



All girl. All word. Or-A-Trix rants and raves Oct. 18 at the Red and Black

Saddle up your buckin' bronco and ride on over to In Uniform's **Wild West Bunkhouse Party** at the Eagle PDX. (9 pm. 1300 W Burnside St.)

It's said organizing Pagans is like herding cats. Still, it's time for Eugene's ninth annual **Witches Ball** at WOW Hall. **Land of the Blind** plays for all those earth spirits in costume. (8 pm. 291 W Eighth Ave. \$5-\$9 sliding scale from 541-687-2746 or www.wowhall.org.)

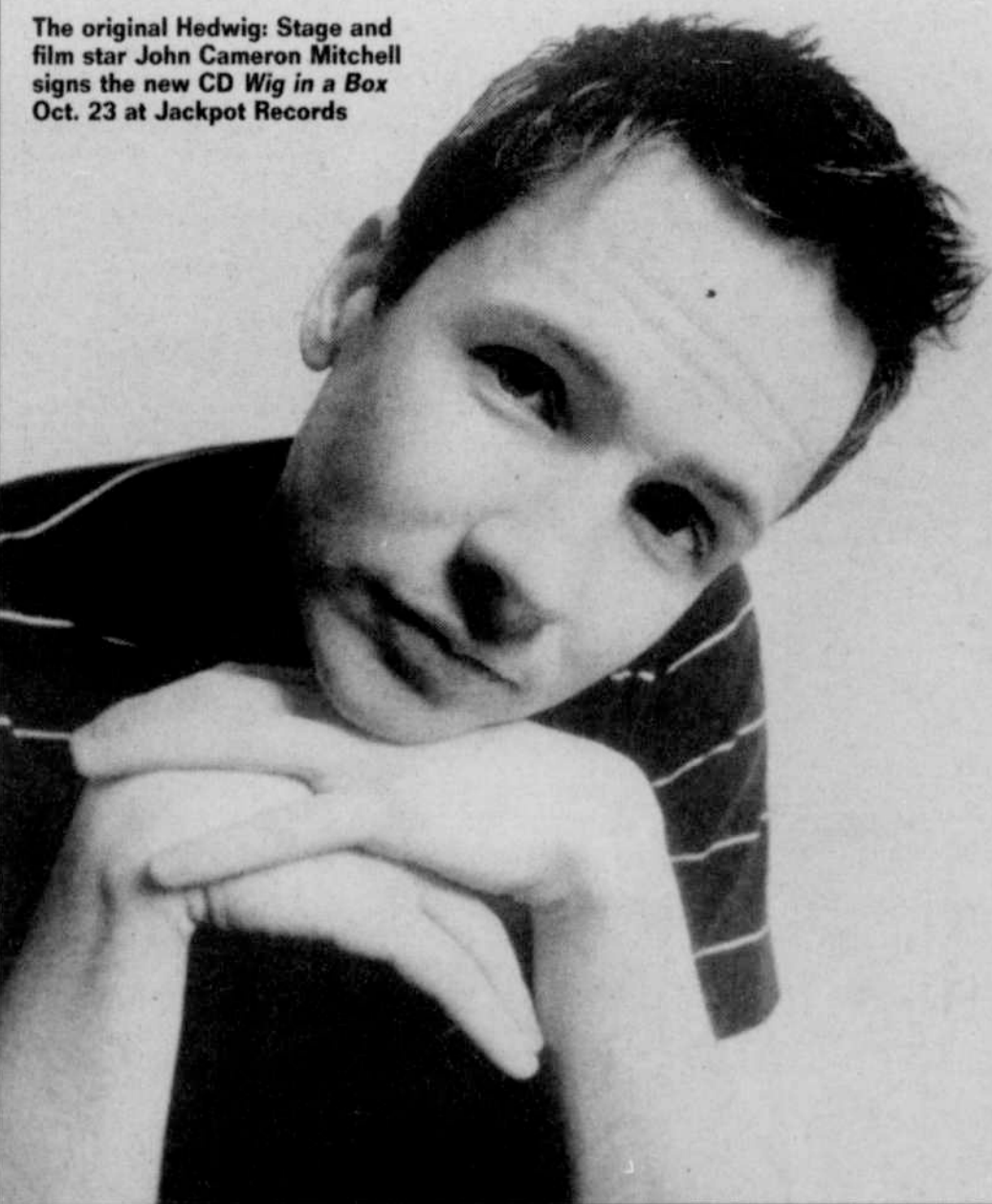
26 SUNDAY

The Oregon Bears' **Bear Brunch** serves it up in Clackamas at Monarch Hotel Restaurant. (11 am-1 pm. 12566 SE 93rd Ave. www.oregonbears.org.)

Sunday **T-Dances** return to C.C. Slaughters. (3-8 pm. 219 NW Davis St.)

Brand new drag kings. Artsy multimedia performance. Synchronized dancing. **DK PDX** is back at Holocene. Special appearance by five heartthrobs from Boston and cute queer DJs spinning 'til late. (9 pm. 1001 SE Morrison St. \$5 sliding scale.)

The original Hedwig: Stage and film star John Cameron Mitchell signs the new CD **Wig in a Box** Oct. 23 at Jackpot Records



27 MONDAY

For folks into B/D/S/M and those who love them: **Eugene Monday Munch** gathers at McMenamins North Bank. (6-9 pm. 22 Club Road. conradh@efn.org.)

What's spookier than Halloween? Not having a date for Halloween! Thank the spirits for **InstaDate III: The Halloween Edition** with faboo matchmistress Misha Rockefeller at Boxxes. (8 pm registration, 10 pm game. 1035 SW Stark St. www.hometown.aol.com/instadatedpx.)

28 TUESDAY

Run around or walk it off with the Portland Front-runners and the Adventure Group every Tuesday for the **West Hills Street Run/Walk**, about two miles of hilly and scenic sidewalk ambling, often followed by cheap eats. (6:30 pm. www.portlandfrontrunners.org.)

It's **Tracy and the Plastics, Sleetmuted Nightmuted** and guests at all-ages, alcohol- and smoke-free Meow Meow. (8 pm. 527 SE Pine St. Call 503-230-2111 for cover.)

Swords, wax, burlesque, belly dancing, flogging and fire await you during **Fetish Night** at the Egyptian. No cover if you dress up right. (9 pm. 3701 SE Division St. 503-236-8689.)

30 THURSDAY

The Queer Resource Center of Ashland's Southern Oregon University presents an **Erotic Lit Slam** at Decker Writing Studio in Central Hall. (4 pm. 1250 Siskiyou Blvd.)

Dress as your favorite feminist for In Other Words' **10-Year Anniversary Extraganza**, a costume ball at Ecotrust. Music by Myshkin and Sarah Dougher, reading by Judith Barrington, poetry by Marie Fleischmann, dancing by DJ Zanne. (7 pm. 721 NW Ninth Ave. \$5-\$10 sliding scale. 503-232-6003.)

2 Gyriz Performative Arts kicks off its second annual **Interactive Language Festival**—one full month of the unruliest performance art this city has ever known—with *Language of Terror* at Optic Nerve Arts. Exhibition with sound by Sardonik Grin explores the War on Terror and the resulting Art of Resistance. (6-9 pm. 1829 NE Alberta St. #11. Free. For complete schedule visit www.2gyriz.org.)

31 FRIDAY

Dinner at My House for Our House, a fund-raiser series for Our House of Portland, continues with a bewitching evening at the colonial home of Chris Bidwell and David Bocci. Celebrity chef Laura Flintoff prepares an autumn harvest meal. (7 pm. \$100. To make reservations or for a brochure listing all dinners, call 503-736-9276.)

Portland State University Queers and Allies and Pride Northwest present an all-ages **Boo Ball '03** at Smith Memorial Center. Trick-or-treating, costume contests, Rose City Swing, DJ Harmonix, kids' activities and more. ASL interpreted. (7 pm-1 am. 1825 SW Broadway. Free-\$5. www.pridenw.org or qa.pdx.edu.)

The **Portland Baroque Orchestra** offers *A Toast to Germany's Best* through Nov. 1 at First Baptist Church. Performance moves to Reed College's Kaul Auditorium on Nov. 2. (8 pm. First Baptist: 909 SW 11th Ave. 3 pm. Kaul: 3203 SE Woodstock St. \$15-\$39 from 800-494-8497 or www.pbo.org.)

2 Gyriz Performative Arts continues the second annual **Interactive Language Festival** with *La Langue du Culte: Porno-Social Ritual* at International Club Mummy. Belgian's **Jean-Louis Costes** and *Le Culte de la Vierge* provide the most sexually graphic and politically deviant performances to hit Portland for Halloween.

Post-porno dance social! (8 pm. 332 NE San Rafael St. \$5-\$15. 21 and over. For complete schedule visit www.2gyriz.org.)

The Live & Let Live Club sponsors an alcohol- and drug-free **Halloween Dance** at the Friends Building. Costume contest, too. (8-11 pm. 4312 SE Stark St. \$5. 503-238-6091.)

Get in the Zone when Dingo's takes over the smoke-free Scarlett Ballroom for a 21-and-over **Extreme Halloween** costume dance. DJ Mel, free taco bar and surprises. (8 pm. 700 NE Dekum St. \$10. www.scarletballroom.com.)

The Lesbian Community Project and Portland Shockwave host a **Halloween Dance** at Hip Chicks Do Wine. R & B mistress of the night **Kate White** performs, prizes for best costumes and DJ Antonia is in the (haunted) house. (8 pm. 4510 SE 23rd Ave. \$5.)

DJ Crystal crankin' again, this time with a **Gay and Lesbian Spine-Tingling Halloween Bash** at Portland Metro Club. Door prizes, full-service bar, nonsmoking dance floor and, of course, requisite costume contest. (9 pm. 618 SE Alder St. \$7 from *It's My Pleasure* and Touchstone Coffee House or at the door.)

Don't go into hibernation yet, because the Oregon Bears' annual **Halloween Party** is at Gail's Dirty Duck. (9 pm. 429 NW Third Ave.)

It's lights out for **Blackout at Steam**, where tricks are treated to glow sticks, masks and midnight play. (10 pm. 2885 NE Sandy Blvd. \$8-\$25 membership plus locker or room rental, students half-price. www.steamportland.com.)

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1 SATURDAY

SisterSpirit presents a traditional **Samhain**, a ceremonial, sometimes intense event for adult women only. See Nov. 2 for the family-friendly version. (6 pm. Call 503-736-3297 for location.)

Bluesy guitarist **Allyn Roberts** plays Touchstone Coffee House. (7-9 pm. 7631 NE Glisan St.)

2 SUNDAY

The **FatGirl Frock Swap** dresses up Nocturnal with a plus-sized clothing exchange. For every three (size 14 to 10x) items you donate, get one free (up to five). Some new items, DJs, raffles, refreshments. Proceeds benefit next year's FatGirl Speaks. (10 am-5 pm. 1800 E Burnside St. www.fatgirlspeaks.com.)

When you're ready to shout out I-69, go to the Fox & Hounds to play **bingo** on the first Sunday of every month. (3:30 pm. 217 SW Second Ave.)

Men and women with children are welcome to a **Family Samhain** with costumes, stories and other merriment. (6 pm. Call 503-736-3297 for location.)

4 TUESDAY

It's Portland Center Stage's **Gay and Lesbian Audience** night at Newmark Theatre for *Bat Boy: The Musical* starring **Wade McCollum** of local Hedwig fame. Post-show prizes and mingling. (7 pm. 1111 SW Broadway. \$16-\$46 from box office or Ticketmaster.)

7 FRIDAY

Oregon College of Art and Craft kicks off Smithsonian Magazine's **Culturefest 2003** in Portland through Nov. 9 with the brown bag lecture "Jewelry as a Cultural Lens." (Noon. 8245 SW Barnes Road. Free. Call 503-297-5544 to make reservations. For complete schedule visit www.culturefest.com.)



Kate Cooper's portraits imagine herself male through Nov. 6 at Astoria's AVA Gallery

2 Gyriz Performative Arts continues the **Interactive Language Festival** with *Language of the Body* starring Portland's own queer endurance artist **David Eckard** in performance and installation at the Hall Gallery. Also includes Northern Irish performance artist André Stitt in "Snuff." (7:30 pm. 630 SE Third Ave. \$7. For complete schedule visit www.2gyriz.org.)

8 SATURDAY

Women of the **Forest Group** hike an 8.1-mile moderate loop at Bayocean Spit. Dogs and kids welcome. (Call 503-659-2782 at least 24 hours ahead.)

You can't stay a virgin forever. Go see the perennially perverted **Rocky Horror Picture Show** at Clinton Street Theater. (Midnight. 2522 SE Clinton St. \$6. www.clintonsttheater.com.)

9 SUNDAY

Women's music pioneers **Cris Williamson** and **Holly Near** perform at Aladdin Theater. (8 pm. 3017 SE Milwaukie Ave. \$25-\$27 from box office or Ticketmaster.)

See On View and Onstage listings on Page 34.

Check out more listings at www.justout.com!



What's better than a night at the Egyptian? Fetish Night at the Egyptian on Oct. 28.