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Act One
By Ken Covington



Kirk Green - On the Right Track

A young boy about four years old is concentrating intensely on his sister's hands as she tries time and time again to make her fingers do what seems next to impossible, even though her teacher just hours ago made it seem as easy as ABC. Tired and frustrated she notices her brother and orders him from the room. After all it's her, not him, who's taking lessons and no matter what she's doing her little brother seems to always be in the way.



A few hours later the piano stool is empty. He returns and climbs up and tries the lesson he watched his sister do and in a few minutes not only does he have it but has added a little spice to it. Homemade Green, if you will. It feels good, real good, and the little man just smiles.

Today you can catch that same smile all over Portland on the face of Kirk

Green. Young, gifted and black, this man is a pleasure for anyone to watch as he expertly tickles the ivories and spreads his magic on any and everybody fortunate enough to be in his presence, musicians included.

Along with his powerful baritone/tenor voice Kirk Green after performing since the age of three is finally on the right track.

The son of a minister, Kirk started singing in the church and at various conventions all over California over 23 years ago.

When the family moved to Portland from Long Beach he started playing keyboards not really getting any formal training until he attended Jefferson High School where he played with the Jefferson Jazz Band. In 1976 the band toured the U.S. and Canada entering various jazz competitions. Kirk returned with awards for keyboard player of the year from British Columbia, Nevada and of course our great state of Oregon. He attributes his success to this and other victories to God, and strong support from his family.

Kirk on top of being an accomplished musician (he has mastered Rock, Jazz, Gospel and R&B) is a good husband and father and has a very positive energy that he takes and shares anywhere he goes. He believes that the talents God has blessed him with are to uplift the spirits of all peoples and that the opportunity for him to do this through the magic of recording are but a few months away. He is due to release two singles this summer and when you go out to buy them let me warn you now. Wear Your Sunglasses! They will be so hot you'll need the protection from the glare. God Bless his jazzy soul.

THE MUSICAL TECHNICIANS Hot Ten Albums

Technical Trivia

Q. What instrument did Morris Day play before he started singing?

Hot Ten Soul Albums

1. Sands of Time S.O.S./Tabu
2. Cashflow Cashflow/Polygram
3. Control Janet Jackson/A&M
4. Parade Prince/Warner Bros.
5. Guinn Guinn/Motown
6. Do Me Baby Melisa Morgan/Capitol
7. Big and Beautiful Fat Boys/Sutra
8. High Priority Cherrille/Tabu
9. Winner Patti Labelle
10. Headlines Midnite Starr/Solar

Drums A

Color of the week: Tangerine Orange
Word of the week: Reiterate — Say over or do over again

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Fri-Sat, Ron Steen Quartet
 - Cousins** 231 S.W. Ankeny, 228-4277
Fri-Sat, Freddie Hubbard
 - Jazz Quarry** 1111 S.W. Jefferson, 222-7422
Thur, Joshua Breakstone w/Ron Steen
 - The Eldorado Club** 5016 N.E. Union Ave., 284-8654
Fri-Sat, The Dennis Springer Quartet
Sun-Mon, The Janis Scroggins Quartet
 - Remo's** 1424 N.W. Glisan, 221-1150
Sun, Jam with Ron Steen
 - Bee G's** 5700 N.E. Union, 281-1176
Fri-Sat, Robbie Robinson
 - Key Largo** 31 N.W. 1st Ave., 223-9919
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Sun, Cool'R

Down the Way
The Cotton Club 820 M.L. King Way (Seattle), 328-1333
Thur. & Fri., **Roy Ayers**

Annual Cultural Night

The Association of African Students is going to hold its 7th Annual Cultural Night, on May 23rd, 1986 from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. in the Ballroom of Smith Memorial Center at Portland State University. State Rep. Wayne Fawbush will be the speaker.

There is an admission charge of \$3.00 to PSU students, and \$4.00 to the general public.

The Board for Hispanic Affairs presents their annual spring dance and music also on this evening.

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