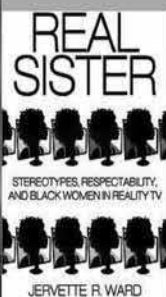
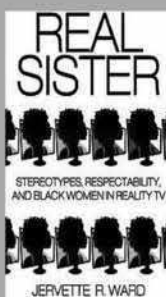


# The Week in Review

## AN EVENING WITH Dr. Jervette Ward



Author of *Real Sister Stereotypes, Respectability, and Black Women in Reality TV*

"Real Sister makes a significant contribution to existing scholarship by establishing links between depictions of Black women in television and a longer-running history of representations of Black women in literate and popular tropes." —Leigh H. Edwards, author of *The Triumph of Reality TV: The Revolution in American Television*

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### Max Floods in High Water

On Saturday a downpour flooded several MAX and Portland Streetcar tracks and one MAX train was flooded as it tried to cross under the Morrison Bridge during extreme high water. Footage of a flooding train was shared on social media sites, but no injuries were reported. Other trains were being inspected for water damage Monday, causing some trains to run as a single car, rather than the typical two-car set.

### Occupation-Free Portland Draws Support

Portland's Human Rights Commission has endorsed Occupation-Free Portland's proposal to end city investments with companies profiting from the conflict between Israel and Palestine. The companies named include Caterpillar, G4S, Hewlett-Packard, and Motorola Solutions.

### Halloween Bank Holdup

Authorities are looking for a man who used a long black costume wig with white streaks and a pair of sunglasses to holdup a Portland bank on Halloween. The man demanded cash from a teller at a Wells Fargo on Southeast Division



Street, but left soon afterwards empty-handed and apparently unarmed.

### Jury Discrimination Case Considered

On Monday the Supreme Court took up a case on racial discrimination in jury selection. The incident regards a black defendant's murder conviction and death sentence at the hands of an all-white Georgia jury, with evidence that the justices heard evidence and struck out all prospective black jurors in the 1987 trial.

### Perkins Student Loan Cuts Coming

More than 500,000 college students across the country have been stripped of over a billion dollars in financial aid following the Senate's refusal to renew the nation's oldest loan program for college students. The 57-year-old federal Perkins loan program expired at the end of September after the Republican-controlled Senate blocked legislation to extend it.

### Higher Minimum Wage Draws Support

A City Club of Portland panel has determined there's merit in creating a higher minimum wage in the city. A 10-member volunteer committee concluded last week that individual cities should be able to raise the minimum wage above the state rate

to address the needs of residents living at the lower end of the economic spectrum.

### Fire in Vacant Home

Squatters smoking inside a southeast Portland home are the suspected cause of a fire Sunday night at an otherwise empty house at 3542 S.E. Taylor St., fire officials say. No one injured and damage estimates were not immediately available.

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## Startup Business Finalists Named

### PDC narrows field from minority applicants

Nineteen finalists from minority, women or other disadvantaged groups are in contention for getting financial and other entrepreneurial help to start a business in Portland that is geared to a national or international market.

The Portland Development Commission named the finalists Monday for its Startup PDX Challenge from a field of 96 applicants. Up to six startup businesses will receive a package valued at more than \$50,000 per company with up to \$25,000 in a convertible note or low-interest loan, a full year of rent-free office space in Portland's Old Town/Chinatown neighborhood, and free professional advice, memberships and services.

A Challenge selection committee will consider each semi-finalist's application and personal interview in determining the winners.

The general public is invited to visit the [pdc.us](http://pdc.us)

website to learn more about each semi-finalist and vote for their favorites. Public voting runs through midnight Monday, Nov. 9; the winner of the public vote will receive a package of education, co-working, and membership services.

"The Startup PDX Challenge has really opened our eyes to the number of investment-ready startups we have in our community led by diverse founders. Being intentional about our goals for diversity is already making a difference in our entrepreneurial community, and we look forward to working with the next class of exciting, innovative startups," said Patrick Quinton, PDC executive director.

The group includes 13 startups with women founders; seven with African American founders; seven with Hispanic founders; six with Asian/Pacific Islander founders; one with a Native American founder; and one with a disabled founder.

Challenge winners will be announced in mid-December. The move into the Old Town/Chinatown space is slated for early January.

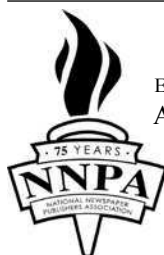
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