

## COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS

### Portland Parks & Recreation Partners with Portland Teen Idol

Talent competition auditions begin April 20, and registration is now open for the Portland Parks & Recreation Portland Teen Idol local student talent contest auditions for Season 6.

Portland Teen Idol offers finalists cash prizes and spots on a summer performance tour. Several former Portland Teen Idol contestants have gone on to success on FOX television's smash hit, American Idol.

Portland Teen Idol Season 3 (2009) finalists Aubrey Cleland and Madison Shanley made American Idol's top 100.

Beaverton teen Haley Johnsen, who made this season's American Idol top 24, has committed to joining Portland Teen Idol program as a judge.

The first open auditions for 2012 will be held Friday, April 20, 6:30-9 p.m. at

PP&R's University Park Community Center, 9009 N Foss Ave, 503-823-3631; and Saturday, April 21, 9 a.m. at PP&R's Mt Scott Community Center, 5530 SE 72nd Ave, 503-823-3183.

Additional dates are expected to be announced soon, along with auditions for Spanish-language singers and stand-up comedians.

Teens that sign up in advance online at [www.PortlandTeenIdol.com](http://www.PortlandTeenIdol.com) will get priority over drop-ins. Therefore, contestants are

encouraged to sign up online before the April 15 advance registration deadline.

For more information, call 503-823-5300 or visit [portlandparks.org](http://portlandparks.org)

### Rob Ingram Youth Summit April 21

Performance artists, "Up and Over," will headline the entertainment at the Rob Ingram Youth Summit Against Violence, set for 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., April 21 at Highland Christian Center 7600 N.E. Glisan Street.

"Up and Over," are a group of artists and performers who tell real life stories of overcoming the odds. They include rapper, Zeke "Yung Mil" Jones; the hip hop ladies of Rose Bent; Mathias "Mighty" Mauk; One Kehleo; and the New Zoo Boyz as well as founder Javonnie Shearn.

Up and Over, who currently are touring high schools and youth centers in the Northwest, will perform during the lunch break. The morning session will feature a panel of youth speakers and break out groups. After lunch, youth will offer testimony to invited adults, who will include Mayor Sam Adams, County chair Jeff Cogen, school leaders and elected officials.

The 12 youth commissioners are high school students from around the Portland-metro region. They already have conducted 16 focus groups with young people to gather information for the summit.

They went to schools and youth centers, where they heard that violence is a real and

### Killingsworth Street



Mayor Sam Adams, center, prays with local business owners and members of 11:45 after a 'walk along' on North Killingsworth Street last Tuesday. The event was held to show off improvements along the street and included law enforcement, activists and officials.

painful presence in the lives of many youth. All youth are invited to the summit to share their views.

For more info go to [http://rob\\_ingram\\_youth\\_summit\\_against\\_violence\\_2012.eventbrite.com/](http://rob_ingram_youth_summit_against_violence_2012.eventbrite.com/)

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#### Friday April 6

**RECYCLED WORDS EXHIBIT:** Evolve Gallery at the 100th Monkey Studio is proud to host the exhibit. The opening evening is from 6 p.m. – 9 p.m. At the opening event there will be readings by Karen Karbo, author of *How Georgia Became O'Keefe*. The event is free and open to the public. 110 SE 16th Ave.

#### Saturday April 7

**2ND ANNUAL SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL SPRING KICK-OFF:** Join this free, family-friendly event to celebrate health, safety and physical activity! 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Russell Academy School, 2700 NE 127th Ave. For more info call 503-823-1189.

**NEW DIRECTION COMMUNITY CHURCH IS SPONSORING A FREE COMMUNITY EASTER EGG HUNT:** 11 a.m. two locations. Dawson Park, N Stanton St and Williams Ave, also Roosevelt Elementary School, 2921 N. Falk Rd, Vancouver WA. Candy filled eggs, chocolate, games and face painting. Drawings for new bikes at each location. Come join in on the fun rain or shine. Children ages 18 months to 12 years old.

**THE EGGSTRAORDINARY EGG HUNT:** We will be having 3 egg hunts for egg specific groups from 9 a.m. – 11 a.m. Enjoy a pancake brunch hosted by the Mt. Scott/Arletta Neighborhood Assoc. Mt. Scott Community Center, 5530 SE 72nd Ave. Portland.

#### Tuesday April 10

**JOIN US FOR THE UPCOMING RACE TALKS PROGRAM AT KENNEDY SCHOOL!** Occupy Oregon: A Coalition of Color. Guest speakers, then the audience will break into small discussion groups. 7 p.m. Doors open at 6 p.m. 5736 NE 33rd Ave. For more details call 503-249-3983.

**WARNER PACIFIC COLLEGE AND SELF ENHANCEMENT INC. SPRING CAREER AND JOB FAIR:** Along with employment opportunities and career exposure job seekers will also have access to job-readiness and skill assessments, resume screening and much more. 12:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. Warner Pacific College, 2219 SE 68th Ave. Tabor Campus McGuire Auditorium.

#### Wednesday April 11

**URBAN LEAGUE OF PORTLAND JOB FAIR:** 19th Annual Career Connections Job Fair. 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. PGE's World Trade Center, 101 SW Salmon St.

#### Thursday April 12

**YOUTH EMPOWERMENT JOB FAIR:** The Now Generation is invited to meet with employers, recruiting to fill summer job opportunities. 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Concordia University, Hagen Campus Center, 2811 NE Holman St.

#### Friday – Saturday April 13 – 14

**BUCKMAN ART SHOW & SELL RETURNS FOR THE 22ND ANNUAL FESTIVAL OF ART:** Annual celebration will feature over 140 artists, designers and craftsperson, benefitting Buckman Arts Focus Elementary PTA. Friday 5 p.m. – 9 p.m. \$5.00 per person 5 and over. Saturday 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. \$2.00 Suggested donation. 320 SE 16th Ave.

#### Sunday April 15

**UNIVERSITY OF PORTLAND TO HOST 18TH ANNUAL READING FAIR:** This event is free and open to the public, and hosted by Kappa Delta Pi, the education honor society. Every child attending will receive a free, new book of their choice. 11 a.m. – 3 p.m., in the Chiles Center.