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# Arts Guide

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**C**lark County's arts groups continue to ambitiously try to build audiences on the north side of the Columbia River, despite sparse government support.

Some will go for spectacle in 2006-07, such as Clark College Theater's staging of "The Will Rogers Follies." Some will be provocative; Arts Equity's "Hot 'n' Throbbing" comes to mind. Classics — including The New Blue Parrot Theatre's rendition of "Fiddler on the Roof," Magenta Theater Company's version of "The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe" and Vancouver Symphony's performance of "Petrouchka" — will complement the more obscure, such as "Play On" by Vancouver OnStage, and the thought-provoking "Mass in Time of War" by Bravo! Vancouver.

Vancouver is the fourth-largest city in Washington (pop. 156,600). But it is the only one of the state's 10 largest cities to lack both a public performing arts center and a percent-for-art program, in which development fees help to fund public art.



So Portland still plays a large role in entertaining, educating and enlightening us, with Broadway shows such as "Wicked," "The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee" and "The Light in the Piazza." Portland Center Stage will make the biggest addition to the local arts community this year, opening its renovated Portland Armory in the Pearl District after a \$36.1 million makeover. The first show is the timeless musical "West Side Story."

Those are just a sampling of the diverse options coming this year throughout the metropolitan area.

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region's top  
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## ■ **Clark College Theater**

Nov. 2-18: "Born Yesterday"

Feb. 16-March 3: "The Will  
Rogers Follies"

May 4-19: "You Can't Take It With You"

*Performances at Clark College, Vancouver.*

Telephone: 360-992-2815

Web site: [www.clark.edu](http://www.clark.edu)

## ■ **Clark College Orchestra**

Nov. 29: "Turkish Delight"

March 7: "Czech Delight"

June 3: "Viennese Delight"

*Performances in the Royal Durst Theatre,  
inside the Vancouver School of Arts and  
Academics, Vancouver.*

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