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Showtime: 9:30 p.m.
Tickets: \$10 in advance*
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Prior to Wigstock Portland's own drag diva, **Poison Waters**, will emcee the Rose City's first ever **BIG HAIR CONTEST!** Fabulous prizes for the most outrageous HAIRDOS and HAIR-DON'TS

SATURDAY, JUNE 24

BALLOT MEASURE 9 (7:00 p.m.) • Directed by Heather MacDonald
MIDNIGHT DANCERS (9:00 p.m., 11:00 p.m.)* • Mel Chiango, Director
* Co-presented by Asian Pacific Islander Lesbians & Gays

SUNDAY, JUNE 25

ONLY THE BRAVE (2:30 p.m., 4:30 p.m.) • Directed by Ana Kokkinos; playing with **PLAYING THE PART**
THE LAST SUPPER (7:00 p.m.) • Cynthia Roberts, Director

THURSDAY, JUNE 29

DYKE DRAMA (7:00 p.m.) • Four short films directed by H. Len Keller, Catherine Benedek, John Miller-Monzon & Sandra Nettelbeck
MUSCLE (9:00 p.m.) • Directed by Hisayasu • Playing with short film TBA

FRIDAY, JUNE 30

DEVOTION (7:00 p.m.) • Directed by Mindy Kaplan
LOVE AND HUMAN REMAINS (9:30 p.m.) • Denys Arcand, Director

SATURDAY, JULY 1

WILD REEDS (7:00 p.m.) • Directed by Andre' Techine'
HEAVEN'S A DRAG (9:15 p.m.) • Peter MacKenzie Liffen, Director
HIGHWAY OF HEARTACHE (11:00 p.m.) • Director Gregory Wild will attend

SUNDAY, JULY 2

I, THE WORST OF ALL (2:30 p.m., 4:30 p.m.) • Directed by Luisa Bemberg
WORLD AND TIME ENOUGH (7:00 p.m.) • Eric Mueller, Director

THURSDAY, JULY 6

ECLIPSE (7:00 p.m.) • **FAST TRIP, LONG DROP** (9:15 p.m.)
Gregg Bordowitz, Dir. • Additional short film TBA

FRIDAY, JULY 7

Double Feature: (7:00 p.m.) Co-presented by Brother To Brother • **A DARKER SIDE OF BLACK** • Isaac Julien, Dir. • **BLACK IS...BLACK AINT** • Marlon T. Riggs, Dir.
SUPER 8 AND 1/2 (9:45) • Directed by Bruce LaBruce

SATURDAY, JULY 8

MAJOR STUDIO SNEAK PREVIEW (7:00 p.m.) • You won't want to miss this!!!
SISTER, MY SISTER (9:00 p.m.) • Nancy Meckler, Director
Special Midnight Show: **HEAVY EQUIPMENT** (11:00 p.m.) • A '70s 3-D x-rated all-male film

SUNDAY, JULY 9

DYKE DRAMA (3:00 p.m., 5:00 p.m.) • **BALLOT MEASURE NINE** (7:00 p.m.)



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local news

A new ally

Portland police tap Prunk as the new police liaison to the sexual minority community

by Inga Sorensen

A new man in blue will be marching in Portland's Lesbian and Gay Pride Parade on June 17: He is Portland police officer Bruce Prunk, who was promoted June 1 to assistant chief of the Portland Police Bureau's services branch. The 41-year-old Prunk replaces Dan Noelle, who was elected Multnomah County sheriff. Noelle had been the police department's liaison to the gay and lesbian community, a position Prunk now takes over.

"I'll be marching with [Portland Police Chief Charles Moose] in the Gay Pride Parade. It will be the first time I've done it and I'm looking forward to it," says Prunk, who has been with the Portland Police Bureau since 1976. "I also look forward to working with the gay and lesbian community on a regular basis."

Prunk, a lifelong Oregonian, received his bachelor's degree from the University of Portland, a master's degree from Portland State University, and a doctorate from Pacific Western University. He was promoted to police sergeant in 1981, to captain in 1993, and to commander of the Northeast precinct in 1994.

Unlike his predecessor, who had strong bonds with the Rose City's sexual minority community, Prunk is in the early stages of developing those ties.

As a Portland police officer, Noelle was liaison to the gay and lesbian community; he marched in uniform in several of the city's Lesbian and Gay Pride parades; he served as vice president of the Northwest Coalition Against Malicious Harassment, a five-state watchdog organization that tracks white supremacist activities; and he was one of the original drafters of the nation's first-ever "partnership agreement" between a city po-

lice bureau and the sexual minority community. The signing of that historic agreement—which calls for cooperation between the respective parties—stemmed from the work of the Sexual Minority Roundtable, a regular gathering of lesbian and gay rights activists and police officials.

"I was an assistant to Dan for a while, so I'm somewhat familiar with the issues of concern to the [sexual minority] community," says Prunk. "But I want to get updated, and I'll be attending the Roundtable meetings to keep apprised of what's happening. It will also give me a chance to introduce myself and meet people in the community."

In addition to his police work, Prunk has been a member of the Oregon Air National Guard since 1983, where he has served as an equal opportunity/human relations specialist.

"I've worked with a great diversity of people, and I think that exposure is very important," he says. "And that's not just through my work with the Guard. I'd estimate that as commander of the Northeast precinct, I attended between 75 to 100 community events last year involving all types of groups and people."

As for his thoughts regarding the Oregon Citizens Alliance's seemingly endless campaign to restrict civil rights protections for gay men and lesbians, Prunk says: "I find it highly offensive that the OCA is trying to push its agenda by claiming that [gay people] want special rights as opposed to equal rights. It's just not the case and I don't like to see the state torn up by that."

He adds, "At least in the metropolitan area, though, perhaps it has raised awareness that we are talking about equal rights and not special rights. We just have to keep reiterating that reality."

Phoenix Rising joins Pride Network list

Phoenix Rising Foundation, a Portland counseling center serving the needs of sexual minorities, has joined the list of organizations set to receive donations from The Pride Network, a Boston-based long-distance phone service provider.

If 10 or more people select the company and designate Phoenix Rising as the recipient, the agency will receive 3 percent of the cost of every long distance call made from one's home and 2 percent from each office call.

Last year, The Pride Network distributed more than \$52,000 to Internal Revenue Service-recognized, nonprofit groups serving the gay, lesbian and HIV/AIDS communities. Those organizations included the AIDS Action Council, Gay and Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation, Gay Men's Health Crisis, National Center for Lesbian Rights, and The NAMES Project.

"Phoenix Rising has more than 4,000 names on its mailing list. If even 10 percent of the people receiving [our] newsletter 'Call with Pride' and contribute an average of 50 cents per month, we would generate \$2,400 in unrestricted revenue [essential] for supporting services, buying needed equipment, and meeting other expenses. I am very excited about the potential," says Phoenix Rising Executive Director Allanya Guenther.

In other news, Phoenix Rising will join more than 100 Oregon nonprofits for a 3.1-mile run and a walk through Waterfront Park in Portland. The

event, called The Human Race, will be held Aug. 6. Interested parties can register individually to walk or run and gather pledge donations. Employers can also sponsor groups. Call 223-8299 for more information; to contact The Pride Network, call 1-800-342-3302.

Photo-journal profiles backers of civil liberties

"Faces of Liberty," a traveling photo-journal exhibit highlighting Oregonians who have stood for basic civil liberties, is on display from June 16 to 17 at the Gango Gallery in Portland.

The exhibit, sponsored by the American Civil Liberties Union Foundation of Oregon, features a set of 10 panels that document, through black and white photographs and accompanying text, nine stories of individuals who have made a difference. The project commemorates the 75th anniversary of the national ACLU and the 40th anniversary of the state ACLU chapter.

The exhibit can be viewed June 16 and 17 at the Gango Gallery, 205 SW First Ave. in Portland, from 10 am to 5 pm. From June 19 to 29 the photos will be on display between 10 am and 9 pm at the Galleria, 921 SW Morrison, 2nd Floor, in Portland. From July 1 to 9 "Faces of Liberty" can be viewed at Bloomsbury Books, 290 E Main St. in Ashland, from 9 am to 10 pm. Other sites and dates will be announced in the near future.

Compiled by Inga Sorensen