

If it's not in *Just Out*,

# OUT ABOUT

it's not happening.



**Oh, Mr. Charming.** When you're not spinning hot tracks at BENT, you're making the ladies swoon at Gaycation (and every other hot party in town).

## SAT APRIL 16

**Red Dress Rugby.** Watch beauty and strength collide as the ORSU Jesters compete wearing their finest Red Dress attire. (Noon, Reed College, orsu.org)

**GO Red Dress 2011: Red Hot!** Read *Just Out's* full coverage on Pg. 30. (8:00 p.m. VIP admission, 9:00 p.m. general admission, 535 NW 10th, 21+, \$75-125, red-dresspdx.org)

**Queer Prom!** Here's the scoop: DJs Stormy and Jhon Camacho will bring the sounds of the '90s. There'll be food, drink, and a photo booth. Bring your college ID and a food donation and get in for free! (8:00 p.m., Q Center, 4115 N Mississippi, \$5, pdxqcenter.org)

**GO Just Out** presents Ecstasy Inferno's **CANDY SHOP** for a sticky, sweet night of bumping and grinding. \$2.50 well drinks from open to close. (10:00 p.m., Red Cap Garage, 1035 SW Stark, 21+, No cover!)

The Living Room and PFLAG Clackamas County present a **Hollywood-themed Alternative Prom!** FUN, dancing, food, photos, crafts, resources, games and more! Please do not bring drugs, alcohol, tobacco or weapons to prom. (7-11:00 p.m., Atkinson Memorial Church, 710 Sixth St., Oregon City, \$5, thelivingroomyouth.com)

**GO** Sometimes we all need a **Gaycation.** What is it? Oh, just an all-inclusive homo dance party featuring the always charming Mr. Charming (9:00 p.m., Holocene, 1001 SE Morrison, 21+, \$3)

**Maricon @ Matador** is an (almost) weekly dance party, featuring DJs Moist, Trans Fat, and Ill Camino. (10:00 p.m., Matador, 1967 W Burnside, 21+)

**GO** Siren Nation presents the 5th Annual **"Lady Sings The Blues" Billie Holiday Tribute Night.** (9:00 p.m., Mississippi Studios, 3939 N Mississippi, 21+, \$10 adv/\$12 dos)

Portland Metro Arts presents **Metro Dancers' Alice in Wonderland.** (2:00 p.m., Newmark Theatre, 1111 SW Broadway, \$15-20)

**The Adventure Group** joins the Portland Front-runners on an Esplanade walk with optional brunch afterwards. Meet by Vera Katz' statue (9:00 a.m., 1 SE Main, adventuregroup.org)

**Daddies and Papas** is a social group for GLBT men raising young children. (10:00 a.m.-Noon, Q Center, 4115 N Mississippi, pdxqcenter.org)

**LIVE ART.** Create live art from a selection of models. (1-3:00 p.m., Backspace, 115 NW 5th Ave., \$10)

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

## SUN APRIL 17

**GO Mr. Oregon Latin Look Pageant 2011.** (8:00 p.m., Darcelle XV, 206 NW 3rd, 21+, \$10 adv/\$15 dos)

**Mary's Matinee.** Watch classic films while you dine. (All day, Hamburger Mary's, 19 NW 5th, 21+ after 9:30 p.m.)

**Dirty Porn Bingo,** hosted by Chi Chi and Chonga. \$2.50 well drinks from open to close. (8-10:00 p.m., Boxxes, 1035 SW Stark, 21+)

Repent! **The Church of the Poison Mind** welcomes all sinners. Poison Waters presents the best hangover cure: no cover, free food, \$1 shots, beer bust, and a healthy dose of your favorite Silverado dancers. (4-9:00 p.m., Silverado, 308 SW 3rd, 21+, Free)

**Superstar Divas Mega Show!** (8:00 p.m., CC Slaughters, 219 NW Davis, 21+)

**The Adventure Group** goes on a long hike on the Swale Canyon segment of the Klickitat River Trail, with return via car shuttle. Meet outside Starbucks at Hollywood Fred Meyer. (8:00 a.m., 3030 NE Weidler, call Richard at 503-284-3345)

**Femmes Unite!** social group. Please bring food you can eat and a bit more to share. (2-4:00 p.m., Q Center, 4115 N Mississippi, pdxqcenter.org)

**Tranz Guyz** discussion group. (6-8:00 p.m., Q Center, 4115 N Mississippi, pdxqcenter.org)

Calendar additions, love letters and complaints can be sent to [calendar@justout.com](mailto:calendar@justout.com).

Check out more of the queerest events in town by logging on to [justout.com](http://justout.com).

## FRI APRIL 15

**GO** Crave Presents **Hip Hop Til You Drop,** a dance party for queer ladies and friends! Hip hop party tracks all night featuring DJ Wildfire and DJ Alicious! Wall-to-wall womyn, hip hop dancers, and sexy go-gos! (8:00 p.m., Crush Bar, 1400 SE Morrison, 21+, \$5 before 10pm, \$7 after, cravedanceparty.com)

**Q Center Film Screening Series.** Join Q Center for an evening of local produced shorts. All filmmakers will be present for a Q & A after the screenings. (7-10:00 p.m., Q Center, 4115 N Mississippi, \$5-10, pdxqcenter.org)

**Bad Girls** presents an evening of entertainment and fun in support of Q Center. (7-11:00 p.m., Morrison Hotel, 719 SE Morrison, 21+, \$5 cover, pdxbadgirls.net)

Clark College's Queer Penguins and Allies present the **3rd Annual Drag Night,** a fund raiser for the Queer Youth Center of Vancouver. (6-9:00 p.m., Clark College, Gaiser Hall, 1933 Fort Vancouver, Vancouver, \$5)

Boxxes presents **Fuego Fridays!** Shake your bon-bon to Latin beats all night long! (10:00 p.m., Boxxes, 1035 SW Stark, 21+, No cover!)

**Twisted Licious Karaoke.** Join Lady OnaLicious as she hosts karaoke with a twist. (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+)

**Dining with the Divas!** Hosted by Sabel Scities, it's a drag performance like you've never seen before. (7:00 p.m., Hamburger Mary's, 19 NW 5th, 21+ after 9:30 p.m.)

## Passion Pits

Ruhl's *Passion Play* gets the PAC attack

If you thought Mel Gibson's hot-button 2004 opus *Passion of the Christ* was controversial, what do you think it was like behind the scenes during production of the traditional passion plays? Chances are queer relationships, marijuana, Hitler and some strikingly Biblical sexual overtones were likely not part of the theological equation—or were they?—but that's exactly the kind of scenario explored in Sarah Ruhl's *Passion Play*.

Ruhl, a two-time Pulitzer Prize and Tony Award nominee, injects personal, religious and historical politics into the backstage antics of passion plays in three different time periods: 16th-century England, Hitler's Austria and 1970s Spearfish, South Dakota. Depending on the time period, Jesus is hot for Judas, and Mary the Virgin and Mary Magdalene share some sexual tension as well. Sound slightly ... experimental? It seems to be. To boot, it's being staged by the Portland Actors Conservatory's Class of 2011, a group working under one of the city's most heralded professional directors, Portland Center Stage Associate Artistic Director Rose Riordan.

"*Passion Play* is an ambitious project, spanning history, multiple locations, characters and moves at a dizzying pace," said Riordan via press release. "But I thought, 'What better project to work on with actors who are energetic, curious and still in training? It's been really fun and inspiring to work with PAC students.'"

Whether referencing Hitler's approval of early Oberammergau Passion Plays' anti-Semitic undertones



or bringing Queen Elizabeth into the fold, *Passion Play* looks to be a particularly epic drama.

*Pay-what-you-will* previews April 13-14, opens Fri., April 15, runs through May 1, Thurs.-Sat., 7:30 p.m., Sun., 2 p.m.; PAC's Firehouse Theatre, 1436 SW Montgomery St.; \$5-\$25; 503-274-1717 or [actorsconservatory.com](http://actorsconservatory.com).

—RYAN J. PRADO

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