



## **For Immediate Release**

### **The Mixer - Intentional Resilience**

**Event Date:** April 18, from 6:00pm - 8:30 pm pst.

**Model:** Community event around economic mobility, workforce, community safety

**Location:** The Evergreen PDX, 618 SE Alder St, Portland, OR 97214

On Saturday April 18th, The Mixer will bring people together over an intimate evening titled: “Intentional Resilience.” As The Mixer plans to connect and bridge the gap between the workforce and the community, this event acts as a catalyst for people to gain fellowship in the Portland Metropolitan area as one seeks to thrive in business/work and in their everyday life.

The in-person event themed **Intentional Resilience** is a community mixer connecting individuals to share stories and their true to life experiences on how they are thriving and developing personally and professionally with a special focus on the following themes/topics: economic mobility, workforce and community safety. This conversation on April 18 is highly encouraged for members of our community who are looking for community resources and wish to establish personal and professional connections.

The Mixer will feature dynamic individuals from various backgrounds encouraging authentic conversations.

**Jordyn Jenkins**, is the Founder and Lead Production Designer of JM Joints, a Portland-based full-service event production studio rooted in immersive storytelling through environment and space.

**Marvin Young**, Executive Director of Nurture Oregon, a Community Based Organization and partner of the City of Portland ceasefire program.

**Mikey Vegas**, leads Trap Kitchen Portland and co-organizes Rose City Jam - a nonprofit organization serving youth and the community in Portland, Oregon.

**Anyeley Hallova**, Founder and CEO of Adre, a socially responsible real estate development company—supporting community, creating new pathways for prosperity, and building new realities.

**Zanele Mutepha-Rhone**, A champion for women and underserved communities, Zanele’s work centers inclusion and belonging as essential drivers of leadership, culture, and long-term impact. Through Brand Zanele Collective and Here to Stay, Zanele produces high-impact work and experiences that foster connection, visibility, and belonging across industries and communities.

**Alando Simpson**, CEO of COR, the only black-owned waste & recycling company in the country, holding a B-Corp certification that balances profit with purpose.

**James Metoyer**, Executive Director of EnerCity Collaborative, a Portland, Oregon-based 501(c)(3) nonprofit dedicated to advancing clean energy equity. It empowers BIPOC, underserved, and frontline communities by providing workforce training, contractor development in the green sector, and energy efficiency education.

**Jocelyn Rice**, Founder and CEO of Black Earth United, a sustainable fashion brand exploring artisan apparel and workshops blending nature, culture, and storytelling.



**Commissioner Vince Jones-Dixon**, Dixon focuses on "fixing systems" within the county, including drilling in on the question of what role the county should play in economic development, and brings a strong track record from his previous service on the Gresham City Council, where he led actions to enhance public safety, target the root causes of community violence, and improve essential services related to housing and homelessness.

The event aims to expand into how one adapts to the ever-changing environments while going above and beyond to make the City of Roses or its surrounding areas - home. Attendees can expect a high quality social atmosphere and ambiance just perfect to connect, learn and thrive.

**The event structure will follow the following outline:**

**Connect:** Social hour, networking, red carpet, and photos over food and beverages

**Learn:** Storytelling and fireside chat on navigating life, economic mobility, career/business and community safety

**Thrive:** Cultivate your path to success by building rapport with others and encouraging follow up discussions

Organizations who wish to genuinely connect with our community of people are encouraged to get involved as sponsors, collaborators and resource providers. We urge organizations whose strategic plans involve serving the community at-large to initiate partnership with us to work on true community engagement efforts that lead to sustainable change. Companies who wish to carry out community awareness and Corporate Social Responsibility initiatives with measurable outcomes are invited to reach out for experiential activations.

This event is powered by [wksocial](#) - a Portland based Black-owned full creative agency specializing in result-based marketing and engagement services backed with digitally insane initiatives.

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