

out about town

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21 FRIDAY

Katherine Chase of the San Francisco band Spanking Violets performs an informal solo gig. (7:30 pm, *Rexall Rose*, 2403 NE Alberta, free, 282-9781.)

22 SATURDAY

The **Portland Central America Solidarity Committee** holds its annual **Work-a-Thon** to benefit grass roots projects in El Salvador and Nicaragua. Volunteers will help out with one of three local community projects. (Meet at 8:45 am, *Koinonia House*, 633 SW Montgomery St., 236-7916.)

The **No on 13 Beater Ball and Rally** includes a display of beater cars, creation of a "No on 13" art car, a showing of the video *Wild Wheels*, and the Beater Ball. (3 pm-7, *East Avenue Tavern*, 727 E Burnside St., contact *Maria Callahan* 281-7412 or *Devon James* 775-7807.)

Singer-songwriter **Ann Reed** performs at Agate Hall's Cate Auditorium in Eugene. Wheelchair accessible. (8 pm, 19th Ave. and Agate St., \$9 advance [tickets: *Mother Kali's Books*, *Balladeer Music*]; \$11 door, 503-344-2460.)

Standard Deviation Band with Barb Galloway performs at BridgePort BrewPub. Country and blues. No smoking. No cover, tips appreciated. (8-10 pm, 1313 NW Marshall St.)

Mary Shelley, Mary Shelley combines two one-woman shows about the author of *Frankenstein*—**Shadows 'Round the Moon**, with Nancy Wilson, and **Dirty Laundry**, with Ritah Parrish. Through Oct. 29. (10:30 pm Friday and Saturday, Oct. 7-22; 9 pm Friday and Saturday, Oct. 28-29, *Stark Raving Theatre*, 4319 SE Hawthorne Blvd., \$5, call for reservations: 232-7072.)

23 SUNDAY

The **African Children's Choir** appears in concert at the Portland First Church of the Nazarene. (10 am, 6100 SW Raab Rd., free, 297-6100.)

Women's Salon Group meets for tea and discussion on stimulating and varied topics. Everyone is welcome. (3-5 pm, 224-0537.)

Maine singer-songwriter **Cindy Kallet** makes a rare Northwest appearance at the Clinton Street Theatre. (7 pm, 2522 SE Clinton St., \$7 advance [tickets: *It's My Pleasure*, *Artichoke Music*]; \$9 door, 235-6210.)

24 MONDAY

NAMES Project Oregon Chapter holds a members meeting at Portland State University. (7 pm, *Smith Memorial Center*, Cascade Room 236, 335-8395.)

Portland premiere of the new video **Gay Lives and Cultural Wars** by **Barbara Bernstein and Elaine Velasquez**. The video features lesbians and gay men of different ages, professions, ethnic and social backgrounds sharing their stories and articulating their commitment to fighting the distorted images promoted by the radical right. Wheelchair accessible. (7 pm, *Clinton Street Theatre*, 2522 SE Clinton St., \$5-\$10 sliding scale, 235-2623.)

Queer Night at La Luna features soul spinning by DJ Rupert Kinnard. (9 pm doors, 215 SE Ninth Ave., \$3 or more sliding scale, 241-LUNA.)

25 TUESDAY

Dynamic Differences is a volunteer community-based diversity training program. Workshops are presented by a biracial team and stress the importance of building allies, networking with community members and



The video **Gay Lives and Cultural Wars** premieres at the **Clinton Street Theatre** on Oct. 24.

Come to a **Halloween Costume Extravaganza** with a costume contest, prizes, games, dance music, nonalcoholic beverages, and good clean fun. A benefit for SoberFaire, a gay and lesbian recovery organization. (8 pm, *St. Michael Church*, 1704 NE 43rd Ave., \$5 suggested donation.)

Queer Comedy Night with **Mark Davis** and **Lisa Koch**. Davis has performed on both *Out There specials*; Koch is one-half of *Dos Fallopa*. A portion of the proceeds will benefit the Rural Organizing Project. (8 pm, *Clinton Street Theatre*, 2522 SE Clinton St., \$12 advance [tickets: *Fastix* 224-8499, *It's My Pleasure*, *Music Millennium*, *Jellybean*]; \$14 door.)

groups, and embracing the benefits of a diverse society. Offered monthly through 1995. (6:30-8:45 pm, *Cleveland High School*, 3400 SE 26th Ave., free, 823-5136 voice/TDD.)

The **Northwest Film Center** presents **Africa, I Will Fleece You**, a personal, militant essay that traces 100 years of Cameroon's history under colonial rule. (7 pm, 1219 SW Park Ave., \$5.50 general; \$4.50 seniors and members, 221-1156.)

26 WEDNESDAY

No on 13/People of Color breakfast meetings are held every two weeks to facilitate dialogue between the campaign and people of color. Hear updates on the No on 13 campaign and the People of Color Voter Contact Project. Your ideas and concerns are welcome. Hosted by Cliff Jones, Floreid Walker and Scot Nakagawa. Continental breakfast served. (8-9 am; also 8-9 am Wednesday, Nov. 2, conference room A, third floor, 500 NE Multnomah St., free, 222-6151.)

27 THURSDAY

Taking the Lead: People of Color in Nonprofits is a conference and cultural event for people of color involved in nonprofit organizations. The conference will examine crucial issues faced by this group. (8:30 am-6 pm, *Portland Conference Center*, 300 NE Multnomah St., \$35-\$75 sliding scale, 232-5338.)

Cascade AIDS Project sponsors a **Men Talk meeting exclusively for African American gay and bisexual men**. These are one-time meetings to discuss issues of safer sex, HIV testing, and ways to build community. It is also an opportunity to share losses, concerns and joys with peers. (7 pm, free, 223-5907.)

The **Northwest Film Center** presents **In and Out of Africa**. Filmmakers Iliisa Barbasha and Lucien Taylor explore the intrigues and ironies of the transnational trade in African art. Shown with the short *Molina*. (7 pm, 1219 SW Park Ave., \$5.50 general; \$4.50 members and seniors, 221-1156.)

28 FRIDAY

Country western lessons and dancing with Cindy. Learn "Neon Cowboy." (7:30 pm lesson; 8:30-10 pm dancing, *St. David's Parish Hall*, 2800 SE Harrison St., \$3 door, 233-2047.)

29 SATURDAY

The Oregon Sexual Minority Youth Network and Awakenings present an annual **Halloween Party and Bowl-a-Rama!** Party begins at Harry's Mother with pizza, pop and games. Then carpool to the bowling alley for a couple of games, and back to Harry's Mother for a costume contest. (7:30 pm, 3942 SE Hawthorne Blvd., free, contact Myndi 228-5976.)

Galloway and Luckett perform jazz, blues, country and original music at the Stratford House Coffee Parlor. No smoking; no cover. (8-10 pm, 207 E Main St., Hillsboro.)

Code Blue Halloween Party to benefit No on 13. Prizes totaling \$500 available for best costumes and door prizes! Free hors d'oeuvres. Come as you are, or dress as you dare! (9 pm-2:30 am, *V.F.W. Club*, 8138 SE Stark St., \$7 advance [tickets: *It's My Pleasure*]; \$10 door, 282-6979.)

Positive Presence, a spiritual discussion and potluck group for gay men, lesbians and bisexuals, hosts a fund-raiser. (860-2798.)

30 SUNDAY

The **Lesbians of Color Potluck Group** of the Lesbian Community Project holds its monthly potluck. Meet with sisters for fun and food! (2-6 pm, contact Angela 284-3425.)

The Oregon Sexual Minority Youth Network is offering a **self defense class** in response to the rise in hate crimes against lesbians and gay men. (12-5 pm, 3942 SE Hawthorne Blvd., free, 228-5976.)

Art/On the Edge presents **Uakti**, an ensemble of four classically trained musicians from Belo Horizonte, Brazil, who compose and perform experimental music on instruments they make themselves from nontraditional materials. (8 pm, *Berg Swann Auditorium*, *Portland Art Museum*, 1219 SW Park Ave., \$13 general; \$10 members, students, working artists, 226-2811.)

31 MONDAY

Strike Back! The Basics is offered by One With Heart. The six-week course meets Monday and Wednesday nights. Learn verbal and physical self-defense

skills. Instructor, Jenny Leavell. (7:30 pm, 4231 SE Hawthorne Blvd., \$105, 231-1999.)

Queer Night takes over La Luna for a Halloween bash honoring obscenities and free expression. With DJ Mestizo, DJ Mike Stevens, DJ Mark Farina from San Francisco, and host Ernest Truely. A \$150 award for most obscene costume. Profits to benefit No Censorship, the No on 19 campaign. (9 pm doors, 215 SE Ninth, \$6 door, 241-LUNA.)

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1 TUESDAY

First Tuesday Coffeehouse for Women features Nan Collie and Kathleen Fallon of Motherlode. Also Terri Grayum and Marie Bellavia. Carol Steinel hosts. ASL interpreted. (7:30 pm, *Bijou Cafe*, 132 SW Third, \$3 door, 233-2047.)

Tim McFeeley, executive director of the Human Rights Campaign Fund, speaks in Bend as part of Beyond the Closet's Illuminating Intolerance series. (7:30 pm, *Central Oregon Environmental Center*, 16 NW Kansas St., free.)

3 THURSDAY

The **Northwest Film Center** presents **Sango Malo**, an entertaining but pointed portrait of everyday life in a small Cameroon village. The film explores the complex social dynamic underlying economic and political change in many African countries. (7 pm, 1219 SW Park Ave., \$5.50 general; \$4.50 seniors and members, 221-1156.)

4 FRIDAY

A dinner, speakers, and a screening of the video *Shasta Woman* are offered at a **benefit for the Norma Jean Croy Defense Committee**. The committee is working to free Croy, who is a political prisoner serving a life sentence since 1978. She and her brother Hooty were involved in an altercation in which a sheriff's officer was killed. Croy's brother received the death penalty, but was later acquitted on grounds of self-defense. Benefit sponsored by Tateyah Topa, Sacred Earth Coalition, PSU Women's Studies Department, and KBOO 90.7 FM. (6 pm dinner; 8 pm video, 2116 NE 18th Ave., \$6-\$20 sliding scale, 284-3837.)

5 SATURDAY

A **presentation for anyone who is HIV positive** or connected with someone who is HIV positive is offered by the Northwest Dharma Center. The presentation will address a Buddhist view of the nature of suffering and ways to work with that suffering; the nature of mind and how to work with it; meditation from the Buddhist perspective; and the use of mantra and visualization as supports to healing. Led by Eric Marcoux. (10 am-noon and 1:30-3:30 pm, *Southeast 25th Avenue and Madison Street*, please park at least 2 blocks away, free, 236-5903.)

6 SUNDAY

The **Jewish lesbian and bisexual potluck group** hosts a Sunday brunch! (11 am-1 pm, Roz 236-7453.)

The Ministries Task Group sponsors an **Interfaith candlelight vigil and service** expressing opposition to Ballot Measure 13. (7 pm vigil, *Wilson Park*, west side of Capitol; 7:30 service, *First Methodist Church*, 600 State St., Salem, 503-364-6709.)

(See the Theater and Gallery listings in **Out About Town**.)