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## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

Date: December 16, 2025  
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Re: AIDS Posters exhibit, documentary and reception hosted by NOLS  
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The North Olympic Library System (NOLS) is hosting the National Library of Medicine's traveling exhibit, "AIDS, Posters, and Stories of Public Health: A People's History of a Pandemic." The exhibit is on display now at the Forks Library through Dec. 27, then will move to the Clallam Bay Library from Dec. 29 through Jan. 5 before concluding at the Port Angeles Main Library from Jan. 6 to 24.

During the exhibit, West End libraries will screen the documentary "The Last One," which traces the history of the AIDS Memorial Quilt as an international art project. Screenings will take place at the Forks Library at 10:30 a.m., 2 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. and at the Clallam Bay Library at 11:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.

In addition, AIDS Memorial Quilt panels are on display at Forks and Port Angeles libraries in collaboration with the Kitsap Public Health District. The district will also supply blank quilt squares for community members to personalize in remembrance of a loved one lost to AIDS, and will offer health resources. A public reception and panel discussion with representatives

from the Kitsap Public Health District will be held at the Port Angeles Main Library on Tuesday, Jan. 6, at 6:30 p.m.

## **SCHEDULE**

- **Forks Branch Library**, 171 S. Forks Ave.  
**Dec. 15–27**  
Documentary screening Mon.–Sat. at 10:30 a.m., 2 p.m., and 4:30 p.m.
- **Clallam Bay Branch Library**, 16990 Hwy. 112  
**Dec. 29–Jan. 5**  
Documentary screening Mon.–Fri. at 11:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.
- **Port Angeles Main Library**, 2210 S. Peabody St.  
**Jan. 6–24**  
Reception on Tuesday, Jan. 6, 6:30–8 p.m., with presentation and panel discussion.

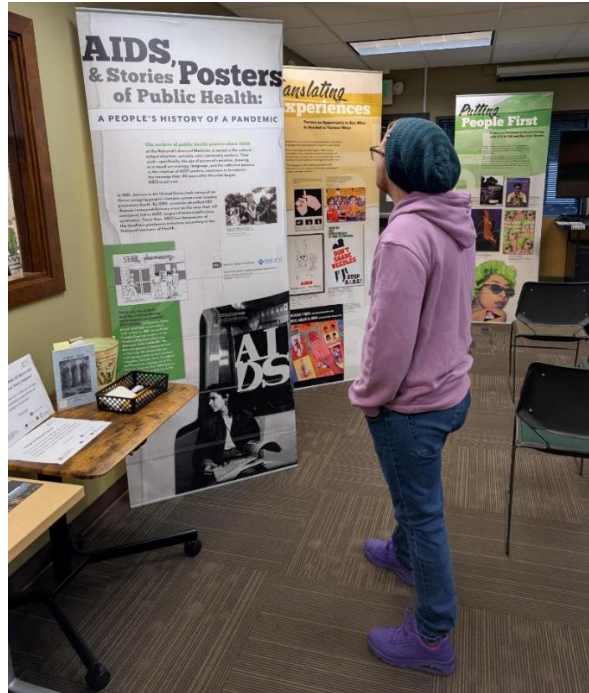
## **About the Exhibit:**

The National Library of Medicine produced the traveling banner exhibit “AIDS, Posters, and Stories of Public Health: A People’s History of a Pandemic” and its companion website. The exhibit is guest curated by writer and organizer Theodore (Ted) Kerr.

The exhibit explores how AIDS posters serve as highly adaptable, durable, cost effective, efficient tools in sharing public health messaging. Created by communities bonded together by illness and a desire to make change, these posters provide a gateway to AIDS history, illustrating how, in the face of illness, neglect and, early on, the unknown, people came together to connect, create and save one another's lives.

Today, AIDS posters continue to be valuable resources for the ongoing epidemic. They teach us about community organizing processes and the ways that groups dealing with HIV heal, share fears, and strategize toward wellness together.

For more information about the exhibit and related events, visit [NOLS.org/AIDS-posters](https://nols.org/AIDS-posters), call 360-417-8500, or email [discover@nols.org](mailto:discover@nols.org).



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*AIDS Memorial Quilt panels from Kitsap Public Health District are on display in Forks and Port Angeles libraries. Blank quilt squares are available for community members to personalize.*

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