



The cast of *Itty Bitty Titty Committee* will make you want to touch the celluloid.

the South by Southwest Film Festival and the best narrative feature audience award at the Melbourne Queer Film Festival.

*Itty Bitty Titty Committee* screens 5 p.m. June 9 at Cinema 21, 616 N.W. 21st Ave. Tickets are \$10. Cross the street to The Gypsy, 625 N.W. 21st Ave., for the Pride kickoff party. Appetizers, go-go dancers and mayhem will abound.

### Days on the Run

Since scouring festival booths for giveaways and marching in or watching the parade do not count as exercise, consider going for a run.

Pride Northwest and the Portland Frontrunners launch Portland's 2007 Pride Festival with a run/walk, which begins at Tom McCall Waterfront Park under the Morrison Bridge and follows the bridge loop. This family-fun event begins at 11 a.m.

Individuals can register for \$15 and a family for \$25. Registration includes a short-sleeved T-shirt, water bottle, water break along the course and post-race breakfast of bagels, yogurt and fruit. Family rate includes individual race numbers and water bottles, plus one T-shirt. Additional shirts are \$12 each. Register online at [www.pridenw.org](http://www.pridenw.org).

### Smooth Cruisin'

Pride Northwest and Portland Spirit host Portland's second annual Pride cruise June 13 aboard a custom-built yacht, the Willamette Star.

The public is invited to an evening with the Spirit of Pride Award winner, state Sen. Ginny Burdick, D-Portland, and one of Pride 2007's grand marshals, City Commissioner Sam Adams. Other community awards will also be announced at the event. Slated to provide entertainment is professional pianist Patrick Anderson. Prepare to be pampered with the finest river cruise dining experience in the Northwest, with a complete galley, full-service bar and two climate-controlled decks.

This elegant seated dinner cruise will feature beautiful views of Portland's downtown skyline and live entertainment. You will be offered your choice of entree, dessert from Saint Cupcake and wine from Hip Chicks Do Wine. The ship sets sail from Caruthers Landing boarding site at 6:30 p.m.

Tickets, which cost \$65, are running out fast. Visit [www.pridenw.org](http://www.pridenw.org) to get yours while they last.

### Q Center Gets Involved

June is the perfect time to get involved with Q Center at 69 S.E. Taylor St.

Q Center will host an Insight Out Theatre Collective production of *Men on the Verge 2* by Guillermo Reyes for a two-night special engage-

ment at 8 p.m. June 15 and 16. Reyes will attend the shows to sign his recently published script.

Join the crew at the Pride Festival, where Q Center will launch a membership campaign to expand its community. Become a member for a \$35 donation for individuals or \$60 for families, and your photo will be displayed on the Q Center banner.

The community is invited to march with Q Center in the Pride Parade from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. June 17. The group is meeting at Northwest Davis Street and Park Avenue.

For more information visit [www.pdxqcenter.org](http://www.pdxqcenter.org).

### Black Pride Turns Six

The sixth annual Black Pride event centers around the theme "Harambee," meaning "let us come together." The Kiswahili word is a call for a group, tribe or community to come together.

A "She Circle" brunch and gathering is a chance for lesbian and bisexual women of color to learn about health issues affecting them and about the national Mautner Project program designed specifically for this community. The free event will take place from 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at Kennedy School, 5736 N.E. 33rd Ave. Call 503-984-4060 or 503-869-3381 for reservations.

The sixth annual "Blackout Party" is in two locations from 9 p.m. to 2:30 a.m. June 9. The 21-and-older crowd is invited to Red Cap Garage, 1035 S.W. Stark St., for a party hosted by Pebbles featuring La'Wanda Jackson with DJ Black Cat and Jamilah Bourdon. The party for those 18 and older is just across the street at Ace Hotel, 1022 S.W. Stark St. The cover is \$10 for those 21 and older and \$5 for those 18 and older.

"The Beloved Community" is a two-part interactive conversation for sexual minorities, people of color and allied communities to promote understanding of issues that queer people of color face. A discussion called "Black+, Gay+ and HIV+" hosted by Cree Gordon of Brother to Brother is from 12:30 to 3 p.m. June 12 at Quest Center for Integrative Health, 2901 E. Burnside St. "Stand Up and Represent: A Civil Discussion" will feature a facilitated discussion about the impact of racism and homophobia on the black community from 6:30 to 8 p.m. June 13 at Cascadia Behavioral Health Care's Garlington Center, 3034 N.E. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.

Be part of a frank discussion on current trends and safer-sex awareness in a way you haven't heard before during "Rough Sex: HIV and STD Education Awareness" from 7:45 p.m. to 9:15 p.m. June 15 at Kennedy School's Community Room 5736.

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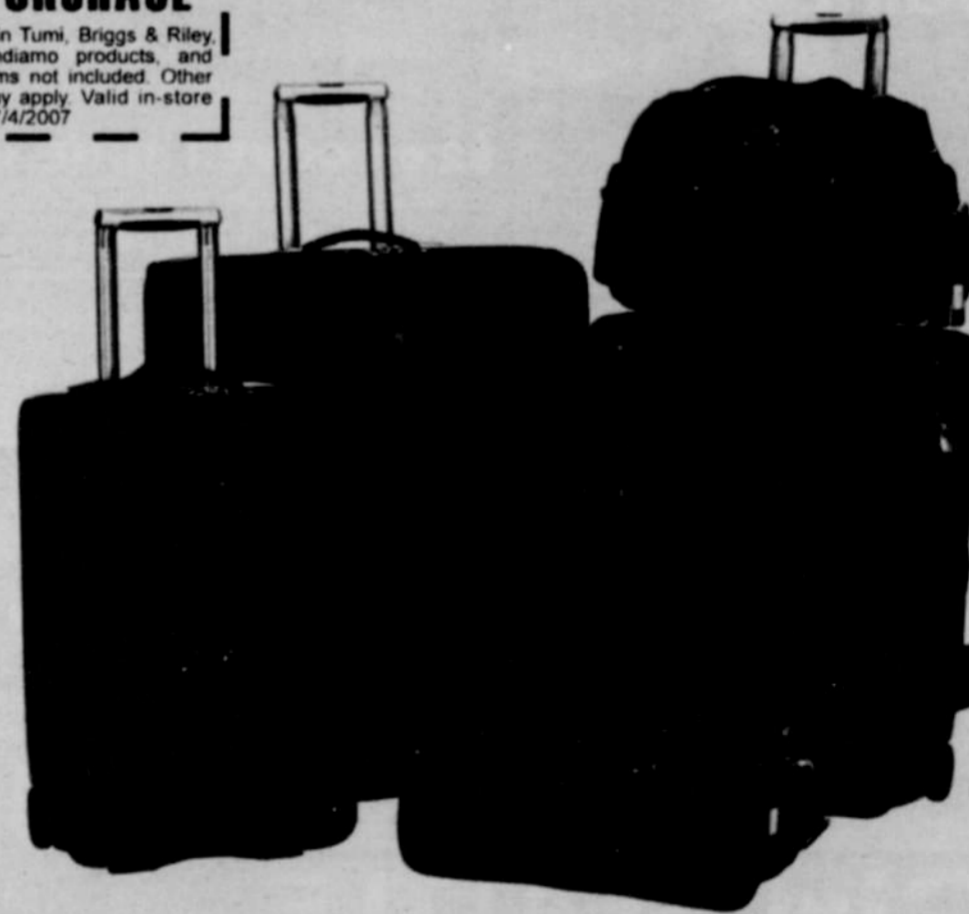
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