

Ave. \$12.50-\$15 from 503-288-5181 or Fastixx.)

The lesbian group **Out & About** invites you to join them at Hobo's to plan **fun activities** for couples and singles. (7:30 pm. 120 NW Third Ave. Becca 503-667-9412 or Rhonda 503-492-9422.)

In a full night of rad rockin' chicks (who are also dykes, by the way), **Tamaras** of Los Angeles plays her unique blend of rock and melody, paving the way for the **Leila Chieko Trio**. It's all happening at the Cobalt Lounge, and it's really cheap, meaning there's no reason in the world you shouldn't go. (9:30 pm. 32 NW Third Ave. \$5. 503-225-1003.)

Jamie Anderson performs her popular folk hits at a house concert in Roseburg. Because she's a lesbian, it's a potluck, too! (5:30 pm potluck, 7:30 pm show. \$5-\$10 sliding scale. Call 541-679-4655 for location.)

Bishop Sandy Schuster and her partner, Madeline Isaacson, lead a workshop through March 10 at Michael Servetus Unitarian Universalist Fellowship in Vancouver, Wash. Sponsored by **God's Holy Territory**, the free weekend event begins with tonight's praise and worship. The spiritual leaders from **Star of Hope Ministries** in Texas were the first lesbian couple in the United States to win custody of their children more than 20 years ago. (7:30 pm. 4505 E 18th St. 360-885-9461. www.starofhopeministries.com.)

9 SATURDAY

Want to start off the weekend with a **Fun Walk/Run**? Hook up with the **Adventure Group** any Saturday morning. The two- to six-mile trek is open to all skill levels and always is followed by an optional brunch. (9 am. 503-452-5680. www.adventuregroup.org.)

Start your day off with coffee and a muffin at 3 Friends Coffeehouse. And while you're there, you might as well stop for a chat with the **Portland Radical Faeries**, who are there every Saturday morning and who invite you to seek alternative spiritual growth and community with them. (9:30 am. 201 SE 12th Ave. 503-235-0826. otter@pcez.com.)

Gay journalist **Jim Gladstone** reads from his debut novel **The Big Book of Misunderstanding** at Annie Bloom's Books. The author turns his darkly perceptive eye on American family life for this witty story about a 22-year-old queer who asks, "Do I have to end my life to end my childhood?" (5 pm. 7834 SW Capitol Highway. 503-246-0053.)

The folk rock duo **Pam and Maggie** will keep you awake if the coffee won't at Touchstone Coffee House. (7-9 pm. 7631 NE Glisan St. 503-262-7613. www.touchstonecoffeehouse.com.)

10 SUNDAY

Huff and puff with the **Portland Frontrunners** on their regular Sunday out-

ing. Sometimes it's a trail run and sometimes it's long-distance training. Call the jocks to find out

which. (9 am. June 503-239-7705. www.portlandfrontrunners.org.)

Celebrate **International Women's Day** at the Portland Conference Center. This diverse event

includes readings, a competitive poetry slam, a health fair, a family resource room, international food, art exhibits and a ton of informational and retail vendors. Entertainers throughout the day include belly dancers, the **Portland Lesbian Choir**, spoken-word artists and the **Aurora Chorus**. (Noon-6 pm. 300 NE Multnomah St. \$5 donation. www.pivd.org.)

A gay and gay-friendly **Pinocle Group** meets up every Sunday at Hobo's. (6 pm. 120 NW Third Ave. George 503-760-1248.)

La Femme Magnifique Plus Pageant takes over Darcelle XV. The most alluring full-figured queens from around the world travel to Portland for this premier drag performance and competition. Judged on formal wear, theme,

talent and showgirl, this will be a night to remember. (8 pm. 208 NW Third Ave. \$10. 503-222-5338. www.darcellexv.citysearch.com.)

11 MONDAY

Blues vocalist and bandleader **Margo Tufo** plays the Candlelight Cafe every Monday night. (9 pm-1 am. 2032 SW Fifth Ave. 503-222-3378.)

12 TUESDAY

Portland Art Museum plays host to a rare performance by renowned Kabuki actor **Ganjiro Nakamura III**. A legendary onnagata (female role) actor of the **Grand Kabuki**, this is the artist's first West Coast appearance. This breathtaking performance isn't cheap, but you do get a reception and dinner—and what do you expect for the chance to see Japan's "Living National Treasure" do drag? (6 pm reception, 6:30 pm dinner and performance. 1119 SW Park Ave. \$125-\$500 from 503-276-4277.)

Queer hottie **Rufus Wainwright** brings his dry humor and wry outlook back to Aladdin Theatre. Opening the show is his popster kid sister, **Martha Wainwright**. What a talented family. (8 pm. 3017 SE Milwaukie Ave. \$19.50 from box office or Ticketmaster.)

13 WEDNESDAY

Lewis & Clark College plays host to the annual **Gender Studies Symposium** through March 15. It includes an art exhibition and a multitude of lectures, videos and discussions. Tonight's keynote speaker is **Leslie Feinberg**, trans writer and activist.



All events are free and open to the public. (0615 SW Palatine Hill Road. For a program guide call 503-768-7381 or visit www.lclark.edu.)

Viva la Word! **Miracle Theatre** begins monthly **poetry fiestas** in its hip new cafe, La Dali Maya. This evening is "Night of Neruda" featuring poet **Gary Miranda** reading his own and Neruda's work. You can get in on the act during the open mike segment or the favorite poems section. (7 pm. 525 SE Stark St. 503-236-7253. www.milagro.org.)



Japanese imports **Dumb Type** bring their astounding multimedia show to the Newmark Theatre March 14-16

Direct from the Olympics, the world-renowned **Pilobolus Dance Theatre** brings its popular and unusual show to Arlene Schnitzer Concert Hall. Part of the White Bird series, the critically acclaimed troupe performs one night only. (7:30 pm. 1037 SW Broadway. \$15.50-\$39 from Portland Center for the Performing Arts box office, Ticket Central or Ticketmaster.)

14 THURSDAY

The Portland Institute for Contemporary Art presents **Dumb Type** in its latest work **Memorandum** through March 16. Based in Kyoto, Japan, the company is a multifaceted ensemble of artists originally trained in architecture, computer programming, dance and theater. This piece at Newmark Theatre explores the increasingly complex relationship between humans and technology through audiovisual architectonics. (8 pm. 1111 SW Broadway. \$20-\$23 from 503-242-1419.)

Described as a mixed cocktail of Tori Amos, Annie Lennox, David Bowie and Rachmaninoff, Portland newbie gay boy **Rory Merritt Stitt** plays his diverse array of piano techno grooves at the Snake and Weasel. (9 pm. 1720 SE 12th Ave. \$5. 503-232-8338.)

It's **Girls Night Out** at Dingo's. Girls, food and drink specials. What else is there? (4612 SE Hawthorne Blvd. 503-233-3996.)

15 FRIDAY

Tightly woven harmonies are what drives the music of folk duo **Terra**. You can experience it for yourself at Touchstone Coffee House. (7-9 pm. 7631 NE Glisan St. 503-262-7613. www.touchstonecoffeehouse.com.)

It's **Queer Night** at Out of the Fog Coffee House in Eugene. (450 Willamette St. 541-687-0709.)

16 SATURDAY

Radical Women and the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom are sponsoring an **International Women's Day Forum** at the Bread and Roses Center featuring music and poetry of rebellion, a panel presentation on the role of women in ending Israel's oppression of Palestinians and a Middle Eastern buffet. (5:30 pm buffet, 7 pm panel. 819 N Killingsworth St. \$2 donation, \$7 buffet. 503-240-4462.)

Singing lesbian icon extraordinaires **Cris Williamson** and **Holly Near** bring their pioneering women's music to Aladdin Theatre. Partial proceeds go to the **Hambleton Project**, a nonprofit organization providing resources for lesbians facing cancer. Special reserved-seating tickets include a post-show reception with the artists. (8 pm. 3017 SE Milwaukie Ave. \$20 show, \$50 with reception from box office, It's My Pleasure or Ticketmaster.)

Yee-hai! Tonight is **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.)

17 SUNDAY

Put on your best green eye shadow for this month's **St. Patrick's Day Galactic Groove!** Join Alexandra Paris and friends for this Portland Cable Access queer dance show. Everyone is welcome, and there's no cover. (6 pm. 2766 NE Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. www.geocities.com/galacticgroovepdx.)



looking ahead

Mark March 23 or 24 on your calendar now so you won't even begin to forget to attend the **Portland Gay Men's Chorus** in *Vintage Voices*, a multimedia show honoring the lives of gay and lesbian senior citizens. The program at Reed College's Kaul Auditorium will include choral, instrumental, dance and video programs. (8 pm Saturday, 2 pm Sunday. 3203 SE Woodstock Blvd. \$12-\$20 from 503-226-2588 or Ticket Central.)

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