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February Show: Chris Haberman, Jennifer Mercede & Mario Robert

Paintings & Mixed Media Assemblages Pictured: Chris Haberman's "Alberta Art Hop

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Endangered Runaway

DANICA CHILDS

Current Age: 17 Date Missing: Dec. 12, 2007 Missing From:

Federal Way, WA Danica may be in the company of unknown adult male; she may go by the nickname Neek or Neeka.





CRYSTAL ANDERSON Current Age: 17

Date Missing: Jan. 8, 2008 Missing From: Las Vegas, NV Crystal was last seen in the company of an unknown adult male.

If you have any information please contact: The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children 1-800-THE-LOST (1-800-843-5678)

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ENTERTAINMENT

African American Achievements Honored

On Friday, Feb. 22 at 8 p.m., the BET television network will present its inaugural celebration of The Bet Honors, a one-of-akind event that celebrates the achievements and contributions of distinguished African-American leaders in the fields of business, entertainment, social justice and philanthropy, while providing powerful and uplifting musical performances.

Hosted by Cedric "The Entertainer," the celebration pays Cedric 'The Entertainer'





Alicia Keys

tribute to Alicia Keys, Tyra Banks, Dr. Cornel West, Richard Parsons, the Honorable Maxine Waters and chief executive Janice Bryant Howroyd.

Performers will include Stevie Wonder, John Legend, Gladys Knight, Jill Scott, Wyclef Jean, Brian McKnight, Ne-Yo and Raheem DeVaughn, with appearances by Blair Underwood, Danny Glover, Kerry Washington, Vivica A. Fox, Keyshia Cole, Idris Elba and Hill Harper.

Portland Teen Idol Auditions Back by popular demand

based on the national television high schools around the city. program American Idol.

Portland Teen Idol, a popular local March. Auditions will be held at

Teens from throughout the Port- expanded recreational activities community's youth believe recre- myspace.com/Portland_Teen_Idol.

Portland Parks & Recreation has land area are invited to show off tailored specifically to the interests ational opportunities are an imporannounced the second season of their talent at auditions through of teens. It's also in response to the tant right for citizens of all ages. Children's Bill of Rights, created by

For information on on the Teen competition inaugurated last year different community centers and hundreds of youth from Portland Idol program and audition schedand Multnomah County last June, ule, visit portlandpark.org and The effort is aimed at providing which clearly showed that the search "Teen Scene," or visit

Who's in Hare's House -- Currently through March 9, the Portland Children's Museum presents whimsical puppets of "Who's in Hare's House," with Sunday performances by the Tears of Joy Theatre and a puppet scavenger hunt. For more information, call 503-223-6500.



Young Artist Jazz -- The Leroy Vinnegar Jazz Institute's Young Artist Jazz Concert features John Nastos and his stellar lineup of new and veteran players, Thursday, Feb. 21 at 7:30 p.m. at the Old Church, 1422 S.W. 11th Ave. Tickets

are available by calling the PSU box office at 503-725-3307.

Emergence-See -- Daniel Beaty's "Emergence-See!" is presented Thursday, Feb. 28 and Friday, Feb. 29 at the Interstate Firehouse Cultural Center. The one-man, multi-character show centers on contemporary black America as a slave ship rises out of the Hudson River in front of

the Statue of Liberty. For tickets, call the IFCC box office at 503-823-4322.

KBOO Reggae Benefit -- Saturday, Feb. 23 at 9 p.m., The Blue Monk, 3341 S.E. Belmont Ave., will feature the Uprite Dub Orchestra with Shocks of Sheba Sound. Tickets are \$8 at the

Poetry N Motion -- Open Eyes Production presents Blacque Butterfly on Saturday, Feb.

23 at Izogie's Restaurant, 1301 N.E. Dekum St. Doors open at 8 p.m. Admission is \$5 at the

Newport Seafood/Wine Fest -- Feb. 22 - 24, the Oregon coastal town of Newport will host the 31st annual festival; featuring exotic seafood, over 70 wineries, 140 exhibitors and more. Call 800-262-7844 for more information.

Searching for My Story -- Weaving traditional music, dance and story, "Cuentos -- Searching for My story," is a bilingual, family-friendly production encouraging audiences to value their heritage though the celebration of the cultures of Spain and Mexico. Shows run through Saturday, Feb. 23 at Milagro Theatre, 525 S.E. Stark. Call 503-236-7253.

> Bach Cantata Choir -- Sunday, March 2, at 2 p.m., the Rose City Park Presbyterian Church, N.E. 44th and Sandy, will host the 50voice choir, soloists and chamber orchestra conducted by Ralph Nelson; for more information, visit bachcantatachoir.org.

Forbidden Love -- A young brideto-be yearns for her forbidden lover and an escape from the con-

straints of her impending marriage in "Bodas de Sangre," a Miracles Theatre Group production at Milagro Theater, 525 S.E. Stark St. The play runs through Saturday, Feb. 23 in its original Spanish with English subtitles.

Movie Madness -- Saturday, March 1 at 8 p.m., the Portland Gay Men's Chorus will don their top hats and canes to perform favorites from 'Footloose,' 'Fame' and other great movies; the single performance will be at the Newmark

and keep it moving.

I've been in a relationship with a

started dating him, I thought he

was the man of my dreams. He

auser, and now I'm in debt, my bank

account is empty and I have a bro-

ken heart. He's moved in with me

and now he can't move out be-

cause he doesn't have any money

and nowhere to go. I'm a prisoner in

my own home and I don't know

how to get rid of this man. Any

suggestions? -- Embarrassed;

Dear Deanna!

Theatre-Portland Center for Performing Arts; to purchase tickets call 503-226-2588.

Sliders Grill -- Sliders Grill, 3011 N. Lombard, features an eclectic assortment of performers on the main stage, accompanied by delicious food. Call 503-459-4488 for more information.



Portland Jazz Festival -- Maceo Parker and other jazz artists are featured in the fifth annual Portland Jazz Festival running through Sunday, Feb. 24 at various locations. For tickets and a complete schedule, visit pdxjazz.com.

Sunday Night Jazz -- Jazz enthusiasts can enjoy listening to the cool sounds of Mel Brown, in the Rogue River Room at Chinook Winds Casino Resort in Lincoln City. No cover

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 and teamwork through urban dance moves. For more information, call 360-696-8236.

Open Mic Night -- Every Wednesday night at 7 p.m., Proper Eats Market and Café, 8638 N. Lombard St., host open-mic night.

Sea Monsters -- Spectacular photo-realistic animation brings creatures of the deep to life in the new National Geographic Ominimax film Sea Monsters: a Prehistoric Adventure, now playing at OMSI.

Dear Deanna!

I have a roommate in college that disrespects the fact that I have allergies. I'm sensitive to air fresheners, perfume, cigarette smoke and a lot of other stuff. I'm on the waiting list to move but she's beginning to do things on purpose like using sprays, powders and things that make me sick. She does these things and pretends she didn't know. Meanwhile, my eyes are watery, I'm sick and missing class because of allergy attacks. How do I get her to stop this behavior? --Allergic and Sad; Tampa, Fla.

Dear Allergic:

You should take your roommate to lunch and have a sincere conversa-

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tion with her and give her further know that her actions are abusive insight into your allergies. Let her and if she doesn't stop, you'll take know that you're entitled to peace action with the housing office. If in your living space because you it's too bad while you're waiting for pay to be there. You need to let her the system to work, see if you can

Call 503-288-0033

ads@portlandobserver.com

Dear Embarrassed:

You gave yourself three strikes in a row by looking for love in the club, being fooled by a smooth operator and then bringing him into your house. You asked him to move in with you and you can also ask him to Advertise with diversity move out. It's not your problem if he's broke and homeless. If you keep messing around with this guy, you'll be just like him. You can handle this The Mortland Observer problem by breaking your lease and moving somewhere else or simply

Lanham, Md.

Dear Deanna!

My new girlfriend is moving too www.askdeanna.com

ask him to move and mean it.

change rooms on a temporary basis fast. I met her mother as a courtesy and now she wants to commit me to dinner every week and she acts as if I'm going to marry her. At first it was cute and I guy I met at the club. When I first could go along with a few things but now it's creepy. She's started buying wedding books and I have turned out to be a smooth talker and to draw the line. I need to get out of this relationship because I'm turned off completely. How do I get out of this before it's too late? -- Mark T.; On-Line Reader

Dear Mark:

There is something you did or something you said to this girl to give her the idea that your relationship is more than it is. You made it worse by playing along and now it's become too much for you. You need to man up and be honest and tell your girlfriend how you really feel, how her actions are affecting you personally and the overall relationship. If you choose not to be with her you need to at least respect her and end the relationship in a cordial manner.

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