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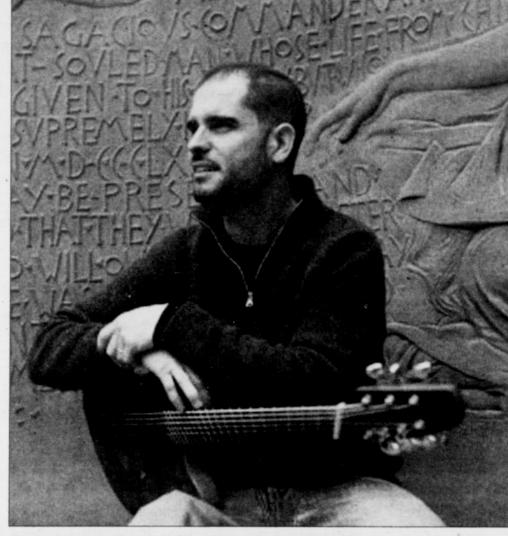
Afrobeat and Fusion Jam

Charlie Hunter and the "PDX Afrobeat Breakdown" will bring rhythm and blues to the Crystal Ballroom on Saturday, February 25th at 9:30 p.m. as part of the US Bank Portland Jazz Festival presented by Alaska Airlines.

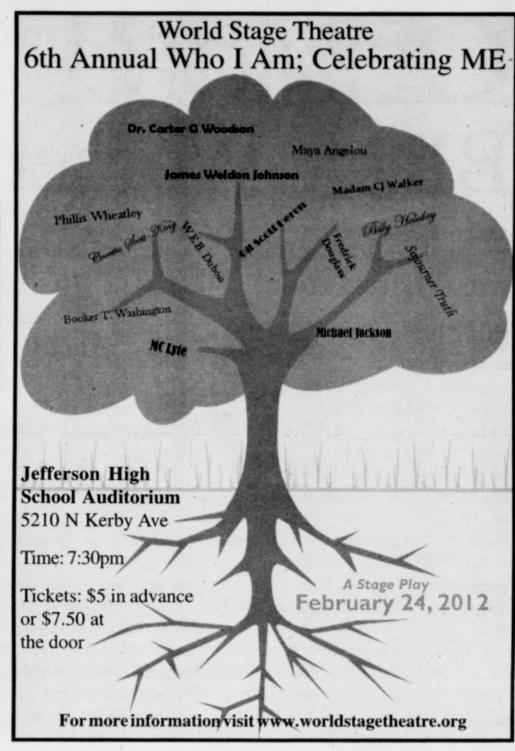
A solo jam will open the night followed by performances from Portland artists Scott Pemberton with a surprise special guest Ben Darwish of Commotion and Jujuba.

The program will explore and "breakdown" the historical Afrobeat discipline as a pivotal root in the modern funk and jam experience, which combines the improvisational character of jazz with the raunchiness of the funk and flavor mixture of African tradition.

Hunter has established himself as one of the premier modern fusion jazz and rock artists.



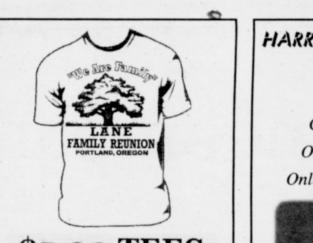
Portland Jazz Festival headliner Charlie Hunter will open for the 'PDX Afrobeat Breakdown,' on Saturday, Feb. 25 at the Crystal Ballroom.



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