

DIVERSIONS

Courting fun are: (clockwise from top left) Jane Machamer, Tony Hitter, Bryan Bechtold and Kim Bauske

Team Portland 40-love

Did you know the international Gay and Lesbian Tennis Alliance has a branch in Portland? Team Portland Tennis Association is sponsoring one of the largest tournaments in the city, the 10th annual Rose City Open, Sept. 2 through 4. More than 200 players are expected to participate in the event, which will be held at the Portland Tennis Center and the Eastmoreland Racquet Club. The entry dead-

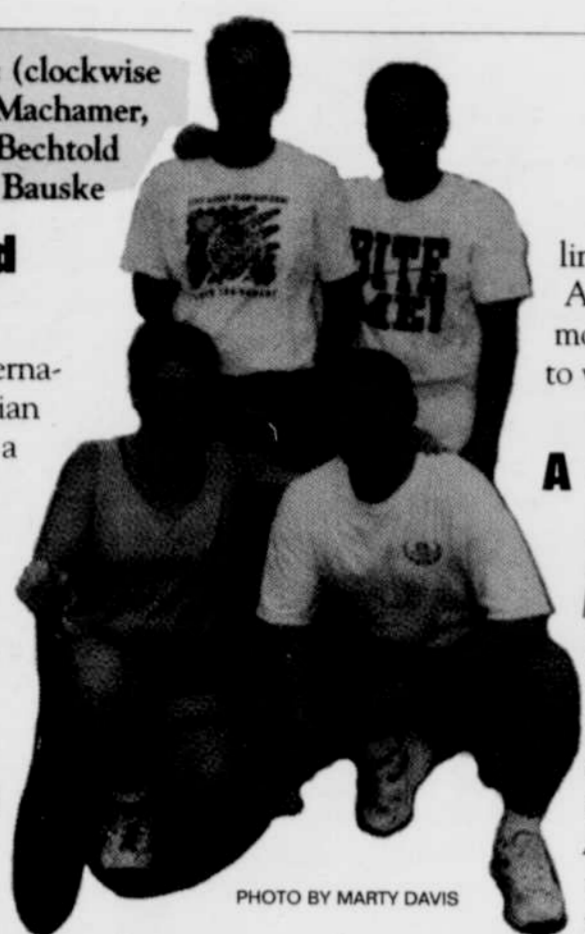


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line has been extended to Aug. 24. For an entry form and more information, mouse on over to www.teamportland-tennis.org.

A gem of an idea

Also spanning Labor Day weekend is Art in the Pearl, a festival that fills Portland's North Park Blocks with art, theater and music. More than 125 artists will show their work in a wide range of fine arts and crafts. An array of dance companies will perform along with many popular local musicians, including Michael Allen Harrison, Theresa Demarest and Lynn Frances Anderson. This free event runs from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. Sept. 2 through 4.

What's shaking in Ashland

On Aug. 21, the Oregon Shakespeare Festival in Ashland will play host to the 13th annual Daedalus Project

to benefit various AIDS programs. The daylong event concludes with a special performance by company members. Highlights include a reading of the new Moises Kauffman play, *The Laramie Project*, a raffle of a quilt made by the costume department and a 5K run and walk. For specific times and ticket prices, call the box office at (541) 482-4331 or point your browser to orshakes.org.

Sense and sensibility

Sensory Perceptions will play host to a fundraiser for Portland's LGBT Film Festival with a showing of *The Five Senses* Aug. 19 at the Hollywood Theatre. This thoughtful new film is directed by Jeremy Podeswa and has some poignant queer content. Doors open at 7 p.m. for a silent auction of rare and collectible movie memorabilia. The screening is 8 p.m. at 4122 N.E. Sandy Blvd. Afterward, a party at the nearby Chameleon Restaurant and Bar will tickle all your senses and feature hors d'oeuvres, music, massages and aromatherapy along with a no-host bar. Tickets

are \$15 in advance from the theater box office, *Gai-Pied*, *In Other Words* and *Balloons on Broadway*. If tickets remain, they will be \$20 at the door. For more information, write to pdxgayfilm@aol.com.

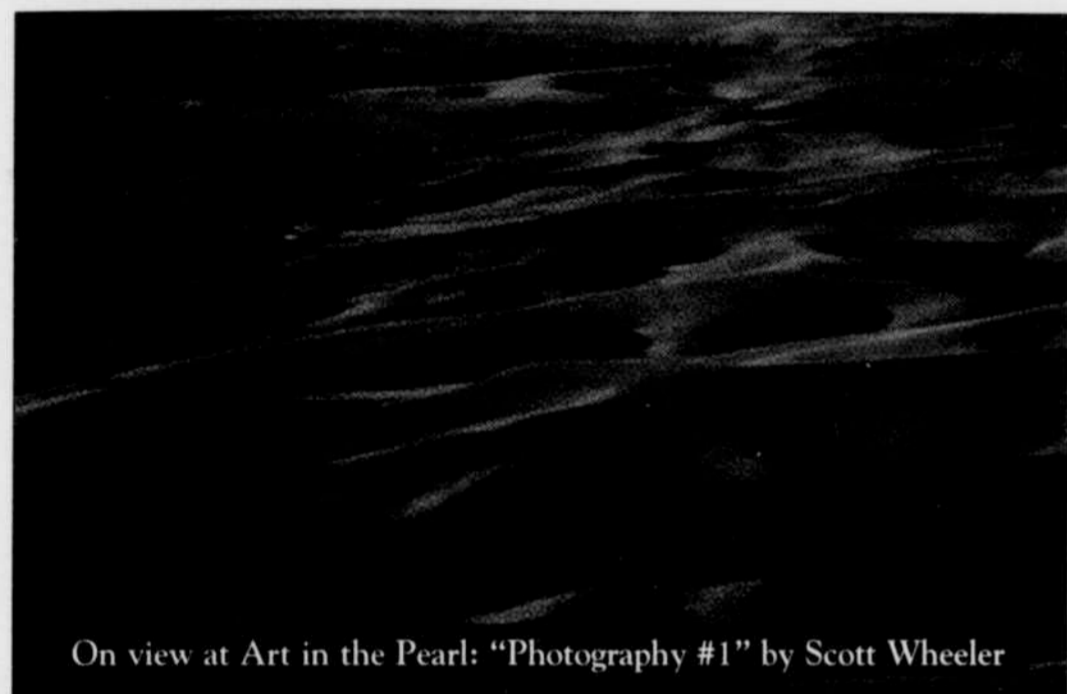
Polish your rhinestones

The Imperial Sovereign Rose Court will hold an Announcement of Candidates Show at 7 p.m. Aug. 20 for the titles of Mr., Miss and Ms. Gay Portland. The winners will be crowned at the pageant Aug. 26, a benefit for the Bill and Ann Shepherd, Pride of the Rose and Audria M. Edwards scholarship funds. Attendees with tri-county photo identification get to vote for their faves. The doors open at 5 p.m., and the strutting begins at 6. Both shows will be held at Embers Avenue, 110 N.W. Broadway. Tickets to the first event are \$3, and admission to the pageant is \$10 at the door.



Fun on the court: (from left) Miss Gay Portland XXVIII Jessica Del A Rosa, Mr. Gay Portland XXIV Patrick and Ms. Gay Portland XI Alexandra

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