

Juneteenth Benefit Concert Set



Jazz composer and pianist Darrell Grant will give a special performance on Juneteenth as part of a benefit concert for the Black United Fund of Oregon and the introduction his new trio, DG3.

Darrell Grant trio debuts; recording celebrated

Portland jazz composer, pianist and Oregon Governor's Arts Awardee Darrell Grant will continue his Soul Restoration Project with the debut of a new trio, DG3, with Machado Mijiga on drums and Sam Arnold on bass, coming Juneteenth, June 19, at The 1905 jazz club, located at 830 N. Shaver St.

Two shows will celebrate the upcoming release of Grant's recording *The New Black: Darrell Grant Live* at Birdland with its first single "The New Black" available digitally on Friday, June 17. As part of the Soul Restoration mission to build community through access and inclusion, the admission to the first 7 p.m. performance will be pay-what-you-

will. The cover charge for a second, 9 p.m. performance is \$20. Ticket purchases will benefit the Black United Fund of Oregon and are available at The1905.org.
With the new DG3 trio, Grant draws on the formative influences of piano giants Ahmad Jamal, Ramsey Lewis, Joe Sample, and Herbie Hancock, and blends in contemporary sounds of a new generation of voices like Cory Henry and Robert Glasper.

Grant's 30-year catalog of original compositions and arrangements are also fuel for the inventive explorations of drummer/producer Machado Mijiga and the electric bass virtuosity of Sam Arnold. The DG3 traverses from jazz, African, and soul grooves, to Grant's harmonic reimaginings of pop classics by Laura Mvula, James Taylor, and John Lennon.

For more information on Darrell Grant, visit darrellgrant.com.



Podcast Radio Show Success

Let's Talk About Race, the Portland produced podcast and radio show, has soared to new heights, recently winning awards from three world organizations for its successful community radio and civil rights programming.

A production of Grassroots News NW and KBOO Community Radio, Let's Talk won three 2022 Hometown Media Awards from the Alliance for Com-

munity Media Foundation; the 'Best Podcast' award from the Bright International Film Festival in London; the 'Outstanding Achievement' award from the Swedish International Film Festival; and 'Honorable Mention' from the Amsterdam International Film Festival.

Featuring rigorous analysis of news coverage, and the role race plays in politics, life, and society, Let's Talk About Race is avail-

able on Pacifica Radio Network, Soundcloud, Apple Podcast, and PRX, and currently airs twice monthly on KBOO in Portland.

The roundtable line-up features LaNita Duke, award-winning multimedia producer for Grassroots News NW; Dianne Johnson a professor and journalist from Texas; Althea Billings, a journalist and radio producer in Portland; and Rev. Cecil Prescod, a talk-show host in Portland.