



Sister Cities

Sister Cities of Portland, Oregon

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St. Werburgh's Mission Clinic
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Connecting Our Cities for Our Common Good

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In 1987, the citizens of Portland, Oregon, USA chose Ashkelon, Israel as a sister-city and established PASCA. Our sister-city association was created to foster industrial, economic, educational and cultural exchanges. Our relationship encourages cultural understanding between our citizens. Ashkelon has a major hospital, Barzelai, that serves the entire region including Gazans, that we are most concerned about.



James Autry

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- Ashkelon has been a Portland Sister City for 34 years
- Ashkelon is a growing Israeli city of 149,000 citizens
- Ashkelon is home to the world's largest water desalination plant, the Israeli Beer Breweries & some of the finest most creative young entrepreneurs.

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ALEXANDER
RICHARD THE
LION-HEARTED
MAY HAVE WALKED THE STREETS OF
ASHKELON
ANCIENT CITY
OF THE SEA



- Ashkelon is an ancient 5,000+ year old “Philistine” garden city located on the Israel’s west coast, the beautiful Mediterranean Sea, rich in world history, the arts & recently added to the Rockefeller Foundation 100 Resilience Cities



- Ashkelon is a modern Israeli city led by Mayor **Tomer Glam** and is the bedroom community for Jews & Arabs that work in Israel's Silicon Forest, inventors of Intel's Pentium 4 Chip, modern voicemail, smart phones, medical breakthroughs & cutting edge environmental technologies.



- PASCA has identified businesses in Portland & Israel that are working in 3 strategic technological industries
 - Medical Breakthroughs
 - Electronic Breakthroughs
 - Environmental Breakthroughs
- We are now working on strategies to pair these businesses so that they can begin to work together.



- PASCA has been active rebuilding our leadership, planning a tour in February 2022 and helping other Sister City Associations with our new website & Facebook page, as well as our annual Rose Festival Reception & Grand Floral Parade entry.

PORTLAND SISTER CITIES COALITION



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Ashkelon, Israel



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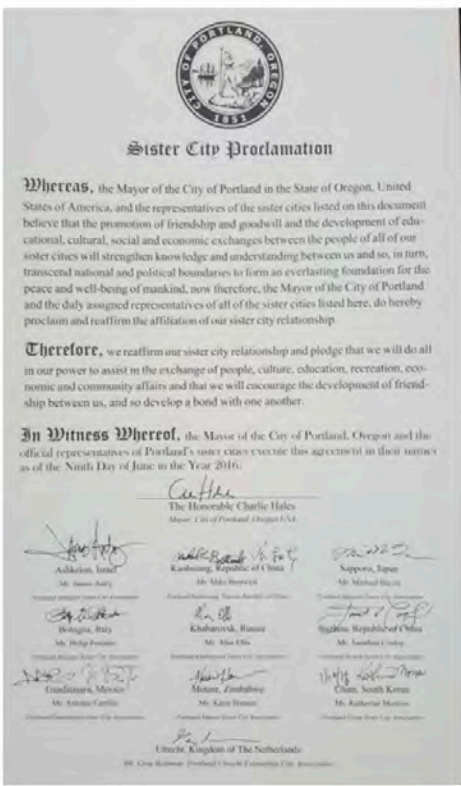
On the Thursday before the Annual Rose Festival Grand Floral Parade in June of each year, we host and coordinate an Annual Rose Festival Reception with the Mayor of Portland at City Hall. Each year we feature special guests, delegations from several of our Sister Cities, sign a Friendship Memorandum, reaffirming our special relationship with each of our Sister Cities, and celebrate special accomplishments, such as Sister City Association Anniversaries & special projects of mutual benefit that have been facilitated between the City of Portland & our Sister Cities around the world.



PRESENTATIONS



PROCLAMATION



RECEPTION

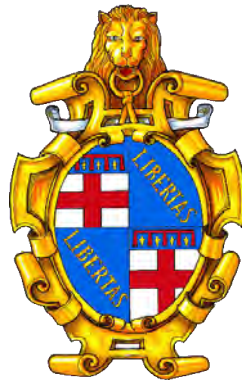
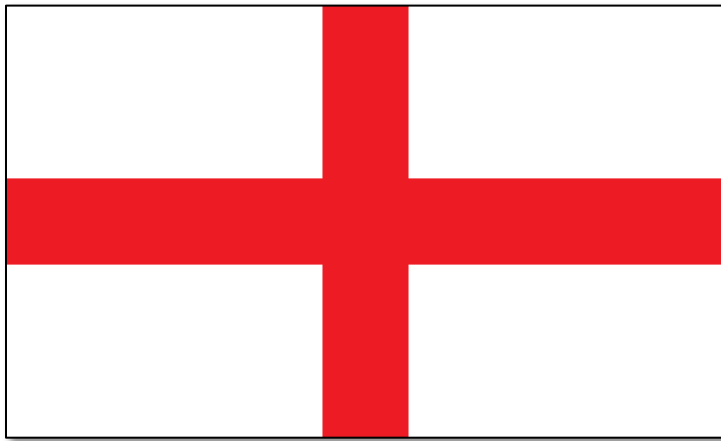


OUR SISTER CITIES PEDICABS





Portland-Bologna Sister City Association (PBSCA) actively promotes the strong ties between Portland, Oregon and Bologna, Italy through events, exchanges, exhibits, and outreach.



- Bologna has been a Portland Sister City for 16 years
- Bologna has three nicknames that have stuck with it for years
 - Bologna la Rossa (the red) for the palate of its buildings & the leaning of its politics
 - Bologna la Grassa (the fat) for its world-famous cuisine and food products
 - Bologna la Dotta (the learned) for its incredible university, the world's first

PBSCA 2018 - 2020

- 15 Year Anniversary
 - PBSCA Board Trip to Bologna 2018
 - Bologna Mayor, Virginio Merola, visits Portland 2019
 - Exhibit of Rodari Prints at Portland Museum of Art
 - Dedication of Rose Garden plot for PBSCA
- Student Exchange
 - Portland Ambassadors visit Bologna 2019
 - Exchange Suspended during Covid-19
 - Establish BIPOC Scholarship
- SAGRA Annual Fundraiser
 - Traditional Silent Auction and Dinner 2019
 - Virtual Sagra 2020

PBSCA Board Visits Bologna
October 2018





*Rodari Exhibit/Reception
at Portland Art Museum
September 2019*





*Rose Garden Dedication
September 2019*



Virtual SAGRA
October 2020



This year, 100% of raffle ticket sales will go toward our new BIPOC Youth Scholarship.



ORDER OF SHOW

6 pm - Welcome from Phil Potestio
Music - Christina Andreoni
Sagra Fundraiser & PBSCA Info
Raffle & BIPOC Scholarship
Youth Exchange
6:30 pm - Dinner
Music - Andrea Algieri
Auction Items
Music - Antonette Goroch
7 pm - Auction and Raffle Close
Announce Raffle Winner
Surprise Musical Guest!

**WINTER CSA
& RADICCHIO**

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1.8L as every other week
- 1 vial of box of 1 mL (100)
- Oral NSA is subcut



PAINTING OF VENICE

Trained in a 20-episode painting by the Gandhian artist J. S. Sanyal, the painting depicts a group of people in a rural setting, with a central figure holding a staff. The painting is a reproduction of a work by the artist J. S. Sanyal, who was a prominent figure in the Indian art movement of the 1930s.

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**PINOT NOIR
MASTER CLASS**

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Take a walk and have the dog sniff around. Sometimes sniffing a B-NVC sample from a far corner will lead a dog to why the Williamsite Valley is a special place and why he's proud to live there.



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BEACH
WEEKEND

The perfect Cannon Beach home for you
The light, airy retreat at this great four-
bedroom house is yours to enjoy for a
week or to the beach.

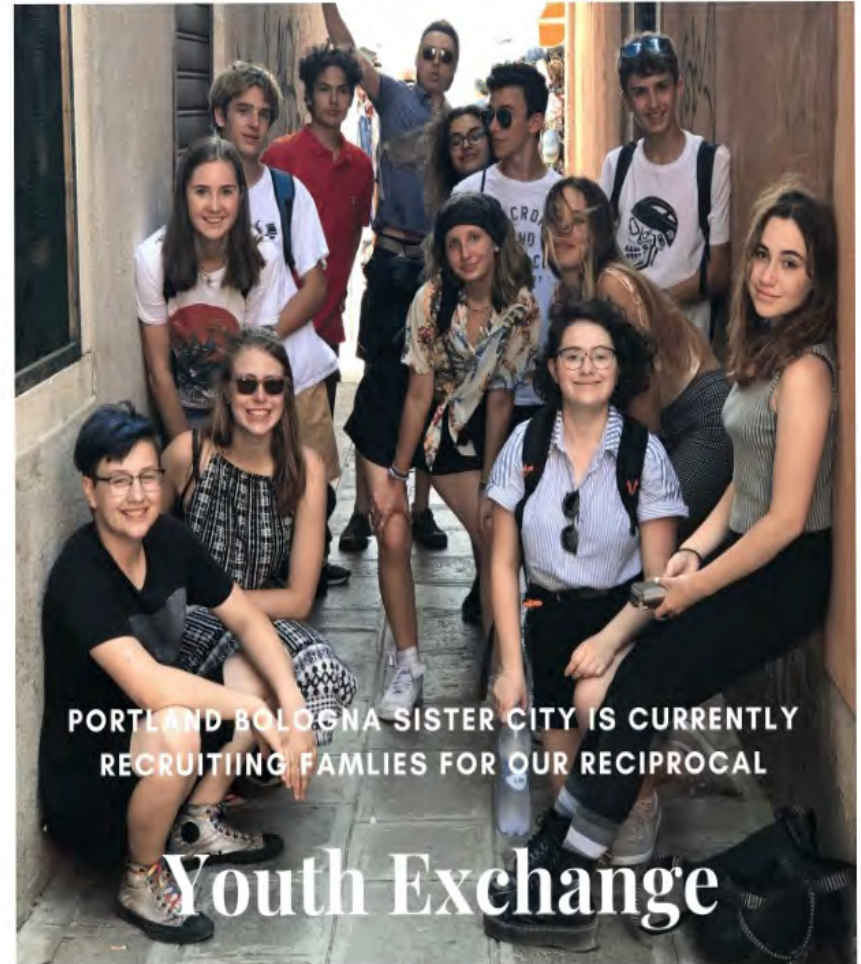


Student Ambassadors

PBSCA SCAMBIO



YOUTH EXCHANGE



PORTLAND BOLOGNA SISTER CITY IS CURRENTLY
RECRUITING FAMILIES FOR OUR RECIPROCAL

Youth Exchange

HIGH SCHOOL FRESHMAN AND SOPHOMORES
ENCOURAGED TO APPLY!

HOST AN ITALIAN STUDENT IN PORTLAND THIS
SUMMER AND TRAVEL TO ITALY NEXT SUMMER!



Established in 1983





- Guadalajara has been a Portland Sister City since 1983.
- Guadalajara is Mexico's second most populous metro area with 5 million citizens & Latin America's 10th largest city
- Guadalajara is also a city of roses and the cultural center of Mexico.
- Guadalajara hosts a number of large-scale cultural events such as an International Film Festival and International Book Fair.

Established at Waterfront Park in 1984

PORTLAND
CINCO DE MAYO
FIESTA

PORTLAND CINCO DE MAYO FIESTA

PORTLAND GUADALAJARA SISTER CITY ASSOCIATION
MAY 3•4•5, 2019





Guinness Book of ---



---World Records fun!





PRESENTED BY THE



Portland Guadalajara Sister City Community Giving Program Continues



Lifesaving techniques shared with firefighters from around the world in Guadalajara and in Portland.

Bombero Program...

Portland firefighter and PGSCA board member Jose Troncoso trains firefighters from around central America in Guadalajara, Mexico.

PGSCA financially supports this effort to save lives.



Portlands' Cinco de Mayo Fiesta will return to Waterfront Park in 2022

1961-1998 Portland's Fiesta 40th Anniversary
www.cinco-demayo.org
All day fiesta celebration 2022. The 2022
fiesta celebration will be on May 12-13.
The celebration is a celebration of the
city's rich Mexican heritage and the
city's diverse population.

Waterfront Park
Portland, Oregon

La Bodega
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Quality
PROclean
Gasolines

Latin
Newest

Hip-Hop
Tropical
Dance

BARCASA
Bar & Grill

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Dragon
International

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ROYAL ROSARIANS
PORTLAND OREGON

Fiestas de
Octubre



Community giving for 2020 included donations to Centro Cultural and to Meals on Wheels. We continue to support programs that meet our mission and serv the community.



Sharing business, education,
culture and love between
the citizens of Portland and
Guadalajara since 1983.





- The Portland-Kaohsiung Sister City Association was founded in November 1987
- Portland Delegation to Kaohsiung Lantern Festival in February
- Kaohsiung Delegation to Portland Rose Festival in June
- Eye Dotting Ceremony and Portland Dragon Boat Race Season
- Sister High Schools & Universities between Portland & Kaohsiung



- Kaohsiung has been a Portland Sister City for 33 years
- A major international seaport and the largest industrial city in southern Taiwan
- The 3rd most populous city in Taiwan with a population of 2.77 millions
- The host city of the 2009 World Games





Portland Delegation visit Kaohsiung Lantern Festival





- Kaohsiung Delegation to Portland Rose Festival Celebration
- Kaohsiung City Government Officials visit Portland City Hall and attend International Sister Cities Luncheon
- Rose Planting Ceremony with Royal Rosarians
- Grand Floral Parade and PKSCA Float





- Shu-Te High School Cultural Music & Dance Performance
- 30+ Years Host Family Program
- 2018 Rose Festival Grand Floral Parade Marching Band Sweepstakes Award Winner
- Sister School with Portland David Douglas High



PORTLAND-KAOHSIUNG

Sister City Association

To promote friendship and understanding between the people of Portland, Oregon and Kaohsiung, Taiwan



- **Cancelled 2020 - 2021 Portland Delegation visit to Kaohsiung Lantern Festival due to concern of the global pandemic**
- **Cancelled 2020 -2021 Dragon Boat Eye Dotting Ceremony and the corresponding dragon boat race season in response to the statewide lockdown and no large gathering**
- **Cancelled 2020 - 2021 Kaohsiung Delegation and Shu-Te High visit to Portland Rose Festival in June due to global pandemic**
- **Cancelled scheduled 2020 Dragon Boat Race Corporate Sponsorship program and suspended all PKSCA fundraising events**





- **2020 PKSCA dragon boat fleet relocation project – a direct operating cost cutting measure**
- **Involved 30 volunteers and over 800 donated man hours to conduct moving twice of the dragon boat fleet and equipment**
- **One of the key reoccurring expenditures – commercial grade boat warehousing and equipment storage**





In July 2020 PKSCA actively participated in the **“Taiwan Can Help”** pandemic relief initiative sponsored by Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in Seattle, to help donated more than 75,000 made in Taiwan then much needed surgical-grade masks to Portland City Bureau of Emergency Management, Multnomah County, David Douglas School District, and Lake Oswego School District.

2021 Kaohsiung Sister and Friendly Cities Exhibition

Purpose Kaohsiung has initiated the exhibition for:

- Continuing city-to-city exchanges during the COVID-19 pandemic
- Deepening Kaohsiung citizens' understanding of our important international partners
- Shortening the distance between cities

Date

1-2 months for each city from January, 2021

Venue

Lobby of Kaohsiung City Hall, Sihwei Administration Center

Exhibition Format

- Artifacts, mascot products, brochures, photos and other creative items will be presented in a glass showcase with a city introduction.
- Mayor's greeting / city promotional videos will be played on a large TV screen located in the lobby of the city hall.





The Portland-Khabarovsk Sister City Association (PKSCA) was formed June 10, 1988 as a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization to foster international friendship through cultural & educational exchange and to facilitate social & economic ties between the citizens of our two communities. We are a self-governing board operating under a city ordinance which requires us to be both financially independent of and accountable to the Mayor of Portland. PKSCA is entirely dependent on contributions from its members, supportive businesses and organizations, and fundraising events.

PKSCA is governed by a Board of Directors. Honorary Directors are designated from time to time for service in achieving the PKSCA mission. Service on the Board of Directors is for a three-year renewable term and is based on commitment to the

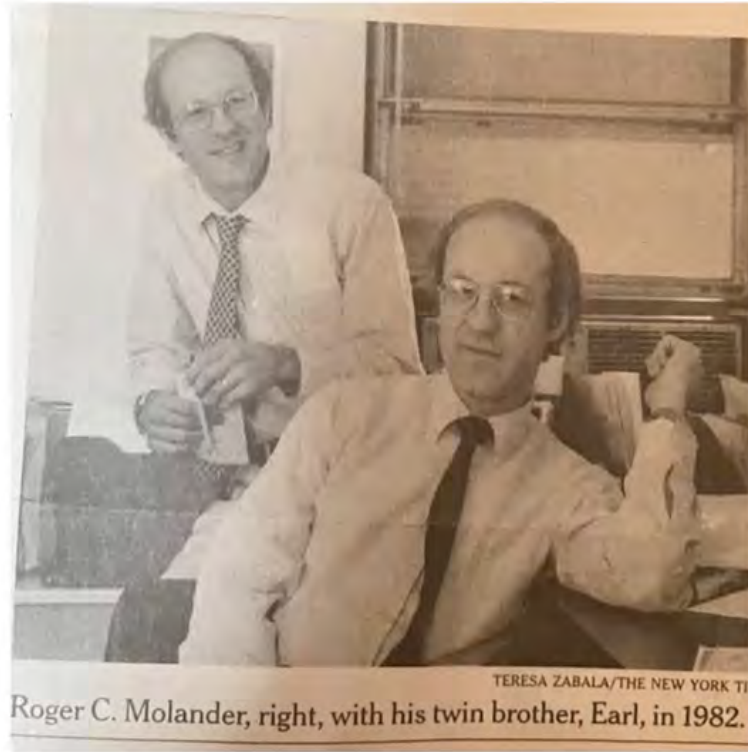


- Khabarovsk has been a Portland Sister City for 33 years
- Khabarovsk is the Regional Capital of the Russian Far East
- Khabarovsk is Russia's inland port where the Amur River borders with China and connects with the Ussuri River



Like Portland, Khabarovsk is renowned for its natural beauty, especially lovely parks, extensive greenery, and the confluence of two rivers within city limits, one of which, the Amur, rivals the Columbia in width, length, and depth.

Roger
Molander
(a "dissident"
arms control
expert)"
and me



With the Covid-19 pandemic shutdowns PKSCA took a step back with one of its founders, PSU Dr. Earl Molander (here pictured with his twin brother Roger), to reconnect with its roots.

NOVEMBER 23, 1983



**Ground Zero
Pairing Project**

**Makes the 'First Strike'
a knock on the door
with a
Community Portrait
sent to
a Soviet city
just like your own**

for information on
how you can participate
in the preparation
of your community's portrait:

Underlying premise: the two
countries leaders & experts
have created a dynamic they
can't escape and only citizens
can break down this dynamic
by "de-demonizing" each
other.



In his recent presentation to the PKSCA board, Dr. Molander described how the Ground Zero Pairing Project ultimately gave rise to today's Portland-Khabarovsk sister city relationship.



During the week of October 31 to November 6, 2019, PKSCA displayed an exhibit about its mission in Portland City Hall, titled "Peace from Understanding."



International Women's Day lunch at Kachka Restaurant, March 8, 2020





The Russian folk ensemble Yelan joined PKSCA's Bridge to Russia event live from Khabarovsk on November 21, 2020



PKSCA President Thomas Benke “toasting” Khabarovsk friends during Bridge to Russia 2020



These Gymnasium #5 students speak fluent English, in no small part thanks to their participation in a travel exchange program with Portland sister school Franklin H.S., which follows in the footsteps of Lincoln H.S. back in the 90s.



Despite ongoing international feuding between Russia and the U.S., Khabarovsk marches to its own drummer in relations with Portland, embracing sister city friendships and collaborations, a prime example of which is this Columbia Sportswear store in the heart of the downtown shopping district.

PORTLAND-MUTARE SISTER CITY ASSOCIATION

It takes a planet to save a village!



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The Portland City Council approved the Portland-Mutare Sister City relationship December 18, 1991 and as a non-profit organization, PMSCA has worked to promote good will and the exchange of ideas, goods, culture and friendship between the people of Portland, Oregon and Mutare, Zimbabwe. We strive to learn from our differences, celebrate our similarities and nurture our interconnectedness.

Since 1991, citizens from Portland and Mutare have made trips back and forth, learning from and working with each other. Our group has sent computers, partially covered teacher salaries, mailed 1200 eyeglasses, built a clinic, funded 2 ambulances, helped fund a car for rural hospice health outreach, funded a mother's shelter, clothing, textbooks, toys, school supplies, generators, musical instruments, sports uniforms, phones, heaters, radios, school fees, plus so much more. Recently, we agreed to fund bed pans and wheelchairs for hospice patients and funding for materials that deaf students will use to make and sell feminine products.





- Mutare has been a Portland Sister City for 30 years – with a humanitarian focus on supporting health and education programs.
- Mutare is located in Zimbabwe's beautiful Eastern Highlands bordering Mozambique & South Africa
- Mutare is Zimbabwe's third largest city, with a background in forestry, farming, and tourism.



Portland, Oregon

Mutare, Zimbabwe

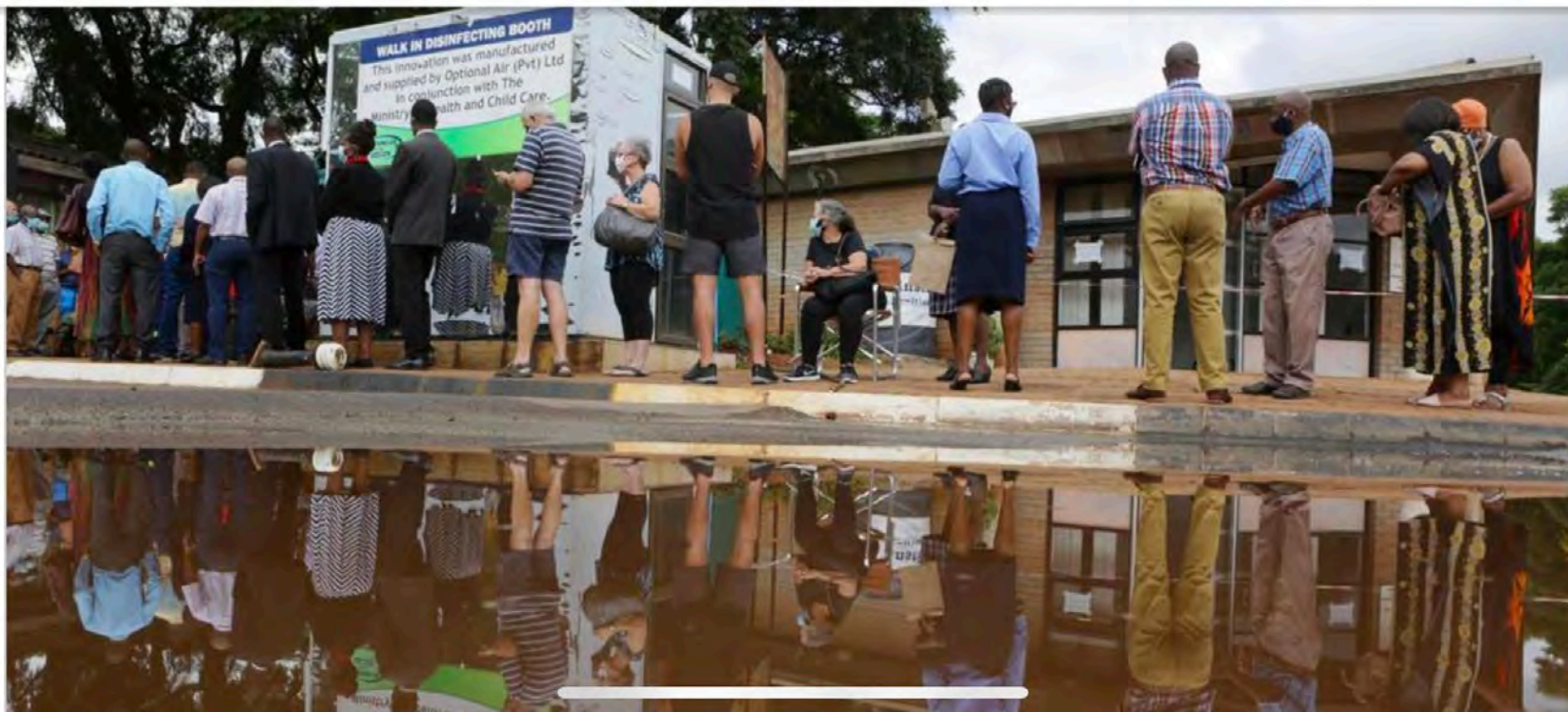


Zimbabwe



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Carol Tenenbaum



Dayna Morrison



Tom Potter and Karin Hans...



Sean's iPad



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Mila & John



Evelyn Ford Twentyman



Cliff Walker



Judith



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Missy Gerber



Ellen



Loveness Wesa



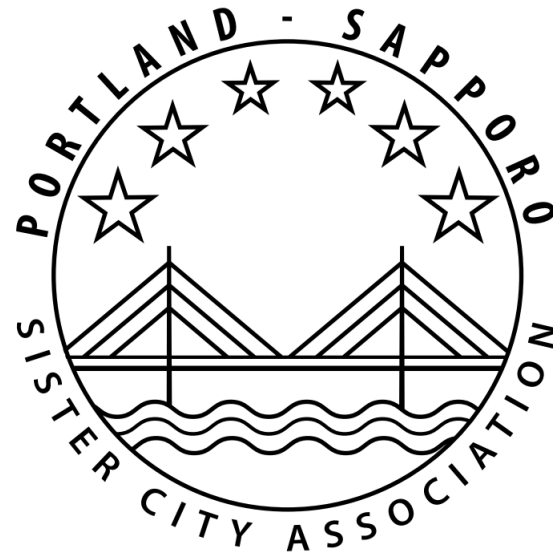
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Portland-Sapporo Sister City Association



Sapporo, Japan

- The largest Japanese city north of Tokyo (Population: 1.97million)
- Settled by the indigenous Ainu people, beginning over 15,000 years ago. Japanese migrant started to settle in the late 19th Century.
- Known for the Sapporo Snow Festival
- Hosted 1972 Winter Olympics



June 5th-9th, 2019

Approximately 90 members of delegation from Sapporo visited Portland.



June 2019





June 2019

Sapporo "Peace" Bell
Rededication Ceremony at
Oregon Convention Center.

Bell was originally gifted from
Sapporo in 1990 for 30th
Anniversary gift.



October 22nd-27th, 2019 in Sapporo

Approximately 50 members of delegation from Portland visited Sapporo



October 2019 in Sapporo





2019&2020 Mochitsuki

(mochi pounding; annual event by various Japan-related groups and organizations)

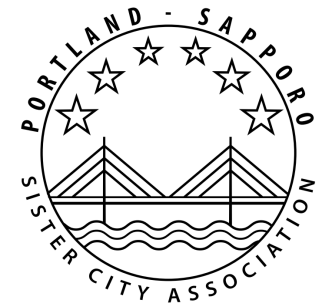
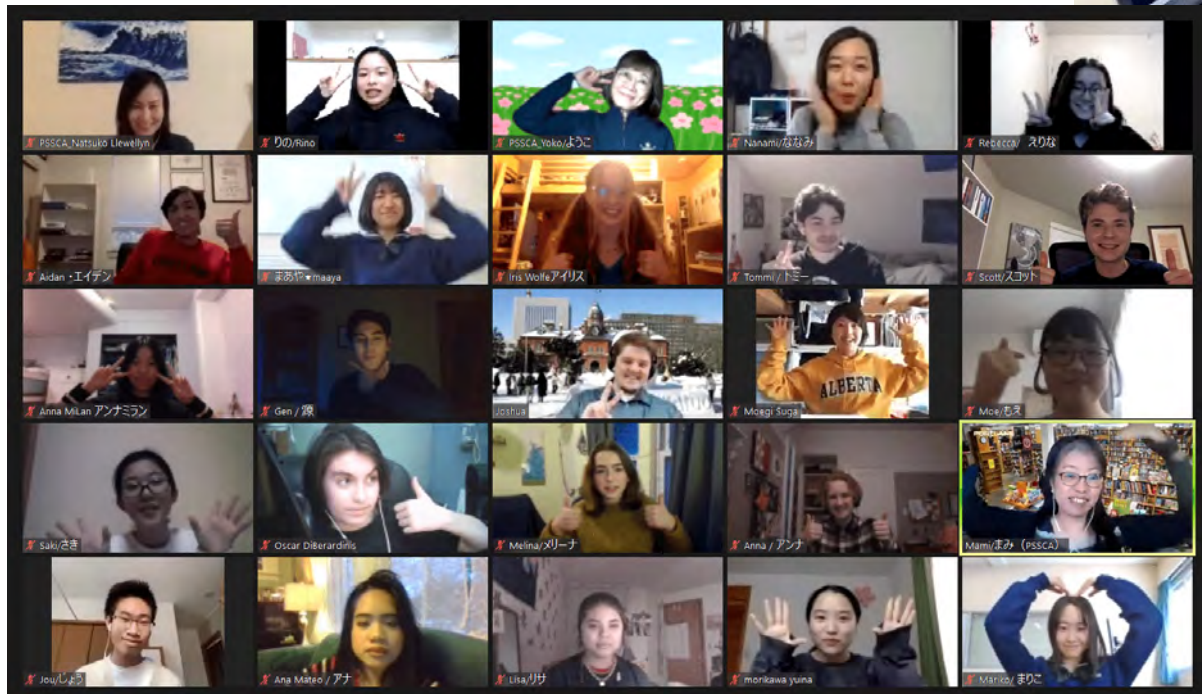


2020 Snow Sculpture Team

for International Snow Sculpture Contest
at Sapporo Snow Festival



2020 High School Student Online Meetup with Student in Sapporo



Portland-Sapporo Sister City Association



Welcome!
Make an Impact.

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Suzhou China

- Portland's Sister City for 33 years
- Founded 514 BC
- "Venice of China"
- 30 minutes by Bullet Train from Shanghai
- 9 Classical Gardens designated UNESCO World Heritage sites
- China's 8th most populous city with 10-13 million



Portland earned **Best Sister City** award from China by being a bridge city, providing a bridge of friendship between our two cities.

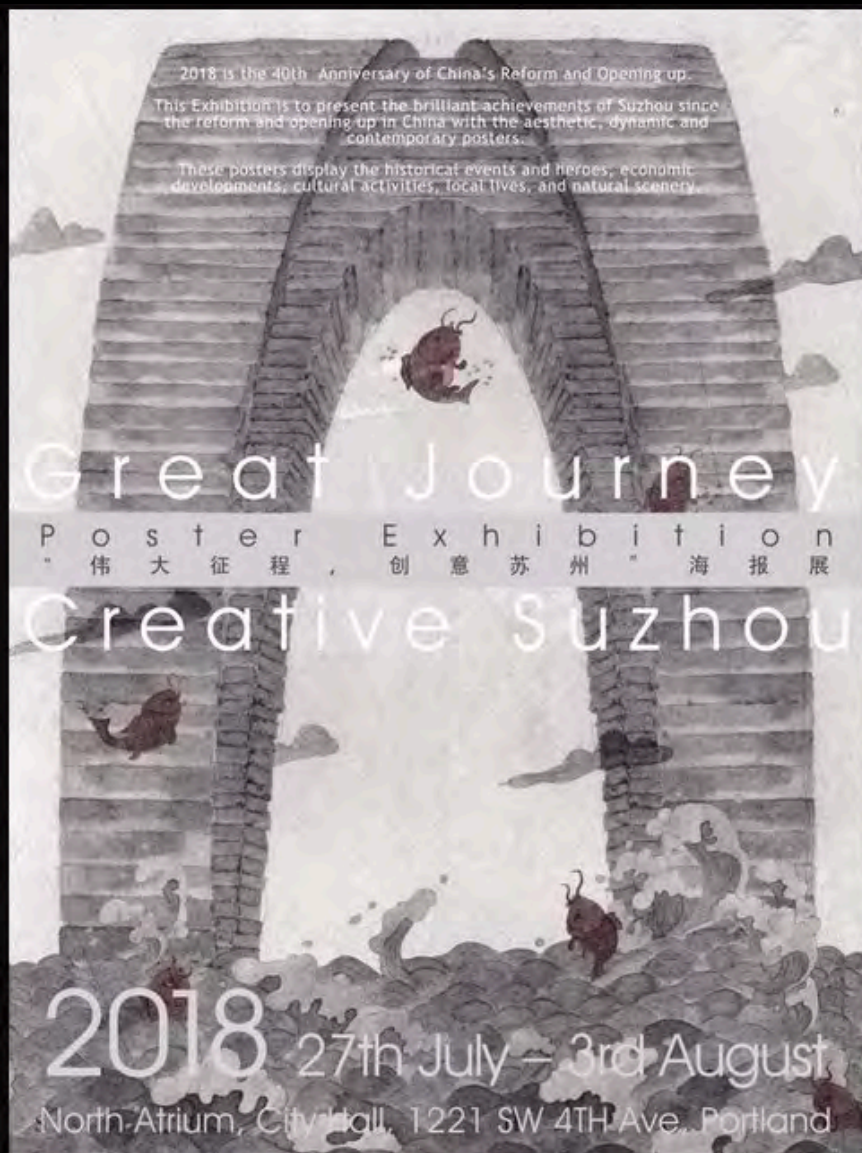


Woodstock Elementary 3rd Graders' 2019
Portland-Suzhou Bridges Mural



Annual Sister City Schools Exchange Program





POSTER DESIGN COMPETITION - The best 50 out of 3,000 entries were selected as part of the “Innovative Suzhou, Great Journey” exhibit in Portland City Hall July 27, 2018



Networking & Appreciation Evening at Lan Su Chinese Garden

Thursday, May 23, 2019



Assist the City of Portland in receiving 20,000 face masks donated from Nanjing. Photo for the donation event on July 29, 2020.





THANK YOU!

INTRODUCING THE CITY OF
ULSAN – 2015 OFFICIAL VIDEO

PORTLAND NAMED THE BEST
“FOOD” CITY IN THE USA!

JAGUAR LAND ROVER
SELECTS PORTLAND TO
OPEN THE FIRST 'INNOVATION
INCUBATOR' PROJECT SITE



THE 10 BEST FOOD CITIES IN AMERICA, RANKED

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INTRODUCING THE CITY OF ULSAN – 2015 OFFICIAL VIDEO

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PORTLAND NAMED THE BEST “FOOD” CITY IN THE USA!

Really? Portland has the best restaurants in America?! You are joking, right? No way!?? Most people outside Portland (or even among Portland residents who never eats out at the city's new restaurants) are taken back by the new reputation of Portland as one of the

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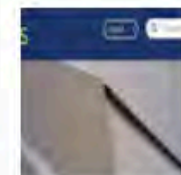
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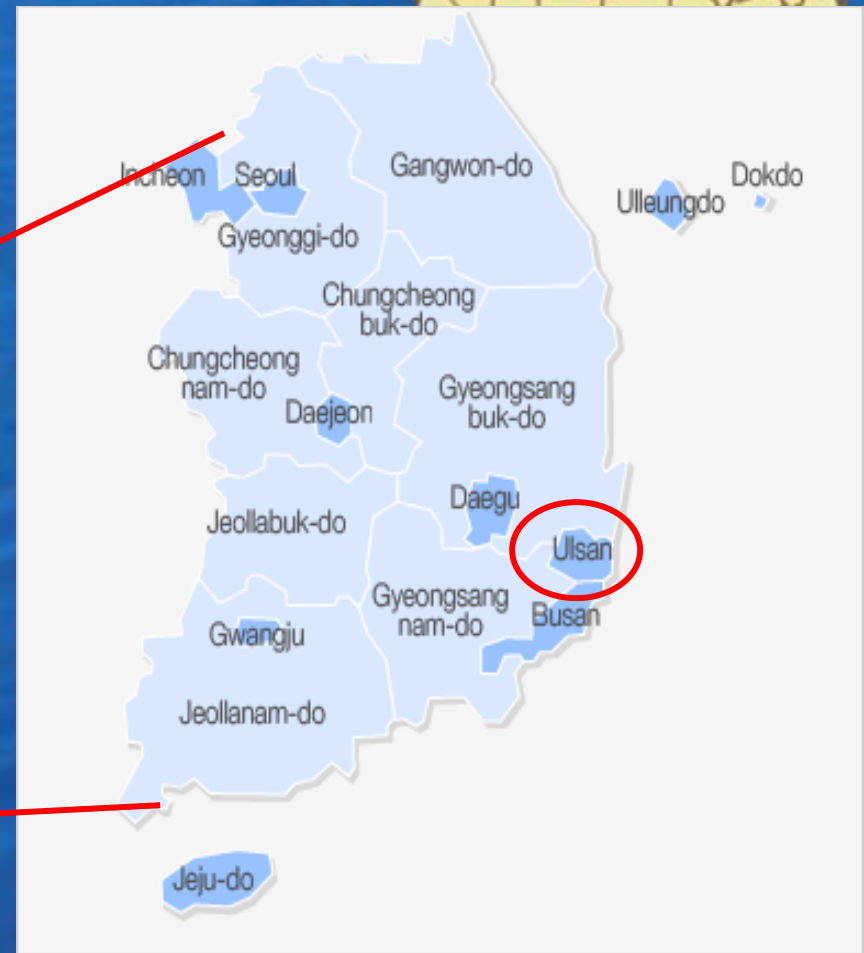
The same pair combined again in the
37th minute...



[India: Novelis forms
JV with Kobe Steel,
sells 50% in Ulsan
Aluminium for \\$315m](#)

DEALSTREETASIA -

Ulsan, South Korea



Portland-Ulsan Sister City Association



34 Years of Friendship



Hyundai Automobiles at the Port of Ulsan

Ulsan, South Korea



1.1 million ppl

8th largest city in
S. Korea

Industries:

- Auto manufacturing
- Ship building
- Petro-chemical
- Lithium-ion battery manufacturing

- River: Taewha River
- 3 Major Parks:

Taewha River Park | Rose Garden | Grand Park



Ulsan Rose Garden
The largest rose garden in South Korea

Cultural Exchanges:

- Rose Festivals
- Parks Program: Rose Garden & Arboretum
- Ulsan symphony & choir concerts in Portland
- Ulsan youth visits to Portland



Summer 2020
PPE Donation from City of Ulsan
300 protective body suits
to help w/Portland's COVID relief program



July 2020 - PPE donation ceremony in Portland



ULSAN, South Korea



Future projects:

Virtual communication & collaborations

Planning for 35th Anniversary activities

in 2022



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