

Hip-Hop I dance classes with SWAGGER. (5-6:00 p.m., Bamboo Grove, 134 SE Taylor, \$5-\$7 sliding scale, theotherspacepdx.com)

GO Darn It: Stop the Waste! Skye Blue Can Sew, a local woman owned tailoring business, is teaching classes in beginner sewing and clothing repair. (6:00 p.m., Mag-Big, 3279 SE Hawthorne, \$20)

Relationship Gardening is a support group for single, gay men who desire monogamy. (\$25/week, Call 503-348-0405 for pre-screening, relationshipgardening.com)

The Adult Young Adult Book Club discusses *The Giver* and *The Uglies*. The AYABC is a group for adults who would like to discuss young adult novels through a feminist/queer lens. (7-9:00 p.m., *In Other Words*, 8b NE Killingsworth, inotherwords.org)

FRI JAN 21

GO Q Center presents Cabaret with a Q, a revival of the classic cabaret, where you can sing along with the group or grab the mic and rock a solo. Nothing's gayner than a cabaret... just ask Liza. (8-10:00 p.m., Q Center, 4115 N Mississippi, pdxqcenter.org)

The Sixth Annual **ChocolateFest Opening Night!** Enjoy discounted drink specials, music, and voting. (6-9:00 p.m., Oregon Convention Center, 777 NE MLK, 21+, \$20, chocolatefest.org)

Film Fridays at Pivot! This week's film: *Tongues Untied* (1989). (7:00 p.m., Pivot, 209 SW 4th, Free, pivotpdx.org)

Licious Karaoke. (8:00 p.m., The Northbank Bar, 106 W 6th, Vancouver, 21+)

Oregon Bears Happy Hour. (5-7:00 p.m., Fox & Hounds, 217 NW 2nd, 21+)

The Feminist Film Society meets in *In Other Words* to watch and discuss films from a feminist perspective. (7:00 p.m., *In Other Words*, 8b NE Killingsworth, inotherwords.org)

SAT JAN 22

GO Dana Goldberg comes to town. It's a good month to be a dykey comedy connoisseur in Portland. (9:00 p.m., Hawthorne Theater, 3862 SE Hawthorne, 21+, \$12 adv/\$15 dos)

L.U.R.E., Mr. Oregon State Leather Birthday Bash, hits the Eagle. (9:30 p.m., Eagle, 835 N Lombard, 21+, Free)

ChocolateFest! (10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., Oregon Convention Center, 777 NE MLK, \$7-10, chocolatefest.org)

The Corin Tucker Band performs to benefit the Pickathon Festival. (9:00 p.m., Mississippi Studios, 3939 N Mississippi, \$25)

Lipz Cabaret lures you "up north" with the beautiful and talented Zora Phoenix as your host. (9:30 p.m., The Northbank Bar, 106 W 6th, Vancouver, 21+, thenorthbankbar.com)

LIVE ART. Bring your camera or drawing materials and create live art from a selection of spectacular local models. (1-3:00 p.m., Backspace, 115 NW 5th Ave., \$5)

The Adventure Group goes cross-country skiing and snowshoeing (dog-friendly) in Hood River Valley. Meet outside Starbucks at Hollywood Fred Meyer. (8:30 a.m., 3030 NE Weidler, call Evan at 503-701-7922 for more information)

Office Warming Party for the Bread & Roses Center! (4:00 p.m., Bread & Roses Center, 6834 NE Glisan, Free)

Deaf and Hearing OutReach welcomes all LGBT ASL lovers to coffee night every fourth Saturday! (6:30 p.m., Three Friends Coffee House, 201 SE 12th, Free, <http://dhorpdx.blogspot.com>)

Free Rapid HIV Testing for guys into guys. (5-9:00 p.m., Pivot, 209 SW 4th, pivotpdx.org)

SUN JAN 23

GO It Gets Better, a benefit for The Trevor Project, presented by The ISRC, IS-COTDEC, and ISCWE, with the help of their White Knights, Kenty Valentine, Austin Starr, and Matty Doll. (5-8:00 p.m., Embers, 110 NW Broadway, 21+, \$5)

Anti-Street Harassment Community Planning Meeting. (4-6:00 p.m., *In Other Words*, 14 NE Killingsworth, inotherwords.org)

CoHo presents a stage reading of *Immaterial Matters* by Steve Patterson. (7:30 p.m., CoHo Theater, 2257 NW Raleigh, \$5)



Toinette and Argan argue over the many cures to Argan's illnesses in an adaptation of *The Imaginary Invalid* by Moliere. Running through Feb. 6 at Portland Center Stage. For more information, or to purchase tickets, visit pcs.org.

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Dirty Porn Bingo, hosted by Chi Chi and Chonga. (8-10:00 p.m., Boxxes, 1035 SW Stark, 21+)

MON JAN 24

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Burger night at Starky's! Come enjoy a delicious \$5 burger with your hostess Poison Waters. (6-9:00 p.m., Starky's 2913 SE Stark, starkys.com)

Mary-oke. Sing your heart out, Mary. (8:00 p.m., Hamburger Mary's, 19 NW 5th, 21+)

OUT Dancing presents Country Two-Step lessons. (6:30 p.m. advanced, 7:30 p.m. basic, Ankeny Street Studio, 975 SE Sandy, \$10, outdancing.info)

Men's Qi Gong. (6:15 p.m., \$15. RSVP to 503-223-8822 x1 or online at manifestpdx.org)

The Moms Group, a support group for GLBT mothers. (6:30-8:00 p.m., Q Center, 4115 N Mississippi, pdxqcenter.org)

LGBT affirming Pentecostals: express your charismatic style of prayer and worship in a safe, nonjudgmental environment at the LGBT In-Gathering. (7:00 p.m., Caldwell's Colonial Chapel, 20 NE 14th, Free)

TUES JAN 25

Free Rapid HIV testing & STD screening for guys into guys. (5-9:00 p.m., Pivot, 209 SW 4th, pivotpdx.org)

WED JAN 26

GO Portland's Got Talent... it's America's favorite variety show without the annoying judges. (8:00 p.m., Fez Ballroom, 316 SW 11th, 21+, \$3)

Hamburger Mary's Trivia Night! (8:00 p.m., Hamburger Mary's, 19 NW 5th, 21+)

Licious Karaoke. (8:00 p.m., The Northbank Bar, 106 W 6th, Vancouver, 21+)

Step & Hip-Hop II dance classes with SWAGGER. (5:00 p.m. Step, 6:00 p.m. Hip-Hop II, Bamboo Grove, 134 SE Taylor, \$5-\$7 sliding scale, theotherspacepdx.com)

Anawim Christian Fellowship. (6:30-8:30 p.m., Q Center, 4115 N Mississippi, pdxqcenter.org)

Satori Men's Chorus invites you to join them. Interested? Come to rehearsal! (7:00 p.m., Bethlehem Lutheran Church, 1244 NE Cesar Chavez, satorichorus.org)

(6:30-8:30 p.m., Q Center, 4115 N Mississippi, pdxqcenter.org)

Pivotal Reads, a gay men's book club, kicks off with an introduction to *A Home at the End of the World* by Michael Cunningham. (6:30 p.m., Pivot, 209 SW 4th, Free, pivotpdx.org)

Inter-Personal Violence Support Group. (6-8:00 p.m., Q Center, 4115 N Mississippi, pdxqcenter.org)

Free Rapid HIV testing & STD screening for guys into guys. (11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m., Pivot, 209 SW 4th, pivotpdx.org)

THURS JAN 27

GO Salacious Launch Party! *Salacious* is a brand new magazine dedicated to erotic art and literature curated with a queer, feminist, anti-racist lens. (7-9:00 p.m., *In Other Words*, 8b NE Killingsworth, 18+, \$1-5 suggested donation, inotherwords.org)

Poison Waters hosts **Portland Drag Race: Season Three,** a weekly live version of *Ru Paul's Drag Race*. (8:00 p.m., Red Cap Garage, 1025 SW Stark, 21+, No cover)

Led to Sea performs. (9:00 p.m., Mississippi Studios, 3939 N Mississippi, Free)

Mary-Go-Round Mary-oke. (8:00 p.m., Hamburger Mary's, 19 NW 5th, 21+)

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The Dads Group is a safe place for men who come out and identify as gay later in life, while sharing the bond of being a father. (7-9:00 p.m., Q Center, 4115 N Mississippi, pdxqcenter.org)

FRI JAN 28

GO Q Center Winter Gala! See *Just Out's* full coverage on Page 29. (7:00 p.m., The Nines, 525 SW Morrison, \$75 general admission, \$175 VIP, pdxqcenter.org)

The Oregon Bears present the **Double X Dance.** The music is loud, the crowd is dense, and it's the only place to see all the yummiest bears in one place. (9:00 p.m., C.C. Slaughter's, 219 NW 3rd Ave., 21+, oregonbears.org)

Film Fridays at Pivot! This week's film: *Some Like It Hot* (1959). (7:00 p.m., Pivot, 209 SW 4th, Free, pivotpdx.org)

Licious Karaoke. (8:00 p.m., The Northbank Bar, 106 W 6th, Vancouver, 21+)

Oregon Bears Happy Hour. (5-7:00 p.m., Fox & Hounds, 217 NW 2nd, 21+)

SAT JAN 29

GO Portland Gay Men's Chorus presents **BraveSouls & Dreamers,** a compelling work about the pursuit of peace... cast against the human consequences of war. (7:30 p.m., Willamette University, 900 State Street, Salem, \$20, pdxgmc.org)

Bettie's Busty Benefit, a fundraiser for Martha's Pantry. (8:00 p.m., The Northbank Bar, 106 W 6th, Vancouver, 21+, thenorthbankbar.com)

GO Hot Flash 7th Anniversary! Hot Flash caters to seasoned lesbians who are too old for the "scene" and too young to stop dancing. (6-10:00 p.m., Barracuda, 9NW 2nd, 21+, \$8 cover)

Portland Lesbian Choir presents **Songs Across the Divide,** featuring music from South and North America. Interested in joining? PLC will be welcoming new members February. (7:30 p.m., Rose City Park United Methodist Church, 5830 NE Alameda, \$10 adv/\$12 dos, plchoir.org)

GO Paula Poundstone brings her gaudy suits and asexual wit to the lesbians of Portland. Will we swoon? (7:00 p.m., Aladdin Theater, 3017 SE Milwaukie, \$30, aladdin-theater.com)

Our United Villages presents a **Community History Storytelling** focusing on the stories of NE Portland as told by the people who have lived and worked there. (Noon, Redeemer Lutheran, 5431 NE 20th, Free)

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i wanna dance!
WEEKLY DANCE NIGHTS

- SUNDAYS**
Girl Crush @ Crush
 (6-11:30 p.m., 1400 SE Morrison, 21+)
- Dykeotomy @ Boxxes**
 (9:00 p.m., 1035 SW Stark, 21+)
- MONDAYS**
Maniac Mondays @ CCs
 (9:00 p.m., 219 NW 3rd, 21+)
- TUESDAYS**
Versus @ Boxxes
 (9:00 p.m., 1035 SW Stark, 21+)
- FUEL @ CCs**
 (9:00 p.m., 219 NW 3rd, 21+)
- ToN Def Tuesdays @ Scandals**
 (9:00 p.m., 1125 SW Stark, 21+)
- WEDNESDAYS**
FAME! @ The P Club
 (9:30 p.m., 5262 N Lombard, 21+)
- TRICK @ CCs**
 (9:00 p.m., 219 NW 3rd, 21+)
- THURSDAYS**
Queer Night @ Beauty Bar
 (10:00 p.m., 111 SW Ash, 21+)
- THE FIX @ Sameday Lounge**
 (9:00 p.m., 125 NW 5th, 21+)
- Hip Hop Heaven @ CCs**
 (9:00 p.m., 219 NW 3rd, 21+)
- FRIDAYS**
ALL AGES @ Escape
 (10:00 p.m., 333 SW Park, all ages, \$8 cover)
- FUEGO Latin Night @ Boxxes**
 (9:00 p.m., 1035 SW Stark, 21+)
- DJ Crumbs @ Scandals**
 (9:00 p.m., 1125 SW Stark, 21+)
- Hip Hop Fridays @ Red Cap**
 (9:00 p.m., 1035 SW Stark, 21+)
- Flamin' Fridays @ CCs**
 (9:00 p.m., 219 NW 3rd, 21+)
- SATURDAYS**
ALL AGES @ Escape
 (10:00 p.m., 333 SW Park, all ages, \$12 cover)
- Doll House @ Hamburger Mary's**
 (10:00 p.m., 19 NW 5th, 21+)
- REVOLUTION @ CCs**
 (9:00 p.m., 219 NW 3rd, 21+)

Me, Myself And I

> MIXED-MEDIA EXHIBIT EXPLORES IDENTITY VIA PORTRAITS OF CURATOR



"Serene Pokerface" by Gwenn Seemel (2010, acrylic on canvas, 48-by-34 inches), one of more than 30 pieces in *Spread Ego*.

It's been said that every work of art is, in fact, a self-portrait of the artist. What, then, to make of a work commissioned as a portrait of another artist? What then, still, when an entire show is comprised of portraits of the same artist?

That's the premise of *Spread Ego*, an audacious—if intentionally self-indulgent—conceptual undertaking curated by artist (and *Just Out* contributor) TJ Norris in the 10,000-square-foot space in Pioneer Place formerly known as Pottery Barn. More than 30 local artists created their own takes on Norris through a variety of media, from fused glass to acrylic on canvas to sound and video projections.

The result is a provocative, curiously personal installation marked by its individual parts' similarities as much as their differences. Larry Cwik focuses on "TJ's Eyes" (Laurie Danial does as well, "from Memory"), Jason Berlin envisions "TJ Norris as Faun." Some works are bare bones—in medium (Brent Marr's "Untitled (TJ)" pencil on paper, Sarah Gottesdiener's use of ink for "Free Wood") and imagery (the skeletal form in Gabriel Liston's "Two Identical Messages A Sly Thief Steals the Canoe").

In a world in which we daily stare down reflections of ourselves—be it the morning routine in front of the mirror or the fleet-

ing glimpse back from a Max train window or even a darkened cell phone screen—*Spread Ego* confronts issues apart from just creation and the artist's(s') ego(s). Norris—and his collection of portraiture—forces the viewer to consider how others view us, and how they'd paint, print or otherwise depict us to the external eye.

Somehow, it's the self removed, yet perhaps never closer.

Runs through Jan. 31, Wed.-Sat. noon-6 p.m.; Place, Pioneer Place Mall, 700 SW Fifth Ave., third floor; free; placepdx.tumblr.com.

—Amanda Schurr