

RELIGION

Sacred Serenade

Oregon Repertory Singers and the Seattle Repertory Jazz Orchestra join for the Portland premier of Duke Ellington concerts on Oct. 4th and 5th.

In celebration of their 30th anniversary season, the Oregon Repertory Singers embark upon the largest choral work of Duke Ellington's sacred works, written between 1965 and his death in 1974.

Selections include In the Beginning God, Don't Get Down on Your Knees, David Danced Before the Lord, Heaven, Come Sunday, and Praise God and Dance. Never before performed in Portland, the con-

certs should serve as a nostalgic evening for all jazz and choral fans.

The performance, including guest vocal soloists and a tap dancer, is at the First United Methodist Church, 1838 S.W. Jefferson. Tickets range from \$15 and \$38. For tickets, call 503-224-TIXX or visit www.oregonrepsingers.org.

The Seattle Repertory Jazz orchestra will perform on Oct. 4 and 5 at the First United Methodist Church in Portland.



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Grace Institute Hosts Theater Class

Grace Institute is sponsoring "Act It, Direct It, Design It, Produce It," a workshop covering all aspects of theater.

The workshop is Oct. 4 from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Grace Memorial Episcopal Church, 1535 N.E. 17th Ave. Geoffrey Sherman and Diana Van Fossen will help participants learn to analyze a script, design a

set and costumes, audition and perform.

Sherman is director of The BoarsHead Theater of Lansing Michigan, and Fossen has worked with the Royal Shakespeare Company and appeared in several Portland stage productions.

The workshop fee is \$50. For more information, call 503-287-0418.

Author Speaks about the Christian Life

The Center for Spiritual Development welcomes back Marcus Borg at 7:30 p.m. Oct. 24, for a lecture and introduction of his latest book, "The Heart of Christianity," at Trinity Episcopal Cath-

edral, 147 N.W. 19 Ave. His book will be available for purchase and a book signing will follow the lecture. Tickets are \$15 and are available at the door or by calling 503-478-1218.

In this lecture, Borg will examine,

"The Heart of Christianity" as a faith grounded in a transformative relationship with God, emphasizing the role of practice in the Christian life. He will speak about the emerging paradigm.

Concerts of Faith

The chart-topping national Christian band Apologetix is headlining a benefit concert at 7 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 6 at Our Place Christian Church, 1400 N.E. 48 Ave. in Hillsboro.

The band performs popular hits with a biblical twist and recently performed their first show in Oregon to a crowd of 1,500 people. Opening for Apologetix is Savant, an up-and-coming local band and Victor Pierce of Pro Active Ministries in collaboration with Northeast Portland R&B Artists.

Tickets will help raise money to fund a free outreach concert next summer in Holiday Park at Lloyd Center.

Tickets are \$8 in advance and \$12 at the door.

For more information, call 503-891-1452.

Choral Sings in Ancient Praise

The professional vocal ensemble Cappella Romana will perform chant and Greek choral works in the enduring Byzantine style at 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 17 at St. Mary's Cathedral on Northwest 18th Avenue and Couch Street.

Byzantine chant is rooted in oral traditions of Christianity's first millennium.

Tickets are \$20, with senior and student discounts available. For more information, call 503-236-8202.

Obituaries

Adams High Grad Remembered

Dewayne Williams

A funeral was held Sept. 2 in Caldwell's Colonial Chapel for Dewayne Williams, who died Aug. 25, 2003 at age 43.

Mr. Williams was born Dec. 3, 1959, in Shreveport, La. He was raised in Portland and graduated from Adams High School. He was a general laborer who moved to Longview, Wash., about four months ago.

Survivors include his son, Nathaniel; daughter, Brizjette; parents, Jack and Mary Johnson; sisters, Rollette Solomon and Toni Davis; brother, Dante Johnson. His son Kamil Jones died earlier.



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