

# out & about

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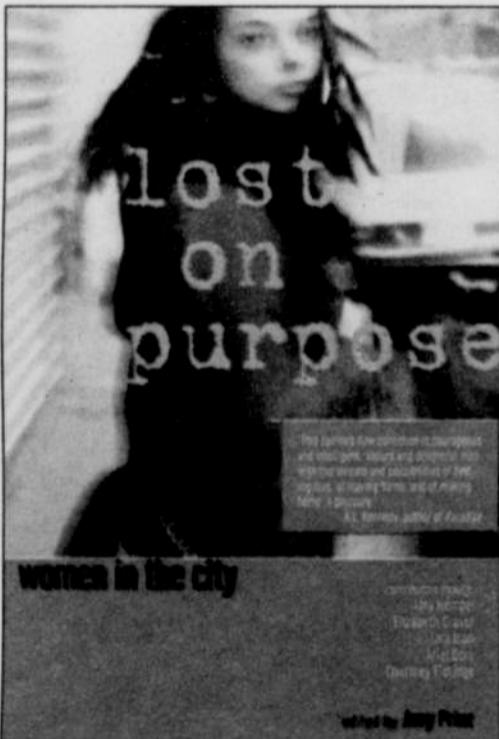
### 1 FRIDAY

**GO OUT** Blackout Leather Productions celebrates the Northwest leather community's history during Oregon's first-ever **Leather Sash Bash Weekend** through April 3 at various locations. Events include an erotic show, two play parties, club nights, meals, a Portland tour and a few surprises! Proceeds benefit the Dandelion Dog & Cat Rescue & Animal Sanctuary, the Pride of the Rose Scholarship Fund and Esther's Pantry. (For a complete schedule of events, visit [www.blackoutleather.org](http://www.blackoutleather.org).)

Queer Mormon group **Affirmation** welcomes all to a potluck. (6:30 pm. Jason 971-409-3463. [alyson@affirmation.org](mailto:alyson@affirmation.org).)

Out Dancing's **beginning fox trot** class starts tonight and continues every Friday in April at Ankeny Street Studio. **Intermediate nightclub two-step** follows. (7-8 pm fox trot \$20 for month, 8-9 pm two-step \$24 for month). 975 SE Sandy Blvd. 503-236-5129. [out\\_dancing@yahoo.com](mailto:out_dancing@yahoo.com).)

**GO OUT** Kaosmosis presents **Fool on the Hill**, an unforgettable April Fool's Day event inspired by Monty Python that will take clowning to another dimension at Bossanova Ballroom. Featuring the return of the Beatles-inspired Nowhere Band joined by the 22-person rock-opera Dahoo Chorus, musical debuts by Solovox and the First Church of Phun. (8 pm-4:30 am. 722 E Burnside St. \$10-\$20 sliding scale.)



Queer author Ariel Gore reads from **Lost on Purpose** April 5 at In Other Words.

### 2 SATURDAY

If you hate to eat and run, try running and eating with the **Portland Frontrunners** for a 2.7- to 6.5-mile run along the Willamette River, followed by brunch. Meet at the intersection of Southeast Main Street and the Eastbank Esplanade. (9 am. [www.portlandfrontrunners.org](http://www.portlandfrontrunners.org).)

**Asian & Pacific Islander Lesbians and Gays** take a moderate six-mile hike on the Tillamook Head Trail between Seaside and Ecola State Park in Cannon Beach followed by dinner at the historic logging Camp 18 on the way home. Meet at the Beaverton-Elmonica Station MAX Park and Ride. (1 pm. Southwest 170th Avenue and Baseline Road. RSVP to Richard Stellner at 503-998-4577 or [wild91@comcast.net](mailto:wild91@comcast.net).)

Portland's gay and lesbian square dance clubs present an evening of fun at the Milwaukie Grange: First, **Heads to the Center** sponsors an advanced dance; then, **Rosetown Ramblers** hold their annual meeting and a potluck; finally, the Ramblers play host to a mainstream and plus dance to celebrate the graduation of their current class. (5 pm advanced dance, 6:30 pm meeting, 7:30 pm graduation dance. 12015 SE 22nd Ave.)

Woodsong at Steppingwoods in Roseburg presents a women-only house concert featuring **Rachel Garlin and Joni Laurence**, lesbian singer/songwriters and friends from Berkeley, Calif., and Champaign, Ill. Overnighters welcome. (5 pm potluck, 7:30 pm concert. \$5-\$10 sliding scale. For directions call 541-679-4655 or e-mail [danajem@jeffnet.org](mailto:danajem@jeffnet.org).)

The women of **The Forest Group** meet for their monthly potluck and planning session. Even if you don't want to lead an event, bring a dish to share and come join this open discussion. (5:30 pm potluck, 6:30 pm planning. 360-883-1060.)

Drag kings and queens delight and entertain during **Damsels and Wymprov**, a family-friendly evening of hilarity and impersonation at Eugene's Soreng Theater. Proceeds benefit the queer youth programs of Eugene-Springfield Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays. (7 pm. 1 Eugene Center. \$18-\$25 from box office. 541-746-5797 or [www.hultcenter.org](http://www.hultcenter.org).)

Q-LAND and LoveTribes team up for the **Men's Spirit Pajama Party** at a spectacular loft in Northwest Portland, bringing guys together to explore more authentic, playful, nurturing and healing connections with each other. (7 pm-midnight. RSVP to 503-223-8822, ext. 2, or [menspirit@lovetribe.org](mailto:menspirit@lovetribe.org).)

Experience authentic Brazilian food, music and dance during **Carnaval!** featuring a special appearance by the Lions of Batucada. Proceeds benefit Pacific Northwest College of Art's Feldman Gallery + Project Space. (7:30 pm-midnight. 1241 NW Johnson St. \$5-\$25.)

**GO OUT** More than 1,000 revelers are coming to the Meow Meow for an evening of dancing and debauchery during the fifth annual **Red Dress Party**, where the dress code is mandatory! Tickets include a hosted bar, and proceeds benefit the Sexual Minority Youth Resource Center and Our House of Portland. (9 pm. 320 SE Second Ave. \$25 from [www.reddresspdx.com](http://www.reddresspdx.com).)

Queer darling **Tara Jane O'Neil** performs with Michael Hurley and Ida at the Doug Fir Lounge. (9 pm. 830 E Burnside St. \$10 at the door, \$8 in advance from TicketsWest.)

Urban cowboys and girls are in abundance during DJ Crystal's **country western dance** at the Metro Police Club. (9 pm-1 am. 618 SE Alder St. \$5.)

Lesbian-owned restaurant/bar Vitis Enoteca stays open late every first and third Saturday for **After Hours**, a fabulous party for women. (10 pm-2 am. 535 NW 16th Ave. \$5.)

Bollywood/Bollywood/Asian Garage DJs **Anjali and The Incredible Kid** spin an evening of musical surprises at Fez Ballroom. (10 pm-3 am. 316 SW 11th Ave. \$6 after 11 pm.)

### 3 SUNDAY

**Lesbians Enjoying Nature and Science** take a hike along Tryon Creek. Meet at the park entrance. (10 am. Janis 503-254-5896.)

Eugene's **Family Values**—which provides a social support network for queer youth,



**Brian Mock's found object sculpture "Metamorphosis" will be auctioned off April 9 at Art for Life.**

families and allies—hosts a first Sunday potluck lunch at Friendly Park. (1-3 pm. Monroe Street and West 27th Avenue. [family\\_values\\_pride@hotmail.com](mailto:family_values_pride@hotmail.com).)

Listen to eight bands and buy African artwork during **Marimbas for Zimbabwe** at the Community Music Center. Proceeds benefit Zimbabwe Artists Project, which helps rural women by importing and selling their paintings and batiks; Nhimbe for Progress, which provides basic humanitarian aid; and Tariro, which educates female AIDS orphans. (1-5 pm. 3350 SE Francis St.)

**GO OUT** The Oregon Bears shake up the Fox & Hounds' **Monthly Charity Bingo** with great prizes and the hilarious antics of the irreverent Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence, "an order of 21st century nuns dedicated to the promulgation of universal joy and the expiation of stigmatic guilt." (2-5 pm. 217 SW Second Ave.)

Players and coaches of all skill levels are invited to the **Rose City Softball Association's 2005 Spring Training**. All you have to do is a little batting and fielding in order to figure out which skill division you should play in, and then you can join a team! Season starts April 17. Meet on Field 7 at Delta Park. (3 pm. North Denver Avenue and Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard. 503-552-4769. [www.rosecitysoftball.org](http://www.rosecitysoftball.org).)

The **Gay Pinochle Group** meets every Sunday at Hobo's. Come play cards and meet the gang. (6 pm. 120 NW Third Ave. Mike 503-641-7224.)

Sparkleheart's **Burly-Q Underground** blows off steam during the **Ain't No Fool** lesbo-glam dance party at Holocene featuring DJs Beyonda and Sew What, live original music by Caught in Candy and lots of surprises! (8 pm. 1001 SE Morrison St. \$4.)

Picture this: a medley of Metallica's "Enter Sandman" and The Chordettes' "Mr. Sandman"...performed on a mandolin and a glockenspiel...by three burly bears. Intrigued? Then you must experience **Sneakin' Out**, which performs Sundays at the Dirty Duck. (9 pm. 429 NW Third Ave.)

### 4 MONDAY

Four musicians (including folk/pop dyke Juliet Wyers) perform original works in an intimate acoustic setting during the **Music Millennium Songwriters' Circle**. (7-9 pm. 801 NW 23rd Ave.)

Take a gamble on the **Texas Hold 'Em Tournament** Mondays and Wednesdays at the Egyptian Club. The top point earners will win bumper stickers, a Vegas getaway and a Carnival Cruise and will be invited to compete for a seat in the World Series of Poker 2006! (7 and 10 pm. 3701 SE Division St.)

The **Bisexual Community Forum** hosts a casual discussion group every first Monday at 3 Friends Coffeehouse. (7:30 pm. 201 SE 12th Ave. 503-285-4848.)

### 5 TUESDAY

Two great tastes that go together: Come to Studiorley and sip on wine while listening to tasty live music by **Third Angle**, the Northwest's leading contemporary chamber ensemble, then go across the hall to **Ripe** for family supper, including dessert and coffee. (7 pm. 2240 N Interstate Ave. \$75 from 503-331-0301.)

Hip Mama magazine editor Ariel Gore and other writers read from **Lost on Purpose**—

a vibrant new collection of short fiction by young women whose characters are captivated by an urban experience—at In Other Words. (7 pm. 3734 SE Hawthorne Blvd.)

**GO OUT** Don't miss the final installment of the queer dance party **Taint** at Holocene featuring sizzling striptease by Glam Star Burlesque performers Ms. Venus Envy, Bird Lady in the Big City, Ruby Fever and Nanette LeFleur plus DJs Yeah Yeah, Wesley, Synergy and LTrain. (9 pm. 1001 SE Morrison St. \$3-\$5.)

### 6 WEDNESDAY

Queer pop rocker **Ashleigh Flynn** performs with Sneakin' Out mandolin maestro **David Gerow** during happy hour at Mississippi Pizza Pub. (6-8 pm. 3552 N Mississippi Ave.)

Q-LAND presents a free introductory **men's yoga class to encourage spring fitness** in the grand ballroom of a mansion in Northwest Portland overlooking downtown and the river. (6:30-8:30 pm. RSVP to 503-223-8822, ext. 1, or [info@qland.org](mailto:info@qland.org).)

Lesbian laughter leader Gail Hand teaches **Portland Laughter Club** classes at CoHo Theater to help lift your spirits, lower your blood pressure and bring about amazing changes in your life. Repeats April 12. (7-8 pm. 2257 NW Raleigh St. \$5.)

**GO OUT** Where the hell is the '80s underground, slow jams, rock and dirty Southern rap in this town? Holocene debuts **Monster Truck**, a boy-on-boy dance party for everyone, featuring DJs Sew What, And How, BJ and L-Train. (9 pm. 1001 SE Morrison St. \$3 after 10 pm.)

### 7 THURSDAY

**Oregon Tradeswomen** present an information session about paid on-the-job training and high-wage career opportunities in carpentry, electrical and other construction-related fields at Portland Community College's Workforce Training Center. (2-4 pm. 5600 NE 42nd Ave. Register at 503-335-8200, ext. 21.)

Queer musician Tamara J. Brown hosts **Suck My Open Mike** Thursdays at 3 Friends Coffeehouse. (7 pm. 201 SE 12th Ave.)

Play **Jenga Karaoke** Thursdays in April at the Egyptian Club: Whoever can successfully finesse a piece out of the tower and put it on top will receive an envelope that might contain cash, a prize voucher or a "truth or dare" slip asking the contestant to reveal something sinister or to do something outrageous while singing! (9 pm. 3701 SE Division St.)

Q-LAND gives away 50 one-month memberships to Princeton Athletic Club along with special prizes for boys in baseball caps during the **Spring Training Party** at C.C. Slaughters. Free HIV/STD testing and the latest hip-hop spun by DJ Alex. (9-11:30 pm. 219 NW Davis St.)

**The Stolen Sweets** perform music inspired by the Boswell Sisters, one of the most popular vocal jazz groups of the 1930s, at Imbibe. (9-11 pm. 2229 SE Hawthorne Blvd.)

### 8 FRIDAY

More than 100 of the Pacific Northwest's top artists sell their wares during the 15th annual **Art Show & Sell** through April 9 at Buckman Elementary School. Proceeds benefit Portland's art magnet schools. (5-9 pm Friday \$5, 10 am-6 pm Saturday free). 320 SE 16th Ave.)

In Other Words presents award-winning performance artist **Laura Moran**. (7 pm. 3734 SE Hawthorne Blvd.)