

HotV Bookfair interview cont.

each other and organize in collaboration. We reject base sectarianism, and encouraged attendees of different ideological stripes to engage each other genuinely and in good faith.

Corvallis is a community where individuals across the political left have historically worked quite well together. We're a small town, and we have to rely on each other to make shit happen. We hope that urban organizers learn from us and consider organizing in more principled ways that focus less on niche ideological conflicts and more on constructive liberatory praxis.

How was the turn-out?

Turnout was super successful. Every space we had was filled to the brim, and several shows got so full we almost had to start turning people away!

What was your experience hosting a three(+) day book fair?

It was super exhausting and required a lot of time investment from about a dozen people. That said, the format felt very positive for us. Multiple days allowed folks to get to know each other more deeply and gave attendees a chance to attend a really wide variety of different events.

Any advice for folks wanting to host a radical book fair in their area?

Don't half ass it. Nobody wants to go to a bookfair that's just 4 distros in a park. Start planning months ahead and put genuine thought and effort into coordinating events that are actually fun to attend, and can draw future radicals in. The better at logistics you are, the cooler shit you can do, so think deeply about what you want your event to look like and take actionable steps to make it a reality. Do your due diligence and make sure nobody coming is wack and have solid security plans to counter disruptive enemies.

Also, be conscious about accessibility. Require masks, make sure spaces are navigable, and provide food.



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HEART OF THE VALLEY BOOKFAIR

A SHORT Q+A REPORTBACK

Some members of the Sabotage Noise crew recently returned from a delightful little road-trip down south to Corvallis, Oregon for the "Heart of the Valley Anti-Capitalist Bookfair." For those who couldn't join us, we did this lovely little Q&A with some of the organizers:

So, what was the heart of the valley book fair?

HotV Anticapitalist Bookfair was a 3 day radical festival in Corvallis, Oregon. It featured dozens of radical publishers, organizers, and artists from across the pnw. Outside of the vendors, we had six workshops, a hootenany, drag show, hardcore gig, trash church, and book talks.

A full rundown of events and tablers can be found at HotVbookfair.noblogs.org

What inspired your crew to host a book fair?

We were initially inspired by the spread of bookfairs across NW Washington this summer. We were excited by the amount of organizing we were seeing and wanted to bring folks out to our small town.

We were also heavily influenced by Another Carolina Anarchist Bookfair, whose multi-day, multi-space format inspired our own.

Why call it an anti-capitalist book fair?

We are a multi-tendency organizing committee and believe that radicals from all liberatory traditions can learn from

HEART
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Tabling, Speakers, Workshops, and Parties!
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FOOD SHOWS + BENEFITS

OLYMPIA

The Mortuary

EVERY Thursday 6-8pm - People's Cafe Open Mic free/ donation coffee + tea by Wobbly Cup Cooperative Cafe~~

Feb 9 - Friday Storm Boy / Dead Streets / TBA

Feb 10 - Catastrophic Cabaret: A Lovely Variety Show

March 22 8pm - Splendor / Nudity / hovering shrikes
March 22 8pm - Spring Equinox Rave

BREMERTON

SAVE THE DATE!!

May 4: First Annual Kitsap

Anarchist Bookfair

Info: Kitsapbookfair.noblogs.org

SEATTLE

Mutual Aid Fair for Palestinian Liberation

(University Heights, 5031 University Way NE, Seattle)

Feb 11 1-5pm - Food + Supplies, Speakers + Performers, Art + Vendors ~~

Left Bank Books

Instagram: @leftbankbookscollective
(92 Pike St)

EVERY 1st Thursday 7:30-11pm - Open Mic (Jan 4, Feb 1) ~~

EVERY Last Thursday - VOLTA: A QTBIPOC Open Mic (Feb 29, March 28)~~

Pipsqueak

Instagram: @pipsqueak.seattle
(173 16th Ave)

EVERY 1st Sunday 3-5pm - Prisoner Letter Writing ~~

EVERY 2nd Sunday - Queer Writers Meetup ~~ (Feb 11 5-7pm, March 10 and beyond 4:30-6:30pm)

Casa del Xolo

Instagram: @casadelxolo

(3418 Fremont Ave N, in Lazy Cow Bakery)

Feb 24 7pm - Benefit show for Casa del Xolo ft. Vulture Feather, Medejin, Sonora Enjambre, Skyler Ford and the Legion of Peace

March 20 7pm - Benefit ft. Telescope Club, OK Bucko, Bazaar, Tino **

Book Talk on "Rattling the Cages: Oral Histories of North American Political Prisoners"

(SU Law School, Sullivan Hall, 901 12th Ave, Room C5)

February 17 5:30pm - Panel Ft. editor Josh Davidson and former political prisoners Mark Cook and Janine Bertram

TACOMA

The Gravel Pit

Instagram: @gravelpittacoma

Feb 17 - Those Damn

Animals / Queen Fisher / Clam Slam Jammers**

Feb 25 - Belladonna Ciao /

Chloe Defector / Stink

Animal and the Bad Smells**

Solidarity Center

(1220 S 23rd St)

[Patreon.com/](https://patreon.com/)

HilltopSolidarityCenter

Bi-weekly - Feed the People w/ Black Panther Party~~

KEY

!! = SNP Hosted

** = NOTAFLOP

~~ = Free Entry

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