

King Tribute Biggest in State

Jefferson High hosts 20th annual celebration

The biggest Martin Luther King tribute in the state will be at Jefferson High School's Robert G. Ford Auditorium, 5210 N. Kerby, on Monday, Jan. 17 from noon until 7 p.m. for a "Keep Alive-the Dream" tribute to the visionary civil rights leader.

This is the 20th anniversary of the first King event by World Arts Foundation, which works to weave artists and performers into messages and a conscious-

ness inspired by King.

Besides the expected live audience of 4,000 people, "Keep Living the Dream" will be simulcast live on Portland Community Media channel 11, Portland Public Schools Television Services channel 28 and KBOO radio 90.7 FM.

All events are documented on broadcast-quality digital film, in hopes of preserving the legacy for education within the community and in the classroom.

"Our goal at World Arts is to preserve as much as we can," Berry said.

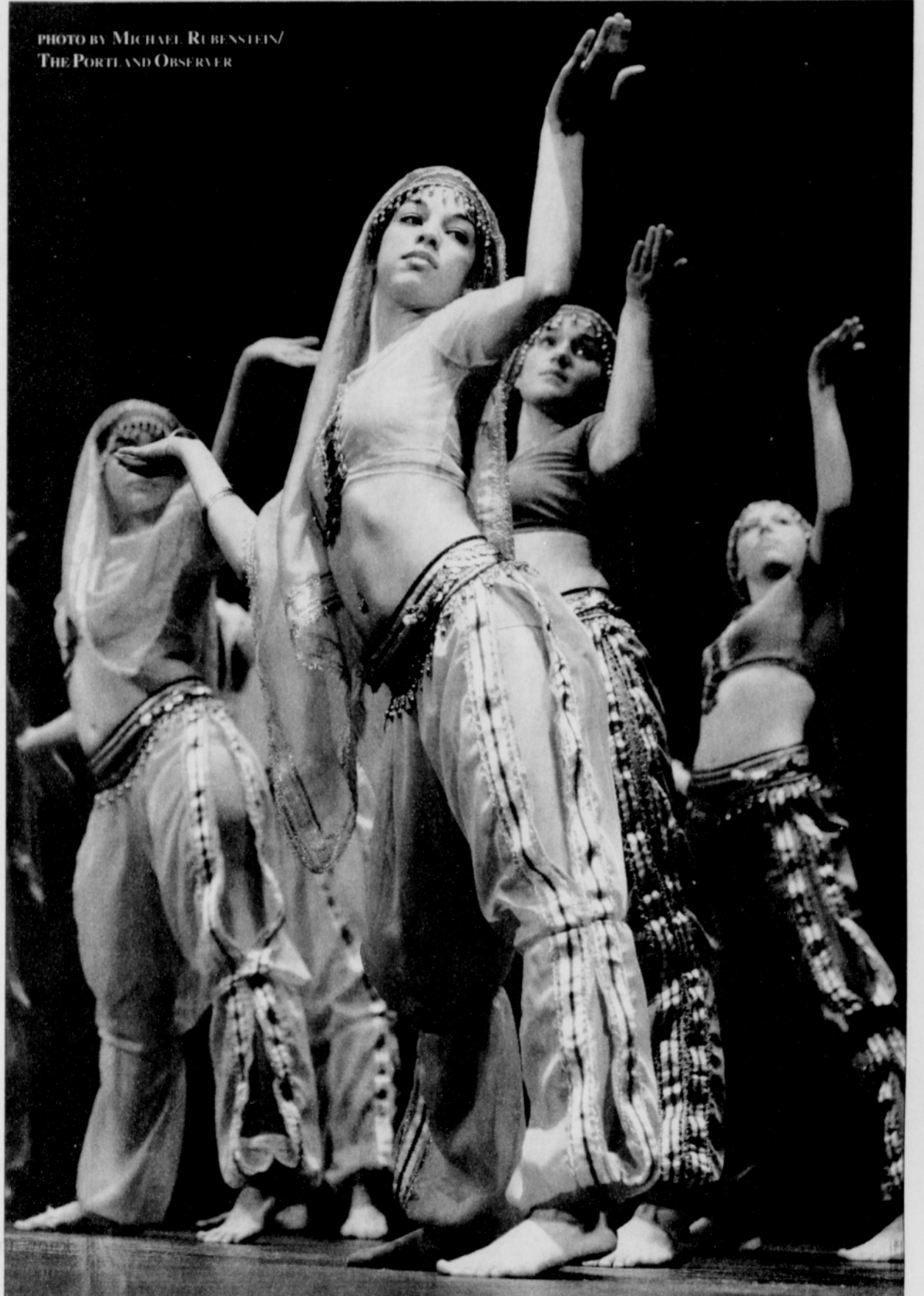
The event also aims to provide a forum for community members to meet and network. To accommodate all participants, the main speaking events and performances

will take place in the auditorium but the Jefferson High School cafeteria will provide space for building relationships, enjoying various exhibits and receiving information about voting and many other groups.

A donation of \$3 or three cans of non-perishable food is suggested. For more information, visit www.worldartsfoundation.org.

The Jefferson Dancers are one of the many performance groups scheduled to take the stage, Monday, Jan. 17 at the 20th annual Keep Alive the Dream" tribute at Jefferson High School in honor of Rev. Martin Luther King Jr.

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"We need to keep alive the dream through our demonstrated actions so we are still modeling the beliefs and principles that Dr. King so nobly left for us," said Ken Berry, secretary of World Arts Foundation.

This year's event will include thousands of speakers and performers and 35 vendors to represent all cultures on Martin Luther King Day.

Event organizers say this event sparks connections, understanding and cultural dialogues to last the whole year through.

Multnomah County is gathering a diverse group of young people for a discussion at the King event, encouraging stu-



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