

# A Tribute to the Life and Legacy of Dr. King

*Program set for 31st annual celebration*

Portland's World Arts Foundation is proud to present its 31st consecutive Tribute to Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., this year at the Highland Center, 7600 N.E. Glisan St.

The regional and nationally recognized event takes place on the Martin Luther King Jr. national holiday, Monday, Jan. 18 from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., celebrating one of the great American heroes and world citizens on the anniversary of his birth, and bringing a focus to civil rights and social justice and how the community can continue to grow and make meaningful change.

Invited guests include a variety of talented local and regional performances, including the Mel Brown B3 Organ Group, DaNell Daymon & Greater Works Chorale, Derrick McDuffy and Kingdom Sound, The Legendary Beyons, local student groups and choirs from Portland Public Schools, and the nationally acclaimed Jefferson Dancers, among others.

At the center of the program will be the Lifetime Achievement Awards, which recognizes the contribution of individuals and organizations for exemplary community service.

The 2016 recipients include Clara Peoples & Geneva Knauls (posthumous), and Minnie Bell Johnson, Matthew Barnett, Rose Mary Anderson,

Jim Pettyjohn, Hurtis and Dorothy Hadley, Mel Brown, and Paul Knauls, also known as the unofficial Mayor of Northeast Portland.

The World Arts Foundation humbly offers to give voice to the heritage of ordinary citizens' struggle for peace, social justice, civil rights, and human dignity, organizers said.

The entire program will honor Martin Luther King, Jr. by showcasing a variety of outstanding expressions in song, oration, dance and drumming. The program format will include digital media, high definition tape-delayed broadcast, and live artistic presentations commemorating the theme "Victory Beyond The Dream."

The program will also include an array of community speakers from various civic and social community organizations.

Entry is \$5 or a donation of five units of non-perishable food. Guests are welcome to spend the day enjoying the variety of musical and entertainment acts, but also take in the adjacent Victory Village and Bazaar which offers a full range of arts, crafts, services, educational materials, food, photographs, films, and a culturally rich network of arts and education advocates ready to offer assistance to visitors.



Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

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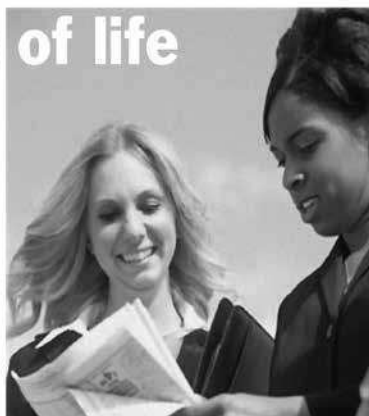
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