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january

FRIDAY

The Rev. Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday

Mira Ainbinder, Gaia Artemesia, Diane Augy, Rita Parra, Terina Chapman, and Anita Wenninck are featured in a Women in the Arts Art Show. Work in a variety of media will be shown, including photography, oils and mixed media. Through Jan. 22 at Reed's Vollum Gallery. (9 am-6 pm Monday-Friday, Reed College, 3203 SE Woodstock Blvd., 777-7530.)

Triangle Productions presents Jeffrey, starring Rob Buckmaster. Come along on a hilarious odyssey through bars, back rooms, trendy gyms, and fund-raisers. Through Feb. 4. (8 pm Thursdays-Saturdays. Portland Rep's Stage II, 815 NW 12th Ave., \$15 [tickets: Fastixx 224-8499, Jelly Bean, Triangle 246-89671.)

Triangle Productions also hosts the world premiere of Dishin' with Divine-starring Walter Cole (Darcelle), written by donnie, and directed by Sharon Knorr—on the brink of its off-Broadway opening. Through Feb. 5. (7 pm Sundays, Portland Rep's Stage II, 815 NW 12th Ave., \$10 advance [tickets: Fastixx 224-8499, Jelly Beanl; \$12 door, 246-8967.)

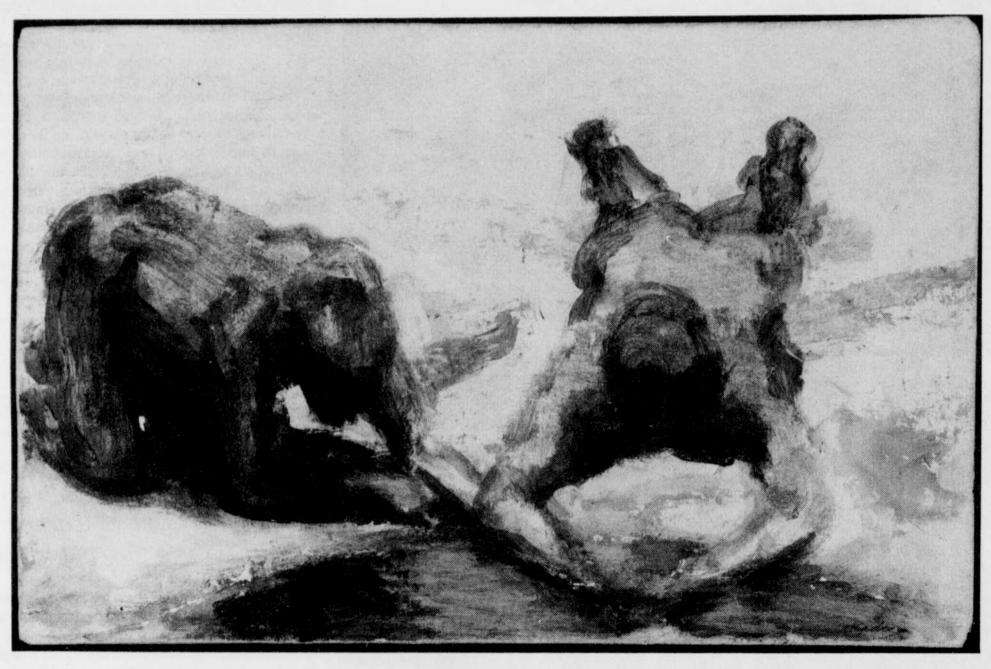
SATURDAY

The City Nightclub presents Expecting the Return of Ms. Leather VII Ashton, starring an incredible cast of young lesbians. (10 pm-4:30 am, 13 NW 13th Ave., \$6, 224-CITY.)

SUNDAY

Crack up for choice! Laugh your buns off with **WYMPROV!** and comedienne Carol Steinel in a performance to benefit the Feminist Women's Health Center on the 22nd anniversary of Roe vs. Wade. (7 pm, Echo Theatre, 1515 SE 37th Ave., \$8.50 advance [tickets: It's My Pleasure 236-0505, Feminist Women's Health Centerl; \$10 door.)

Join the eccentric and delightfully dysfunctional characters of Misguided Lives: A Lesbian Soap Opera for another season of outrageous antics. Will Penny ever face up to murdering her husband? Will Delores and Dr. Phranswa ever find each other again? Will Mr. Ron ever have a successful relationship? And what is this about a "Super Lesbian Avenger"? (7 pm, first and third Sundays, Portland Women's Theatre Company, 1728 NE 40th Ave., \$6 at the door, 287-7707.)



Coos Bay painter Kevin Kadar shows paintings through Jan. 28 at Jamison/Thomas Gallery. Pictured: "Thirst."

The Salon Group meets for a discussion on the topic of honesty. Everyone is welcome. (3-5 pm, Biblio Teas Cafe at Conant & Conant Bookstore, 1001 SW 10th Ave., 224-0537.)

Cascade Bears holds a Bear Blast at the PDX Eagle. (4-7 pm, 1300 W Burnside St., \$5 members; \$6 nonmembers, Bearline: 323-6071.)

The Forest Group takes a beginner's ski trip to the Mount Hood area. (636-8156.)

The National Leather Association's Portland Chapter presents monthly S/M Workshops. This month's topic is "S/M safety and etiquette." The NLA is a pansexual organization committed to serving the leather, S/M and fetish communities. (6-8 pm, The Brig, 1035 SW Stark St., \$5 general; \$3 NLA members.)

MONDAY

The Rosetown Ramblers invites the gay and lesbian community and its friends for an evening of roller skating fun at Oaks Park Roller Skating Rink. Everyone is encouraged to bring canned food donations for local AIDS service organizations (7:30-10 pm, skating parties the fourth Monday of every month, Oaks Park, east end of the Sellwood Bridge, \$5, Rob 206-423-8295 or Karin 503-232-7643.)

TUESDAY

A 12-week course in self-defense with instructor Lauren Jacobs begins. Strike Back! The Basics:

Women's Self-Defense Classes teach striking at primary targets, defenses against common attacks, pre-assaultive strategies, verbal self-defense, and more. Presented by One With Heart. (7:30-9 pm, 4231 SW Hawthome Blvd., \$105, 231-1999.)



SisterSpirit's Feminist Christian Communion is held in the Gnostic Society Chapel. Women, children and men are welcome. Wheelchair accessible. (7:30 pm, 2229 SE Market St., 294-0645.)

Silent Witness (Canada, 1994), a film by Harriet Wichin, shows as part of the Northwest Film Center's Jewish Film Festival—the first of what is hoped to become an annual event. The film examines two of

cathartic comics featuring The Brown Bomber and Diva Touché Flambé by Prof. I.B. Gittendowne

