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Pride 2006 Roey Thorpe, Champion of Pride

by Jaymee Cuti

This year's Champion of Pride Award recipient is Roey Thorpe, executive director of Basic Rights Oregon.

The award is described as a "lifetime achievement award" for outstanding contributions to the queer community. Past honorees have included former Portland Mayor Vera Katz and Peacock in the Park.

"We wish to acknowledge Roey's personal sacrifice, personal investment and commitment to furthering the civil rights of all Oregonians during her tenure as executive director of Basic Rights Oregon," said Nicole Browning, president of Pride Northwest.

Thorpe, who announced her resignation from BRO on May 26, said she's thrilled by the award. Her organization won the Spirit of Pride Award in 2004, and she says the entire staff deserves to share the honor.

"I feel this should be an award for our whole organization. I'm the public face of an organization that is successful because of an amazing team of people," said Thorpe. "So I consider this for all of us, and I'm completely honored." 10



Roey Thorpe, who recently resigned as executive director of Basic Rights Oregon, will be honored with the Champion of Pride Award.

Festival Schedule

Saturday, June 17

12:55-1 p.m.	Opening address	5:55-6:20 p.m.	Androgene
1-1:15 p.m.	Current titleholder protocol	6:20-6:50 p.m.	SlowMo Erotic
1:15-1:45 p.m.	Imperial Sovereign Rose Court	6:50-6:55 p.m.	Bear dance
1:50-2:10 p.m.	The Shannon Tower Band	7-7:30 p.m.	Steff Mahan
2:15-2:35 p.m.	Carlyle	7:35-8:05 p.m.	The Molli Paige Band
2:40-3 p.m.	Vontanner	8:10-8:25 p.m.	The Detail
3-3:10 p.m.	Cascade AIDS Project	8:30-9 p.m.	TBA
3:10-3:15 p.m.	Brother to Brother	9:10-11 p.m.	The Kim Archer Band
3:15-3:20 p.m.	Basic Rights Oregon		
3:20-3:45 p.m.	Leather community performance		
3:45-4:15 p.m.	Planned Parenthood Teen Theatre		
4:15-4:45 p.m.	Blondage		
4:45-4:50 p.m.	Pride Northwest board introductions		
4:50-5 p.m.	Spirit of Pride Awards		
5-5:20 p.m.	Tommy		
5:20-5:50 p.m.	Rose City Swing Band		

Sunday, June 18

1-1:30 p.m.	Portland Gay Men's Chorus
1:35-1:50 p.m.	Col. Grethe Cammermeyer
1:50-2:20 p.m.	Lipstick Conspiracy
2:25-3 p.m.	Shann Carr
3-3:30 p.m.	Jill Sobule
3:30-3:35 p.m.	PDX Stars Winners
3:35-4:05 p.m.	Jimmy Roland
4:10-4:55 p.m.	Lynn Frances Anderson
5:05-5:55 p.m.	Betty
5:55-6 p.m.	Closing address



This year's parade gathers in the North Park Blocks, heads down Southwest Broadway and turns on Taylor Street before arriving at Waterfront Park.