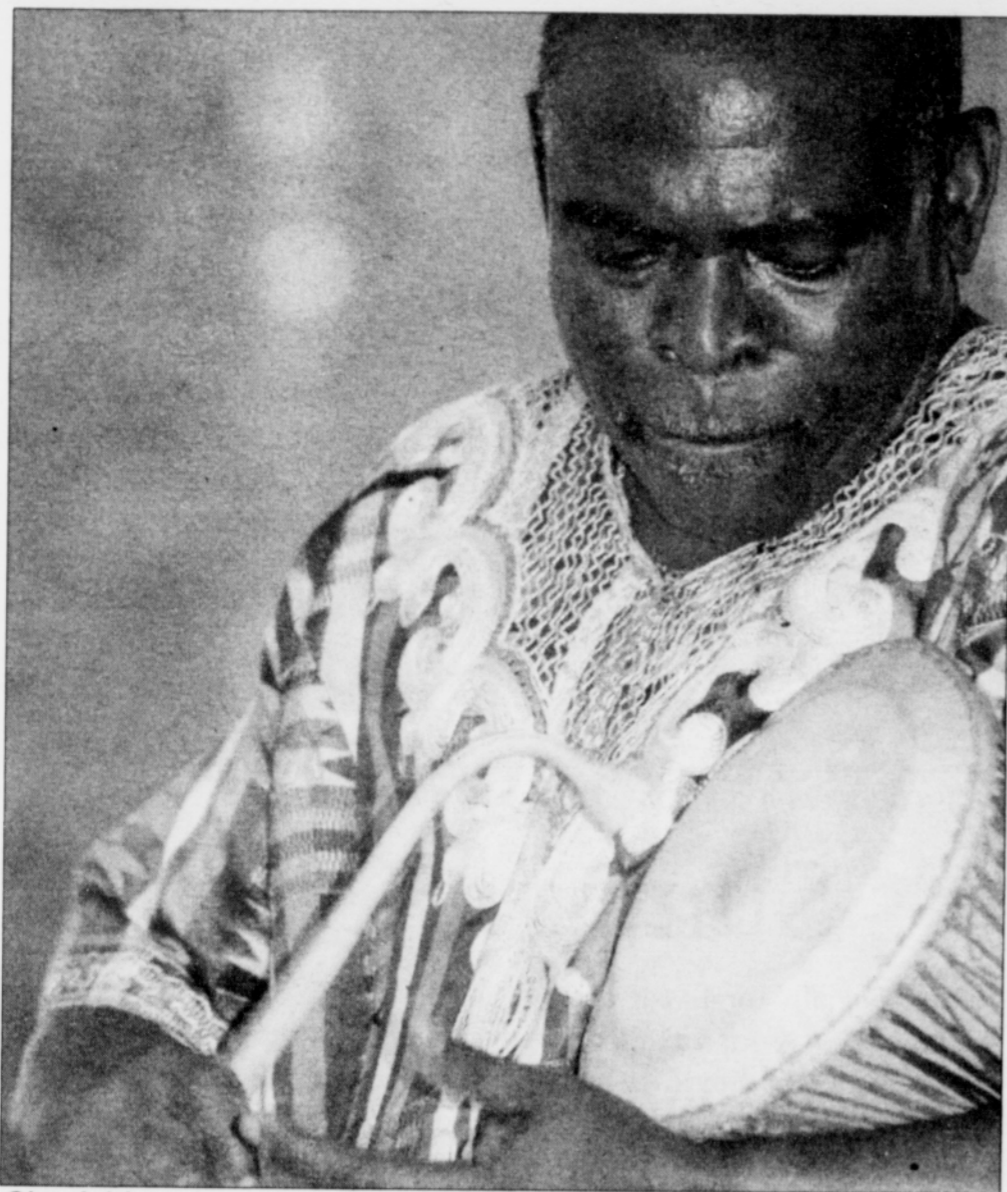


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Homowo African Arts Celebrates 25 Years



Obo Addy, a long-time Portland musician and drummer from Ghana, is known for his charismatic spirit, rapid-fire hands and powerful voice.

Name changes in legacy nod to Obo Addy

Homowo African Arts and Cultures will celebrate its 25th anniversary with a new name and a more focused direction. Hereafter known as The Obo Addy Legacy Project, the Portland non-profit will carry forth its mission under the continu-

ing direction of its founder Obo Addy, while focusing on creating, performing and teaching African arts.

Addy, a long-time Portland musician and master drummer from Ghana, is renowned as a leader, a teacher, an entertainer and an artist of numerous genres. In the future, he will concentrate its efforts on producing major artistic performances, teaching in both K-12 schools and at the college level, and

writing compositions.

"Through his music and teaching, Obo has affected hundreds of thousands of lives in the Pacific Northwest and beyond," said Susan Addy, executive director of The Obo Addy Legacy Project.

Founded by Obo and Susan Addy in 1986, Homowo African Arts & Cultures originally existed as a virtual cultural center with offerings in schools, parks and performance venues all over the country.



Sachal Vasandani

PDX Jazz Night presents Rising Star

Vocalist Sachal Vasandani is set to make his Portland debut during PDX Jazz night at the Tony Starlight Supper Club-Lounge on Saturday, June 18 at 8 p.m.

The performance will feature his New York-based working ensemble, consisting of pianist Jeb Patton, bassist David Wong and drummer Kendrick Scott.

With two albums on Mack Avenue Records, Vasandani -- a 2010 DownBeat "Rising Star" poll win-

ner -- established himself as one of the most promising voices in modern jazz, with a distinctive blend of jazz and pop.

His third release, Hi-Fly, confirms the high praise and makes Vasandani one of the freshest, most versatile artists to emerge onto the jazz scene.

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