

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

The Assassination of Abraham Lincoln

Drama unfolds on PBS

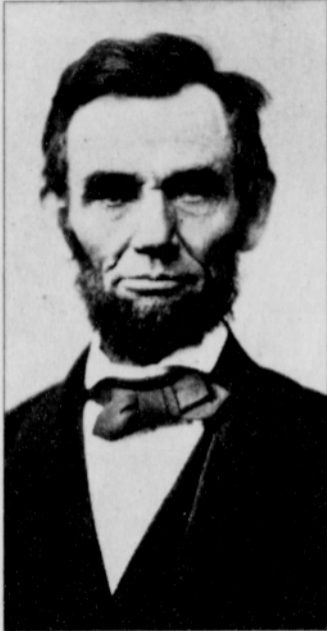
The PBS documentary series "American Experience" recounts a great American drama:

Two tumultuous months when the joy of peace was shattered by the heartache of assassination.

At the heart of the story are two figures who define the extremes of character: Abraham Lincoln, who successfully led the country through its greatest internal crisis, the Civil War preserving the Union and ending slavery, and John Wilkes Booth, who allowed hatred to curdle into destruction.

On March 4, 1865 at the United States Capitol, a crowd of 50,000 listened as President Lincoln delivered his classic second inaugural address, urging charity and forgiveness to a nation in the final throes of war.

Just two months later, a train, nine cars long and draped in black bunting pulled slowly out of a station in Washington, D.C. Dignitaries and government officials crowded the first eight cars. In the ninth rode the body of Lincoln -- America's first assassinated president.



Abraham Lincoln

Some seven million people would line the tracks or file past the casket to bid an emotional farewell to the martyred leader.

As the funeral train made its way across nine states and through hundreds of cities and towns, the largest manhunt in history was closing in on Lincoln's assassin, the famous actor Booth.

"The Assassination of Abraham Lincoln" is a 90-minute film that airs on Monday, Feb. 9 at 9:30 p.m.



Local Drum Majors Honored

Vancouver Avenue First Baptist Church presented 2009 Drum Major Awards at its Living The Dream ecumenical service, Jan. 18, honoring Martin Luther King Jr., Coretta Scott King and Rosa Parks. Pictured are Pastor J.W. Matt Hennessee (from left); Gale Castillo, president and co-founder of the Hispanic Metropolitan Chamber; Derrick Foxworth, former police chief and 27-year veteran of the Portland Police Bureau; and Dr. O. Virginia Phillips, child and family advocate, author and founder of Women of Purpose International.

Black Heritage Art Show

Seeds of Hope: Living to Leave a Legacy is the theme of the Black Heritage City Hall Art Show, on Thursday, Feb. 5 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Portland City Hall, 1221 S.W. Fourth Ave.

The annual Black History Month event is free and open to the public.

The show's featured artists are Ann E. Willoughby, Diane Russell, Sunshine Dixon, Eldon Jones III, Henry Frison, Mark Bishop, Billie Dixon, Paul Dixon, Mark Bishop, Derrick Harrison, and Felicia Capuia.

Entertainment will include the De La Salle Choir and DJ Ricky Pettiford.

Choirs Perform at Rex Putman

The Rex Putman high School Choral Department invites the public to a Black History Month celebration.

The Choralaires, the school's cappella choir, under the direction of John

Baker, will share the stage in a special performance featuring Richard Probasco and the New Song Worship Choir.

The performance will take place Friday, Feb. 6

starting at 7 p.m. in the Putnam High auditorium, 4950 S.E. Roethe Rd.

Tickets will be sold at the door: \$10 for adults and \$5 for students and seniors.

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Legacy Emanuel Hospital is a major employer in North Portland and a cornerstone for community health and healing.

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In honor of Black History Month, we think it is fitting to look at the role we play in addressing health disparities.

We support dozens of efforts aimed at improving the health of people of racial and ethnic diversity. Such steps as:

- Helping cooks at Peninsula Children's Center in North Portland prevent childhood obesity

- Partnering with the African American Health Coalition regarding diabetes management
- Supporting a program from Self Enhancement Inc. that provides preventive dental care to youth who have not had regular visits to dentists
- Providing a diverse workplace to reflect the communities we serve

In addition, we provide more than \$144 million in health services to people with limited ability to pay.

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