

# Education

## Isaac Hayes cites church burnings

Legendary entertainer Isaac Hayes recently joined leaders of diverse ethnic minority groups from as far away as Nigeria and Holland to work out solutions to a growing international trend of intolerance and indifference towards ethnic minorities.

Using the burning of African American houses of worship in the United States as an example, Hayes laid out how the escalating problems facing the Black community today are very similar to problems facing ethnic minorities the world over.

Hayes was joined by Rev. Heber Jentsch, the President of the Church of Scientology International; Professor Murice Giele-Zhanhazo, United Nations Special Rapporteur on Racism, Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia and Related Intolerances; Shaykh Latif Ali, head of the American Muslim Admiral



Isaac Hayes (center) makes his thoughts known at a recent international human rights conference as Rev. Heber Jentsch (right), looks on.

Family Circle and representatives of several other organizations concerned with the human rights and freedom.

Organized by Lift Every Voice, Inc. (LEV-I), a California-based group dedi-

cated human rights education and the enforcement of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the human rights symposium was entitled "United Nations Decade for Human Rights Education

1995-2005, NGO's and Human Rights: Power to the People".

As part of the conference activities, Mr. Hayes and actress Ann Archer hosted the third annual Lift Every Voice, Inc. Human Rights Awards event. Three posthumous awards were given. These went to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.; L. Ron Hubbard, the founder of the Scientology religion and Ken Saro-wiwa, Nigerian writer and vocal critic of the government who was abruptly sentenced to death last December.

Proceeds from the awards event will fund scholarships for university, college and high school students specializing in the field of human rights, to participate in the United Nations Summer Human Rights Internship Program in Geneva, Switzerland.

## Continuing Education classes

Space still is available for fall term adult and youth Continuing Education classes at Pacific Northwest College of Art.

Classes run from six to 12 weeks duration beginning Sept. 23 through Sept. 28 with many classes not requiring prerequisites.

Openings exist in the following classes: Multimedia Production; Computer Paint and Animation; Black and White Photography; Basic Sculpture - Mixed Media; Lithography and Monoprint, and various youth classes for ages 4-16.

Fall course catalogs and registration information are available by call-

ing (503) 226-0462.

To register in person, please visit the Pacific Northwest College of Art Continuing Education Office located at 1219 S.W. Park Ave.

Pacific Northwest College of Art is an independent, accredited institution offering the Bachelor of Fine Arts degree, certificate programs and continuing education classes.

The College is accredited by the Northwest Association of Schools and Colleges, and the National Association of Schools of Art and Design. For more information about Pacific Northwest College of Art, please call (503) 226-4391.

## Exercises to raise your child's IQ

BY VIVIAN W. OWENS

The following ideas are valuable in developing reasoning and thinking skills in young children between two and 10. You will need to discriminate on the appropriate activities for each age.

1. Line a pie plate with uncooked beans. Ask your child to remove these beans into a one quart plastic milk jug. He may not remove one bean at a time. Stand back and avoid giving him any hints. Ask your child to think carefully before taking any action.

2. Give your child a list of 10 names. Say the names once, and ask

your child to recite this list to you. Allow him three chances. Gradually increase the number of items on the list.

3. Read or sing nursery rhymes to your child. Help her to repeat these nursery rhymes.

4. Hold up the picture of a rooster or another animal. Ask your child to study it for one minute, and then lay the picture face-down. Ask the child to draw what he saw.

5. Lay 12 painted popsicle sticks on a table. Ask your child to regroup the sticks so that they are only three in each group.

6. Read a story to your child every day.

7. Enlarge a map of your city. Circle the street where you live and circle the street of your child's school. Ask your child to use a red marker to trace the shortest route from home to school. First, show him how to use the map.

8. Give your child a large print dictionary. Ask her to write a word and its meaning on an index card; do this twice each week. Post the words on the refrigerator with a magnet.

9. Require your child to read for

10 minutes from each of three textbooks every school night. During the summer encourage him to read from any book.

10. Ask your child to lay out a plan for evaluating a selected consumer product. For example: Determine whether one brand of popcorn should be ranked as good, poor, or excellent.

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## Some education inspires

BY DR. KIETH ORLANDO HILTON. We conclude each of our columns with the statement, "Education is ongoing and certainly not limited to classroom study. Let's talk."

Below are a few of our sources of education -- not all are of African descent. Some have helped directly and often and some have inspired us indirectly. This is how bridges are built and barriers toppled.

We encourage readers to also step forward and thank those people and organizations that have inspired you to go to greater heights.

African-Asian Images: A+ Images is a cross-cultural association primarily for men and women of African and Asian descent worldwide who are interested in building positive community, corporate and media images.

Dr. Yosef Ben-Jochannan: Egyptologists and world class scholar, long with Dr. John Henrik Clarke, Dr. Ben is one of the African world's most valuable elders.

Black Issues In Higher Education:

This Virginia/Washington DC-based publication has become the bible for many folks working in the academy.

Softline Information Ethnic NewsWatch: Eileen Heckerling heads this organization "that tells the other side of the stories." Ethnic NewsWatch is an impressive full text database of the newspapers, magazines and journals of the ethnic press.

Dr. Carolyn B. Murray: Associate Professor, Psychology and Ethnic Studies, the University of California at Riverside. She is African, centered, honest, a critical thinker and a friend.

Association For Education In Journalism & Mass Communication (AEJMC): On a professional level, AEJMC has served as a bridge for a lot of my media dissertation research.

Dr. Angela Jorge: New York based Afro-Latina professor and writer. Dr. Jorge has been instrumental in educating us about the similarities and dissimilarities between the African-America and Afro Latino world communities.

National Alliance of Black School Educators: NABSE consists of over 4,000 teachers, administrators, policymakers and support personnel. Its membership is international, with affiliates throughout the United States.

WinNet Communications: This

Louisville, KY, software company has helped keep Hilton: Higher Education connected to the world via the Internet.

The Journal of Blacks in Higher Education: New York City-based, this journal has provided us with solid research leads.

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