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Further down the line, **Q Center hosts a concert Thursday, April 28 at 6:30 p.m.** featuring the acoustic attack of musicians Tom Goss, Jeffrey Altergott and Shannon Grady.

Goss' newest music video, "Lover," confronted "Don't ask, don't tell" and was recently featured in *The Advocate*, Out.com, Towleroad and After Elton. Tickets for this intimate performance are on a \$10-\$15 sliding scale donation. All ages are welcome.

Also upcoming at the Q, **The Vagina Monologues receives a makeover Friday, May 6 and Saturday, May 7** during a unique fundraising event. Eve Ensler's groundbreaking work will be augmented to include bringing trans-women and queer-identified persons from various backgrounds together to convey their experiences.

Tickets to both shows run \$12, or \$10 for students. Doors open at 6 p.m., and the show starts at 7. Visit pdxqcenter.org for details.

• **Mr. Gay Portland XXXV Ayden LaCroix presents an Underwear Fashion Show Saturday, May 7** at CC Slaughters (219 NW Davis St.). Proceeds from the event benefit the Audria M. Edwards Scholarship Fund.

Doors open at 6 p.m., and the show starts at 7. There is a \$5 suggested donation.

For more information, visit rosecourt.org.

Community Reminders

• **The Sexual and Gender Minority Youth Resource Center (SMYRC) hosts the fourth annual Night of Noise Friday, April 15** from 7 to 10 p.m. at its drop-in center (3024 NE Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.). With assistance from the Pride Project, as well as Portland State University's Sexual and Gender Minority Youth Capstone Class and the Queer Resource Center, Night of Noise brings LGBTQ youth and allies ages 12-23 together to share stories and experiences around the national Day of Silence.

Farther south, **The Domino Room in Bend, Ore. (51 NW Greenwood Ave.) hosts "That's So Gay,"** a Night of Noise celebration, also on April 15, from 7 p.m. to 3 a.m. The event features an open mic organized by Queer Youth Space, stand-up comedian Chris Doucette from New York City and Portland drag-comedy duo ChiChi and Chonga.

For more information, visit smyrc.org.

• **A limited number of tickets remain for the 11th Annual Red Dress Party Saturday, April 16.** The fundraiser, this year themed "Red Hot," takes place at 535 NW 10th Ave. at Hoyt Street in the Pearl District.

All proceeds raised benefit Q Center, Pivot and the YWCA of Clark County's SafeChoice Program. Online ticket sales are no longer available, but some general admission tickets may still be purchased at Starky's (SE 29th and Stark St., 503-230-7980) or Funny Bone (SW Sixth and Washington St., 503-241-0455).

Those looking for last-minute tickets are advised to call ahead for availability.

• **On Friday, April 29 at 7:30 p.m., "A Class Act,"** the signature fundraising event for the **Bill and Ann Shepherd Legal Scholarship Fund**, will be held at The Old Church (1422 SW 11th Ave.). The benefit, a classical music and dessert revue, will once again feature composer and soprano Theresa Koon, back by popular demand. Honorary co-chairs of this year's Shepherd Fund include Charles Hinkle, Vera Katz, Norma Paulus, Cheryl Perrin, former Portland Mayor Tom Potter and Kathleen Saadat.

Tickets are \$40 advance, \$50 at the door.

For tickets in advance to "A Class Act," visit *The Funny Bone* (617 SW Washington St.) or head online to ogalla.org/aaclassact.html.

• **Portland State University hosts the first annual Queer Students of Color Conference April 29 through May 1.** The conference is designed to provide resources, leadership, training and skills through workshops that engage, stimulate and bring awareness to the unique issues that affect queer students of color and the communities they occupy.

While the conference's focus is on queer students of color, heterosexual and white allies are welcome to join in on conversations as participants. There is a \$10 registration fee at the door.

To register, go to sites.google.com/site/qusocc or visit qrc.pdx.edu for more information. Visit justout.com for a Q&A with QSoCC organizer Jayvin Jordan-Green.



QSoCC
Queer Students of Color Conference

April 29th - May 1st 2011
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FRIDAY 4/29 - "STILL BLACK" FILM SCREENING W/ PRODUCER & DIRECTOR @ PSU'S MULTICULTURAL CENTER;
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SPEED DATING EVENT @ 6PM; DANCE 8PM-12AM;
SUNDAY 5/1 - LAST CALL; WORKSHOPS TILL 2PM;
FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT THE QSoCC STEERING COMMITTEE AT QSoCCCONFERENCE@GMAIL.COM

• **Cascade AIDS Project is suiting up for its 22nd Annual Art Auction and Evening Saturday, April 30** at the Memorial Coliseum (300 N. Winning Way). For information and tickets, visit capartauction.org, and read more on p. 10.

CLARIFICATION: Nike has not taken a public stance on marriage equality but has been a longtime supporter of Basic Rights Oregon's Oregonians Against Discrimination Business Leaders Luncheon [Vol. 28, No. 9, April 1, p. 12, "Can They We Do It?"]



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