



Meet bisexual writer Annie Dawid on Jan. 24 at Annie Bloom's Books

just out & about

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January

18 FRIDAY

Looking for something, um...interesting to do tonight? Head over to **It's My Pleasure** and find out exactly what those pleasures are at the **Strap-On Class**. Peruse harnesses and dildos and learn how to use them. (7 pm. 3106 NE 64th Ave. \$10. Register at 503-280-8080.)

That queerfic musical duo **Terra** performs at Touchstone Coffee House. (7-9 pm. 7631 NE Glisan St. 503-262-7613. www.touchstonecoffeehouse.com.)

Tango lessons are offered every Friday this month with **Out Dancing**. Note the venue change to Ankeny Street Studio and come early to register if it's your first session. (7-8 pm. Corner of Southeast Ninth Avenue and Ankeny Street. \$5. 503-236-5129. out_dancing@yahoo.com.)

The **Portland Institute for Contemporary Arts** presents performance poet **Tracie Morris** in concert through Jan. 19 at Hollywood Theatre. Live music combines with her songs and speech to create soundscapes of blues, jazz and hip-hop rhythms. (8 pm. 4122 NE Sandy Blvd. \$13-\$16 from 503-242-1419.)

Attention Eugene dwellers: Every third Friday is **Queer Night** at Out of the Fog Coffee House & Morning Glory Cafe. As an added bonus, this month the cafe boasts a **lesbian photography exhibit** by Seda Rhodes. (6:30-11 pm. 450 Willamette St. 541-687-0709.)

19 SATURDAY

Men seeking alternative spiritual growth and community: Look no further than **Portland Radical Faeries**. Find them any Saturday at 3 Friends Coffeehouse. (9:30 am. 201 SE 12th Ave. Fey Dirt Line 503-235-0826. otter@ppez.com.)

Don't run alone! **Portland Frontrunners** will run along with you for three to seven miles every Saturday morning. If you want, you can replenish those calories with the group afterward at brunch. (9 am. June 503-239-7705. www.portlandfrontrunners.org.)

Tangents Reading Series presents **Peace Words**, a marathon of readings and performances in celebration of **Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday**. More than 20 writers and musicians will perform during the event at Gracie's, including Ursula LeGuin, lesbian writer Judith Barrington and didjeridu musician Michael Stirling. (Noon-7 pm. Northeast Sixth Avenue and Prescott Street. \$10-\$15. 503-233-4562 or 503-235-7963.)

All women are welcome to join **SisterSpirit** for a celebration of **Twelfth Night** at Musicians' Union Hall. (6:30 pm. 325 NE 20th Ave. \$3-\$5 donation. 503-736-3297.)

Salem's **Marionberry Salon** book group discusses *The Second Coming of Curly Red*, a novel by Jody Seay about a small-town lesbian couple set against the backdrop of the Oregon Citizens Alliance's first Measure 9. Feel free to bring a dish for the potluck, too! (6:30 pm. Cary 503-363-6036. marionberrysalon@aol.com.)

Grab your Stetson and head off to **Crystal's Queer Country Jam** at Portland Metro Club. (8-9 pm lessons, 9 pm-1 am dancing. 618 SE Alder St. \$5, \$8 with lessons.)

Not one but two tantalizing taste experiences are on the menu as part of the signature series **Dinner at My House for Our House**, a fund-raiser benefiting the residential care facility

for those living with and dying from AIDS. One choice puts you in the home of executive director Nancy Sellers for Vietnamese delicacies; the other welcomes you to the Space, downtown's latest happening place for visual and performing artists. (Call 503-736-9276 for times, prices and locations.)

See a flick or two at **Bi Movie Night** presented by BiNet Oregon. (7 pm-midnight. Aliyn 503-260-9169. biseverywhere@yahoo.com.)

For Eugene-area trans warriors: **Emergence Transgender Social Group** meets every third Saturday at Koinonia Center. (7:30-11 pm. 1414 Kincaid St. emg977@yahoo.com.)

20 SUNDAY

Jock-type queers should hook up with **Portland Frontrunners**. Some Sundays feature trail runs; the others focus on long-distance training. (9 am. June 503-239-7705. www.portlandfrontrunners.org.)

You have a standing brunch date every Sunday in Eugene with the **Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual 20s/30s Social Club**. (10 am. Call Steve at 541-485-3437 for location.)



The internationally renowned "Trocks" are back in Portland with their unique representation of classical ballet Jan. 23

It don't mean a thing if you don't learn that swing with **Out Dancing** every Sunday this month at Ankeny Street Studio. Come early to register if it's your first class. (3-4 pm. Corner of Southeast Ninth Avenue and Ankeny Street. \$5. 503-236-5129. out_dancing@yahoo.com.)

Sip some wine and waft intellectual with **Lesbians with Degrees** first and third Sundays at Crush. (6 pm. 1412 SE Morrison St. lesbianswdegrees@aol.com.)

Help out **SMYRC** and see a great show. The Sexual Minority Youth Recreation Center offers up a variety show featuring performances by Chance DeValmont,

Anastasia and Leather 15, as well as special appearances by **Rose Court** members. (7 pm. 2100 SE Belmont St. \$20 suggested donation. 503-872-9664.)

21 MONDAY

Bring light and dark T-shirts with you to **Women's Recreational Basketball Night** every Monday at James John School. (7:15-8:30 pm. 7439 N Charleston St. \$2.)

Men's Gay, Trans, Bi and Questioning Group meets every Monday at the Koinonia Center in Eugene. (7:30 pm. 1414 Kincaid St. Curtis 541-342-5088. curtisb@hivalliance.org.)

22 TUESDAY

Wherever you are in Oregon, you are invited to a candlelight celebration of the **29th Anniversary of Roe v. Wade**. Events are scheduled in Bend, Corvallis, Eugene, Medford, Portland and Salem. (6 pm. For locations call 503-223-4510 or 541-775-4931 or visit www.ppcw.org.)

Senior Housing and Retirement Enterprises (SHARE), formerly the Gay and Lesbian Housing Committee, meets at Friendly House. (6-8 pm. 2617 NW Savier St. 503-286-3575.)

Slam poet extraordinaire **Alix Olson** reminds you why you're queer, liberal and feminist and why you hate Wal-Mart in Room 238 at Portland State University's Smith Memorial Center. Sponsored by the Women's Resource Center and **Queers and Allies**. (6 pm. 724 SW Harrison St. Donations.)

Keep at least one of your new year's resolutions by joining **Portland Frontrunners** every Tuesday for a three- to six-mile run. Optional dinner follows for those who want to keep the good times rolling. (6:30 pm. June 503-239-7705. www.portlandfrontrunners.org.)

Just Out and Portland Center Stage invite you to **Gay and Lesbian Audience**

National Poetry Slam award winner **Tracie Morris** blends music and speech Jan. 18-19 at Hollywood Theatre



Night (GALA). See *The Seagull* at Newmark Theatre, then head over to Dragonfish Asian Cafe to mingle with the cast, crew and hostess **Poison Waters**. (7 pm. 1111 SW Broadway. \$16-\$44. 503-274-6588.)

Karaoke master De'zhon lets you do the singing every Tuesday night at C.C. Slaughters. (8 pm-midnight. 219 NW Davis St. 503-248-9135.)

23 WEDNESDAY

Men's Talk meets at First Congregational United Church of Christ for discussion and activities for gay Portlanders who would like to strengthen the community and themselves. (7 pm. 1137 SW Broadway. 503-247-7139. pdxgaymen@aol.com.)

Drink coffee and chat up cute guys at **Young Men's Coffee Talk** every Wednesday at 3 Friends Coffeehouse. (7-9 pm. 201 SE 12th Ave. 503-223-5907, ext. 233.)

Les Ballets Trockadero de Monte Carlo, the world-famous all-male ballet company, swishes into Arlene Schnitzer Concert Hall, courtesy of **White Bird**. Enhancing rather than mocking the spirit of dance, "The Trocks" will perform highlights of 19th century ballet, including their enormously popular signature work, *Swan Lake, Act II*. Donations will be accepted at the performance for Cascade AIDS Project. (7:30 pm. 1037 SW Broadway. \$15-\$39 from www.whitebird.org or Ticketmaster.)

Bootscoot with DJ Crystal Wednesday nights at C.C. Slaughters. (Fridays, too!) (9 pm-2 am. 219 NW Davis St. 503-248-9135.)

Get those hips moving at the Egyptian Club during **Middle Eastern Music and Dance Night** with live music every Wednesday. If your hips are rusty, you can just ogle the pretty dancers. (8-11 pm. 3701 SE Division St. \$4. 503-236-8689.)

24 THURSDAY

Dingos invites you to **Girls Night Out** any Thursday. Food and drink specials until midnight. Oh, and girls. (4612 SE Hawthorne Blvd. 503-233-3996.)

Read your clever prose, recite your beautiful poetry, sing your edgy songs or, heck, even just drink java and listen during **open mike** every Thursday night at Touchstone Coffee House. (7-9 pm. 7631 NE Glisan St. 503-262-7613. www.touchstonecoffeehouse.com.)

Silverado does **Latino Night** right every Thursday. Featuring free chips and salsa, \$1 shots of tequila, music and, this month only, hostess **Poison Waters**! (1217 SW Stark St. 503-224-4493.)