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JANUARY 2017

Dear Friend,

It's January, which means it's time to sing the dark away (as well as the ice, snow, and "wintry mix"). Come join us for our jubilant Robert Burns Pub sing on January 22nd, and our exquisite ViVoce concerts on January 28th and 29th. We're ready for you, spring!

After a wonderful Christmas Revels, we're excited to keep the music coming. We hope to see you soon, and hope in this cold time that you find ways to...



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Robert Burns Pub Sing



Join us on January 22nd at the Raven and Rose Restaurant for our Annual Robert Burns Pub Sing – an evening of music, poetry and community celebrating the life of the great Scottish Poet, Robert Burns.

Burns Nights (or Burns Suppers) have been held in Scotland since 1801, five years after Burns' death.

They are held close to his birthday, January 25th, and typically follow a rough script, including a welcome (usually the "[Selkirk Grace](#)"), the recitation of Burns' "[Address to a Haggis](#)", a toast to the lassies, followed by a reply to the laddies, and much poetry and song.

We're excited to be hosting our Robert Burns Pub Sing again this year, in partnership for third year with Raven and Rose Restaurant in their Rookery Bar. Join us for songs and toasts, poetry and "[uisge-beatha](#)". This event will sell out, so be sure to get your tickets early. If you buy your tickets online (and arrive before 6:30) we'll make sure to save a seat for you. Ages 21 and older.

Robert Burns Pub Sing

January 22, 2017

6:00–8:30 PM

[Raven and Rose Restaurant](#)

1311 SW Broadway, Portland

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Of Frogs, Fools and Fearless Women: ViVoce Winter Concert

Our women's vocal ensemble, ViVoce, will be performing their winter concert on January 28th and 29th. Titled "Of Frogs, Fools and Fearless Women", this concert will weave a timely story of gallant heroines rising high in the face of foolish mandates and unfavorable circumstances.

ViVoce performs folk and classical choral material in the Revels tradition, connecting past and present with a world of music through story and song. The choir of twenty voices is lead by ViVoce Music Director Jamie Webster, Ph.D. and ViVoce Artistic Director Antonia Forster.



ViVoce
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WOMEN'S CHORUS

OF fools, frogs & fearless women

Saturday, Jan. 28, 7:30 PM
St Michael & All Angels Church
1704 N.E. 43rd Street

Sunday, Jan. 29, 4:30 PM
Grace Memorial Church
1535 NE 17th Avenue

Concert tickets at www.portlandrevels.org

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From the Desk of the Executive Director



January is a bittersweet time for the Portland Revels – we miss the music and camaraderie, but are happy to have a little more time on our hands. As always, our office looks a little like a swap meet. It's full of boxes, raffle ticket stubs and merchandise, but our hearts are also full of warmth from the wonderful season we just finished. Thanks to all of you for joining in the song at *Commedia Italiana* and *Commedia Bambini* – we hope you loved your time with us!

We've enjoyed reading your responses to our short survey about our Christmas Revels this year, and would love to hear more. If you've not yet taken a moment to tell us your thoughts, please do. We read every response, and appreciate the help in improving our programs. [You can find the link here.](#) *If you respond by January 16, and leave us your name, you will be entered in our drawing for two free tickets to our popular Robert Burns Pub Sing on January 22nd.*

We're quite excited about what's ahead this year for the Portland Revels! We'll be introducing our new program – Tradition Days – where you can learn new cultural arts with local experts and favorites. We'll also have more ViVoce concerts, pub sings and another Masquerade Ball. We hope you can join us.

Finally, I want to thank all of you who participated in our raffle. Congratulations to Ellen F. for winning the two tickets to Italy, and Barbara M. for winning the trip to the coast!

I wish you a warm(er) January, hoping for better weather. As Robert Burns once said, "Hope springs exulting on triumphant wing". Three cheers for the return of the sun!

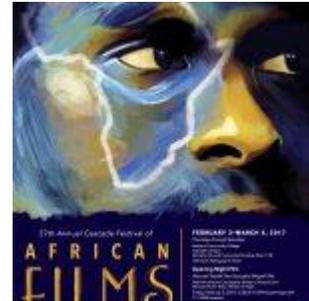
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[27th Annual Cascade Festival of African Films](#)

February 3 – March 4, 2017

Thursdays through Sundays In celebration of Black History Month
at Portland Community College

Free and open to the public



The Cascade Festival of African Films shows us Africa through the eyes of Africans, rather than a vision of Africa packaged for Western viewers. The films celebrate Africa's achievements, expose its failures, and reveal possibilities for a hopeful future. Although the films cannot represent an entire continent, we hope to encourage American viewers to become interested in and study African cultures.

[18th Annual Portland Old Time Music Gathering](#)

January 11th – 15th, Various Venues

The Portland Oregon Old-Time Music Gathering is a grassroots volunteer-run festival that aims to celebrate and enrich the community of traditional old-time Appalachian style stringband musicians.



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