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The Portland Observer Black History Month



COURTESY OF THE RUTHERFORD FAMILY COLLECTION AND PORTLAND STATE UNIVERSITY LIBRARY. The railroad was a major employer of African Americans in the mid-1800s to mid-1900s. The Oregon History Museum currently has an exhibit that captures this piece of African American history. 'All Aboard! Railroading and Portland's Black Community' runs through April 21.

All Aboard!

continued from front 20th century.

Open through April 21, visitors will learn about the various jobs available to blacks on the railroad, the churches, hotels, newspapers,

and businesses established over Let the Elders Point the Way," takes the period, and let visitors experience what it meant to "drive a spike."

one of the exhibit's main sponsors.

by the Black Pioneers, "Free at last?

place Sunday, Feb. 10 from 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the Delta June R. Key The Oregon Black Pioneers are Center, 5940 N. Albina Ave.

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The Oregon History Museum is A panel discussion sponsored located at 1200 S.W. Park Ave. in downtown Portland.



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