



Tape artist Mona Superhero unveils her latest creations this month at The Destroy Store.

The Northwest Professional Dance Project Makers Aug. 15 and 16.

Dolly Parton brings her "Backwoods Barbie" tour to Rose Garden Theater of the Clouds on Aug. 7, after the show head to Queer Bait for a tribute to the legendary entertainer!

Holocene presents the irregularly scheduled queer night **Gaycation** featuring DJs Snowtiger, Mr. Charming and special guest Kinetic from Blow Pony. (9 pm. 1001 SE Morrison St. \$3.)

DJs Jack and DannyDamage play a mix of dance hits, '80s pop, new wave, no wave, new stuff and old stuff during **Pleasure Boys** every first Saturday at the Eagle PDX. (9 pm. 27 NW Sixth Ave.)

SUN • AUG. 3

The **Adventure Group** takes a five-hour bike road trip. Meet at the north end of Northeast 33rd Drive. Repeats Aug. 10. (9 am. 2900 NE Marine Drive. Dave 503-281-4798.)

The **Adventure Group** takes an easy hike to Triple Falls. Meet outside Starbucks at Hollywood Fred Meyer. (9:30 am. 3030 NE Weidler St. Steve 503-758-2544.)

GO OUT The **Men's Eco-Hiking Group** takes an easy/moderate five-mile hike to Silver Star Mountain for spectacular wildflower meadows, stunning views and a great waterfall. (9:30 am-3:30 pm. \$5-\$20 donation. RSVP to 503-223-8822 or www.manifestpdx.org/calendar.)

In Other Words presents **Homorobics** every Sunday, physically strengthening our community in a feminist, queer and body-friendly environment with an emphasis on enjoyment, not weight loss! Bring a towel and hand weights if you've got them. (11 am. 8 NE Killingsworth St. \$2-\$4 donation.)

Manifest presents **Beat the Blues**, a men's support group to find practical strategies for dealing with depression. (6-8 pm. RSVP to 503-223-8822 or www.manifestpdx.org/calendar.)

The **Portland Feminism Discussion Group** welcomes female-identified participants to a free-flowing exchange of ideas at In Other Words. This month's topic is "Feminism and Fashion." (6:30-8 pm. 8 NE Killingsworth St.)

MON • AUG. 4

Playfully explore the city by bike with other men during **Wanderlust** presented by Manifest. Meet at Wild Oats. (6:30 pm. 3535 NE 15th Ave. \$5-\$15 sliding scale. RSVP to 503-223-8822 or www.manifestpdx.org/calendar.)

Manifest presents a free introductory **men's core strength yoga class** to develop your spinal and abdominal muscles. (6:30-7:45 pm. RSVP to 503-223-8822 or www.manifestpdx.org/calendar.)

The **Bisexual Community Forum** hosts a casual discussion group every first Monday at 3 Friends Coffeehouse. (7:30 pm. 201 SE 12th Ave. 503-285-4848.)

TUE • AUG. 5

Learn about intention in your business, basic planning, finances, the politics of business and the importance of public relations and etiquette during the fifth **Small Biz 101 Conference** at

Q Center. (Noon-6 pm. 69 SE Taylor St. \$44 from www.causeit.org/events.)

The **Adventure Group** takes an easy urban bike ride on the quiet street and trails of Portland. Meet at the drinking fountain on the Eastbank Esplanade. Repeats Aug. 12. (6 pm. 8 SE Madison St. Laurent 503-880-8900.)

Code Pink holds its monthly meeting at In Other Words. (6:30 pm. 8 NE Killingsworth St.)

Q Center presents **Game Night**, a great social evening of informal board game competition. Choose from many options, or feel free to bring your own favorite and teach the group. (7-9 pm. 69 SE Taylor St.)

Attention kinksters: Safari Showclub hosts **Darklady's Birthday & Mid-Party Social Night** featuring door prizes from Taboo Video, sexy dancers, food and drink specials, birthday cake and an open-air patio wading pool. (7-10 pm. 3000 SE Powell Blvd.)

WED • AUG. 6

See what **Elder Resource Alliance** is up to during its monthly business meeting at Friendly House. (2:30-4:30 pm. 1737 NW 26th Ave.)

THU • AUG. 7

The **Adventure Group** goes on a three-day advanced backpacking trip to Mount St. Helens. Meet outside Starbucks at Hollywood Fred

Meyer. (9 am. 3030 NE Weidler St. RSVP to Chris at 503-329-3916.)

The **Adventure Group** takes an easy urban walk to Balch Creek. Meet near trailhead. (6 pm. 2900 NW Wilson St. Larry 503-222-5717.)

In Other Words presents a **queer polyamory discussion group**. (6:30 pm. 8 NE Killingsworth St.)

The Human Rights Campaign hosts a special free screening of the award-winning documentary **For the Bible Tells Me So** at Q Center. (7 pm. 69 SE Taylor St.)

GO OUT The Men's Wellness Center presents **Safer Sexapalooza**, a fun and interactive workshop on all things safer (and hotter!) sex. Fun prizes and giveaways, too! (7-8:30 pm. 928 SW Stark St.)

Manifest presents a free introductory **men's hatha yoga class** to create a soothing, mellow environment for beginning students to discover yoga comfortably. Repeats Aug. 14. (7:45-9:15 pm. RSVP to 503-223-8822 or www.manifestpdx.org/calendar.)

Legendary superstar **Dolly Parton** brings her "Backwoods Barbie" tour to Rose Garden Theater of the Clouds. (8 pm. 1 N Center Court. \$39.50-\$79.50 from ComcastTix.com.)

Sissyboy Films presents the world premiere of **What Ever Happened to Fannie Mae?** and **Sissyboy: A Documentary** at Cinema 21. (9:30 pm. 616 NW 21st Ave. \$10 from Brown Paper Tickets.)

Queer Bait pays tribute to Dolly Parton at the Eagle PDX with performances by Holcombe Waller, Gula, Lee Kyle, Fannie Mae Darling, Ponyboy, Princess Thunder Pussy and Zora Phoenix and music by DJs Sit-n-Spin, Grant and Danny Damage. (10 pm. 27 NW Sixth Ave. \$5.)

FRI • AUG. 8

Waterfront Park hosts the **2008 Bite of Oregon** through Aug. 10 featuring lesbian chef Cat Cora (*Iron Chef America*), who will commentate during the Oregon Iron Chef competition finals, give a cooking demonstration and sign copies of her cookbooks. (For a complete schedule visit www.biteoforegon.com. \$7.)

GO OUT Elder Resource Alliance screens **The**

Artist Illuminates the Past

For her latest show, *Driven to Extremes*, Portland artist **Serena Barton** casts into history to pull to the center marginalized poets **Veronica Franco**, a Renaissance poet/courtesan, and **Juana Ines de la Cruz**, a 17th century Mexican poet/nun. Barton uses color as well as text from the women themselves to create a rich approach that illuminates them more fully.

"I am fascinated with layers of identity and personality and with the stories of these women who lived long ago and dealt with many of the same issues we do today," says Barton. "They were driven to pursue lives at the margins of their societies in order to have the means and leisure to write and educate themselves. Both were committed to the equity and both wrote sophisticated, evocative poetry that recommitment."

The work for the show is varied, including oil paintings, encaustic collages, mixed-media collages, assembled books. For Barton, exposing the scaffolding helps make a connection to the viewer.

Serena Barton is on di

Whip It!

Oregon Leather Pride Week 2008, a series of events that promise "to thrill and amuse virtually any taste or proclivity out there," returns through Aug. 10. For a complete schedule visit www.oregonleatherpride.org, but here is a brief summation of highlights.

- **The ninth annual Fetish Ball (Aug. 1):** Preceded by the Contestant Meet & Greet for Mr. & Ms. Oregon State Leather from 8 to 9:30 p.m., this year's theme is "Arabian Nights" with music by DJ Ronabelle at Melody Ballroom, 615 S.E. Alder St. \$15.
- **Mr. & Ms. Oregon State Leather Contest (Aug. 2):** Blackout Leather Productions chooses titleholders for the coming year 7 p.m. at Embers, 110 N.W. Broadway. \$15.
- **Uniforms & Buzz Cuts Party (Aug. 2):** In *Uniform* magazine encourages you to bust out your boots and come dressed as cops, soldiers, jocks and firefighters from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. at Eagle Portland, 835 N. Lombard St. \$5 donation; proceeds benefit Q Center.
- **Whips in the Park (Aug. 3):** Whipper Snappers hosts this kid-friendly event where folks can learn to throw a whip or practice their cracks from noon to 2 p.m. at Peninsula Park, North Ainsworth Street and Kerby Avenue.

- **Leather & Lace Show (Aug. 6):** The Imperial Sovereign Rose Court hosts wacky activities and performers 8 p.m. at Embers.
- **Leather Vegas (Aug. 8):** Gamble, socialize and bid on fabulous prizes during this casino night with auction from 5 to 10 p.m. at Embers.
- **Leather Tastings and Kinky Auction (Aug. 9):** Get a taste of the world of kink from noon to 4 p.m. at Ambridge Event Center, 300 N.E. Multnomah St. \$3 for Portland Leather Alliance members, \$5 for nonmembers. Followed by a free auction of hard-to-find items at bargain prices 7 p.m.
- **Pansexual Dungeon Party (Aug. 9):** Light snacks and heavy petting from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. at Ambridge Event Center. \$10 for Portland Leather Alliance members, \$15 for nonmembers.
- **Victory Brunch/Rose & Thorn Awards (Aug. 10):** Honor the newly reigning titleholders and other leather leaders from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Greek Cusina Restaurant, 404 S.W. Washington St.
- **Underbear Tea Dance (Aug. 10):** Ring out the week during this free event from 4 to 8 p.m. at Red Cap Garage, 1035 S.W. Stark St.

—Jim Radosta

Ritz, a classic comedy starring Rita Moreno in her Tony-winning role as a club singer at the New York Baths, at Friendly House. Light refreshments served. (5:30-8:30 pm. 1737 NW 26th Ave.)

In Other Words presents **Dirty Queer**, an X-rated open mike to celebrate sexuality and strut your creative stuff! Hosted by renegade writer and poet Sossity Chiricuzio, it promises to be an evening full of laughter and full-body shivers. (6:30 pm. 8 NE Killingsworth St. \$1-\$5 donation. www.dirty-queer.com.)

Mr. Oregon State Leather 2007 Ben Brown Jr. hosts **Leathermen's Cigar Social**, an event for men in the leather/Levi/bear community featuring raffle prizes, every second Friday at Gail's Dirty Duck. Proceeds benefit Central City Concern and Blackout Leather Productions. (9 pm-midnight. 439 NW Third Ave. \$10 beer or soda bust.)

OPB airs the queer newsmagazine **In the Life**. This month's episode, "Talking It Out," features a conversation between iconic social critics Camille Paglia and Sandra Bernhard, a segment on the maturing of the movement and an exploration of the status

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