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2026**



**Tulalip
Lushootseed
Year 2026**

TRADITIONAL STORIES

A calendar had no place in traditional life long ago.

For the people of the Puget Sound, the world itself was the calendar.

An awareness of seasons and the passage of time came in response to what was happening in the world. The calendar, for lack of a better term, was in response to an interactive relationship of the plants and animals around us, as well as the tides and stars.

Each year was unique and would have been described in its own terms, not in standard units of time measurement. For each season, or period of time, descriptions of what was happening in the world, referenced what plants were flowering, bearing fruit or resting. References were also made to the tides of fall and winter, what type of Salmon were running to the spawning grounds, distinctive weather events, and what was happening with the animals around us. Because of unique characteristics from one year to the next, some months may have more than one name.

The Lushootseed Calendar is closely related to the Lunar calendar, meaning there are 12 or 13 months in a year, and several time periods cover more than one Gregorian calendar month.

There will be 13 full moons in 2026.

The seasons, which the months are roughly based on are:

Fall - pədʔuladx̣, Silver Salmon return.

Winter - pədʔəs, cold weather.

Spring - ʔuhiʔhədəb, getting a little warmer.

Summer - pədhədəb, hot season.

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ʔəsčal ti pəɫəsəl

BEAR AND RABBIT

HOW WINTER CAME TO BE



yəhubtub ʔə ti Jerry Kanim
qʷawɫəb ɫsi Nik-Ko-Te St. Onge

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Told by Jerry Kanim
Illustrated by Nik-Ko-Te St. Onge

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Lady Louse

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As told by

Elizabeth čiʔsalalčsəb Krise

Illustrated by

Teresa yabulqš Whitish

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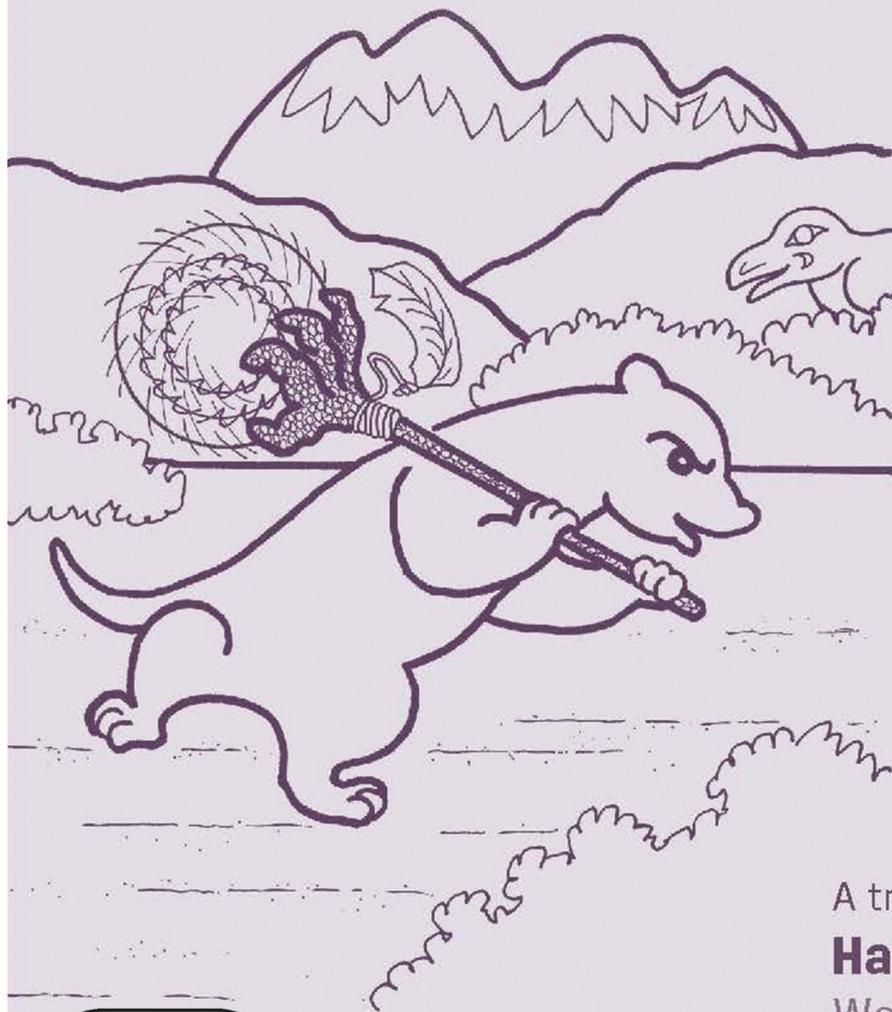


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How Daylight Was Stolen

A traditional story told by
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Wal La Sub

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HER FIRST BASKET



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**Michele
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a telling by
Vi Hilbert

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SALMON CEREMONY

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Tulalip Lushootseed Dept.

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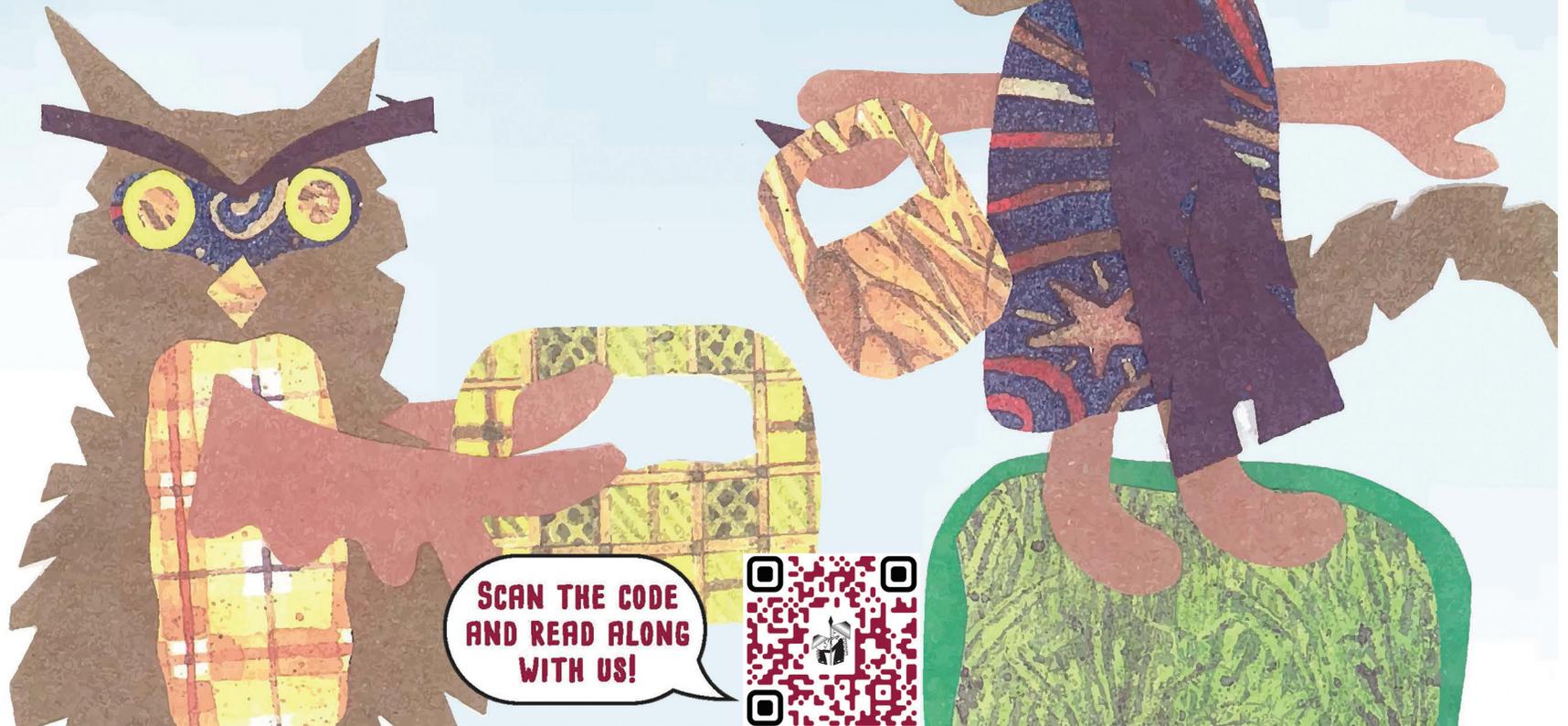
STARKS

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Owl and Chipmunk

yəhubtub ʔə tsi Michele Balagot
qʷawʰəb tsi Michelle Myles

Written by **Michele Balagot**
Illustrated by **Michelle Myles**



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JULY

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Independence Day

PRIEST POINT STORY

An adaptation of the Seal Hunting Brothers story

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yəhubtub ʔə tsi

Told by

Martha səswiḵab Lamont

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Illustrations by

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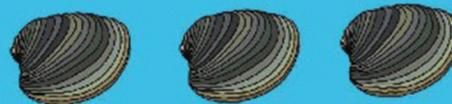
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Let's count in Snohomish

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GRANDMOTHER CEDAR TREE

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yəhubtub ?ə ti Told by
Johnny Moses

qʷawtəb ti Illustrated by
Xavion Myles-Gilford

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The Story of Rock Cod

Told by Raymond Moses

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