

Arts & ENTERTAINMENT

Grant Pool Fix Finished

Portland Parks and Recreation reopened Grant Pool last week following major renovations. The work involved replacing ancient mechanical systems and improving accessibility at the popular northeast Portland pool. Without the long-needed repairs, PP&R had been faced with likely not opening the pool for the entire summer.



The Northwest Film Center presents Spike Lee's first feature-length film, the classic "She's Gotta Have It," Thursday atop the Hotel deluxe parking structure at Southwest 15th and Yamhill.

Rooftop with Spike Lee Classic

She's Gotta Have It, the 1986 comedy-drama written and directed by Spike Lee, is the next installment for the Northwest Film Center's Top Down: Rooftop Cinema.

The movie was Lee's first feature-length film and considered a landmark independent film. The movie focuses on a young women (Tracy Camilla Johns) who wants

to have it all as she tries to navigate a sexually liberated lifestyle.

The theme depicted the struggle women of color faced in society at the time.

"It revitalized the idea of black filmmaking that didn't emphasize a despairing blackness as the dominant theme. Lee's characters are black, yes, and so much more," said film critic Stuart Henderson

of Popmatters.

The film classic will screen Thursday, July 28 at dusk atop the Hotel deLuxe's parking structure at Southwest 15th and Yamhill. Doors open at 7 p.m. You're encouraged to bring a chair, pillow or blanket, along with a light sweater or jacket. A limited number of chairs are available on a first time basis.



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