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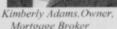
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Businesses on Alberta Street from North-

On Saturday, Sept. 16, from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., east 11th to 33rd Avenue will be having special

There will be music on the main stage at 20th and Alberta from groups such as Dealer, Matt Vrba, Mantic, Jak, The Lights Out, and Plasmic Stallions. Many of the street's businesses will also have music and entertainment on site. A community parade takes place at 2 p.m.

The Alberta Street Fair is sponsored, in part, by Albina Community Bank, Art on Alberta,



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For more information,

albertastreetfair.com.

Live Music Every Night

- · Kick off your week with live jazz every Sunday at 9 p.m. at The Blue Monk (3341 SE Belmont).
- Participate in a mixed-media open mic night each Monday at the Back to Back Café (614 East Burnside).
- · The Thorn City Improv, featuring members of Oldominion, Quivah, The Chosen and The Black Notes, perform at Conan's (3862 S.E. Hawthorne) every Tuesday at 10 p.m.
- · Celebrate Hump Day at The Red Sea (381 S.W. 3rd Ave) after work on Wednesdays, from 5 to 9 p.m.
- · Inch toward the weekend at the Candlelight Room (2032 SW 5th Ave) with the Black Notes, performing each Thursday.
- Celebrate Friday with Mel Brown, who plays jazz at Salty's on the Columbia every Friday and Saturday, and Jimmy Mak's on Tuesdays and Thursdays.
- · Round off your week with live Reggae on Fridays and Saturdays at Montego Bay, (1239 S.W. Jefferson).

'The Miracle' CD Sneak Peak

Upon the recent success of Cool Nutz, "the Voice of Northeast Portland" mix tape hosted by E-40, which Scratch Magazine gave the highest rating available, Cool Nutz is preparing to release his new solo album "The Miracle" through two new major distributors nationwide.

On Saturday, Sept. 16tin Portland, Nutz will be performing sneak previews of the new "Miracle" material with Chill at the Hawthorne Theater.



Cool Nutz and DJ Chill

Jus Family Records/City Hall has the music will follow in an approprialso completed a Cool Nutz & Luni ate fashion," a Jus Family spokes-Coleone album that will come out man said.

Executives from the Portland record company say they have been very busy on the Cool Nutz campaign as well as expanding Jus Family Records with a new staff and offices in Seattle, Portland, and Bend.

"The money has come together, so now

The Whispers Make Top 100

The Whispers charted on Billboard's Top 100 R&B/Hip Hop Albums last week with its new CD "For Your Ears Only."

The impressive showing gives voice to those who want the nostalgic, classic, soul sound with a contemporary ambiance that has virtually disappeared under the overwhelming dominance of rap and hip

The Whispers popularity stems from a consistent sound, love and respect for women,



meticulous choreography on stage and staying true to themselves.

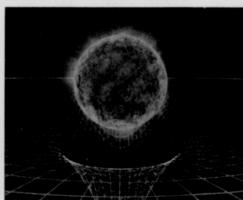
Washington, D.C. and Chicago DJs are reporting that dance crowds are loving the album's #1 and #4

"The vintage Whispers love songs are outstanding. When I need to step up my love game, I put this CD on and the fireworks begin. These brothers sound as good if not better than they did nine years

ago," DJ Anthony Minter said.



Reefer Madness!' at IFCC -- The comedy 'Reefer Madness!' a political satire about government misinformation and greed, loosely based on the 1936 propaganda anti-marijuana film, debuts this week at the Interstate Firehouse Cultural Center, 5340 N. Interstate Ave. Performances run Thursdays through Sundays until Oct. 7. Tickets can be purchased in advance by calling: Stumptown Stages Box Office at 503-381-8686 or online at stumptownstages.com.



OMSI Presents: Black Holes -- A flight simulator transforms real scientific data about black holes into stunning visualizations in OMSI's new planetarium show "Black holes: The Other Side of Infinity." For more information, call 503-797-4000 or visit omsi.edu.

PICA Time-Based Art Festival -- The Portland Institute for Contemporary Art presents its 2006 Time-Based Art Festival celebrating the-



atre, dance, music, film, visual exhibition and installation though Sunday, Sept. 17 at venues throughout Portland. Workshops, lectures, performances, outdoor happenings, and late night activities are planned. For venue locations, times dates and other information, visit www.pica.org.



Paul Simon at the Rose Garden -- Paul Simon, one of the most popular singers and songwriters of the Rock era will perform at the Rose Garden. Saturday, Sept. 30 at 7:30 p.m. Tickets at the Rose Quarter Box Office and all participating Safeway outlets.

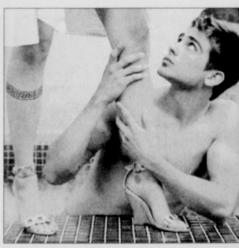
Call to Artists -- Local artists are encouraged to show off their talent by becoming a Portland Open Studios Artist. Each year, 96 artists are chosen from the metro area to open their studios and become part of an exciting regional art event. Visit portlandopenstudios.com for more information.

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.

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

Time to Jam -- Jam Night, Portland's everpopular comedy and variety show is at Christian Performing Arts Center, 8131 N. Denver Ave. Shows continue every Friday night starting at 9 p.m. with dinner by Mondemaj Catering next door to the show at 6:30 and 7:30 p.m.

Hip-hop Dance Classes -- Vancouver-Clark Parks and Recreation is hosting family friendly hip-hop dance classes for ages 5 to 18. Various lessons teach rhythm, technique, coordination, agility, combinations and teamwork through urban dance moves. For more information, call 360-696-8236.



Metamorphoses -- Gods and Goddesses swirl and splash in 'Metamorphoses,' a lucid, glowing adaptation of Ovid's classic myths set in and around a giant onstage pool at the Artists Repertory Theatre, 1516 S.W. Alder, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays at 7 p.m., Fridays at 8 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. through Oct. 15th. Special Wednesday matinees are at 11 a.m. Sept 27th and Oct. 4th. Call the box office at 503-241-1278 for tickets or visit www.artistsrep.org.



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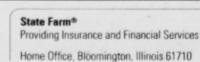
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