

Focus



From left, Bo Diddley, Arturo Sandoval and The Temptations are some of the featured artists at the Vancouver Wine & Jazz Festival this weekend.

Legends Highlight Weekend of Jazz

Vancouver Wine and Jazz Festival to fill Esther Short Park

Over the past five years, the Vancouver Wine and Jazz Festival has presented world-class jazz artists but this year's Festival at Esther Short Park in downtown Vancouver may be the best lineup yet.

Grammy-winner and Rock and Roll Hall of Fame blues guitarist Bo Diddley appears on Friday, Aug. 22.

"The Originator" is considered to be among the earliest musicians to blend blues and Jazz into rock 'n' roll.

On Saturday, Aug. 23, The Temptations, the four-time Grammy-winning R&B band, will present their 40 years of vocal hits. The legendary group continues to draw huge crowds around the United States and abroad.

Grammy-winning virtuoso trumpeter and Latin jazz giant Arturo Sandoval graces the festival stage on Sunday, Aug. 24. Sandoval has just released "Trumpet Evolution," an album that pays trib-

ute to the styles of 19 different world-class trumpeters, from King Oliver to Wynton Marsalis.

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Other groups include the Mel Brown Trio, Seattle Jazz Trio, The Woolies, pianists Thomas Rheingans, and captain Smarty Pants, the vocal jazz ensemble from

the Seattle Jazz Singers. And, with an eye looking toward the future, the Festival will present two of the best student ensembles in the area: The Metropolitan Youth Symphony Jazz Orchestra and the Arts and Communication Magnet Academy Jazz Orchestra from Beaverton both under the direction of the trumpeter Thara Memory.

The Festival has also become recognized as one of the Northwest's best events for sampling and tasting great wines. Wines from Oregon, Washington, Idaho, California and Australia will be available for sampling and purchase.

The Festival also features food from nine of the Vancouver-Portland area's best restaurants. The wide variety of cuisine includes blackened salmon, deli sandwiches, salads, bento, Cajun, Tex-Mex, Asian and more.

Tickets for all day admission are \$10 on Friday and \$15 on Saturday and Sunday. Hours are 4 p.m. to 10 p.m. on Friday; 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. on Saturday and 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Sunday.

For more information visit www.vancouverwinejazz.com or call the Festival Ticket line at 360-906-0441.

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weekend, including the Seattle Jazz Singers and the 17-piece Pacific Jazz Orchestra in a performance called "A tribute to Benny Goodman."

the Seattle Men's Chorus.

The festival will expand its offerings this year, by including jazz dance. The Washington State Ballet will be performing in collabora-

Network Announces Diversity Institute

(AP) — CBS is setting up an institute to coordinate writing, directing and acting programs intended to foster diversity at the network.

It will combine a 2-year-old minority talent program with two new programs intended to identify and produce ethnic writers and direc-

tors, the network said Wednesday.

"The establishment of the Diversity Institute is an important step forward in CBS's ongoing effort to develop talent as diverse as our audience," said Leslie Moonves, CBS chairman and chief executive officer.

The programs will provide mentors and the chance to meet with

producers, network executives and agents, CBS said. Applications for the writing and directing program are being accepted online.

In 1999, the major broadcast networks came under fire from civil rights groups for a lack of racial diversity in programming and agreed to make improvements.

Kenyan Author Wins Writing Award

(AP) — Kenyan author Yvonne Adhiambo Owuor has won the Caine Prize for African Writing for her story "Weight of Whispers."

The author, who was born in Nairobi and is executive director of the Zanzibar International Film Festival, collected the award

Monday night for her tale of a Rwandan refugee after the 1994 genocide.

The \$15,000 Caine Prize is given

annually for a short story published in English by an African writer.

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rican Continent.

Multi-Ethnic Music Night

Mississippi Pizza Pub invites you to a bilingual show by Kathleen "Catalina" Juergens at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Aug. 25. Her incisive lyrics have become a Portland fixture from peace rallies to City Council meetings. 3552 N. Mississippi.

Music at the Monk

The Blue Monk on Belmont offers live music on weeknights and Saturdays. John Butler performs Wednesday, Aug. 19, Matt Wayne Quartet performs Thursday, Aug. 21, MS Tobin Quartet on the 22nd and Andre St. James with Roger Woods on Aug. 23. For more information, call 503-595-0575

Local Notes at McCall's

Blacknotes will perform from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. on Sept. 7 at McCall's on Waterfront, at Arnada's Cafe in Vancouver, from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. on Sept. 13 and from 8:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. on Sept. 19 at Billy Reed's in northeast Portland. Their first CD, "Lend Us Your Ear," is coming soon!

Farmland Music Series Debuts

Kruger's Farm on Sauvie Island Debuts a Thursday music series with The Flat Mountain Girls on Aug. 21 and Lingonberry Jam on Aug. 28. All shows are from 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Free. For more information, call 503-621-3489. 17100 N.W. Sauvie Island Rd.

Pioneer Square Concerts

Pioneer Courthouse Square is the place to be for free summer concerts from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. each Wednesday this month. I & I will move you with reggae sounds on Aug. 27.

Coco Performs at Roseland

Tommy Castro and Coco Montoya perform at the Roseland Theater at 7:30 p.m. Sept. 25. \$16 in advance. For more information, call 503-224-8499.

Musical Spitfire Grill Premieres

Lakewood Theatre Company presents "The Spitfire Grill" at 8 p.m. Thursdays through Saturday and 7 p.m. Sunday. \$26. The musical with a soulful combination of American folk and country, performs at Fir Acres Theatre, Lewis and Clark College, 0615 S.W. Palatine Hill Rd. For more information, call 503-635-3901.

Concerts at Dawson Park

Summer concerts in the park are



free, family friendly and begin at 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays at Dawson Park on North Stanton between Williams and Vancouver. For more information, call 503-823-PLAY or visit www.portlandparks.org.

Laser Motown at OMSI

OMSI's Murdock Planetarium features a fun-filled tribute to the Motown sounds of Diana Ross, The Temptations, The Four Tops and more. 1945 S.E. Water Ave. For a schedule of shows, call 503-797-4646 or visit www.omsi.edu.

Symphony in Irving Park

Oregon Symphony performs at Irving Park at 7 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 23 at Northeast 7th Avenue and Fremont at 7 p.m. For more information, call 503-823-PLAY.

Reparations Thursdays

David Park's band, The Reparations, will play Thursdays 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.

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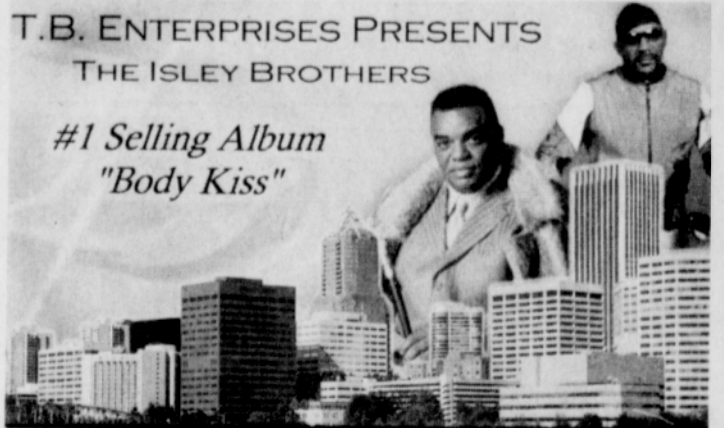


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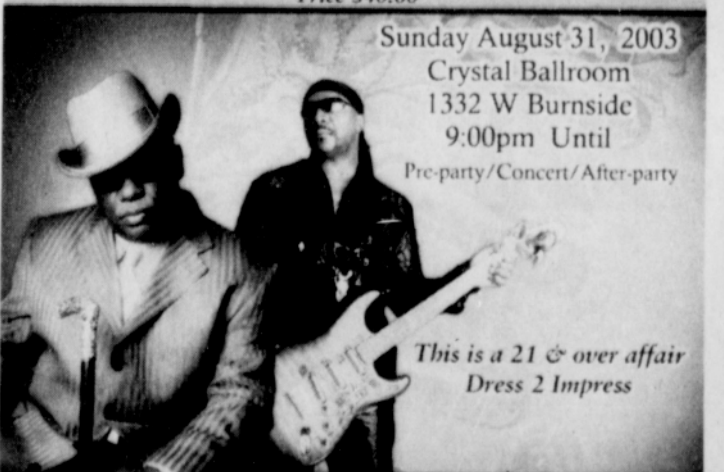
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