

70's meets 90's at Retread Threads

Question: What has red, white and blue wigs, funky clothes of the 70's and the trends of the 90's, and a display of jewelry and false eyelashes that would make RuPaul jealous?

Answer: Retread Threads!

Fashion Goddess

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Located on the corner of SW Oak and 10th right off of Burnside, Retread Threads is a small store that I passed every time I drive up Burnside but never had the guts enter. It's not because the store is so alternative that I would feel out of place, it's because I am too scared to parallel park—which you have to do if you want to go into this store. It's not next to anything in particular except for some other modest stores, but Retread Threads is so *out there* that it has to be visited.

Quirky electronica music was blaring when I ventured in for the first time the other day, which kind of intimidated me at first, but the sales girls were extremely friendly. I wasn't expecting them to be so helpful, but because this is such a small location, it's not like they can really ignore you.

The first thing that caught my eye was the clothes on display. They had some of the most fashionable things of the moment on the mannequins—like Capri pants and tube tops—which made me wonder why they called the store Retread Threads. I mean, shouldn't there be some "recycled" clothes here? But walking further back into the store, (more like two or three steps), I uncovered their namesake. Hello, Sonny and Cher! They had some of the brightest, most outrageous 70's gear that I though only existed in my grandma's attic! Not to mention the shoes—sure, they were used, but if you want some of the

original platforms, Retread Threads awaits you.

Guys, don't feel left out. You too can sport the leisure suit look that fortunately died 20 years ago—all for a fantastic price! All of the vintage clothing was extremely cheap and in surprisingly good condition. Although most of the guys' clothing was towards the back and more secluded, it's worth a browse.

Retread Threads isn't pure vintage, which probably contributes to its lasting power. It has tons of summer clothes and accessories, like sunglasses, to offer the less-than-daring (like me). I couldn't help myself and I gave into my need to spend money at least once a week, and I bought a very scrupulously priced pair of pants. The best thing about this store is they don't charge you your left arm for what is considered temporarily fashionable.

Did I mention the false eyelashes and colored wigs? These can't be overlooked—especially since the wigs are on display in the store window that faces outside. I wasn't brave enough to actually try one on, but I did linger at the counter that encased glittery false lashes and a variety of rings for various body-piercing locations. Black-rimmed glasses with faux diamonds sparkled next to the most current thing of the minute; those hot yellow tinted glasses. "This store has everything!" I remarked as I worked my way to the dressing room (which, by the way, was the only drawback of the store—they are covered by hanging curtains only, making it very easy for a peeping Tom to get a nice view).

Retread Threads definitely caters to a multitude of people with all that it has to offer—just like the rest of downtown. Maybe that is the key to being considered *chic* in a downtown store, but not too *chic* that a trendy label sticks. Cater to the people who live in, on and around the streets, and they will keep coming back for more. I know I will.

Williams confronts the afterlife

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Grab your box of tissues and prepare yourself to be overwhelmed by emotion.

Robin Williams gives an amazingly emotional performance in *What Dreams May Come*, now out on video. Williams plays Chris and Annabella Sciorra plays Annie. Together they light up the screen as husband and wife, but also so much more: soulmates.

Chris and Annie suffer extraordinarily when they lose both of their children to a tragic car accident. Annie, steamrolled with grief, finds herself lingering just over the

edge. Chris is ready to catch her if she falls, and he helps to bring her back to reality.

Once Annie is on the road to recovery, she finds herself stricken with grief again. Annie feels alone in the world, after the tragic death of her husband - her soulmate.

Annie had hoped to achieve matrimonial bliss with Chris and grow old with him. But the chain of tragic events that occur lead Annie over the brink of insanity.

All the while Chris is in Heaven and learning to adjust to the transition from mortal existence with the help of his guide Albert, (Cuba Gooding Jr.). At first, Chris isn't comfortable with the change, but he

is comforted by knowing he'll eventually be reunited with Annie when she dies.

Through a cruel twist of fate, Annie takes her own life and is banished to an eternity of damnation. Chris vows to find and rescue his wife in a harrowing conquest through hell and back. Along the way Chris will meet with dearly departed loved ones to help him in his quest.

What Dreams May Come was released on video March 9, 1999. It is a drama that will bring out the romantic in us all. A definite rental for movie buffs. A look at love's conquering all, with Hell knocking on the door. Sit back, relax, and let the tears flow freely.

Art dept. showcases students

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A student art exhibition will take place May 5-28 in the Pauling Gallery on the main campus. The showing offers students, who have been inspired through enrollment in a Clackamas art class, the opportunity to have their work purchased for the college's permanent collection.

Interested students are required to

follow exhibit guidelines. All work must be turned into the Art Department on Wednesday, April 28; Thursday, April 29; or Friday, April 30 by 4 p.m.

Each piece submitted for the exhibit must have an attached card listing the title, medium, date piece was completed, purchase price, and artist's name. Work submitted to the show must remain in the exhibit until May 28, and artist's must pick up their work in the Art Department June 1-4. The Art Department faculty can refuse inappropriate work

or pieces that do not meet the criteria for the exhibit. Work eligible for purchase must be framed or properly prepared for permanent installation.

As part of the exhibition, a student/artist reception will be held on Tuesday, May 11, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Everyone is encouraged to come to the Pauling Gallery to admire the artistic works crafted by fellow students.

If you have any questions regarding this campus event, please contact David Andersen at ext. 2743.

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2. *Life*
3. *Never Been Kissed*
4. *Pushing Tin*
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6. *Lost and Found*
7. *10 Things I Hate About You*
8. *The Out-Of-Towners*
9. *Go*
10. *Forces of Nature*

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