

Nelly



Rap Star Nelly Inks Reality Show

(AP) - Nelly has inked a deal to develop a reality television series with A. Smith & Co. Productions. The show will chronicle "the day-to-day life" of the rapper.

"I look forward to showing my fans what my world is about and bringing more attention to my nonprofit organizations," said Nelly, whose real name is Cornell Haynes Jr.

Nelly runs the nonprofit organization 4 Sho 4 Kids. He has participated in campaigns for bone marrow registration in honor of his sister, Jackie Donahue, who died in March after a long battle with leukemia.

The new series is expected to air sometime early next year.

ONGOING AND UPCOMING MUSIC -- *The Blue Monk on Belmont* plays live jazz every Sunday night at 9 p.m. For a schedule, visit www.thebluemonk.com. Thorn City Improv, featuring members of Old Dominion, Quivah, The Chosen and The Black Notes perform every Tuesday at 10 p.m. at Conan's at 3862 SE Hawthorne. *Interstate Bar and Grill* has mature live music at 4234 N. Interstate. The Black Notes play Thursdays at the Candlelight Room. *Mel Brown plays jazz at Jimmy Meks on Tuesdays and Thursdays and Fridays and Saturdays at Salty's on the Columbia*. A Community Unity Breakfast is held every third Thursday at SEI at 7:30 a.m. *Skip Elliott Bowman Jazz Trio plays Saturdays from 10 a.m. to noon at Hannah Bea's, on northeast MLK Jr. Blvd. and Shaver*. R&B and live funk bands perform weekends at the Interstate Firehouse Cultural Center. *After work, stop by The Red Sea, 381 S.W. 3rd Ave. from 5 to 9 p.m. Wednesdays*. Don't miss Reggae Thursdays at Savannah's at First Thursday celebrations at 8 p.m. *DJ OG ONE spins R&B at Savannah's on Fridays*. Savannah's Restaurant welcomes Ron Steen Jam Session Sundays at 8:30 p.m. *Live Reggae Fridays and Saturdays at Montego Bay, 1239 S.W. Jefferson*. Politics and Poetry is every first and third Thursday at AJ Java's Internet Café from 6 to 8:30 p.m. *Chicago Style Steppin is from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Fridays at Matt Dishman Community Center and Sundays from 7 to 11 p.m. at Flirts Holiday Inn Airport*. DJ Vance spins on Saturdays at Bookies Sports Lounge on North Lombard and Albina; no cover before 10 p.m.

Vancouver Symphony Orchestra -- The Vancouver Symphony Orchestra will begin its new season with concerts on Saturday, Oct. 8 at 3 p.m. and Sunday, Oct. 9 at 7 p.m. at the Skyview High School Auditorium. Tickets range from \$5 to \$35 and can be purchased through www.vancouversymphony.org.



Oktoberfest -- An Oktoberfest celebration will take place Wednesday, Oct. 12 at 1 p.m. at the Holladay Park Plaza on 1300 N.E. 16th Ave. near the Lloyd Center. The public is invited to the free event to enjoy German beer, bratwurst and other refreshments while listening to live music.

Clinton Fearon and the Boogie Brown Band -- Roots reggae group Clinton Fearon and the Boogie Brown Band will perform with The Instigators on Wednesday, Oct. 12 at 9:30 p.m. at Berbat's Pan. For more information, call 503-248-4579.

Norman Sylvester Band -- The Norman Sylvester Band plays every Tuesday at 8 p.m. at the Tillicum in Beaverton and every Thursday at 9:30 p.m. at the Candlelight in Portland. On Saturday, Oct. 8 at 9:30 p.m., they'll be at Gemini in Lake Oswego. Cascade, in Vancouver, will host the band at 9:30 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 15. They'll play at Clyde's in Portland at 8:45 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 21; the Candlelight again on Friday, Oct. 28 at 9:30 p.m.; and Hoppers in Portland at 9:30 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 29. For more information, visit www.normansylvester.com.



ENTERTAINMENT GUIDE

Love Now Art Exhibit -- Nordstrom's downtown location at 701 S.W. Broadway St. will feature "El Amor Ahora: Love Now," a compilation of paintings and illustrations featuring Hispanic artists' reflections on love, through Oct. 15.



Firehouse Art Exhibit -- The Interstate Firehouse Cultural Center will feature "Intersections: Artists and Firefighters," a mixed-medium art exhibit featuring local artists' views of various firehouses, through Oct. 27. The IFCC Gallery is open from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesdays through Fridays and noon to 4 p.m. on Saturdays.

Masks of Africa -- Tribe of the Winds Gallery, located on 2217 N.E. Alberta St., presents "A Different Face: Masks of Africa" through Oct. 23. More than 40 artists are represented through the traditional mask exhibit, brought in by Achille Massoma. For more information, visit www.tribewinds.com.



Columbia Symphony Orchestra -- Portland's Columbia Symphony Orchestra will perform on Friday, Nov. 4 at the First United Methodist Church on 1838 S.W. Jefferson. The set will include selections from Beethoven including "Finale from The Creatures of Prometheus," "Variations and Fugue in E-flat major" and "Symphony No. 3 in E-flat major." For more information, call www.columbiasymphony.org.

Fox Chase Family Artwalk -- The second annual Fox Chase Family Artwalk will be held on Saturday, Nov. 12 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. in the neighborhood of N.E. 30th and Killingsworth Streets. Featured activities will include balloon artists, free dance classes, children's crafts, face painting and more. For more information, visit www.foxchase.info.

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. 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.gypsyncaravan.us.

Have a Ball -- Kids will have a ball at OMSI's new Innovation Station by exploring the human side of technology. Visit www.omsiedu.