

Family Living

30th NAACP Image Awards' Honors the Best and Brightest African American Images

PASADENA — Amidst the pagentry and prestige of some of the finest names in entertainment, the 30th NAACP Image Awards, which airs Thursday, March 4 (8-10 PM ET/PT on FOX), presents some of the best and the brightest African American images in the world. The ceremony was taped on Sunday, Feb. 14, at the Pasadena Civic Auditorium, delivering an emotional and exciting show honoring this year's NAACP Image Awards theme, "30 Years of Celebrating, 90 Years of Courage."

The show opens with a rousing performance by gospel superstar Kirk Franklin and Nu Nation, featuring Run DMC, performing "Revolution," setting the mood for a fast-paced, highly entertaining evening. Hosted by Mariah Carey and Blair Underwood, the Image awards, which were established to honor the accomplishments of artists and individuals who have worked to bring about positive images and meaningful opportunities for African Americans in the arts, does just that.

The NAACP Image Awards have been a staple of the African American entertainment community for more than 30 years, and has been televised for 12 years. The awards show was created to showcase African American images that had been previously slighted by Hollywood's traditional systems of recognition.

The two-hour primetime telecast will air March 4 on FOX for the



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fourth consecutive year. In his 12th year with the Image Awards, Hamilton Cloud is the show's executive producer. Vicangelo Bulluck produces for the fourth year.

Chuck Vinson will direct for the second year. The 30th NAACP Image Awards is a production of Thundercloud Productions in association with Fox Square Productions.

Sealing Out Tooth Decay

February is National Children's Dental Health Month and the Multnomah Dental Society encourage parents to talk to their dentists about protecting their children's teeth with dental sealants.

A sealant is a clear material that is applied to the chewing surfaces of the back teeth (premolars and molars), where decay occurs most often. The sealant acts as a barrier, protecting the decay-prone areas of the back teeth from a sticky film of bacteria called plaque.

When the teeth are developing, depressions and grooves form in the chewing surfaces of the enamel. These features are called pits and fissures. They are difficult to keep clean because toothbrush bristles cannot reach into them. They create snug places for bits of food and plaque to hide. The sealant forms a thin cov-

ering that keeps out plaque and food and decreases the risk of decay.

Each tooth takes only a few minutes to seal. After cleaning the teeth that will be sealed, the dentist conditions the chewing surface to help the sealant adhere to the tooth. The sealant is then painted onto the tooth enamel, where it bonds to the tooth.

While the sealant remains intact, the tooth surface will be protected from decay. Sealants hold up well under the force of normal chewing. They may last several years before a reapplication is needed.

A total prevention program includes brushing twice a day, cleaning between the teeth daily with floss, regular visits to the dentist, and limiting the number of between meal snacks. Ask your family dentist about the benefits of adding sealants to this prevention program.

(from left to right): Will Smith, Mariah Carey, Michael Jordan, Blair Underwood, and Lauryn Hill on The 30th NAACP Image Awards, Thursday, March 4 (8-10 PM ET/PT) on FOX

The African American Drama Company Presents "Can I Sing For You Brother?"

A Musical medley play of Negro spirituals starring Lewis G. Tucker

Meet Josua Moses Isiah (Joshma) as he uses the unique expressions of the Negro Spirituals so show how Black Americans were able to survive the institution of slavery and shares his remembrances of how the spirituals inspires the survival of people he came to know:

Tuesday, February 23, 1999 7:30 p.m.
Melrose Auditorium, Linfield College
Free and Open to the Public

WOODSTOCK HOUSE COMPLETED:

GRAND OPENING CELEBRATION FOR OUTER SOUTHEAST COMMUNITY AND PROJECT PARTNERS

ROSE Community Development Corporation (CDCO) celebrated the completion of a new affordable rental project at 7005 SE Woodstock. Woodstock House is Portland's first supportive, alcohol and drug-free housing for families in recovery. Operated by network Behavioral HealthCare, this six-bedroom home will provide families with stable, permanent housing, allowing them to focus on the recovery process and their other priorities. The second three-bedroom unit in the large duplex will provide quality, affordable housing to a very low-income large family on the ROSE rental waiting list.

Multnomah County Commissioner Lisa Naito, represented outer Southeast Portland in the official ceremony last week. ROSE acquired the tax foreclosed lot for Woodstock House through Multnomah County's Affordable Housing Development Program and also received major project funding through Multnomah County's Strategic Investment Program. Other key project funders include The Enter-

prise Foundation and the Portland Development Commission.

Woodstock House, a two-story duplex, will provide affordable rental housing for a large low-income family and permanent housing for families recovering from alcohol and drug abuse. The three-bedroom unit will rent to a large family who earns less than 30% of the median income. The six bedroom unit includes three family suites, each with two bedrooms and a bath. This innovative design will enable families to live together in an alcohol and drug free environment while continuing to recover from the adverse affects of addiction. Comprehensive supportive services from Network Behavioral HealthCare's Project Stop Program, the agency's addiction treatment services department, will be provided to recovering families in the six-bedroom home. Human Solutions Inc., a licensed property management organization, will provide property management services.

ROSE Community Development

Corporation, who was recently recognized, as the state of Oregon's most outstanding community development corporation, provides housing, economic development and community organizing programs in outer Southeast Portland. ROSE has developed 150 units of affordable housing including Lents Village, a 63-unit senior apartment building that includes the Lents Loaves and Fishes Center and Johnson Creek Commons, a model project with environmentally sensitive and energy efficient features. Innovative ROSE programs also support the economy of southeast Portland. The Child Care Neighbor Network provides resources and training to more than 100 family child care businesses and created programs supporting before-and-after school care, teen parents and a cooperative pre school. Time Traders, a barter program, has more than 200 community participants who exchange skills and services in the neighborhoods of Brentwood-Darlington, Mt. Scott-Arletta, Foster-Powell and Lents.

Black History Month Special

Event at Augustana Lutheran Church
Saturday, February 27 @ 7:00 p.m.

The Disciples of Song special concert, with Christor and Evelyn Lewis, Marilyn Keller, and many more.
The event will be held at Augustana Lutheran Church, 2710 NE 14th Avenue; phone 288-6174 for more information. Freewill offering.

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TRI-MET NEWS

Help plan Tri-Met's future

■ Public comment welcomed on how to expand it

Tri-Met is hosting a series of open houses around the region so the community can help the agency make choices on how best to expand the transit system. The public is invited to comment on the proposed three-year plan, as well as on ways to pay for the new service. Tri-Met will incorporate public suggestions into the service expansion package expected to be presented to the Board of Directors in late March. If the Board approves the plan, service improvements could begin in September, 1999.

Open house schedule:

Tigard
Feb. 22, 7-9 PM
Tigard Senior High School Lecture Hall
9000 SW Durham Road

Milwaukie
Feb. 23, 7-9 PM
St. John's Episcopal Church Parish Hall
2036 SE Jefferson

NE Portland
Feb. 25, 7-9 PM
Northeast Workforce Training Center
5600 NE 42nd, Building 2, Room 112

Downtown Portland
March 1, 5-7 PM
Portland-Building, Room C
1120 SW Fifth Avenue

SW Portland
March 2, 7-9 PM
Garden Home Recreation Center, Room B
7475 SW Oleson Road

Gresham
March 3, 7-9 PM
Gresham City Hall Council Chambers
1333 NW Eastman Parkway

Comments are also welcomed by contacting 238-5806, 238-5811 TTY, 238-6469 fax, www.tri-met.org or mail to Tri-Met Service Planning, 4012 SE 17th Ave., Portland, OR 97202.



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