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Next Week News From the African American Festival

Local Production Wins Big at International Film Festival

Grassroot News, a local production company, was recently honored at the Tenth Annual Cork Youth International Video and Film Festival in Cork, Ireland.

Teen Parent T.V., a production subsidized by the Portland Public School District and the North Portland Youth Service Center, won for best photography.

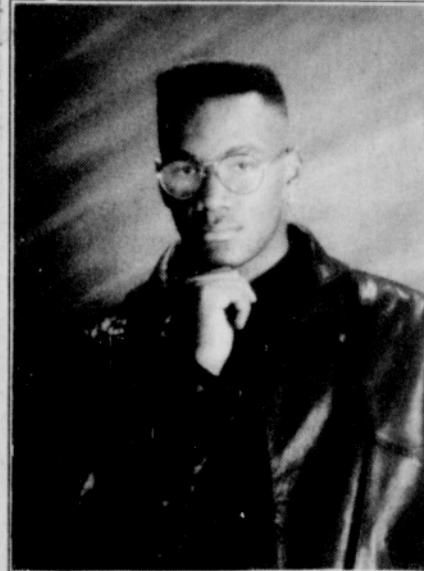
Teen Parent Magazine received an award for best film school and best editing. Other countries that participated in the festival included Belgium, Finland, Italy, Scotland, Australia, Great Britain and France.

This honor tops off a year of regional and national awards for Grassroots News.

Lanita Duke at right



"A Touch Of Elegance"



Zawdie Phillips

Les Femmes has chosen 22 high school seniors to be presented in their 40th Annual Debutante and Cavalier Ball, "A Touch Of Elegance."

Dedicated to improving the lives of African-American youth, while preparing them for life after high school is one goal of Les Femmes. The Portland based organization of women has developed a strict code of ethics and rigorous curriculum for the young people to follow. As a reward for following the ethics code and curriculum, each participant who demonstrates academic success and complete community service will be presented in a formal ball at the end of their senior year.

The 1991 Ball is scheduled for Sunday, June 23 at the Oregon Convention Center.

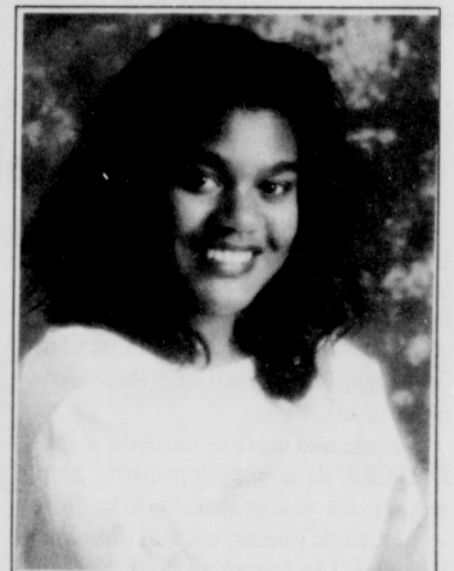


Fran Woodson

This week meet Zawdie Phillips, Rekah Tamara Strong and Fran Leslie Woodson.

Phillips is the son of Brenda Phillips and will graduate from Benson Polytechnic High School in June. At Benson Phillips played varsity football for three years where he was named to the First Team All City, Second Team All State and an alternate to the 1991 North Shrine team. Phillips will matriculate into University of Oregon this fall and major in business administration. His goal is to own his own business and be a role model for others.

Strong, a senior at Lincoln High School, is the daughter of Darnelle and Bonnie Strong. At Lincoln, Strong is a member of the forensics team, president of Involvement, Communications,



Rekah Strong

Equality (ICE) Club, and was a varsity cheerleader for two years. Strong was fifth runner-up in the Miss Teen All America pageant. She will enter University of Washington this fall and major in political science, then pursue a law degree. Her goal is to become a corporate lawyer.

Woodson, attends St. Mary's Academy, and is the daughter of Samuel and Fannie Woodson. Listed in "Who's Who Among American High School Students", Woodson was selected to attend the Minority Introduction to Engineering programs at University of Washington and Prairie View A & M University's honors college this fall and major in chemical engineering. Woodson will work within the research department of a company.

Shamsud-Din Wins Commission For Artquake 91 Image



Portland artist Isaka Shamsud-Din

Portland artist Isaka Shamsud-Din has been commissioned by the Artquake board of directors to paint an original work for use as the festival's 1991 graphic image. Shamsud-Din's creation will be featured on the event's poster and program and as wearable art on a T-shirt for Portland's 15th annual celebration of the arts.

While he draws on numerous media, subjects and presentations for his work, Shamsud-Din is best known for his giant, colorful murals. His murals currently hang at the Multnomah County Justice Center, the Portland Art Museum, Portland State University and the Cleve Allen Dental Clinic, among others. He cre-

ated the murals on both sides of the Northeast Business Center on Martin Luther King Boulevard in Northeast Portland, and, as an interactive dimension of his Zulu village mural now on display at the Children's Museum, he built in half of a domed Zulu house.

Shamsud-Din has lived in Portland most of his 50 years. He has taught art classes at Pacific Northwest College of Art, Portland State University and Reed College, as well as privately.

His commissioned Artquake work will be unveiled at a public reception in early June and will be on display during the festival at the Visual Arts Gallery on the fourth



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Julius D. Fields Jr. Appointed Sergeant in U.S. Air Force



Julius D. Fields, Jr.

The new noncommissioned officer (NCO) completed training in management, leadership, human relations, and responsibilities, before being awarded this status.

Fields is an aircraft armament systems specialist at McConnell Air Force Base, Wichita, Kan.

He is the son of Julius D. Fields Sr. of Northeast Portland, and Marie E. Baxter of North Portland.

The sergeant is a 1985 graduate of Benson High School, Portland, Oregon.

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