

1 • THURSDAY

The Photographic Image Gallery presents "Photographs of the Columbia Gorge" by artists Ray Atkinson, Gary Braasch, Stu Levy, Steve Terrill and Tery Toedtemier. (6-9 pm, through October 1, 208 SW 1st Ave., 224-3543.)

The Healing Connection Breakfast presents Donna Miller of Inner Action Seminars on "Creating Successful Relationships." (7-8:30 am, Ezekiel's Wheel, 2106 NW Northrup St., \$2.)

The ninth annual West Coast Women's Music and Comedy Festival begins today with workshops, entertainment, crafts, dancing, camping, food and fun. Enjoy the company of thousands of women in a private wooded camp in the foothills of Yosemite. (Thursday through Monday, Sept. 1-5, \$135, [818] 893-4075.)

The Coalition for AIDS Education presents a Speakers' Bureau training in two tracks. Track I is for people who have not yet done AIDS speaking through a CAE agency such as CAP, the county health department or Planned Parenthood. Track II is for people who have been through Track I or who are currently doing AIDS speaking or education through a CAE agency. (6-9 pm, Sept. 1, 8 and 15, Red Cross, 3131 N Vancouver Ave., Mimi, 223-5907, or Ronnie, 284-1234.)

2 • FRIDAY

The Southern Oregon Lambda Association sponsors its annual campout this weekend at Howard Prairie Lake near Ashland. Activities include a talent show, volleyball and horseshoe competition, a scavenger hunt, a wilderness sculpture creation, and a "Mr. and Ms. Wilderness" stage show. (Friday through Monday, Sept. 2-5, Asperkaha Camp, \$29.95 includes Saturday dinner and Sunday brunch, 773-8146.)

Artquake presents the incomparable Miriam Makeba, empress of African song, with guest Hugh Masekela and a 15-piece international allstar band. Exiled from her native South Africa in 1960 and from the United States in 1968, Makeba returned to the United States last year as a special guest on Paul Simon's Graceland World Tour. (8 pm, Arlene Schnitzer Concert Hall, \$15-\$25, 273-9142.)

3 • SATURDAY

Artquake, Portland's festival of the arts, begins today. This three-day extravaganza, in its 12th year, includes live music, theater and dance performances and art displays. (Saturday through Monday, Sept. 3-5, between Pioneer Courthouse Square and the Portland Center for the Performing Arts on Southwest Broadway, Jeff, 273-9142.)

6 • TUESDAY

The **First Tuesday Coffeehouse** presents singer-songwriter Jane Howard and the folk duo Passage. Carol Steinel is master of ceremonies. A special vegetarian buffet is to be available. (7:30 pm, Olivia's, 1033 NW 16th Ave., \$2, 239-0944.)

7 • WEDNESDAY

Make a name for yourself in radio! Learn about your community radio station and how you can get involved at tonight's **KBOO Volunteer**Orientation. Volunteers are especially needed in the news and public affairs departments and for Detour, the new lesbian and gay news show. (7 pm, Linda Shirley, 231-8032.)

9 • FRIDAY

New York performance artists **Tom Keegan and Davidson Lloyd** appear tonight with their acclaimed works, "Crawling Off Broadway" and "Passing on the Right and Other Accidents." The pieces use juggling, magic, drag, humor, mime and storytelling to entertain; "Passing" includes a gay and lesbian history of the United States. (8 pm, Friday and Saturday; 7 pm, Sunday, Echo Theatre, 1515 SE 37th Ave., \$7 advance [tickets: Laughing Horse Books, A Woman's Place Bookstore, Artichoke Music and Echo Theatre], \$8 at the door, 231-1232.)

Metropolitan Community Church and Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon co-sponsor the third annual 50-hour HIV/AIDS Vigil, which supports one's own healing process through workshops, worship, music and contact with caring people. (Friday through Sunday, Sept. 9-11, 1644 NE 24th Ave., 281-8868.)

In Her Image, A Gallery of Women's Art presents "Creatures," a group exhibit featuring women's art and craftwork with a focus on animals (particularly wild animals) and their relationships to people. (Opens 7-10 pm; continues 12-7 pm, Monday-Friday; 12-6 pm, Saturdays and Sundays, 233 NE 28th Ave., 231-3726.)

The a cappella singing group Sweet Honey in the Rock performs in Eugene tonight, co-sponsored by Galaxy Entertainment and the McKenzie River Gathering (Oregon's progressive social-change foundation) as a benefit for the Lesbian Community Project. (8 pm, Hult Center for the Performing Arts, Eugene, \$14 [tickets: A Woman's Place Bookstore, Mother Kali's and Hult Center outlets], 476-7603.)

Womansource presents the 15th annual Women's Fall Gathering in southern Oregon, including crafts, workshops and fun in the sun with many dykes. (Friday through Monday, Sept. 9-11, sliding-scale registration is based on monthly income, 488-1954.)

Outside-In hosts its first-ever street dance tonight to celebrate 20 years of providing free medical and counseling services for street people. (Southwest 12th Avenue and Salmon Street, 223-4121.)

10 • SATURDAY

See the machine that makes art at **Saturday Celebration** at the Oregon School of Arts and Crafts. Also appearing is the improvisational comedy group Waggie and Friends. (11 am-3 pm, 8245 SW Barnes Road, 297-5544.)

Southwest United Church of Christ sponsors a walkathon today to benefit **Outside-In**, one of the nation's first free community health clinics. (223-4121.)

11 • SUNDAY

Join the **Portland Lesbian Choir!** This morning's rehearsal, open to new members, is to be followed by a potluck party for old and new members, families and friends. (11 am, rehearsal, Washington Park at the picnic shelter across from the Arboretum Visitors' Center; 1 pm, potluck, Kate, 281-2103.)

New York performance artists Tom Keegan and Davidson Lloyd offer a **Performance Workshop** for those interested in learning and improving their improvisational and theatrical skills. (Noon-4 pm, Echo Theatre, 1515 SE 37th Ave., \$35, 231-1232.)

The drums' rhythm as a vehicle to journey in consciousness to other "spirit worlds" has long been used by Native American medicine people and other advanced, indigenous cultures to develop healing abilities, trance awareness and learning. J'aime Schelz offers **Shamanic Drumming I.** (7:30 pm, Healing Crystals, 8215 SE 13th Ave., \$20, 234-2224.)

The **Brinker Fund**, which provides direct and support services to people with AIDS, hosts its fifth annual dinner and auction. (5:30 pm, cocktails; 6:30 pm, dinner; 7:30 pm, auction, Darcelle XV, 208 NW 3rd Ave., \$15 tax deductible, reservations requested, 223-1679.)

The Network of Entrepreneurial Women holds its monthly potluck lunch today for lesbian business owners and owners-to-be. Guest speaker Renee LaChance, co-publisher of Just Out, discusses advertising. (11 am-2 pm, 654-9699.)

A buffet brunch and general planning meeting for Women with Women and Children is followed by a trip to Artquake's children's area. (10:30 am-noon, 2717 NE Hancock St., \$2-5 sliding scale, kids free, 282-1529.)

15 • THURSDAY

The Healing Connection Breakfast presents
Wes Hsue and Ron Lew speaking on "The Way of
Tibet: A Place for the Warrior in the New Age."
(7-8:30 am, Ezekiel's Wheel, 2106 NW
Northrup St.)

16 • FRIDAY

"Take Back The Night" is held to protest violence against women. One out of every three women are raped, battered or victimized by incest. Tonight's event includes speakers, music and a candlelight march through downtown Salem. (6:30 pm, State Capitol, Salem, 371-1517 or 362-5073.)

The Urban Art Retreat opens its **Gertrude Stein Salon** with monthly movies. Tonight: A Question of Silence, a Dutch film about the response of a handful of women to society's treatment of women. (7-8:30 pm, film; 8:30-9:30 pm, food, drink and discussion, 1833 NE 2nd Ave., 281-5386.)

17 • SATURDAY

kBOO 90.7 FM celebrates 20 years as Portland's only non-commercial, listener-supported radio station. A party in Waterfront Park offers music from bluegrass and klezmer to rap and rock. (Noon to dark, Waterfront Park, 231-8032.)

A Woman's Place Bookstore hosts an autographing and reading with **Sunlight**, author of Womonseed and a new release, Being. (5 pm, 1431 NE Broadway, free, 284-1110.)

Lesbian Sushi Lovers meet tonight at Sumida. Dinner is followed by a video showing of Tampopo, "the first Japanese noodle Western." (7:30 pm, 6744 NE Sandy Blvd., call for reservations, 282-1529.)

Seventh-day Adventist Kinship's Northwest Chapter hosts a free conference for gay Christians; the theme is "The Unconditional Love of God." Madelyn Haldeman, a clinical counselor and professor of New Testament theology at Loma Linda University in Los Angeles, is the main speaker. (10:30 am-3 pm, Metropolitan Community Church, 1644 NE 24th Ave., free, lunch provided, Scott Kelly, 228-5866.)

Alison Thorne and Peter Murray, political activists from Australia, contrast the popular Crocodile Dundee image of The Land Down Under with the reality of workers fighting injustices such as union busting by the Labor Party government. Radical Women hosts this event. (6:30 pm, dinner, \$6; 8 pm, speakers, Friends Meeting Hall, 4312 SE Stark St., \$2, for childcare, call 249-8067.)

18 • SUNDAY

Lesbian Squash Players meet today for a potluck brunch. Dishes made with squash or that look like a squash ball are to receive special commendation. (11 am, 2717 NE Hancock St., 282-1529.)

Northeast Portland Lesbians meet their neighbors at a potluck brunch today. (11 am, 5924 NE Failing St., 288-7920.)

Lesbian and Gay Pride presents "Meet Me In St. Louis," a star-filled variety show with master of ceremonies Shan Carr, International Ms. Leather. (7:30 pm, Embers, 110 NW Broadway, \$3, 232-8233.)

19 · MONDAY

Poncho's Restaurant hosts a first-anniversary party to benefit **Hospice House**, a non-profit, non-sectarian agency dedicated to filling the needs of those in the community who are living with life-threatening illnesses or who suffer from grief and loss through death. The evening is to include live mariachi music, a full Mexican buffet dinner, no-host bar and a drawing for door prizes donated by local businesses. (6:30 pm, 6319 SW Capitol Highway, Hillsdale, \$25, reservations: send check to Hospice House, 6171 SW Capitol Highway, Portland, OR 97201, 244-7890.)

Ellen Bass and Laura Davis, authors of The Courage to Heal: A Guide for Women Survivors of Child Sexual Abuse, lecture tonight in Portland. Ellen Bass has worked with survivors of child sexual abuse for more than ten years. Laura Davis is a writer, radio producer and former talk show host. See book review on page 27. (7:30 pm, First Congregational Church, 1126 SW Park Ave., \$7.50 [tickets: Catbird Seat Bookstore], 222-5817.)

20 • TUESDAY

J'aime Schelz offers a workshop on "Developing Awareness" of the physical, emotional, mental and spiritual selves by exploring the dynamics of the seven chakras and seven auras. This is a prerequisite for a year-long training program: see Announcements. (7-10 pm, Tuesday and Wednesday, Sept. 20 and 21, Healing Crystals, 8215 SE 13th Ave., \$45, 234-2224.)