

Portland and SW Washington

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Stories from the Streets



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Local hip hop leader Mic Crenshaw kicked off 'Stories from the Streets,' a daylong hip hop celebration in Portland's Pioneer Square last Friday. Hundreds turned out for performances from some of Portland's most innovative MCs and DJs, as well as break dancing, freestyle battles, and graffiti artists who created a wall mural at the site.

ting HIV by 96 percent.

Additionally, as part of the #UpdateYourStatus campaign, people can go to the www.testing4all.org website to reserve an appointment

African American Family Reunion Fundraiser in Vancouver

A car wash to benefit the third annual "Back in the Day" reunion in Vancouver is 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, June 28 at the Lord's Gym, 2410 Grand Ave., just north of Fourth Plain Boulevard.

This year's reunion is noon to 5 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 9, in Marshall Park, 1510 McLoughlin Blvd.

Jane Elder Wulff's book, "First Families of Vancouver's African-American Community: From World War II to the Twenty-First Century" launched the series of Black community reunions.

For more information, contact Ralph Griffin at 360-980-6203 or Juanita Young at 360-521-4890.

Book Reading/Signing Event for Local Memoirist Deloris Dallas

"I Thought I Wouldn't Tell It," is a Portland author's experiences as a Jamaican-born woman with "an unquenchable grit, drive and a sometimes surprising sense of humor."

The event is Sunday, June 29 from 4-6 p.m. at the Glyph Cafe & Arts Space, 804 NW Couch St. Portland. Presented by Black Rose Books & Social Club, find out more at www.glyphpdx.com/events.

WorkSource and Vancouver Community Library Present Free Employment Workshops

Individuals wishing to learn job search strategies, interviewing techniques and how to write resumes and cover letters, among other topics, are invited to attend free employment workshops every Wednesday in July from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Vancouver Community Library, 901 C Street in downtown Vancouver.

Employment workshop dates and topics are:

July 2: Identify Your Skills

July 9: Job Search Strategies

July 16: Perfecting Applications

July 23: Resumes & Cover Letters

July 30: Interviewing Techniques

Registration is requested for the July 9 and 16 classes due to limited space in the computer classroom. For more information visit www.fvrl.org and click "events" or call Jennifer at 360-906-5138 or Michael at 360-735-5015.

Learn more at www.swwdc.org.

CAP Offers Free Testing for National HIV Testing Day

Cascade AIDS Project will mark National HIV Testing Day this Friday, June 27, by offering free rapid HIV testing throughout the day at Pivot located at 209 SW 4th Ave. in Portland.

Rapid HIV testing is simple and provides results in about 20 minutes from a small drop of blood taken from a finger. Both confidential and anonymously testing is available. Testing will be available on a first-come, first-served basis from 10:00am to 7 p.m.

The U.S. Preventive Services Task Force recommends that everyone aged 15 to 65 should be screened for HIV infection. Testing is also recommended at least annually for individuals at increased risk—such as gay and bisexual men, people who inject drugs, and/or people with multiple sex partners.

Statistics from the National Institutes of Health show that HIV-positive individuals who know their status and are on effective drug treatment, can reduce their risk of transmit-

Management Company Offers Scholarships

Vacasa is accepting applications until July 25 for more than \$17,000 in scholarship awards to high school and college students. The vacation rental management company has expanded their scholarship program this year to include two scholarships in every school district and university located in a community where they manage vacation homes.

The selected applicants in each school district or university will each receive \$150, and from these recipients, two finalists will each be awarded a \$1,500 scholarship. Scholarships are awarded in two categories: photography and travel writing, with one winner in each subject per school district or university. Applicants are invited to submit essays or photos showcasing what makes their hometowns special. Students from more than 130 towns throughout seven states

Applications are being accepted via VacasaRentals.com/Community until July 25, and recipients will be announced on Aug. 15.

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Thursday June 26

PORTLAND ECOFILM FESTIVAL. The film will be "GMO OMG," exploring the systematic corporate takeover and potential loss of humanity's most precious and ancient inheritance seeds. Hollywood Theatre, 1827 NE 44th Ave. Portland. 7:30 p.m.

PENINSULA PARK PARTNERS CELEBRATE LOCAL YOUTHS' CONTRIBUTIONS. Free movie screening, live music, Chael Sonnen and wrestling demos. Celebration begins at 6:30 p.m. Peninsula Park, N. Ainsworth, N. Albina. Free

Friday – Sunday June 27 – 29

GOOD IN THE HOOD NORTH PORTLAND. Multicultural music & food festival for North and Northeast Portland. Noon – 6 p.m. Lillis-Albina Park located on N. Flint and Russell Streets

Saturday – Sunday June 28 – 29

RECYCLED ARTS FESTIVAL. Artists will be displaying and selling art designed from reused and reclaimed materials, such as metal, glass and porcelain garden art and much more. Saturday 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. Sunday 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Esther Short Park Downtown Vancouver

Sunday June 29

ALPENROSE DAIRYVILLE. A Portland tradition for over 50 years, kids and adults flock to the streets of Dairyville during the summer months to explore this fun pioneer exhibit. 1 – 4 p.m. 6149 SW

Shattuck Rd. Portland. FREE

Monday June 30

PORTNAD FARMERS MARKET IN THE SQUARE. Nearly 40 local farmers and food artisans will take root in downtown Portland. 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Pioneer Courthouse Square.

Friday July 4

INDEPENDENCE DAY AT FORT VANCOUVER. Featuring live music, games, entertainment, food and more. This event has something for everyone. End the evening with the biggest firework display this side of the Mississippi. Admission is \$8 Children 12 and under free. Fort Vancouver

Sunday July 6

FREE FAMILY OPEN REHEARSAL CARNIVAL OF THE ANIMALS. Chamber Music Northwest presents Saint – Saens Le Carnaval Des Animaux (Carnival of the Animals) Reed College, 3203 SE Woodstock Blvd. 11:30 a.m.