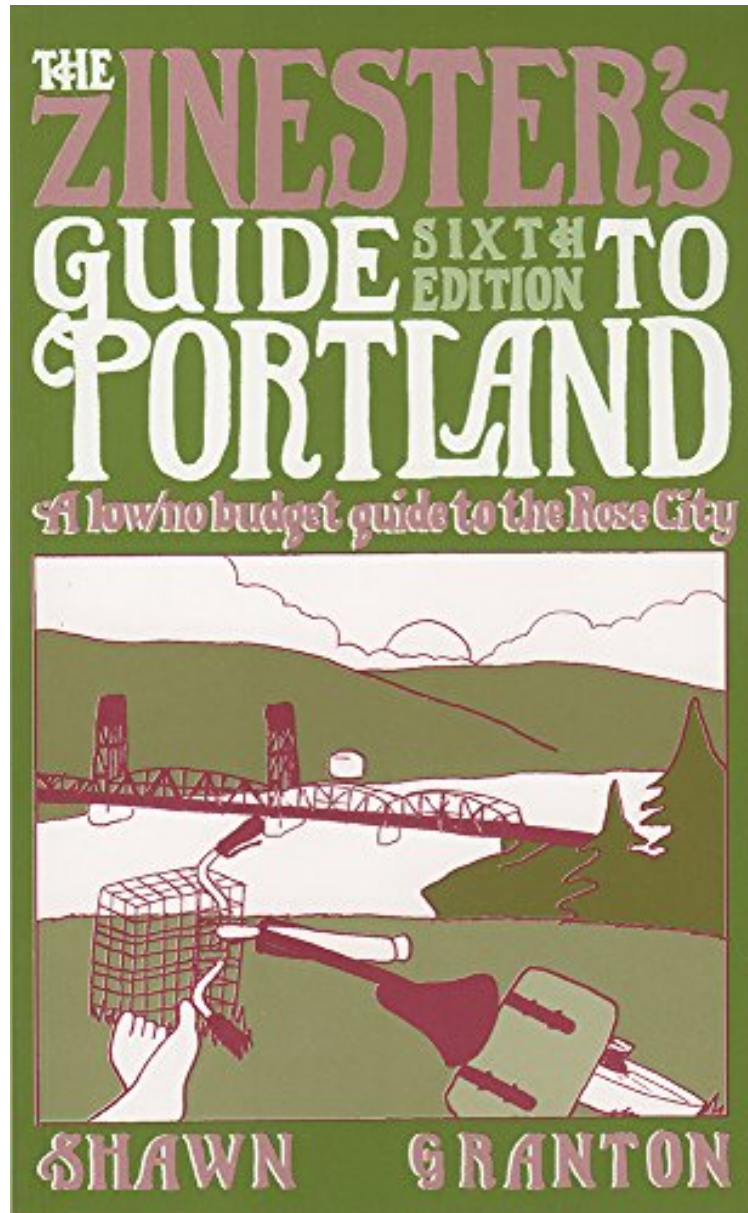


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Designed and written for the DIY-inclined person without any cash to spare, the Zinester's Guide to Portland breaks down the PDX grid by neighborhood with descriptions of good restaurants, thrift stores, bars, bridges, places to loiter, etc. (lots of etc.). The newly overhauled and illustrated sixth edition gets shoulder-deep into the history and local lore, providing a well-rounded argument as to why (fill in the blank) deserves your time. It also demystifies the TriMet public transportation system, bike events and culture, outdoorsy stuff, the public libraries basically anything you need to know as the new kid in town. The book's title implies a guide to Portland zine culture, and indeed it originated in 2001 as a hand-stapled zine. But now, as editor Shawn Granton says in the introduction, the Zinester's Guide is not just for zinesters, that "It's always been about sharing the interesting and unique things that make Stumptown great, and also helping people get by that aren't swimming in scads of money." For those of us that can't so much as dogpaddle most days, this is community at its mightiest.

"Feels like a classic ... profiles genuine gems and secret neighborhood spots." Portland Mercury
"What's best about the book is its utility and unpretentiousness. It's written by and for people who ride their bikes and take Tri-Met and don't have a lot of money to spend on fancy restaurants." Oregonian
"We've all been Axl in the 'Welcome to the Jungle' video, stepping off the bus in our hicky clothes and cowboy boots, staring into shop windows, hustled at from alleys just ridiculously rudderless and confused. A new city can be daunting. But [ZGPDX] is conversational, non-exclusive, friendly, and above all easy to use. It gets shoulder-deep into history and local lore, reaching into the guts of its subject and pulling out a hot, wriggling, well-rounded argument as to why (fill in the blank) deserves your time." Portland Mercury
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"Almost perfect. Really. As someone who has lived in and around Portland her whole life, I think the creators of this guidebook have got their shit together." Zine Thug
"Required reading if you're gonna spend any time at all in Portland, the hippest place on earth." Michael Dean, Stinkfight
"Cuts through the chaff you're likely to find in other tourist guides and doesn't play anything up, providing a straight-forward, non-glossy account of all that is Portland, what to look out for and, often more importantly, what to avoid wasting your time and hard earned dough on...an invaluable resource." Riot 77 Magazine