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## Arts &amp; ENTERTAINMENT

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**A Night of Wonder** -- Steve Wonder is coming to Portland to celebrate his 65th birthday and is hosting an exclu-



sive party as a benefit for Self Enhancement, Inc., the Portland non-profit organization and public charter school that supports at-risk urban youth. Benefit will include food, drink and wonderful soul music and takes place Friday, May 8 at the Embassy Suites Hotel. For tickets and more information, visit selfenhancement.org.

**Saturday Market** -- Portland Saturday Market in Old Town has opened for the 42nd year bringing some of Oregon's best handmade products, good eats and live entertainment from street musicians and other artists. Located next to the Willamette River at 2 S.W. Naito Parkway, Saturday Market is also open every Sunday through Christmas Eve.



**Thrilling Tap and the Blues** -- White Bird presents "The Blues Project" featuring thrilling tap dance and live blues music with the Dorrance Dance company and blues singer and composer Toshi Reagon and her 5-piece band, BigLovely, Wednesday, April 29 at 7:30 p.m. at the Arlene Schnitzer Concert Hall, downtown.

**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 plays Friday, May 1 at Clyde's; Saturday, May 2 at the Spare Room; Tuesday, May 5

at the Cinco de Mayo celebration at Waterfront Park; Friday, May 8 at the Rogue Pub in North Plains; and Saturday, May 9 at Gemini Bar and Grill in Lake Oswego.

**Essential Gus Van Sant** -- The Northwest Film Center is currently showing a series of films by Gus Van Sant, the Portland director honored as one of the most talented and imaginative filmmakers of the indie film renaissance. The series, which includes such notable successes such as "Drugstore Cowboy," "My Own Private Idaho," and "Elephant," along with other movies that influenced Van Sant's film practice, runs through June 5.

**Chicago Steppin' Classes** -- You have seen the R. Kelly video, now it's time to learn the dance! Portland's Groovin' High Steppers offer Chicago Steppin' classes at the Rockwood Community Center in Gresham and the Colwood Golf Center in northeast Portland. All levels are welcome. No partner is needed. First two lessons are free; \$20 monthly fee includes both locations. For an event schedule, announcements and more information, visit the website groovinhighsteppers.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.

**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.

**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 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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