2011 Rhythm at the Mill ROCKS on July 31 with Blues, Funk and R&B

For Immediate Release

WHAT: The 2011 Rhythm at the Mill Concert Series
WHEN: July 31
TIMES: 2:00 pm: Lisa Mann - Blues
4:30 pm: Lloyd Jones - R&B/Funk

COST: $5 members, $10 non-members. Children 12 years and younger free with paying adult. Advance tickets on sale at Willamette Heritage Center store or at gate day of.

GENERAL INFO: Gates open at 1:00 pm. Advance tickets available at WHC store or at the gate day of. No food, beverages or coolers allowed. Food and beverage will be available for purchase. Bring your chairs and blankets. Low “sand” or “beach” style chairs allowed.

ENTERTAINERS INFO:
2:00 pm: Lisa Mann - Blues. Portland-based Lisa Mann is the 2009 recipient of the Cascade Blues Association’s Muddy Waters Award for Vocalist of the Year, and was elevated in 2010 to the CBA Hall of Fame with her third win in a row for Bass Player of the Year. Lisa and Her Really Good Band represented the Cascade Blues Assn. at the International Blues Challenge in Memphis, TN in Feb 2011, where they made the semi-finals. Her influences run the gamut, from low-down blues sisters Etta James and Koko Taylor, to singer-songwriters like Bonnie Raitt and Sheryl Crow, to R&B belters like the late Little Milton. She writes the majority of her recorded material, and her songs paint pictures of a gritty history of personal experience in life, love and the not-always-prettty music business. For more info, visit http://www.lisamannmusic.com

4:30 pm: Lloyd Jones - R&B/Funk Portland roots artist Lloyd Jones has recorded six critically acclaimed albums, toured internationally, and racked up dozens of major awards and accolades. He’s a relentless road dog, hitting festival stages and clubs all across the land to enthusiastic crowds who can’t get enough of his swampy blues, his back porch picking, his serious-as-anthrax funk, soul, roadhouse two-beats, and old-school rhythm and blues. For more info visit http://www.lloydjonesmusic.com

Additional Rhythm at the Mill concerts are scheduled on the following Sundays in August and September:

Sunday, August 7
2:00 pm: Kid & Nic Show - Blues/Rock. A fun, high energy, interactive show that features a blend of swingin’ blues and rock and roll. This husband and wife duo both fell in love with the idea of a band that celebrates "Classic American Music."

4:30 pm: Twangshifters - Rockabilly. Emerging from the garages of Portland, the Twangshifters are busting down the doors of the rock 'n roll/rock-a-billy/roots/blues scene and continue to set Oregon on fire. There is no rain on this parade!
Sunday, August 28

2:00 pm: Ivie & Mezier Duo - Blues. The sounds of electric and acoustic blues with vocals and smooth jazz instrumentals. They play original music and cover tunes.

4:30 pm: Terry Robb - Blues. Guitar virtuoso Terry Robb - multiple winner of the Cascade Blues Association’s Muddy Award - is one of the most heralded players of the flourishing Pacific Northwest blues scene.

Sunday, September 11 - Marion Polk Food Share Day. Bring non-perishable food items to show your support.

2:00 pm: Sonny 'Smokin' Hess - R&B/Funk. Sonny 'Smokin' Hess can be compared to Eric Clapton, Carlos Santana and Melissa Etheridge.

4:30 pm: The DK Stewart Band - Blues. Tributes to DK’s favorite styles of music; New Orleans, Chicago blues, East coast swing and rockin' boogie woogie can be heard in all of the original music produced by this thrilling band.

This event is generously sponsored by Salem Electric, Salem Health, Comcast, Mission Mill Cafe, ABC Printers, Kettle Brand, Crowell-Ing, The Grand Hotel, Pale Horse Brewery, KDH Productions, Devitto P., Danner & Soli, Roth’s Fresh Markets, Salem Weekly, All-Star Party Rental and KBZY.

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The Willamette Heritage Center at The Mill, a unification between Mission Mill Museum and Marion County Historical Society, is a stroll through the history of the Willamette Valley. Its 5-acre campus is home to the 1841 Jason Lee house (arguably the oldest wooden framed house in Oregon), 1841 Willamette Mission Parsonage, 1847 John Boon home, 1858 Pleasant Grove Church and the 1896 Thomas Kay Woolen Mill, named an American Treasure by the National Park Service. Since its founding in 1964 as a private non-profit association, Mission Mill Museum has established a reputation as a leader in the preservation and interpretation of Oregon’s history. The museum’s histories are shared with visitors through daily and group tours, speakers, living history, children’s programs, hands-on activities, special events, the museum store and rental facilities. For more information call 503-585-7012 or visit http://www.missionmill.org.

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