

Arts & ENTERTAINMENT

Rebels and Rabble-Rousers

Ragtime follows fight for justice

Portland Center Stage invites Portland to return to the turn of a different century for Ragtime, the Tony-Award winning musical about the anarchist crusaders, death-defying magicians, race apologists and renegade musicians who fomented revolutions in the drawing rooms and fought injustice in the streets of an America that laid the groundwork for the America we live in today.

Ragtime runs through Nov. 1 at the Gerding Theater at the Armory, 128 N.W. 11th Ave. Tickets range from start at \$24, with student and under 30 discounts available. Rush tickets for Ragtime are \$15. Show times are 7:30 p.m. Tuesday through



Mother's (Susannah Mars) world stretches nearly to the breaking point when she goes out on a limb to help Coalhouse (Gavin Gregory) reclaim the love of Sarah (Rachael Ferrera) despite tragedy, injustice, fear and regret in Ragtime, playing on the Portland Center Stage Main Stage.

Saturday, with a 2 p.m. Sunday matinee and alternating Saturday 2 p.m. and Sunday 7:30 p.m. performances.

E.L. Doctorow's sweeping novel comes vividly to life in this sprawling epic set against the backdrop of the ragtime craze in 1908 New York City. In it, three disparate families intertwine: a wealthy white woman and her son, whose lives are shaken up when she takes in a baby abandoned by a young black girl; a Jewish immigrant father and daughter who find unexpected fortune at the dawn of the motion picture age; and a ragtime musician (Coalhouse Walker) whose world unravels after a group of bigoted fireman destroy his brand new car to "teach him a lesson" about "appropriate" place in the burgeoning prosperity of a new American century.



Royce Da 5' 9"

Detroit Rapper Due

Detroit rapper Ryan Montgomery, aka Royce Da 5' 9" brings his lyrical skill and musical prowess to Portland for a Friday, Oct 16 show at the Roseland Theater, downtown.

Royce Da 5' 9" is scheduled to release his fourth album Street Hop later this month. The CD shows his versatility with the song "Shake That" which recounts the turmoil he felt as not only as artist, but also a husband and a father while being incarcerated for a year.

The rapper has joined forces on tour with three other MCs -- Joe Budden, Crooked I and Joell Ortiz -- to form the hip-hop supergroup Slaughterhouse.

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Hip Hop Festival -- The 11th annual POH HOP hip hop festival opens Wednesday, Oct. 7 at the Ash Street; continuing Thursday, Oct. 8 at the Backspace; Friday, Oct. 9 at Slabtown; and Saturday, Oct. 10 at the Roseland Theater.



Norman Sylvester Band -- Norman Sylvester performs each Thursday this month at 9 p.m. at the 720 Nightclub; and Friday, Oct. 16 and Saturday, Oct. 17 at Tillicum. On Friday, Oct. 23, he's at Clyde's and Saturday, Oct. 24 at the Candlelight.

Live Jazz -- Every Friday and Saturday from 8 p.m. to 11 p.m., the Third Degrees Lounge at the River Place Hotel, 1510 S.W. Harbor Way. No cover or minimum purchase. For more information, visit pdxjazz.com.

Songs from the Sea - Inspired by the briny deep, the Portland Gay Men's Chorus presents a classical matinee of 'Songs from the Sea' on Sunday, Oct. 18 at 3 p.m. at Reed College's Kaul Auditorium. For tickets, visit pdxgmc.org or call 503-226-2588.

Loaves & Fishes Benefit -- On Tuesday, Oct. 13, from 4 p.m. to 11 p.m. Widmer Brewing and the Widmer Gasthaus, 929 N. Russell St., will support the Martin Luther King Jr. Loaves and Fishes Center by do-

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nating all proceeds to feed homebound seniors. Parties of five or more are asked to call ahead and make a reservation.



Predators of the Serengeti -- Come hear the roar as the Oregon Zoo shows off its newest and most ambitious exhibit with three African lions and other animals that are home to the Serengeti.

Sounds of the Supremes -- On Saturday, Oct. 10, Lena B Connection brings her soulful Supremes sound to Jewelia's II VIP Lounge, located in the College Square Mall on Northeast 242nd and Stark in Gresham.

Dickens' Classic -- Marissa Neitling and Shea Mackinnon star in Oliver! the musical play based on Charles Dickens' classic novel. Performances through Oct. 18 at the Lakewood Center for the Arts, 368 S. State St. in Lake Oswego.

Battle to Vote -- The Clark County Historical Museum, 1511 Main St. in Vancouver, hosts a free women's suffrage

exhibit though the end of the year. Washington was an early leader in giving women the right to vote.

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

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.

Food and Entertainment -- Sliders Grill, 3011 N. Lombard, features an eclectic assortment of performers on the main stage, accompanied by delicious food. Call 5459-4488 for more information.

Totally Gospel II -- Peninsula Open Bible Church, 8225 N. Peninsula, hosts all styles of gospel, country, and contemporary music with host Riny Horst each Friday night from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. For more information, call 503-335-3132.

Neil Simon's Rumors -- Rumors, a comedy by Neil Simon, will be performed Wednesday, Oct. 7 through Sunday, Oct. 11 and Oct. 14-15 in the Hunt Center Theater on the University of Portland campus in north Portland. For reservations, call 503-943-7287.

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