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downtown waterfront is the Rose Festival's City Fair for two more extended weekends. The rides, musical entertainment and exhibits are open Thursday, May 30 through Sunday, June 2; and Thursday, June 6 through Sunday, June 9.

La Cage aux Folles -- The critically acclaimed and



Tony Award-winning musical, La Cage aux Folles has come to town. Based on the Jean Poirets comedy, it tells the story of a glitzy nightclub-owner in a twoman relationship, whose son Jean-Michael has recently be-

come engaged to the daughter of an ultra-conservative and political family. Showings at Lakewood Theatre in Lake Oswego continue through June 9.



Rock of Ages Musical -- The five-time Tony nominated Broadway Across America musical Rock of Ages brings a mix of 28 rockin' 80s tunes to Keller Auditorium, with shows running through Sunday,

Mel Brown Live -- Portland jazz giant Mel Brown performs at Salty's on the Columbia every Friday and Saturday night. Known as the "Gentleman of Jazz," Brown has a career spanning over 40 years.

Norman Sylvester -- Boogie Cat Norman Sylvester and his band play Friday, June 7 at the West Linn Saloon; and Saturday, June 8 at Tillicum.



The People's Republic of Portland -- Comic performer and author Lauren Weedman holds her magnifying glass over the City of Roses in her one-woman show, The People's Republic of Portland. Shows are running through June 16th every Tuesday and Sunday.

Oregon Voices -- Oregon Voices tells Oregon's fascinating history through the eyes and ears of the people who lived it. The new Oregon Historical Society exhibit dives into a diverse range of subjects, from the displacement of minority populations from urban development, to cycles of boom and bust.

The Soulful Showcase -- Blacque Butterfly presents spoken word, live music and featured artists on the second and fourth Thursdays of each month at 8 p.m.

at E'Njoni Café, African-Mediterranean cuisine at 910 N. Killingsworth St.

Afrique Bistro Benefit -- Afrique Bistro, 102 N.E. Russell St., opens its doors each last Saturday of the month to raise donations for the African Women's Coalition. Great Caribbean and African music along with good drinks and fun people, 9 p.m. to 2:30 a.m. \$10 at the door.

Oregon Black History -- The Black Museum of Oregon group meets every Saturday, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at 420 N.E. Mason. For more information, call 503-284-0617.

Open Mic -- Curious Comedy, 5225 N.E. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., hosts a free night of stand-up comedy every 2nd and 4th Sunday. Open mic comics get three minutes, and audience members get a free sneak peak at Portland's up and coming talent. Signups start at 8:30 p.m. Show starts at 9 p.m.

Live Jazz -- Every Friday and Saturday from 8 p.m. to 11 p.m., the Third Degrees Lounge at the River Place Hotel, 1510 S.W. Harbor Way. No cover or minimum purchase. For more information, visit pdxjazz.com.

Music Millennium Free Shows -- The Music Millennium, 3158 E. Burnside, hosts in-house live performances. Enjoy free music and the opportunity to meet artists. Call 503-231-8926 for a schedule.

Humor Night -- Awesome comedians perform standup, sketch, and more at the weekly Recurring Humor Night every Wednesday night at Tonic Lounge. 3100 N.E. Sandy Blvd. Pay as you wish, \$3-5 donation suggested. Show is 21+.

Discount Tickets -- Local low-income families and individuals can purchase \$5 tickets to classical musical performances in Portland as part of a unique program called Music for All. Participating organizations include the Oregon Symphony, Portland Opera, Oregon Ballet Theater, Chamber Music Northwest, Portland Youth Philharmonic, Portland Baroque Orchestra, Friends of Chamber Music, Portland Chamber Orchestra, Portland Piano International, Portland Symphonic Choir, Cappella Romana and Portland Vocal Consort.



The Left Hand of Darkness --Science fiction and theatre buffs alike will revel in the stage adaptation Portland's own, Ursela K. Le Guin's 1969 classic The Left Hand of Darkness. The play which takes

place in a genderless society will run through Sunday, June 2 at Portland Playhouse. For tickets visit portlandplayhouse.org.

Discount Admission -- OMSI visitors pay only \$2 per person for general admission on the first Sunday of each month as well as discounted admission of \$5 to the Planetarium, OMIMAX Theater and USS Blueback submarine.