

Join the **Adventure Group** for a two-day inner-tubing trip on the Siletz River. (452-5680.)

15 SATURDAY

It's **Mid-Willamette Pride** day! Special guests Donna Red Wing and Candace Gingrich join sponsors the Coalition to End Bigotry and the Human Rights Campaign for a day of celebration. (11 am at Bush Park, Salem. Volunteers needed. [503] 373-4173.)

The **Homowo Festival of African Arts** starts today and runs through tomorrow. The event features African music, dance, pageantry, crafts and demonstrations, as well as African and Caribbean food. (5-9 pm today; 1-9pm Sunday under the St. John's Bridge. \$3 donation encouraged. 288-3025. www.homowo.org.)

Bad Girls tap into their own Leather Week beer bust. (1-4 pm at The Eagle PDX, 1300 W Burnside St. Admission TBA. 241-0105. BlackoutWA@aol.com.)

Dragonmaker Productions performs its puppetry adaptation of A Bridge of Feathers, a Chinese love story as part of the **Puppetry in the Parks Family Arts Encounter**. Tonight at Gabriel Park on SW 42nd Ave. and Vermont St., tomorrow at Wallace Park on NW 25th Ave. and Raleigh St. (6 pm. Free. 249-7211.)

Leather Pride Week climaxes with the **Mr. and Ms. Oregon State Leather Contest**. (6 pm doors, 7 pm contest at Embers, 110 NW Broadway. \$8. 222-3082. BlackoutWA@aol.com.)

The **Community Children's Fair** features parenting tips, lead testing, games, food, music and a raffle. (10 am-3 pm at Common Bond, 4919 NE 9th Ave. Free. 280-1616.)

Angie Williamson performs in the coffee house. (7 pm at It's My Pleasure, 3106 NE 64th Ave. Free. 280-8080.)

16 SUNDAY

Mr. NLA Portland hosts a workshop on **coming out S/M to your family**. (4 pm at the Egyptian Club, 3701 SE Division St. \$5, free for NLA members. 236-8689. BlackoutWA@aol.com.)

The **Quilt of Many Friends**, including panels autographed by Dolly Parton, Brenda Lee, Tom Jones and many others will be raffled off, along with other prizes, to benefit Esther's Pantry. (8 pm at Fox and Hounds, 217 NW Second Ave. \$2 donation includes Mexican buffet. Raffle tickets cost \$1 [The Banfield Motel, Fox and Hounds, Wynne's Tavern, Embers]. Dale at 280-1400.)

Join the Portland Festival Symphony and Portland Community Ballet for a **classical music concert** in the park. (6 pm at Grant Park, Northeast Portland. Free.)

SisterSpirit hosts its monthly celebration. (6 pm. Call for location: 736-3297.)

Hike Hart's Cove or raft the Santiam River with the Adventure Group. (452-5680.)

Musicians **Teresa Domarest** and **Brenda Dickey** are among the scheduled performers for the **Hawthorne Street Festival**. (1 pm. Hawthorne Blvd. around SE 35th Ave. Free.)

Learn some new tricks at the **Sex Toys 101** workshop. (6 pm at It's My Pleasure, 3106 NE 64th Ave. Pre-registration required. Free. 280-8080.)

17 MONDAY

Speak to Your Brothers' **Neighborhood MenTalks** hosts discussion groups in Northwest Portland and Clark County. (Geoffrey 223-5907, ext. 145.)



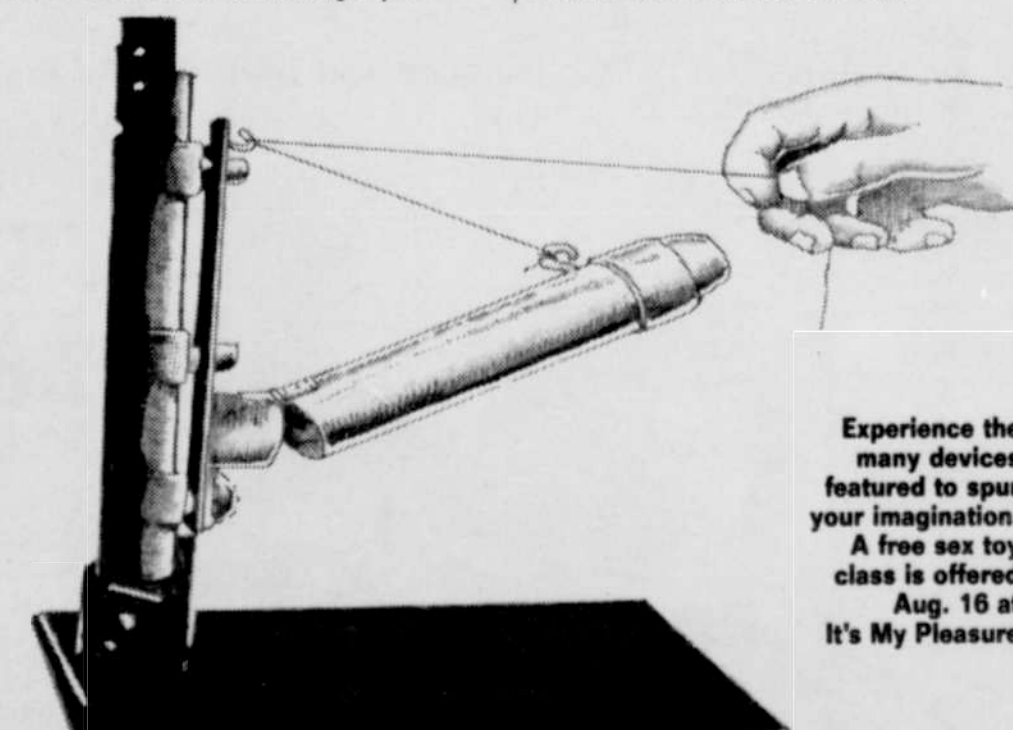
Forbidden Cinema compiled by Dennis Nyback includes appearances by Billie Holiday and some very questionable Dr. Seuss. Through Aug. 13 at Clinton Street Theater

18 TUESDAY

Portland Parks and Recreation presents an **evening of Celtic entertainment** with Hobnail, featuring Nancy Conescu on guitar and vocals. (7-8:30 pm at Couch Park, NW 20th Ave. and Glisan St. Free. 823-PLAY.)

19 WEDNESDAY

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Experience the many devices featured to spur your imagination. A free sex toy class is offered Aug. 16 at It's My Pleasure

Southwest Portland. (Geoffrey 223-5907, ext. 145.)

SisterSpirit hosts a wiccan discussion group. Wheelchair accessible. (7 pm. 3430 SE Belmont St. 736-3297.)

20 THURSDAY

Lee Lynch presents her only scheduled West Coast reading and signing of her new novel, **Rafferty Street**. (7 pm at It's My Pleasure, 3106 NE 64th Ave. Free. 280-8080.)

Speak to Your Brothers' **Neighborhood MenTalks** hosts a discussion group for gay dads. (Geoffrey 223-5907, ext. 145.)

Speak to Your Brothers hosts **FilmTalk**, a movie discussion group for gay and bisexual men. (7 pm at Utopia Coffee House, 3320 SE Belmont St. Geoffrey 223-5907, ext. 145.)

The **Adventure Group** spends happy hour rollerblading. (6 pm. 452-5680.)

21 FRIDAY

Galloway and Luckett perform jazz, blues and country. (6-9 pm at Starbucks, 2442 E Burnside St., Gresham. Free. 666-9524.)

Join the Oregon Bears for **Paws-n'-Balls**, an evening of bowling with the friendly furry ones. Cost depends upon the number of bowlers, so come on down! (7 pm at Pro300 Lanes, 3031 SE Powell Blvd. 240-2813.)

The **NW Sexual Minority Families Conference** starts today and runs through Sunday. (At Rockaway Beach. For cost and information, call Greg, 281-8043, or e-mail tralden@hevanet.com)

22 SATURDAY

Proceeds from this **evening of dance, visual art and music** benefit CAP. Performances include an original ballet entitled **Apollo and Hyacinth**, an electronic musical composition called **Timepiece** that is based on

the poetry of Judith Barrington, and a cappella by Concord Choir. (8 pm at the Newmark Theatre, Portland Center for the Performing Arts, 1111 SW Broadway. \$20 [223-5907, ext. 197].)

The Portland Ultimate Frisbee Federation invite everyone to participate or simply spectate at the **5th Annual Kleinman Memorial Ultimate Frisbee Tournament**. The event continues through Sunday. (Delta Park Athletic Fields. Free. 657-7858. www.lclark.edu/~arthur.)

24 MONDAY

Rosetown Ramblers sponsors a roller skating party for Oregon's queer community and friends. Bring canned food donations for local AIDS charities. (7:30-9:30 pm at Oaks Park skating rink, foot of Southeast Spokane Street. \$5. 234-9944.)

25 TUESDAY

The third annual **Women in Theatre Festival** runs today through Sunday. The main festival features performances by dozens of women including **Chameleons** by Dale Soules, **Buddha's Aunt** by Barratt Walton. (Schedule and tickets from: Festival Central, Tsunami Books, 2528 Willamette St., Eugene. [541] 345-8986.)

26 WEDNESDAY

Literary queers are invited to join the gay and lesbian book group to discuss **Terminal Velocity** by Blanche Boyd. (7 pm at Barnes and Noble, 1231 NE Broadway. Free. 335-0201.)

SisterSpirit hosts a wisdom circle, an eco-feminist Christian communion service. Wheelchair accessible. (7:30 pm. 3430 SE Belmont St. 736-3297.)

Bisexual Community Forum hosts a casual discussion group on the topic of personal ads. (7:30 pm at Utopia Coffee House, 3320 SE Belmont St. 285-4848.)

29 SATURDAY

The Imperial Sovereign Rose Court presents **The Gay Portland Pageant 1998**. Proceeds benefit Esther's Pantry and the Sisters of Providence Breast Cancer Research Foundation. (5 pm doors, 6 pm pageant at Embers, 110 NW Broadway. \$10 donation. 306-0700. www.geocities.com/WestHollywood/Heights/7887.)

Cascade Festival of Music runs today through September 5 in Drake Park, Bend. This year's theme is **A Celebration of the American Spirit** and includes musical performances of *Porgy and Bess*, *West Side Story* and a concert by Pink Martini. (Schedule and tickets: Cascade Festival of Music, 842 NW Wall St., Suite 6, Bend, OR 97701. [541] 383-2202.)

30 SUNDAY

The third annual **Women in Theatre Festival** wraps up with **Sunday on the Fringe**, a unique blend of dance, music and personal expression. (Schedule and tickets from: Festival Central, Tsunami Books, 2528 Willamette St., Eugene. [541] 345-8986.)

Los Rebeldes, Machete and Vagabundo perform at the **Latino Music Festival** sponsored by METRO and Friends of Cathedral Park Neighborhood Association. (Noon-5 pm at Cathedral Park, under the St. John's Bridge, north Portland. Free. 823-2223.)

See the Theater and Gallery listings in Out About Town.