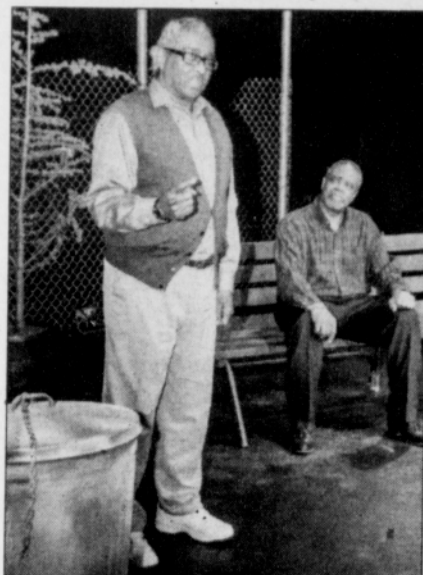


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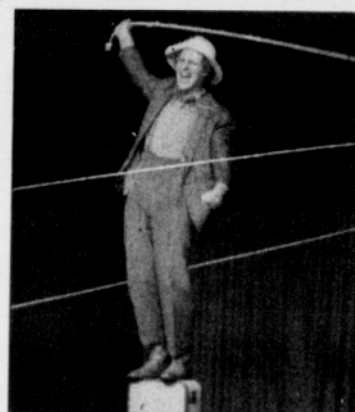
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Grumpy Old (Black) Men-- George Hendrix and Jerry Foster star as Abe and Henry in 'Two Old



Black Guys Just Sitting Around Talking, a funny play about rivalry, friendship, and aging. Portland's African American theater company PassinArt presents the play at the Ethos/Firehouse Cultural Center, 5340 N. Interstate. Now playing through April 13.

Comedy, Cabaret and Music-- The Wanderlust Circus Orchestra, Portland's circus and comedy group, presents its annual Umbrella Festival with four shows over three days, Thursday, April 3 through Saturday, April 6 at the Alberta Rose Theater, 3000 N.E. Alberta St. Minors are welcome with adult accompaniment.



Clown Princes of Ballet-- The all-male ballet company Les Ballets Trockadero de Monte Carlo returns to Portland for a performance at the Arlene Schnitzer Concert Hall on Wednesday, April 2 at 7:30 p.m. Dance critics around the world have hailed them for their uncanny combination of comic antics and virtuoso ballet.



Crimes of the Heart-- A Pulitzer Prize winning dramatic comedy about three Mississippi sisters betrayed by their passions. Now playing through April 13 at the Lakewood Center for the Arts in Lake Oswego. For tickets, call 503-635-3901 or visit lakewood-center.org.

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.

Chicago Steppin' Classes-- Learn the fastest growing urban dance at the Billy Webb Elks Lodge, 6 N. Tillamook each Friday at 6:30 p.m. Classes also at 7 p.m. on the first, second and third Mondays of the month at the Rockwood Community Center, 124 N.E. 181st. No partner is needed. Your first two lessons are free. For more information, call Denise Johnson, 503-819-4576.

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.

Norman Sylvester-- Boogie Cat Norman Sylvester and his band plays Saturday, April 5 at the Inner City Healing the Healthcare Blues Festival at Melody Ballroom; Friday, April 11 at the Rogue Pub in North Plains; and Friday, April 18 at Finnegan's Mill in Newberg.



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.

Humor Night-- Awesome comedians perform stand-up, 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+.

Fourth Sunday Jam Night-- A friends and family variety comedy show in a Saturday Night Live format with local recording and performing artists, bands, dance crews, poets, and drama groups, takes place each Fourth Sunday at 7 p.m. at Celebration Tabernacle, 8131 N. Denver Ave. The free event is open to the community.

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.



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