## The Portland Observer

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## FRIAINMENT

Black Film Fest -- The nonprofit Hollywood Theater hosts a month long



cinematic showcase of African-American stars and

filmmakers for Black History Month. Actor Joe Morton will join the festival for special screening of his 1984 film 'The Brother from Another Planet,' on Saturday, Feb. 24 at 7 p.m., with Q&A to follow. A complete festival lineup is available at hollywoodtheatre.org.

ENTERTAINMENT

Everybody Reads -- Multnomah County Library's

16th annual community reading program is underway with 5,750 copies of Moshin Hamid's 'Exit West' now being distributed across the district so readers and students can engage with the book's themes of safety, migration, displacement and conflict. Hamid will speak on Thursday, April 5 at 7:30 p.m. at the Arlene



Schnitzer Concert Hall in a public talk presented by Literary Arts.

Norman Sylvester -- 'Boogie Cat' Norman Sylvester plays Friday, Feb. 16 at the Vinyl Tap; Friday, Feb. 23 at Clyde's; Saturday, Feb. 24 as a guest of Ants in the Kitchen at Al's Den; and Saturday, Feb. 28 at the Half Penny in Salem.

Black History Festival NW -- World Stage Theatre, a multi-cultural local organization committed to performances that inspire social reflection, hosts its first annual Black History Festival NW this month with the stage performance "Who I Am Celebrating Me." There's also a game night at Jefferson High School on Saturday, Feb 17, and a Black History Unity Gala at Self Enhancement, Inc., featuring ESPN correspondent Jemele Hill as the keynote speaker, on Saturday, Feb. 24. For more information, visit blackhistoryfestival.org.

OMSI Exhibit on Arctic Thaw -- "Digging into Permafrost" is a new exhibit at OMSI addressing the subject of climate change as viewed through the lens of a thawing Arctic using exciting interactive features such as an Alaskan permafrost tunnel replica, fossil research stations and interactive games.

Priced-Out Documentary -- The Beaverton City Library presents the documentary 'Priced Out: 15 Years

of Gentrification in Portland, Oregon' on Sunday, Feb. 18 at 2 p.m. The feature-length film by Cornelius

Swart explores the complexities and contradictions of gentrification and what neighborhood life means after the era of 'the ghetto.'

Valentine Dinner and Show -- Portland entertainer Tony Starlight and the Tony Starlight Showroom, 1125 S.E. Madison, is celebrating Valentine's Day with two shows, one featuring favorites for lovers and dancers in mind on Wednesday, Feb. 14 at 8 p.m., and the other playing love songs by request on Saturday, Feb. 17 at 8 p.m. Tickets available at tonystarlight.com

Music of John Williams -- Music from some of John Williams' most memorable scores, including Jaws, E.T. The Extra Terrestrial to the Star Wars franchise will take center stage when the Oregon Symphony, with Principal Pops Conductor Jeff Tyzik, performs on Saturday, Feb. 17 at 7:30 p.m. at the Arlene Schnitzer Concert Hall. For more information, visit orsymphony.org.

History Hub -- Oregon Historical Society exhibit for young people explores the topic of diversity with interactive objects and pictures that tell the stories of the people of Oregon, past and present. With puzzles, touch screen activities and board games, History Hub asks students to consider questions like "Who is an Oregonian?," "How has discrimination and segregation affected people who live in Oregon?," and "How can you make Oregon a great place for everyone?"

Zoo for All -- The Oregon Zoo has launched "Zoo for All," a new discount program that provides \$5 admission for low income individuals and families. Visitors may purchase up to six of the \$5 tickets by brining a photo ID and documentation showing they participate in low income service, like the Oregon Trial Card, Medicaid, Section 8, Temporary Assistance for Needy Families, and Head Start.

Discount Tickets -- Low income families and individuals can purchase \$5 tickets to classical musical performances in Portland as part of a program called Music for All. Participating organizations include the Oregon Symphony, Portland Opera, Oregon Ballet Theater, Chamber Music Northwest, Portland Youth Philharmonic, Portland Baroque Orchestra, Friends of Chamber Music, Portland Chamber Orchestra, Portland Piano International, Portland Symphonic Choir, Cappella Romana and Portland Vocal Consort.

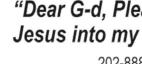




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