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The Capitol Connection

THE VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE AT THE OREGON STATE CAPITOL



Capitol volunteers explore the Rotunda, which has scaffolding, and covering to protect the floor, on a recent behind-the-scenes tour of the Capitol Assessability Maintenance and Safety project.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



- June 28 - Juliene
- June 30 - Leslie
- June 30 - Brian Fenderson

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THESE EVENTS!

SAVE THE DATES



HARD HAT TOUR RECAP

It was wonderful to see so many of you at the Hard Hat Tour of the Capitol! For those of you that couldn't make it, we got to see the future office space; future Capitol Store; excavations below the main level; the base isolators; and we got into the Rotunda for the first time in a long time!

Pictures are worth a thousand words, so here are a few to enjoy:



The connector hallway outside Hearing Rooms A-F that joins the two Capitol wings is temporarily closed to the public.

- **June 21:** [Make Music Day Salem](#) - Live music throughout town, with volunteer opportunities. See [Make Music Day's volunteer form](#) if you'd like to participate.

- **September 13-15:** [Salem Art Fair](#)

- **October 14-18:** (Optional) Certified Interpretive Guide Training*

*We'll have a mandatory internal training for all Capitol guides before we resume onsite tours, but this training is optional for any volunteers interested in becoming a [Certified Interpretive Guide through the National Association of Interpretation](#). The Oregon State Capitol Foundation has graciously offered to cover certification costs to our Capitol volunteers so it will be no cost to you!

- **November 13:** Mandatory Rule 27 Training (see article)



CAMS Manager, Jodie Jones, explains to volunteers how crews used fiber reinforced polymer (FRP) to strengthen columns in the Capitol garage.

MANDATORY TRAINING IN NOVEMBER

In preparation for your return to the Capitol, the Legislative Equity Office has scheduled a dedicated day for our Visitor Services volunteers to receive Rule 27 training.

Rule 27 training covers the fundamentals of a respectful workplace culture. Everyone working at the Capitol is required to take the training each year, including staff, elected officials, lobbyists, building tenants and volunteers.

If you anticipate returning to in-person volunteering at the Capitol in 2025, this training is mandatory. Please reserve November 13 2024 on your calendars.

NEWS FROM YOUR CAPITOL STORE



Volunteers needed:

New Merchandise Marking. 9:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. July 22, Sommerville building. Please respond to this email if you are interested in helping out!

Coming Soon: ECOMMERCE!

Soon, you will be able to shop the Capitol Store online and insert your credit card to complete your transaction! We are so excited to offer this service to visitors. Once we are up and running, we will provide you all the details and training needed.

New Product Sneak Peek: Chamber Carpet Merchandise

The Capitol Store is launching a new line of products featuring the House and Senate Chamber carpet design. Below, is an a sneak peak of our Chamber Carpet Paperweight: \$35.00. This paperweight will also be available in the Senate design. It and other items from the line will be available for sale when the store reopens.

If you are unable to make this date, let us know as soon as possible. Other options will be available on a case-by-case basis. More details to come.

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