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as "queer queer queer!"—grew up in Gig Harbor, Wash., and made the move to Portland after college. "I knew it was a city where I could find an instant community," she said.

Duncan was also attracted by Portland's thriving arts and culture scene. She supplements her work at Equity with a job at Philip Burnett Photography. She is also a singer/songwriter who performs solo gigs around town, and in her spare time she's working on a nonfiction book about adolescent gender and sexuality issues.

Ridings, 27, is similarly fresh-faced and enthusiastic. A native of Stumptown, he graduated from Portland State University last year with a degree in community development.

"I love working at Equity," said Ridings, who is gay. "It's really a privilege to work in an organization that supports LGBTQ nonprofits around the state."

Ridings also works half-time for Support Group, helping plan events such as the Division/Clinton Street Fair. An Oregonian through and through, he can't seem to get enough of the great outdoors, whether he's working in his garden or volunteering with the City Repair Project.

Equity's 2007 granting cycle ends Oct. 6. For more information call 503-231-5759 or visit www.equityfoundation.org.

Protect Your Family

"Legal Family Matters" is a free workshop for same-sex couples in Clark County, Wash.

The workshop is from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sept. 9 at the YWCA of Clark County, 3609 Main St. in Vancouver. Protect your resources and the people you love. Attorneys Terry Greenen and Lisa Toth will discuss legal forms and planning that are available to gay and lesbian couples, including parenting agreements, wills, trusts, health care, hospital visitations and long-term legal planning.

This event is sponsored by Pride Foundation and the Sexual Minority Leadership Roundtable. To register call Jo at 360-696-0167 or visit www.gayvancouverwa.org.

AIDSWalk in 20th Year

2006 marks Cascade AIDS Project's 20th annual AIDSWalk. The event will attract 10,000 individuals, corporate teams and volunteers with the goal of raising \$300,000 for HIV/AIDS services, public education, prevention and outreach. In the history of AIDSWalk, CAP has raised more than \$2.5 million.

AIDSWalk06 is from 8 a.m. to noon Sept. 24 at Pioneer Courthouse Square. In a festive, family- and dog-friendly atmosphere, participants enjoy breakfast, entertainment, the Kid's Corner, live music and inspirational presentations.

Honorary chairs are Jennifer Jako, Judith Rizzio and the late Bill Hancock.

To register call 503-223-5907 or visit www.cascadeaids.org.

Local Queer Radio Goes Weekly

The locally produced queer radio show *Out Loud*

will now be broadcast every week on KBOO Community Radio 90.7 FM.

The show began in 2003 as a monthly program and soon moved to a half-hour every other week. This past month the "queerboo" collective rose to the challenge of producing a weekly show.

"I'm really proud that KBOO even has this show to begin with and that we have an opportunity to share queer voices with the listening community," said Carla Remy, a lesbian and one of the original founders of the collective. "I'm excited that we'll be able to do even more representation for the local community."

Out Loud is the only queer radio show broadcasting in Portland, with the exception of the "OutQ" channel on Sirius satellite radio. "I was a little shocked to find that out," said the newest member of the collective, Jeff Lee, who is gay.

Broadcasting every Tuesday from 6 to 6:30 p.m., *Out Loud* covers queer news on the local, national and global levels. The show mainly consists of interviews with local people involved with various forms of advocacy and activism as well as arts and culture.

Lee says he hopes to see the show expand to



Jeff Lee, the newest member of KBOO-FM's *Out Loud* collective, sees value in queer voices on the radio.

include live call-in commentary. He emphasized the vital importance of queer voices on the radio.

"If people don't hear us and see us and know that we are an integral part of the community, then we might as well not exist," said Lee. "We're certainly not going to get anywhere in the equal rights struggle if we're not heard."

The *Out Loud* collective is accepting new members to work both behind the scenes and on the air. Anyone interested should e-mail kbooutloud@yahoo.com or contact volunteer coordinator Ani Haines at volunteer@kboo.org. ☐

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