

Arts & ENTERTAINMENT



'Bad to the Bone' Rocker

Blues Hall of Fame guitarist George Thorogood and the Destroyers will rock Portland Sunday, Aug. 7, as part of this year's Oregon Zoo Summer Concerts, presented by Regence BlueCross BlueShield of Oregon with support from U.S. Bank.

The Javier Nero Quintet

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Javier Nero, Recent Winner of the International Trombone Competition



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102 NE RUSSEL
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221 NW 10TH AVE

Weaving Taiko, Dance and Video

Michelle Fujii, a fourth generation Japanese-American and the artistic director of Portland Taiko, as well as a Japanese folk dancer, composer, and choreographer, presents "Choking," at the Ethos at Interstate Firehouse Cultural Center, 5340 N. Interstate Ave.

Fujii reveals elements of her personal artistic journey, motivations and family history in the solo performance that waves taiko, dance and video, and delves into Fujii's continual explorations to place "traditional" Japanese art within the present.

"Michelle has created a performance with depth and intensity. She has managed to weave elements of her personal journey together with a historical narrative of the Japanese-American experience and taiko," says Kisha X. Palmer, directorial collaborator.

The 2nd floor of IFCC will be transformed with installations that reflect the influences that have developed Fujii's identity as a 4th generation Japanese-American, a daughter, and granddaughter of incarcerated Japanese-Americans during World War II.

Only 70 tickets are available per nightly show between the two entry times to ensure an intimate and unique experience.

Shows are scheduled at 8:30 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, Aug. 5 and Aug. 6 and again next weekend on Aug. 12 and 13. The IFCC will open the second floor interactive gallery at 7:45 p.m. on each night the performances.



Japanese-American folk dancer, composer and choreographer Michelle Fujii.

Movies in the Park -- All summer long, Portland's neighborhood parks will host free films from recent hits to classics. Films begin at dark (8 p.m. -- 8:45 p.m.) with pre-movie entertainment starting at 6:30 p.m. Rainouts will be called at 5 p.m. For a complete schedule, visit portlandparks.org.

Clark County Fair -- The Clark County Fair opens Friday, Aug. 5 in Ridgefield and continues through Sunday, Aug. 14. Organizers say "summer's best party" will have plenty of new events, activities and five amazing concerts. For a complete listing of rides and other events, visit clarkcofair.com

Summer Reading -- Multnomah County Library gives kids an incentive to read over the summer months in their 99th annual Summer Reading program. Studies show that over the summer, students lose about two months of reading comprehension skills. Kids aged birth to high school students entering grade 12 are welcome to sign up at any school library.

Rooftop Film Series -- The Northwest Film Center invites you to join them for cinema under the stars at the Top Down summer rooftop film series taking place atop the parking garage at the Hotel deLuxe on 729 S.W.



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15th Ave. every Thursday evening through Aug. 25. Festivities begin at 8 p.m. Bring your own portable chair, pillow, or blanket. Tickets are \$9. For movie titles, visit nwfilm.org.

Javier Nero -- The Javier Nero Quintet performs every Wednesday from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. at Afrique Bistro, 102 N.E. Russell St. \$5 cover. Javier Nero's New York Band performs Tuesday, Aug. 9 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Mississippi Pizza, 3552 N. Mississippi Ave. Free admission; Wednesday, Aug. 10 from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. at Afrique Bistro. \$10 cover; and Friday, Aug. 12 from 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. at Jimmy Mak's, 221 N.W. 10th Ave. \$10 cover.

Chronicles of Narnia Exhibition -- Take a magical journey of exploration in the Chronicles of Narnia, OMSI's new state-of-the-art exhibition, where visitors will enter a three dimensional world that combines the wonders of science with C.S. Lewis' beloved fictional books and blockbuster film series. The exhibition will show through Sept. 25, and tickets are \$2 with regular museum admission.

Norman Sylvester Band -- Boogie Cat Norman Sylvester and his band perform Friday, Aug. 5 at Halibuts; Saturday, Aug. 6 at the West Linn Saloon; Wednesday, Aug. 10 at the Milwaukie Festival Series; and Friday, Aug. 12 at the Elephant Garlic Festival in North Plains.