When’s the Community Room opening?

We’ve all be asking the same question. Here’s the latest on our renovations and reopening.

The renovations are complete! We have a larger space for members with new blinds, counters, and flooring. What’s next? This month. We’re putting together a group of members and staff to explore safety concerns before we reopen. Given distancing rules, some of the unanswered questions include:

• How many members can we fit in the room at any given time?
• What days of the week and hours of the day should we start with?

We’ll keep you updated on the committee’s work as we explore these questions and probably others that we haven’t even considered yet. In the meantime, you can connect with us via phone or email.

We’d love to hear your ideas or concerns surrounding reopening!

• Call: 971-222-7249
• Email: members@maybellecenter.org

“Oh Mo, you look so cute. How’d you get to be so cute?” (As I stare into his deep brown eyes)

- Jillianne

Responding to last month’s conversation prompt about the most common conversation with Mo, her 50lb golden doodle.

May Conversation Starter:

How many pet photos are on your phone right now? Is there one that really makes you smile?

Make Cecily’s day!

Cecily has been asking for pet photos! Make her day and text or email her a cute, funny, or artsy photo of your best bud.

You can text Cecily at 503-400-4744 or email her at cpeterson@maybellecenter.org.
Learn a new activity this spring | Free “Stay and Play” videos

Portland Parks and Rec have created a series of videos where you can learn fun and exciting activities from your home.

There are some great accessible options, like gentle yoga, chair workouts, and fun videos about how to identify trees and interesting craft projects. The videos are labeled by color:

- **Fitness** - Lighter Blue
- **Performing Arts** - No title slide, just a photo of the performer
- **Visual Arts** - Mauve, dusty pink
- **Nature** - Green
- **Sports** - Orange (sometimes blue for fitness)
- **Swimming** - Dark Blue
- **Celebrate Black Portlanders** - Multicolor title over a photo background of the performers/speakers
- **Preschool** - Hot pink. Fun things to do with kids.

➤ You can find all the videos at:
  
  portland.gov/parks/stay-and-play-video-series

Want to get more involved? Join Maybelle’s Board of Directors

We have two spots specifically reserved for members - one spot remains.

Find out what it would be like to serve on our Board with a video message from our Board President, Carol Mitchell. Plus, you can now submit your interest form online or print it out and return it via email or mail. Alternatively, we can schedule a time to call and ask you the questions over the phone. Please contact Carol Mitchell at 360-828-1688 if you are interested in scheduling a phone call.

➤ Find the video and application at:
  
  maybellecenter.org/opportunities/boardmember/
Are you concerned about conditions in Old Town, especially the sidewalks?

Let’s work together to improve conditions in our neighborhood by writing a letter to elected officials.

“Hearing from a large number of citizens has proven to be much more impactful than a single letter from an organization, and as such, we encourage you to join us in this effort.”

- Old Town Community Association

The Old Town Community Association is organizing a letter-writing campaign to elected officials. Below is the contact information for the elected officials in our area that you can use. It is especially impactful to share your experience navigating the sidewalks and issues of well-being or safety in our neighborhood. Michelle, our Executive Director, has written to Commissioner Ryan.

City elected officials
• Comm.Rubio@portlandoregon.gov
• MappsOffice@portlandoregon.gov
• joann@portlandoregon.gov
• CommissionerRyanOffice@portlandoregon.gov
• mayorwheeler@portlandoregon.gov
(Staff to be copied in Mayor Wheeler’s office:)
  1. jim.middaugh@portlandoregon.gov
  2. Bobby.lee@portlandoregon.gov
  3. sonia.schmanski@portlandoregon.gov
  4. khanh.tran@portlandoregon.gov

State elected officials
• Business Oregon ED Sophorn Cheang: https://www.oregon4biz.com/contact.php?id=125
• Rep.LisaReynolds@oregonlegislature.gov
• Sen.GinnyBurdick@oregonlegislature.gov
• Governor Brown: https://www.oregon.gov/gov/Pages/request-assistance.aspx

Metro elected officials
• lynn.peterson@oregonmetro.gov
• shirley.craddick@oregonmetro.gov
• Christine.Lewis@oregonmetro.gov
• gerritt.rosenthal@oregonmetro.gov
• JuanCarlos.Gonzalez@oregonmetro.gov
• bob.stacey@oregonmetro.gov
• mary.nolan@oregonmetro.gov

County elected officials
• mult.chair@multco.us
• district1@multco.us
• district2@multco.us
• district3@multco.us
• district4@multco.us

Federal elected officials
• https://blumenauerforms.house.gov/forms/writeyourrep/
• https://www.wyden.senate.gov/contact/email-ron
• https://www.jeffmerkley.com/contact/
NEW! In-person choir rehearsals: In preparation for an outdoor concert later this spring, choir will start meeting in the N Park Blocks on Mondays from 11-12 pm near the elephant statue. Masks are required at all times.

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Thursdays 12-1 pm Choir (virtual) via the web: maybellecenter.org/ChoirZoom by phone (no internet): 669-900-6833 Mtg ID: 848 3155 1713, Password: 413330

Thursdays 3:30-4:30 pm Community Room (virtual) via the web: maybellecenter.org/CommunityZoom by phone (no internet): 669-900-6833 Mtg ID: 848 3023 0459

Fridays @ 1-2 pm Too Blessed to be Stressed (virtual) via the web: maybellecenter.org/BlessedZoom by phone (no internet): 253-215-8782 Mtg ID: 854 1091 6628