

your hand at hot-oil wrestling. Bring a beach towel and food to barbecue or a casserole for six. (\$3 members, \$5 guests. Don and Wendell 623-9649.)

Starbucks by Starlight presents **Keb' Mo'**, the 1996 Grammy Award winner for acoustic blues album, in concert at Pioneer Courthouse Square. Proceeds from the sale of beverages and desserts **benefit Artists for a Hate-Free America.** (7:30 pm. Free. 335-5982.)

Shvitz Productions presents **Quality Homo**, a dance party to **benefit Sensory Perceptions**, Portland's lesbian and gay film festival. Must be 21 or older. (10 pm-3 am. 128 SW Third Ave. \$5 cover before 11 pm, \$7 cover after 11 pm. Wheelchair accessible. Sensory Perceptions 242-0818.)

Don't miss the **Code Blue Lesbian Dance** and Ellen DeGeneres look-alike contest. Prizes for winners. 21 and older only. (9 pm-2 am at Monte Carlo, 1016 SE Belmont St. \$5.50 in advance [It's My Pleasure], \$8 at the door. 282-6979.)

Mr. and Ms. Oregon State Leather Contest takes place at Embers Avenue. Part of Portland Leather Pride Week. (6 pm doors. 110 NW Broadway. \$8 cover. 232-3824.)

10 SUNDAY

Grab the family and the bikes for the **Providence Bridge Pedal**, with several biking and walking courses finishing at a festival at River Place. A benefit for the Willamette Light Brigade and Bicycle Transportation Alliance. (Registration forms available at local sporting goods stores or by calling 281-9198.)

piknik af yidish. A queer-friendly potluck picnic for Yiddish speakers. No alcohol. Playground for kids. kumt un shmuest mit undz. (1-3 pm in Irving Park, Northeast Eighth Avenue and Siskiyou Street. Katharine 287-6082.)

Joe Uveges performs songs from his CD, *Dancin' on Thin Air*, at the Dublin Pub. **A benefit for Diversity as Gift.** Only 300 tickets available. (7 pm. 6821 SW Beaverton-Hillsdale Highway. \$10 [Diversity as Gift, Fastix]. 241-0073.)

Gay men's book discussion group meets at Borders Books. Tonight's book is *Fairy Tales: Traditional Stories Retold for Gay Men* by Peter Cahorali. (7 pm. 2605 SW Cedar Hills Blvd., Beaverton. 644-6164.)

The **Oregon Bears**, a social group for bears and their admirers, holds a beer bust on the second



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Vocalist Mohammed Tawill (right) and Obo Addy are featured performers at the eighth annual Homowo Festival for African Arts on Aug. 17

Sunday of each month. (3-7 pm at Dirty Duck Pub, 439 NW Third Ave. 240-2813.)

11 MONDAY

Queer Night at LaLuna brings **One Tribe Collective** to the stage. (9 pm doors. 215 SE Ninth Ave. \$3, \$5 under 21. 241-LUNA.)

12 TUESDAY

The Shine Tour, with pianist **David Helfgott** in concert, comes to Portland for one performance only. (8 pm at Arlene Schnitzer Concert Hall, Southwest Broadway and Main Street. \$25-\$75 IPCPA box office. TicketMaster). 796-9293.)

13 WEDNESDAY

Radical Women hosts a panel discussion on the status of women today. Everyone welcome. (6:30 pm summer salad buffet [\$5 donation], 7 pm meeting in the Community Room, Northwest Service Center, 1819 NW Everett St. Free. Wheelchair accessible. Call ahead for child care. 228-3090.)

16 SATURDAY

Kristy Hinds performs at the Hawthorne Street Fair. (5-5:45 pm. Ben and Jerry's Cascade Stage, 36th Avenue and Hawthorne Boulevard. 233-7633.)

Girlfriends meets on the third Saturday of every month for a potluck dinner and social evening. All lesbians welcome. (6 pm. Catherine 360-695-6809.)

It's another **Code Blue Lesbian Dance** and sexiest legs contest, with prizes in butch and femme categories. 21 and older only. (9 pm-2 am at Monte Carlo, 1016 SE Belmont St. \$5.50 in advance [It's My Pleasure], \$8 at the door. 282-6979.)

17 SUNDAY

Obo Addy hosts the eighth annual **Homowo Festival for African Arts**. This harvest festival is the largest African and African American cultural festival in the Northwest. Enjoy music, crafts, workshops and food. (1 pm in Cathedral Park, North Pittsburg Avenue and Edison Street. Free [\$3 donation encouraged]. 288-3025.)

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

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