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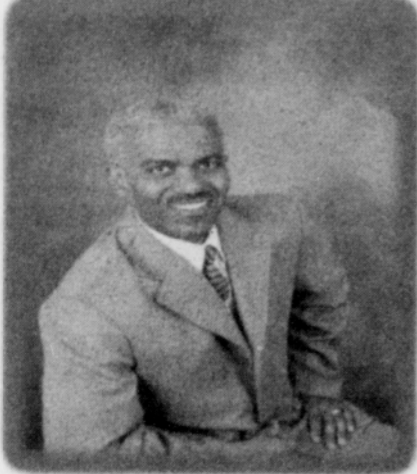
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ENTERTAINMENT GUIDE

Escape from the Holidays -- With ghosts who are decidedly not Dickensian, 'Blithe Spirit,' is a



comedic masterpiece. Artists Repertory Theater's production of this Noel Coward classic is now playing through Sunday, Jan. 4 on the Morrison Stage 1515 S.W. Morrison St. Suitable for ages 8 and up. Tickets start at \$25. Call 503-241-1278 or visit artistsrep.org.

Discovery Museum's "Go Figure!" -- The Discovery Museum's welcomes a new travelling exhibit that introduces early math concepts through kid-sized environments and familiar children's books. Exhibit runs through Feb. 1 at the World Forestry Center Discovery Museum. This exhibit is also available in Spanish. Admission is \$9 for adults, \$8 for seniors, and \$6 for children ages 3-18.

Holiday Performance -- Portland native, four-time Grammy winner and jazz sensation Esperanza Spaulding performs with the Oregon Symphony for the annual Ode to Joy New Year's Celebration on New Year's Eve, Wednesday, Dec. 31. She will be joined by her mentor and local jazz hero and trumpeter Thara Memory. Tickets start at \$25.

urban dance at the Billy Webb Elks Lodge, 6 N. Tillamook St. 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.

Hip Hop to Ring in New Year -- South Carolina native Les Sins, also known as Chaz Bundick when he is not performing as Toro y Moi, will bring his dance, hip hop and French influenced music to a New Year's Eve show at Holocene on Wednesday, Dec. 31.

Imago Theater's Inspired Fun -- "Frogz," Imago Theater's signature work is now playing through Sunday, Jan. 4 on the theater company's home stage at 17 S.E. Eighth Ave. The show packs a lot of family friendly entertainment with its introverted frogs, inhabited giant paper bags, acrobatic worms, competitive penguins and lively accordions, just a few of the creatures that have made this production a hit among audiences worldwide.



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.

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 of the month at 7 p.m. at Celebration Tabernacle, 8131 N. Denver Ave. The free event is open to the community.

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.

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+.

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.

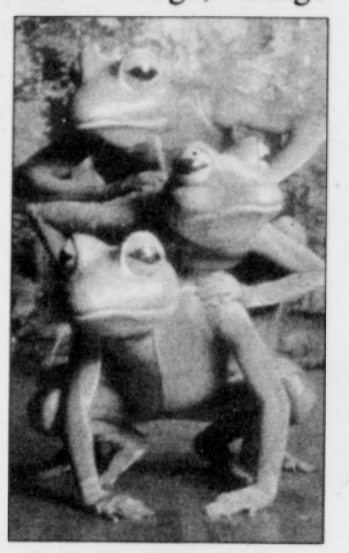
Oregon Black History -- The Black Museum of Oregon group meets every Saturday, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at 420 N.E. Mason St. For more information, call 503-284-0617.

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 Symphony Choir, Cappella Romana and Portland Vocal Consort.

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.

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New Year's Eve Dance Party -- DJ Anjali and The Incredible Kid will headline a New Year's Eve Dance Party Extravaganza at the Bossanova Ballroom, 722 E. Burnside, on Wednesday, Dec. 31. Tickets are \$22 at the door.

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.

Norman Sylvester -- Boogie Cat Norman Sylvester and his band perform New Year's Eve, Wednesday, Dec. 31 at the Lehrer Pub and Restaurant; Saturday, Jan. 3 at Duff's Garage; Friday, Jan. 16 at Finnegan's Mill in Newberg; and Saturday, Jan. 17 at the Rogue Pub in North Plains.



Zoo Lights -- A winter wonderland of more than 1.5 million brilliant colored lights runs now through Sunday, Jan. 4 at the Oregon Zoo. This year's display also features the much-anticipated return of the Zoo Lights train ride on an all-new route through the zoo.