



Rory Merritt Stitt plays the Red and Black Café on Feb. 15 before heading out on tour

15 SATURDAY

The **Adventure Group** goes cross-country skiing at Twin Lakes. For intermediate/advanced skiers. (8:30 am. 503-452-5680. www.adventuregroup.org.)

The Forest Group enjoys a **Snow Day on the Mountain**. Snowshoes, skis, sleds, friends and kids welcome. (503-659-2782.)

Join **Ski Out** for skiing and snowboarding on Mount Hood. Meet outside the Hollywood Fred Meyer Starbucks. (9 am. 3030 NE Weidler St. www.skiout.com.)

Portland Radical Faeries gather Saturday mornings at 3 Friends Coffeehouse. (9:30 am. 201 SE 12th Ave. 503-235-0826. otter@ppez.com.)

Asian & Pacific Islander Lesbians and Gays celebrate the new year with

PHOTO BY BRUCE LAURENCE

White Bird welcomes the hot Ballet Hispanico back to Portland on Feb. 12

a **Dynasty Banquet** at Hunan Restaurant. Welcome the Year of the Ram in style with a 10-course meal and entertainment. (6 pm. 515 SW Broadway. \$18 from 503-977-2979 or icecold625@yahoo.com.)

Rory Merritt Stitt puts his array of bluesy piano techno grooves on display at the Red and Black Café. (8:30 pm. 2138 SE Division St. \$5.)

Socializing and dancing at Potter's House Ministries. (7 pm. 3830 SE 62nd Ave. 503-775-5024.)

Crystal's Country Jam sidles into the Portland Metro Club. Lessons and dancing. (8-9 pm lessons, 9 pm-1 am dancing. 618 SE Alder St. \$5, \$8 with lessons.)

The Oregon Bears' monthly **Bear Bust** at Gail's Dirty Duck. (8-11 pm. 429 NW Third Ave. \$7-\$9. 503-224-8446.)

16 SUNDAY

Get in some distance training or a trail run with the **Portland Frontrunners**. (9 am. June 503-819-4626. www.portlandfrontrunners.org.)

See the winter-blooming **witch hazels** during the Lesbian Garden Club's tour of Bishop's Close. Meet in the upper parking lot. (10 am. 11800 SW Military Lane. 503-909-2002. lgcoregon@aol.com.)

Enjoy Sunday brunch at Brail's in Eugene with the **Gay/Lesbian 20s and 30s Social Club**. (11 am. 1689 Willamette St. Mick 541-485-4784.)

Lesbians with Degrees get together at Crush. (6 pm. 1412 SE Morrison St. lesbianswdegrees@aol.com.)

Drop by Hobo's any Sunday for the gay-friendly **Pinocle Group**. (6 pm. 120 NW Third Ave. George 503-760-1248.)

Darcelle XV & Co. take their show to the historic Linton Community Center for a fundraiser to keep the space up and running. Join Darcelle in her hometown for dinner, a raffle and a chance to buy the book *Linton, A Town Too Tough to Die*. (6 pm dinner, 7:30 pm show. 10614 NW St. Helens Road. \$20.)

17 MONDAY

Every Monday is **Dyke Night** at Touchstone Coffee House. (6-9 pm. 7631 NE Glisan St. 503-262-7613. www.touchstonecoffeehouse.com.)

Portland Polyamory Circle welcomes all sexual orientations to this monthly discussion group. (7 pm. Call Laury at 503-285-4848 for location.)

It's **Mardi Gras Madness** during the Rosetown Ramblers' monthly **skating party** at Oaks Park. Bring a mask or decorate one there. (7:30-9:30 pm. East end of the Sellwood Bridge. \$5. www.rosetownramblers.com.)

19 WEDNESDAY

Portland Arts & Lectures presents prolific novelist **Francine Prose** at Arlene Schnitzer Concert Hall. (7:30 pm. 1037 SW Broadway. \$25-\$55 from 503-227-2583 or www.literary-arts.org.)

Lloyd Center Barnes & Noble queer expression group **Because It's Time!** takes a look at issues of race—from fetish to phobia. Featured books include *Brown: The Last Discovery of America* and *The Greatest Taboo: Homosexuality in Black Communities*. (7 pm. 503-249-0800.)

SisterSpirit's **Wiccan Discussion Group** talks about "Sacred Food and Drink and Sustainable Harvest Practices." (7 pm. 3430 SE Belmont St. \$3-\$5 donation. 503-736-3297.)

Young Men's Coffee Talk meets every Wednesday at 3 Friends Coffeehouse. (8-10 pm. 201 SE 12th Ave. 503-223-5907.)

20 THURSDAY

CityWalk with the **Adventure Group** and follow it up with dinner. (6:30 pm. 503-452-5680. www.adventuregroup.org.)

21 FRIDAY

Keshet talks about planning for a Passover seder at its monthly potluck. Bring a kosher, vegetarian dish. (6:30 pm. Call 503-226-7079, ext. 14, for location. www.gayjewishportland.com.)

The ever-popular Brandy instructs the **Strap-on Class** at It's My Pleasure. (7 pm. 3106 NE 64th Ave. \$10. Register at 503-280-8080.)

The Lesbian Connection meets for dinner in Eugene. (Bonnie 541-683-2793.)

Men's **Leather Night and Red Hanky Social** at Gail's Dirty Duck. (9 pm-midnight. 439 NW Third Ave. 503-224-8446. pdxsaltydg@aol.com.)

Fridays are **queer night** in the super-cool all-ages lounge at Heaven. (10 pm-4 am. 421 SW 10th Ave.)

22 SATURDAY

The women of the Forest Group set out on their annual **Fish & Chips Trip**. Go whale watching (fish), then to Chinook Winds Casino (chips). (503-238-3877.)



Rose City Swing Bandlight and Melodica! Valentine's Day



Lesbians Enjoying Nature and Science hike at Oxbow Park. Meet at the Glisan Fred Meyer with a magnifying glass and lunch. (10 am. 6615 NE Glisan St. Laurie 503-977-2903.)

duce her new CD, *You Are My Singing Lesson*. (7 pm. 7631 NE Glisan St. \$5 donation.)

Out Dancing's monthly **Dance Social** at Ankeny Street Studio includes a lesson and refreshments. (7-10 pm. Corner of Southeast Ninth Avenue and Ankeny Street. \$8. 503-236-5129. out_dancing@yahoo.com.)

The Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Political Caucus of Southern Oregon plays host to its seventh annual **Lambda Awards** at the Red Lion in Medford. The Mardi Gras-themed event includes a silent auction, an awards ceremony, theatrical performances and a dance. (7 pm. 200 N Riverside Ave. \$15. www.geocities.com/thecaucus.)



Because It's Time! talks about race Feb. 19 at the Lloyd Center Barnes & Noble

Looking Ahead

Bi expert **Susie Bright** brings *The Best American Erotica 2003* to Powell's Books on Feb. 24. (7:30 pm. 1005 W Burnside St.)

See On View and Onstage listings on Page 30.

Check out more listings at www.justout.com!



Satori Men's Chorus presents *Power of Love* at Bethlehem Lutheran Church. Special guests the No Kidding Choir. (7 pm. 1244 NE 39th Ave. \$8-\$12 from 503-299-4454.)

San Diego lesbian diva slam poet **Kimberly Dark** stops by Touchstone Coffee House to intro-



The darkly disturbing world of graphic artist Patrick Finney is in full view through Feb. 28 at Gallery Bink