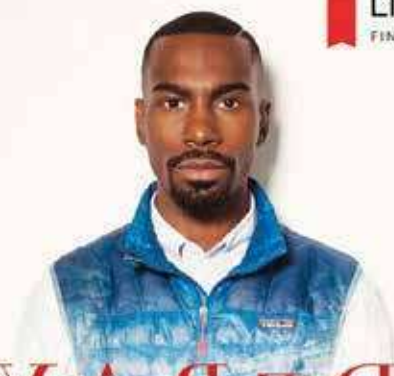


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Literary Arts welcomes civil rights leader and host of the podcast *Pod Save the People* DeRay Mckesson to Portland for a timely conversation on culture, social justice and politics. The conversation will also examine the core themes of Mckesson's first book, *On the Other Side of Freedom: The Case for Hope*, a meditation on resistance, justice, and freedom, and an intimate portrait of the Black Lives Matter movement.


McCoy Academy Class of 2018 graduates with their teachers. Pictured from left are Christian Clark, Maitryee Desai, Asianique Glenn, Katie Carpenter and Elias Lyons.

McCoy Academy's New Home

PCC partnership brings new opportunities

BY DANA LYNN BARBER
THE PORTLAND OBSERVER

One year after a change in location, McCoy Academy is continuing to thrive.

The alternative high school for underserved and disenfranchised youth, originally located on Northeast Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard, lost their lease to

a building that was sold to make way for condominiums in 2017. After nearly being forced to shut down, they fortunately found a new location with longtime partner Portland Community College

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Safe homes! Healthy homes!

A series of free community events including food, music, raffles and prizes.

Friday, September 14
2 to 6 p.m.

North By Northeast Community Health Center
714 NE Alberta St., Portland

- Sharps and needle collection
- Blood pressure checks
- Healthy cooking demonstrations
- Green cleaning options
- Garbage and recycling tips
- Medication collection

Upcoming events
2 to 5 p.m.
November 9, 2018
January 11, 2019
March 8, 2019
May 10, 2019

Hosted by North by Northeast and Metro.



The Week in Review

Portland Hip Hop Day

Portland's fourth annual Hip-Hop day brought the grooves to City Hall Sunday with performances from 30 local hip-hop artists, including Cool Nutz, Lifesavs, Libretoo, Mic Crenshaw, Mic Capes, Rasheed Jamaal, and many others. The festival, which was originally slated for October, was moved in honor of its late founder, Idris "StarChile" O'Ferrall's birthday.

Safety Campaign for Schools

Traffic safety in school zones around the city was made highly visible this week by Portland police. Chief Danielle Outlaw kicked off a "Back to School" safety campaign at Vernon Elementary School in northeast Portland Monday morning. School resource officers, traffic officers, and precinct officers were among those dispatched.

Nurses Protest for Patient Care

Kaiser nurses and health professionals picketed in front of the Kaiser Sunnyside Medical Center in Clackamas Friday in a call for needed staffing improvements and better patient care. It was the culmination of a week of public demonstrations representing over 1,000 nurses, social workers, mental health therapists who are calling for things like shorter wait times for patients at Kaiser clinics in Oregon and Washington.

Mobile Park Zones Change

Portland City Council unanimously voted to create a new land use zone last week, making it more difficult to redevelop the city's 56 mobile home parks in an effort to keep housing low-cost for the 3,000 households living in the parks. The ordinance will help residents who faced displacement due to redevelopment of their parks and offer park owners the chance to transfer unused development rights elsewhere.

Teachers Demand Higher Pay

Thousands of teachers across Washington State are negotiating for more pay and several school districts are under strike threats even as schools are poised to begin this week. The demands follow a decision by the Washington Supreme Court last June, called the McCleary Decision, which sets aside \$2 billion for teachers' salaries, the dispersal of which is determined in each school district.

McCain Dies of Brain Cancer

Arizona Republican Senator and two-time presidential candidate John McCain died in his home Saturday after a more than year-long battle with a malignant brain tumor, at 81. The conservative maverick politician, Vietnam War veteran and former prisoner of war warned America of the dangers of tribal politics.

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