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The Man, the Legend, Ice Cube is Back

Performance will highlight 'Soul'd Out Music Festival'

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Shake em up, shake em up, shake em up. The man, the legend, Ice Cube returns to Portland as part of the Soul'd Out Music Festival, Friday April 8 at the Roseland Theater, downtown.

The Soul'd Out Music Festival which runs through April 17 will also feature multi-Grammy winning singer Lauryn Hill, making her first ever appearance in Portland at the Arlene Schnitzer Concert Hall. Other notables include Mos Def, the Preservation Hall Jazz Band, Raphael Saadiq, and Ellis Marsalis.

Ice Cube is on the second leg of a nationwide tour. If there's a theme to his concerts it might be from the title to his rap song "We Be Clubbin'." If Cube's multi-talented



Multi-talented rapper, actor and producer Ice Cube will perform Friday, April 8 at the Roseland Theater.

career has a beat, it might be his hit "Steady Mobbin." If Cube's future in the entertainment industry had an anthem, his devoted fans might rap the lyrics from his hits "It Takes a Nation" and "You can Do It."

A Cube concert is like Campbell's soup...Mmm-good. Like his 1993 single "It Was a Good Day," past Cube concerts I have attended on both the east and west coasts were the greatest.

O'Shea Jackson, a.k.a. Ice Cube, is a multi-talented rapper, actor, screenwriter, film director, and producer. As one of the lyrical brains

behind N.W.A, the Los Angeles-based rapper became a major player in the music game by leading a musical revolution.

Many people may not know that after "Boyz in Da Hood" movie director and producer John Singleton encouraged Jackson to try his hand at screenwriting, Jackson wrote the screen play for what became the 1995 movie classic "Friday."

From monumental musical tracks to milestones in his acting career, Cube is classic.

For more information on the Soul'd Out Music Festival and tickets, visit souldoutfestival.com.



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