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Re: Humanities Washington Speaker to Present
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Humanities Washington Speaker Amy Peloff, will present Should I Still Watch This Show? Pop Culture in the #MeToo Era at the Port Angeles Main Library of the North Olympic Library System (NOLS), on Tuesday, February 25 at 6pm and the Sequim Branch Library on Wednesday, February 26 at 6pm.

In the wake of the #MeToo movement, in which dozens of high-profile individuals in the entertainment industry have been accused of harassment or abuse, many of us are asking: “Should I still be watching this?” Explore the cultural and economic issues inherent in consuming entertainment made by people whose behaviors we find questionable, distasteful, or even criminal. Media and feminist scholar Amy Peloff will ask important questions including: How do we weigh the cultural value of art against the behavior of the individual creating it? What do we think accountability in the #MeToo movement should look like? Do the decisions we make around our pop culture consumption even matter? Join in a conversation about the value of art and entertainment – and the value of being held to account.

About the Speaker
Amy Peloff is an affiliate assistant professor of gender, women, and sexuality studies at the University of Washington. Her writing on feminism has encompassed a variety of pop culture topics from Dolly Parton to Doctor Who, and she continually studies the ways in which ideas about identities are created, presented, and shared through media and entertainment.

About Humanities Washington

Humanities Washington sparks conversation and critical thinking using story as a catalyst, nurturing thoughtful and engaged communities across the state. Speakers Bureau is one of Humanities Washington’s oldest and most popular programs. A roster of 34 cultural experts and scholars provides low-cost, high-quality public presentations across the state, encouraging audiences to think, learn and engage in conversation. For more about Speakers Bureau, visit www.humanities.org/programs/speakers.

More Information

This program is generously funded by Humanities Washington and Friends of the Library groups.

For additional information about this program, visit www.nols.org and select “Events,” call 360.417.8500, or send an email to discover@nols.org. The Port Angeles Main Library is located at 2210 S. Peabody Street. The Sequim Branch Library is located at 630 North Sequim Avenue.
“Should I Still Watch This Show?” will be presented at the Port Angeles and Sequim Libraries.

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