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Date: February 22, 2012
Contact: Theresa Tetreau, Forks/Clallam Bay Branch Manager
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Re: Humanities Washington Speaker at West End Libraries

Robert Horton will present the thought provoking program “*Alien Encounters: Sci-Fi Movies and the Cold War Culture of the 1950s*” at the Clallam Bay and Forks branches of the North Olympic Library System on Saturday, March 10. The Forks event begins at 12:00noon and in Clallam Bay, the program will begin at 3:00pm.

“*Alien Encounters: Sci-Fi Movies and the Cold War Culture of the 1950s*” will explore the underlying political and social anxieties that resulted in the alien-invasion scenarios of 1950s science fiction films. Using clips to illustrate, Mr. Horton will discuss titles that provide angles on Atomic Age concerns and draw comparisons with similar offerings today.

Robert Horton reviews movies for the *Everett Herald* and KUOW-FM in Seattle, as well as several national publications. A regular TV guest on the Seattle Channel, he also curates the Magic Lantern, a film-discussion series at the Frye Art Museum.

This presentation is sponsored by Humanities Washington through its state-wide Speakers Bureau. The Speakers Bureau brings Washington’s finest scholars, historians, musicians, and storytellers to local communities to give dynamic presentations at libraries, schools, museums, and other community organizations. Additional support is provided by the Friends of the Clallam Bay and Forks Libraries.

Both events are free and open to the public, and pre-registration is not required. The Clallam Bay Library is located at 16990 Hwy 112 and the Forks Library is at 171 South Forks Avenue. For more information go to www.nols.org, or contact the Clallam Bay Branch at 963.2414 or ClallamBay@nols.org, or the Forks Branch at 374.6402 or Forks@nols.org.

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