

TAMÁSTSLIKT CULTURAL INSTITUTE



Skateboarder in front of Israeli separation wall

Pepsi Primetime Lunch Break presents "Kickflips Over Occupation" Friday, July 15 Noon-1pm

The new series, Pepsi Primetime Lunch Break, presents two short films in the Theater at [Tamástslíkt Cultural Institute](#) on Friday, July 15 from noon to 1pm. In conjunction with the current exhibit, "The Map is Not the Territory", the film presentation looks at how youth in the Palestinian West Bank are dealing with Israeli military occupation through - skateboarding.

Filmmaker Maen Hammad didn't expect to start a social movement when he traveled to the West Bank - but after engaging with the youth and community, he saw a need for engagement. In "Kickflips Over Occupation" he tells the story of how, armed with his skateboard (an unlikely tool!), he connected with a new generation. The film documents the newly emerged skate scene in Palestine's West Bank and highlights how adolescents and youth are using skateboarding as a positive tool to overcome the ailments of the Israeli military occupation

"Pushing Borders: Skateboarding in Palestine" is a Tedx Talks video in which Maen

Hammad speaks about his motivations, production, and hopes for "Kickflips Over Occupation".

Pepsi Primetime Lunch Break is free and open to the public. Attendees are encouraged to bring a sack lunch or order lunch through Kinship Cafe and enjoy complimentary Pepsi beverages.

"The Map Is Not The Territory", currently on exhibit, takes a look at relationships and commonalities in Palestinian, Native American, and Irish experiences of invasion, occupation, and colonization. Although many peoples worldwide have suffered long and brutal intrusions, Palestinians, Native Americans, and the Irish have intersected for centuries in specific and often unusual ways. The exhibit will be open through August 10, 2016.

For more information, go to www.tamastlikt.org.

About Tamástlikt Cultural Institute

Tamástlikt Cultural Institute is owned and operated by the [Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation](#). A Blue Star museum, Tamástlikt is one of the many museums across the nation that offers free admission to families of active duty servicemen and women year-round.

In addition to the museum and interpretive center, Tamástlikt operates a museum store, café, and offers meeting room rentals. Tamástlikt is open six days a week, 10am-5pm, Monday-Saturday; closed Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's Day. Kinship Café is open from 11am to 2pm on the same days the museum is open.

Tamástlikt is located at 47106 Wildhorse Boulevard at the far end of the main driveway of the Wildhorse Resort & Casino, 10 minutes east of Pendleton, Oregon. Tamástlikt can be reached via Exit 216 off Interstate I-84 or by following the "Mission-LaGrande" sign south off Highway 11 onto Highway 331.

For more information, contact Tamástlikt Cultural Institute at 541.429.7700 or visit www.tamastlikt.org.