

Ethnic Heritage Council

FEBRUARY 2012

EHC 31st Annual Dinner & Awards Ceremony, March 2, 2012 at NHM

Please join us for our 31th Annual Awards Dinner, Saturday, March 2, 2012, Celebrated at Nordic Heritage Museum, 3014 NW 67th St., Seattle, WA 98117. Tickets: \$40. Pre-Paid Reservations Only. Reservation Deadline: Monday, February 27. Reservation form: www.ethnicheritagecouncil.org or call: 206-443-1410 to make your reservation.



Evening Events: Social Hour & Museum Tour; Silent Auction; International Cuisine Dinner by IKEA; *Following Dinner:* EHC Board Introductions; Awards Ceremony & Cultural Performances.

In 2012 we will honor 2 members of our local ethnic communities—leaders and role models who have given their time to their own community and the community at large.

The **Gordon Ekvall Tracie Memorial Award** is given to an ethnic performing artist who has made significant contributions to the development and presentation of the traditional arts in our community. This year we honor **Swil Kanim**.

The **Aspasia Phoutrides Pulakis Memorial Award** is given annually to an individual who has contributed significantly to a Northwest ethnic community. This year we honor **Mary Sherhart**.

Join us in honoring extraordinary members of our community, March 2nd at the Nordic Heritage Museum. *See insert pages for more information and reservation form. Photo by Jal Schrof*

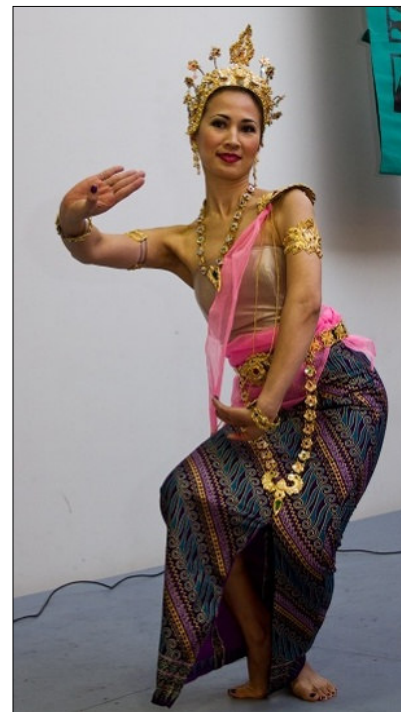


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Silent Auction March 2, 2012

Do you have an item for our silent auction? A special item from your worldly travels you can donate? Gift Certificate? New books? Lessons?

Call: 206-443-1410

Apply for a First Step Grant Through Online System

The Washington State Arts Commission this week launches a new, online grant application system to accept applications for FY13 First Step Grants. A cornerstone of the *Arts in Education program*, First Step Grants support newly formed and modestly-sized arts education partnerships that are geared toward building and sustaining arts education in K-12 schools. Grant awards range from \$1,500 to \$5,000. For more information about grant requirements, please read the Guidelines, posted at <http://www.arts.wa.gov/education/step-guidelines.shtml>. To apply for a grant online, go to <http://wsac.culturegrants.org>. The application deadline is March 15, 2012.



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ASPASIA PHOUTRIDES PULAKIS MEMORIAL AWARD

The **Aspasia Phoutrides Pulakis Memorial Award** is given annually to an individual who has contributed significantly to a Northwest ethnic community.

Dorothy Cordova	1983	Bernard "Bernie" Whitebear	1998
Ali San	1984	Joan Rudd	1999
John Kovtunovich	1985	Sue Isely	2000
Esther Mumford	1986	Sharon McBride Ritelis	2001
Sirkka Wilson	1987	Afifi Durr	2002
Yuki Nakamura	1988	Richard L. Major	2003
Rosanne Gostovich Royer	1989	Norman Westerberg	2004
Ralph Hayes	1990	Eduardo Mendonça	2005
Ingeborg Hansen	1991	Kathy Bruni	2006
Lucy Furesz	1992	Flori Montante	2007
Maria Medina	1993	Leo Utter	2008
Lennie Meder	1994	Peter Pawluskiewicz & Martha Brice	2009
John Keane	1995	Kristine Leander	2010
Schobha Raman	1996	Lora Chiorah Dye & Bettie Sing Luke	2011
The Families of Jose & Norma Gomez and Juan & Marcolina Sosa	1997	Mary Sherhart	2012

2012 AWARDEE SWIL KANIM



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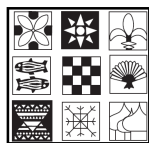
GORDON EKVALL TRACIE MEMORIAL AWARD

The **Gordon Ekvall Tracie Award** is given to an ethnic performing artist who has made significant contributions to the development and presentation of the traditional arts in our community.

Ruben Sierra	1990
Patrinell Wright	1991
Prabha Rustagi	1994
Ken Jackson - Grey Eagle	1995
Allan Swensson	1997
Kofi Anang	1998
Henry Louie	1999
Sara Contreras	2000
Bruce Miller "Subiyay"	2001
Mary Mariko Ohno	2002
Roger R. Del Rosario	2003
Jiyeon Cheh	2004
Arthur W. C. Nation	2005
Melody Wenying Xie	2006
Rubina Carmona	2007
Dr. Ratna Mukherjee Roy	2008
Mr. Nat V. Raman	2009
Luis Gramal	2010
Omar Batiste	2011
Swil Kanim	2012



2012 AWARDEE MARY SHERHART



They're Back!!! March 16! - by Joanne Rudo

Greece, Portugal, Italy, Ireland and other countries are facing potential economic ruin. Global warming, pollution, unsavory politicians, and general mayhem are presently occurring. But these problems are not nearly as serious as the dilemma facing the vintners in Finland. Alas, alas, those creepy, crawlies that go crunch in the night have, unfortunately, returned with the intent of devouring every last grape in Finland!

The wine sellers and their customers have become hysterical and a deep moroseness has settled upon many parts of the world. The use of Prozac has increased with acute shortages in several countries. Unrest is prevalent in many cities with sit ins and protests all imploring that the need for Finnish wine is tantamount for happiness and stability. The Republicans and Democrats running for office blame each other for the onslaught of the marauding herds of grasshopper, however, both parties agree that if elected, they will solve the problems of the decreasing supplies of Finnish wine.

What to do, what to do? By the time the politicians attempt to solve this serious problem, there will not be a single grape left in Finland. Fortunately, St. Urho is still around. He has stated that, "Enough is enough!" Yes, our hero once again has agreed to go into the hordes of the green crunchy voracious and vociferous grasshoppers to stop them from de-

stroying the vineyards of Finland. Armed with only a pitch fork he will bravely shout, "Heinasirkka, heinasirkka, mene taalta hiiteen!" Translated into family friendly terms, "Get the heck out of Finland and leave those grapes alone!"

As in years past, the grasshoppers will quake with fear. The grasshoppers will succumb to Urho's great courage and will rapidly flee. The vineyards will once again be saved so that Finnish wine can be enjoyed throughout the world and all will be well.

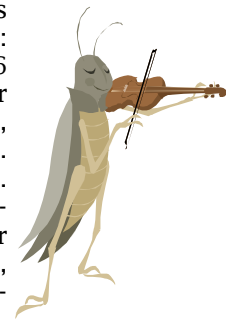
March 16, 2012, Skandia and Katrilli Finnish Folkdancers will honor this great hero at the third Friday dance at the Cedar Valley Grange. Kathy Bruni and Roger Mowley for the last two years have tirelessly and honorably worn the crown of St. Urho and Urhoina. This huge responsibility has taken its toll and they desperately need relief. Please help them regain their vigor by practicing the chant so that you may be chosen for the crown of grapes. A brief but important pronunciation workshop will be given at the dance. Drama and enthusiasm will count with the judges. This is your chance for great fame.

Come at 7:30 p.m. for dance instructions. Katrilli will teach the traditional grape stamping dance. It is very impressive when you are in the basement to hear this dance. Somehow, the dance floor remains intact.

Several other mixers will be taught along with a mazurkka that can be done with or without a partner. General dancing begins at 8:30 p.m. There will be many opportunities to dance so please come with or without a partner. This is a good opportunity to introduce friends to Skandia and a fun party.

Dance to the great music of Folk-Voice who have been known to add several dances during the evening from other wine producing countries. Harvey Niebulski and Marianne Tatum Letts will play their energetic music during intermission. There will be a buffet of goodies so don't eat too much prior to the dance. Unwanted and unnecessary door prizes will be offered and, of course, the always elegant and subtle "Grasshopper Hummpa" will be taught by Pat McMonagle.

Do be appropriate in honoring this great hero and saint by wearing either green or purple or both. For other questions regarding political corrections of this event, please call: JoAnne Rudo 206 329-1443. Cedar Valley Grange, 20526 52nd Ave. W., Lynnwood. Evening of merriment \$7.00 for Skandia Members, \$10.00 non members.



KCLS Multicultural Events February 2012

Children & Families

Persian Story Times

Lake Hills Library, 425.747.3350

Sundays, 3:15pm

Korean Story Times

Lake Hills Library, 425.747.3350

Sundays, 4pm

Japanese Story Times

Kingsgate Library, 425.821.7686

Monday, February 6, 13 & 27, 10am

Lake Hills Library, 425.747.3350

Monday, February 6, 13 & 27, 11am

Chinese Story Times

Lake Hills Library, 425.747.3350

Monday, Feb. 6, 13 & 27, 10:15am

Library Connection @ Crossroads,
425.644.6203

Friday, February 10, 17 & 24, 6:30pm

Russian Story Times

Library Connection @ Crossroads,

425.644.6203

Wednesday, February 8, 15, 22 & 29,
11am

Hindi Story Times

Library Connection @ Crossroads,

425.644.6203

Friday, February 10, 17 & 24, 11am

Adults

Citizenship Preparation Classes

Get help with the citizenship interview process, including civics and government questions, reading and writing English, and practicing your interview skills.

Kingsgate Library, 425.821.7686

Monday, Feb. 6, 13 & 27, 7:30pm

Talk Time

Improve your English speaking and listening skills.

Kingsgate Library, 425.821.7686

Tuesdays, 2pm

English as a Second Language (ESL) Classes

A formal class to learn English grammar, reading, writing and conversation skills.

Kingsgate Library, 425.821.7686

Tuesdays and Thursday, 6:30pm

Computer Class: Introduction to Computers Taught in Spanish

Library Connection @ Crossroads,

425.644.6203

Friday, February 17, 4pm



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Hungry Planet: What the World Eats—With photographs of family members at home, at the market, and surrounded by a week's worth of groceries, Hungry Planet focuses on families from 10 countries around the world. An additional feature to the exhibit provides a local perspective on traditional food revitalization. **February 1-June 10.** Burke Museum. Call: 206-543-5590; www.burkemuseum.org.

Playful Geometry—Winter's short days can be dark and dreary; what better way to brighten your world than with art? 'Playful Geometry' will be the gallery's first show of the new year, and features the whimsical, colorful and bold works of Joan Keith and Ellen Witebsky. **February 1-18.** The Gallery at Town Center. Call: 206-417-4645; www.shorelinearts.net.

Witness—The Shoreline-Lake Forest Park Arts Council and the City of Shoreline present a new exhibit featuring the photography of Lauren Greathouse and Betty Udesen and a collection of diverse work in the second annual City of Shoreline Employees Art Show. **February 2-April 27.** Shoreline City Hall. Call: 206-417-4645; www.shorelinearts.net.

Tartuffe—Moliere's comic masterpieces brings us the imposter Tartuffe, a con artist extraordinaire who oozes piety and charm. This famous farce is a cautionary tale told with lightning-quick wit, complete with star-crossed lovers, a badgering grandma and a plot that could be ripped from the headlines. **February 3-March 3.** Taproot Theatre Co. Call: 206-781-9707; www.taproottheatre.org.

Oklahoma! The musical that changed everything! A remarkable cast and an extraordinary collaboration with renowned choreographer Donald Byrd and Spectrum Dance Theatre bring this classic musical to vibrant life. **February 3-March 4.** 5th Avenue Theatre. Call: 206-625-1900; www.5thavenue.org.

Don Quixote—PNB is proud to present the American premiere of

Aliexei Ratmanský's full-length Don Quixote, created for Dutch National Ballet in 2010. Don Quixote's bravura classical dances showcase soloist virtuosity as dramatically as its mime and humor reveal accomplished character players. **February 3-12.** McCaw Hall. Call: 206-441-2424; www.pnb.org.

Aloha Music Camp—Don't miss this special opportunity to attend a week-long immersion into the music, dance, language and culture of Hawaii. **February 5-11.** www.alohamusiccamp.com.

Seattle Improvised Music Festival—A number of local musicians improvise solos, each lasting one minute, in support of the 2012 Seattle Improvised Music Festival. **February 8-11.** Chapel Performance Space, Good Shepherd Center. www.seattleimprovisedmusic.us.

Flower and Garden Show—With an exciting new theme for 2012, 'A Floral Symphony... Gardens Take Note,' the rich tradition of the Northwest Flower and garden Show continues with spectacular display gardens, how-to advice by top experts, shopping for accessories and gifts, and activities for the entire family. **February 8-12.** WA Convention Center. Call: 800-343-6973; www.gardenshow.com.

February 10

Jim Malcolm-Scottish Folksinger on Tour-7:30-9:30pm, Holy Innocents Church, Duvall. Bring cash for a pint or a soda & a sweet valentine treat. Call: 206-715-6693; jimmalcolm.com

NW Seaport Chantey Sing with Dan Roberts—FREE. 8-10pm, History Ships Wharf at Lake Union Park. Call 447-9800; nwseaport.org

Kafana Republik—Hosted by Seattle Balkan Dancers. Kafana Republik faithfully recreates the music of Eastern Europe from Bulgaria, Macedonia, Bosnia, Serbia, Croatia, and the Roma. Their repertoire highlights the songs, ballads, and dance music that form the heart beat and the soul of these cultures. The kafana has a place of honor in the Balkans - typically a cafe or coffee house; a place where the community gathers to share food, drink, experiences, ideas, songs, and passion. 8:30-11:30pm, The Russian Center, Seattle. Call: 425

-883-0332
www.seattlebalkandancers.org

February 11

Sweetheart Dance—Bring your sweetheart for a fun evening at the Sno-King Sweetheart Dance. 7:30-10:30pm, Cedar Valley Grange. www.sno-king.org.

Scandinavian Dance—Join the NW Nordic Dancers for their Scandinavian Dance with live music by *Sammenspil* from Vancouver, B.C. 7:30pm, Norway Hall. Call: 260-734-2516; www.nordicdancernw.org.

The Not-Its! Seattle's rockin' band, the Not-It's, is making music for children! See a performance by them as part of the 2012 Children's Series Concerts. 11am, Shoreline Community College. Call: 206-417-4645.

Valentine's Comedy Night—Join us for a romantic night with wine and laughter at the second annual Valentines Comedy Night starring Susan Rice. 6pm, Gamache Vinters. Call: 509-786-7800; www.gamachevinters.com.

Spike and the Impalers—See a performance by Spike and the Impalers. 8pm, Edmonds Center for the Arts. Call: 425-275-9595; www.ec4arts.org.

"A Perfect Pairing"—A gala to benefit Seattle Opera. 6pm, Chateau Ste. Michelle winery in Woodinville. Call: 206-389-7600 for details.

February 12

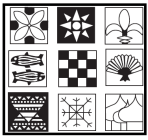
Brian Culbertson—The Pacific Jazz Institute at Dimitriou's Jazz Alley presents Brian Culbertson. **February 14-19.** 7:30pm, Jazz Alley. Call 206-441-9729; www.jazzalley.com.

Celebrate Abe Lincoln's birthday with Doo Wop and Klapa! Klapa-DooWopella specializes in traditional Croatian "Klapa" singing. Klapa singers are a cappella minstrels that hang out on boat docks and street corners along the Adriatic coast of Croatia. 6-8pm, Olive and Grape. Klapa DooWopella: <http://klapa.us/> Olive and Grape: <http://www.theoliveandgrape.com/home/>

February 15

Ritz Chamber Players—See a performance by the Ritz Chamber Players as part of the UW World Series. 8pm, Meany Hall. Call: 206-543-4880; www.uwworldseries.org.

or



Kohal—Their unique sound of Hawaiian-folk fusion music can be enjoyed by the entire family. 6:30pm, Potluck; 7:30pm, Concert. Bellevue House. dr-cookie@msn.com

February 16

Beyond Talk 2—Come to the community potluck about race in partnership with the museum. 5:30pm, Wing Luke Museum. Call: 206-518-6000.

February 17

Schumann's Symphony No. 4—Join the Seattle Symphony as they play Schumann's classic Symphony No. 4. 7pm, Benaroya Hall. Call: 206-215-4747; www.seattlesymphony.org.

Expanding Our Voices—Frank Kane will lead a workshop in Georgian Singing. Frank specializes in the traditional polyphony of the Republic of Georgia and the workshop will involve learning some Georgian folk songs. **February 17-19**. Taoist Studies Institute. Call: 206-898-7833; seattlegeorgiansong@gmail.com.

Third Friday Dance—The Skandia Folk dancers invite you to their monthly Third Friday Dance. Enjoy lovely gammaldans lessons and shake off the winter chill by dancing to the fine music of the Nordleik duo. 7:30pm, Cedar Valley Grange. Call: 206-784-7470; www.skandia-folkdance.org.

Seattle Balkan Dancers—Weekly Social Dance. 7:30-8:30pm, teaching, 8:30-11pm, dance. Call 425-883-0332; www.SeattleBalkanDancers.org

February 18

Death by Chocolate—Death by Chocolate includes a five course chocolate-centric dinner with wine parings. Desert Wind Winery. Call: 509-786-7277.

18th Annual Brazilian Carnaval—Don't miss the 18th Annual Brazilian Carnaval with acts by 'One World Taiko' featuring Gary Tsujimoto and Nancy Ozaki, and Show Brazil who will be performing a rich array of Brazilian Carnaval music. 8:30pm, Nectar Lounge. Call: 425-820-4381; www.showbrazil.com.

Kafana Republic at Crossroads Mall 7pm, Market Stage, Bellevue. www.crossroadsbellevue.com/EventsCalendar

Valentine Day Party at the *Polish Cultural Center*. Mixed music from CDs. Party from 8pm-1am. The restaurant will be open 6-10pm; the bar will be open from 7pm. Complimentary tea, coffee, hugs and kisses! Polish Cultural Center. <http://www.polishhome.org/>

February 19

Gung Haggis Fat Choy—A Chinese-Scottish cross-cultural event featuring Scottish and Chinese entertainment and an 8-course Chinese dinner plus Haggis. Entertainment will be Susan Burke, Cape Breton/Scottish fiddler with her quartet, Oran Mor; and Heng Da Li, with dancers from the Hengda Dance Academy, including a premier dancer with the Beijing Ballet; the Keith Highlanders Pipe Band, Jim McKnight, pipe major; Belltown Martial Arts, David Leong, director, with the famous Lion Dance group; Jamie Foster, singing; Don Scobie, bagpiper, with Nae Regrets. Attendees are encouraged to wear national dress from either country, or a combination of both. 5-9pm, China Harbor Restaurant. Call: 206-364-6025; www.gunghaggisfatchoy-seattle.com.

February 21

Beauty and the Beast. Tale as old as time - Disney's Beauty and the Beast, the smash hit Broadway musical, is coming to Seattle! This eye-popping spectacle has won the hearts of people worldwide. Experience the romance and enchantment! **February 21-26**. Paramount Theatre. Call: 877-784-4849; www.stgtpresents.org.

School of Magical Strings winter Celtic harp classes. Bright Water School. Register at www.magicalstrings.com

February 22

Flicka, Ricka, Dicka Storytime—Come and join us to listen to Flicka, Ricka, Dicka and their New Skates; a classic Swedish story by Mai Lindman, and make a fun project. 10am, Nordic Heritage Museum. Call: 206-789-5707; www.nordicmuseum.org.

Skandia Basics Dance Class—**February 22—March 28**. 7:30-9pm, Phinney Neighborhood Center. www.skandia-folkdance.org/

February 23

Itzhak Perlman—Experience a performance by Seattle Symphony with special guest Itzhak Perlman as they perform works by Vivaldi, Mozart and Beethoven. 7:30pm, Benaroya Hall. Call: 206-215-4747; www.seattlesymphony.org.

Wintergrass Bluegrass Festival 2012—All day. Bellevue Hyatt Regency, Bellevue. www.acousticsound.org

February 25

Stars on Ice—Expect innovative choreography, great music and stunning costumes at the 2012 Stars on Ice show featuring skating superstars such as Sasha Cohen, Kurt Browning, Ilia Kulik and many more. 5:30pm, Key Arena. Call: 206-684-7100; www.keyarena.com.

Day of the Accordion—The Northwest Accordion Society presents The Day of the Accordion. Enjoy FREE concerts, accordion lessons and dancing. 12-9:30pm, Crossroads Bellevue. Call: 206-622-4786; www.nwasnews.com.

Ugandan Orphan's Choir. See a special performance by the Ugandan Orphan's Choir. 11:30am, NW African-American Museum. Call: 206-518-6000.

The Spinney Brothers—Bluegrass band from Nova Scotia-7:30pm, Thumbnail Theater, Snohomish. Call: www.thespinnerbrothers.com

February 26

Lunar New Year Banquet—Come and Celebrate the Year of the Dragon at the annual Lunar New Year's Banquet. 6pm, House of Hong. Call: 206-722-2564.

February 28

The Fray—Don't miss an incredible performance from American rock band The Fray. 7:30pm, Paramount Theatre. Call: 8770784-4849; www.stgtpresents.org.

March 2

Vagabond Opera Brings High Drama Cabaret—Close on Sing For Your Lives! CD release party With Belly dance and fire arts by Leslie Rosen and Kimberley Brown of Pyrosutra fire performance group. 7pm & 10pm - TWO SHOWS!. All ages welcome. Call: 206-838-4333; <http://thetripdoo.net/>



~ KCLS WORLD ~

**Featured Programs at the
King County Library Sys-
tem during February and
March 2012**

Many Voices, One Land

Enjoy free music, stories and entertainment from around the world and celebrate the diversity of the region.

**The Lorax & The Sneetches and
Other Stories
Presented by Book-It All Over! Book-
It Repertory Theatre.**

Ages 5 and older with adult.

Enjoy these beloved Dr. Seuss stories in a live performance as the Lorax and the Sneetches teach us how we can live together and take care of our planet.

Snoqualmie Library, Tuesday, February 21, 2pm

Woodinville Library, Saturday, March 3, 1pm

Covington Library, Sunday, March 4, 2pm

Fall City Library, Monday, March 5, 7pm

Lake Hills Library, Tuesday, March 13, 7pm

Kent Library, Saturday, March 17, 10:30am

Federal Way Library, Wednesday, March 28, 7pm

**Ian Dobson's Pan Leggo Concert
Presented by Ian Dobson.**

Enjoy a tropical break in the middle of winter!

Translated from Caribbean English, Pan Leggo means "steel drum party." You will feel like you're sitting on a sandy beach hearing these musicians play.

Library Connection @ Crossroads, Friday, March 23, 5pm

Vashon Library, Saturday, March 31, 2pm

**Tales of the Library Dragon
Presented by Live Paint! A Theatre
and Creative Arts Company.**

Ages 3 and older with adult.

Meet a dragon who wants to live in a library and learn to read! After this interactive program, create an art-book to take home.

Burien Library, Saturday, March 3, 11am

**The Red Thread: A Chinese Tale of
Connection and Celebration**

**Presented by Live Paint! A Theatre
and Creative Arts Company.**

Ages 3 and older with adult.

There is an ancient Chinese belief that every child is born with a red thread that attaches the child to everyone of importance they will meet in life. Explore this theme and aspects of New Year's celebrations from around the world through creative movement, story and art.

Sammamish Library, Friday, February 24, 3pm

Please arrive early, seating is limited.

**More Auntie Lena's African Stories
Presented by Thistle Theatre.**

Ages 3 and older with adult.

Auntie Lena and her friend Possum are back to tell more stories from West Africa. Puppets illustrate the stories, *Why the Sun and the Moon Live in the Sky* and *Anansi the Spider*.

Lake Forest Park Library, Saturday, March 24, 3pm

Black Diamond Library, Monday, March 26, 10:30am

North Bend Library, Saturday, April 14, 2pm

**Popular Music and Dance from India
Presented by Pratidhwani.**

Ages 5 and older with adult.

From contemporary Bollywood-based dance, to folk and classical dance techniques, experience the music and dance styles of the Indian culture.

Bothell Library, Saturday, February 25, 3pm

Redmond Library, Sunday, February 26, 2pm

Melodies Italiano!

Take a lively romp through the wonderful and festive folk music of Italy. Enjoy Italian instruments such as the mandolin, the friscialetti (a Sicilian flute) and the maranzano.

Lake Hills Library, Tuesday, February 21, 7pm

Kingsgate Library, Saturday, March 3, 2pm

Foster Library, Tuesday, March 6, 7pm

Newport Way Library, Wednesday, March 7, 6pm

**Climbing Gold Mountain, Gum Sahn
Chinese Pioneers in the Western
Frontier**

Presented by Rebecca Hom.

Many Americans, including those of Chinese heritage, are unfamiliar with the tremendous role Chinese pioneers played in settling the Western frontier. Chinese pioneers were railroad workers, loggers, miners and even cowboys in the West's rural communities. Experience an opportunity to enlarge contemporary views with past immigrant experiences.

Covington Library, Sunday, March 18, 2pm

**Global Literature: How Learning
About "Over There" Helps Us Un-
derstand "Over Here"**

**Presented by Anu Taranath, Uni-
versity of Washington Professor.**

Literature from around the globe helps us picture "people over there" and brings texture and depth to our lives "over here."

Examples from global literature will be used to suggest ways of reading that invite conversation on often difficult topics of power, privilege, voice and agency.

Shoreline Library, Monday, February 27, 7pm

Newport Way Library, Monday, March 26, 7pm

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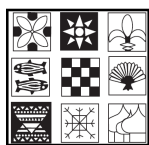
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RECENT RENEWALS!**

Photo page 1: Chaopraya Ensemble performed traditional folk and classical music & dance from Thailand at EHC's 21st Annual Cultural Crossroads, November 2011. Photo by Jal Schrof © EHC.

**JOIN US!**

Become a member of the Ethnic Heritage Council. Join us in our 32nd year of celebrating community. Your annual membership helps support the events, programs and services of the Council. Any additional contribution you give is greatly appreciated. Thank you for your support!

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- ☐ \$35 Individual/Student
☐ \$55 Organization
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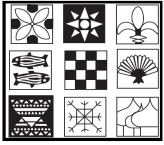
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The Ethnic Heritage Council is dedicated to preserving the unique mix of cultural traditions that enrich our Northwest communities. Annually, the Council produces several ethnic festivals, and a public naturalization ceremony on July 4th. EHC publishes CONTACT: A Directory of Ethnic and Cultural Resources in Washington State, and operates a referral service for the community. The Newsletter is a publication of the Ethnic Heritage Council of the Pacific Northwest. Submission deadline for the March 2012 edition is February 20th. Please send submission materials, to the EHC office via mail, fax: 206-443-1408; or email text items as attached word document: ehc@seattle.gov. Contact EHC with any questions at: 206-443-1410. Visit our website at: www.ethnicheritagecouncil.org.



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31st Annual Awards Dinner

Friday, March 2, 2012

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“THE WINNER IS...”

EHC NEWSLETTER

Ethnic Heritage Council

Please join us for our

31st Annual Awards Dinner Friday, March 2, 2012

Celebrated at

Nordic Heritage Museum

3014 NW 67th St., Seattle, WA 98117

5:30 pm - Social Hour & Museum Tour *"Dream of America"*

Ethnic Entertainment

"petite" Silent Auction

6:30 pm - International Cuisine Dinner by IKEA

Following Dinner:

EHC Board Introductions

Awards Ceremony

Mary Sherhart - Aspasia Phoutrides Pulakis Award

Swil Kanim - Gordon Ekvall Tracie Award

Cultural Performances

\$40 per person

Reservation Deadline: Monday, February 27, 2012

Pre-Paid Reservations Only

Please complete reservation form & mail with payment to:

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Or order by phone: 206-443-1410; fax: 206-443-1408; email: ehc@seattle.gov

For more information visit: www.ethnicheritagecouncil.org

The Northwest Accordion Society presents The Day of the Accordion



**Saturday, February 25, 2012
noon to 9:30 P.M.**

**Crossroads Bellevue
15600 NE 8th Street
Bellevue, WA 98008**

The Northwest's Best!

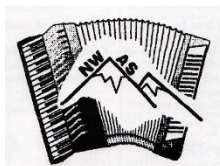
Free Concerts

FREE Accordion Lessons

Dancing

Sponsored by the Northwest Accordion Society

For information call: (206) 622-4786 or email: bonniebirch@msn.com
www.nwasnews.com



Performances on the Market Stage:

Happy Hans Band

Northwest Accordionaires

Smilin' Scandinavians

Allen Sanders Band

accordion soloists

Bonnie Birch Band

Folkvoice Band

Choroloco

Primo Basso Band

More to come....

Community Room

**Organized by the Tacoma
Accordion Club**

Rising Star Stage

Free Accordion Lessons

Upcoming:



Leavenworth International Accordion Celebration

June 14 - 17, 2012 in Leavenworth, WA

Award winning festival; one of the best in the U.S.

website: www.accordioncelebration.org



Ethnic Heritage Council

31st Annual Dinner and Awards Ceremony

FRIDAY, MARCH 2, 2012—Nordic Heritage Museum

The **Gordon Ekvall Tracie Award** is given to an ethnic performing artist who has made significant contributions to the development and presentation of the traditional arts in our community.

This year we honor **Swil Kanim**. Swil Kanim calls himself the violindian. He is a classically trained violinist, a native of the Lummi Indian tribe who grew up in Washington State. At schools, community events and festivals, he performs his own compositions, infused with classical and folk musical influences and his own stories. He has received numerous arts and humanitarian awards.

He established the Swil Kanim Foundation, which promotes fine arts in underserved populations, providing transportation, admission fees, musical performance, story-telling and education, bringing the healing power of art to schools, prisons, rehab centers, seniors, hospitals, churches.

Swil Kanim is also a poet. His epic poem, *The Elements of Honor*, is an eloquent description of his art and vision. An excerpt: "My name is Richard Marshall. That is just my name. Who I am is Swil Kanim. That is my Lummi name. I am an enrolled member of the Lummi Nation. That is what they call us. The Lummi Nation. That is not who we are though. For centuries we were called the Laq'temish. ~The People from the Place of Frogs.~ Maybe something got lost in the translation during assimilation."

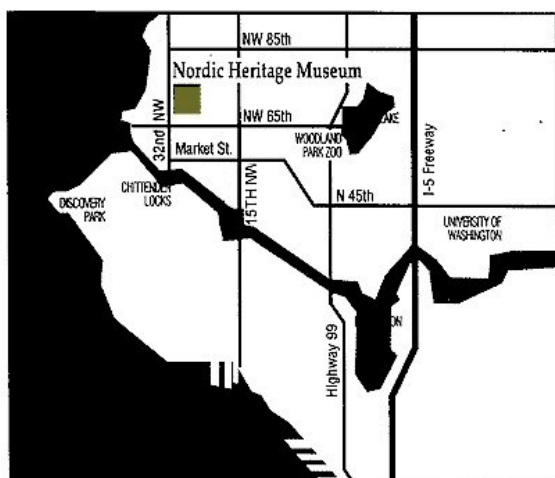
The **Aspasia Phoutrides Pulakis Award** is given annually to an individual who has contributed significantly to a Northwest ethnic community.

This year we honor **Mary Sherhart**. Mary Sherhart is one of America's leading artists in Balkan singing and one of the few non-native artists to be recognized and loved by ethnic audiences. Mary is honored and accepted as a gifted singer in the traditional urban genre of Bosnia and Herzegovina, *sevdah*. She is the first president of the *Sevdah North America*, a nonprofit educational organization formed to promote and preserve the traditional urban music of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

In Seattle, Mary has created musical projects that build bridges between East European communities and the general public. She directs the annual Evening of *Sevdah*, about which the Seattle PI wrote in 2008: "What was readily apparent was the affection and commitment to this music from the excellent singers and instrumentalists, either having been born in the region, or with ethnic roots, or for the sheer love of the music itself."

Mary Sherhart always includes a strong message of finding one's passion in life and the joy and healing of music. She excels at building bridges through the shared joy of music, overcoming political differences in the Balkan community, bringing Serbs, Bosnians, Croatians, Bulgarians, Macedonians, and Americans together to share the universal joy of music.

She is a recipient of the 2006 Artist Trust / Washington State Arts Commission Fellowship. Most importantly, Mary is the mother of three fabulous children.



From I-5 Heading South Take North 85th St. Exit. Head West on 85th. Proceed about 3 ½ miles to 32nd Ave NW. Turn Left. Continue on 32nd Ave NW until you reach NW 68th Street. Turn Right. The Museum parking lot will be to the right.

From I-5 Heading North Take the NE 45th Street/University of Washington Exit. Stay in the left lane. Turn Left at the light onto NE 45th St. Continue on 45th St. which jogs into Midvale Place N., winds down the hill and becomes NW Market Street. Continue West on NW Market Street until you come to 32nd Ave. NW. Turn Right on 32nd Ave NW continue until you reach NW 68th. Turn Right on NW 68th. The entrance to the Museum Parking Lot is on the right.

Nordic Heritage Museum, 3014 NW 67th St., Seattle

Reservation Form

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Reservation deadline: Monday, February 27, 2012

PRE-PAID Reservations only. All non-paid reservations will be cancelled. Thank you!

Name _____ Reservation(s)@ \$40 = _____

Organization _____ Donation = _____

Address _____ TOTAL = _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ ☐ Check enclosed (payable to EHC)

Phone _____ ☐ Visa ☐ Mastercard ☐ American Express

Email _____ **Exp. Date** _____ **CVV** _____

IMPORTANT - Required info. for Credit Card charges **Card #** _____

includes: Name of card holder, street address, zip code **Signature** _____

For Group Reservations (included in this reservation) please list names below:

Please include your name as listing number 1)

Total number in Group: _____

1) *(your name)* _____

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