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## The Best Keeps Getting Better

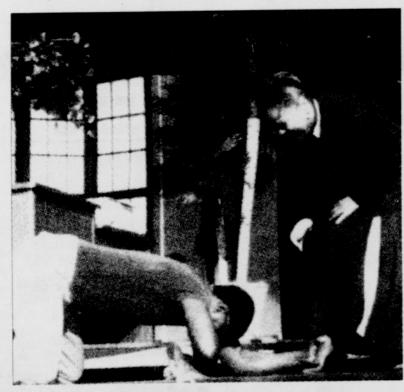
Like "Things Aint What They Use To Be" "Gods Trying To Tell You Something" And the largest gospel tour in history the "Tour of Life" and now after sell outs across the country Delilah Rashell Williams brings you the #1 Show in the country "SOMEBODY OUGHTA TELLGODTHANK YOU"

After Rave Reviews and Sell Outs across the country they're finally coming to you! From Detroit to California From Chicago to Florida, Memphis, Birmingham, Atlanta and Counting tens of thousands have been left on their feet in awe of this production. 3 turntable revolve simultaneously carrying a lavish set and a awesome cast:

Anchored by a 5 piece mega tight band under the direction of musical genius Don Herron and a stellar cast including the remarkable David Sea who will be returning to Portland after an award winning performance as Oscar Crawford in

"Things Aint What They Use To Be" and also part of "Dennis Edwards and the legendary Temptations, just back from a whirlwind tour in Europe"

Along with Renda Pettis of the "Sophisticated Ladies" regime and Denise Cooke from "BET's Blackberry Inn" who starred as the hilarious "Ruthie Ann" Phillip Lewis from



Jayne Kennedy's "African American" and Delilah Rashell Williams critically acclaimed "Gods Trying To Tell you Something" They will all hit the stage for a 2 1/2 hour dynamic performance that will be talked about for years to come.

The show is about a man that has nothing and than was blessed with everything only to forget about GOD who made it all possible Live on Stage at the Arlene Schnitzer Concert Hall One Night Only Friday Jan. 8 at 8 PM Tickets on sale now at the Box Office "the House of Sounds" Pearls Music Shop" One Stop Records" Music Millenium and The Best of All Worlds or call 285-4009 or 955-1024 or Charge by Phone 503 224-4400

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# "Somebody Oughta' Tell GOD



It's Here!

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"God's Trying To Tell You Something",
"Things Ain't What They Used To Be" and the
"Tour of Life"... Now Get Ready for the Next
Hit Gospel Stage Play to Rock the Nation!



Don't miss it!



Coming to the Arlene Schnitzer Concert Hall for One Show Only on Friday, January 8th at 8 p.m. Tickets are available at the Box Office and all Ticketmaster Outlets. For group sales and best available seats call (503) 285-4009. Hurry... this show will sell out!

## The Remarkable Story Of Samuel Bryant

As the descendant of an African slave and a native American woman, Samuel Bryant spent his early years picking cotton in the fields of Mississippi. Today, he stands proud as the owner of the only African-American art gallery in downtown Portland.

Samuel's journey from obscurity to success epitomizes the American dream. When his family moved to Portland, he attended Irvington Grade School and Grant High School then worked as a photographer for Bonneville Power Administration.

One afternoon, his life suddenly changed. While on assignment at the Nez Pierce Indian Reservation in Idaho, he went into a store to pick up a snack. An old Indian man was standing in a corner. Their eyes met and Samuel felt the old man looking into his soul. When Samuel turned to leave, the old man was gone. Half a dozen miles from the store, Samuel pulled over onto the shoulder of the highway, unable to continue. Waves of tears flooded down his cheeks and a voice spoke to him: 'Red Eagle, Red Eagle, you are Red Eagle.' The

voice spoke for what seemed like an eternity and when he looked up again, it was dark. He returned to Portland amazed by the experience. The inner vision remained with him and two years later, he realized that his destiny was bring the art and spirit of Africa to Portland through stone sculptures from Zimbabwe.

Everything fell into place and 'Red

Eagle Gallery' opened its doors on May 15, 1997. Not only is the gallery a place of astonishing beauty where visitors can feast their eyes on exquisitely carved visions of Africa, but it is a metaphysical sanctuary to heal and revitalize the soul. Samuel is a truly remarkable man whose story will inspire and encourage your read-

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