



ORIGINAL WASCO COUNTY COURTHOUSE - 1859

ORIGINAL COURTHOUSE REGIONAL HISTORY FORUM SERIES FOR 2023

Saturday, February 4

50 Million Years of Tumultuous Geologic History

Retired geoscientist Lloyd DeKay heads up the Columbia Gorge Chapter of the Ice Age Floods Institute. He will trace the massive volcanic eruptions, landslides and earthquakes that formed the Gorge, with emphasis on the catastrophic floods that sculpted some of the geologic wonders and beauty we marvel at today.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hdK1u4EO00k>

Saturday, February 11

Vineyards and Wineries of the Columbia Gorge

The Pines 1852 owner and vintner Lonnie Wright first came to his century-old vineyard on Mill Creek in 1982. He expanded the vineyard and established his own winery in 2001. Through his vineyard management skills, he worked with others in the industry to define the Columbia Gorge as a wine region. Come hear how the Columbia Gorge wine region from Hood River/White Salmon to Maryhill went from one winery in 1980 to 40 in 2020.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rQ-JuTMx2bc&t=6s>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lGjYQFLJAZI>

Saturday, February 18

Her Name Was Eleanor: Teacher, Dancer, Equestrian, Activist

Linda Wilson was Eleanor Borg's student and helped develop the mural honoring her teacher that was painted in the 2022 MuralFest. Eleanor shared her boundless enthusiasm for dance, acrobatics, ballet, and horses with hundreds of children from the 1950s through the 1970s. Former students are invited to share memories.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TTNCHTYlxHw&t=1997s>

Saturday, February 25

Mapping Fort Dalles: Then and Now

Local historian and professional archeologist Eric Gleason traces the legacy of Fort Dalles from 1859 to the present. Overlaying historical maps onto the modern maps of the city reveals the relationship of the historic fort to the town and suggests locations for further archeological investigations.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5PPLJdpLvBE&t=2923s>