

The Vehicle is Hip Hop



Local musician Asa Lamont Pritchard is bring Gospel to another level through the vehicle of Hip Hop.

Asa brings Gospel to new level

A CD release party for Portland's own Asa will be held on Aug. 20, at 7 p.m. at the Wonder Ballroom, 124 N.E. Russell St.

Asa Lamont Pritchard has had a full life and he is just 24. After moving to California at 16 in order to pursue a dream of becoming a recording artist, he has returned home to Portland and married childhood sweetheart Nikia.

Today Pritchard is a proud

father, husband and using his talent of music to spread the word of the Lord.

In addition to sharing his views, Prichard also founded PO Soul Entertainment and manages several emerging artists.

Over the past 13 years Asa has been successful of merging the words of gospel with the contemporary feel of hip-hop music.

Special guests to perform at

the CD release party for Asa's debut album titled "A Brand New Radio Wave" are local entertainers Cicero and Rajime.

Tickets are \$5 in advance from One Stop Music, 1615 N.E. Killingsworth St. or \$7 at the door.

This event is not just for the hip-hop generation to enjoy but also for the mature gospel enthusiast as well. Don't miss this inspirational and fun event.

For more information contact info@posoulentertainment.com

Orchestra's Freedom Salute

Free concert at Vancouver National Historic Reserve

The Vancouver Symphony will perform a free concert Aug. 27 at 7 p.m. at the Vancouver National Historic Reserve for a America Celebrates Freedom Salute commemorating the 60th anniversary of the ending of WW II.

Music Director and Conductor Salvador Brotons and the symphony will perform with a tribute to the Armed Forces, along with other Pops and light classical favorites.



Salvador Brotons

The Vancouver Symphony Orchestra's 2005-2006 regular concert season opens with performances on Oct. 8 and 9.

In honor of Maestro Brotons' 15th anniversary season with the Vancouver Symphony Orchestra, Friends of VSO Conductor's Circle will host a "Salute to Salvador" dinner at Royal Oaks Country Club following the Oct. 8th concert.

Regular season concerts are at the Skyview High School Concert Hall, 1300 N.W. 139th St.

Free Summer Flicks

Members of the Boys and Girls Clubs of Portland are enjoying free admission to the movies twice a week this summer thanks to Regal Theatre's Lloyd Cinema.

The club also receive funds to cover transportation and staffing expenses. This grant is very timely since it comes during a period when gas prices have reached an all-time high in most areas across the country.

"This movie experience will be a first for many of our members and our goal is to constantly stretch their imagination, while opening doors to a world of exploration and excitement," said Shane Wetzel, unit director of the Blazers Boys and Girls Club.

Summer Concerts in Portland Parks

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Washington Park Summer Festival

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- July 30 Metro Dancers present *Under a Summer Sky* (classical ballet, modern dance, and musical theatre)
- July 31 Dance Around the World
- Aug. 1 Maggie's Choice (indie rock)
- Aug. 2 Tall Jazz with Marilyn Keller
- Aug. 3 *Portland SummerFest presents The Telephone* featuring Katie Harman, Miss America 2002
- Aug. 4 Mel Brown B3 Organ Quintet (groove jazz)
- Aug. 5 Phillip Officer, *Let Yourself Go*, award-winning New York cabaret from Cole Porter to Cyndi Lauper
- Aug. 6 *Song of the Ginkgo*, remembering Hiroshima with Chisao Hata (dance) & Portland Taiko (drums)
- Aug. 7 Portland Festival Symphony with Michael Allen Harrison, piano
- Aug. 8 Aguamiel (salsa)
- Aug. 9 Julianne R. Johnson (R&B/gospel)
- Aug. 10 The Buckles (classic country)
- Aug. 11 Music of the Middle East with Hossein Salehi & Shabâvâ, and Ali Bourji Band (classical, folk & pop)
- Aug. 12 Portland Festival Symphony with Obo Addy
- Aug. 13 Woody Hite Big Band with Valerie Day ('40s swing)
- Aug. 14 Portland Festival Symphony with 3 Leg Torso
- Aug. 15 *Portland SummerFest presents The Elixir of Love (L'elisir d'amore)*
- Aug. 16 *Painted Sky presents Native American Music & Dance* (contemporary & traditional)
CUBA aché (bring your dancing shoes)
9pm - Sneak preview of *Edens Lost & Found*, a PBS series on urban parks and sustainable communities

Bring a picnic or buy food in the park!
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