

Tony and Emmy Award winner Twyla Tharp brings her new dance company to its Portland debut Oct. 8



Fridays are **gay night** at Heaven's all-ages lounge with club, house and dance music all night long. (10 pm-4 am. 421 SW 10th Ave. www.heavenpdx.com.)

at Neighbors in Eugene. See Oct. 8 for Portland show. (9 pm. 1417 Villard St. \$8 from 541-338-0334.)

11 SATURDAY

Who knows you're queer? Tell everybody who doesn't because today is **National Coming Out Day!**

Twenty years after Rock Against Reagan comes the political punk peace protest **Bands Against Bush** at Liberty Hall. A slew of bands—including Sarah Dougher, Spider Moccasin, Ross Beach, BrewZerkus, Desert Rat and Shed, Inc.—join fellow activists in Portland and around the world to resist the right wing through irresistible rhythms. (2-10 pm. 311 N Ivy St. www.babpdx.org.)

Dinner at My House for Our House, a fund-raiser series for Our House of Portland, continues at the home of Allen Breiner and Linda Krogstad, whose groovy gourmet dinner comes with retro attitude, a game of '70s trivia and maybe even an eight-track or two. (6 pm. \$60. To make reservations or for a brochure listing all dinners, call 503-736-9276.)

Anne Weiss and the Feel This Band play Alberta Street Public House to follow up the recent release *Braille*. (8 pm. 1036 NE Alberta St. \$6-\$10 sliding scale.)

Dancin', dancin', dancin'! Hustle over to **Disco for Choice 2003**, an all-ages fund-raiser for Planned Parenthood of the Columbia/Willamette at Melody Ballroom. Featuring DJ Gregarious. (8 pm. 615 SE Alder St. \$12 from 503-775-4931, ext. 226, \$15 at the door.)

Better than a Rockette is **Edie**, New York City's award-winning drag queen, performing



Onde Arte Latina presents *The Other* September 11 through Oct. 15



Oregon artist Rick Bartow sees *Through Many Eyes* during October at Interstate Firehouse Cultural Center

12 SUNDAY

SisterSpirit welcomes men and women with children for **Wee Wiccans in the Pumpkin Patch**. (Noon-ish. For location, call 503-736-3297 or e-mail weewiccans@hotmail.com. \$3-\$5 donation.)

Bump in the Road Theatre kicks off its second season with **Elderfest**, which includes a reading of *Hannah Free*, Claudia Allen's play about an elderly lesbian couple facing old age and mortality, at the Fine Arts Building of Concordia University. Audience talk-back follows performance. (2 pm. 2811 NE Holman St. \$5 from 503-750-1439.)

Hallelujah! **Church of the Poison Mind** at Silverado with free pizza and dollar shots. (3-9 pm. 1217 SW Stark St.)

Friendly folk into leather and kink meet up during the **Beaverton Sunday Munch** at McMenamins Cedar Hills. (4-7 pm. 2927 SW Cedar Hills Blvd.)

Quasi, Hella and The Chase meet up at Eugene's WOW Hall. (9 pm. 291 W Eighth Ave. \$8 from 541-687-2746, CD World or Face the Music.)

13 MONDAY

Start your week off right with **Dyke Night** at Touchstone Coffee House. (6-9 pm. 7631 NE Glisan St.)

Be a **karaoke** star any Monday or Tuesday at Tennessee Red's. (9 pm-2:30 am. 2133 SE 11th Ave. 503-231-1710.)

Bonsoir et bienvenue à **Queer Night** every

Monday at Le Happy. Maybe there will even be a French kiss. (9 pm-1 am. 1011 NW 16th Ave.)

14 TUESDAY

Beyond the Veil: Faith and Civil Marriage Rights is an open community forum at First United Methodist Church organized by queer groups to discuss the implications of same-sex marriage. (7-9 pm. 1838 SW Jefferson St.)

Bad Girls presents a **Kinky Women's Welcoming Munch** at Dingo's. For all kinky or questioning women 18 and older. Beginners welcome. (7-9 pm. 4612 SE Hawthorne Blvd. 503-972-2233. www.pdxbadgirls.net.)

Turn up the thermostat, because the clothes are coming off during **Nude Review Night** at the Egyptian. (8 pm. 3701 SE Division St.)

Former Portland musician and composer **Naomi Morena** performs excerpts from the "comic rant" *Let's Talk About Mexicans* by Elisha Martinez in the cafeteria of Portland Community College's Cascade Campus. Proceeds benefit Bradley-Angle House. (7:30 pm. 705 N Killingsworth St. Donations.)

Eugene's Gay/Lesbian 20s and 30s Social Club sponsors **Game Night**. Taboo, Pictionary, Set, dominoes—the possibilities are endless. (7:30 pm. Call 541-485-4784 for location.)

15 WEDNESDAY

Queer-owned Blend Coffeehouse+Cafe invites all loudmouths to its **open mike night** (but without the mike, so speak up and enunciate) every first and third Wednesday. Share poetry, spoken word or a deep, dark secret. (7-9 pm. 2327 E Burnside St.)

16 THURSDAY

Queer American Sign Language for Families, an eight-week class for parents, kids and relatives of every sort, starts tonight. Sponsored by Deaf & Hearing OUT Reach. (dhor@deafvision.net, www.deafvision.net/dhor.)

Get down at **Breakdown**, a queer night hosted by Puppet, with DJs spinning hip-hop, rock, electronica and...ooh...the '80s! every Thursday at Cobalt Lounge. (9 pm-2 am. 32 NW Third Ave. \$4, no one turned away.)

17 FRIDAY

Join gay Jewish group **Keshet** for a social potluck dinner and short Shabbat service. Sponsored by Jewish Family & Child Service. (6:30 pm. For location call 503-226-7079, ext. 14. www.gayjewish-portland.com.)

Lesbian novelist **Carla Trujillo** visits Powell's to read from *What Night Brings*, her novel of

a girl who wants God to change her into a boy and get rid of her father. (7:30 pm. 1005 W Burnside St.)

It's **Queer Night** at Out of the Fog Coffee House in Eugene. (8:30 pm. 450 Willamette St. 541-687-0709.)

Go for a late-night cruise with **Storm Large & the Balls** on the Portland Spirit. (11 pm-1:30 am. \$15-\$23 from 503-224-3900. www.portlandspirit.com.)

18 SATURDAY

Rainbow Recovery Al-Anon Group hosts **Bridges in Recovery**, a roundup for queers in 12-step recovery programs, at Trinity United Methodist Church. Potluck lunch. (8:30 am-4:30 pm. 3915 SE Steele St. \$10-\$12 by Oct. 15, \$15 after, from 360-694-4163.)

Eugene lesbian group **Women to Women** gets together every Saturday at Neighbors. (6 pm. 1417 Villard St.)

Guitarist **Allyn Roberts** brings her damndirt dirty blues to Touchstone Coffee House. (7-9 pm. 7631 NE Glisan St.)

Queer Deaf and Hearing Coffee Night at Haven. (7-9 pm. 3551 SE Division St. www.deafvision.net/dhor.)

Emergence Transgender Social Group meets in Eugene the third Saturday of every month. (7:30-11 pm. bce@efn.org or emg977@yahoo.com.)

Mosey on down to **Crystal's Country Jam** at Portland Metro Club. Lessons, dancing and plenty of country charm. (8-9 pm lessons, 9 pm-1 am dancing. 618 SE Alder St. \$5, \$8 with lessons.)

Bridging the gap between burlesque and bad taste is the **Portland Gay Men's Chorus** adults-only cabaret *Last of the Bathhouse Beauties*, an evening of low-level humor and raunchy song and dance at Reed College's Kaul Auditorium. Special guest is *Just Out* humor columnist and former opera singer **Marc Acito**. (8 pm. 3203 SE Woodstock Blvd. \$20-\$25 from 503-226-2588 or www.pdxgmc.org.)

The Oregon Bears hold their monthly **Bear Bust** at Gail's Dirty Duck. (8-11 pm. 429 NW Third Ave. \$8-\$10.)

Don't try this at home: Cirque du Soleil brings Alegria to Portland through Oct. 26

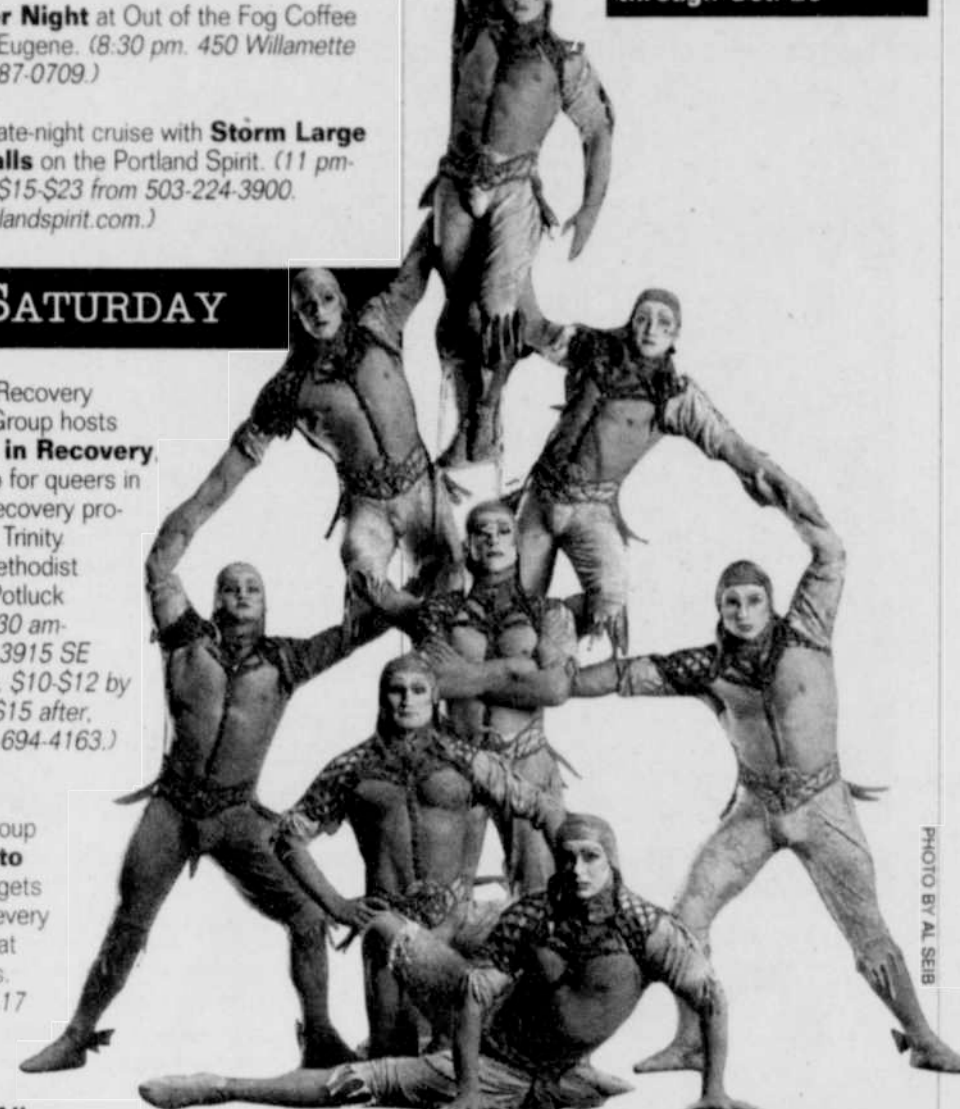


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19 SUNDAY

The Lesbian Community Project hosts a **Deaf/Hearing Social Night** at Haven. Come find out about the Deaf Awareness Program and share ideas for future events! (5-7 pm. 3551 SE Division St. 503-227-0606. lcp@xprt.net.)

It's not strip poker, but a gay/gay-friendly **pinocle group** plays cards every Sunday at Hobo's. (6 pm. 120 NW Third Ave. Mike 503-203-8426.)

Get ready, girls, it's going to be one screamfest to remember when *Scream at the Beach*—Portland's award-winning haunted house attraction—turns into **Queens at the Beach**, a special gay night for Halloween faeries. (7-10 pm. Jantzen Beach. \$3-\$7 per attraction, cash only. www.screamatthebeach.com/queens.htm.)

Lesbian indie rocker **Melissa Ferrick** brings her acoustic passion to Berbat's Pan. Anne McCue joins her. (10 pm. 231 SW Ankeny St. \$12.50 from TicketsWest.)

Looking Ahead

"Our Big Fat Gay Wedding" is the theme of **Basic Rights Oregon's 2003 Dinner Gala fund-raiser** Oct. 24 in the new wing of the Oregon Convention Center. Lainie Kazan (the mom from *My Big Fat Greek Wedding*) hosts the 22nd annual event honoring leaders who have worked to advance equality. (6 pm. 777 NE Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. \$100 from 503-222-6151. www.basicrights.org.)

Join Rose Emperor XXIX Josef A. Foxx and Rose Empress XLV Chloe Stone for the crowning of the new titleholders during **Coronation 2003: On the Town** Oct. 25 at the Crystal Ballroom. (www.rosecourt.org.)

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Check out more listings at www.justout.com!

