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Some of the diverse food cart owners who operate Piedmont Station, a popular food cart pod featuring cuisines from all around the world at 625 N.E. Killingsworth St., across from the post office. See story on page 14, inside, and other businesses profiles in our annual Portland Observer special issue on minority, women-owned and emerging small businesses.

# Best of the Soul District

## A focus on diversity in the heart of Portland



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Eric Holden is sweet on fashions. The owner of Touch of Urban Apparel oversees a hot location for men and women wanting to look their best. See story, page 5



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Race and culture is rooted in the work of professional mural artist Arvie Smith. See story, page 9



Business owner Christina White specializes in trendy and affordable clothing at her Thirty27 Boutique. See story, page 13