

DIVERSIONS

New guy in town

Gay singer-songwriter Mark Weigle makes his first appearance in Portland at 7 p.m. July 2 at Dave and Tracy's Writers Round-Up, a monthly showcase of nationally touring songwriters.

Weigle's first CD, *The Truth Is*, was nominated for a GLAMA award, and his second CD, *All That Matters*, has received rave reviews. *Billboard*, a music industry trade publication, had this to say: "Although Weigle doesn't suppress his inclination to express and explore the life experiences of an out-queer man in his lyrics, he is presenting himself as more than merely a one-trick pony; cranking out the tales of alienation and coming out that many of his contemporaries can't seem to move beyond."

Find out why he has a growing, ardent group of fans when he takes the stage at McMenamins White Eagle, 836 N. Russell St. Also appearing will be Dave Carter and Tracy Grammer. There is a \$5 cover charge; for more information, call (503) 282-6810.



Rene Corbin

Strutting their stuff

Hostess Maria and Mistress of Ceremonies Poison Waters invite you to pack a picnic and arrive early on June 25 for a good seat

Out at the ballgame

Batter up! Weather permitting, come out and support the Rose City Softball Association, playing from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. June 25 at Westmoreland Park, Southeast 22nd Avenue and Bybee Boulevard. There is no game July 2, but players cover the bases July 9 at Montavilla Park, Northeast 82nd Avenue and Glisan Street.

RCSA standings as of June 11:

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at Peacock in the Park, the 14th annual drag extravaganza in the Washington Park Amphitheater that benefits the Audria M. Edwards Scholarship Fund.

Light refreshments will be available at the park. Free shuttles from downtown Portland to the park will run continuous loops starting at 9 a.m. from Embers Avenue, 110 N.W. Broadway, and from Red Cap Garage, 1035 S.W. Stark St. The picnic starts at noon, and the show gets going at 2:30 p.m.

The show is free, but donations are encouraged. Scholarship grants totaling \$13,500 will be presented to 10 students at this year's event.

Gals with guitars

On June 23, Barb Galloway will accompany an incredible group of women singer-songwriters in an evening of entertainment at Borders Books, 2605 S.W. Cedar Hills Blvd.

Featured performers include Maureen Kelly, Connie Cohen and Rene Corbin, who'll deliver her special brand of Celtic music. The tunes flow from 7 to 9 p.m.

What to do if you have issues

Issues Magazine is a new publication for lesbians of color, by lesbians of color. The folks behind the new mag are looking for writers, artists and photographers who are talented, innovative and unique. Veteran wordsmiths as well as the previously unpublished are equally welcome, but please keep the topics limited to events or issues that concern lesbians of color.

For more information, check out the publication's Internet site, www.issuesmag.com. For submission guidelines, send an inquiry to issuesmag@aol.com or 484 Lake Park Ave., Oakland, CA 94610; or call (510) 593-4453.

Hold high the orb and scepter

The Imperial Sovereign Court of the Willamette Empire recently held its annual coronation in Salem and crowned new royalty: Regent Star Emperor XXIII Della, Star Empress XXIII Lydia Octavia Snapp, Imperial



PHOTO BY KRISTINA STRAWDER

Champagne, Rose Empress XXV, makes like a peacock

Crown Prince XXIII Jimi Xcalibur and Imperial Crown Princess XXIII Sugar Snapp St. James.

The festive occasion was observed by attendees from the courts of Seattle, Tacoma, Everett and Vancouver, Wash., as well as representatives from Portland and Eugene.

Little feet

Our House, a film about gay parenting, will air in the Portland area at 10 p.m. June 26 on both KOPB and KTVR.

Just Out's reviewer found the film to be rather stereotypical in its choice of participants and somewhat basic in its approach, but certainly worthwhile viewing for anyone interested in parenthood.



Regent Star Emperor XXIII Della and Star Empress XXIII Lydia Octavia Snapp

They've got balls

At high noon on June 17, the Rose City Softball Association takes on the Portland Police Bureau in Grudge Match 2000 at Farragut Park.

As a special added attraction, the RCSA team will be spurred on by the West Hollywood Cheerleaders, those bombastic babes with really big pompoms. Afterward, celebrate with a barbecue and beer bust at JOQ's, 215 N.E. Broadway.

The park is located at North Kerby Avenue and Farragut Street. The game is free, but donations will be accepted for the the police Sunshine Division.

Puttin' on the ritz

The Imperial Sovereign Rose Court invites you to the 2000 Mr., Miss and Ms. Gay Oregon Pageant, "Murder, Mystery & Intrigue: the Un-usual Suspects," on June 24 at Embers Avenue, 110 N.W. Broadway in Portland.

The doors open at 5 p.m. and the pageant starts at 6 p.m. A \$10 donation is requested; for more information, call (503) 222-3082.

Kissing in Ashland

The Oregon Shakespeare Festival in Ashland, Ore., presents the lesbian-themed play *Stop Kiss* at the Black Swan from July 4 to Oct. 29.

Stop Kiss, by Diana Son, premiered in 1998 at the prestigious Public Theater in New York and received a 1999 GLAAD Media Award. The story is set within the context of gay-bashing, and the two central characters get beaten simply because they were kissing.

About the impetus for *Stop Kiss*, the playwright says, "I'm consistently interested in the conflict between how other people identify you and the more complex way in which you know yourself."

Tickets are available from the festival box office at (541) 482-4331.

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