

The Portland Observer  
presents The 3rd Annual  
**Joyce Washington Classic**  
HIGH SCHOOL ALL-STAR BASKETBALL GAMES

Joyce Washington Scholarship  
2008 Girls All-Star Teams

<b>Home Team (Gold)</b>	
Head Coach: Floyd Hall	
<b>PLAYER</b>	<b>HIGHSCHOOL</b>
Janita Bodan	Jefferson
Nyasha Sims	Jefferson
Kristen Swim	Franklin
Tryisha Blake	Jefferson
Aliyah Green	Lincoln
Denaya Brazzle	Jefferson
Mikayla Elliott	Franklin
Bailee Jurgenson	Franklin
Amanda Anderson	Marshall
Shawndez Santiago	Marshall

<b>Visiting Team (Blue)</b>	
Head Coach: Michael Harper	
<b>PLAYER</b>	<b>HIGHSCHOOL</b>
Diamond Ferguson	Benson
Kay Phosakham	Benson
Claire Groth	Cleveland
Abby McArthur	Wilson
Krystal Forthan	Grant
Razja Goodman	Cleveland
Mariah Ladd	St. Mary's
Shaquala West	Grant
Julie Ruddock	Wilson
Adrianna Saltzman	Wilson

**Women's Coach of the Year:**  
Jefferson High School's Mike Bontemps



In memory of  
**Cory Neal Washington,**  
1965-1991

Joyce Washington Scholarship  
2008 Boys All-Star Teams

<b>Home Team (Gold)</b>	
Head Coach: Paul Kelly	
Assistant Coach: David Miller	
<b>PLAYERS</b>	<b>HIGHSCHOOL</b>
Paul McCoy	Grant
Mike James	Grant
Cameron Jackson	Roosevelt
Mike Mosier	Grant
Jaques Kahey	Cleveland
Andre Broadous	Grant
Dominique Giles	Marshall
Titus Kolokolo	Roosevelt
Larry Ricards	Roosevelt
Dvari Harrison	Cleveland
Mitchell Beckwith	Marshall

<b>Visiting Team (Blue)</b>	
Head Coach: Michael Holton	
Assistant Coach: Mike Mangum	
<b>PLAYERS</b>	<b>HIGHSCHOOL</b>
Ameer Shamsud-Din	Benson
Sean Gaines	Madison
Kalonji Paschal	Jefferson
Mario Gill	Wilson
Tyrone White	Jefferson
Anthony Golden	Madison
Jordan Black	Jefferson
Henry Williams Jr.	Jefferson
Jamar Johnson	Benson
Michael Holton Jr.	Sunset
Nathaniel Keilholtz	Franklin

**Men's Coach of the Year:** Marshall Haskins

Come see the best of high-school basketball players! Be there to support your school!  
Includes members of Portland Public School's men's and women's teams!

Saturday, May 31, at SEI, 3920 N. Kerby, Portland

Tickets available at The Portland Observer (4747 N.E. Martin Luther King Blvd.)  
\$5 for adults, \$2 for kids (age 12 and under)

Doors open at 3 p.m. • Girls Classic at 4 p.m. • Boys Classic at 5:30 p.m.

Proceeds raised go to the Joyce Washington Memorial Scholarship Fund

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Portland Observer Auto Review News and reviews on new motor vehicles

**2008 Infiniti EX35 RWD Journey**  
*Infiniti Crossover an Easy Journey*

BY KATHLEEN CARR

The 2008 Infiniti EX35 is a new crossover SUV slightly smaller than the Infiniti FX and is aimed more at luxury than sportiness. The EX35 drives like a sports sedan and has the room of a small SUV, and that's what most people want.

Inside there is room for five, but it's much more comfortable with four. The cabin boasts rich, soft-touch materials and a stylish design. All of the controls are within easy reach. Also offered is Infiniti's new Lane Departure Prevention system, which lightly applies the brakes on one side of the vehicle that steers the vehicle back into its lane should it start crossing lane lines.

The EX35 front end has curvaceous, organic shapes that flow into body sides marked by prominent wheel bulges pushed to the corners. A graceful character line flows from front to rear, dipping in the middle and sweeping up at the back to give the EX35 a sporty rake.

The EX35's hatchback design means cargo room is plentiful, though many SUVs offer more

space. An industry-first power-folding second row eases the process of loading items in the back. The Journey model has second-row seats that fold up and down via power controls located in the rear cargo area.

Infiniti is also using the EX35 to introduce a new paint that it calls Scratch Shield. Infiniti says it is self-healing. This paint has a clear coat that was developed to maintain the paint's luster longer. The softer clear coat "heals" scratches by flowing back to a smooth finish over time with the help of heat. It works quicker in the summer and in hotter climates.

Under the hood of the EX35 is Nissan's superb 3.5-liter V6. It makes 297 horsepower and is mated to a five-speed automatic transmission that has a manual shiftgate but no paddle shifters.

Drivers will be pleased by the EX35's ready power. It is fast from a stop and offers no-worries passing response at highway speeds. Fuel economy is only adequate, though. Expect about 20 mpg in a city/highway driving



Specification: 3.5-Liter v6 24-valve, 297-hp @ 253 lb-ft. torque engine; RWD; 5-Speed automatic transmission; 17-City 24-Highway MPG; \$41,215 MSRP

mix. From behind the wheel, the EX35 drives like a sports sedan with a slightly elevated ride height. Even with the available 18-inch wheels, the EX35 smoothes out the bumps without jolting passengers. With its car-like handling, powerful engine, and useful cargo room, the 2008 Infiniti EX35 is a fine alternative to the super-sized SUVs.

The EX35 is brimming with new technologies. A hard drive

radio has 9.3 gigabytes of storage space for music files, music can be ripped directly from CDs; and an available Around View Monitor shows obstacles 360 degrees around the vehicle.

Our loaded Journey package included: leather upholstery, power-folding second-row seats, sunroof, an auto-dimming rearview mirror with a compass, universal garage door opener, and front and rear park assist.

The Navigation Package adds

a hard-drive-based navigation system; voice recognition for the climate control, audio and navigation; XM NavTraffic with real-time traffic information; a 9.3-gigabyte hard drive for music storage with a compact flash drive slot; single in-dash CD player; and a rearview monitor.

The Technology Package adds the Around View Monitor, Lane Departure Prevention System with Lane Departure Warning System, and Intelligent Cruise

Control.

Safety features that come standard on all models include dual front airbags; torso-protecting, seat-mounted front side airbags; head-protecting curtain side airbags; LATCH child seat anchors; active front head restraints; antilock brakes with brake assist and electronic brake-force distribution; traction control; and electronic stability control. Optional safety features include front and rear obstacle detection, the Around View Monitor, and the Lane Departure Warning system with Lane Departure Prevention.

The 2008 Infiniti EX35 represents a new direction for crossover SUVs, one that is more carlike than previous versions. That means the EX35 offers a pleasant driving experience and sporty looks to go with useful cargo space. Add in a powerful engine, a classy interior, and some cool tech features and the EX35 Journey is an easy transition to make.

The smooth ride and rich, classy interior add to the appeal. If you want a sporty, comfortable vehicle that drives like a car but has the cargo room of a wagon or SUV, make sure to put the EX35 on your shopping list.