

Entertainment Guide

by Allen Jones

WILLIE HUTCH IN CONCERT ***

New Breed's in conjunction with Roy J. Enterprises hosted the Willie Hutch concert Sunday evening at the Jantzen Beach Thunderbird. There were 1,000 tickets that went on sale for the show. According to the promoters it was a sell-out. The actual show itself was a little late getting started. But, with all of the technical problems that invariably come with concerts these days, there're always late getting started. Hutch performed two shows and both were equally satisfying to the audience. He did selections from his first album (which incidentally turned Gold) "The Mack". All the way up to "Party Time" his latest. If you're not hip to the song styles of Willie Hutch - you should. I've always thought he sounded a bit like Sam Cooke. He took a break from his normal routine to do a medley of impressions, with Sam Cooke being the first. Along with: Otis Redding, Johnny Mathis and a few others. Both concerts were very good. The same musicians that record with Hutch were on the bill with him. So the quality of sound reproduction was excellent! There is one other point I'd like to make about the show, the beautiful women who attended the show. I don't recall a time that I've seen so many attractive women at one time! Even Willie Hutch had to acknowledge their presence. The fashion show was brief but the holders of the ticket stubs can get a 40 percent discount on the purchase of clothing at New Breed's fashions. You missed an excellent concert. Just ask anyone who attended!

A RECEPTION FOR HOOKS ***

Benjamin Hooks, new Executive Director of the NAACP, was honored Friday evening on the 19th floor of the new Benjamin Franklin Building. Fellowship and champagne were what the reception was all about. There were well wishes from as far away as Seattle, who came to wish Hooks the best in his new position. There were over one hundred people in attendance for the reception. Mrs. Bobbie Nunn, Tom and Grayce Kennedy, Berna Plummer, Lucius Hicks and all of the other people that were involved in making Hooks visit to Portland should be congratulated for a job well done.

4-H CHORAL ENSEMBLE ***

The 4-H Choral Ensemble has competed in the National 4-H singing contest in Sacramento, California, where they won first place. They were also well received when they made two appearances at the Freedom Train and when featured in the 4th of July Bicentennial Celebration. Under the direction of Ira D. Mumford, they have traveled throughout the states of Oregon and Washington.

Ira D. Mumford has sung with the Mills Brothers, Ink Spots, and Louis Armstrong. Mumford has been on radio (KGAR) for thirteen years with his own show and is now involved in being Extension Agent for Multnomah County out of Oregon State University.

If you're under the impression that outdoor concerts aren't what's happening you're obviously behind the times. Particularly those that are given at Washington Park. When I read in the summer festival guide that the 4-H Choral Ensemble was going to appear, I made it a point of being there. It's inspiring to hear a group of young people under such capable directorship as Ira Mumford perform. They had the amphitheatre rocking from the time they started to their final selection. "Good News," "The Chariots Coming," "Over My Head," "Swing Low," "Steal Away," and many more.

Mumford sang three solos - "Sixteen Tons," "Summer Time" and "Danny Boy." Keep in mind, that there is no band backing up this group, there're strictly - a cappella. Other members of the ensemble include: Natalie Barr, Alice Biggs, Joslyn Grant, Betty J. Hardy, Supervisor and 4-H Community Worker; Charles Hardy, Royce Hardy, Kim Kimmons, Iretta Mumford, Angela Scott, Mark Thornton, Edith Thrower, Charice Ware, and Michelle West.

Don't deny yourself the pleasure of hearing the 4-H Choral Ensemble when they appear again locally - they've got S-O-U-L!

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN ENTERTAINMENT -

August 12, 13, and 14 - Four Tops will appear at the Hayloft Tavern.
August 19 - Tony Bennett will be at the Civic Auditorium.
August 20 - Lou Rawls will appear at the Lane County Fair, for two shows.
August 20 - Blood, Sweat and Tears will be in concert at the Civic Auditorium.
August 21 - Helen Reddy will appear at the Lane County Fair, for two shows.
August 23-25 - Ray Charles will be at the Hayloft Tavern.
September 10 - Brothers Johnson will appear at the Paramount Northwest.
September 11 - Bob Marley will appear at the Paramount Northwest.
September 16, 17, and 18 - Chubby Checker will be at the Hayloft Tavern.



Trumpeter Jonah Jones joins Cozy Cole on Downtown Jazz, Fridays beginning August 12th at 9:00 p.m.

KBPS airs jazz series

Downtown Jazz, a series of traditional and contemporary jazz, headlining such artists as Charlie Byrd, Milt Jackson and Mary Lou Williams, will be presented on KBPS Radio (1450 AM) beginning Friday evening, August 12th, at 9:00 p.m.

The National Public Radio series, to air every Friday night at 9:00, will feature thirteen hour-long programs recorded live at the Statler Hilton Hotel in Buffalo, New York.

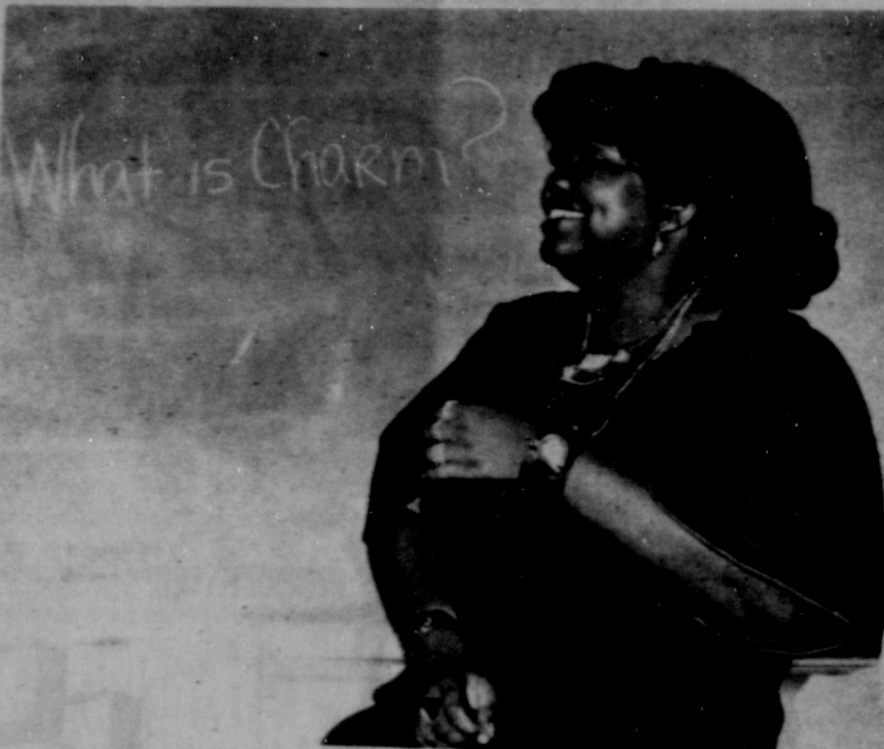
Each show highlights the club sets and includes conversations with the performing musicians. Produced by NPR member station WFBO-FM under the technical direction of Mark Fruehauf, Downtown Jazz provides a sampling of jazz history ranging from the swing band sound of Jonah Jones to the be-bop style of saxophonist Phil Woods to the modern

strains of pianist Monty Alexander.

The jazz concerts are part of a cultural renaissance now taking place in Buffalo, according to series host John Hunt.

"Buffalo is once again becoming a jazz town of the first order," says Hunt. "The series reflects this influx of solid jazz performers into our clubs and gives all jazz lovers a chance to share this wealth of talent."

The first program of the Downtown Jazz series, on August 12th at 9:00 p.m., will feature vocalist Helen Humes, pianist Gerald Wiggins and bassist Major Holley. Other artists in the series will be saxophonist Zoot Sims, trumpeter Clark Terry, and pianists Hank Jones and Jimmy Rowles.



Myrna Holt, a specialist in career development, ethnic studies and personal development, has joined the 4-H staff at the King Neighborhood Center as a community advisor. Ms. Holt will initiate classes in budget and finance in the home, personal relationships, young motherhood and fatherhood, government, personal development and arts and crafts. For information call 287-1770, at the Martin Luther King Neighborhood Center, or Portland Extension Office, 229-4840.

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Advance registration for fall term day and evening classes at Portland State University begins Monday, August 8th, and continues through Friday, September 9th.

To participate in advance registration, Admissions Director Eileen Rose says students must fill out a course request form and return it to the Registrar's Office before September 9th. Forms and time schedules can be picked up at the Registration and Records window in the lobby of Neuberger Hall (724 S.W. Harrison) on the PSU campus.

Students will be notified by mail of their course assignments, and also will receive a bill for tuition and fees.

Students who do not participate in advance registration, or are not satisfied with their class assignments, may parti-

cipate in general registration on Friday, September 23rd. Registration will be open from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. in PSU's Health and Physical Education Building (930 S.W. Hall).

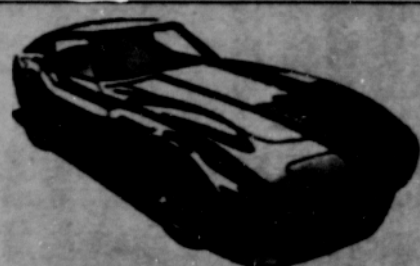
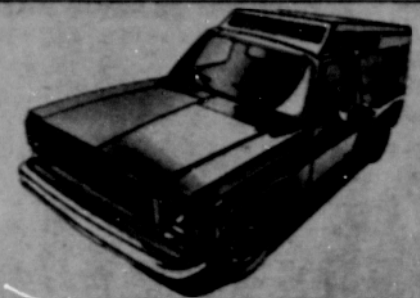
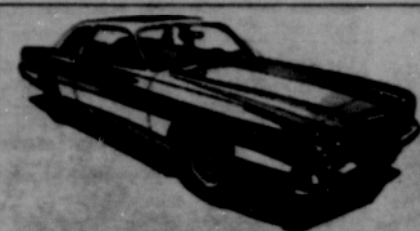
Persons over 65 years of age may take classes on a non-credit, space available basis at no charge. Senior citizens registration will be Monday, September 26th, in the Adult Learning Center, room 124 Cramer Hall.

Fall term day and evening classes begin Monday, September 26th. The last day to enroll for fall term classes without incurring a late fee is September 30th. The final day to register and pay fees is October 21st.

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