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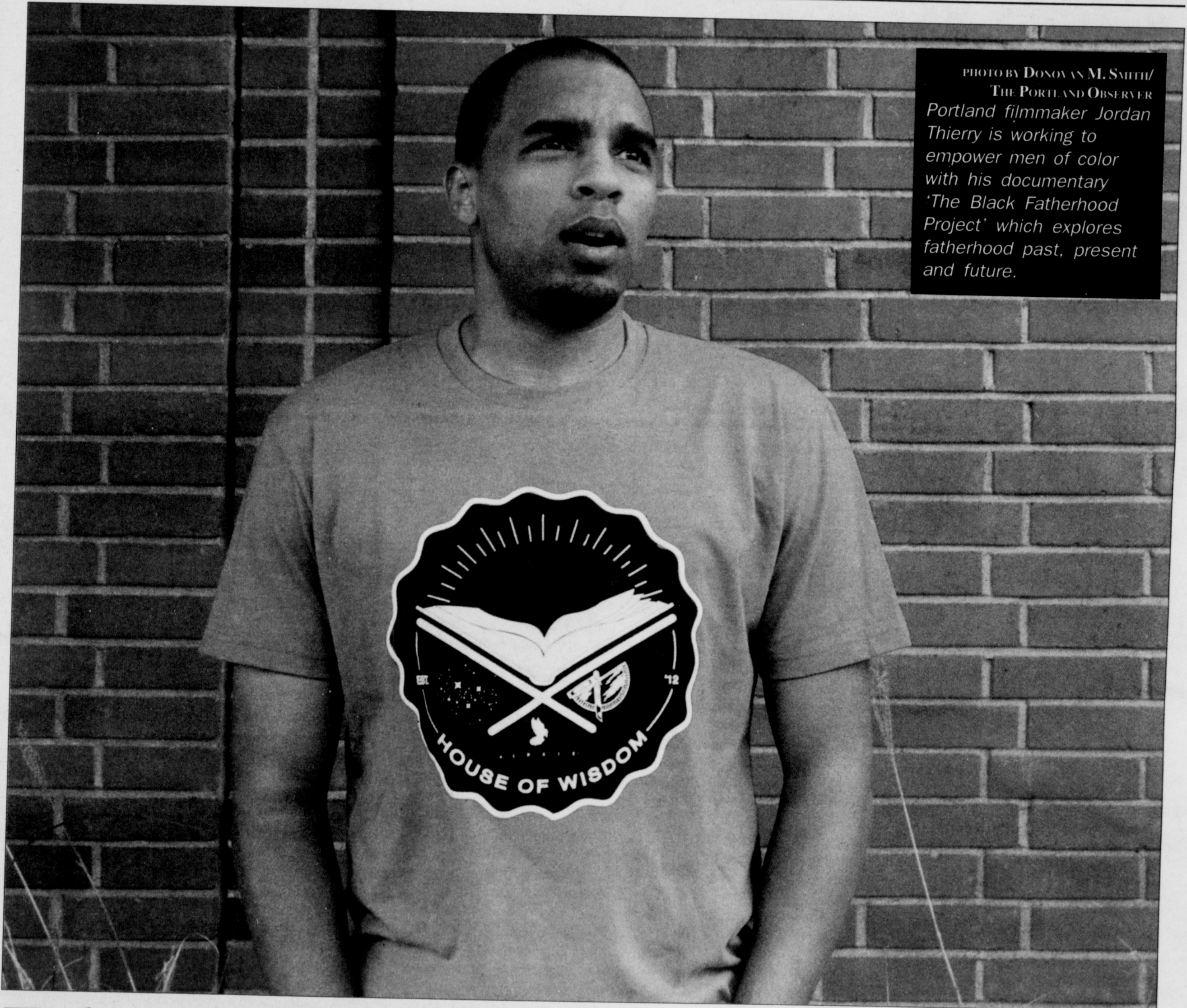


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Portland filmmaker Jordan
Thierry is working to
empower men of color
with his documentary
'The Black Fatherhood
Project' which explores
fatherhood past, present
and future.

Black Fatherhood

Portland filmmaker takes aim at the complexities

With Father's Day coming up this weekend, many dads are geared up to receive the all too familiar gifts of ugly ties and pairs of spotless new socks, but first-time filmmaker Jordan Thierry explores some much more complex traditions of patronage in his debut film "The

Black Fatherhood Project".

The Portland resident said the documentary was sparked by the troubling disparity he noticed amongst his peers; many of his Caucasian friends had fathers present while for his African-American friends the norm

was a households headed by single-mothers. This discrepancy was something Thierry says he couldn't ignore; there had to be a reason why.

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