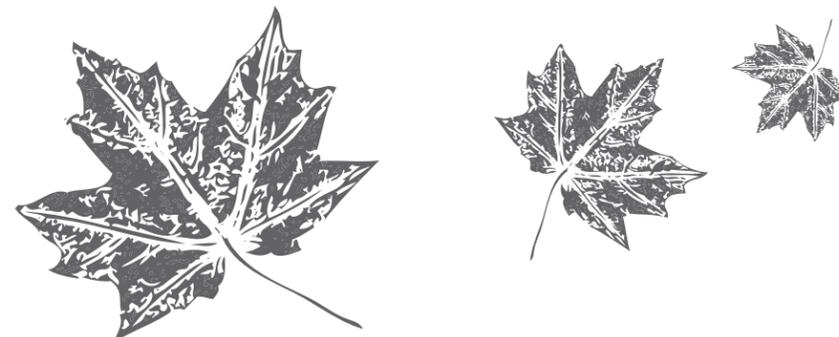


**SOLD HOMES
BUILDING PERMITS
DISCOUNT COMPOST BINS
HOME PRICING
SEATTLE ARTIST FUNDING**



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SOLD HOMES

The following is a list of homes that sold in our Maple Leaf Neighborhood over the last month. Do you wonder what your house is worth? The décor, the features and condition all have a bearing on the price a house will command. We have seen the interiors of most of the homes in this list. If you are selling your home, please let us help you. We would be happy to view your home, prepare a market analysis and discuss the details with you. We can provide you with useful information, such as a sales price that might be realistically expected in today's market.

ADDRESS	BED	BATH	AGE	STYLE	SOLD PRICE
8228 16th Ave NE	3	1.5	1928	1 1/2 Story	\$357,000
1230 NE 90th St	2	1	1917	1 1/2 Stry w/Bsmnt	\$365,000
8018 Brooklyn Ave NE	2	1.5	1925	1 Story w/Bsmnt.	\$375,000
8237 4th Ave NE	3	2	1919	1 Story	\$415,000
1528 NE 88th St	4	1	1941	1 1/2 Stry w/Bsmnt	\$447,000
8807 17th Ave NE	3	1.75	1928	1 Story w/Bsmnt.	\$455,000
7315 12th Ave NE	9	3.5	1925	2 Stories w/Bsmnt	\$550,000
9710 8th Ave NE	3	2	1927	1 1/2 Stry w/Bsmnt	\$559,500
9709 19th Ave NE	4	3.5	2008	2 Stories w/Bsmnt	\$599,500
1239 NE 91st St	5	3.5	2009	2 Stories w/Bsmnt	\$899,000

**MAPLE LEAF MONTHLY HOME SALES
E-MAILED DIRECTLY TO YOU!**

Sign up now for a free monthly service. You can have Maple Leaf home sales e-mailed to you every month. The e-mail will contain all of the homes that sold in Maple Leaf for that month. With this e-mail you can see interior pictures of the homes that sold as well as get data on each home such as the price it sold for, BR, BTH, SQ FOOTAGE, ETC.

You will not receive any other junk e-mail. And your e-mail address will NOT be given to anybody else.

To sign up for this free service just send an e-mail to Steve Laevastu stating that you want to get Maple Leaf home sales e-mailed to you.. Steve's e-mail address is sold@windermere.com

This service has been very popular and received numerous compliments from a number of Maple Leaf residents.

SEATTLE AMONG BEST HOME PRICES

According to a report in the Seattle Times, national home prices are at levels not seen since the end of 2002, but recently released data shows the worst may be over for some cities. The Standard & Poor's/Case Shiller National Home Price index reported home prices dropped by 19.1 percent in the first quarter, compared to the first quarter last year, the largest drop in its 21-year history. In cities across the country home prices varied dramatically, depending on affordability, foreclosure activity and the local economy. The bottom may be in sight in some markets. Home values in Seattle, Portland, OR, and Charlotte are steady at 2005 prices, the best showing of all 20 cities in the Case-Shiller report. All three were the last to fall into the housing slump. Economists surveyed by Thomson Reuters expect existing home sales to rise 2 percent from March to April, while new home sales are forecast to rise by 1.1 percent.

**MAYOR NICKELS STATEMENT
ON CLEAN ENERGY BILL**

SEATTLE - Mayor Greg Nickels today released this statement on the passage of the American Clean Energy and Security Act in the House of Representatives:

"This is a landmark vote that will help Seattle and all other American cities transform to a clean-energy economy. For years, there was debate over the existence of global warming. Then came discussions about what to do about it. Today, we take substantive action. Earlier this week, as president of the U.S. Conference of Mayors, I sent personal e-mails to more than 440 mayors urging them to contact their congressional representatives in support of this legislation. Last week, I met with Speaker Nancy Pelosi to discuss how we could work together on our shared goal of passing the bill. We now enter the era of clean energy. I stand ready to work with President Obama and Congress to create jobs in this new economy, and to lay the foundation for a cleaner and more secure energy future. This is good for our environment, good for our people, and good for Seattle."

Get the Nickels Newsletter and the mayor's inside view on transportation, public safety, economic opportunity and healthy communities. Sign up at mayor.seattle.gov

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WHAT OUR CLIENTS HAVE TO SAY

Dear Steve

Thank you so very much for your excellent assistance in helping us sell our house and thus buy a new home. Your loyalty, honesty, intelligent strategies, positive attitude and unfailing hard work will never be forgotten. We have never observed anyone else in your industry who is more polite, capable, and considerate of both parties needs. We would not hesitate to recommend you to handle any transaction. Please share these thoughts and feelings with your broker and colleagues, they must be proud to be working with you.

With Sincere gratitude,

Kirk Hanson and Dolly Skow

Service that exceeds normal expectations, that was our experience with Roger.

We had listed our house and purchased our new house within days of each other and would be moving with no potential buyer(s) in sight. We were facing two mortgages and a loan from a retirement plan.

After explaining to a friend of mine that our house was on the market about four weeks with no activity (one brokers open and one public open during which not even one agent or buyer showed up to either) he suggested that we call Roger.

After rescinding the listing with our current agent and listing with Roger, we accepted an offer within two weeks.

Roger did all the right things to give the house lots of positive exposure and it worked. Thank you Roger!

Sincerely,
Peter and Moira Tueffers

BUILDING PERMITS

\$170,239; Remove portion of existing single family residence and construct 2-story south addition and accessory carport to existing single family residence, per plan.
547 NE 98th St Seattle

\$69,289; Construct partial second story addition to existing single family residence per plan.
1039 NE 104th St Seattle

\$259,442; Construct new single family dwelling with attached basement garage and exterior 1st flr covered porches and 2nd flr deck, per plans.
8903 5th Ave NE Seattle

\$40,000,000; Replace existing 60 MG open-water reservoir with a new reinforced concrete 60 MG dual-cell buried reservoir, per plans.
8526 Roosevelt Way NE Seattle

Seattle Events Calendar

COMCAST BITE OF SEATTLE
JULY 17 - 19, 2009
SEATTLE CENTER CAMPUS

HTTP://WWW.BITEOFSEATTLE.COM
THE NORTHWEST'S PREMIER FOOD FESTIVAL
FESTIVAL HOURS:
FRIDAY & SATURDAY 11 A.M. - 9 P.M.
SUNDAY 11 A.M. - 8 P.M.
FREE ADMISSION

The 2009 Bite of Seattle is hotter than ever! Come celebrate a Seattle summer tradition, filled with great restaurants, fantastic national and local entertainment, a comedy club, kids' entertainment, sizzlin' cooking demonstrations and a whole lot more!

TORCHLIGHT PARADE AT SEAFAIR
JULY 25, 2009

DOWNTOWN SEATTLE WASHINGTON
 Come celebrate the Northwest's largest lighted parade in Downtown Seattle! The famous Torchlight Parade at Seafair is one of Seattle's biggest nights for family tradition, so you won't want to miss the Macy's-style helium balloons, local bands, drill teams, beautifully illuminated floats, and naturally the Seafair Clowns and Pirates.

The parade begins at 7:30 PM at Seattle Center, and continues south down Fourth Ave. to Second Ave. and King Street. Over 300,000 people lined the parade route last year... so we suggest you get here early for the best viewing spots.

SEATTLE CHAMBER MUSIC SOCIETY SUMMER FESTIVAL

JULY 6 - AUG 14, 2009 - LAKESIDE SCHOOL, 14050 FIRST AVENUE

The Seattle Chamber Music Society presents its 26th Summer Festival, held July 6th - August 14th. The main Summer Season consists of Twelve Concerts each Monday... Wednesday... and Friday evenings... beginning at 8:00 PM.

CHINATOWN-INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT SUMMER FESTIVAL

JULY 11-12, 2009 - HING HAY PARK - DOWNTOWN SEATTLE WA

Known to be the largest Asian-American Streetfair in Washington, the International



Windermere Real Estate / Oak Tree Inc

CITY FUNDING AVAILABLE FOR INDIVIDUAL SEATTLE ARTISTS

Applications accepted for visual, literary and film/media art projects, deadline is Aug. 11

SEATTLE — The Office of Arts & Cultural Affairs is accepting applications for the 2010 CityArtists Projects program that supports Seattle-based individual artists working in visual, literary and film/media arts. Funding awards range up to \$10,000 to support projects in 2010.

"During these challenging financial times, the arts are part of the solution," said Michael Killoren, director of the Office of Arts & Cultural Affairs. "They make our cities places where people want to live and work. The cultural sector is part of the economy just like any other industry with workers who pay taxes and contribute in other ways."

CityArtists Projects is an annual funding program that provides support to individual Seattle artists to conceive, develop and present new, in-progress or remounted works taken to the next stage. Projects must include a public presentation in the city. The program encourages a broad range of artistic and cultural expression that reflects Seattle's diversity. Funding is offered to artists in clusters of disciplines in the visual, media and literary arts and performing arts in alternate years.

This year, CityArtists awarded \$225,000 to 39 artists working in the performing arts. The funded projects will involve more than 256 paid artists. Thirty of the 39 artist projects funded are first-time recipients, representing 77 percent of the awards. The awards range from \$1,500 to \$10,000, with an average award of \$5,769.

While CityArtists Projects gives priority to projects by independent artists, lead artists of nonprofit organizations may submit project proposals. However, artists affiliated with an organization must distinguish their proposals from the seasonal work of their organizations.

A link to the online application is available at www.seattle.gov/arts. The application deadline is Tuesday, Aug. 11, 2009. For more information, contact Marcia Iwasaki at (206) 233-3946, marcia.iwasaki@seattle.gov or Irene Gomez, at (206) 684-7310, irene.gomez@seattle.gov.

SEATTLE OFFERS COMPOST BINS AT HUGE DISCOUNTS HOMEOWNERS CAN SAVE HUNDREDS OF DOLLARS

SEATTLE - Seattleites can save 75 percent or more on the cost of high-quality compost bins this summer, thanks to big discounts being offered by Seattle Public Utilities (SPU).

Between now and the end of September, SPU is selling compost bins that normally retail at more than \$100 for just \$25, helping residents convert food scraps and yard clippings into nutrient-rich compost for their gardens.

With a 19 percent increase this year in the number of households planning to grow their own produce, composting at home can provide the nutrients to help fruits and vegetables flourish naturally.

Carl Woestwin, landscape conservation manager at SPU, said that by composting at home, consumers can have beautiful gardens and thriving vegetable patches without resorting to chemical fertilizers.

"Composting at home is an easy way to turn vegetative waste into a natural soil builder that will help plants flourish and save water," said Woestwin. "With these discounts, making your own compost at home has never been easier."

Food scraps and yard waste are valuable resources when composted or used as mulch in the garden. Home composting is a simple way for gardeners to conserve water and build healthy soil, without having to buy compost from the store.

Seattle gardeners can take advantage of two great offers -

- Green Cone Food Composting Bins Two cones for \$40, when purchased together. One cone for \$25. Retail cost is more than \$100 each. Limit two per household.
- Yard Waste Compost Bins \$25 each. Retail cost is more than \$100. Limit one per household.

The compost bins can be purchased at www.seattle.gov/binsandbarrels or by calling (206) 684-0190.

The Green Cone food waste composters turn food scraps such as fruits and vegetables, breads and grains, coffee grounds, and tea bags into nutrient-rich compost for customers' gardens.

The yard waste compost bins transform grass clippings, leaves, dead plants, small twigs, and most weeds into a natural soil builder.

Customers can also purchase high quality rain barrels for \$75 plus tax. Rain barrels allow gardeners to collect Seattle's famed rain for use in their yards. Depending on how much it rains, a rain barrel or two collecting water from a 500 to 600 square-foot roof area can provide enough water to care for the plants and flowerpots on a deck or patio for several weeks.

NIGHT OUT AGAINST CRIME - 2009 NIGHT OUT THIS YEAR, NIGHT OUT IS ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 4, 2009. REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS JULY 31, 2009 YOU SHOULD REGISTER IN THE PRECINCT YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD IS LOCATED IN.

This year the Seattle Police Department is using Night Out to thank our strong community partners. Night Out is a great opportunity to celebrate your efforts to keep your neighborhood safe. Pat each other on the back for your continued involvement and dedication to public safety. It is also a great time to invite new neighbors to join you and talk with friends and family who may not enjoy the benefits of a Block Watch about getting one started. And we'll have our officers out to as many Night Out celebrations as we can, to say "Thank You" in person!

WHAT IS NIGHT OUT?

"Night Out" is a national Crime Prevention event. It is designed to heighten crime prevention awareness, increase neighborhood support in anti-crime efforts, and unite our communities. It is a great chance to learn about crime prevention, while also celebrating your community and spending time with your neighbors.

HOW DO I CLOSE MY STREET FOR NIGHT OUT?

If you do not live on an arterial street and you do not close your intersection, you are welcome to close the street to traffic for your Night Out Celebration. Indicate on the registration form that you plan to close the street. Individual blocks are responsible for providing barricades, but a street closure sign can be downloaded from this website. On the registration form please mark not only the street name but also the hundred block of the street.

IS THERE A FEE TO CLOSE MY STREET?

The City waives the fee for Night Out participants.

WHAT IF AN EMERGENCY VEHICLE NEEDS TO GET THROUGH DURING OUR NIGHT OUT CELEBRATION?

When setting up for your event, make sure to keep tables to one side of the street and assign two individuals to respond to the end of the street to remove the barricades for the vehicle.

HOW DO I REQUEST POLICE OR FIRE PARTICIPATION IN MY NIGHT OUT CELEBRATION?

All of the registered Night Out Events are shared with the individual precincts as well as the fire department. As time allows, personnel who work in your neighborhood will drop by. We ask that you not call the individual Fire Stations, as the number of calls could overwhelm them.

District Summer Festival offers a variety of Asian-inspired Entertainment.

Chinatown-International District Summer Festival hours are: Saturday, 11 AM - 8 PM; Sunday, 11 AM - 6 PM. Admission is Free.

SEATTLE MUSIC FEST
AUGUST 10-12, 2008 - ALKI BEACH - WEST SEATTLE WASHINGTON
 Seattle Music Fest is now celebrating it's 11th Year and has become one of Seattle's most-famous Alternative Rock Festivals ... which has now grown to become a Huge Showcase of emerging Musical Talent, attracting Thousands of People to beautiful Alki Beach every year.

Seattle Music Fest 2006 runs from August 10th through 12th at Alki Beach in West Seattle. Proceeds benefit Northwest Programs for the Arts, which supports developing music and visual artists from the region.

Seattle Music Fest Hours are Friday 4 PM - 9:30 PM; Saturday 11 AM - 9:30 PM; Sunday 11 AM - 9:30 PM.

SEATTLE SPORTS SCHEDULE

SOUNDERS FC HOME GAMES

<http://www.soundersfc.com>

CHELSEA FC	7/18	12:00PM
FIRE	7/25	12:00PM
FC BARCELONA	8/05	7:30PM

MARINERS MLB HOME GAME

<http://seattle.mariners.mlb.com>

v.s. CLE	7/24	7:10PM
v.s. CLE	7/25	1:10PM
v.s. CLE	7/26	1:10PM
v.s. TOR	7/27	7:10PM
v.s. TOR	7/28	7:10PM
v.s. TOR	7/29	7:40PM
v.s. TB	8/7	7:10PM
v.s. TB	8/8	7:10PM
v.s. TB	8/9	1:10PM
v.s. CWS	8/10	7:10PM
v.s. CWS	8/11	7:10PM
v.s. CWS	8/12	7:10PM
v.s. NYY	8/13	7:10PM
v.s. NYY	8/14	7:10PM
v.s. NYY	8/15	7:10PM
v.s. NYY	8/16	1:10PM