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## LOCAL NEWS

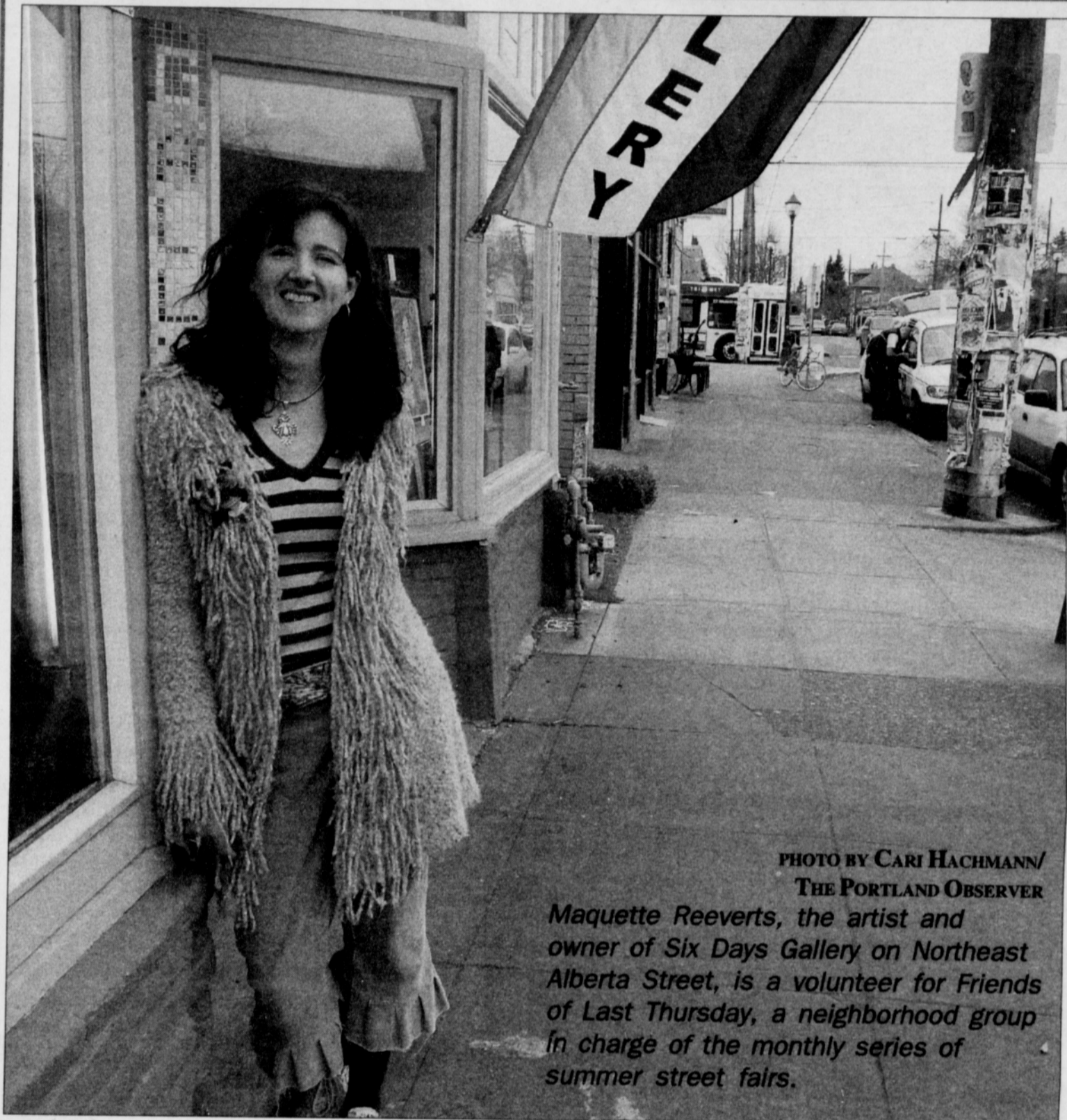


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THE PORTLAND OBSERVER

Maquette Reeverts, the artist and owner of Six Days Gallery on Northeast Alberta Street, is a volunteer for Friends of Last Thursday, a neighborhood group in charge of the monthly series of summer street fairs.

### Lasting the Summer

#### Friends of Last Thursday make changes to help it survive

BY CARI HACHMANN  
THE PORTLAND OBSERVER  
Before Alberta Street gives way for Last Thursday celebrations in May, the volunteer group in charge of the event has a few announcements, including new fees for non-artist vendors, and a first annual Alberta Bar Crawl that will help raise

money to fund the summer-long event.  
Now in its 15th season, Friends of Last Thursday's goal is to steer the Alberta street fairs away from past controversies and near collapse, and into a future that is supportive of its artists and performers and safe for the community.

For the first time, Friends of Last Thursday now holds a city permit for the celebrations.

The grass-roots group, comprised of a fluctuating four to eight artists, musicians, and business owners from the Alberta neighborhood, formed and took responsibility for Last Thursday a few years ago after criticism and complaints from neighbors about drunk and

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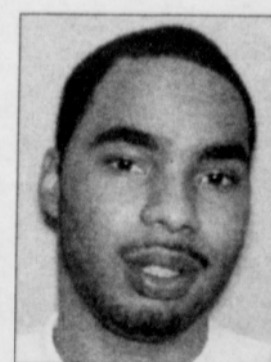
### Victim Remembered One Year Later

Family and friends gathered Friday to remember the life of Ramon Taylor, 31, and get out the word that there's a reward for information that could lead to an arrest.

Taylor was shot in the head on March 22, 2012 about 3 a.m. near Southeast 72nd Avenue and Mitchell Court.

The victim's family is not giving up in tracking down their loved one's killer. Taylor left behind nine children.

"We don't want this to be another 10, 20, 30-year-old cold case," said Jeaneen Montgomery, a



Ramon Taylor

member of the victim's family.

Police found Taylor dead on the morning of the shooting when the car he was in crashed on Northeast Martin

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