

Flickering flames engulf a trumpet train gown and ombre down a dyed fox cape creating this haute couture creation that inspired the theme of the 49th annual production of Ebony Fashion Fair. The design is by Angelo Marani Couture of Milan, Italy.



Ebony Fashion Fair

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446 N.E. Killingsworth St., 503-288-4070; Dean's Beauty Salon & Beauty Shop, 213-215 N.E. Hancock St., 503-282-3379; MeRae's on 42nd, 5852 N.E. 42nd, 503-287-5258; Reggie's Barber Shop, 3213 N.E. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., 503-280-0222; Ensemble Salon Et. Spa, 21120 Salamo, West Linn, 503-650-6000, and 18335 N.W. Union Rd. (Aloha area), 503-645-3501.

Tickets may also be purchased from any Link member. Ticket prices are \$75 for patrons, and \$45 for general admission. Ticket prices include a one-year subscription to Jet and chances to win round trip air transportation for two to any destination served by American Airlines or American Eagle in the domestic U.S., a 2007 Ford Edge, a one-year supply of hair products from Soft Sheen-Carson and selected items from Fashion Fair Cosmetics, the number one cosmetic company in the world for women of color.

Proceeds from previous shows made it possible to give over 100 scholarships to outstanding seniors throughout the Portland metropolitan area and southwest Washington.

With the community's continued support, the local Links organization hopes to raise \$30,000 for scholarships this year.



Fashion by Renalto Balestra of Rome brings laser cut scrolls of blue silk satin that ornately appliqué the midriff of a décolleté two-tone empire waist jumpsuit worn under a maxi length black velvet duster coat appliqué with large floret patches of silk satin.

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The most often alleged discrimination are over the terms and conditions of the sale or rental of housing, or refusal to rent. "This report shows the importance of HUD's continued enforcement, education, and outreach activities to ensure that all Americans have access to housing opportunities," explained Kim Kendrick, HUD Assistant Secretary for Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity.

"As diverse as this country is, we still see instances where individuals are denied housing because of the color of their skin or because they have physical disabilities that require certain accommodations. Not only is that not acceptable morally, it is against the law." People who believe they are the victims of housing discrimination should contact HUD at 1-800-669-9777. More information is available at hud.gov/fairhousing.

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