

Arts & ENTERTAINMENT



Join the 'Rogue Pack' for Bob #middleschool #tweenandteens, an evening of stories, music and dance written and performed by middle school students from Jason Lee K-8 and Boys & Girls Aid. The Portland Fertile Ground Festival of New Works event plays Jan. 28 at 5 p.m. at Jason Lee School, 2222 N.E. 92nd Ave., and Jan. 29 and 30 at 7:30 at Sellwood Playhouse, 901 S.E. Spokane.

Theatre, Dance, Music and More

Diverse lineup at festival of new works

The Portland-grown Fertile Ground Festival of New Works kicks off with dozens upon dozens of new artist works from Portland's teeming jungle of artists to perform on stages, nooks and crannies all over Portland for 11 days from Thursday, Jan. 21 to Sunday, Jan. 31.

With a wide variety of new producers, along with several returning companies, the 8th annual festival offers an astonishing breadth of creative work for the stage, including theater, dance, music, animation, circus, clowns and more.

"Portland is a fount of innovation and creativity, a place where new ideas thrive and creators are (almost literally) on every corner," said Nicole Lane, Fertile Ground Festival director. "Likewise, Fertile Ground is an incubator for new



Take a musical ride through love lost, gained and squandered when 'The Blues Cabaret' presents 'Buried Fire,' as told through 16-plus songs from the group's new album 'Where Love Begins.' The show is a Portland Fertile Ground Festival of New Works event playing Jan. 20 at 7:30 p.m. O'Connor's Vault, 7850 S.W. Capital Hwy., and Jan. 21 and 22 at 7:30 p.m. at Michelle's Pianos, 500 S.E. Stark.

works of art creation citywide, I'm continually surprised at the abundance and diversity of new 'acts of creation' by Portland artists, many of whom are producing their own work and taking a giant leap to share it with Fertile Ground audiences."

All festival ticket infor-

mation and event listings can be accessed through fertilegroundpdx.org. A printed Festival Guide is also available in many theatre lobbies around town including Artists Repertory Theatre, Portland Center Stage and Portland's 5 Centers for the Performing Arts, among others.



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