

Asher Loverdi and Caught in Candy's Mickey Pollizatto present odd and obscure **Saturday Morning Cartoons** at The Waypost. This week's theme is music and singing. (Noon. 3120 N Williams Ave.)

Portland Art Museum presents a lecture by **Kehinde Wiley** about his exhibition featuring seven provocative paintings that illuminate complex art historical references and superb hyper-real technique while exploring issues of style, class, dignity and prejudice in metaphorical terms and allegorically inspired portraits. (2 pm. 1219 SW Park Ave.)

Hip Chicks Do Wine celebrates its sixth anniversary with the **Belly Button Wine Festival** featuring live music by Carlyle, wine tasting and tasty treats. (6-9 pm. 4510 SE 23rd Ave. \$8 for one, \$15 for two.)

Get wet and get lei'd during the second annual **Girls on Gay Summersplash** featuring a wet T-shirt contest, Jell-O shots, drink specials and dancing at Northbank Tavern in Vancouver, Wash. (7 pm. 106 W Sixth St. \$5. Enter the contest at girlsongay@yahoo.com.)

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

GO OUT 9 Muses Tavern presents **Brokeback Showdown: A Homo Hoedown** featuring West Duncan, Felina's Arrow, Nicole Sangsuree, Tamara J. Brown, Amy Bleu, Levi Stroffel and special guests! (8 pm-midnight. 2715 SE Belmont St. \$9 at the door, \$7 in advance.)

Tip your hat to **Crystal's Country Jam** at the Portland Metro Club (PPAA). (8-9 pm lessons, 9 pm-1 am dancing. 618 SE Alder St. \$5, \$8 with lessons.)

SUN • AUG. 19

The Adventure Group takes a moderate hike on the north side of Mount Hood through old-growth forests and flowering meadows to the extremely picturesque Elk Cove via Inspiration Point. Meet outside Starbucks at Hollywood Fred Meyer. (8:30 am. 3030 NE Weidler St. Ron 503-284-3345.)

The Oregon Bears present **Celebrity Dunk Tank** at Starky's featuring past and present titleholders, bar owners and staff from your favorite hangouts along with a special appearance by the Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence. Proceeds benefit Our House of Portland. (Noon-3:30 pm. 2913 SE Stark St.)

GO OUT Equity Foundation board co-chairwoman Ann Sherman throws a **Garden Party** in West Linn featuring drinks and finger food for people who share an interest in the nonprofit's diversity-focused grantmaking. (3 pm. 2860 Hillcrest Drive. \$75 donation from 503-675-7966 or ann.sherman@klgates.com.)

Q Center hosts **Tranz Guys**—a group for trans men and intersex, genderqueer and questioning people who were assigned female at birth—every third Sunday. (6 pm. 69 SE Taylor St.)

Hotel deLuxe screens Portland queer filmmaker David Weissman's **The Cockettes**, an engaging tribute to a theatrical troupe of drag queens who were the sensation of the late 1960s and early 1970s hippie movement in San Francisco. (6:30 pm. 729 SW 15th Ave. RSVP to 503-219-8627.)

Trinity Episcopal Church presents the debut performance of **FourScore**, a Portland classical manband featuring queer tenor Stephen Marc Beaudoin, performing *Elegies and Other Sad Songs*, from William Byrd to Rufus Wainwright. (7:30 pm. 147 NW 19th Ave. \$10 donation from 503-753-4580.)

Festival Creates Punk Dialogue

Crusty punks have feelings, too. Both Katherine Krajnek and Liz Shannon, the founders of B.A.B.E. Fest (Breaking Assumptions and Barriers to Equality), want the Portland music scene to know this fact. The festival goes from Aug. 24 to 26 to promote gender and sexual identity equality in the punk and metal scenes of Portland—and, ultimately, throughout the scene.

In a musical genre that hails white, straight male frontmen, the women, queers and trans folks that make up part of the audience are feeling left out and outnumbered.

"The mainstream really glorifies violence and oppression in punk and metal music," says festival promoter and organizer Korinna Irwin. "We're in this scene [punk/metal music] that prides itself on being outside of society, when really, its at the center of society."

As a means to create a dialogue around this issue, B.A.B.E. Fest will host a three-day series of workshops, film and music to bridge the gap. With workshops focusing on gender identity, women of color, queer issues and DIY topics, it promises to be a worthwhile festival for all.

With band rosters usually exclusively white, and gender and sexuality rarely ever spoken of, it's easy to see why minorities feel displaced by the punk and metal music scene, and even easier not to see the many forms of expression within the art fall outside the spotlight.

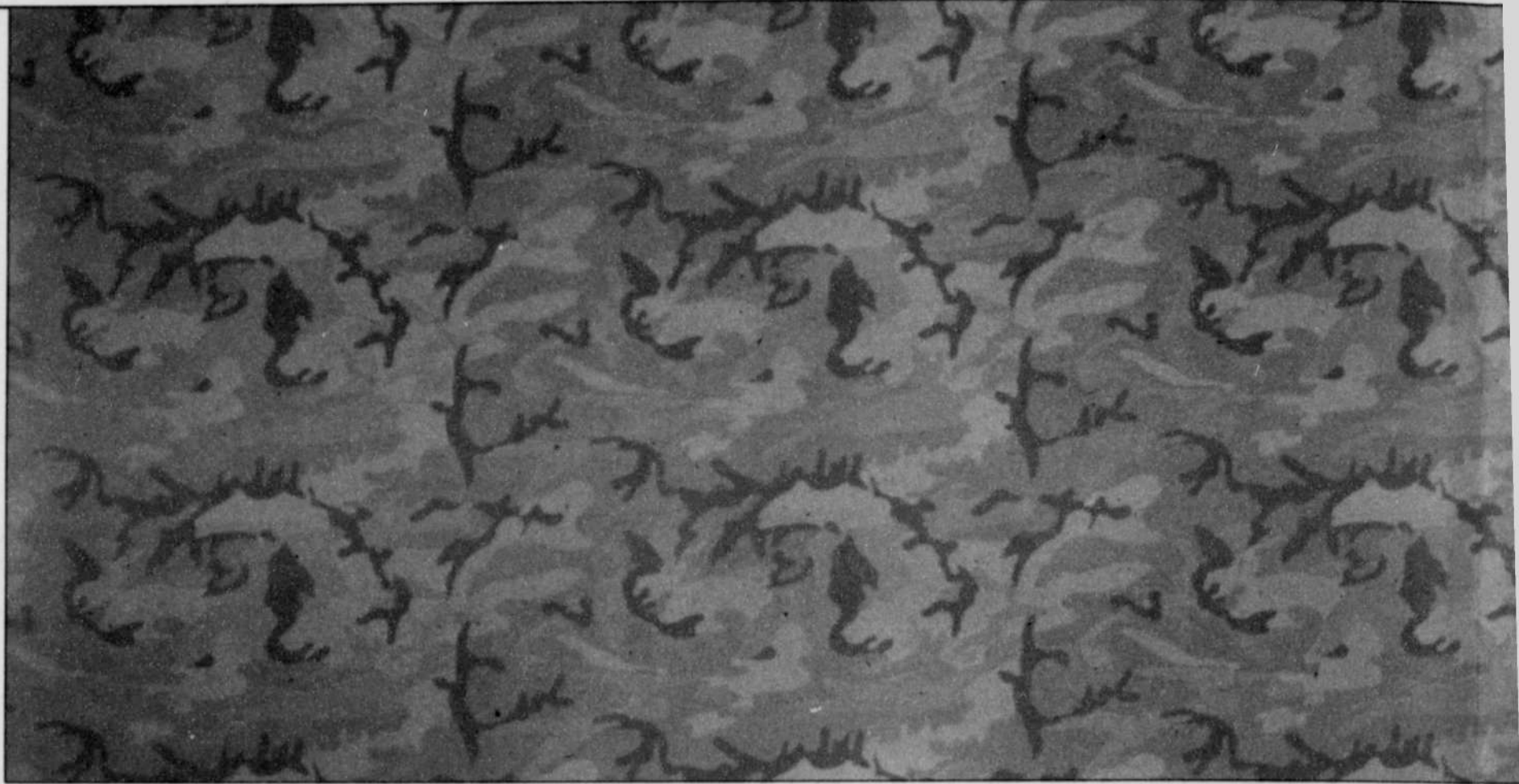
"There are so many amazing women and others who aren't in the gender spectrum playing out there," says Irwin. "But almost everyone who's been to a show has experienced the crowds not being the most friendly."

While the founders and organizers of this educational event work to promote diversity in a community that is blind to who their audience is, it's the fans who have some feelings to talk about.

Says Irwin: "The best outcome that we could possibly have at B.A.B.E. Fest is opening conversations among people who don't usually talk about things like gender."

For a complete schedule visit www.babefestpdx.com.

—West Duncan



Portland Art Museum exhibits Andy Warhol's 37-foot "Camouflage" through Nov. 4.

MON • AUG. 20

In Other Words presents a reading from **The Revolution Will Not Be Funded: Beyond the Nonprofit Industrial Complex**, an anthology edited by Incite Women of Color Against Violence. (6:30 pm. 8 NE Killingsworth St.)

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

GO OUT Grease your wheels during **Gay Skate Night** presented by Just Out every third Monday at Oaks Park. (7-9 pm. 1 SE Spokane St. \$5 plus canned food items for Esther's Pantry.)

Emily Herring performs at The Bitter End Pub. (8 pm. 1981 W Burnside St.)

WED • AUG. 22

GO OUT Q Center presents **Coffee with Kendall**, a monthly meet-and-greet with executive director Kendall Clawson. Relax, enjoy a cup of coffee, and share your interests and ideas for the facility every fourth Wednesday. (5-7 pm. 69 SE Taylor St.)

In Other Words presents **Women Writing for (a) Change**, a monthly class emphasizing authentic voice and the exploration of writing as a healing practice and a tool of social change. (7 pm. 8 NE Killingsworth St. RSVP to info@womenwritingwest.com.)

In Other Words Women's Books and Resources presents **Because Reading Is Sexy: The Dirty Queer Book Club** on the fourth Wednesday of each month. Riding the wave of Dirty Queer, Portland's only X-rated open mike, the group will let loose to discuss the best in queer, perky, kinky porn—with 10 percent off sexy selections! (7 pm. 8 NE Killingsworth St. \$1 donation.)

The **In Other Words Feminist Reading Group** discusses Jane Austen's *Persuasion* at Vendetta. (7 pm. 4306 N Williams Ave. RSVP to althea@inotherwords.org.)

THU • AUG. 23

Women in the Woods 2007, a women-born-women event, runs through Aug. 27. (\$215-\$385 from 503-284-0722 or www.womeninthewoods.com.)

The Adventure Group takes an easy walk among the forested hillsides and wildlife of Burnt Bridge Creek Greenway in Vancouver, Wash. Meet near the entrance to Meadowbrook Marsh Park. (Northeast 92nd Avenue and 19th Circle. Brian 619-606-5746.)

Ask Irene, an all-female old-time band, performs at Mississippi Pizza Pub. (6 pm. 3552 N Mississippi Ave.)

In Other Words presents the **Newark 4 Benefit Show** featuring musical performances by New Bloods and Swan Island followed by a dance party with some of Portland's best DJs. Proceeds benefit four young black lesbians who have been given sentences spanning from three to 11 years for self-defense against a racist and homophobic assault. (7 pm. 8 NE Killingsworth St. \$5-\$10 sliding scale.)

GO OUT Is "pulling out" a safe way to practice anal sex? How accurate is a rapid HIV test? You can't really get HIV from oral sex, can you? The Men's Wellness Center presents **HIV Mythbusters: Rectifying Common Misconceptions About HIV**, a safe space where all questions are welcome. (7-8:30 pm. 928 SW Stark St.)

Q Center hosts **Gender Query** meetings every second and fourth Thursday for all genders that toe the line, sit somewhere between, vacillate, fluctuate or otherwise. (7-9 pm. 69 SE Taylor St.)

Berbat's Pan presents **Psychic TV** performing highly innovative and unflinchingly provocative music blending elements of psychedelia and dance with industrial sounds. **Dahlia** opens. (9:30 pm. 10 SW Third Ave. \$20 at the door, \$18 in advance from TicketsWest.)

FRI • AUG. 24

The Adventure Group goes on a very difficult 10-mile, 4,500-foot climb of Mount St. Helens. (Evan 503-701-7922.)

Folksinger/songwriter **Arlene Hale** performs at Muddy Waters Coffeehouse. Repeats Aug. 31. (7:30-10 pm. 2908 SE Belmont St.)



Sleepwalkers R.I.P. will perform during B.A.B.E. Fest.



Theatre Vertigo stages *A Doll's House* Aug. 24-Sept. 22.



Queer artist Annie Meyer sells her creations during Art in the Park throughout Labor Day weekend.

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