

Arts & ENTERTAINMENT

The New Adventures of Robin Hood

Turner Network Television (TNT) is pleased to offer you a first-look at Hakim Alston, the newest star of our original series The New Adventures of Robin Hood.

Hakim Alston has been cast as 'Kemal,' a trained warrior of the highest order in fighting as well as the philosophical arts.

In the series, the character will fight alongside Robin Hood in their weekly battles.

Alston is a 4th degree black belt who retired as ISKA World Heavyweight Kickboxing Champion and PKL World Heavyweight Full Contact Karate Champion in 1995 to pursue a career in acting.

To date, he has appeared in the features Mortal Kombat, for Newline, Blood Moon, Carolco, and Shootfighter, for Miramax.

The second season of The New Adventures of Robin Hood premiered on TNT Monday, July 14, at 10 p.m. (ET) and will run through the Fall of this year.

The New Adventures of Robin Hood, which debuted in January of '97 to the highest-ever rating for a launch of a one-hour original series on basic cable, is tongue-in-cheek action-packed series featuring Matthew Porretta in the title role and Barbara Griffin as the leather-clad Marion (now, every bit Robin's equal on and off the battle-field).



Hakim Alston joins the cast of The New Adventures of Robin Hood as the nomadic warrior Kemal, who helps Robin and his friends combat treacherous villains lurking in magical Sherwood Forest. Alston will make his debut in the second season of The New Adventures of Robin Hood, premiering Monday, July 14, at 10p.m. (ET).

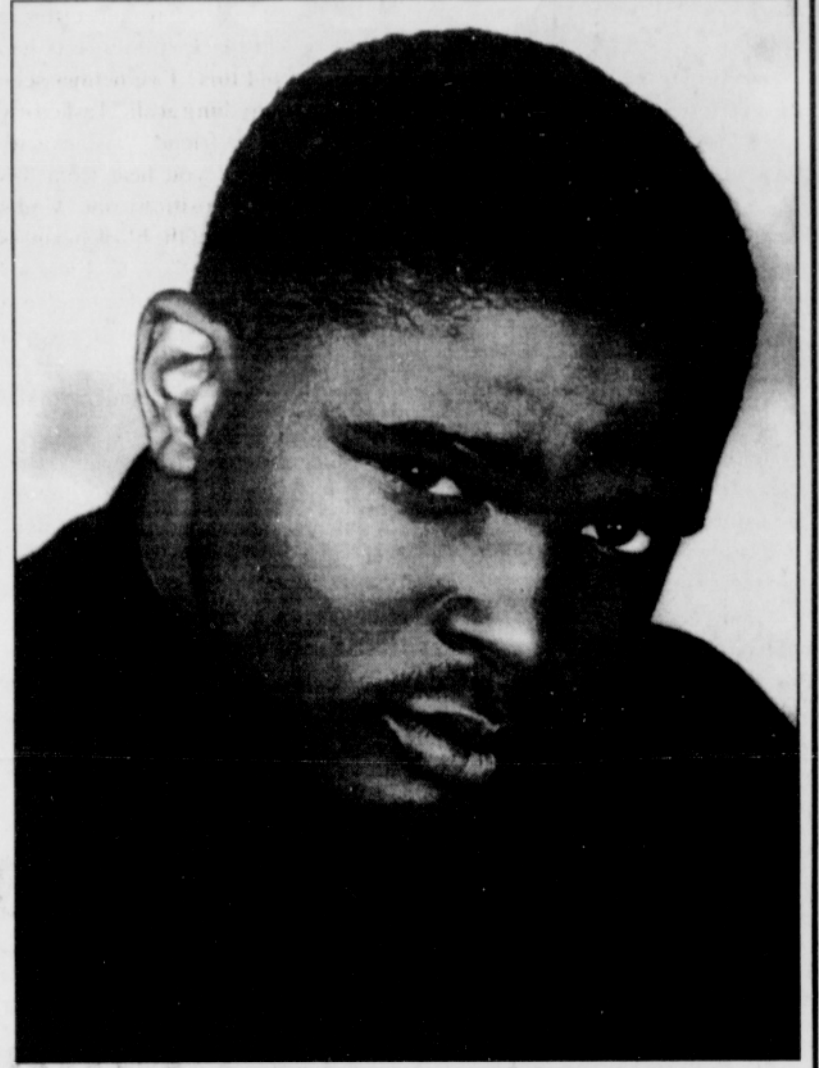
Darius McCrary to portray Ali

Actor Darius McCrary, who has starred as college student and eldest son Eddie Winslow on ABC's Friday night staple "Family Matters" for the past eight years, has a great reason to celebrate his recent 21st birthday.

He just began production on HBO's biographical drama "Don King: Only In America,"... a major career move for the young actor.

Although he originally was seen by Director John Herzfeld for another role in the movie, the gregarious McCrary was determined to show the director his "Ali impersonation." It worked like a charm and McCrary is now working daily, with a professional boxing trainer, to portray Ali in the production.

"Don King: Only In America" is scheduled to debut exclusively on HBO in November. McCrary has signed for a ninth season of "Family Matters."



Family Matters Star Darius McCrary (right) to Star As Muhammad Ali In HBO's "Don King: Only In America"

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Firehouse Festival

The Interstate Firehouse Cultural Center launches its 15th anniversary season of performing and visual arts with the first-ever Firehouse Festival - and all of Portland is invited!

Festivities will take place in Patton Park, adjacent to the IFCC at 5340 N. Interstate Ave., on Saturday, August 2 from noon to 8 pm, and Sunday, August 3 from noon to 6 pm. It will be a weekend of fun for the whole family!

Kids can review Civil War era cavalymen, create sidewalk chalk art, bounce around in an inflatable castle, or tour the neighborhood aboard a miniature train - while parents take a whirl at traditional ethnic folk dances from Poland, Hungary, Israel and Africa, browse the one-of-a-kind crafts for sale, or just celebrate the summer sunshine by listening to an eclectic mix of gospel, gypsy, bluegrass and jazz.

A Fabulous Art Car Show, starring Portland's madcap fleet of extravagantly embellished automobiles, will encircle Patton Park throughout the weekend.

Visitors are invited to hobnob with the art car creators and to collaborate in the transformation of a 1965 Chrysler LeBaron "beater" (donated by Beaterville restaurateur and art carenthusiast Bill Lockner) into traffic-stopping vehicular art.

Beverages from Columbia Distributing and Pepsi, iced down with Koldkist ice cubes, and fine Widmer Brothers craft brews will be available to complement a splendid variety of delicious ethnic cuisines.

Chances at getaways to Reno, Nehalem or Manzanita, memberships in OMSI or the Japanese Garden Society, tickets to a Tygres Heart Shakespeare production, and other equally enticing prizes will be offered for a mere \$5.

Admission to the Firehouse Festival is free. Donations are welcome; all proceeds benefit the IFCC's non-profit arts programs. For more information, call 503/823-2001.

"Great Kids" Theme for Woodstock Parade

The third annual Woodstock Community Festival Parade theme will recognize the contributions of the community's young people. Woodstock Festival Coordinator Angie Even announced last week.


"Many of the activities of the day will cater to local young people," Angie says. "Dance teams, sports groups, school bands, church groups,

personalities and characters such as Chuck E. Cheese, McGruff, Portland Pride's Louie the Lion together with dozens of costumed marchers and decorated bicycles will participate in the parade and Festival."

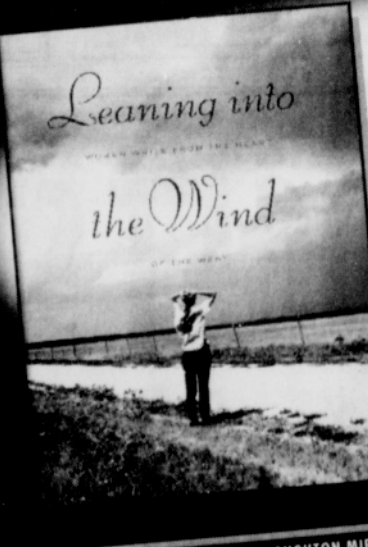
The Woodstock Community Business Association is sponsoring the Parade and Festival Day scheduled for August 23. Many local civic groups

are expected to participate in the activities. Booths and tables for artists and vendors will line the parade route along SE Woodstock Boulevard.

Individuals or groups seeking further information or wanting to participate in the parade should call Angie Even at 771-9912. Vendors and artists should contact John Bernunzio at 771-8171.



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Sunday JULY 20th

12:00pm - Paul Mazzio Quartet
2:00pm - Dan Fehnle
w/ Ed Bennel, bass
Mel Brown, drums
Toni Pacini, piano

4:00pm - Kelly Broadway
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