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Celebrating with Portland Ballet

Young dancers graduating from The Portland Ballet school cap a year of artistic achievement with a Spring Concert, Friday, May 22 and Saturday, May 23 at Portland State University's Lincoln Hall. Two iconic pieces – George Balanchine's *Tchaikovsky Pas de Deux* and excerpts from Marius Petipa's *Sleeping Beauty* will be performed. Tickets are \$10 for youth and \$25 for adults Visit the portlandballet.org or call 503-452-8448.

Telling a Forgotten History

New book out on the Buffalo Soldiers

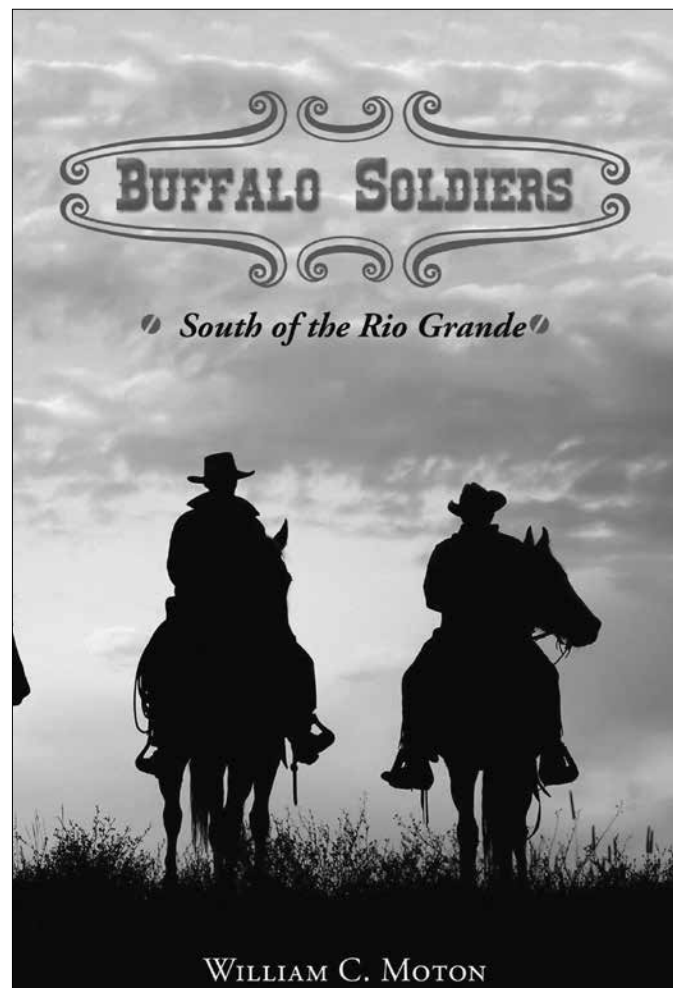
The Buffalo Soldiers served a crucial role in American history, but much of the exciting and dramatic service of the first all African-American regiments in the U.S. Army is glossed over or forgotten.

"Buffalo Soldiers: South of the Rio Grande" by William C. Moton shares the story of unsung military heroes in American history. Set in the early part of the 1900s, an African-American Army officer and Buffalo Solider attempt to rescue captured U.S. forces at the height of the Mexican Revolution.

Moton's four years of experience in the Navy, love of travel and his time working in the film industry in Mexico helped him develop the dramatic storyline of "Buffalo Soldiers."

"I wrote this book because there is little known about earlier black soldiers," Moton said. "I want to emphasize the Afro-American experience."

Moton's book highlights the mission of two African-Americans in the Army, set out to rescue American prisoners, overcome physical obstacles, racial tension and chaos of war.



WILLIAM C. MOTON