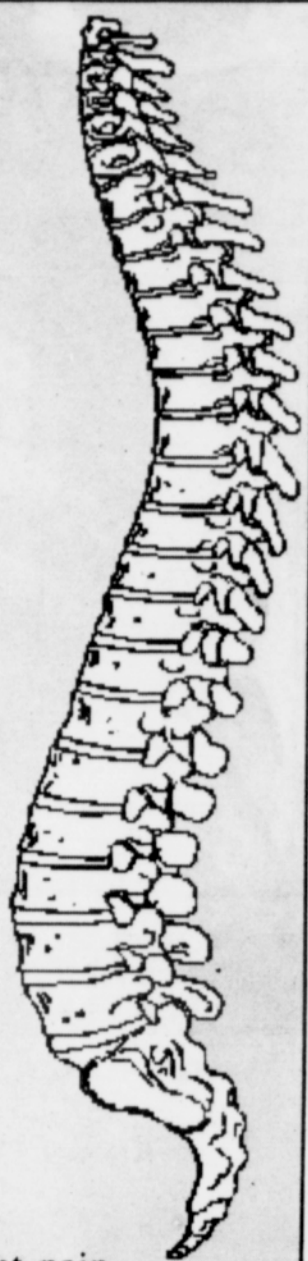


Your Care Our First Priority



**Dr. Marcelitte
Failla**
Chiropractic
Physician



We are located at
1716 N.E. 42nd Ave.
Portland, OR 97213

(Between Broadway and Sandy Blvd.)



- Automobile accident injuries
- Chronic headache and joint pain
- Workers Compensation injuries

Call for an appointment! (503) 228-6140

Arts & ENTERTAINMENT

R&B Singer Opens Up

Ocean says his first love was a man

(AP)—Ocean—the rising R&B singer behind the single "Novacane" and the self-released album "nostalgia, ULTRA," which critics heralded as among the best of 2011—announced on his Tumblr page last week that his first love was a man. He also tweeted a link to the post.

A few days earlier, CNN's Anderson Cooper acknowledged that he was gay. But the admission from the 24-year-old Ocean—who is part of the hip-hop collective Odd Future and was prominently featured on Jay-Z and Kanye West's "Watch the Throne" album—is noteworthy because he inhabits the world of rap, where anti-gay sentiments have



Frank Ocean arrives at the 16th annual GQ "Men of the Year" party in Los Angeles. The rising and highly acclaimed singer revealed last week on his website that his first love was a man. (AP photo)

long been part of the regular vocabulary. Gay epithets are often used in lyrics—one of Lil Wayne's catch phrases is "no homo."

"I think it's definitely important and it really signifies that there is a changing of the face of hip-hop," said Chuck Creekmur, founder of

the leading website allhiphop.com. He called Ocean's announcement "a sign of the times," noting Cooper's announcement and President Barack Obama's recent support of gay marriage.

Ocean wrote: "4 summers ago, I met somebody. I was 19. He was too. We spent that summer, and the summer after, together. Everyday almost. And on the days we were together, time would glide."

Ocean concludes the post: "I don't have any secrets I need to keep anymore. ... I feel like a free man. If I listen closely, I can hear the sky falling too."

While Creekmur stressed that Ocean's announcement did not hold the same weight as if a rapper had come out, he said it was significant that the hip-hop community's initial reaction was positive.

"I don't believe that Frank Ocean revealing his gay experience at the age of 19 will cause a bunch of rappers to come out of the closet. I don't think that we're there yet. I do think that we'll see a lot of support for him. ... I think that it's a process," he said. "Just a few years ago, if this had happened, it could have marked the end of his career. This could mark the beginning of his career."

Night of Ballads and Blues

PDX Jazz at The Mission Theater presents the Devin Phillips Quartet with special guest vocalist Richard Arnold in a program titled "John Coltrane Remembered - A Night of Ballads and Blues" on Thursday, July 19 at 7:30 p.m.

An alumnus of several Portland Jazz Festivals, including performances with Branford Marsalis and Pharoah Sanders, Phillips has become a mainstay of the city's jazz scene since emigrating from New Orleans.

His lifelong passion for saxophone began at the age of eight. At 14, he enrolled at the New Orleans Center for Creative Arts. Studying music theory and multi-styles composition, Phillips graduated with top



Devin Phillips

honors in 2000.

Tickets are \$15. The Mission Theater is located at 1624 N.W. Glisan St.

MY FATHER'S HOUSE MINISTRIES

Come and Experience Faith and Miracles!

**Pastors
Jerry & Annie
Gutierrez
Would like to
invite you
for Service every**



FRIDAY NIGHT AT 7PM

**Services will be held at:
New Song Community Center
2511 NE MLK Blvd.**

Corner of NE MLK Blvd & Russell Street in Portland

Doors open at 6pm for every service

For directions or more information, call

503-488-5481

www.mfhmportland.com

A Film on Fatherhood

A documentary film on family and fatherhood will be held on Saturday, July 14, at the Genesis church, located at 5424 NE 27th avenue, beginning at 11:00 a.m.

The Black Fatherhood Project event will inspire discussions on

fathers, fatherhood and the difficulties of raising boys to be men.

Attendees will get to meet director Jordan Thierry at the event, hosted by Pastor Donald Frazier.

For information or RSVP, visit www.TheBlackFatherhoodProject.com.