

TOLEDO City News

FROM MAYOR ROD CROSS

Summer Festival was outstanding! After a three-year hiatus, it sure came back with a BANG! Not only were the fireworks an awesome show, but the crowds were also back, and it was such a joy to see our streets filled with people having a great time at a good, old-fashioned celebration. When you see any of the Summer Festival Committee members, give them a hug or a high-five for a job well done.

August will also have a great family-friendly weekend on August 19-20 as the Port of Toledo's Wooden Boat Show will be down at their Waterfront Park. Cardboard Boat races are always a hoot! Be sure to check them out, both days.

Also on August 19, from 9am-12pm, there is an Art Toledo Second Annual "Chalk the Block" event on Main Street. Bring your family and friends to this free event and leave your mark on the city. Last year was a great success, and we hope to increase participation for folks of all ages and creative abilities. We will have tables and easels set up for those that are mobility-challenged, and awards will be given in several categories.

Fire season is definitely here this summer, and we want everyone to stay safe, so please spend some time creating a defensible space around your homes and outbuildings. As we have seen many times so far this summer, we here on the coast are not immune to brush fires.

If you, or anyone you know, might be interested in serving our great community, please reach out to me. We will soon be down another city council member, as Council President Betty Kamikawa and her husband Dan will be leaving Toledo in September for the wilds of Wisconsin.

Volunteers needed!

How do I give back to my community?



The City of Toledo has several committee openings available and is seeking Toledo residents interested in volunteering. There are openings currently on the Budget Committee, the City Council, the Planning Commission, and the Contribution Committee. If you have thought about giving back to the Toledo community but were not sure how, please consider one of these positions.

The Budget Committee serves as an advisory committee to the City Council. It meets annually between late April and early June to review the proposed City budget for the next fiscal year. To serve on the Budget Committee, you must be a voter and live within the Toledo city limits.

The Contribution Committee meets no more than twice a year, also performing as an advisory committee to the City Council. They review funding requests from local organizations who serve Toledo's community and make grant recommendations to the Council. If you cannot commit to meetings on a regular basis, these two committees are worthwhile, but don't take up as much of your time as the Council and Planning Commission.

The City Council is the governing body of the City of Toledo, meeting three times a month on the first, third and fourth Wednesday of each month. The City Council governs the rules and laws of the City through the Toledo Municipal Code. Council members serve four-year terms, but the current vacancy is an unfilled term that would expire in December 2024. The Planning Commission conducts land use hearings and makes recommendations to the Council. They meet the second Wednesday.

Volunteering is such a benefit to the community! You can learn more about each of the committees and City Council on the city website at www.cityoftoledo.org. If you have questions about any of the positions or responsibilities, please contact the City Recorder at 541-336-2247, extension 2060.

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August 12 & 19 &

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Toledo, OR 97391
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WHAT ARE YOU DOING RIGHT NOW??

Need a job? Toledo is hiring!

Need to serve? Toledo needs volunteers
and council members!

For more info, just call 541-336-2247



What's happening at Arcadia Park?

There sure has been lots of digging going on! Our Public Works Department has been preparing the location for the new public restrooms being built to support the park and the Skate Park across the street. We are currently in the bidding process for the plumbing and electrical work to complete the project. The project is funded in part by the American Rescue Plan Act Funds (ARPA), which the City received post-pandemic.

Through a grant from the State of Oregon, the rusty, worn-out metal fencing will be replaced. New lighting will be installed. ADA-accessible ramps and gates will be installed. The plan includes resurfacing the tennis courts, although we are having problems locating someone to do the work.

Arcadia Park is one of the most used parks in the City. Please be patient with the interruptions. The results will be awesome!

LOTS OF FUN PLANNED FOR THE SUMMER!

CHECK OUT THE FLYERS IN THIS NEWSLETTER

AUGUST 5TH, 2023

Save The Date MICHAEL GIBBONS MURAL PRESENTATION

You're Invited! Join us August 5th for the official presentation of artist Casey McEneny's mural of Michael Gibbons in recognition of the late regional artist's dedication to art in the City of Toledo.

MURAL RECEPTION: *Aug 5 — 1:30PM*
ACROSS CITY HALL
206 N MAIN STREET
TOLEDO, OR 97391

AFTER PARTY RECEPTION: *2PM — 4PM*
1887 SCHOOLHOUSE
151 NE ALDER STREET
TOLEDO, OR 97391

Free Cake & Champagne!



TOLEDO FUN

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NATIONAL NIGHT-OUT

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AUG. 10

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AUG. 19

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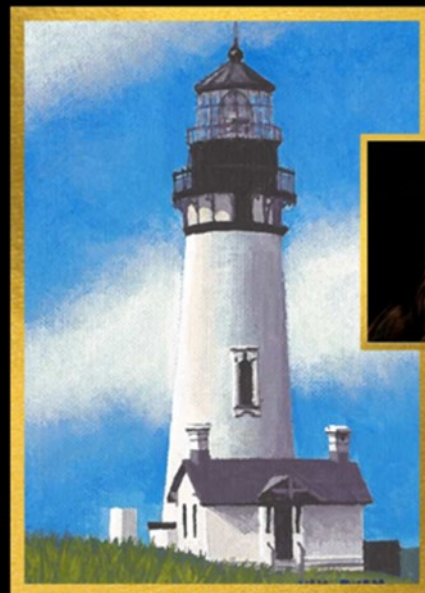
THE BLOCK



Phantom Galleries
is honored to
have two amazing
artists this summer.

Artist
Daniel Toledo
and
Artist **Kim Bush**

Come
and see their work
at
#355 N. Main Street



Summer Fun! Art Toledo



August 5th and September 2nd

Thank You to Our Funders & Sponsors



Vendors, Live music & Food

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**Thursday
August 10th
10:30AM**

**Libraries Have
Talent
Show!**

The Magical
Mr. "B" is the emcee
for this showcase of
community youth
talent!

Sign up to share four
minutes of your best stuff!
Register today!

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**Bonus: the Toledo Fire
Department will end our
show using their firehose
to cool down the audience!**



Chalk the Block

A Family Summer Event

For Details go to ArtToledo.com

Come and Join the fun!






ArtToledo.com

Toledo Council and City Hall Contact Information

Toledo Council meetings are held the first, third and fourth Wednesday at 6 pm, in-person at City Hall council chambers, 206 N. Main St., and available via Zoom. Mayor and Council members may be reached at these email addresses:

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