



Laura Love shares her Afro-Celtic pop and inimitable voice Feb. 24 in Eugene

of forbidden love between two young Guinea men, plays at noon. The documentaries *Out in Africa* and *Woubi Cheri*, both about queer life in Africa, begin at 7:30 pm and are followed by a discussion. *Dakan* repeats at 7:30 pm Feb. 22. All films are free of charge and open to the public. (Room 122, Terrell Hall, 705 N Killingsworth St. 503-244-6111, ext. 3630. www.cfaf.net.)

It's **Drag King a Go-Go** at the Egyptian Club. Not only do you get to see a great contest but there's no cover charge to do it. (9 pm. 3701 SE Division St. 503-236-8689.)

Attention all queer and questioning Sapphos: Feel free to join the **Women Discussion and Support Group** any Thursday in Suite 34 of Erb Memorial Union at University of Oregon in Eugene. (5-6 pm. 1222 E 13th Ave. 541-346-3360.)

22 FRIDAY

Portland choreographer **Mike Barber** should delight enthusiasts again with his new work *Red Hat and Other Dances* through Feb. 24 at **Conduit Studio**. Joined by several other very queer dancers, his piece blends an expressive athleticism and fluid technique with passion and reverence for a quirky humor and poignancy found in human growth and interaction. (8 pm nightly plus 2 pm Sunday. 918 SW Yamhill St. \$12 from 503-221-5857.)

Northern Decadence—A Leather Mardi Gras Weekend kicks off with Boots & Beads at Eagle PDX. Flash your naughty bits for beads and other prizes! The cover tonight goes to the residential AIDS facility Our House of Portland. (9 pm. 1300 W Burnside. \$4. oregonbuilt@aol.com.)

Lesbian singer, writer, activist and all-around icon **Alix Dobkin** reads from her memoir *Driving My Red Blood (A Radical Girl Grows Up)* at Mother Kali's Books in Eugene. (7 pm. 720 E 13th St. 541-343-4864.)

23 SATURDAY

The **Forest Group Fish & Chips Trip**: Go whale watching at the coast (fish), then stop at Chinook Winds Casino (chips). (Call 503-238-3877 for complete information.)

Leather Mardi Gras Weekend continues with **Red & Black—A Leather Dance** at C.C. Slaughters. The cover charge benefits the Pride of the Rose Scholarship Fund. (9 pm. 219 NW Davis St. \$4. oregonbuilt@aol.com.)

They're probably very messy when they eat, but don't let that stop you from joining the **Oregon Bears** at Gail's Dirty Duck for an all-you-can-eat **Chili Feed**. (6 pm. 429 NW Third Ave. \$5. www.oregonbears.org.)

Galloway and Luckett play their eclectic blend of jazz and blues at Bertha's Station. (8-11 pm. 6446 SW Capitol Highway. \$3.)

It's **Lesbopalooza** time at the Lorax Co-op in Eugene. **Americunt and The Culottes**, among other no doubt coolly titled dyke bands, will rock your world. (10 pm-2 am. 1648 Alder St. \$3-\$4,000 sliding scale. 541-346-3360.)

24 SUNDAY

The **Portland Gay Men's Chorus** offers *Classical Voices* at the Old Church. The popular group's fourth annual classical concert features the music of Italian composers Gabrieli, Cherubini, Rossini and Verdi, which should whet your appetite for the postconcert reception catered by 3 Doors Down. (2 pm. 1422 SW 11th Ave. \$15 at the door or from 503-226-2588 or www.pdxgmc.org.)

It's an afternoon of **Bear Games** with the **Oregon Bears**. Bring a favorite

board game, snack or donation for meal order. (2 pm. E-mail gamebear@aol.com for location.)

The Egyptian Club invites you to a **Cure the Winter Blues Music Bash**. There will be tons of cool grrrl bands and plenty of raffle prizes—all to benefit this summer's **Rock 'n' Roll Camp for Girls**. (6-11 pm. 3701 SE Division St. \$5-\$10 sliding scale. www.girlsrockcamp.org.)

Learn the art of knot tying at It's My Pleasure during this **Intro to Bondage** class. Also covered will be flogging and the ground rules of S/M. Everyone is welcome, and there's no charge. (6 pm. 3106 NE 64th Ave. Register at 503-280-8080.)



You gotta love her: The **Laura Love Band** brings its mix of Middle Eastern melody and Afro-pop groove to Eugene's WOW Hall. Compared with Sarah MacLachlan and Alanis Morissette, her

voice alone will blow you away. (8 pm. 291 W Eighth Ave. \$15.50-\$18 from 541-687-2746 or 541-346-4363.)

25 MONDAY

Blues vocalist and bandleader **Margo Tufo** returns to Portland after her six-year stay in San Francisco. The first recipient of the Muddy Waters Award for Outstanding Female Blues Vocalist will play the Candlelight Cafe every Monday night. (9 pm-1 am. 2032 SW Fifth Ave. 503-222-3378.)



26 TUESDAY

The **Last Word** open mike invites all women to read their own poetry, short fiction and musings on the last Tuesday of every month at In Other Words. (7 pm. 3734 SE Hawthorne Blvd. 503-232-6003.)

Washington County Parents and Kids Group meets every fourth Tuesday at the Community Church of Cedar Hills for dinner, support and fun. (6 pm. 11695 SW Parkway Ave. 503-228-3892.)

Senior Housing and Retirement Enterprises (SHARE) needs your voice! Go to the meeting at Friendly House to become part of the organizing effort around future gay and lesbian senior housing. (6-8 pm. 1737 NW 26th Ave. 503-286-3575.)

City College of New York's writer in residence **Cornelius Eady** reads from his seventh collection of poetry, *Brutal Imagination*, at the Wieden & Kennedy Atrium as part of the **Portland Arts & Lectures Poetry Downtown** series. This newest book deals with the plight of the black man in white America. (7:30 pm. 224 NW 13th Ave. \$14 from 503-227-2583.)

White Bird presents the electrifying **Hubbard Street Dance Chicago** after an eight-year absence from the Portland scene. The critically acclaimed company brings to Arlene Schnitzer Concert Hall a program of great versatility and depth, partially choreographed by Portland's own **Trey McIntyre**. (7:30 pm. 1037 SW Broadway. \$15.50-\$39 from Ticketmaster.)

27 WEDNESDAY

The National Gay and Lesbian Task Force annual conference **Creating Change** is coming to Portland this November! Interested community members and allies are invited to join organizer Sue Hyde for an informational meeting at First Unitarian Church. (7-9 pm. 1011 SW 12th Ave. www.creatingchange.org.)

Men's Talk meets at First Congregational United Church for discussion and activities for gay Portlanders on the topic of intimacy. (7 pm. 1137 SW Broadway. 503-247-7139. pdxgaymen@aol.com.)

Bi standup comic **Dylan Cooper Phoenix** offers a free performance of her "one-and-a-half-woman show" *Running with Scissors* at Central Library. It's an interactive, spiritual and often hysterical journey through metaphysics, quantum physics, illness and healing. (7:30 pm. 801 SW 10th Ave.)

28 THURSDAY

Every Thursday, Silverado does **Latino Night** right. Featuring free chips and salsa, \$1 shots of tequila, music and **Misha!** (1217 SW Stark St. 503-224-4493.)

Lesbian fave **Jamie Anderson** performs cuts from her new release *Listen* at Touchstone Coffee House. (7-9 pm. 7631 NE Glisan St. \$5-\$10 sliding scale. 503-262-7613.)

It's multimedia of the multitalented variety: Portland bi filmmaker, actor and recording artist **Miranda July** presents her performance art piece *How I Learned to Draw* at Reed College's Student Union as part of **Reed Arts Week**. Her work is both energetic and consistently innovative. (7 pm. 3203 SE Woodstock Blvd. \$5 advance only from 503-777-7758 or www.bookstore.reed.edu.)

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1 FRIDAY

The night you've all been waiting for: **Drag Queen Wrestling at Klub Z!** Reigning champion **Psychotika Shock** is ready to whoop ass in defense of her title. Meanwhile, **Poison Waters** will compete for the heavy-weight championship.

Does she look like someone you want to miss in Red Hat and Other Dances Feb. 22-24?

Special appearances by the Masked Bitch and other guests. Don't miss the only event in P-Town where divas fight onstage instead of backstage. (*Midnight*. 333 SW Park Ave. \$8. 503-241-1153.)

2 SATURDAY

Folk songstress **Jamie Anderson** performs at Eugene's Paradiso Cafe. (8:30 pm. 115 W Broadway St. 541-485-3088.)

The bookworms of Salem's **Marionberry Salon** will discuss this month's selection, *Cinnamon Gardens* by Shyam Selvadurai, over a potluck meal. Set in British Colonial Ceylon (now Sri Lanka), the book tells the story of an upper-class teacher facing an arranged marriage and of her uncle, who must suppress the secret desires that threaten to throw his life into chaos. (6:30 pm. Cary 503-363-6036. marionberrysalon@aol.com.)

3 SUNDAY

Lesbian folk singer **Jamie Anderson** performs at a house concert in Newport. (6:30 pm. 654 NW Nye St. 541-574-4493. otterweiler@hotmail.com.)

You're invited to the Portland premiere of **Hope Along the Wind: The Life of Harry Hay** at Hollywood Theatre. Join Portland director Eric Slade for his documentary about the man who started the Mattachine Society, only to be ousted from it because of his ties to the Communist Party. A reception will follow. (2 pm. 4122 NE Sandy Blvd. \$8-\$10 movie, \$20-\$25 with reception from *In Other Words* or *Gai-Pied*.)

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