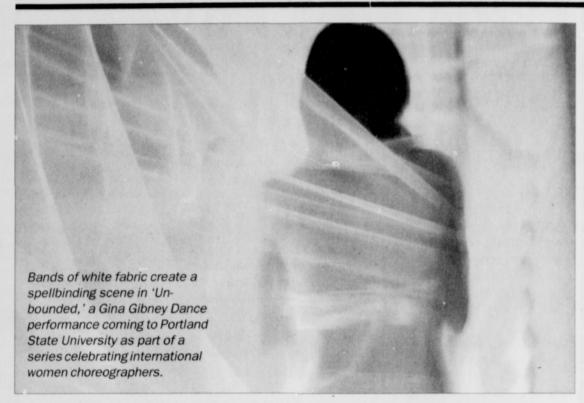
Focus



Spellbinding Dance

Clinging to the familiar, reaching beyond the unknowable

A celebration of international Whitebird presents "Unbounded," by Gina Gibney Dance, a production company known for its exquisite and sensitive choreography.

The 70 minute show with no intermission will take place Thursday through Saturday, Jan. 11-13 at 8 p.m. each night at Lincoln Hall on ity and physicality of women. the PSU campus.

Gibney founded her company in women choreographers continues New York City in 1991 and then at Portland State University when reconceived it in 1997 as an allfemale troupe in response to her growing concern that women in professional dance were losing artistic and financial ground.

Since that time, she has developed critically acclaimed eveninglength works exploring the human-

The dancers make their Portland

debut with Gibney's most recent full-length work, a spellbinding dance for five women who, in traversing a stage surrounded by bands of white fabric, explore the tension of clinging to the familiar and reaching beyond the unknow-

Admission is \$25 for adults and \$14 for students, plus handling charges. Tickets are available at the Portland Center for the Performing Arts Box Office, Southwest Broadway at Main; Portland State University Box Office, inside Smith Center, 1825 S.W. Broadway and all Ticketmaster outlets.

Using Movement to Mend

Dancers work to heal trauma

Gina Gibney Dance artists and domestic violence providers are joining forces to sponsor a unique workshop on the healing power of the arts.

A "Using Movement to Mend" demonstration and dialogue will capture how movement, physical awareness and creativity can play a remarkable role in healing trauma. It takes place Saturday, Jan. 13 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the YWCA, 1111 S.W. 10th Ave.

The sponsors include Portland's White Bird dance series, New York's Gina Gibney Dance and Healing Roots Village, the organization founded by poet and Oregonian columnist S. Renee Mitchell.

Healing Roots is a collaboration of individuals, social-service providers and community organizations committed to the empowerment of African and African-American women who are experiencing domestic violence.

Gina Gibney Dance launched its own domestic violence project in 2000 to provide women an environment to build self-esteem through positive physical expres-

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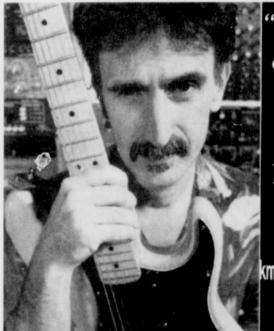
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Book: Midnight at the Dragon Café

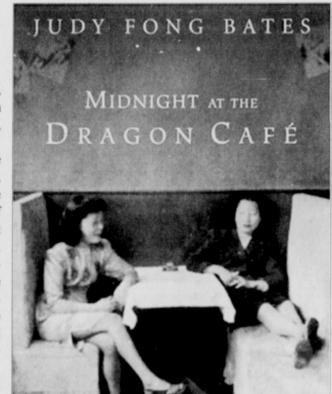
On 'Everybody Reads' List

Everybody Reads 2007, Multnomah County Library's fifth annual community reading project, kicked off this month.

This year's book is Midnight at the Dragon Café by Judy Fong Bates, the story of Su-Jen Chou, a Chinese girl growing up the only daughter of an unhappy and isolated immigrant family in a small town in the 1950s.

Private and corporate sponsorships are making 3,000 copies of the book available at libraries, and related programming will take place throughout February. The local project culminates with a visit by Bates on March 1.

Scores of educational and cultural programs throughout the community, including dozens of discussion groups, will take place at Multnomah



County libraries, local bookstores and other organizations. Some discussions will be led by Portland State University scholars and will focus on specific topics or themes from the

Lectures and talks include a roundtable discussion on the Chinatowns of the Pacific Northwest, a talk on contemporary Chinese cinema and a lecture on the Pacific Coast race riots of 1907.

There will also be performances of classical and contemporary Chinese music, demonstrations of Chinese brush painting and a Chinese rod-puppet show. Admission to most Everybody Reads programs is free.

The Everybody Reads project guide will have a complete listing of programs, dates and times at all Multnomah County libraries, participating bookstores, and the Everybody Reads website at multcolib.org/

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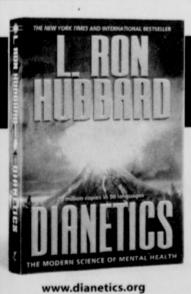
an Oregon Symphony Kids Concert on Sunday, Jan. 7 at 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. at the Arlene Schnitzer Concert Hall.

monster otherwise known as will illustrate the percussive conducting numerous orchestras "Jabberwocky" will be brought to monster from three different around the country life with help from the audience in perspectives using various instruments.

Garrett Keast will lead the sym- 923 S.W. Washington. Tickets can Tales & Scales, an Indiana- conductor of the Dallas Opera 1353.

The mythical battle with the based troupe of four musicians, last year, and is currently guest

Tickets range from \$6 to \$38 and may be purchased at the Oregon Guest conductor George Symphony Ticket Office, located at phony. Keast served as assistant be charged by phone at 503-228-



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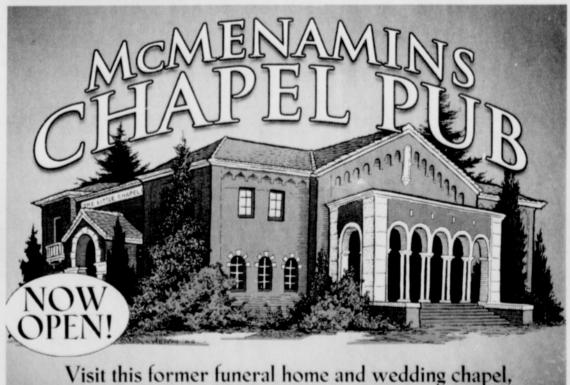
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