

out & about

december

5 FRIDAY

The **Portland Area Business Association** throws a holiday party with proceeds benefiting Our House of Portland. (7 pm. 6670 SW Rollingwood Drive, Beaverton. \$10 donation. www.paba.com.)

Third Angle New Music Ensemble presents electro/acoustic music with video and sonic musings in *Sounds Electric* at Winningstad Theatre. (7:15 pm preconcert talk, 8 pm performance. 1111 SW Broadway. \$18.50-\$24.25 from TicketsWest.)

Former bard of the land of Monty Python **Eric Idle** swings through Oregon on his "Greedy Bastard Tour" with a one-night stand in Eugene's Hult Center. See Dec. 8 for Portland show. (7:30 pm. 1 Eugene Center. \$35-\$39 from box office, 541-682-5000 or www.ci.eugene.or.us/hult.)

It's **City Fusion** at Hip Chicks Do Wine through Dec. 6. DJ Vedic, 10 Portland artists, a fashion show by local designers and music by Johnny Cash cover artist Buck Dagger. (1 pm-midnight. 4510 SE 23rd Ave. \$3-\$5. www.hipchicksdowine.com.)

Mellow out at Montaux's Public House in Beaverton with bluesy dykes **Galloway & Luckett**. (8:30 pm. 16165 SW Regatta Lane.)

It's a cinch to find fun during the men's **Leather Night and Red Hanky Social** at Gail's Dirty Duck. (9 pm-midnight. 439 NW Third Ave. pdxsaltydg@aol.com.)

Pepe and the Bottle Blondes headline **Rock for Mercy**, a 21-and-over bash at Fez Ballroom to benefit Mercy Corps. Sharing the bill are BodyVox artistic director Jamey Hampton and alt-marching band March Fourth. (9 pm. 316 SW 11th Ave. \$20 from Fastixx.)

6 SATURDAY

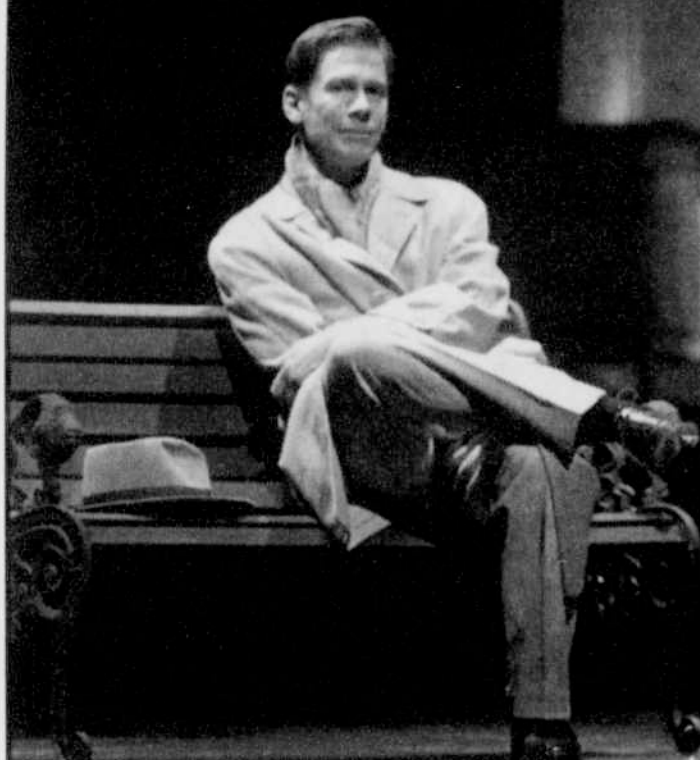
Pick up the pace and join the **Adventure Group** for a brisk morning CityWalk. (9 am. 503-452-5680. www.adventuregroup.org.)

If winter weather makes you want to stay indoors, how about joining the friendly **Lesbians Enjoying Nature and Science** for a game night/potluck? Bring any games, beverage or dish you want to share. (5 pm. 360-699-3014.)

Salem's **Marionberry Salon** holds a potluck discussion of *Lifesaving* by Judith Barington. Newcomers welcome. (5:30 pm. Cary 503-363-6036. marionberrysalon@aol.com.)

Make a little merry during the **Northwest Gender Alliance Holiday Party** at the Hilton. (6:30 pm reception, 7:30 pm dinner. 921 SW Fifth Ave. \$39-\$43 from 503-533-8787 or nwga@nwgapdx.com.)

Portland Center Stage returns **Steve Wilkerson** to Newmark Theatre for *The SantaLand Diaries* and *A Christmas Memory*



Radical Women offer an eyewitness report from the September Women's World Forum in Solidarity with Venezuela at the Bread and Roses Center. (7 pm. 819 N Killingsworth St. 503-240-4462.)

Confluence: The Willamette Valley Mixed GALA Chorus presents *Winter Song* at Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Salem. See Dec. 7 for a Portland appearance. (8 pm. 5090 Center St. NE. \$10.)

Myshkin's Ruby Warblers marry punk and jazz for a set with **Carmina Luna** at Alberta Street Public House. (9 pm. 1036 NE Alberta St. \$6.)

7 SUNDAY

Join Deaf & Hearing OUT Reach for its first **Dragon Boat Team** meeting! (For time and place call 503-235-0840 [voice] or e-mail dhor@deafvision.net.)

You're going anyway, so why not take an unwrapped toy and/or foodstuffs to **Church of the Poison Mind** at Silverado. Poison will donate it all accordingly. (3-9 pm. 1217 SW Stark St.)

Garner a sneak peak at the upcoming **Portland Gay Men's Chorus** holiday concert tour in a preview performance at Lincoln City's Chinook Winds Gaming and Convention Center to benefit Coastal AIDS Network. See Dec. 12 for tour details. (4 pm. 1777 NW 44th St. \$12 from 888-244-6665.)

Confluence: The Willamette Valley Mixed GALA Chorus presents the concert *Winter Song* at Portland's Unity Church. (4 pm. 4525 SE Stark St. \$10 from In Other Words.)

Stimulate your intellect! **Lesbians with Degrees** meet first and third Sundays at The Dive. (6:30 pm. 3145 SE Hawthorne Blvd. 503-330-6963.)

The Oregon Bears present the annual **Teddy Bear Drive Show** at Darcelle XV. Bring \$5 or a new teddy bear to get in the door. (7-11 pm. 208 NW Third Ave.)

8 MONDAY

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

Not your mother's coffee klatch: The Lesbian Community Project hosts **Coffee Night** at Haven. (7 pm. 3551 SE Division St.)

Man of letters **Rick Whitaker** reads from his new book, *The First Time I Met Frank O'Hara: Reading Gay American Writers*, at Powell's. (7:30 pm. 1005 W Burnside St.)

Eric Idle, who has written novels, sung operas, directed for television and done many other things unrelated to Monty Python, swings through Oregon on his "Greedy Bastard Tour" with a one-night stand at Aladdin Theater. (8 pm. 3017 SE Milwaukie Ave. \$52.50 from Ticketmaster.)

9 TUESDAY

WomanTree's December Speaker Series includes the free workshops **Spiritual Practice for Dynamic Living** and **A Radical Notion—Living from Soul**. (6-9 pm. 2641 NE Alberta St. www.womantree.org.)

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also answer questions on topics such as social activism, gay marriage and motherhood. (7 pm. 3734 SE Hawthorne Blvd.)

Boston's hit schlock opera **Jesus Has Two Mommies** screens at Hollywood Theatre, featuring folk/pop singers Faith Soloway, Catie Curtis, Jennifer Kimball (as Mary), Sean Staples (as Jesus) and Merle Perkins (as God). One night only to benefit Portland's **Sexual Minority Youth Resource Center**. Rad raffle, too. (8 pm. 4122 NE Sandy Blvd. \$8 from In Other Words.)

11 THURSDAY

Still shopping for a little something special? Visit Le Happy for its **Super Elf** holiday trunk show. Among the designers is eclectic fashion fag **Jonny Shultz** (Fashion Week 2003's favorite Portland handbag designer), who brings a wide selection of colorful hats, scarves and, of course, indispensable handbags. (7-9 pm. 1011 NW 16th Ave.)

Sarah Dougher performs *The Harper's Arrow*, a 24-song cycle inspired by Homer's *The Odyssey*, at Pacific Switchboard. (7 pm. 4637 N Albina St. \$8.)

Rufus Wainwright will make you swoon with a lyrical tug at your heart when he plays *Aladdin* Theater. See Dec. 12 for Eugene appearance. (8 pm. 3017 SE Milwaukie Ave. \$25 from Ticketmaster.)

African and contemporary dance blend to tell the story of a Mozambique girl who moves with her family to the rural U.S. South in **Urban Bush Women's Shadow's Child**, presented by White Bird through Dec. 13 at Portland State University's Lincoln Hall. (8 pm. 1620 SW Park Ave. \$12-\$24 from Ticketmaster.)

Tables are cleared for **Dingo's Dance Party** with DJ Mel the second Thursday of every month! (4612 SE Hawthorne Blvd.)

12 FRIDAY

Rufus Wainwright plays *The Shedd* in Eugene. See Dec. 11 for Portland appearance. (7:30 pm. 285 E Broadway. \$22.50-\$32.50 from 541-687-6526.)

Portland Bisexual Women discuss the work and role of the Sexual Minority Youth Resource Center in the Broadway Coffee Trader Living Room. (7-9 pm. 2130 NE Broadway. \$3 donation. portlandbiwomen@comcast.net.)



Urban Bush Women return to Portland Dec. 11-13 with the new show Shadow's Child

If you love a man who sings to you, then you'll want to join the **Portland Gay Men's Chorus** for its *Holiday Serenade* CD release party at Hobo's. Complimentary hors d'oeuvres. (6-9 pm. 120 NW Third Ave.)

The fresh air will do you good. Join the **Portland Frontrunners** for a three- to six-mile run. (6:30 pm. June 503-819-4626. www.portlandfrontrunners.org.)

Warm up to Portland Center Stage's **Gay and Lesbian Audience** night, when queers fill the seats for the homo holiday classics *The SantaLand Diaries* and *A Christmas Memory* at Newmark Theatre. Post-show mingling and reception. (7 pm. 1111 SW Broadway. \$27.50-\$46 from box office or 503-274-6588.)

The **HollyTones** return to Wilf's Restaurant & Piano Bar with a new **Christmas Cabaret** featuring jazzy renditions of traditional and hip holiday fare. See Dec. 16 for additional performances. (7:30 pm. 800 NW Sixth Ave. \$10 from 503-223-0070.)

Breakdown every Tuesday at Cobalt Lounge with NO cover. (10 pm-2 am. 32 NW Third Ave.)

10 WEDNESDAY

Author **Dawn Menken** reads from *Speak Out! Talking About Love, Sex and Eternity* at In Other Words. The teacher and therapist will



Nik Arnold's wood designs are part of In Other Words' Six in One art show. Meet all six artists at a reception Dec. 13.



He's a lumberjack, and he's in Oregon! Eric Idle comes to Eugene and Portland on his "Greedy Bastard Tour." (Sounds more like the timber industry, eh?)