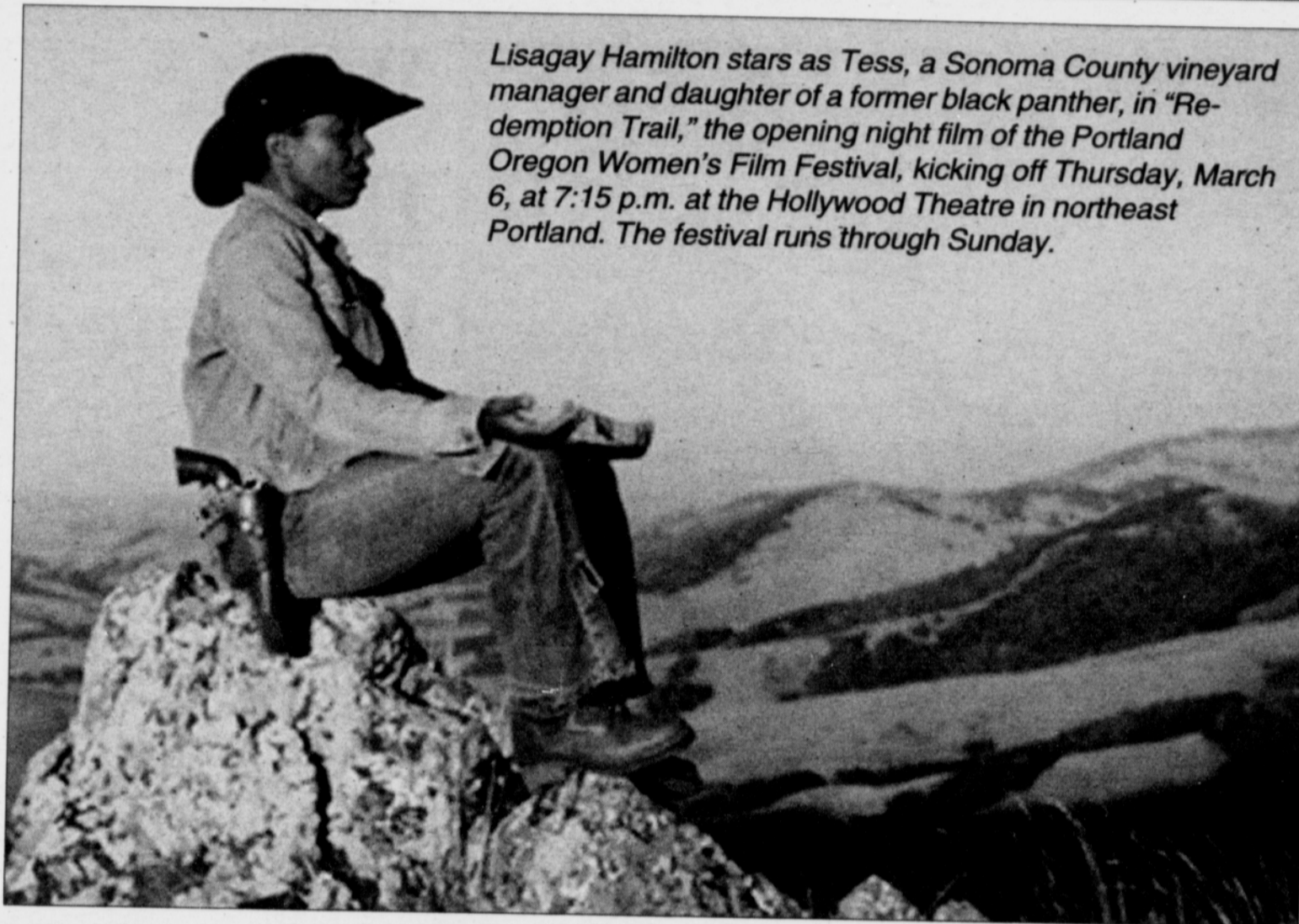


Arts & ENTERTAINMENT



Lisagay Hamilton stars as Tess, a Sonoma County vineyard manager and daughter of a former black panther, in "Redemption Trail," the opening night film of the Portland Oregon Women's Film Festival, kicking off Thursday, March 6, at 7:15 p.m. at the Hollywood Theatre in northeast Portland. The festival runs through Sunday.

A Spotlight on Women in Film

Portland's POWFest opens Thursday

The Portland Oregon Women's Film Festival, a.k.a. POWFest, kicks off its 7th consecutive year with screenings, Thursday, March 6 through Sunday, March 9 at the Hollywood Theatre in northeast Portland.

POWFest is the only film festival in Portland exclusively placing a spotlight on women directors by showcasing their work and strengthening the community of women in film; and only one of a handful of festivals in the U.S. dedicated to

women-directed film.

This year's festival will debut a new program aimed directly at local youth, giving a group of selected girls the opportunity to develop, produce, edit and present a film.

POWFest's 2014 line up is diverse and compelling—from local and international features and shorts, to narrative and documentary films. A total of nearly 100 selections will screen over the festival's four days, including

Portland premieres of several feature films and one world premiere.

As always, the schedule includes thought-provoking content to engage the audience through conversations with the over 30 directors in attendance.

Purchasing an all-access pass to POWFest gives you the opportunity to see as many films as you want during the festival without fumbling with individual tickets while saving money and showing your support. For a complete list of programming and schedule details, visit powfest.com.

Grant High Benefit Concert

Pianist Tom Grant will be among featured musicians for the celebration of Grant High School's vintage Steinway grand piano and the



Tom Grant

school's 90th year.

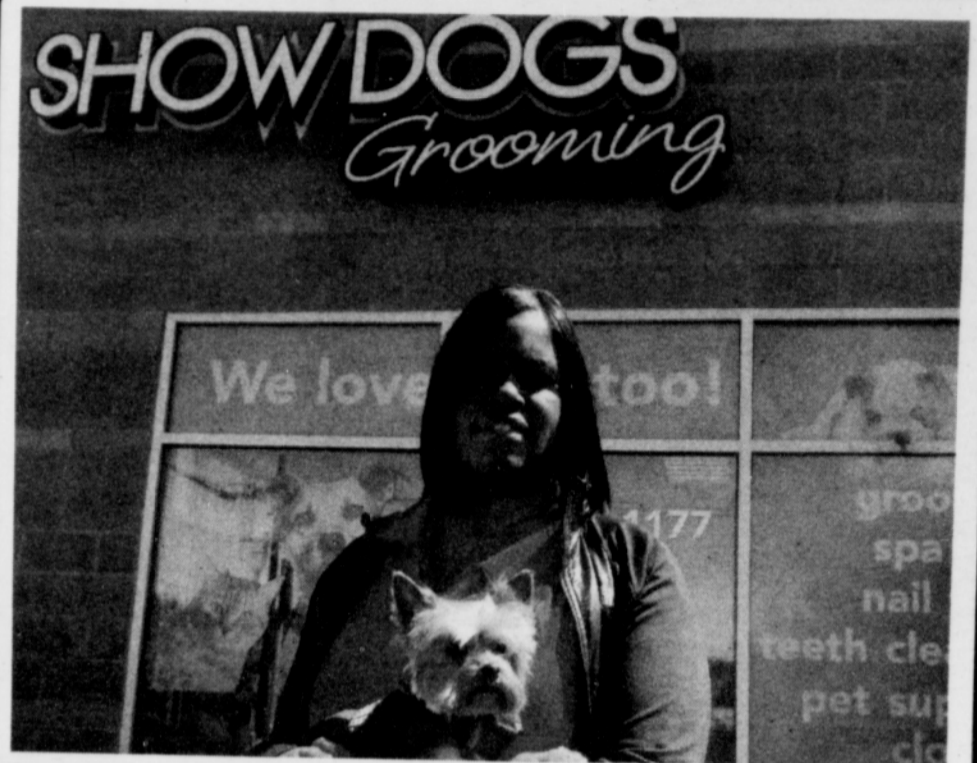
The program begins at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, March 5 at the school's auditorium. A suggested \$10 ticket per person will be available at the door. Proceeds will benefit exterior restoration of the 1917 piano, which has been completely rebuilt inside.

It is believed that the piano has been at Grant since the school's

inception in 1924.

Also appearing will be the Grant High Jazz Band, the school's Royal Blues singers, and student pianist Kenny Regan. Recollections of former voice instructors Jean Acorn

Vancil and Doree Jarboe will be included in what will be one of the last concerts in the auditorium, since complete demolition and refurbishment of the school's interior will begin in about a year.



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