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TODAY

The Black Student Union will present an Evening of Black Entertainment in the EMU Fir Room at 8 p.m.



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 Mostly sunny.
 High 70. Low 40.

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A COMMON Thread

Student groups contribute panel

By Doug Irving
 Student Activities Reporter

A panel created by eight collaborating student groups will be added to The NAMES Project AIDS Memorial Quilt when it arrives in Eugene this Sunday.

"I hope that they realize the power of working together, that different groups can come together and create something that's beautiful and everlasting," said Margaret Butler, co-director of the Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Alliance. "All the student groups who were involved managed to work together and create something everlasting."

One hundred sixty panels of the Quilt, mostly from Portland and Lane County, will be displayed Sunday through Tuesday in the EMU Ballroom. A special ceremony will welcome it on Sunday, during which the names of 375 AIDS victims from Lane County will be read.

Eight student groups each created a 10-square-inch segment that represented their group. The segments were then joined together to create a six-foot by three-foot panel.

The groups' panel has a black background and is framed by multi-colored hands. The groups involved were asked to cut out the hands themselves, Butler said. The resulting hands illustrate that AIDS can strike anyone of any color, anytime, she said.

"The hands are demonstrating visually the interconnectedness of this," she said. "Students across the

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History sewn into Quilt

Sherry Rainey
 Community Editor

An idea to document those who have died of AIDS has turned into an international art project that covers more than 19 football fields.

The project began in June 1987 with a small group of strangers in San Francisco whose goal it was to create a memorial for those who had died of AIDS, and to thereby help people understand the devastating impact of the disease.

This meeting of devoted friends and lovers served as the foundation of The NAMES Project AIDS Memorial Quilt.

The Quilt is composed of 3-foot by 6-foot panels — the size of a human grave — and each panel commemorates the life of someone who has died of complications related to AIDS.

AIDS is a worldwide pandemic with

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QUILT FACTS

- **Visitors to Quilt:** 5,581,533 (U.S.)
- **Number of Panels:** 31,289
- **Panel Size:** 3 ft. by 6 ft.
- **Quilt Size:** 12 football fields without walkway between sections; 18 football fields with walkway
- **Total Weight:** 36 tons without walkway, 41 tons with walkway
- **Volunteer Hours:** 410,500 (1994)

SOURCE: The NAMES Project



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Festival salutes black artists



Weaving a new hair style, Nekicia Luckett, an Exercise and Movement Science senior, braids Jerry McGill's hair in front of the EMU during the Black Arts Festival on Thursday evening.

■ **CULTURE:** The annual event highlights aspects of the black experience

By Ashley Bach
 Student Activities Reporter

The sound and smells of food, music and merchandise filled the EMU Courtyard Thursday as part of the ninth annual Black Arts Festival, which concludes today.

The Black Student Union sponsored the event, which brings together vendors, artists and musicians from around the University and Eugene community.

As the sun beat down and stu-

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Parking committees receive student input

■ **PROPOSALS:** The move to Autzen is only one of 15 possible solutions to the problem

By Jean M. Bond
 Higher Education Reporter

A University proposal to move student overnight parking to Autzen Stadium seemed to be the main concern during Thursday's transportation public comment session, said Chris Ramey, director and architect for

University Planning.

The University Transportation Review Working Group and the University Planning Office held the Thursday-afternoon session for concerned citizens and students to raise concerns and ask questions about the parking proposals being considered by the University, said Lynn Kahle, chairman of the working group.

The working group set up

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