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CITY NEWS



FEBRUARY FMI HAPPY HOUR: THE FUTURE OF VIRTUAL REALITY

The Film + Music + Interactive Happy Hour will reconvene at **MoPop's Culture Kitchen** on February 22. This month's special guest, Elizabeth Scallon, will host a panel of leading VR experts, and attendees will get hands-on experience with the latest VR / AR technology.

For more information visit [FMI Happy Hour](#)



WHAT DOES THE SEATTLE MUSIC COMMISSION DO ANYWAY?

Born in 2010, the twenty member Seattle Music Commission is comprised of artists, industry professionals, and advocates of the city's music community. The Seattle Weekly attended our public meetings for a look inside what exactly the commission does for Seattle and its creatives.

Read more at [Seattle Weekly](#)

THIS WEEK ON ART ZONE WITH NANCY GUPPY

This week on Art Zone musician Daniel Spils talks his new album "The Argument"; a performance by the Polyrhythmics; local filmmaker Clyde Peterson's stop-motion animated film "Torrey Pines," and more! Art Zone airs Friday's at 8 p.m. on the Seattle



Channel.

[Watch episodes at the Seattle Channel](#)

INDUSTRY NEWS

HOW TO BREAK INTO SEATTLE'S FILM INDUSTRY

Breaking into the film industry can, from the onset, seem like an incredibly daunting task - a task made a little more palatable by stepping back and looking more broadly at all the moving parts that make film productions work. Filmmaker Megan Griffiths and Amy Lillard of Washington Filmworks discuss the litany of entry-level paths into the industry that are often overlooked.



[Read more at Seattle Times](#)

THIS WEEK ON BAND IN SEATTLE: PAULA BOGGS BAND

As a former Starbucks executive, lawyer, KEXP board member, and an army officer - Paula Boggs has worn many hats in her lifetime; all of which influence and inspire her work as a singer-songwriter. See Paula perform on Band in Seattle, Saturday at 11 pm on KTSW/CW11.



[See more performances at Band in Seattle](#)

OPPORTUNITY



NFFTYX SEEKS 360° FILMS FOR BRAND NEW 'NFFTYX' SHOWCASE

NFFTYX is a brand-new part of NFFTY's annual festival, showcasing the latest creative thinking in 360° immersion cinematic storytelling from emerging creatives age 24 and younger. Submissions must be received by March 2.



SEATTLE THEATRE GROUP SEEKS NEW MARKETING ASSOCIATE

The Seattle Theatre Group (STG) seeks a Marketing Associate to act as the primary marketing contact with artist management, media, external partners and internal departments for all shows.

For more information visit [STG](#)

MEDIA DIGEST

ED SHEERAN RECRUITS LOCAL TALENT FOR SEATTLE VIDEO SHOOT

Pop singer Ed Sheeran's "Shape of You" music video filmed over the course of two top-secret days in Seattle's Georgetown neighborhood. Hired initially as an assistant production supervisor, Jennie Pegouskie soon found herself in the leading role in the video itself - a video which instantly shot to the top of the YouTube's trending list.



Read more at [KING 5](#)

SEATTLE SYMPHONY HONORS THE MUSIC OF NATIONS AFFECTED BY TRAVEL BAN

In a swift response to the travel ban that barred immigration from seven muslim-majority nations, the Seattle Symphony announced "Music Beyond Borders: Voices from the Seven." The free concert sold out within hours, and was live-streamed worldwide on February 8.



Read more at [Huffington Post](#)

THE CHALLENGES FEMALE FILMMAKERS FACE POST-SUNDANCE

At this year's Sundance Film Festival, 34 percent of films were directed by women. In the broader industry in 2016, however, women accounted for only seven percent of directors - down a full two percent from 2015.

[Read more at *Seattle Times*](#)



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