

Arts & ENTERTAINMENT

BJ's Asks Public To "Top This!"

Can you tap dance on your knee caps or play "Rhapsody in Blue" on a kazoo without taking a breath?

Maybe you can recite *War and Peace* word for word. If you possess a unique ability or talent to perform these or any other unusual human tricks, it could earn you a trip to Hawaii and dinner for two in their Lahaina restaurant courtesy of BJ's Pizza, Grill & Brewery.

"Top This" is being conducted in honor of BJ's 20th anniversary, where for two decades the family-style restaurants have earned "top" honors for quality and value.

Those who boast an unusual talent are encourage to participate by submitting a brief description of their unusual talent or trick along with their name,

address and phone number. to enter either fax the description to 562-491-0211, e-mail to frankgroff@earthlink.net, visit a BJ's location where entry forms are provided or simply call 562-491-1000 with the details. While outlandish feats and talents are welcome, only non-offensive entries will be considered. Deadline for "Top This" is Friday, September 11 at noon.

Those qualifying will be invited to participate in one of several semi-finalist rounds that will be held at various BJ's locations during the month of October.

Those selected in each of these rounds will participate in the final competition. Prizes will also be awarded to second, third, and fourth place semi-finalists. The grand prize winner,

who will selected by a panel of judges, will receive "top" honors, a commemorative plaque and the trip to Maui.

"We've been fortunate enough to be 'tops' in our field for 20 years and wanted to celebrate our 20th anniversary with a fun and unusual promotion.

"Top This" is the ideal vehicle to celebrate this milestone," remarked Paul Motenko, president of Chicago Pizza & Brewery, Inc.

"We're looking forward to selecting the individual who possesses the most outrageous talent to enjoy a vacation in Maui during the week of Halloween, when one of the largest parties in the world takes place. As part of their grand prize, the winner will be the guest of honor at the BJ's Pizza & Grill in Lahaina."

Lifetime Television presents "Intimate Portrait: Phylicia Rashad."

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An hour-long documentary detailing the actress's life and career, premiering Saturday, August 29, from 10-11 pm ET/PT.

Before she was known as Claire Huxtable, the stern but devoted mother on "The Cosby Show," actress Phylicia Rashad paid her dues on Broadway and on daytime dramas.

Today, she is happily married and is again starring opposite her friend Bill Cosby on his new television series.

The Program is narrated by Rashad's "Cosby" co-star and feature film actress Madeline Kahn.



Kenny Burrell-Love Is The Answer & Nnenna Freelon-Maiden Voyage

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For nearly half a century, Mr. Burrell's tasteful playing has virtually defined jazz guitar.

Love Is The Answer is a project Kenny had been creating in his heart as well as on paper for many years.

This CD features the inspiring vocal talents of **The Boys Choir Of Harlem** performing works written by Kenny Burrell. The message may have been said many times, but seldom so eloquently. It's a message worth repeating.

voice that is Nnenna Freelon, is a project the singer herself describes as "a joyous celebration of feminine spirit and passion...stories both new and familiar."



Kenny Burrell

"Jazz Greats"

Nnenna Freelon

Nnenna Freelon-Maiden Voyage

She's been hailed internationally as "the greatest female vocalist to come along in three decades."

Winner of the Billie Holiday Award from the prestigious Academie du Jazz in France and the Eubie Blake Award closer to home, she's also been nominated twice for Grammy awards.

Maiden Voyage, the newest recording from the original jazz

Movies on the Move!

Portland Parks Takes Films and Fun to the Neighborhood

Portland Parks & Recreation is hoping to make Friday nights a fun night for hundreds of youngsters in low income neighborhoods with "The Travelin' Movie Jam."

The pilot program will bring PG and G-rated movies, plus special activities, to four different housing developments every Friday night from August 21 to September 11, 1998, 7:00-10:30 pm.

"Portland Parks and Recreation want all children to have access to positive recreation," said Parks Director Charles Jordan,

"And, sometimes that means we go to them."

Thomason Auto has donated a van which will be outfitted with a 16mm projector and screen.

The van will travel to selected housing developments where kids will be treated to games, prizes, refreshments and a movie showing.

In addition to Thomason Auto, Pepsi, and Kaiser Permanente are partnering with

Portland Parks & Recreation to reach out to these communities and provide entertainment through this unique project.

Look for The Travelin' Movie Jam at the following sites:

WHEN; WHERE; MOVIE
August 21 Columbia-Tamarack Village "George of the Jungle"

August 28 Brentwood-Darlington Comm. Center "George of the Jungle"

September 4 Hillsdale Terrace "Mulan"

September 11 ElProgramo Hispano "Mulan"

According to "The Jam's" coordinator Carol Aquino, "I'm hoping that next year we'll take it to center which serve homeless children, and a long range goal is to also make the movie van available to neighborhood associations for their use at community activities, but we'll have to see how things go this year. We hope to reach 300 kids over the next four weeks."

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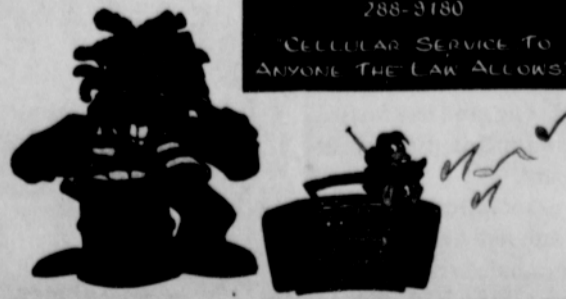
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(Rain location: Marshall High School 3905 SE 91st. Same date and time.)
AFTERNOON EVENTS BEGIN AT 3 PM
OREGON SYMPHONY CONCERT AT 7 PM
Murry Sidlin, conductor; Julianne Johnson, vocalist
The Oregon Symphony will perform a mixture of light classical favorites and Broadway show tunes.

FERNHILL PARK
NE 42nd North of Killingsworth. Sunday, August 23rd
(Rain location: Whitaker Middle School, NE 42nd & Killingsworth. Same date & time.)
AFTERNOON EVENTS BEGIN AT 3 PM
OREGON SYMPHONY CONCERT AT 7 PM
Murry Sidlin, conductor; Julianne Johnson, vocalist
The Oregon Symphony will perform a mixture of light classical favorites, and Broadway show tunes.

TOM MCCALL WATERFRONT PARK
Bowl area south of Hawthorne Bridge. Mon., Aug. 31st
(Rain date: Tuesday, September 1st)
OREGON SYMPHONY CONCERT AT 7 PM
James DePreist, conductor
The Oregon Symphony performs classical works including Tchaikovsky's 1812 Overture, complete with fireworks and cannons!
Concert supported in part by NW Natural
Food and beverages available for purchase

The City of Portland and the Regional Arts and Culture Council present:

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