



City of Mercer
Island
Arts Council

Department
Report

January 17, 2024

That's a Wrap for Illuminate MI 2023

- Events Included:
 - Tree Lighting/Firehouse Munch
 - Menorah Lighting
 - Family Movie Night
 - Argosy Christmas Ships
 - Girls Scout Toy Drive
 - Holiday Market
 - Island Lanterns (Jan - March)
- Big thanks out to our event sponsors:
Puget Sound Energy, Street Treats, Hub Boba, and John L. Scott Real Estate.



Island Lanterns

- The community art project has returned!
- Lanterns are available for pick-up (free) at the MICEC
- Feb. 1 – Mar. 31 Lanterns will be on display at Mercedale (weather permitting) and the MICEC .

Info:

www.mercerisland.gov/islandlanterns



FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT!

TROLLS BAND TOGETHER

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9 - 5:30PM




FREE!

POPCORN AND DESSERT PROVIDED
BRING PILLOWS, BLANKETS, LOW-BACK CHAIRS
FOR A ROCKIN' GOOD TIME!
OUTSIDE FOOD ALLOWED!

RSVP REQUIRED BY 2/2/24
 CALL 206.275.7609

Or Scan here to Register!



MERCER ISLAND COMMUNITY & EVENT CENTER | 8236 SE 24TH ST



Lunar New Year Celebration

FEBRUARY 11, 2024
 10:00AM-14:30PM
 MERCER ISLAND COMMUNITY & EVENT CENTER
 8236 SE 24TH ST, MERCER ISLAND, WA

+ Free Entry +

- Spectacular performances featuring dragon dance and Shaolin Kungfu
- Cultural experiences including tea ceremony and calligraphy
- Family-friendly arts and crafts including lantern-making, paper-cutting
- And much more!

Bring the whole family to celebrate with us!





SEATTLE PRINT ARTS WINTER SHOW



MARIAN WACHTER



JANE RICHLOVSKY



DIANE DAVIS



DAN CAUTRELL



ROSEMARY COHEN

JAN 8 - MAR 1
MERCER ISLAND COMMUNITY & EVENT CENTER GALLERY
OPENING RECEPTION
JAN 11, 5-7 PM

Seattle Print Arts is an association of artists, arts professionals, and collectors who share an appreciation for printmaking and an interest in the expanding field of print arts. Featured art will include linocuts, monoprints, lithographs, woodcuts, screen prints, stencils and more from over 30 artists from the Seattle area. All of the art will be for sale.

EVERYONE IS INVITED TO THE ARTISTS' RECEPTION
THURSDAY, JANUARY 11TH FROM 5-7 PM
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Roanoke Park Playground Replacement

The City has kicked off a community engagement process for the Roanoke Park Playground Replacement.

- **Online Survey**

- Was completed January 12 with over 160 surveys completed

- **Virtual Public Meeting-** January 30

- **Ongoing engagement through Let's Talk**

For more information and to get involved visit:

<https://letstalk.mercergov.org/playground-replacements>



Roanoke Park



Public Art Maintenance Updates

- Mosaic Murals at Luther Burbank
 - Working with artist Sandy Glass to complete several repairs to most of the mosaics at the Luther Burbank Park playground.
 - Artist is finalizing the proposal for staff review.
 - Staff anticipate completing contracting and starting repairs by end of Q1 (weather permitting).



Public Art Updates, cont.

- *Now We Are One* at First Hill Park
 - Deinstalled in September 2020 due to damaged base.
 - Repaired in 2023 by ArtSite and currently being stored by Art Work FAS in Sodo.
 - Will reinstall the piece during/after completion of First Hill playground replacement project (tentatively planned for summer/fall 2024).



Public Art Updates, cont.

- Fire Flower
 - Significantly damaged during attempted theft in November 2020.
 - Restoration completed in 2022 by ArtSite.
 - Currently stored by Art Works FAS in Sodo until the sculpture can be re-sited at a future redevelopment in Town Center.



- Four Seasons at Mercer Island Library
 - Four-panel mural by local artist Maria Frank Abrams owned by 4Culture and installed at Mercer Island Library.
 - Partnering with 4Culture to restore the mural and offer public programming about the process, artist, and other topics.
 - Stay tuned for more details! In the meantime, check out this great article from 4Culture on the artist and upcoming restoration projects: www.4culture.org/honoring-maria-frank-abrams



2024 Routine Public Art Maintenance

- Conduct annual routine maintenance of City's sculptures with Alloy Arts, our contract conservator.
- Maintenance usually takes place in early summer.
- Staff will inform Arts Council when schedule is confirmed.
- Help us monitor the public art collection!
 - Most of the public art collection is located in public parks and outside public buildings.
 - When you're out and about, look out for public art and let staff know if any issues need addressing!
 - Not sure where public art pieces are located? Check the Public Art Story Map: <https://bit.ly/mercerpublicart>





SAVE THE DATE
JULY
13
2024
SUMMER
CELEBRATION!

