

City of Mercer Island
Arts Council

Staff Liaison Report

October 16, 2024



Family Movie Night Fun

- 124 people registered for last Friday's Family Movie Night, watching Kung Fu Panda 4!
- Families brought blankets and chairs, enjoyed popcorn and treats, played in the Game Room, and hung out in the lobby.
- THANK YOU to Mercer Island Martial Arts for sponsoring!
- The next Family Movie Night is scheduled for Friday, December 13th as part of our "Family Holiday Party" event!
- Staff is currently arguing about the BEST family-friendly holiday movie to show - input can always be sent to Miparks@mercerisland.gov to sway the selection.



Mid-Autumn Festival

- The City partnered with the Mercer Island Chinese Association to bring the Mid-Autumn Festival to the Community Center on **September 22 from 10am – 2pm.**
- WOW- What a turn out! Estimation of 3,000 attended during the day!
- This event included beautiful lanterns, delicious mooncakes, incredible performances, a variety of games and activities for the entire family.



The poster features a yellow background with a map of Mercer Island, a red lantern, and two white rabbits on mooncakes. Text is in English and Chinese.

百家 ASIAN FAMILY MARKET
Mercer Island
Mid Autumn Festival
Carnival
默瑟岛中秋嘉年华

FREE ENTRY
免费入场

SEP. 22, 2024
SUNDAY,
10 AM - 2 PM
MERCER ISLAND
COMMUNITY & EVENT
CENTER

WIN
\$100+ VALUE
GOODIE BAGS
FOR THOSE WHO WIN ALL
THE GAMES
闯关成功获\$100大礼包!

KUNGFU | 功夫
HAN COSTUME | 汉服秀
PERFORMANCES | 表演
GAMES | 闯关游戏
ARTS & CRAFTS | 手工
ARTISAN MARKETS | 集市
BOBA TEA | 奶茶饮品
MOONCAKES | 各式月饼

HOST BY
MICA Mercer Island Chinese Association 默瑟岛华人协会
CITY OF MERCER ISLAND WASHINGTON
DIAMOND SPONSOR
ASIAN FAMILY MARKET
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MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- 2024 MIVAL Holiday Show is October 21 – December 13
- Opening Reception on October 24th from 5 – 7pm!

MP Treyball

A Hritzay

A Miller

S Gaertner

K McDonald

E Power

S Cherberg

K Au

K Barker

R Frankel

T Zwingman

I Rajagopal

Opening Reception
Thursday, October 24, 5 - 7 PM

A Kimble

J Lindsey

J Montagnet

C Whitaker



Mercer Island Community & Event Center
8236 SE 24th St, Mercer Island, WA 98040
(206) 275-7609, M - Th, 9 AM - 7 PM, F - Sa, 9 AM - 5 PM



New Recreation Programs

EMERALD BALLET THEATRE AND
THE CITY OF MERCER ISLAND
PRESENT

Friday PreBallet

FOR AGES 4-6

a joyful introduction to movement and music

- Dates: October 4, 11, 18, 25 & November 1, 8, 15, 22
- Time: 4:15-5:00pm
- Location: Mercer Island Community Center
8236 SE 24th St., Mercer Island, WA 98040


Sign up today at
emeraldballet.org/community-classes



URBAN SKETCHING MERCER ISLAND WITH STEVEN REDDY

OCT 19TH - 10 AM TO 3 PM

Join us!




Sketch Mercer Island!
October 19th
Urban Sketching Class
10 AM - 3 PM
Cost: \$120
MIVAL members \$100



Register: MIVAL.org/classes

We will start indoors for a lesson on technique at Mercer Island Community and Event Center, 8236 SE 24th St, Mercer Island and then moves to Mercer Island City Center near Starbucks to practice the technique and sit with our coffee and snacks! Beginners and all levels are welcome!

There is a \$10 cash fee payable to the instructor for some special supplies if you have not taken a workshop with Steven Reddy before.



EXPLORING SHIBORI STYLE TECHNIQUES WITH ICE DYEING



OCT 26th
1:30- 4:30 PM
WITH ARTIST
LAURA KOZAITIS

WWW.SILKROADSPACESHIP.COM
Mercer Island Community and Event Center
8236 SE 24th St, Mercer Island

Workshop Cost: \$100/MIVAL members \$80

Additional \$54 fee payable to the instructor includes all materials, silk pillowcase and three towels!



Register at www.mival.org/classes



Public Input on Clarke & Groveland Beaches

- The City has launched a digital survey to collect information about how the community currently uses **Clarke and Groveland Beaches**.
- Responses will be accepted until **October 22**.
- Community input will be combined with other background analysis to inform the scope of the planning process for future improvements at these parks.
- Staff anticipate engaging the PRC for input in December and bringing a recommended planning scope to the City Council in early 2025.
- Please visit our Let's Talk page to provide input!
www.mercerisland.gov/cgmp





Town Center Trick or Treating

Friday, October 25
4 - 6pm

Trick or Treat in Town Center with participating businesses. Look for the pumpkin decal in the windows!

This free-family-friendly event provides our community with the perfect start to their Halloween festivities!



PUMPKIN WALK



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27 5 - 8 PM
MERCERDALE PARK

Join a fun, family friendly walk along the Mercerdale loop. The path will be lined with a glowing display of carved pumpkins.

WE NEED YOUR PUMPKINS!

Carvers of all ages are encouraged to participate in the display. Carved pumpkins can be dropped off from 12pm - 4pm on the day of the event at Mercerdale Park or the week of at the Mercer Island Community & Event Center.

Sponsored By:

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CITY LIFESTYLE



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Holiday Tree Lighting

DECEMBER 5, 2024
5:30PM

MERCERDALE PARK

JOIN THE CITY OF MERCER ISLAND LIGHTING OUR HOLIDAY TREE. BRING THE WHOLE FAMILY OUT AND ENJOY THE SIGHTS AND SOUNDS OF THE HIGH SCHOOL CHOIR AND CREATION DANCE STUDIO PERFORMANCES. COCOA PROVIDED BY JOHN L. SCOTT!

Sponsored By:





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DECEMBER SPECIAL EVENTS

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- 5 Tree Lighting, 5:30pm, Mercerdale Park
- 6 Parents Night Out, 5:30pm, MICEC
First Friday Art Walk, 5pm, Town Center
- 7 Holiday Makers Market, 10am - 2pm, MICEC
- 13 Family Holiday Party, 5:30pm, MICEC
- 15 Argosy Christmas Ship, 7:40pm, Luther Burbank Beach
- TBD Menorah Lighting, Mercerdale Park






Arts Council Planning Schedule

- **November 18, 2024**
 - Special Meeting: AIPP Six-Year Spending Plan
 - **January 15, 2025**
 - Regular Meeting: Six Year Spending Plan
 - **February 10, 2025**
 - Special Meeting: AIPP Six-Year Spending Plan
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Thank You

