



Rick Lewis and Lynn Thomas offer "an evening of standards and substandards" April 9

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5 FRIDAY

Lesbian folk music icon **Tret Fure** offers an evening of acoustic magic at Metropolitan Community Church of Portland. (8 pm. 2400 NE Broadway. \$16 from *It's My Pleasure* or www.tomboygirl.com.)

Don't miss the gypsy/torch/punk of **Myshkin** and the raw gender-bending clamor of **Bitch and Animal** at the all-ages Meow Meow. Pinky Swear opens. Myshkin has another Portland show April 11. (9 pm. 527 SE Pine St. \$7. www.myshkinsrubywarblers.com.)

What a night for dykes in music! Lesbian violinist **Monica Huggett** performs and directs the **Portland Baroque Orchestra** in Mozart and Mendelssohn through April 6 at First Baptist Church. (8 pm. 909 SW 11th Ave. \$13-\$35 from 503-222-6000 or www.pbo.org.)

Out Dancing offers lessons in nightclub two-step every Friday in April. Arrive early to register. (7-8 pm. Corner of Southeast Ninth Avenue and Ankeny Street. \$5. 503-236-5129. out_dancing@yahoo.com.)

6 SATURDAY

Marimba master Kite Giedraitis presents **Marimba Madness** at Echo Theatre. Bands from the new compilation CD will play all day, and the featured performance is by Nabi Canara, a griot from Guinea, West Africa. (1-5 pm. 1515 SE 37th Ave. \$5, free for kids 12 and younger. 503-775-9039.)

It's the **Lesbian Ball of the Year!** Wear your best to this dance party at Bethany Mall with a buffet, no-host bar and disc jockey spinning house and pop/rock faves. (9 pm-2 am. 4876 NW Bethany Blvd. \$50 at the door or \$35 advance from *In Other Words*. 503-709-5913.)

The cute young queers of the urban folk trio **Vivian's Keeper** warm up Touchstone Coffee House. (7-9 pm. 7631 NE Glisan St. 503-262-7613.)

Vancouver's Gay Pride committee invites you to boogie the night away at Northbank Tavern during a **dance party** fund-raiser for this year's **Saturday in the Park**. Stay tuned for more dances in May and June. (8 pm-midnight. 106 W Sixth Ave. \$2. gdhoggan@hotmail.com.)

Dyke folk/country fave **Cheryl Wheeler**—"Mark Twain with a rhythm section"—belts out her political and satirical originals at McMenamins St. Johns Pub. (8 pm. 8203 N Ivanhoe St. \$18 at the door or \$15 advance from 503-283-8520 or Ticketmaster.com.)

Cute and French and gay and one of the most talented classical pianists in the world is all reason enough to see **Jean-Yves Thibaudet** play Ravel through April 8 at Arlene Schnitzer Concert Hall. (7:30 pm Saturday and Sunday, 8 pm Monday. 1037 SW Broadway. \$15-\$70 from 503-228-1353 or Ticketmaster.com.)

Embra, fronted by the soulful, smoky-voiced **Ajay**, plays Conan's Pub. With special guest Tamara J. Brown and followed by DJ Joe. (9 pm. 3862 SE Hawthorne Blvd. \$5 www.embramusic.com.)

Women's music pioneer **Tret Fure** plays Ashland's Unitarian Center. (8 pm. 87 Fourth St. \$17 at the door, \$15

advance from 541-535-3562, Music Coop or CD or Not CD.)

7 SUNDAY

Don't forget daylight-saving time—spring ahead one hour!

Meet up with **CLIPS—Cycling Lesbians in Portland**—at the Hawthorne Fred Meyer bike racks (where else?) to enjoy a loop around inner Portland via a couple of our city's fine bridges. (10 am. 3805 SE Hawthorne Blvd. gwatnick@hotmail.com.)

The **Japanese Gardens** are beautiful this time of year, and you can visit them with the **Portland Lesbian Garden Club**. Meet inside the gate near the ticket booth. (1 pm. 503-909-2002. ljcoregon@aol.com.)

Jewish Family & Child Service and Hollywood Theatre sponsor a special screening of **Trembling Before G-d**, a documentary exploring the lives of gay Orthodox Jews. Director Sandi Dubowski will be in attendance for a question-and-answer session and a reception after the show. (2 pm. 4122 NE Sandy Blvd. \$7. 503-281-4215.)

Salsa amigos! Learn the lovely Latin dance with **Out Dancing** every Sunday this month. Arrive early to register. (3-4 pm. Corner of Southeast Ninth Avenue and Ankeny Street. \$5. 503-236-5129. out_dancing@yahoo.com.)

The **Portland Lesbian Choir** presents *A Musical Scrapbook: A 15-Year Anniversary Celebration* at Hollywood Theatre. A **dance with DJ Lauren** will follow! (5 pm.

A woman who needs no introduction: Tret Fure jams in Oregon this month

4122 NE Sandy Blvd. \$12 in advance from choir members, *It's My Pleasure* or *In Other Words*. www.plchoir.org.)

Lesbian **Cheryl Wheeler** brings her country/folk wit and wisdom to Eugene's WOW Hall. (7:30 pm. 291 W Eighth Ave. \$16 at the door or \$13.50 in advance from 541-687-2746, *CD World*, *House of Records* or *University of Oregon Ticket Window*.)

The sassy Texas women of **Gynomite** mercifully include Portland on their **Forbidden Fruit Tour**. The porn writing workshop, spoken word performance and erotic readings at Reed College's Student Union are all part of the group's ultimate goal "to change the world one orgasm at a time." (8 pm. 3203 SE Woodstock Blvd. \$5-\$7. www.gynomite.com.)

8 MONDAY

Nationally acclaimed blues vocalist **Margo Tufo** croons for you every Monday night at the Candlelight Cafe. (9 pm-1 am. 2032 SW Fifth Ave. 503-222-3378.)

9 TUESDAY

Portland slam poet champ **Aisha Ayers** tells it like it is at *In Other Words*. (7 pm. 3734 SE Hawthorne Blvd. 503-232-6003.)

Dante's is the place for **Vaudeville Comedy & Cabaret** every Tuesday night. This uncommon evening includes, but may not be limited to, comedians, magicians, belly dancers, sword swallowers, fire jugglers, drag queens, trapeze artists and one giant, depressed, drunken bunny. (9 pm. 1 SW Third Ave. \$3.)

It's a **gay cabaret** at Wilf's Restaurant and Piano Bar, featuring musical theater sage **Rick Lewis** accompanied by pianist **Lynn Thomas**. Apparently, the bass player is straight, but, Lewis

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notes, "We don't have to mention that." (8 pm. 800 NW Sixth Ave. \$10. 503-223-0070.)

10 WEDNESDAY

Educational institutions across the country—from middle schools to universities—have declared a **Day of Silence** to call attention to anti-queer discrimination and harassment. Eugene area students will break the silence with a **communitywide rally** at South Eugene High. (3:30 pm. 400 E 19th Ave. 541-342-4251. www.daysofsilence.org.)

Naked wine tasting now every Wednesday at **Crush**. Don't get too excited: It's the wine that's naked—you get four unlabeled vinos to savor. The queer bar does promise, however, scantily clad servers. (6-9 pm. 1412 SE Morrison St. 503-235-8150.)

Hobo's offers pianist **Michael Kourafas** taking your requests. (7 pm. 120 NW Third Ave. 503-224-3285.)

11 THURSDAY

White Bird concludes its regular dance series with the **Sean Curran Company** through April 12 at Portland State University's Lincoln Hall. The sometimes playful troupe reportedly offers a sendup of *Riverdance*. How can that be bad? (8 pm. 1620 SW Park Ave. \$12-\$24 from 503-725-3307 or Ticketmaster.com.)

The eclectic punk, rock 'n' roll and jazz fusion of bi cutie **Myshkin** is at Laurelthirst Pub tonight. Thais Perkins and Ashleigh Flynn, too. (8 pm. 2958 NE Glisan St. \$2. 503-232-1504.)

The Egyptian Club presents the **Fear Factor VIP Party**. What would you do for a VIP pass? No cover and lots of prizes. (9 pm. 3701 SE Division St. 503-236-8689.)

Eugene dykes and maybe-dykes head to Suite 34 at University of Oregon's Erb Memorial Union any Thursday for the **Women Discussion and Support Group**. (5-6 pm. 1222 E 13th Ave. 541-346-3360.)

12 FRIDAY

Portland Bisexual Women invite you to their discussion "Polarity of Desires." (7-9 pm. Call Mindy at 503-772-7940 for location.)

Bridges New Music Ensemble kicks off its Spring Northwest Tour

with *Spring Tonic* concerts through April 13 at Echo Theatre. The gay and lesbian vocal group will include selections from its soon-to-be-released CD. (8 pm. 1515 SE 37th Ave. \$15 from *Gai-Pied* and *It's My Pleasure*. community.oregonlive.com/cc/bridges.)



The Oslund + Co. presents **Fifty Infants**, an evening of new and repertory work, April 12-28 at Conduit Dance Studio



Performance artist and humorist Spring Tonic offers *Morning Noon and Night* Apr. 13-20