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Jam on the Water



Photo: Tony Washington

The Mt. Hood Jazz Festival had its 5th Annual "Jam On The Water" benefit on the Portland Spirit. Gerald Veasley and Dan Balmer are shown entertaining guests on Sunday, April 25.

Mark Lundholm

Portland, Monday, May 3

Self-described "chemically-challenged" Mark Lundholm has come a long way from his days as a suicidal alcoholic "street guy" in Oakland California. Since 1992, he has performed in 48 states and five nations, doing comedy club engagements, shows for recovering substance abusers, corporate presentations, and college concerts.

Lundholm took the entertainment industry by surprise when his 1995/97 tour of "An Evening of 12-Step Humor" sold out to alcohol-free standing ovation crowds across the country. The outstanding reviews generated many appearance requests, including being the first non-alumnus ever invited to entertain at the Betty Ford Center. The current tour of Mark's new show has been accompanied by a phenomenal increase in the number and variety of those pursuing him for time and ideas.

Recovery may not be a particularly funny topic, and comedy's not a particularly sober world. That's

the crux of Lundholm's message: the irony of it all. And everyone loves it. Lundholm's technical proficiency and ability to take a hard

look at this serious disease in the context of a comedy show has garnered serious attention from the entertainment industry as well as from the top guns in the recovery community. He has been hired as a consultant for two separate Hollywood projects about the recovery process - one film, one TV series. The Betty Ford Center requested he be the first presenter in their 23rd Annual Public Education Series in January of this year; Hazelden has asked him to host a video series for individuals in a clinical setting. Colleges across the nation have engaged Mark to conduct sessions for their professors in the Chemical Dependency Departments and to

lecture at Alcohol Awareness Weeks.

On Monday, May 3, "I'm not judgin', I'm just sayin'..." is coming to Harvey's in Portland, located at

436 NW 6th at Glisan. Showtime is 8 PM. Tickets are \$10 in advance, \$12 at the door. Advance tickets are encouraged 503/241-0338.

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May 27th, 1999

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