

WELCOME

1997 marks the 22nd anniversary of Lesbian/Gay Pride celebrations in Portland. We've come a long way from a 50-person street fair to Portland's third largest annual parade.

We kick off Pride Weekend on Friday, June 20th, with a special Waterfront Park concert headlined by Thomas Lauderdale and Pink Martini, with opening bands starting at 6:15 p.m. Food booths and the Pride Festival Beer Garden will be open for your enjoyment.

The celebration continues on Saturday, June 21st, with the annual Pride Parade, Rally and Festival, which represents the diversity of Oregon's lesbian/gay/bisexual/transgender community. Watch for details of other Pride Weekend Community events.

Thanks for coming out. Have a wonderful weekend!

- Pride Northwest Board of Directors

GUIDELINES

The Lesbian, Gay, Bi, Trans Pride Parade, Rally and Festival celebrate the diversity of our lives and the common bonds of our community. In this spirit, it is our goal to sponsor and endorse activities and events that build communication while respecting our differences. Through mutual support and increased awareness, we can refuse to let ourselves be divided along the lines of discrimination common in society-at-large. We will be alert for attitudes and behaviors which oppress or oppose equality of, or stereotype and demean people because of gender, race, age, physical differences, mental capabilities, religious convictions, political beliefs, sexual orientation or differing economic resources and means. Pride Northwest, Inc. reserves the right to request that a participant alter his or her behavior, dress or placard if it appears to run contrary to the guidelines.

MEDIA

The 1997 Lesbian, Gay, Bi, Trans Pride Parade, Rally and Festival will be the subject of media coverage, including local news stations. We hope that no one will be discouraged from attending these events because of such attention. However, we advise those persons not wishing to be photographed to avoid stepping in front of the cameras.

In addition, a video crew will be filming for the production of a commemorative video being produced by Pride Northwest, Inc. We invite you to join in the creation of this video celebration, particularly in the grandstand area located at Pioneer Courthouse Square on Saturday, June 21st, from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

