

# Celebrating Black Business Month

## Venture Portland promotes home grown entrepreneurs

Portland is celebrating National Black Business Month during August to highlight the importance of Black-owned businesses to our communities and economy.

The local organization Venture Portland has taken the lead in the effort by encouraging public support for Black-owned businesses citywide, including the following Black-owned firms which offer everything from critically acclaimed food to passionate professional services:

**Alberta:** Fuel Café serves modern comfort food with a focus on organic ingredients; Green Muse is a dispensary influenced by art, science, music, sports and fashion.

**82nd Avenue:** Catfish Lane serves scratch-made Louisiana-style cuisine; TCC & Associates performs civil engineering, surveying, land development planning and construction management; Diamond in the Rough Hair Spa specializes in natural hair and organic, hand crafted hair care products.

**Division/Clinton:** Barbershop Worldwide provides consistent quality haircuts for all textures of hair and hairstyles; Bete Lukas and Abyssinian Kitchen both



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*Dedicated to cooking foods from scratch that they enjoyed eating from New Orleans, Doris and Johnnie operate Catfish Lane, a Black-owned business located in the Cartlandia food cart pod on Southeast 82nd Avenue next to the Springwater Corridor in the Lents neighborhood.*

serve Ethiopian cuisine including salad, tibs, alicha, vegetarian dishes, and sambusas.

**Foster Area:** Green Box is a local and family-owned Cannabis subscription and on-demand delivery service; Like Dat Apparel is a custom printing company specializing in screen printed apparel, web/logo design, airbrush,

heat press, and vinyl; Mathilde's Kitchen caters events with Haitian Caribbean food and their Hibiscus/Ginger Brew can be found at New Seasons, Market of Choice and Co-ops.

**Gateway:** Hip Hop Soulstation Academy is a dance school specializing in krump, hi-hop, lyrical and private lessons.



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*The Black-owned Hip Hop Soulstation Academy in Gateway is a dance school specializing in krump, hi-hop, lyrical and private lessons.*

**Kenton:** Po'Shines is a contemporary soul food restaurant with a Cajun flair, providing quality dining, concessions sales and catering services.

**Mississippi Ave:** Polished Agency is a full service Instagram business marketing agency.

**NE Broadway:** Resolutions Northwest facilitates honest dialogue to resolve conflict and advance racial and social justice.

**Parkrose:** Trap Kitchen is an Underground Culinary Experience

as well as a catering company.

**Soul District:** Champions Barbershop is an upscale barber shop that offers "Champion level" grooming and customer service; Flossin Media is an integrated media and marketing agency that specializes in marketing to and for Black, and other multicultural communities; Kee's Loaded Kitchen serves soul food including smoked brisket, fried chicken, mac and cheese, fresh bread, loaded baked potatoes, and desserts.

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*Louis Armstrong's performance at the 1958 Newport Jazz Festival is captured in "Jazz on a Summer's Day," considered the greatest jazz film ever made. The musical documentary has been restored in dazzling 4K quality and is now playing virtually at the Hollywood Theatre's virtual cinema and two other Portland virtual theater venues.*

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