

# Arts & ENTERTAINMENT



A Chicago-style Steppin' weekend returns to Portland when a local African American swing dance group, the Groovin' High Steppers, hosts a weekend soiree and fundraiser, Oct. 14-16 at the Shilo Inn & Suites Portland Airport.

## Age Ain't a Factor

### Groovin High Steppers set table for soiree

Groovin' High Steppers, a local African American swing dance group, are getting ready to host their annual Classy Grown Folks soiree and fundraiser for the Multnomah County Health Department's Healthy Birth Initiatives.

Over 250 guests from across

the country are expected to attend the 4th annual "Age Ain't a Factor" Chicago-style Steppin' weekend on Oct. 14-16 at the Shilo Inn & Suites Portland Airport.

The excitement surrounding this event has been building all year, says Groovin' High Steppers' co-founders and lead instructors Hernandez Williams and Denise Johnson.

Williams says many people have heard of Chicago Steppin' or seen it in the 1997 mov-

ie "Love Jones" and the music video "Stepping in the Name of Love" by R & B artist R. Kelly,

but have not experienced a "Stepper's set."

"This event is for everyone who enjoys R&B, smooth jazz and neo-soul music," Johnson adds.

The weekend activities include a "Welcome to the City" meet

and greet party; a "Swagger and Grace" main event with dinner and a "Soulful Breakfast Buffet and Dance."

Visit the website [groovinhighsteppers.com](http://groovinhighsteppers.com) and go to the events tap for more information.

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