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Arts & ENTERTAINMENT

New Kwanzaa Stamp Issued

The U.S. Postal Service continues its tradition of celebrating Kwanzaa with a new 2016 Forever stamp.

Kwanzaa takes place over seven days from Dec. 26 to Jan. 1, drawing on African traditions to bring family, community and culture together.

The new Kwanza stamp features a woman holding a bowl that overflows with fruits and vegetables, symbolizing the abundance of African first harvest celebrations that inspired the creation of Kwanzaa in 1966.

Kwanzaa derives its name from the phrase “first fruits” in Swahili, a widely spoken African language. It has its origins in first harvest celebrations that occurred across the African continent in ancient and modern times. Kwanzaa synthe-



sizes and reinvents these tribal traditions as a contemporary celebration of African-American culture.

This is the sixth Kwanzaa stamp issued by the Postal Service. The first was distributed in 1997.



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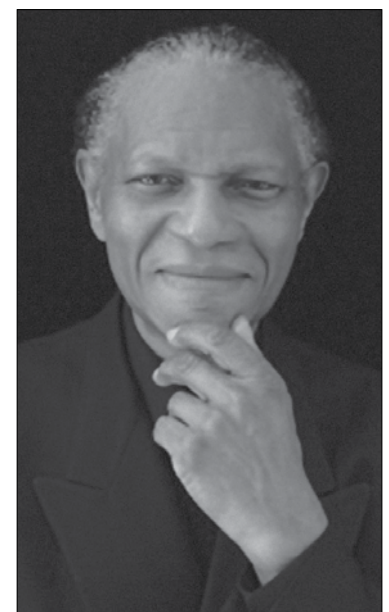


McCoy Tyner at Revolution Hall

PDX Jazz presents legendary jazz pianist McCoy Tyner live in concert at Revolution Hall, the former Washington High School site at 1300 S.E. Stark St., on Tuesday, Oct. 18, in his first Portland appearance in nearly a decade.

A National Endowment for the Arts Jazz Master and five time Grammy Award winner, Tyner should need no introduction. His blues-based piano style, replete with sophisticated chords and an explosively percussive left hand has transcended conventional styles to become one of the most identifiable sounds in improvised music.

Tyner rose to fame as the pianist for some of John Coltrane's most revered albums such as My Favorite Things, Live! at the Village Vanguard, and A Love Supreme before founding his own band in the late 1960s. Over the years, Tyner has col-



Jazz pianist McCoy Tyner will perform live in concert, Tuesday, Oct. 18 at Revolution Hall, the former Washington High School site in southeast Portland.

laborated with countless jazz greats and has released nearly 80 albums. Tickets are \$29-59 in advance. Visit ticketfly.com.