

Black History Month

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Duke Ellington



As a pianist, composer, and bandleader, Duke Ellington was one of the creators of the big band sound, which fueled the "swing" era. He continued leading and composing for his jazz orchestra until his death in 1974. He was considered amongst the world's greatest composers and musicians, playing over 20,000 performances.



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Remembering the Vanport Flood

After a deadly flood on the Columbia River in 1948 when a dike broke, almost 20,000 residents of the now defunct city of Vanport were displaced, with 15 people confirmed dead. Vanport, the largest public housing project ever built in the United States, was a revolutionary community, crossing color lines and ridding its area of segregation. Mrs. Lizzie Phillips (above) and her children were one family left without a home.

'Amistad' Movie at Mount Hood CC

A screening of the movie "Amistad," originally scheduled for Black History Month at Mt. Hood Community College has been rescheduled for Wednesday, March 2.

"Amistad" is about a Cuban schooner found off the coast of Long Island, N.Y. in

1839. It was a slave trading ship with 53 Africans on board. There was a mutiny and two officers had been killed. The Africans sought to turn the boat back to their home in Africa, but were not successful and were instead taken into American custody. A trial was held to decide whether

the Africans would be free to return home or whether they would be treated as property and face a life of slavery.

The film will be shown in Room 1575 from 7 to 9 p.m. and is free to the public. For further information contact Chris Gorsek at 503-491-7321.

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**My story...
Captain Dorothy Elmore,**

"I began my career here in law enforcement as I was preparing for a course of study in law. I have always held a strong determination to focus my career on upholding and improving equality in all aspects of life. I discovered right away that law enforcement was an excellent path for pursuing this goal."

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