The Igloo: a Shelter for BC Ski Trips

Indigenous peoples of the Arctic, for millennia, have used the igloo, as a simple, elegant form of backcountry shelter. Constructed from snow, cut into blocks and shaped in a spiral pattern forming an extremely strong dome, it insulates and blocks the wind.

For nearly 20 years Benjamin Yang has been building igloos and giving igloo-building workshops in the Cascades. Recently, Mazama Eric Brainich has joined Yang on backcountry ski trips in the winter to remote locations living in igloos while skiing the alpine environments. Yang and Brainich will speak about the requirements of constructing this type of shelter and share stories of their trips to Crater Lake, Tam McArthur Rim, Mt. Thielsen, Newberry Crater and Mt. Rainier.

Lucky Labrador Brewing Company
1945 NW Quimby St.
Tuesday, February 3
6:30 p.m. Social Hour
7:30 p.m. Meeting/Program
Food and drink available $

Upcoming programs

March 3–PCT Through Hike
April 7–Oregon Deserts
May 5–Traveling Patagonia

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