

# Arts & ENTERTAINMENT

The Portland Observer

## NW Black Music Month Celebration

Portland will host the 3rd Annual Northwest Black Music Month Celebration, June 6-8, 1996. Sponsored by UnForgettable Entertainment, the three-day event will give radio, record company executives, artists, music retailers, concert promoters and club owners and opportunity to meet and network in the city of roses. The 1996 Northwest Black Music Month Celebration calendar of events:

- **Thursday, June 6** - VIP Reception, Host: Mr. Lawrence Dark, President and CEO Urban League of Portland, special guest Irene Stokes, Los Angeles.
- **Friday, June 7** - Artist Autograph Signing, House of Sound Records, 3620 N. Williams, 3-6 pm, ART n' SOUL will make an appearance at One Stop Records, Music Galore, Pearl's Music.
- **Friday, June 7** - Artist Showcase, Roseland Theater, 8 N.W. 6th, MC "Mama Stokes", 12 local artist from R&B - Gospel will participate. All patrons who attend the Showcase Showdown will have a chance to win a trip to Hollywood, CA and be in a movie with IMMATURE, All ages, 7:00 pm, tickets \$7.00.
- **Friday June 7** - Atlantic Records Recording Group, ART n' SOUL, (produced by Tony, Toni, Tone - Timothy Christian) performing live at SHANGO's Bar and Grill, 333 S.W. Park, 21 and over, 9:00 pm, tickets \$10.00
- **Saturday, June 8** - Music Seminar, Isaac and Peggy Brooks Building,



Art n' Soul

3620 N. Williams (next door to House of Sound Records), record label representatives to producers will be on the panel, 10:00 am- 4:00 pm.

A celebration of urban music, this promises to be an exciting musical

event for Portland. The general public is invited to attend the June 7th and 8th festivities.

Tickets for the Artist Showcase and Concert will be available at all Fred Meyer Fastixx.

## Monifah



Uptown/Universal Records recording artist Monifah, "The New First Lady Of Uptown" released the second single, "You" from her forthcoming debut album Moods... Moments.

"You" is the follow-up to her current hit single "I Miss You (Come Back Home)" remix featuring AZ.

On "You," Monifah showcases her soulful singing style—a bubbling synthesis of blues, jazz, hip-hop and R&B.

The single features a top-notch production team including Heavy D (Soul IV Real) and Vincent Herbert (Toni Braxton, Whitney Houston).

The commercial single will also contain the "I Miss You (Come Back Home)" remix with rapper AZ on the b-side.

The talented songstress was discovered by Uptown President and recording artist Heavy D. Since her debut last fall with "I Miss You (Come Back Home)," a featured song on the New York Undercover soundtrack, Monifah's vocal prowess has garnered critical acclaim and national recognition.

According to Vibe magazine, her voice "flows like maple syrup...and burns like old whisky."

## As Big As Texas Itself...

Joe McBride appears in Portland to support new release Keys to Your Heart

Vocalist/pianist Joe McBride will headline KKJZ's concert for KKJZ Day at the Imperial Tombs of China on June 21 at the Portland Art Museum, 1219 SW Park Avenue from 3 to 7 p.m.

McBride's 6 p.m. show will feature selections from his brand new recording, Keys to Your Heart, which is the most added record this week on NAC/Jazz radio.

An infectious blend of original instrumentals and vocal tracks, Keys To Your Heart shows the growth of McBride's

spirit-lifting music style. Featuring special guests ranging from veteran Earth, Wind and Fire member Philip Bailey to contempo-jazz favorites Grover Washington, Jr. (soprano sax) and Larry Carlton (electric guitar), McBride's new release is a blend of the singer/songwriter's favorite musical styles -- jazz, bebop, R&B, funk, gospel and hip-hop.

Normal ticket price to the Imperial Tombs of China is \$13 but on June 21 KKJZ listeners will receive a \$2 discount. For further information, call the KKJZ listener line at 503-733-5733.



Joe McBride

## Mythmaker Celebrates Solstice



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The Mythmaker is James Griener in a tour-de-force solo performance written by Judith Catterall. They weave together contemporary issues and ancient spiritual traditions from around the globe to create a witty web of original stories, music and commentary.

Mythmaker runs at the Interstate Firehouse Cultural Center for two weekends, June 13-23. Performances are at 8 p.m. on Thursdays. Fridays and Saturdays, with 2 p.m. matinees on Saturday and Sundays. Reservations can be made by calling 823-2000.

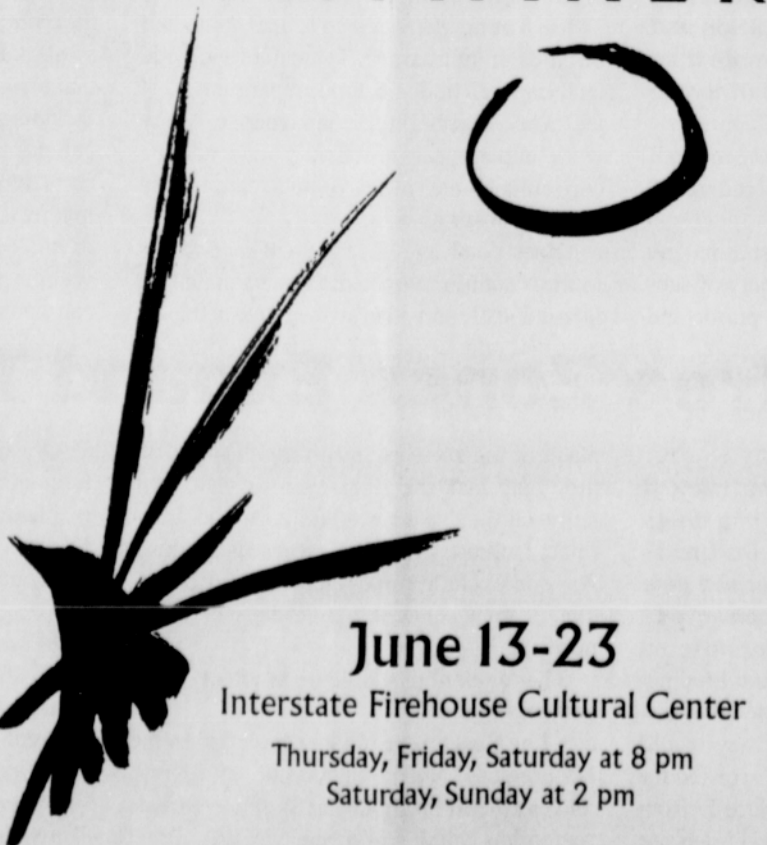
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