

Former Portland collage artist Sam Paden addresses being gay in a country run by fundamentalist conservatives this month at Brian Marki Fine Art.

Portland's own Goldie Lox and the Three Bears: Mississippi Studios presents a live recording of songs cast by the elvish **Ashleigh Flynn** as interpreted by **Sneakin' Out**, the trio known for bringing bluegrass and bizarre percussive stylings to disco music. (8 pm. 3939 N Mississippi Ave. \$5.)

The Northwest Film Center screens John Waters' masterpiece of bad taste, **Polyester**, the only film produced in Odorama, as part of the Top Down series on the rooftop of the Mallory Hotel. (9 pm. 729 SW 15th Ave. \$5.)

12 FRIDAY

GO OUT Pink Martini performs at the Oregon Zoo. (7 pm. 4001 SW Canyon Road. \$18 from www.oregonzoo.org or TicketsWest.com.)

The **Northwest Professional Dance Project** culminates in a public showing at Portland State University's Lincoln Hall. (8 pm. 1620 SW Park Ave. \$15 at the door, \$12 in advance from 503-421-7434 or www.nwppd.com.)

The Wanted and Quiet Countries perform during **Soda**, a monthly exotic electro celebration at Noir. (8 pm-2 am. 203 SE Grand Ave. \$5.)

13 SATURDAY

The women of **The Forest Group** visit Cowlitz County Museum in Kelso, Wash., to view a collection of photographs chronicling the evolving landscape of Spirit Lake. (503-659-2782.)



Agitprop fashion designer Periel Aschenbrand reads Aug. 15 at Powell's.

Musicians, artists, restaurateurs, businesspeople and neighbors come together for the fourth annual **Mississippi Avenue Street Fair** between North Fremont and Skidmore. (10 am-7 pm.)

Queer alt-country acoustic cover trio **Sneakin' Out** performs during the Bite of Oregon at Waterfront Park. (5 pm. www.biteoforegon.com.)

Jessie Rae performs at Raccoon Lodge and Brew Pub. (7-10 pm. 7424 SW Beaverton-Hillsdale Highway.)

San Francisco singer/songwriter **Mica Lee Williams** combines rock, blues, folk and alt-country at dyke-owned coffee shop Haven. (8 pm. 3551 SE Division St.)

Out Dancing's monthly **Dance Social** is every second Saturday at Ankeny Street Studio. Lesson and refreshments included. (8-11 pm. 975 SE Sandy Blvd. \$5. 503-236-5129.)

Say *auf wiedersehen* to one of Portland's most beloved drag troupes during the **Übergay Cabaret Farewell Show** at Bossanova Ballroom. CatHole opens, and DJ Puppet spins. (10 pm. 722 E Burnside St. \$5.)

14 SUNDAY

Lesbians Enjoying Nature and Science take a moderate 7.6-mile hike along Siouxon Creek. Dogs on leash OK. Meet at the Northeast Glisan Fred Meyer. (8:30 am. 6615 NE Glisan St. RSVP to Laurie at 503-977-2903 by Aug. 11.)

Jessie Rae performs at Portland Saturday Market. (2-4 pm. 28 SW First Ave.)

Win great prizes during **C.C. Slaughters Softball Teams Fundraiser Bingo**. No cover! (3-6 pm. 219 NW Davis St.)

Summer loving happens at **Tart**—a swank soiree where the queer girls play every second Sunday at Holocene. You will be sad you missed it. (4-9 pm. 1001 SE Morrison St.)

15 MONDAY

Columbia-Edgewater Country Club hosts the **2005 Safeway Classic**, the second-oldest tournament on the Ladies Professional Golf Association Tour, through Aug. 21. (2220 NE Marine Drive. www.safewaygolf.com.)

Gather around the **Portland Polyamory Circle** for informal discussions of open relationships and commitment. (7 pm. Laury 503-285-4848.)

Agitprop fashion designer **Periel Aschenbrand** reads from *The Only Bush I Trust Is My Own*—delivering raunchy and hilarious truths about sex, politics and how best to improve the youth of America—at Powell's. (7:30 pm. 1005 W Burnside St.)

Grease your wheels with the Rosetown Ramblers' **Gay Skate Night** at Oaks Park every third Monday. Proceeds benefit Senior Housing and Retirement Enterprises. (7:30-9:30 pm. 1 SE Spokane St. \$5 plus canned food items for Esther's Pantry.)

GO OUT Sarah Dougher, Die Monitri Batss, Selector Dub Narcotic and The Decemberists raise money for **Beth Ditto** of The Gossip—who recently had emergency surgery to remove her gall bladder without health insurance—at Doug Fir Lounge. (9 pm. 830 E Burnside St. \$20.)

17 WEDNESDAY

GO OUT Come to Aladdin Theater for this month's recording of the OPB radio variety show **Live Wire!** featuring documentary filmmaker Irene Taylor (*Hear and Now*), musical guests Thomas Lauderdale and China Forbes (Pink Martini) and author Marc Acito (*How I Paid for College: A Novel of Sex, Theft and Musical Theater*). (7 pm. 3017 SE Milwaukie Ave. \$8 at the door, \$7 in advance from Ticketmaster.com.)

Internationally acclaimed Australian band **Fruit** performs songs from its new album, *Burn*, at Mississippi Studios. (8 pm. 3939 N Mississippi Ave. \$15.)

The punk drag troupe **Sissyboy Goes to Jail** with DJs Stormy and Jimme Jamma at Holocene. The finale of a summer trilogy! (11 pm. 1001 SE Morrison St. \$5.)

18 THURSDAY

Queer author **Michelle Tea** reads at Acme to raise money for In Other Words, the only nonprofit feminist bookstore in the nation. (7 pm. 1305 SE Eighth Ave. \$10-\$50 sliding scale.)

Gypsy torch punks **Myshkin's Ruby Warblers** stage a live recording at Mississippi Studios. (8 pm. 3939 N Mississippi Ave. \$10 at the door, \$8 in advance from 503-288-3895.)

GO OUT Opera Theater of Oregon explores the perpetual struggle for truth, love and relationship during *A Little Sondheim Music* through Aug. 21 at West End Theater. (8 pm Thursday-Saturday, 4 pm Sunday. 1220 SW Taylor St. \$10-\$15 from 503-525-4070 or operatheateroregon.org.)

Atlanta's own Chattahoochee Guitar Queen, **Michelle Malone**, often called the third Indigo Girl, returns to Portland for a gig at Doug Fir Lounge. (9 pm. 830 E Burnside St. \$10.)

Queer darling **Tara Jane O'Neil** performs with Evolutionary Jass Band at Holocene. (9 pm. 1001 SE Morrison St. \$6.)

Guest DJ MoRocca invites queer breakers to share the floor during **Booty: Queer as Ye Be**, a weekly queer night at Porky's Pub. (9 pm-2 am. 835 N Lombard St. \$3 after 10 pm. www.bootypdx.com.)

19 FRIDAY

Queer parents and their children hike, sing by the campfire, create craft treasures, wade in the ocean, go for trail rides, paddle canoes and enjoy the beauty of nature during **Family CampOut** through Aug. 22 at Camp Westwind near Lincoln City. (503-294-7400. aurora@ywca-pdx.org.)

Every third Friday is **Lesbian Monthly Movie Night** for women 35 and older. (Vote at www.skandthepunkassbitches.com/ShannonSite.)

GO OUT Come to PGE Park for the first-ever **Portland Beavers LGBT Night!** (6 pm. 1844 SW Morrison St. \$5.50.)



Aussie queers Fruit perform Aug. 17 at Mississippi Studios.

\$9.50 from Jason Weatherley 503-553-5427. jweatherley@pgepark.com.

C.C. Slaughters throws a **Farewell Party** for Rainbow Room bartender Kevin. (8 pm. 219 NW Davis St. \$2.)

Homowo African Arts presents **Homowo African Storytelling**, a daylong celebration of folk stories told around the glowing embers of a fire, at Jamison Square. (2-8 pm. 810 NW 11th Ave.)

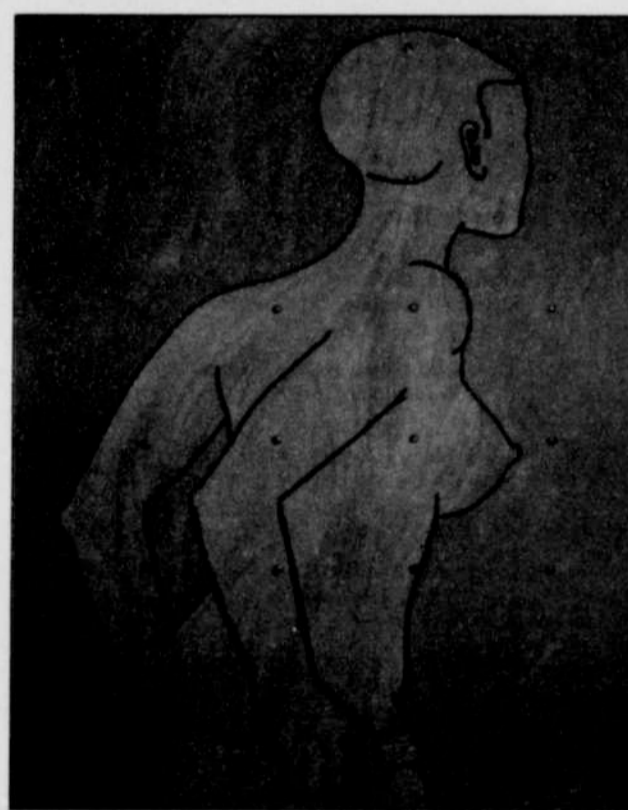
C.C. Slaughters welcomes legendary drag diva **RuPaul** for its fourth annual Block Party. Proceeds benefit Street Roots. (7 pm-2:30 am. 219 NW Davis St. \$15.)

GO OUT The modern world meets old-time vaudeville in the punky pop sounds of **Erin McKeown** at Roseland Grill. (8 pm. 8 NW Sixth Ave. \$14 at the door, \$12 in advance from TicketsWest.com.)

Burlesque Bingo at Mississippi Pizza Pub. Proceeds benefit In Other Words. (8 pm. 3552 N Mississippi Ave.)

Get your mind, body and spirit hummin' during **CoZ Tribe Boogie**, a barefoot and smoke- and alcohol-free dance featuring free spa treatments at Caravan Studios. (8-11 pm. 4050 NE Broadway. \$10 sliding scale. 503-253-3348.)

Bear Bust at Gail's Dirty Duck. (8-11 pm. 429 NW Third Ave. \$8 members, \$10 nonmembers.)



Portland visual artist Tina Snow examines the female form this month at In Other Words.

Punk rock accordionist Nomy Lamm lends her famorate multi-octave voice to **Tricrotic**, performing with **The Gossip, Grizzly Bear** and **The Lovers** at Holocene. (9 pm. 1001 SE Morrison St. \$10.)

20 SATURDAY

Asian & Pacific Islander Lesbians and Gays raft down the Deschutes River at Maupin. (\$19 from Mike 503-957-5915 or mjonez@comcast.net by Aug. 12.)

The women of **The Forest Group** take a moderate 6-mile hike up Larch Mountain. Dogs OK. (503-659-2782.)

Lesbians Enjoying Nature and Science take a moderate 7.1-mile hike at Ramona Falls. Meet at the Northeast Glisan Fred Meyer. (8 am. 6615 NE Glisan St. RSVP to Leigh 503-774-0247.)

21 SUNDAY

The queer-infused **Sweet Thunder** jazz trio performs as part of Tryon Creek State Park's free concert series. (2-3 pm. 11321 SW Terwilliger Blvd. 503-636-4398.)

GO OUT Channel your innermost Annette, Frankie or Moon Doggie during **Beach Blanket Bingo** hosted by Poison Waters at Vitis Enoteca. Proceeds benefit the Portland Lesbian & Gay Film Festival. (4 pm. 535 NW 16th Ave. \$12 at the door, \$10 in advance from Vitis Enoteca, BalloonsOnBroadway.com and Haven. 503-241-0355.)

Check out more listings at www.justout.com

