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ENTERTAINMENT GUIDE

A weekly guide to events and activities in the Portland area.

See's Candies Jazz Band Classic Thursday, June 6

The See's Candies Jazz Band Classic is an evening of great music performed by the best regional high school jazz bands. The event will be held on Thursday, June 6, 7:30 p.m. at the Arlene Schnitzer Concert Hall. It offers interpretations of music from smooth swing to jumpin' jazz. Competing for first, second and third place trophies, each band is allowed 15 minutes to showcase its talent. For tickets, call Ticketmaster at 503-224-4400.

Rose Festival Parade Saturday, June 8

Join the festivities as Portland celebrates the signature event of the Rose Festival, the Southwest Airlines Grand Floral Parade on Saturday, June 8, from 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. The Parade route winds its way from Memorial Coliseum to downtown Portland. The Grand Floral Parade is the second largest all-floral parade in North America.

Northwest Tibetan Cultural Assoc. Saturday, June 8

Khando Chazotsang, the niece of His Holiness the 14th Dalai Lama will be speaking on "Tibetan Women Inside and Outside Tibet" on Saturday, June 8 at the Evans Auditorium of the Lewis & Clark College, 0615 S.W. Palatine Hill Rd., 7:30 p.m. For tickets, call 503-222-7172. To obtain more information about the Northwest Tibetan Cultural Association, go online to www.nwtca.org.

Dragon Boat Races June 8 & 9

For the 14th year, the Rose Festival is proud to host the Portland-Kaohsiung Sister City Association Dragon Boat Races. Always exotic and exciting, more than 100 teams compete with heats of four teams competing every six to eight minutes. The races will be held on the Willamette River near the Hawthorne Bridge on June 8 and 9, starting at 8 a.m. Spectators can watch the races at the south end of Tom McCall Waterfront Park.

Lakewood Theatre Through June 9

Lakewood Theatre Company concludes its 49th season on May 3 with the opening of the musical "Carousel," Rodgers and Hammerstein's lyrical and soulful story of a carousel barker who marries a pretty millhand and discovers love. Performances continue at the Lakewood Center for the Arts, 368 S. State St. in Lake Oswego until June 9. Call 503-635-3901.

Bonnie Raitt Friday, June 14

There's no mistaking the sound of Bonnie Raitt on her sixteenth album, entitled "Silver Lining." She will

be performing on Friday, June 14 at the Arlene Schnitzer Concert Hall, 8 p.m. Tickets are available at any Fastixx outlet or by calling 800-992-8499.

G.I. Joe's 200 Race June 14 - 16

The G.I. Joe's 200 returns to Portland International Raceway for the 19th time. This year's event features CART FedEx Series drivers. Legendary drivers such as Mario Andretti, Al Unser, Danny Sullivan, Parnelli Jones and Johnny Rutherford are scheduled to compete. The events are from June 14 - 16. For tickets and information, call 503-227-2681.

Portland Arts Festival June 14 - 16

The annual, award-winning Portland Arts Festival will be scheduled at the Eastbank Esplanade Festival Plaza next to OMSI, from June 14 - 16. It's a three-day celebration with displays of 150 local, regional and national artists and exposes festival-goers to an elaborate exhibit of fine arts and crafts in 13 mediums. Call 503-227-2681.

Portland Rose Festival Through June 16

A tradition for 95 years, the festival bursts into bloom each spring to celebrate the City of Roses events, excitement and entertainment for all ages. For a listing of calendar events, go online to www.rosefestival.org or call 503-227-2681.

Australian Dance Group Tuesday, June 18

The Wiggles, who hail from Australia, are a four man song and dance group that have been entertaining children throughout the world for over 10 years. They will be performing at the Newmark Theatre on Tuesday, June 18 at 4 p.m and 7 p.m. For more information, call Fastixx at 800-992-8499.

The Unstoppable Woman Thursday, June 20

"The Unstoppable Woman" is dedicated to women to help them free their spirit, break through obstacles, live their dreams and to never give up. This is an exclusive three-hour speaking event that features authors Cynthia Kersey and Deborah Owens on Thursday, June 20, 6:15 p.m. at the Newmark Theatre. For more information, go online to www.pcpa.com.

Nike Taste of Beaverton June 21 - 23

Now in its 14th year, The Taste of Beaverton features culinary delights set to the music of national, regional and local performers. The weekend's activities include the 41st annual Festival Parade On Broadway, which is Saturday, June 22 at 10 a.m. in downtown Beaverton. Other features include the Arts & Crafts Marketplace and rides for kids. Call 503-644-0123.

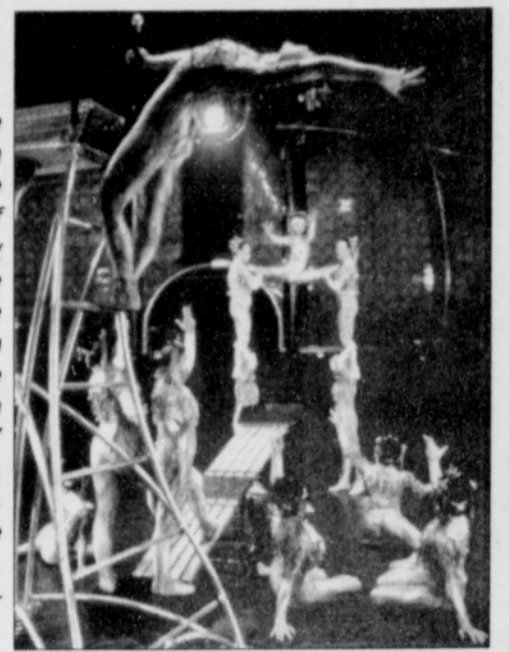
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A rare collection of 350 Japanese art masterpieces from the age of Emperor Meiji, from 1868 - 1912, will be on display at the Portland Art Museum from June until Sept. 22. Shown here is a gold shrine (above), and a jeweled elephant (below). The exhibit is in association with Japan Summerfest, a Portland-wide festival of Japanese culture. For more information, call 503-226-2811 or visit www.portlandartmuseum.org



Fusing Chinese acrobatic tradition with the avant-garde circus approach of Cirque du Soleil, they transcend the boundaries of the imagination in a dynamic performance called "Dralion" from June 12 - July 7 under the Big Top, located at S.W. Moody, under the Marquam Bridge. Call 1-800-678-5440.



I-5. Final look Light Rail, Bridge & more...

Recommendations are ready for final review :

- 3 through-lanes on I-5 including Delta Park
- A phased light rail loop in Clark County
- More I-5 capacity across the Columbia River
- Interchange improvements
- Land Use Agreements
- Freight rail improvements, and more

Join us at an open house 4:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.:

Monday, June 10*

Jim Parsley Center
2901 Falk Road, Vancouver

Wednesday, June 12*

Kaiser Town Hall
3704 N. Interstate Avenue, Portland

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