

# Williams Sisters to Star in Reality Show

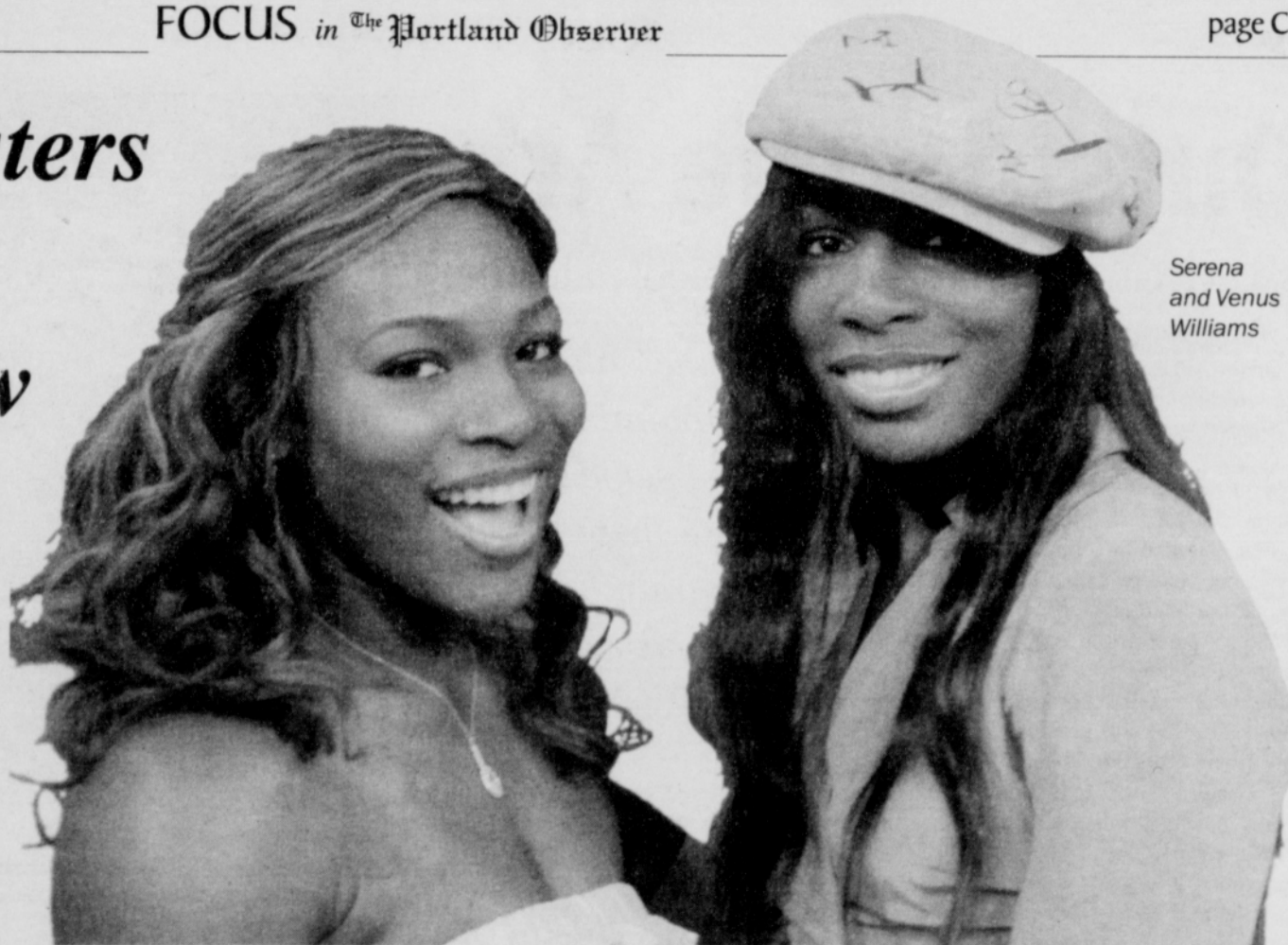
(AP)- Serena and Venus Williams will be starring in their version of a tennis reality show. The sisters' off-court lives - their family, friends and the glamour of big-time tennis - will be featured in a six-episode show that is still untitled but set to premiere on ABC Family in July, it was announced Monday.

"The series will provide our fans with an up-close, inside look at our lives away from the tennis courts," Venus Williams said.

The sisters have won 11 major single titles between them and are competing at the Nasdaq-100 Open in Key Biscayne, Fla. Serena is ranked No. 4 in the world and Venus is No. 9.

Serena Williams said she and her sister welcome the chance to "branch out into a new medium."

Venus Williams, a three-time Key Biscayne champion, will play Maria Sharapova in a semifinal soon. Williams advanced on March 29 by ending a streak of six consecutive losses to her sister, beating Serena 6-1, 7-6 (8). This was the first match the



Serena and Venus Williams

sisters had together since Wimbledon 2003.

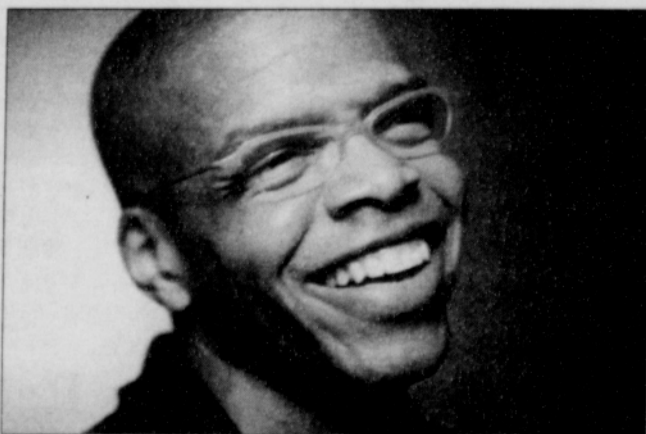
"It's all business when we play each other, there's no kidding around out there," said Serena. "I wish it was later

in the tournament but at least one of us is going to make the semi-finals. I always say, whoever I play and even if I've beaten her a million times, that it's a new day and a new match."

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Kevin Carroll will be bringing the RedBall Project to Portland.

to corporations in need of a lift. Carroll will be bringing the artwork of New York-based artist Kurt Perschke's RedBall Project to Portland for the week of April 10 to 16 at

Wieden and Kennedy, located at 224 NW 13th Ave.

The transitory public art project creates moments of imagination, surprise and humor by

moving a 15-foot, inflatable red ball between various locations within an urban landscape over a brief period of time.

Along with the showcase, Carroll will be giving a reading and signing from his book from 6 to 8 p.m. on April 14.

Ticket prices are \$20 for PAF members and \$30 for non-members. The 300+ person event is expected to sell out early. To reserve tickets, call 503.224.2623 or visit [www.portlandadfed.com](http://www.portlandadfed.com).

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