

Congratulations Deloney!

Chelsea Deloney of Portland is crowned Miss Black Oregon 2009 during ceremonies Feb. 28 at the Scottish Rite Center. Deloney was a Rose Festival Princess from Jefferson High School in 2008. She will now go on to compete for scholarship and empowerment opportunities in the national Miss Black USA pageant.



Arts & ENTERTAINMENT

Siren's Echo's Hill Solos

Toni Hill, half of the hip-hop duo, Sirens Echo, is celebrating the release of her new solo album "Only Love," with a CD Release Party on Sunday, March 15 at 8 p.m. at Club 720, located at 720 S.E. Hawthorne.



Toni Hill

A work three years in the making, manifested through loss of family, heartbreak and sweet new romance, "Only Love" is a delicious collection of soulful originals that tell an assortment of stories from the heart.

"I wanted this album to be about love—like the old school music our parents listened to... I wanted it to be about love for friends, love from supporters; and most importantly about love for self, because without that you

really can't love anyone else," Hill said.

The Northwest artist has been blazing the mic from coast to coast for over a decade, including work with the crews, Hungry Mob, and Old Dominion. She has shared the stage with such notables as Gil Scott-Heron, Saul Williams, KRS 1, Black-eyed Peas, Fishbone, E-40, Zap Mama, Common, the legendary Roots crew and the Coup.

Her new album Only Love includes some of Seattle's finest musicians from jazz, hip-hop, R&B, and world music that include Mark Oi, Anthony Davis, Vitamin D, Aaron Walker-Loud, Royce Shorter Jr., Ethan Lawton, Chris Littlefield, Evan Flores-Barnes and others.



Darryl 'DMC' McDaniels

Hip Hop Reality Series

Darryl "DMC" McDaniels, co-founder of influential hip-hop group Run-DMC, will host "The Kings of Rap," a new reality series that is billed as a positive-themed competition.

The IME Entertainment show, which is in development, will offer aspiring hip-hop musicians the chance to earn a record deal. The catch is that the artists must create music that anyone can listen

to without being offended, and the songs cannot glorify violence, degrade women or use profanity.

"There are so many talented kids out there who don't get heard or don't get signed because they're not controversial enough, or they're too positive. That amazes me," said McDaniels, who will be inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in

April along with Reverend Run of Run-DMC.

"The spirit of hip-hop was always about changing the world or yourself, not with a gun or with denigrating or offensive words, but by being effective with your mind. This is a time when everyone is talking about change, and we as a country have the opportunity to make a difference."

ENTERTAINMENT GUIDE

Ashanti Live! -- Chinook Winds Casino in Lincoln City presents Ashanti live! with two performances, Friday, March 13, and Saturday, March 14, both at 8 p.m. Ticket prices range from \$30 to \$45 and are on sale now. Visit chinookwindscasino.com or call 1-888-244-6665.

Roosevelt Theatre Presents -- Roosevelt High School's theatre department presents a play entitled See How They Run. Shows are at 7 p.m. on Thursday, March 12; Friday, March 13 and Saturday, March 14. Admission is set \$5 for adults and \$2 for senior citizens and children.

Jazz & Funk Fusion -- Come join Grammy-nominated Jeff Lorber and Patrick Lamb bring back the "Old School" Jazz & Funk Fusion on Saturday, March 21. Show times are 7:30 p.m. and 10 p.m. with tickets priced at \$20 per show. For reservations or ticket purchases, please call 503-295-6542.



Everclear Rocks Irish Fest -- The group Everclear will perform a special concert Sunday, March 15, during the Kells Irish Festival at 1112 S.W. Second Ave. The festival takes place over five days, beginning Friday, March 13 to St. Patrick's Day on Tuesday, March 17. Guests will enjoy Irish food, entertainment and bevies. For more details, visit kellsirish.com.

Johnny and the Distractions -- Original members of Johnny and the Distractions will perform "The Last Dance" one time reunion show on Friday, March 13, at the Aladdin Theatre, 3166 S.E. 11th Ave. Tickets are \$18 in advance, \$20 at the door; and available at Music Millennium.

Jam Session -- Come enjoy the smooth and soulful sounds of the Kirk Green Band every Sunday, 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. at Club 720, located at 720 S.E. Hawthorne. The jam session and open mic is from 9-10 p.m. All professional musicians are welcome! For more information, call 503-234-7738.

Food and Entertainment -- 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.

Music Millennium Free Shows -- The Music Millennium, 3158 E. Burnside, hosts in-house live performances. Enjoy free music and the opportunity to meet local artists. Call 503-231-8926 for a schedule.

World Forestry Center -- The World Forestry Center is celebrating bananas with Banana Mania discount day on Saturday, March 14 from 11 a.m. -- 4 p.m. Admission for the day will be discounted. Bananas will be distributed to the first 300 people. There will also be banana puppet crafts, story telling, and balloon art. For more information, call 503-228-1367

Zoo Buck Tuesdays -- On the 2nd Tuesday of every month, the zoo hosts 2-Buck Tuesdays when guests can tour the zoo during regular zoo hours for the discounted price of \$2 per person!

Poetry at Miracles -- Local and national artists and musicians share an evening of spoken word and music at the Miracles Club, 4069 N.E. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd, each Wednesday, between 7:30 p.m. and 9:30 p.m.

Live Jazz -- Every Friday and Saturday

from 8 p.m. to 11 p.m., the Third Degrees Lounge at the RiverPlace Hotel, 1510 S.W. Harbor Way, will host the ongoing weekend series featuring Portland's rich jazz scene with no cover or minimum purchase. For more information, visit pdxjazz.com.



Africa Speaks; America Answers -- On Thursday, March 13 in the Kaul Auditorium at Reed College, master drummer Obo Addy and jazz performer Thara Memory will perform in concert at 8 p.m. Advance tickets are \$20 for adults or \$12 for students, and can be purchased at pdxjazz.net or at the Hollywood Theatre, 4122 N.E. Sandy Blvd.

OMSI After Dark -- OMSI After Dark is a night at the museum for the 21 and over crowd filled with food, drink and science fun; \$10 fee. For more information call 503-797-4000 or visit omsi.edu.

First Friday's at Children's Museum -- The Portland Children's Museum has partnered with Target to provide free admission to everyone on the first Friday of each month from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

OMSI \$2 Days -- The first Sunday of every month can spark your passion for science at the OMSI when admission is just \$2. For more information, visit omsi.edu.

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Come enjoy the smooth sexy soulful sounds of the **Kirk Green Band** every Sunday from 7pm to 11pm at Portland's hottest dance club **720 Club** at 720 S.E. Hawthorne Ave., Portland, Oregon 97214 (503) 234-7738.

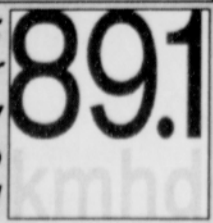
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Every Sunday starting March 1st from 7-11pm enjoy good food, music and friends
Dress to impress!



"Everything I do is collaborative. It's just my way. I'm really very interested in how the other musicians perceive the song."
Cassandra Wilson

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