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"When I first started going to Portland, people told me about Stumptown," Fred Armisen, the star of the TV series Portlandia said in an interview with Bon Appetit. "They were like 'Oh, it's the best coffee,' and I thought, 'How good could it really be?' and I'm like, 'Sure, great, uh... I'd love to see it.'

"But then when I went, it truly, I am not kidding, is the best coffee I have ever had. I had like a double espresso Americano, and to this day—greatest coffee ever."

You may not be a coffee drinker, but I'm guessing that Portland will be your cup of tea. There is so much to love in this, the largest city in Oregon whose urban area is about 2.2 million. It performs the near impossible trick of being both urban, with its tech companies and health care concerns, and rural, framed as it is by forests and the Williamette River.

But in the end, what really defines Portland is its people, many of whom are descended from the immigrants who found their way here thanks to the Oregon Trail. It is that spirit of the possible that sets this city apart.

Nowhere is this more evident than with Travel Portland, our hosts for this year’s convention. Travel Portland stepped into the breach and hard work, coupled with its belief in the value of SATW, has put together a convention that will surprise and delight you.

It’s a world-class destination with world-class people, and I invite you to sample its wealth of experiences, from wine country or the Columbia River Gorge, both just 35 minutes from downtown, to urban hiking in Forest Park and a craft beer and culinary scene that will satisfy even the most discerning foodie.

So come for the coffee. Stay for the convention. And enjoy every minute of a city that shows us what happens when daring and doing link hands.

Enjoy!

Catharine Hamm
SATW President

Dear Attendees and Guests of Society of American Travel Writers:
Welcome to Portland, Oregon, for your 2017 Annual Convention. I know the Society of American Travel Writers has visited many destinations around the world. It’s exciting to bring this influential group to “The City of Roses.”

Portland’s attributes have garnered a lot of positive attention recently. Last year, Lonely Planet named Portland to their 2017 list of the world’s 10 best cities to visit and Travel + Leisure readers voted Portland one of the “Best Cities in the U.S.” for the first time. In 2015, the Washington Post named Portland the best food city in America.

I can assure you that these are not empty platitudes. Portland has worked hard to nurture the arts, to encourage eco-friendly practices and ideas, to encourage innovative public transit, to support the chefs and winemakers of our region, and to protect and preserve the city’s surrounding natural beauty.

We hope you have the pleasure of experiencing this firsthand. And we are thrilled to welcome the Society of American Travel Writers to Portland.

With warm regards,

Ted Wheeler
Mayor

Catharine Hamm
SATW President

Ted Wheeler
Mayor of Portland
Hello SATW, and welcome to Portland, one of the most vibrant cities to host an SATW convention, and we hope you’re as excited as we are to be in the Pacific Northwest. There’s an energy to Portland that we’ve tapped into for this convention, an energy that will drive you to make new connections, change your perspective on everything from your photography to your clients to the way you tell your story, stick with you long after you’re gone.

Look around the city and you can see how this energy has shaped the culture and creativity of Portland. Chefs use it to inspire every dish. Brewers take in sips and gulps and come up with brews that have helped shape the craft beer scene for decades. It inspires jewelers and fashion designers to push their boundaries. Artists, musicians and coders fold it into their work and their work becomes more beautiful for it.

During our time here we’ll be out and about; exploring gardens and neighborhoods; dining at food trucks and in restaurants; sipping beer, tea, wine and more, all to allow us to come closer to the creative spirit of this place.

Our conference committees have worked hard to put together tours and visits that show off Portland’s finest. They’ve developed a slate of professional development panels, speakers, and discussions that will shed new light on the art, the craft, and the business of travel storytelling. And the end result is this: The 2017 SATW Annual Convention.

Without Marcus Hibdon and the team at Travel Portland, without the efforts of Travel Oregon, without the many committee members and volunteers, none of this would be possible. When you see Marcus and his team, when you find yourself with one of the folks from Travel Oregon, when you see one of the convention committee members, be sure to tell them thanks for pulling this all together.

Welcome to Portland. Welcome to the 2017 SATW Annual Convention.

With that, we give you the city and all it has to offer,

Sincerely,

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IN PORTLAND, it’s easy to find limitless recreation, fabulous food, craft beer and flourishing culture. With no sales tax, Portland is a haven for shoppers. You’ll find both large, international retailers and small, indie shops within easy reach of downtown hotels. The nearby Pearl District is home to galleries, boutiques, chic restaurants and the legendary Powell’s City of Books. It’s no secret that Portland is fueled on coffee and beer, with coffee shops on almost every street corner and craft breweries and innovative bars tucked in between. Portland’s award-winning airport, efficient light rail system and pedestrian-friendly city blocks make getting around town a real pleasure.

To make the most out of your time in Portland, please enjoy the following suggestions from the Travel Portland team. Note: We couldn’t include all of our favorite places in Portland, so make sure to check out travelportland.com for additional trip planning recommendations.

EARLY MORNINGS
In Portland, coffee is the new wine. Baristas are akin to rock stars, and only the most tricked-out espresso machines are trusted with unique house roasts. Best of all, you don’t have to leave downtown to sample some of the tastiest cups in the city.

STUMPTOWN COFFEE ROASTERS
128 W. Third Ave. | 503.205.6144 | stumptowncoffee.com
Portland’s most famous coffee export has more than a dozen locally roasted single-origin and blended roasts — including the company’s most popular, the aptly named “Habernator” — lining the store’s shelves.

SPELLA CAFÉ
520 S.W. Fifth Ave. | 503.752.0264 | spellacaffe.com
Andrea Spella’s close-seat Spella Caffe near Pioneer Courthouse Square showcases the Italian-American’s love for palate-pleasing, engaging Portland roasters, along with a fondness for rare bean varietals imported from Brazil and India. Order a traditional cappuccino and look for bags of tiny, handpicked rare bean varietals filtered through 23-karat-gold-plated cones. Domréois’ cannelés also have a dedicated following.

HEART COFFEE ROASTERS
537 S.W. 12th Ave. | 503.224.0036 | heartroasters.com
Named the No. 1 coffee shop to see before you die by BuzzFeed, Heart’s downtown location brings their delicately roasted coffee to the trendy West End. Don’t be deceived by the straightforward approach and stark white space. This coffee is complex, with light floral and berry notes you won’t find from many roasters.

CASE STUDY COFFEE
802 SW 10th Ave. | 503.477.8221 | casesudycoffe.com
Across the street from the Central Library, Case Study Coffee is the perfect place to nestle up on a brisk fall morning. A beautiful wood paneled interior and many windows complement the in-house roaster, and their stellar gourmet mochas are crafted using house-made syrups, highlighting fine ingredients.

LATE NIGHTS
Portland is home to more than 75 breweries and counting — more than any other city on earth — helping the city earn the moniker “Beervana.” Not to be outshined, innovative local cocktail programs push the envelope with artisan libations to cap off your night.

BAILEY’S TAPROOM
213 S.W. Broadway
Locals gather at 5 p.m. to enjoy the taproom’s wide range of beers, available on twenty-six rotating taps.

KELLY’S OLYMPIAN
426 S.W. Washington St.
Glowing neon lights and vintage motorcycles hang from the ceiling in this moody vintage “dive” bar.

OPAL
Dossier Hotel, 614 SW Park Ave.
The newest bar from Lighting Bar Collective, the chic Opal bar features imaginative cocktails and light Italian fare.

WALK OR RIDE (DOWNTOWN) -

CYLDE COMMON
1014 S.W. Stark St.
Specializing in American whiskies, this spot is renowned for its craft cocktails (it even pioneered the world’s first barrel-aged cocktails).

THE DRIFTWOOD ROOM
Hotel deluxe, 729 S.W. 15th Ave.
Dmly lit, swanky 1950’s cocktail lounge serving champagne and martinis.

MULTINOMAH WHISKEY LIBRARY / THE GREEN ROOM
1122 S.W. Alder St.
More than 1,500 bottles of whiskey are offered at this old-school club (reservations recommended). Head downstairs to The Green Room more quality beverages.

PÉPE LE MOKO
407 S.W. 10th Ave.
Subterranean speakeasy offering high-quality, old-school drinks, like Grasshoppers and Long Island Iced Teas.

TEARDROP LOUNGE
1015 N.W. Everett St.
The Green Room more quality beverages.

RUM CLUB
1122 S.W. Alder St.
More than 1,500 bottles of whiskey are offered at this old-school club (reservations recommended). Head downstairs to The Green Room more quality beverages.

OLD TOWN TAPROOM
603 S.W. Alder St.
Ride (catch an Uber or Lyft) -

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ANGLER FISH
14 N.E. 28th Ave.
Floral bar dedicated to mixing personalized cocktails to match patron’s mood and tastes (or even aura).

BIBLE CLUB
6716 S.E. 16th Ave. (Closed Monday & Tuesday.)
Pre-prohibition speakeasy offering high-quality, old-school drinks, like Grasshoppers and Long Island Iced Teas.

CENTURY
930 S.E. Sandy Blvd.
Hip sports bar centered around stadium seating, classic American fare and cocktails.

THE ELVIS ROOM
203 S.E. Grand Ave.
This rock ’n’ roll bar offers blue suede boots, retro artwork, cocktails and late night bites.

EXPATRIATE
5424 N.E. 30th Ave.
Worldly cocktail lounge with Asian-influenced décor and “drinking snacks” from chef Naomi Pomeroy.

HALE PELE
2733 NE Broadway
Tiki bar with rum-centric cocktails, a themed menu and kicchy décor.

LOYAL LEGION
710 S.W. Sandy Blvd.
Hip beer hall in historical building with ninety-nine beers on tap.

RUM CLUB
720 S.W. Sandy Blvd.
Funky, compact lounge specializing in tropical cocktails.

GIFT GUIDE - TAX-FREE SHOPPING
Downtown Portland, the city’s retail core, boasts a wide array of shopping options, from department stores and major international retailers like Pioneer Place mall to boutiques and specialty shops.

CRAGGY WONDERLAND
808 S.W. 10th Ave.
Crafty Wonderland offers handmade gifts by more than 200 local artists, crafters and designers.

MADEHERE PDX
40 N.W. 10th Ave.
MadeHere PDX showcases the talents of Portland-based designers, artists, makers and artisans.

PIONEER PLACE
700 S.W. Fifth Ave.
Downtown Portland’s home to more than 75 stores, including major brands like Louis Vuitton, Tiffany & Co. and Apple, along with an expansive food court and movie theater.

POWELL’S CITY OF BOOKS
1005 W. Burnside St.
This Portland landmark is the world’s largest new and used bookstore, covering an entire city block.
TRANSPORTATION

MAX LIGHT RAIL
At the heart of Portland’s world-class public transportation system is MAX light rail, with 97 stations and 60 miles of track connecting the city, airport, and region. MAX runs about every 15 minutes most of the day, every day. Service is less frequent in the early morning, midday and evening. To check ride maps and schedules visit www.trimet.org.

BIKETOWN
Getting around Portland like a local is much easier as of July 19, 2016, thanks to a new bike-share program known as Biketown – sponsored by local shoe and sportswear giant Nike and managed by Motivate. Biketown’s 1,000 bright orange, eight-speed bicycles are available to be checked out from 20 kiosks around town or via the Biketown website or free smartphone app. When you’re done riding, park the bike at any bike rack in the service area, or return it to one of the system’s 100 stations to receive a credit.

To find the nearest Biketown location visit www.biketownpdx.org or download the mobile app (BIKETOWNpdx).

RIDESHARING
Introduced in Portland in 2015, ride-sharing companies Uber and Lyft offer convenient, cash-free rides scheduled via mobile app.

TAXI SERVICES
The best way to catch a cab downtown is to go to a hotel with a dedicated taxi stand, or order a cab by phone from one of the city’s main operators. Note: It is difficult to hail a cab in Portland, we recommend calling ahead.

- Broadway Cab
  503.333.3333 www.broadwaycab.com
- Radio Cab Company
  503.227.1212 www.radiorab.net
- Green Cab & Green Shuttle
  877.853.3571 | 503.234.1414 www.greentrans.com
- Union Cab
  503.222.2222 www.unioncabpdx.com

getting around

PIONEER DISTRICT
UNION WAY
1022 W. Burnside St.
Connecting downtown Portland’s West End with the Pearl District, this modern shopping corridor packs various businesses into a covered gallery.
The Nines

As you take the elevator to the 8th floor of the historic Meier & Frank building, you realize...you’ve arrived. Historic in nature, yet contemporary in everything else, the Nines is a Portland luxury hotel ideally situated in downtown, steps from Pioneer Square and the central business district.

A LEED Silver Certified Hotel, we have incredible rooftop views, artwork in every room, two restaurants (that are loved by locals) and gorgeous event space for weddings, meetings and events. Browse nearby boutiques, dine in the trendy Pearl District, or use the eco-friendly MAX light rail or Street Car to explore the beautiful, lively city of Portland.

Dine at our innovative Departure restaurant, where Chef de Cuisine Gregory Gourdet creates dishes with a modern twist using traditional Asian preparations and Northwest ingredients alongside stunning views of the city. Locals also love The Urban Farmer – a modern farm to table steakhouse with sustainable, Northwest-inspired ingredients.

All of our Portland luxury hotel rooms pay homage to our historic roots, while being truly stylish, artful and unique. Each room is literally “dressed to the nines” and features delightful design elements.

The Duniway

Capturing Portland’s trailblazing spirit, a bold new hotel emerges. The Duniway is a unique Portland hotel experience with unexpected details and elevated touches curated for contemporary, eclectic tastes. Nostalgia meets modern, casual meets curated and playfulness meets sophistication in every room, complemented by the innovative cuisine of ‘Top Chef Masters’ winner Chris Cosentino’s Jackrabbit.

Set in Downtown Portland’s business and entertainment district, our hotel makes it easy to explore the city. Walk to music and theater venues, offices, top restaurants, tax-free shopping, breweries and Pioneer Courthouse Square. The light rail is a 3-minute walk and PDX Airport is 30 minutes away.

Our bold and stylish guest rooms feature luxurious beds, eclectic decor and modern comforts—from in-room Vittoria Coffee espresso machines and 65-inch HDTV with StayCast technology to GUILD+PEPPER bath products and Instagrammable lounge/work spaces.

Find everything you need for a great stay at the Duniway. Indulge in restaurant-quality room service, crush your workout in our well-equipped fitness center, go for a swim in the heated indoor lap pool and visit our business center any time of day.

Dine like royalty at Jackrabbit Restaurant by celebrity chef Chris Cosentino, specializing in shared feasts, unique brunch and bar snacks, house-cured meats and craft cocktails. Savor an espresso in the lobby coffee bar, or relax with room service.
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“Travel is fatal to prejudice, bigotry, and narrow-mindedness, and many of our people need it sorely on these accounts. Broad, wholesome, charitable views of men and things cannot be acquired by vegetating in one little corner of the earth all one’s lifetime.”

— MARK TWAIN

What is travel’s higher purpose? Why do we do it? Holland America Line President, Orlando Ashford, addressed these questions and more during his thought-provoking and moving speech at ms Koningsdam’s dedication ceremony in Rotterdam in April 2016. As our keynote speaker, Ashford will expand on his thoughts in October to open up the conversation of transformative travel. Is it a passing trend? Is it evolving? Can it be defined one way?

About Orlando Ashford, president, Holland America Line

Orlando Ashford serves as president of Holland America Line, leading the award-winning cruise line’s brand and business, including its fleet of 14 premium vessels carrying more than 850,000 guests annually to all seven continents. Ashford oversees Holland America Line’s sales and marketing, revenue management, deployment and itinerary planning, public relations, hotel operations and strategy.

Prior to joining Holland America Line, Ashford was president of the Talent Business segment for Mercer, the global consulting leader in talent, health, retirement and investments. Previous to Mercer he served as senior vice president, chief human resources and communications officer of Mercer’s parent company, Marsh & McLennan Companies. Ashford also has held several other leadership roles during the course of his career, including group director of human resources for 90 countries in Eurasia and Africa for the Coca-Cola Company and vice president Corporate Center human resources and cultural transformation.

Previously he was vice president of global human resources strategy and organizational development for Motorola Inc., where he helped modernize the human resources function for the global tech leader.

Ashford's book, Talentism, addresses the global disconnect between available jobs — more than one-third of employers worldwide cannot fill all available jobs — and the tens of millions of eligible workers who are unemployed. Ashford examines how technology and human networks can help bridge the skills gap, improve business performance, and lead to the betterment of society at large.

Ashford is on the Board of Directors for global manufacturing company ITT Corp., as well as the Executive Leadership Council, the preeminent membership organization for the development of global black leaders, where he serves as Chairman of the Board. He is also a founding board member for the Positive Coaching Alliance, Seattle chapter, and is a member of the Washington Roundtable.

In 2016, Ashford was awarded a Travery Award for “Most Innovative Executive, Medium-sized Cruise,” and was named to Savoy Magazine's list of “Top 100 Most Influential Blacks in Corporate America.” He was also named to the “Directorship 100” of the National Association of Corporate Directors in 2013 and 2014, and is a Purdue University School of Technology Distinguished Alumnus. Ashford holds a Bachelor of Science degree and Master of Science degree in Organizational Leadership and Industrial Technology from Purdue University.

In our business, change is the only norm, but these days, the shifts are swift and, often seismic, altering the way each of us does business. Why, for instance, don’t DMOs offer the kind of help that makes it easier for me to report and write a story? And why are editors obsessed with lists and other fast ways of writing? I just want to tell stories and all they want is the “Top 10 Ways to Keep Vacation Costs Down.” And what’s up with all the demands for video and photos? How am I supposed to accommodate that, whether I’m in PR or writing? Panelists from all walks tell the story of their stories so that you can tell yours more effectively and with realistic expectations.

Panelists:

Lori Rackl, Travel and Health Editor, Chicago Tribune

Lori Rackl has worked at all three Chicago-area dailies, starting in the early 90s at the Daily Herald. She worked her way up to the Metro beat before moving to Features, where Lori won several national awards for health reporting. In 2004, she returned to daily news at the Chicago Sun-Times but once again gravitated toward Features, where she was able to finally focus on her true passion: travel. (She fell in love with travel long before she fell for journalism.) At the Sun-Times, Lori wrote a weekly travel feature and edited the Sunday travel section. Like many papers faced with declining advertising, the Sun-Times eventually killed its travel section. Lori was tapped to be the paper’s TV critic, going from set to couch potato in a hot minute. She held the TV critic’s post until 2015, when she left the Sun-Times to start her own blog, TVsipin.com, and join the crowded ranks of travel freelancers. Lori thought her newsroom days were done, but less than a year later, the Chicago Tribune offered her the chance to oversee its travel section — and some of its health section, but that’s another story. Lori has held that job for nearly two years, working to balance the demands of print with digital in an increasingly challenging environment for newspaper journalists. While she doesn’t travel as much as she used to, she gets on the road — or in a plane, or on a boat — every chance she gets.

Jim Byers, Travel writer and blogger, social media influencer, public speaker

Jim Byers is one of North America’s best-known travel writers. He loves seeing what’s around the bend and the people he meets on the road, be they doctors turned brewmasters or Austrian yodelers working in the Canadian Rockies. Jim served as travel editor at the Toronto Star, Canada’s largest newspaper, for five years and now writes freelance stories for Postmedia newspapers in Canada, as well as The Dallas Morning News, National Geographic, WestJet Magazine, United Airlines in-flight magazine and more. He’s also highly active on social media. And he’s probably the only travel writer who’s been sworn at by members of the baseball hall of fame, the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and Tiger Woods’ caddy.

Scott Peacock

Scott is a public relations professional with more than 15 years of experience in destination marketing and agency work. He is currently the Director of Public Relations and Internation al Tourism for the Greater Raleigh Convention and Visitors Bureau — also known as Visit Raleigh. In his role he leads the CVB’s efforts to create awareness of Raleigh, N.C. as a premier leisure travel, group meeting and sporting event destination in the southeast US through targeted public relations strategies.

He also currently is the chair for the Public Relations Society of America’s Travel & Tourism Section.
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James DeRuvo has a multi-faceted career that spans radio, film, and publishing. A writer about technology in the video game industry for more than 25 years, James is also an award-winning film director, having garnered a Telly Award for his short film Searching for Inspiration. He’s also worked as a producer of many talk radio programs in Los Angeles with topics ranging from entrepreneurship to travel technology. James lives in Santa Clarita, California, with his family.

Lee Foster is a diversified travel writer/photographer who pursues both traditional and innovative publishing paths at FosterTravel.com. Lee argues that we must understand the changes in our modern megaplex consumerism and fashion our selves to benefit. Typical of Lee’s efforts are licensing articles from his robust website and publishing an eBook translation of his California travel book in Chinese.

Kim Grant is a visionary on the future of travel publishing, as well as being grounded in her past as acquisitions editor for Countryman Press and Sutro Media Apps. Kim’s new multi-author travel publishing website, BindItUps.com, focuses on itineraries. Kim also has a best-selling book about Cape Cod, Martha’s Vineyard, and Nantucket among the many books on her Amazon Author Page.

Wendy Haase has more than 19 years of public relations and marketing experience in the travel and tourism industry. She also produced and hosts Westways, a weekly program on Milwaukee PBS, where for nearly seven years she collaborated on events such as the Harley-Davidson 100th Anniversary and the Major League Baseball All-Star Game. Her career path led her to California, where she has represented Sonoma County and Huntington Beach, in addition to Terranea Resort in Palos Verdes. As Director of Tourism Marketing for Destination Irvine since 2010, she has had the opportunity to successfully generate brand awareness throughout the region and international tourism.

Catherine Hamm has been with the Los Angeles Times Travel section since 1999, serving as Travel Editor since 2003. She’s also worked as a travel writer at newspapers in Kansas and Missouri. She’s lived in 34 different places, including Virginia, Hawai’i, the Philippines, and Spain. During her tenure, the Times Travel section has won the Lowell Thomas Travel Journalism Award for Best Newspaper Travel Section six times.

Elizabeth Harryman is the Travel Editor of Westways, which has won six major Lowell Thomas Travel Journalism awards and has a circulation of more than 4 million and a readership of more than 8 million. Westways is the magazine of the Auto Club of Southern California, and Elizabeth is also Travel Editor of six other AAU newspapers that reach markets from New England to Hawai’i. She and her husband, Paul Lasley, wrote a travel-and-dining column that ran for 10 years in the Los Angeles Times, Miami Herald, and other newspapers and for four years, they served as travel correspondents on NBC’s Today show.

Spud Hilton is the Travel Editor of the San Francisco Chronicle, where since 2000 he has written about (and been hopelessly lost in) destinations on six continents. His attempts to defy the expectations of places—from Havana’s back alleys to Kyoto’s shrines to a hippie bus in Modesto—have earned 11 Lowell Thomas Travel Journalism awards, the standard for travel journalism. Spud also writes a biweekly column at SFCchronicle.com, and his travel tip videos and #CarryOnShame campaign have been featured on Good Morning America, the Today show, Quest Means Business, and CNN International.

Robert Holmes’ career as a prolific photographer has extended over 35 years. He is the first photographer to be honored by SATW with its Travel Photographer of the Year award five times, most recently for 2017. He received the international Wine Photographer of the Year award for 2016 out of a field of 7,000 entries from 60 countries. He has worked for National Geographic, Geo, Saveur, Wine Spectator, Life, Time, and hundreds of other major magazines and international companies. His work in film, in partnership with Andrea Johnson, has resulted in multiple awards for their documentary The Noble Spirit and a Telly Award for their highly-acclaimed Washington Wine Commission video Our Story. Robert has illustrated more than 45 books and he has been one of the elite group of the world’s 100 best photographers invited to participate in the acclaimed Day in the Life series. His YouTube videos on the Advancing Your Photography channel have over one million viewers.

Andrea Johnson is a photographer and video/film director specializing in the wine, agriculture, and adventure travel industries. With a base in Portland, Oregon, surrounded by abundant natural beauty, she has also been fortunate to travel the globe creating custom photography image libraries, magazine stories, documentary films, and video campaigns. Her editorial experiences range from coffee table wine books to feature stories with leading publications for the wine and travel industries. She has photographed four books: Passion for Pinot, Essential Wines and Wineries of the Pacific Northwest, Spectacular Washington Wineries, and Spectacular Oregon Wineries. She regularly works on assignment for Wine Spectator magazine. In 2009, Andrea expanded into video and film, creating Lumaria Productions in partnership with Robert Holmes for commercial, editorial, and documentary film projects. They’ve received a Telly Award for the Washington Wine Commission’s Our Story video, placed 4th in the top 10 videos for Wine Spectator’s 2016 video contest for New Zealand Sustainable, Spectacular Oregon Wine, and have won multiple film festival awards for their documentary film The Noble Spirit.

Paul Lasley produces and hosts two daily radio shows that are broadcast to two million listeners in 145 countries on the American Forces Network and are podcast at OnTravel.com and on iTunes. He’s cohosted talk radio shows on KABC and KPCC in Los Angeles, and on Discovery Channel Radio on XM Satellite. His radio shows have won two gold and one silver Lowell Thomas Travel Journalism awards. He also writes Westways’ TravelSmart column. He and his wife, Elizabeth Harryman, are former travel correspondents for NBC’s Today show and Southern California’s KTLA Morning News.

Jen Leo is a new media enthusiast and co-founder of KidsNTrips Twitter parties, a way for brands to create social buzz in front of a family travel audience. She wrote the nationally syndicated Web Buzz column for the Los Angeles Times for nine years, and co-hosts the podcast This Week in Travel, available on iTunes. She can be found taking, planning, or saving up for the next mommy-daughter trip with her 8-year-old adventureress, Cora.

Kevin Max is the founder and Chief Content Officer for Statehood Media, which publishes 1859 Oregon’s Magazine and 1889 Washington’s Magazine. He has covered IPOs for The New York Times and TheStreet.com, traded S&P options at the Chicago Mercantile Exchange, and written speeches for top figures in financial services and politics. A graduate of Northwestern University’s Medill School of Journalism, Kevin now lives in Bend, Oregon.

Brooke Miracle is Creative Director of Statehood Media, which publishes 1859 Oregon’s Magazine and 1889 Washington’s Magazine. She credits her interest in art to her experience growing up in Oregon’s beautiful surroundings. Having a talent for the arts from a young age, Brooke followed the path of art, music, and media, studying fine art at both Cambridge University and in London, Paris, Austria, and Italy. She loves that Statehood’s message is about the best things to eat and drink and enjoy within Oregon. “Encouraging people to get out, explore, and enjoy the indigenous blessings of our state is our mission,” she says.

April Orcutt is a viable illustration that traditional travel publishing continues to flourish, assuming the practitioner has talent and pays careful attention to detail. Fans following April delight frequently in her latest articles in the Los Angeles Times and Travel + Leisure and on her website, AprilOrcutt.com.
Brandon Perlman is CEO and founder of The Gramlist, which he started in 2015 to help brands, publishers, agencies, and publicists navigate the world of influencer marketing. The Gramlist uses a combination of human curators and proprietary data to make the discovery of emerging micro-influencers easy and contextually relevant. Before entering the tech landscape, Brandon was a Photography Editor at InStyle, W Magazine / WWD, and Departures. In 2009, he co-founded the StyleCaster Media Group, one of the first digital women’s lifestyle portals, and in 2011, he launched Departures.com for American Express Publishing.

Krista Rosow has worked for more than a decade as a photographer, photo editor, and educator for National Geographic. She began her career as a photo editor at National Geographic Traveler, where she shaped compelling stories from world-class imagery. As a contributing photographer to Traveler, she has shot stories in New Orleans, San Francisco, South Africa, Costa Rica, Asheville, North Carolina, and New Zealand. She regularly judges Instagram contests for @NatGeoTravel and is photo editing her second book for National Geographic. She travels with National Geographic Expeditions teaching photography on ships in the Galapagos Islands, Peru, Chile, the Arctic, Alaska, British Columbia, and Antarctica. She sees the camera, from iPhone to DSLR, as a tool for understanding new cultures, meeting locals, and exploring the natural world.

Krista Simmons is a culinary adventure writer and video producer and the founder of Fork in the Road Media. Her perspective is informed by nearly 10 years of experience creating innovative content on digital platforms for leading media outlets including Travel + Leisure, Departures, Tastemade, the Los Angeles Times, Sky Network, and the Today show. She has worked on social and video campaigns for Kate Spade, Swiss Army, Orbitz, Visit Greece, and Skyscanner. Through her digital-facing content, she hopes to inspire her audience to explore the world’s uniquely diverse culinary cultures.

Steven Wilker is a partner with Tonkon Torp LLP. He’s a member of the firm’s Intellectual Property and Financial Services practice groups and co-chairs the firm’s Information Security & Privacy practice group. He handles complex litigation in trial and appellate courts and in arbitration, and advises clients on transactional and information security matters as well. Steven’s extensive experience in intellectual property matters includes trade secret, trademark, copyright, and patent litigation. As an advisor to media, publishing, and communications clients, Steven helps his clients with issues concerning media shield laws, reporters’ privileges, prior restraints on publication, defamation, invasion of privacy, newsgathering methods, public records, public meetings, licensing, and copyright. Steven is recognized by Best Lawyers in America for 2013-2018 for Commercial Litigation and Litigation: First Amendment, including as 2017 Lawyer of the Year in Portland for Litigation: First Amendment.
Stories of citizens and soldiers caught up in the American Revolution unfold at the new American Revolution Museum at Yorktown. Enjoy immersive gallery exhibits and stimulating living history that capture the epic scale of the American Revolution and its meaning and impact on the development of the nation. Discover the story of America’s first permanent English colony nearly two centuries earlier at Jamestown Settlement through interactive gallery exhibits and living-history experiences.
Philadelphia's rich history of craft extends to its culinary scene. The city’s distinct, unpretentious neighborhoods are home to both fine dining and messy sandwiches, mom-and-pop bring-your-own-bottle (BYOB) bistros and chef entrepreneurs, rustic breweries and nascent distilleries, global fare and American classics.

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SATW members Michael C. Snell & Doug Stremel  •  jack-a-lope.com
ANYTHING BUT IPA TUALATIN VALLEY BEER TOUR
DIFFICULTY: Level 1 (easy)
ATTIRE: Comfortable shoes and outerwear depending on the weather.

This tour challenges the notion that West Coast Breweries working hard to elevate the idea of lowering IBUs (the rating of a beer's bitterness generally created by hops). Two Kils Brewing is still celebrating a Silver Medal for its Scottish Ale at the 2016 Great American Beer Festival (it won a gold at the 2014 World Beer Cup), which they have also started aging in whiskey barrels, amongst their other creations. Nearby Ancestry Brewing is a family owned and operated brewery making a wide array of beers including a low-IBU Season IPA, Cream Ale, English Pale and a Dark Irish, among others. Finally, Stickman Brewing offers a wide array of flagships, experimental, seasonal and sour beers to surprise even the most experienced palate. This tour includes lunch at Stickman Brewing from their imported Italian pizza oven.

COLUMBIA RIVER GORGE
DIFFICULTY: Level 1-2 (easy to moderate) depending on preference
ATTIRE: Comfortable hiking shoes for walking on trails in the Gorge; outerwear depending on weather.

Portland's most accessible and popular day trip is to see the falls of the Columbia Gorge. A glacier carved the gorge during the last ice age roughly 10,000 years ago and the mighty Columbia River has been at work ever since in this beautiful area that creates the Oregon-Washington border. Get the best views of the gorge, take time to explore Multnomah Falls (the state’s most popular natural attraction), and visit at least two other waterfalls along this scenic drive. Your guide will provide stories of the personalities that made the road a reality, and the flora and fauna that make the gorge a top local destination.

CRADLE OF CRAFT BEER TOUR
DIFFICULTY: Level 1 (easy) with some walking
ATTIRE: Closed toe shoes are required for the brewery tour.

Portland is the cradle of craft beer and home to more craft breweries than any other city in the known Universe. While other legendary craft breweries began at roughly the same time, craft brewing took hold in Portland first and created the environment that led to 75+ breweries and inspired a worldwide movement. This tour explores the pioneers of Craft Beer with stops at legendary breweries such as Widmer Brothers Brewing – a regional craft brewery returning to its roots with a smaller brewery dedicated to specialty beers specifically for its on-site pub, Bridgeport Brewing Company – the city’s other original brewery which created the iconic Bridgeport IPA, and a visit to one of the McMenamin’s properties which brews many beers in numerous breweries across the state. These early craft brewers were instrumental in passing Oregon’s Breupub Bill in 1985, which paved the wave for the scores of breweries that have followed. Along the way you will learn how beer is made and why Portland is one the top beer destinations in the world.

DIVISION STREET FOOD TOUR
DIFFICULTY: Level 1 (easy) with about 1 mile of walking
ATTIRE: Comfortable walking shoes and appropriate outerwear based on weather.

See and taste why Division Street is arguably the city’s hottest culinary neighborhood right now. From a fun and funky food cart pod to Indian street food, urban wines to homemade pies, there is something for everyone in this bustling neighborhood in Southeast Portland. Lunch will be eaten at stops along the way.

DOWNTOWN COFFEE DONUTS AND DELIGHTS TOUR
DIFFICULTY: Level 1 (easy) walking tour using public transportation on a 3-hour tour in downtown Portland
ATTIRE: Footwear appropriate for walking. Outerwear depending on weather.

Portland is a coffee capital and leader in the Third Wave Coffee Movement. If you don’t know what Third Wave Coffee is, this is the tour for you. And, if you do know, you will like this one too. Forget the Folgers as you tour some of the city’s coolest coffee roasters. Learn where they source their beans. How they roast them, a farm-to-table story. And, most importantly, why they go to all the trouble in the first place. Think coffee with wine-like descriptors and character like terroir, nose, and mouthfeel. This tour will visit 5 to 6 specialty cafes where you will also sample delicious culinary delights, the only food truck dedicated to roasting their own coffee and a French caralis and indulgent affogato.

DOWNTOWN PORTLAND FOOD TOUR
DIFFICULTY: Level 2 (easy)
ATTIRE: Comfortable walking shoes with outerwear depending on the weather

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BIO dynamic AND ORGANIC WINE MAKING IN THE TUALATIN VALLEY
DIFFICULTY: Level 1-2 (easy to moderate) with some walking in the vineyards
ATTIRE: Comfortable shoes and outerwear depending on the weather.

Tualatin Valley winemakers have been in the forefront of sustainable wine making for a while now. Explore two of Oregon’s pioneering wineries when it comes to biodynamic farming. Cooper Mountain was established in 1978 and adhering to biodynamic and organic farming since the mid-1990s. In 1999, it was the first vineyard/winery to be Demeter-certified biodynamic in the Pacific Northwest. Tour the vineyard and learn more about the practices of biodynamic farming, from vines to table; you will tour the vineyard, taste the wines (some varietals not commonly grown in the northern Willamette Valley) and learn the ins and outs of producing wine like this. Following this, you will head to Montinore Estate, the second-largest estate producer of wines made from biodynamic grapes in the U.S. Explore the grounds and learn more about how the property’s meadow, lake, cover crops and “unusual” farming techniques are a part of the biodynamic farming process. Taste the variety of wines produced, including it’s L’Orange, made from white wine grapes that are fermented in the style of red wine, and blended with clay amphora-fermented Gewürztraminer adds complexity.

BOUNTY IN THE WILLAMETTE VALLEY
DIFFICULTY: Level 1 (easy)
ATTIRE: Comfortable shoes for walking in agricultural areas and outerwear depending on weather.

Although the Willamette Valley is best known for wine, travelers came for an entirely different reason 150 years ago: free land. This tour explores what pioneers hoped to find at the end of the Oregon Trail by traveling rural routes to meet local producers of cheese, cherries, hazelnuts, and even olives. Learn the history of this beautiful region, sample the agricultural bounty and, of course stop by a winery before heading back to Portland.

BREWERIES BY BIKE
DIFFICULTY: Level 1-2 (easy to moderate) depending on fitness level
ATTIRE: Appropriate shoes for biking; outerwear appropriate for weather; rain ponchos are available to borrow but a jacket is still recommended.

Take a leisurely ride with Pedal Bike tours through downtown Portland, The Pearl District and Northwest Portland, peddling by brewpubs and taking a brewery tour. Sights include Powell's Bookstore and Stumptown Coffee among other stops with small tastings along the way before celebrating the end of the ride with a pint at Pedal Bike Tours.

ART LANDIA TOUR
DIFFICULTY: Level 1 (easy) with some walking
ATTIRE: Comfortable shoes for walking and outerwear depending on the weather.

See Portland's artistic side with a guided visit to the Portland Art Museum – the oldest museum on the West Coast – to see its collection of works from throughout the ages including a wing dedicated to Native American art. See the street and public art starting to fill the city's West End neighborhood downtown as you head to the Pearl District to visit some of the city's most beloved art galleries. And, of course, you will see the city's museums, Portlandia, nearby city hall. This tour includes a hosted lunch at a Portland restaurant.

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HALF-DAY TOURS

FLAVOR STREET FOOD TOUR
DIFFICULTY: Level 1 (easy) with several stops at food pods
ATTIRE: Comfortable shoes and appropriate outerwear based on weather

Portland is home to more than 600 food carts, and while this tour won’t come anywhere near to hitting them all, it will give you a glimpse into some of the city’s best food cart pods while following Sazed Sammuel from Aybla Grill. See how this local foodie built a mini food cart empire from a single cart to 6 carts and 2 brick-and-mortar locations. Lunch will be served during the tour

FOOTSTEPS ALONG THE OREGON TRAIL
DIFFICULTY: Level 1 (easy) with some walking around the locations
ATTIRE: Comfortable footwear and outerwear appropriate for spending short amounts of time outdoors

In the eve of the Oregon Trail’s 175th anniversary, follow in the footsteps of pioneers settling the West along the Oregon Trail by visiting Oregon’s Mt. Hood Territory. The journey begins at Philip Foster Farm – a living history farm and the first sign of civilization weary travelers saw after their grueling 2,100-mile journey. The next stop is Oregon City at the physical end of the trail. The pastures where families often camped while finalizing their homestead papers is now home to the End of the Oregon Trail Interpretive Center – an interactive museum that explores the stories and hardships faced by pioneers. From here we will visit the house of John McLoughlin, a British subject and superintendent of the Hudson Bay Company who provided aid to early pioneers migrating West. Finally, the tour stops at the Museum of the Oregon Territory where artifacts from the trail and early history of the West are on display including the original plat for what would later become the city of San Francisco. This tour focuses on early Oregon history, which is the history of Manifest Destiny.

GARDENS OF PORTLAND
DIFFICULTY: Level 1 (easy) with some walking around the gardens
ATTIRE: Comfortable shoes and appropriate outerwear based on weather

Portlanders call rain “liquid sunshine” in a playful jest at the weather dominating our winter season. Yet all that sunshine certainly makes our gardens grow all year round. See some of the city’s most spectacular parks and gardens in this fun tour throughout the city. The fall colors should be in full bloom this time of year. Stops include the Lan Su Chinese Garden, Japanese Garden, International Rose Test Garden and Mills End Park – the smallest park in the world.

HIKING IN FOREST PARK
DIFFICULTY: Level 2-3 (moderate to difficult) depending on fitness level; includes hiking less than 3 miles
ATTIRE: Comfortable shoes or light boots good for walking in agricultural areas and outerwear depending on weather

Portland has a secret within the city limits: a natural forest with more than 70 miles of hiking trails and countless things to explore. This tour takes you into the 5,100-acre Forest Park through Hoyt Arboretum – where more than 2,000 specimens from around the world grow and past towering sequoias and redwoods – along the popular Wildwood Trail to the Japanese Garden. The garden is a highlight of Portland’s attractions having undergone a $33.5 million expansion to reopen last spring. Tour the garden with a docent before stopping for tea at the Umami Teahouse.

HISTORIC DOWNTOWN TOUR
DIFFICULTY: Level 1-2 (easy to moderate) depending on fitness
ATTIRE: Appropriate shoes for biking; outerwear appropriate for weather; rain ponchos are available to borrow but a jacket is still recommended

The essential tour of Portland by bike takes riders throughout downtown on well-traveled bike lanes, stopping to admire the views of downtown, the river and the city’s many bridges. Travel through downtown Portland into the Pearl District, Old Town, and Chinatown with plenty of stops along the way. This tour is for beginners, but participants should be comfortable riding a bike. The route is 9 miles over approximately 3 hours with numerous stops. This tour will be held rain or shine – Portlanders still ride when it’s wet! (Rain ponchos are available).

KNOT SPRINGS SPA
DIFFICULTY: Level 1 (easy, but Level 0 if we could)
ATTIRE: Bring a swimsuit for the soaking pool

Soak your cares away with an afternoon of relaxation at Portland’s newest spa and fitness social club, Knot Springs. Inspired by Pacific Northwest hot springs, Knot Spring’s signature spa ritual – including hot, tepid and cold pools plus a dry sauna and steam room – is complemented by plush amenities like all natural handmade products and signature Pendleton towels. Cap off your visit with a 60-minute massage in one of the spa’s lush treatment rooms.

MAKERS SHOPPING TOUR
DIFFICULTY: Level 1 (easy) with some walking
ATTIRE: Closed toe shoes comfortable for walking; outerwear depending on the weather

We make things in Portland. By hand. The old-fashioned way. Explore Portland’s Maker Culture from a retail level and enjoy some of the city’s tax-free shopping while learning the stories of local makers and why Portland has become such an epicenter in the return to local, small manufacturing. Visit MakerHere/IDIY, a store filled entirely with locally made goods from wooden sunglasses to bean-to-bar chocolates, fashion and even bicycles. This beautiful store in Portland’s Pearl District serves as a museum for local talent, and you’ll be able to meet some makers first hand. From here take a short walk to Orox Leather Company where a family of leather makers from Oaxaca, Mexico, work side by side in crafting beautiful heirloom quality goods each day. Finish the tour by visiting one of the city’s maker spaces – a co-op where creatives share knowledge, equipment and know-how to make high-quality goods.

MISSISSIPPI STREET FOOD TOUR
DIFFICULTY: Level 1 (easy) with about 1 mile of walking
ATTIRE: Comfortable walking shoes and appropriate outerwear based on weather

Head to one of North Portland’s most popular and delicious neighborhoods to eat like a local with Forktown Food Tours. Explore the Mississippi Street and take in the local vibes while dining on Asian-fusion, enjoying mini cocktails, sampling a local craft brewery and stopping by a popular salt merchant (among other things) in one of the city’s most iconic lifestyle hoods. Lunch will be eaten at stops along the way.

MULTICULTURAL PORTLAND
DIFFICULTY: Level 1 (easy) with some walking
ATTIRE: Comfortable shoes for walking and outerwear depending on weather

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PORTLAND BOUTIQUE SHOPPING TOUR
DIFFICULTY: Level 1 (easy) with some walking
ATTIRE: Comfortable shoes for walking and outerwear depending on weather

Three words, one hyphen: Tax-free Shopping. Who wants some? Explore some of the city’s favorite unique boutiques with Sharon Blair of the Portland Fashion Institute. Blair is the author of the new “boutiques guide. Portland.” which highlights 34 shops that sell clothes and accessories from local, independent designers. Bring your credit card and shop until you drop while meeting the entrepreneurs behind our retail shopping at places such as Tender Loving Empire, Wildfang, Garnish and more.

PORTLAND BOATING TOUR
DIFFICULTY: Level 1 (easy) with some walking
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PORTLAND FOOD CART TOUR BY BICYCLE
Dificult: Level 1-2 (easy to moderate) depending on fitness level
Attire: Appropriate shoes for biking; outerwear appropriate for weather; rain ponchos are available to borrow but a jacket is still recommended

Explore some of the city’s favorite food carts and food cart pods (collections of food carts located throughout the city) by bike and see why Portland is one of the most bike-friendly cities in the U.S. This tour begins in Cartopia – one of the earliest food cart pods to open outside of downtown — before heading east to Belmont Street and through the beautiful Laurelhurst neighborhood and back downtown to the city’s largest collection of food carts. There will be numerous stops and plenty to eat along the way during this 3-hour bike tour over 5 miles of mostly flat terrain.

PORTLAND JEWELRY AND APPAREL MAKERS
Dificult: Level 1 (easy) with some walking
Attire: Comfortable shoes for walking in agricultural areas and outerwear depending on weather

Meet the makers creating some of the most original jewelry and fashion you will find anywhere – all handmade in Portland, Oregon. Learn the stories of how, why and why not from some of the city’s most popular jewelry designers such as Betsy & Iya and Alchemy in addition to others. You will also see why this area has produced many notable names in fashion – such as Project Runway winners Leanne Marshall, Gretchen Jones and Michelle Lesniak to name a few. Meet the people behind Portland fashion, visit their studios and check out how Portland Apparel Lab is helping designers launch their fashion brands in Rose City.

PORTLAND TEA TOUR
Dificult: Level 1 (very easy)
Attire: Mostly indoors though the Japanese Garden tour is outside. Comfortable footwear and outerwear depending on weather.

In addition to beer, wine, coffee and spirits, Portland is home to a craft tea revolution that started planting roots more than 30 years ago. The tour begins at the Headwaters restaurant in the Heathman Hotel where James Beard Award Winning Chef Vitaly Paley offers a Russian Tea Service every Saturday. One on Russian delicacies inspired by Paley’s youth with teas from Portland’s own Smith Teas. After the tea service, head to the Smith Teamaker tasting room in Portland’s Central Eastside Industrial District. Steven Smith is a legend in the tea world having founded both Stash and Tazo tea companies. Smith Tea is a return to his early roots as a boutique tea maker crafting the very finest teas from the world’s best ingredients. Following a tour and tasting with Smith Teas head tea maker, the group will visit Portland’s Japanese Garden where a new $33.5 million expansion project was finished last spring. The expansion was designed by renowned Japanese architect Kengo Kuma and includes a beautiful new teahouse, which serves Japanese teas from Japan – a 160-year-old tea company with two locations in Japan, one in Paris, and the new location in Portland. Finish the day with a quick stop by the Hotel DeLuxe where representatives from Thomas and Sons Distillery will be on hand to work with the staff of the beautiful Driftwood Room to sample tea cocktails.

URBAN WINES AND CRAFT DISTILLERS
Dificult: Level 1 (very easy)
Attire: Comfortable shoes and outerwear depending on the weather.

Following in the footsteps of the craft beer revolution, local winemakers and distilleries have made Portland the home base of their craft as well. This tour visits some the city’s coolest urban wineries and distilleries while showcasing the creative spirit underlying both movements. Start at Southeast Wine Collective along the culinary mecca of Southeast Division Street. This winemaker’s studio is home to numerous urban winemakers whose love of the grape is only rivaled by their desire to live and work in the City of Portland. Fortunately, they have found a way to do both while sourcing grapes from the Columbia River Gorge, Willamette Valley and Southern Oregon while leasing space in the city. The result is an Avant Garde cadre of winemakers pushing boundaries on tradition while making delicious and often innovative wines. Enjoy lunch with a tasting of wines selected by the winemakers at Southeast Wine Collective before heading into the Central Eastside’s Distillery Row with a visit to New Deal Distillery and House Spirits – two of the city’s most successful and most creative craft distilleries.

HALF-DAY TOURS
COLUMBIA RIVER GORGE – WET SIDE, DRY SIDE
DIFFICULTY: Level 1-2 (easy to moderate) depending on fitness level
ATTIRE: Comfortable shoes for walking and appropriate outerwear based on weather

Spend a full day exploring the Columbia River Gorge with a naturalist guide from Evergreen Escapes. Start on the Oregon side of the Columbia River to explore waterfalls before heading into the Eastern portion of the Gorge to explore the growing wine region emerging in this area and other charms in just 30 miles. You will also learn about the history of the area’s geology and wildlife along the way.

GLOBAL LIQUID ASSETS IN THE TUALATIN VALLEY
DIFFICULTY: Level 1 (easy)
ATTIRE: Comfortable shoes for walking and appropriate outerwear based on weather

Oregon’s Tualatin Valley counts its blessings by the cupful and this tour delves into its many liquid assets from coffee to wine, beer and much more. See this beautiful area close to Portland, but an experience unto itself on this tour. Begin with a coffee cupping at Dapper & Wise Coffee Roasting Lab for an education in third wave coffee without any coffee snobbery. Spend your afternoon at Ponzi Vineyards where you will tour the vineyard, taste Italian-style wines from the barrel, take a blending “class” and enjoy a winemaker’s lunch. Tour the SakeOne Brewery to learn how they make traditional Japanese Sake from just water, yeast and rice. Visit one of the state’s first wineries at Ponzi Vineyards where they have revolutionized the wine tasting experience in a beautifully modern tasting room.

IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF FDR
DIFFICULTY: Level 1 (easy)
ATTIRE: Comfortable shoes for walking and appropriate outerwear based on weather

On September 28th, 1937, President Franklin Delano Roosevelt came to Portland to dedicate two major Depression-era infrastructure projects and traveled a loop around Mt. Hood to do so. The Bonneville Dam would change life forever in the Pacific Northwest, paving the way for rapid wartime industrial expansion, and Timberline Lodge became a beloved refuge on the mountain and a base for generations of skiers. Travel Roosevelt’s route, viewing Columbia Gorge waterfalls near the Dam, and climbing to 6,000’ in subalpine territory to learn the unique stories of the lodge in the afternoon.

KITCHEN CONFIDENTIAL
DIFFICULTY: Level 1 (easy) with some walking in the venues
ATTIRE: Comfortable shoes for walking and appropriate outerwear based on weather

Most writers cannot visit Portland without writing about food. Consider this an invitation to write about chefs as you visit their restaurants to try the cuisine, learn their stories and fall in love with our culinary community. Though the tour will incorporate several Portland chefs in several neighborhoods, it will be told through the lens of one: Vitaly Paley – a James Beard Award Winner and one of the most influential chefs in the city. Paley opened his first restaurant more than 20 years ago and the effect of his approach to sourcing and cooking ingredients fresh from local farms evolved into our amazing culinary scene. You will love the food, but don’t write about it. Focus on the people behind it and why chefs that could be successful anywhere in the world call Portland home.

MUSEUMS, GALLERIES, PUBLIC AND PERFORMANCE ART
DIFFICULTY: Level 1 (easy) with some walking in the venues
ATTIRE: Comfortable shoes for walking and appropriate outerwear based on weather

Learn the city’s artistic side from the Portland Art Gallery to street murals spread throughout the city, professional art galleries to starving artists. The program will also include some of the beautiful performance art venues in the city’s cultural district. Meet gallery owners, artists, musicians, directors and other members of the Portland artistic community in this customized tour.

OREGON CITY: PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE
DIFFICULTY: Level 1 (easy)
ATTIRE: Comfortable shoes for walking and appropriate outerwear based on weather

Explore the history of the Oregon Trail from its humble beginning welcoming pioneers away from their 2,100-mile cross-country journey at the End of Oregon Trail Interpretive Center. Tour the Blue Heron Paper Mill, which will undergo an extensive Riverwalk development in 2018. See the beautiful and unique Vina Catalana, a Spanish-inspired winery in the countryside, and enjoy lunch in the vineyard. Head to the old downtown of Oregon City to try the heritage beer series at Coin Toss Brewery. This tour tells the story of the history of Oregon City and the role it played in the settling of the West to its modern-day and future.

PORTLAND’S BEST NEIGHBORHOODS
DIFFICULTY: Level 1 (easy) with some walking
ATTIRE: Comfortable shoes for walking and appropriate outerwear based on weather

Portland has 95 distinct neighborhoods in the city and while no tour could visit them all, this one hits the best of the best in the city’s five quadrants (eves, five quadrants, we said Portland likes to keep it weird). From quirky and cool Alberta Street and Mississippi Street in North and Northwest, to the laidback vibes of Hawthorne Boulevard, delicious Division Street, and the innovative Central Eastside in addition to the upscale Pearl District and NW 23rd, consider this your Portland 101 tour. The tour will include numerous Portland icons and personalities from every angle of the city. If you’re looking for a general overview of the City of Roses, you found it.

WINE AND WATERFALLS
DIFFICULTY: Level 1 (very easy)
ATTIRE: Level 1-2 (easy to moderate) depending on fitness for Silver Falls State Park.

See both sides of the Willamette Valley in this day tour featuring an East vs. West look at the valley’s agr­icultural side and natural landscape. Get the ultimate Oregon experience as you walk behind the beautiful waterfalls of Silver Falls State Park in the morning before heading across the valley to sip award-winning pinot noirs and other varietals in the afternoon. Learn how both of these state treasures are linked by a fiery past while taking to the trail and tasting with your naturalist guide.
Central Oregon

The Central Oregon experience creates the story ideas your editors dream about. Everyone writes about touring a brewery, but have you seen many stories about a brewery’s own observatory or the intergalactic-obsessed brewery founder? You could write about the beauty of Smith Rock State Park (one of the Seven Wonders of Oregon). Or, better yet, describe to your readers how it feels to be hanging on to sandstone spires by your trembling fingertips with only the encouragement of a guide (and some strategically-placed ropes). Sit down and be delighted by a three-time James Beard semi-finalist—a sushi expert who grew up in the tiny cowboy town of Prineville. Sleep at the newly renovated Suttle Lodge—a place so peaceful you won’t even ask for the wifi password. Walk through a field of lava where astronauts roamed before walking on the moon. Get a bird’s-eye view of our mountainous skyline from a helicopter and feel the hairs on the back of your neck stand-up at the thought of a ghost being in the room with you. Estimated distance/driving time: 375 miles, 7 hours.

HIGHLIGHTS: Smith Rock State Park, Newberry National Volcanic Monument, James Beard nominated Chef Joe Kim, Scenic helicopter tour of the Cascade Mountains, Brewery tour, Suttle Reservoir, and Haunted history tour.

Lodging: Suttle Lodge, Sunriver Resort, Tetherow Resort

Physical Ability: Level 2 (moderate)

Eastern Oregon

COWBOYS, INDIANS, AND HAIR OF THE DOG

You’ve headed west (welcome to Oregon!), now it’s time to head east and channel your inner cowboy/girl in Pendleton! It’s a long drive, but luckily you have some amazing stops along the way. Like Multnomah Falls, the iconic 670-foot cascading waterfall in the breathtaking Columbia River Gorge, and lunch in The Dalles, or wine tasting in Echo—before you know it, you’ll be enjoying a steak dinner. After a hearty breakfast, witness the breathtaking Columbia River out west with a tour of the historic Pendleton Underground Tours. Next, experience the history, culture and hospitality of the Cayuse, Umatilla and Walla Walla Tribes who have lived on this land for more than 10,000 years at the Tamat-slik Cultural Institute. Then, you’ll continue on to the charming town of Joseph—known for its art galleries, delicious handmade Arrowhead Chocolates, hand-crafted whiskey from Stein Distillery… oh, and all nestled at the base of The Wallowas, one of the 7 Wonders of Oregon. Estimated distance/driving time: 650 miles, 11 hours.

HIGHLIGHTS: En Route: Multnomah Falls, Pendleton Underground Tours, The Wallowas, Eagle Cap Train Excursion

Lodging: Pendleton (TBD), Joseph/Enterprise (TBD, two nights); Note: These will likely all be bed and breakfasts that will be booked once we have the headcount for the tour.

Physical Ability: Level 2 (moderate)

Mt Hood/The Gorge

FOREST TO TABLE MEETS ALPACAS TO WINE

Forest to table meets alpacas to wine. Trust us, this is the new travel trend everyone wishes they knew about. Here in the Mt. Hood and Columbia River Gorge region of Oregon, we take advantage of all the beauty and abundance our backyard has to offer. Your first couple of days will include cycling or boating along the Clackamas River (weather dependent), foraging for mushrooms with Steve our resident “fun guy”, experimenting with wild herbs to make the perfect au natural first aid kit, and spending the night with friends in a mountain-side tiny home. Next, you will make your way to the Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area to swing with alpacas, bike to some of our favorite Hood River Valley wineries, eat meals harvested or caught mere miles from where you sit, and find new ways to express your recent Oregon inspiration and experiences through art. Ready to join us on this adventure?

NOTE: Attendees must be willing to share a home with another person at the Tiny Houses; however, they will get their own bed. Estimated distance/driving time: 165 miles, 3.5 hours.

HIGHLIGHTS: Biking along the Clackamas River, Foraging for mushrooms, Mt. Hood (one of Oregon’s 7 Wonders), Cascade Alpacas, Hood River

Lodging: Sandy Inn, Tiny Houses at Mt. Hood Village, Hood River Hotel

Physical Ability: Level 2 (moderate)

North to Central Oregon Coast

Before you get settled in Portland, check out Oregon’s “Little San Francisco.” Astoria is the first stop as you experience the north and central Oregon Coast—it’s a charming small town that’s both hip and historical. Behold the mighty Columbia River from the top of the Astoria Column, sip on award-winning craft beers, then drift off to sleep on the waterfront at the Cannery Pier Hotel & Spa where you’ll likely hear seals barking on the nearby rocks. Next stop on this adventure down the People’s Coast: Oswald West State Park followed by a short hike to the straight-out-of-a-fairytale beach, Short Sands. Then you’ll hit Cannon Beach where you can admire the iconic Haystack Rock from the view of your ocean-facing balcony at the Surfside Resort. Just when you think the Coast can’t get any better, you’ll continue south for putt-putt golf at Salishan Golf Resort & Spa (don’t worry, if golf isn’t your thing, we’re guessing a spa treatment might be?). Before heading back to the city, you have time to explore Newport’s amazing Nye Beach and Historic Bayfront. Estimated distance/driving time: 300 miles, 6.5 hours.


Lodging: Cannery Pier Hotel & Spa, Surfside Resort, Salishan Golf Resort & Spa

Physical Ability: Level 2 (moderate)

Southern Oregon

EXCEPTIONAL CULINARY, WORLD RENOWN THEATER & SCENIC WONDERS

Southern Oregon is where Mother Nature has done some of her best work. You’ll be in awe over-looking the pristine waters of Crater Lake National Park (one of the Seven Wonders of Oregon), a kaleidoscope of rivers and waterfalls, sprawling national forests, high meadows, rolling foothills of the Cascade and Siskiyou Mountain ranges, and verdant valleys. When folks come here and see these things, they say: “WOW!” Our stage is set for you - the theatergoers, wine enthusiasts, history buffs, and nature lovers. You’ll experience world-class theater performances, cuisine from award winning chefs, exceptional wines, and meet dedicated sustainable farmers and cheesemakers. Your tour will be based in the artistic cultural town of Ashland. From there, you’ll venture to historic Jacksonville, Medford (Southern Oregon’s hub) and Grants Pass – known for the famous wild and scenic Rogue Valley. We welcome you to experience our place called home, where time isn’t a concern to arrive. Come see for yourself. Estimated distance/driving time: 640 miles, 12 hours.

HIGHLIGHTS: Crater Lake National Park, Scenic waterfalls and rivers, Oregon Shakespeare Festival, Applegate Valley Wine Trail, Winemaker’s Dinner, Southern Oregon Artisan Corridor, Wildlife Safari

Lodging: Ashland Springs Hotel (two nights), Weaku Inn

Physical Ability: Level 1 (easy)
**Willamette Valley**

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**HIGHLIGHTS:** Oregon Wine Country, Willamette Valley Vineyards, Hop Farm Tour, Oregon’s Mt. Hood Territory, On-Farm cooking experience Kitchen at Middleground Farms, Fall Foliage Farm Tour,

**Lodging:** Inn at Red Hills, Vintages Trailer Resort, The Grand Hotel

**Physical Ability:** Level 1 (easy)

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**UnCruise Rivers of Wine**

7-NIGHT WINE CRUISE ON THE COLUMBIA AND SNAKE RIVERS, OCT 21-28

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**Embarkment:** Disembarkment and Transfer details can be found here.

**HIGHLIGHTS:** Sommelier and guest wine expert join you on board for the week, Winery tours and tastings in five Washington and Oregon AVAs: Columbia Gorge, Walla Walla, Red Mountain, Columbia Valley, Willamette Valley, Lunch at Terra Blanca Winery & Estate Vineyard, Maryhill Museum and Winery tour and tasting, Explore Palouse Falls canyon and Multnomah Falls, Discover Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area, Convenience of sailing roundtrip Portland, Oregon

**Lodging:** Best Western Cascade Locks, Historic Balch Hotel, Resort at the Mountain

**Physical Ability:** Level 2 (moderate)

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**Mt Hood/The Gorge**

GET ‘WILD’ AND SCENIC IN THE MT. HOOD/GORGE

Hike, bike, and drink your way through some of Oregon’s most scenic landscapes in Mt. Hood and the Columbia River Gorge region. Starting at the entrance to the Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area, explore Troutdale’s thriving art scene while having a taste of some of the region’s newest wine on the scene. Channel your inner Cheryl Strayed and Reese Witherspoon as you chase waterfalls and hike through old growth forests before settling in for a craft brew next to the Bridge of the Gods on the Pacific Crest Trail. Pedal (or don’t) on your electric bike through the Hood River Valley and along the Historic Columbia River Highway. Explore the history and culture of one of Oregon’s first cities, The Dalles, where Lewis and Clark once camped. Pioneers on the Oregon Trail stopped to stock up on supplies, and brothels were once as common as Starbucks back in the late 1800’s. Kick up your feet and take in the solitude for a relaxing evening at the Historic Balch Hotel in Dufur. Depart Oregon’s High Desert and head to Mt. Hood for a tour of the iconic Timberline Lodge, home to the Nation’s longest ski season and tastiest hot chocolates. No visit to the mountain is complete without some beer with an altitude from Mt. Hood Brewing. Clear your pipes for an evening of karaoke before settling in for a night at the Mill Casino Hotel & RV Park. Spend your last day exploring the Mt. Hood National Forest and neighboring communities before heading back to Portland. Estimated distance/driving time: 210 miles, 4.5 hours.

**HIGHLIGHTS:** Electric bike ride, Historic Columbia River Highway, Timberline Lodge, Craft beer, Scenic hiking, Spa time.

**Lodging:** Mill Casino Hotel & RV Park, Bandon Inn, Tu Tu’Tun Lodge, Brookings hotel (TBD)

**Physical Ability:** Level 1 (easy)

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**Southern Oregon Coast**

NOV 3 - NOV 7 (4 NIGHTS, 5 DAYS)*

After you’ve had your fill of the city, why not fill up on amazing, locally-sourced cuisine and breathtaking beauty? After a quick 45-minute scenic flight, you’ll arrive on Oregon’s Southern Coast—one of the state’s undiscovered gems! In Coos Bay you’ll experience a traditional Coquille Indian Tribe salmon bake before spending the night at the Mill Casino Hotel & RV Park. In the morning, with all your winnings in hand, it’s off to Bandon—though it’s famous for its golf courses, Bandon has other offerings: like artisan chocolate and hand-crafted rum (just to name a few). Get your cameras ready, because next you’ll see some of the most rugged and gorgeous portions of the Oregon Coast with stops at Face Rock State Scenic Viewpoint, Port Orford and Samuel H. Boardman Scenic Corridor. Estimated distance/driving time: 215 miles, 4.5 hours; PDX to North Bend flight: 45 minutes.

**HIGHLIGHTS:** Electric bike ride, Historic Columbia River Highway, Timberline Lodge, Craft beer, Scenic hiking, Spa time.

**Lodging:** Best Western Cascade Locks, Historic Balch Hotel, Resort at the Mountain

**Physical Ability:** Level 2 (moderate)

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**POST TOURS**

Some of the Post Tours are repeated, while others will have different features such as hotels, festivals, destinations, etc. Repeated Tours are noted in the below descriptions.
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Lodging: Ashland Hills Hotel & Suites (two nights), Weasku Inn
Physical Ability: Level 1 (easy)
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HIGHLIGHTS: Overnight in a lighthouse, Oregon Dunes National Recreation Area, Cycling an Oregon Scenic Bikeway, Covered bridges tour, Oregon Wine Country, Waterfall hikes, Truffle foraging

Lodging: Heceta Head Lighthouse, Home2 Suites by Hilton, Corvallis hotel (TBD)
Physical Ability: Level 2 (moderate)
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You can swap tickets with another attendee at any time as long as both participate according to the Code of Conduct and Pledge below.

Code of Conduct

Each new member of the Society will sign the following pledge as part of the application process, and thereafter each member will sign this pledge when renewing his or her membership.

Pledge

As a member of SATW, I pledge to adhere to the Code of Conduct in its entirety. This includes, but is not limited to, my participation in SATW meeting functions, programs, events and meals, and the online forum.

I understand that failure to conduct myself in a professional manner can be considered a violation of the Code and is subject to review, with possible penalties, as outlined in the Code.

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