

# Arts & ENTERTAINMENT

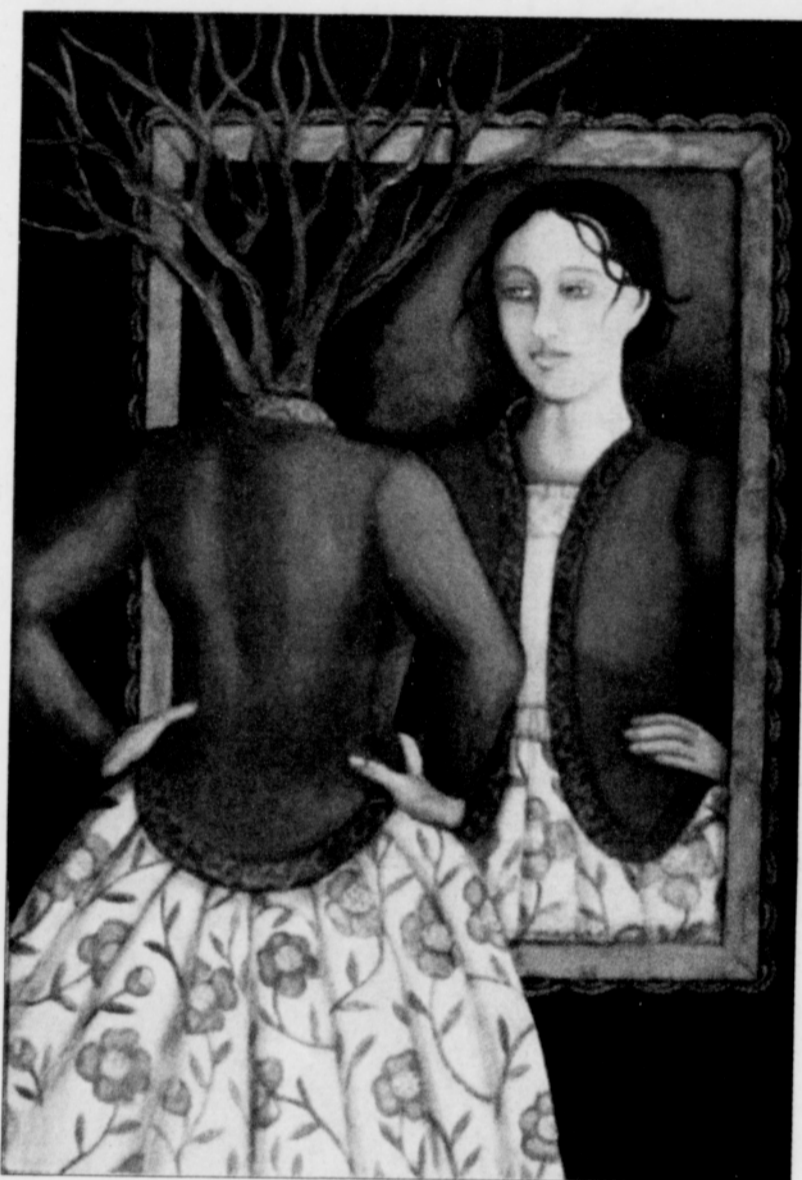
## Artists Featured on Last Thursday

On **NE ALBERTA ST** Street

Painters Devin Bernard and Rogene Manas will hold an opening reception for their artwork at the Guardino Gallery on Last Thursday, May 26 from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Bernard's acrylic paintings tell stories. His images are finely detailed with a high and uneven tonal quality and jewel-like colors.

Manas uses paper maché clay and paint to fashion images that literally come off the canvas. She



'The Illusion' by Rogene Manas.

'Mistaken Identity' by Devin Bernard.

creates sculptural bas-reliefs and textural paintings that comment on the relationship between humans and nature.

Guardino will feature works by the two artists through June 28.

## Poking Fun at Middle East Politics

### Comedians to stand up for peace on PSU stage

Two successful comedians, Scott Blakeman and Dean Obeidallah, will poke fun at Middle East politics in their disarmingly funny performance, "Standup for Peace," a comedy show that brings together Jews, Arabs, Muslims, and people from all backgrounds to laugh and encourage dialogue.



Dean Obeidallah

Performing shows at theatres, colleges, temples, and Jewish and Arab community centers throughout the U. S., the two-comedian will bring their show to Portland State University on Saturday, May 28 at 7 p.m. in the Smith Memorial Student Union Ballroom.

Blackman, self-described political comedian, liberal pun-

dit, talk show host, and "nice Jewish boy from Brooklyn," appears regularly on Fox News Live.com, hosts a political comedy talk show, and has been a warm-up comedian on "The Late Show with David Letterman."

Obeidallah, a New Jersey native of Palestinian and Sicilian descent, has appeared on "The Axis of Evil" comedy TV special, and is the co-creator of Comedy Central's critically acclaimed internet series, "The Watch List," featuring a cast of Middle-Eastern-American comedians performing standup and sketch comedy.



Scott Blakeman

PSU Jewish and Arab student groups will open the show with comedic performances, and included will be raffles to help support Libyans students studying in Portland.

The show is free, but tickets are required. Contact the PSU box office located in the first floor of Smith center.

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