series: American Popular Music of the 1940s and 50s

Join Professor Matt DelCiampo to explore American popular music of the 1940s and 50s. Sing along to your favorite rhythm & blues, swing, and country music hits while we discuss the social and cultural settings that paved the way for rock 'n' roll.

1:30 pm, Tobey Jones Parlor

Monday, January 20

Northwest Apple Pickers Computer Workshop

The Northwest Apple Pickers is a Macintosh user group that serves Pierce County. Come in and work in small groups with a coach who can answer your questions about your Apple device.

2:00 pm, Wellness Center

Tuesday, January 21

Rock & Mineral Identification

Join David Kaynor to learn about igneous, metamorphic, and sedimentary rocks and the more common minerals found in Washington State. Rock samples will be used for hands-on learning.

11:00 am, Lillian Pratt Parlor

Wednesday, January 22

Literary League Book Club— The Good Luck of Right Now

3:00 pm, Tobey Jones Parlor

Tuesday, January 28

Computer Help with AI

Volunteer AI Lessenger can help with all your Windows 10 or PC problems.

1:00 pm, Bascom Library

Tuesday, January 28

Great Decisions Discussion Group: Kickoff Meeting

Great Decisions is America's largest discussion program on world affairs. This first meeting will be your opportunity to pick up a book and get additional information.

2:00 pm, Wellness Center

Wednesday, January 29

History Museum Tour - Unforgiving Waters: Shipwrecks of the Pacific Northwest*

Join curator Gwen Whiting for a tour of *Unforgiving Waters: Shipwrecks of the Pacific Northwest*. The coastline of Washington has a long and tragic history of shipwrecks and loss due to its treacherous geography which lends itself to place names like the Graveyard of the Pacific and Destruction Island. *Unforgiving Waters* focuses on this history of maritime heroism and danger through the presentation of artifacts uncovered from lost vessels and shipwreck survivors. Hands-on activities are scattered throughout the space so that you can practice your maritime knowledge by learning knotwork and how to send distress signals among other opportunities to experience a bit of history firsthand.

10:00 am, Washington State History Museum

Thursday, January 30

AARP Fraud Prevention Workshop: Vigilance Against Cybercrime and Fraud

Identity theft and other forms of fraud pose a serious and growing threat throughout the nation, so AARP is arming older adults and their families with the tools they need to avoid fraud and scams. In this workshop, attendees will be empowered to guard against a variety of frauds including identity theft, computer, mail and telephone fraud. Attendees will learn about topics such as the psychology of fraud, current scams, protecting personal information, internet fraud and more.

10:00 am, Lillian Pratt Parlor



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Meaningful Movies Tacoma Partners with Senior University in 2020

Meaningful Movies Tacoma is a non-profit organization that was started in order to gather, educate, inspire, connect and commit our community to the environment, peace, and justice, and to build an educated, informed citizenry. They show a documentary film monthly followed by a facilitated discussion. They often involve local groups within the community as part of our discussion to further build community. Franke Tobey Jones is lucky enough to host a monthly gathering on third Thursdays throughout 2020. We hope that you will join us.



Thursday, January 16

Meaningful Movies Tacoma: The Nuns, The Priests, And the Bombs

This is a touching story about a group of nuns and priests to include Father Bill Bichsel of St. Leo's in anti-nuclear actions at Bangor Naval base and the trial that ensued. Come for the documentary and stay for the discussion to follow.

3:00 – 5:00 pm, Lillian Pratt Parlor

Steve's History Hour is Sure to Educate and Entertain

Steve Dunkelberger has been a local journalist and historian for more than 20 years at various publications and associations around Washington's Puget Sound region after graduating from Western Washington University, where he also received a BA in Journalism and a minor in Pacific Northwest History. He started his writing career locally by working a stint as a reporter, and then became editor of the Lakewood Journal. He was then the editor of the Business Examiner newspaper. Following that, he was then the news writer/ online editor at Pierce County Community Newspaper Group and now writes of South-SoundTalk.com, HistoryLink.org, Columbia Magazine, and historical associations around Pierce County. Starting in January 2020, Steve will provide evening lectures on local history on first Thursdays from 6–7 pm in the Lillian Pratt Parlor. This will be worth leaving the comfort of your home and coming out to see!



Thursday, January 2

Steve's History Hour: Tacoma's Ties to Literature

For this installment, Steve Dunkelberger will dive into his library to present a reading list by presenting a chat on Tacoma's ties to literature, from history to the present, certainly some you largely might not know about. From Moby Dick to the Maltese Falcon and Dune, Tacoma has ties to some of the best works of American literature.

6:00 pm, Lillian Pratt Parlor

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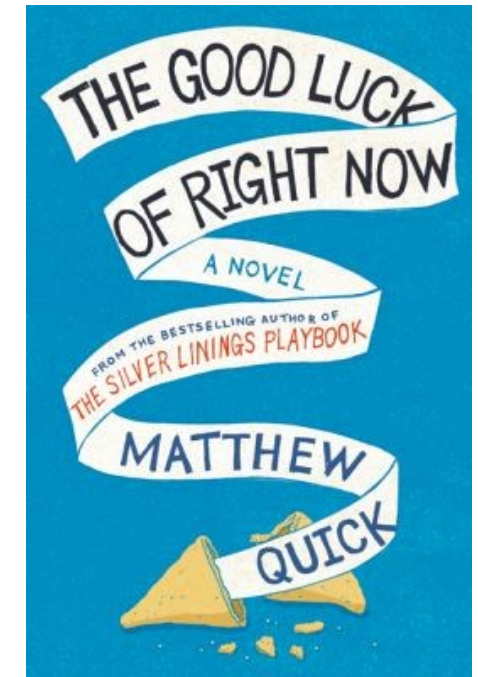


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Non scholae sed vitae discimus.

We do not learn for school but for life.



Wednesday, January 22

Literary League Book Club— The Good Luck of Right Now

Join us as we discuss *The Good Luck of Right Now* by Matthew Quick.

About the book: From Matthew Quick, the New York Times bestselling author of *The Silver Linings Playbook*, comes *The Good Luck of Right Now*, a funny and tender story about family, friendship, grief, acceptance, and Richard Gere—an entertaining and inspiring tale that will leave you pondering the rhythms of the universe and marveling at the power of kindness and love.


3:00 pm, Tobey Jones Parlor

Legend

- # Registration and fee
- * Registration, no cost

Location Codes:

- (B) Lillian Pratt Bascom Library
- (C) Tobey Jones Craft Room +
- (FT) Field Trip
- (LP) Lillian Pratt Parlor
- (M) Tobey Jones Multipurpose Room +
- (TJ) Tobey Jones Parlor +
- (W) Wellness Center
- (WS) Tobey Jones Woodshop +

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