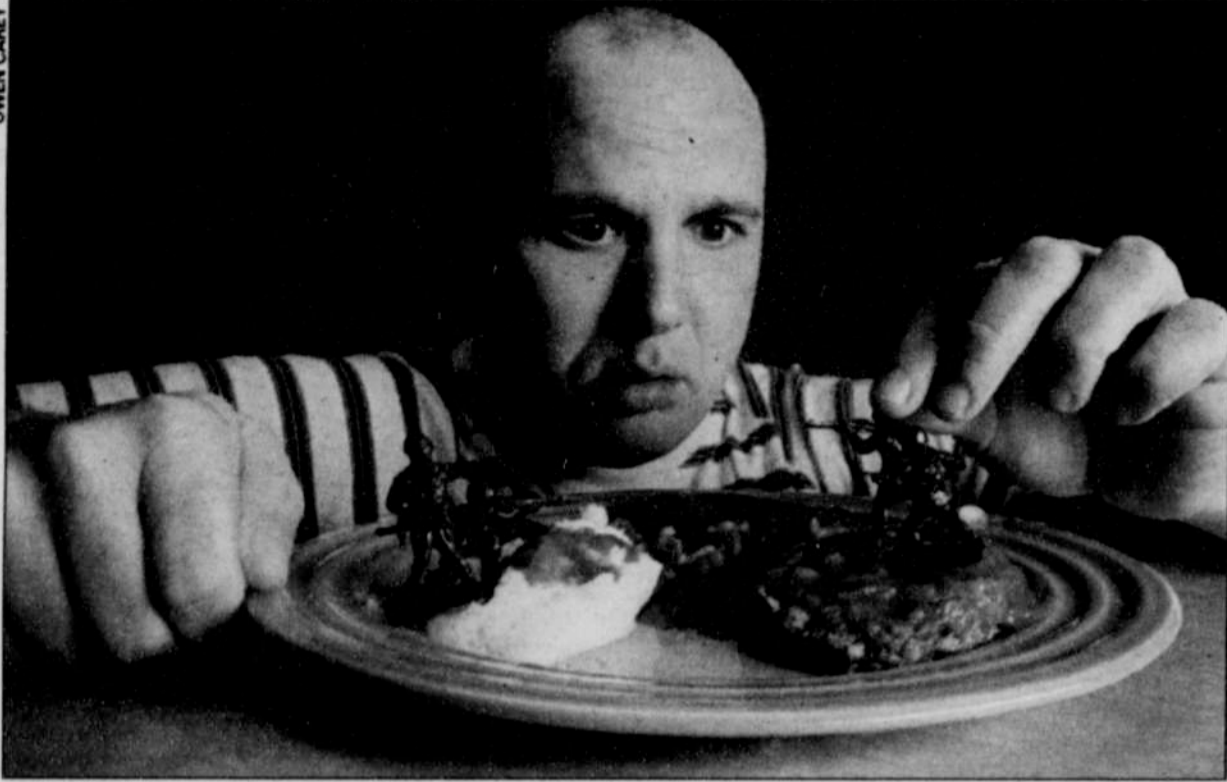


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Third Rail Rep presents *Number Three* through Feb. 10.

Performance artist **Peterson Toscano** presents *Queer 101—Now I Know My gAy,B,Cs!* at Darcelle XV. (7 pm. 208 SW Third Ave. \$10.)

**MON • JAN. 29**

XV presents **Tha' Boom**, Portland's dopest free queer hip-hop party, every Monday. DJs Automaton, K.O., Ill Camino and Rad! spin the best in dirty south, booty bass, grime, electro, R & B and old school along with the freshest new cuts. (10 pm. 15 SW Second Ave.)

**TUE • JAN. 30**

Dyke-owned Haven Coffee hosts an **open mike** every Tuesday. (7-9 pm. 3551 SE Division St.)

**WED • JAN. 31**

Show your stuff during **Elder Resource Alliance Bowling Day** at AMF Pro 300 Lanes. All skill levels welcome! (2-4 pm. 3031 SE Powell Blvd. \$6 includes two games and shoes.)



Oregon Book Award winner (and former *Just Out* columnist) Marc Acito joins Scott Poole, Chelsea Cain, Courtenay Hameister, Stacey Bolt and Jim Brunberg for **PDX Authors/Musicians Tell True Stories, Vol. II** at Mississippi Studios. (7 pm. 3939 N Mississippi Ave. \$10 at the door, \$8 in advance from 503-288-3895.)

**THU • FEB. 1**



Queer. Faggot. How do these words make you feel? Is using these words taking them back, or continuing to hurt each other? Come to the Men's Wellness Center for the lively discussion **Shut Your Mouth!** and some delicious refreshments. (7-8:30 pm. 928 SW Stark St.)

It's My Pleasure presents the class **Women and Orgasm** facilitated by Ms. V. Learn how to have multiple, extended and full-body orgasms; about the G spot and its many joys; and how

to orgasm in new ways. Pre-orgasmic women encouraged to attend! (7-8:30 pm. 3106 NE 64th Ave. \$10. Register at 503-280-8080 by Jan. 29.)

Stranded somewhere between the Middle Ages, 1930s Shanghai show tunes, '60s French pop, witty, wicked Weimar and post-punk thrash, international singing sensation **Meow Meow** presents *Beyond Glamour: The Absinthe Tour* at Darcelle XV. (8 pm. 208 SW Third Ave. \$12 at the door, \$10 in advance from Brown Paper Tickets or box office.)

**FRI • FEB. 2**

Out Dancing's **intermediate nightclub two-step** class starts tonight and continues every Friday in February at Ankeny Street Studio. **Beginning West Coast swing** class follows. (6:15-7:15 pm two-step [\$32 for month], 7:15-8:15 pm swing [\$24 for month]. Southeast Ninth Avenue and Ankeny Street. 503-236-5129. www.outdancing.info.)



Norah Vincent reads from *Self-Made Man* Jan. 25.

Q Center screens **Hearts Cracked Open: Tantra for Women Who Love Women** followed by a tantra demonstration and DVD signing by director Betsy Kalin. (7 pm. 69 SE Taylor St. \$10 suggested donation.)

**Anne Weiss** opens for **Dar Williams** at Corvallis High School Theater. (8 pm. 1400 NW Buchanan Ave. \$24.50 from TicketsWest.)

**SAT • FEB. 3**

Bring your favorite poetry, music and pajamas to **Men's Heart Space**, a warm, snuggling, candlelit event designed to help people open their hearts and relish relaxing. Co-sponsored by MenSpirit. (7-11 pm. RSVP to 503-223-8822 or www.love-tribe.org/menspirit.)



McKenzie River Gathering Foundation presents **Justice Within Reach**, a celebration of three decades of grassroots movements featuring music by Atlas DJs Anjali, The Incredible Kid and E3; a short dance by Joint Forces/Dancibility; and yummy appetizers and desserts at Design Within Reach Studio. (7 pm-midnight. 1200 NW Everett St. \$25-\$50 sliding scale from 503-289-1517.)

**Blue Man Group** presents its *How to Be a Megastar Tour 2.0* at Memorial Coliseum. (8 pm. 300 N Winning Way. \$55-\$85 from ComcastTix.com.)

Wanna get a degree? Come take lessons from **Le Grande Q Revue** in *Debauchery University* with guest MC Slylykka Foxx at Northbank in Vancouver, Wash. Guest stars include Julio Luscious of Northbank Cabaret and Tommy Girl of Darcelle XV. Lap dances and prizes will be given away! (9 pm. 106 W Sixth St. \$5 includes raffle ticket.)

Queer electro-synther **Nicky Click** performs with trans rapper **Katastrophe** at Berbat's Pan. (9 pm. 231 SW Ankeny St. \$5.)

Logo premieres **Love Lessons**, a documentary that takes a sensitive look at three singles who have turned to same-sex matchmakers and dating coaches for help. (9 pm.)

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

**SUN • FEB. 4**

Q Center presents **Family Playdate** every first Sunday. (Noon-2 pm. 69 SE Taylor St.)

Gay gurus Bill Donnelly and Jeff Bader—aka the Spirit Trainers—host the yoga-creativity workshop **The Laugh-In** at Euphoria Studios to help participants increase self-esteem and confidence, laugh and unlock their own imaginative power. Get \$5 off by mentioning Q Center! (1:30-4 pm. 1235 SE Division St. \$20 from info@spirittrainers.com.)

Get lucky during the Fox & Hounds' **Monthly Charity Bingo**. (3:30 pm. 217 SW Second Ave.)

Give yourselves tools for an improved relationship for Valentine's Day with the same-sex couples workshop **From Fizzle to Sizzle** Sundays through Feb. 18 at Center for Natural Medicine. (4-5:30 pm. 1330 SE 39th Ave. \$75/couple from mrowecomms@comcast.net; \$30/couple drop-in.)

**An Insightful Look at Gay—and Anti-Gay—History**

Love Makes a Family, a social change organization for queer-headed families, is hosting a series of performances by internationally known character actor and queer Quaker Christian **Peterson Toscano**.

Regarded for his courageous comedy, Toscano blends personal narrative with comedy to present theatrical pieces that cause audiences to take a fresh look at the world and at themselves. His work is drawn from his own past, which includes spending 17 years on three continents seeking "ex-gay" therapy.

He will perform at four events in Portland. **Queer 101—Now I Know My**

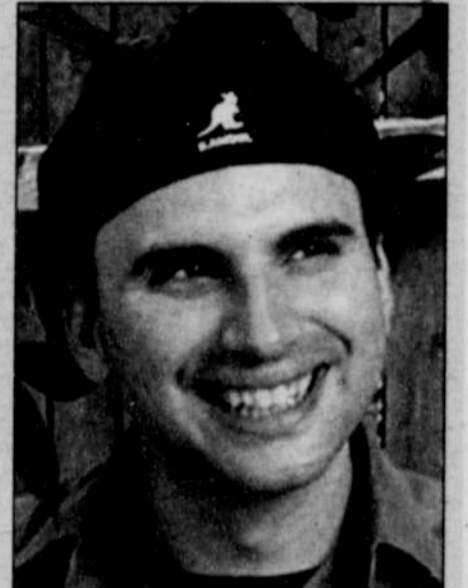
**gAy,B,Cs!** will be presented along with excerpts from Toscano's other works 7 p.m. Jan. 28 at Darcelle XV, 208 S.W. Third Ave. In this one-man performance piece, he playfully explores what it means to be queer in the 21st century. He plays a cast of characters drawing on the inspiration of poets Audre Lorde, Langston Hughes, Walt Whitman and Federico García Lorca. The suggested donation is \$10.

*Queer 101* will also be presented to kids 23 and younger 7 p.m. Jan. 24 at the Sexual Minority Youth Resource Center, 2100 S.E. Belmont St.

*Doin' Time in the Homo No Mo Halfway House—How I Survived the Ex-Gay Movement!* will be performed 7:30 p.m. Jan. 27 at Metropolitan Community Church of Portland, 2400 N.E. Broadway. Through six characters, Toscano takes the audience on a tour of a 12-step Christian program that attempts to save men and women from the snares of homosexuality. Based on his real-life experience in various ministries, the show weaves together humor, program jargon and outrageous eye-witness accounts to form a piece that is hilarious, poignant and inspirational. A freewill offering will be taken.

The premiere performance of *The Re-Education of George W. Bush* will take place 7 p.m. Jan. 23 at Peace House, 2116 N.E. 18th Ave. Through a series of lively lessons, Toscano playfully instructs the president and his Cabinet on history, the economy, privilege, environmentalism, the Bible and humanity. Bitingly funny and painfully insightful, Peterson takes no prisoners as he speaks to the George W. Bush in all of us. Admission is \$10. Excerpts from this work will also be presented at the other Portland events.

Toscano will lead a community conversation 7:30 p.m. Jan. 26 at Salem's Freedom Friends Church, 2425 13th St. S.E. The event will include excerpts from all of Toscano's performance pieces along with an opportunity to join in a community dialogue about the issues he raises.



Peterson Toscano

—Jim Radosta

**Reconciling in Christ Sunday Worship Service**  
 January 28, 2007, 7 p.m. - Central Lutheran Church  
 1820 NE 21st Avenue, Portland, OR Phone: 503.284.2331  
 An ecumenical service sponsored by Portland Metro Chapter of Lutherans Concerned/North America  
 Celebrate God's love for people of all sexual orientations and gender identities.



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