

Focus

ENTERTAINMENT GUIDE

"Extreme Power"

The Continentals, a contemporary singing and dance troupe, performs a free concert centered on the theme of extreme power. The troupe is comprised of 16 to 28-year-old performers. The concert is free and takes place Monday, April, 7 at 7 p.m. at Beaverton Christian Church, 13600 S.W. Allen Blvd.

Mt. Hood Jazz Festival

Celebrating national Jazz Appreciation Month, the Mt. Hood festival runs daylong featuring George Mitchell, In Good Measure and Stuart Wylen Trio. The April 9 festival begins with Mitchell playing from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Jazzy Bagel, 5 East Powell Blvd., followed by In Good Measure from 5 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at Boccelli's, 246 North Main. In the evening, the Stuart Wylen Trio plays in the lounge at Port Halling Brewing Co. For more information, call Sue O'Halloran, 503-661-8000 or Kathy Everett, 503-665-3827

"Facing Mekka"

Rennie Harris' latest hip-hop creation combines movement, rhythm, sound and image to unite people and cultures. The event will be held at The Lincoln Performance Hall at Portland State University, S.W. Park at Market, Thursday, April 10 through Saturday, April 12 starting 8:00 p.m. Tickets begin at \$12 for college students with ID and seniors 62 and over. Adult tickets are \$24 plus a service fee. Tickets available at PSU Box Office 1825 S.W. Broadway and all Ticketmaster outlets

Sicilian Saxophone Master

Gianni Gebbia returns to Portland for a rare U.S. performance accompanied by pianist, Garth Powell, and percussionist, Matthew Goodheart. The trio will play improvised jazz. This is their first Portland show as a group. The Creative Music Guild, at 3350 S.E. Francis St., hosts the trio Friday, April 18. Tickets are available at the door for \$15.00 general admission and \$12.00 for Creative Guild members. Doors open at 7:00 p.m. and the show starts at 8:00 p.m. All ages welcome.

Inner-City Blues Festival

The 14th annual "Keeping it Real" festival features several local blues and jazz musicians from the Portland area, including: the Linda Hombuckle Band, the Dave Fleschner Trio and the Jim Mesi Band. The festival takes place from 6:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. on Saturday, April 19, at the Melody Ballroom, 615 S.E. Alder. Tickets are \$15.00 or two for \$25 and can be purchased in advanced from Music Millennium, Geneva's Shear Perfection, Reflections Bookstore, Doris Café and Dal Ann's Ladds Inn.

Reparations Thursdays

David Park's new band, The Reparations, will play every Thursday at 9 p.m. with DJ Chill and special guest performers and DJs at The Red Sea, 318 S.W. Third Ave. Admission for those 21 and older is \$5.

NW Photography at the Talisman

A show featuring two northwest photographers, Dan Bronson and John McAnulty, can be viewed all month at the Talisman Gallery, 1476 N.E. Alberta, Bronson explores the beauty of life by capturing infrared life on film to create surreal landscapes and figure studies with a sensuous yet classic quality. McAnulty shows the beauty of nature with highly saturated images of the northwest and southwestern deserts.

Joe Mus Paintings

The Alberta Arts Pavilion and Our Dream Gallery will feature the paintings of Joe Mus all month long at 2315 N.E. Alberta St. For more information, call 503-282-7700.

Tim Acock Photography

Photographs by Tim Acock will be showing all month at the Guardino Gallery, 2939 N.E. Alberta. Acock is an Alberta Street neighbor who focuses his lens on the street at night and uses the ambient light of street lamps and store windows to illuminate features that go unnoticed during the day. Also showing with Acock are Rachael Chenven Powers mixed media constructions. For more information, call 503-281-9048.

Interstate Firehouse Cultural Center's April Artists

Artists Madeline Georgette and Susan Murrell are featured at the IFCC for April's Teach Tolerance Month. Georgette's series of paintings, "Building Communities: Truth and Reconciliation", portrays visual documentation of Apartheid history. Murrell presents "New Work: Abstract Landscapes", exploring the mystery of nature and man. The exhibit opens on First Thursday, April 3 with a reception from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. The public reception follows with an artist talk by Madeline Georgette at 7:30 p.m. The events are free, but donations are welcome.

Longbaugh Film Festival

Three days of independent cinema at the Hollywood theater showcasing Portland documentaries, films, videos and outside of Oregon productions comprise Willamette Week's debuting film festival. The festival runs Friday, April 4 through Sunday, April 6. For more information, see the Willamette Weekly.

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