

FOCUS

Chamber Music Northwest Showcases Imani Winds



Imani Winds will perform a free concert at the Oregon Historical Society on Friday, July 15 from noon to 1 p.m.

Portland welcomes Imani Winds once again as part of the Chamber Music Northwest Concert Series in a free concert on Friday, July 15 from noon to 1 p.m. at the Oregon Historical Society. The group blends classical music and jazz to push the boundaries of a traditional wind quintet.

The summer festival celebrates its 35th anniversary through the month of July with free or inexpensive concerts and lectures featuring local composers like David Schiff, Bruce Adolphé and Lalo Schifrin.

For more information visit www.cmnw.org

Pan Gypsies Play Summer Concert Series

The Pan Gypsies will perform at Dawson Park on Wednesday, July 13 at 6:30 p.m. as a part of the Portland Parks Summer Concert Series. The Pan Gypsies is the culmination of four local musicians to bring the lively steel drum rhythms of Trinidad's calypso and soca music to the Portland area.



The Pan Gypsies in an outdoor performance.

Pan Gypsies musician Dave Holmes has been playing steel drums for over 10 years and is a welcomed addition to the band. Holmes performed at Trinidad's annual Panorama competition. Guitarist for the band Barb Kitchel performed at the

nonsense approach that compliments her natural stage presence and attractive charisma.

Ashbolt Stewart, a prominent drummer and percussionist, will also play with The Pan Gypsies. His other projects include playing with Norman Sylvester, another musician set to perform in the Portland Parks Summer Concert Series.

For more information regarding the Portland Parks Summer Concert Series visit www.parks.ci.portland.or.us.

Portland Parks Summer Concerts - Norman Sylvester and his band will help kick off the Portland Parks Summer Concert Series on Wednesday, July 6 at 6:30 p.m. at the Peninsula Park Gazebo Area. Many more musicians are set to perform at various Portland parks through Aug. 16. For a full schedule, see www.parks.ci.portland.or.us.

Discovery Museum Grand Opening

The World Forestry Center recently opened its doors to a new Discovery Museum, featuring exciting, interactive exhibits on forestry. Visitors have a chance to go on a white water raft ride without getting wet, smoke jump into a wildfire without getting singed and stroll across a 20-foot high tree top canopy walk. For more information, visit www.worldforestry.org.

Historic Car Races - Hundreds of historic race cars and hot rods, including Jeff Gordon's #24 Rainbow Warrior, will be featured at Portland International Raceway in a fundraiser for the Children's Cancer Association. The fun begins on July 8 and continues through the July 10. Tickets range from \$10-40 and can be purchased at all Baxter Auto Part stores.

Othello - The last shows for the Portland Actors Ensemble production at the Lovejoy Fountain Park will be on July 8 to 9. Bring a lawn chair or seating pad for comfort. The Park is located between Lincoln and Harrison Street between First and Fourth Avenues.

Sponge Bob at the Zoo - Now through Labor Day, the Oregon Zoo will present Nickelodeon's SpongeBob SquarePants-the thrill ride. The cost is \$4.50 in addition to admission. For more information call 503-226-1561 or visit www.oregonzoo.org

ENTERTAINMENT GUIDE

Laugh Factory - Comedy returns every second Wednesday of the month at the upscale Bacchus Restaurant, thanks to EEI International.

Trippin' through Town - Take a trip through time to find the hottest poetry, hip-hop and soul influencing Portland on Wednesdays at the Ohm. \$7 cover. 31 N.W. First Ave.

On the Radio - Groove to soul and hip-hop with Kevin Berry from 7 to 9 p.m. Mondays at 90.7 FM/KBOO. Check out the Community Potpourri talk show from 7 to 8 a.m. Mondays, Wednesday and Fridays at 1480 AM/KBMS. Count your blessings with Melodies from Heaven from 6 to 10 p.m. Mondays through Fridays at 1290 AM/KKSL. Tune in to African American Health Radio Wednesday nights on 1290 AM/KKSL.

Gypsy Classes - Caravan Studios offers classes in belly dance, African dance and more. Visit www.gypsycaravan.us.

Have a Ball - Kids will have a ball at OMSI's new Innovation Station by exploring the human side of technology. For more information, visit www.omsidu.



Norman Sylvester (left)

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