



Wanderlust Circus' Kazum performs in **The White Album Christmas** with The Nowhere Band, Dec. 8-10 at the Alberta Rose Theatre. For more information, visit wanderlustcircus.com.

OUT ABOUT

it's not happening.

GO Book Reading and Q&A with Amy Schutler, author of the poetry chapbook, *Taking the Scarecrows Down*. (7:00 p.m., In Other Words, 14 NE Killingsworth)

Pub Quiz with Polly. (7-9:00 p.m., CC Slaughters, 219 NW 3rd, 21+)

LGBT In-Gathering. (7:00 p.m., Caldwell's Colonial Chapel, 20 NE 14th, please enter from the parking lot doors)

OUT Dancing Beginning Cha Cha lessons. (7:30 p.m., Ankeny Street Studio, 975 SE Sandy, \$10, outdancing.info)

Film Noir Night. (9:00 p.m., Red Cap Garage, 1035 SW Stark, 21+)

MaryOke. (9:00 p.m., Hamburger Mary's, 19 NW 5th, 21+)

TUES DEC 13

LGBTQI & Disabled support group. (1-2:30 p.m., Q Center, 4115 N Mississippi)

Housing Options for LGBTQ Seniors. Students from Lewis & Clark will present information on the climate of senior housing in Portland. (2:00 p.m., RSVP to gayandgrey@friendlyhouseinc.org or call 503-224-2640 for more information)

Men's Naked Yoga. (6:15 p.m., for more information call 503-223-8822 x1 or visit manifestpdx.org/calendar)

GO PFLAG Portland Holiday Party! Celebrate the season with good food, great company, and caroling! Please bring non-perishable food items or toiletries. (7-9:00 p.m., First United Methodist Church, 1838 SW Jefferson)

Hysteria Health Collective presents **Mommy, Where Does Trans Healthcare Come From?** (7:00 p.m., In Other Words, 14 NE Killingsworth)

Salon Q. (7-11:00 p.m., Q Center, 4115 N Mississippi)

Ham-Bingo. (7-9:00 p.m., Hamburger Mary's, 19 NW 5th, All ages, \$20 buy-in)

Glee Night at the Eagle OR the Local. (8:00 p.m., The Eagle Portland, 835 N Lombard, OR Local Lounge, 3536 NE MLK, 21+)

GO The Secret Drum Band percussion ensemble of indie all-star drummers, performs live! (8:30 p.m., Backspace, 115 NW 5th, all ages, \$5)

REBEL GRRL. DJs Brodeya and Slutshine play all riot grrrl/rock/metal/pop/90's by ladies/grrrls/women/womyn/queers. With special guest DJ Montoya! (9:00 p.m., Sloan's, 36 N Russell, 21+, No cover!)

Never Enough, an '80s dance party! (9:00 p.m., Red Cap Garage, 1035 SW Stark, 21+, No cover!)

GIRLTOPIA. (9:00 p.m., CC Slaughters, 219 NW 3rd, 21+, No cover!)

WED DEC 14

LGBTQI Seniors Lunch, free to seniors age 60+. (Noon-1:00 p.m., MCC, 2400 NE Broadway, 503-367-2220, mccpdxfood@gmail.com)

Old Lesbians Organizing for Change. (1-3:00 p.m., Q Center, 4115 N Mississippi, for more information, call 503-286-3575)

The Link, a social networking group for HIV+ GLBT men, meets for a Holiday Party. Come for refreshments, and bring an inexpensive gift for the White Elephant gift exchange. (6:00 p.m., Pivot, 209 SW 4th, pivotpdx.org)

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

Quizzyl! Trivia. (7-9:00 p.m., Hamburger Mary's, 19 NW 5th, All ages)

Queer Drum Circle. (7:30 p.m., Mt. Tabor Theater, 4811 SE Hawthorne, 21+)

RIOT Wednesdays, running on "grrrl" power. (9:00 p.m., Red Cap Garage, 1035 SW Stark, 21+, No cover!)

DJ Michael Morris. (9:00 p.m., Local Lounge, 3536 NE MLK, 21+)

THURS DEC 15

Positive Force Northwest Winter Social. (6-8:00 p.m., Pivot, 208 SW 4th, For questions or to RSVP, please email positiveforce@cascadeids.org or call 503-278-3844)

LGBTQ Adoptive Parent Support Group. (6:00 p.m., Q Center, 4115 N Mississippi)

GO Portland's Own Legendary Ladies present **Babes in Barland: The Fox & Hounds 4th Anniversary Christmas Show!** (6:30 p.m. dinner and drinks, 8:00 p.m. show, Fox & Hounds, 217 NW 2nd, 21+)

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

You're Out! Now What? monthly meet-up for men who have recently come out of the closet. (6:30 p.m., Q Center, 4115 N Mississippi)

Adult Young Adult Book Club discusses *Ash* by Malinda Lo and *Matched* by Ally Condie. (7-9:00 p.m., In Other Words, 14 NE Killingsworth)

GO Portland Idol: Holiday Harmonies, hosted by Poison Waters and featuring the contestants of Portland Idol. (9:00 p.m., Red Cap Garage, 1035 SW Stark, 21+, No cover!)

Bearly Naked Billiards! (9:00 p.m., The Eagle Portland, 835 N Lombard, 21+)

DJ Harmonix. (9:00 p.m., Local Lounge, 3536 NE MLK, 21+)

Costume MaryOke! (9:00 p.m., Hamburger Mary's, 19 NW 5th, 21+)

Hip Hop Heaven. (9:00 p.m., CC Slaughters, 219 NW 3rd, 21+)

FRI DEC 16

Portland City Club presents their holiday forum **Wine, Civics, and Song with the Portland Gay Men's Chorus.** (11:30 a.m., The Governor Hotel, 614 SW 11th, \$25, pdxcityclub.org)

Oregon Bears Happy Hour. (5-7:00 p.m., Fox & Hounds, 217 NW 2nd, 21+, No cover!)

Poison Waters & Friends Happy Hour Show. (5:30-7:00 p.m., Al's Den in the Crystal Hotel, 303 SW 12th, 21+, No cover!)

GO The STUMPED Awards. Genderf**king Takeover brings the best (and worst) drag in Portland to the red carpet in this unique award show. (6:00 p.m. red carpet meet and greet, 8:00 p.m. show, Red Cap Garage, 1035 SW Stark, 21+)

MpowerMENT, the newest way to get involved for men ages 18-39. (6:30 p.m., Pivot, 209 SW 4th, pivotpdx.org)

OUT Dancing Beginning West Coast Swing lessons. (6:30 p.m., Ankeny Street Studio, 975 SE Sandy, \$10, outdancing.info)

The Feminist Film Society. (7:00 p.m., In Other Words, 14 NE Killingsworth, inotherwords.org)

Film Fridays at Pivot! This week's film: *Water For Elephants* (2011). (7:00 p.m., Pivot, 209 SW 4th, Free, pivotpdx.org)

MTF Support Group. For more information please contact sujvary@comcast.net. (7-9:00 p.m., Q Center, 4115 N Mississippi)

Radical Women Volunteer Appreciation Party. (7:00 p.m., Bread and Roses Center, 6834 NE Glisan)

GO An Evening With Holcombe Waller, with special guests Justin Harris and Danny Seim of Menomena, Ritchie Young of Loch Lomond, Alina Hardin, and more! (8:00 p.m., Alberta Rose Theatre, 3000 NE Alberta, \$10-20)

MANTRAP, with DJ Lunchlady. (9:00 p.m., Red Cap Garage, 1035 SW Stark, 21+)

Drinking with the Divas! (10:00 p.m., Hamburger Mary's, 19 NW 5th, 21+, No cover!)

SAT DEC 17

Daddies and Pappas social group for LGBT men raising young children. (10:00 a.m.-Noon, Q Center, 4115 N Mississippi)

PFLAG Portland Black Chapter Meetup. (Noon, SMYRC, 3024 NE MLK, facebook.com/pflag.portlandblackchapter)

Aurora Chorus presents their holiday concert *Only Light, Only Love*. (4:00 & 7:30 p.m., PSU Smith Auditorium, 620 SW 9th, \$20-24)

GO Inferno Holiday Dance! Shake it OUT with seasoned lesbians who are too old for the "scene" and too young to stop dancing. (6-10:00 p.m., Cuda Beach Club, 9 NW 2nd, 21+, \$8 cover)

GO The Q Center Concert Series presents the 5th Annual **Queer Quistmas Holiday Variety Show Spectacular**, with Fannie Mae Darling and Splendor Gabor. (7:00 p.m., Q Center, 4115 N Mississippi)

Burlescape: HOLIDAZE! A special holiday taste of the burlesque and boylesque world! (9:00 p.m., Crush Bar, 1400 SE Morrison, 21+, \$7 cover)

GAYCATION! DJ Mr. Charming and special guests invite you to Portland's premier all-inclusive homo dance party, featuring queer talent from across the nation. (9:00 p.m., Holocene, 1001 SE Morrison, 21+, \$3, groups.facebook.com/gaycation)

Bear Paw Beer Bust! (9:00 p.m., Eagle Portland, 835 N Lombard, 21+, oregonbears.org)

DJ Brad and the "All-You-Can-Eat Weiner Bar." (9:00 p.m., Local Lounge, 3536 NE MLK, 21+)

GO MRS. DJ Beyondadoubt serves up a late Saturday feeding of queer dance party awesome. (10:00 p.m., Mississippi Studios, 3939 N Mississippi, 21+, \$5)

Maricon @ Matador. (10:00 p.m., Matador, 1967 W Burnside, 21+)

Divas Under the Influence. (10:00 p.m., Hamburger Mary's, 19 NW 5th, 21+, No cover!)

SUN DEC 18

Hope Changes Everything Christmas Program. (10:00 a.m., MCC Portland, 2400 NE Broadway, mccportland.com)

OutKayaking Christmas Ship Parade Paddle. Paddlers must have at least two lights on their kayaks. (4:00 p.m., Downtown Portland OMSI/ Alder Creek under the Hawthorne Bridge, Contact Kyle at 503-989-6333 for more information, outkayaking.org)

Aurora Chorus presents their holiday concert *Only Light, Only Love*. (4:00 p.m., PSU Smith Auditorium, 620 SW 9th, \$20-24)

The Church of the Poison Mind. (4-9:00 p.m., Silverado, 308 SW 3rd, 21+)

Men's Wanderlust Fitness Cycling Group. (4:30 p.m., For more information, call 503-223-8822 x1 or visit manifestpdx.org/calendar)

GO 12th Annual **NW Women Rhythm & Blues Christmas Concert.** (6:00 p.m. Holiday dinner, 8:00 p.m. concert, The Spare Room, 4830 NE 42nd, \$15, sonnyhess.com, 503-319-1333)

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

Las Vegas drag sensation Edie comes **Home for the Holidays.** (7:00 p.m., Darcelle XV, 208 NW 3rd, 21+, \$15, simplyedie.com)

The Tiptons & The Quadrapphones bring you two (count em, two) all-female saxophone-based musical acts on one stage! (7:00 p.m., Alberta Rose Theatre, 3000 NE Alberta, \$12-15)

PDX Queer Porn Night. (7-9:00 p.m., Variant Lab, 4810 NE Garfield, 18+, \$3-5 sliding scale)

The Portland Fighting Fillies host **Holiday Bingo!** Wear your ugliest holiday sweater and win a special "best dressed" prize! (7-9:00 p.m., Hamburger Mary's, 19 NW 5th, \$20 buy-in)

Brandi Carlile performs live with The Secret Sisters. (8:00 p.m., Mississippi Studios, 3939 SE Mississippi, 21+, SOLD OUT!)

Superstar Divas Christmas Mega Show! (8:00 p.m., CC Slaughters, 219 NW Davis, 21+, No cover!)

Trivia Under the Influence with Neal. (8-10:00 p.m., Red Cap Garage, 1035 SW Stark, 21+)

MON DEC 19

Burger night! (6-9:00 p.m., Starky's 2913 SE Stark, 21+)

GO Just Out presents **Gay Skate!** A night of the hokey pokey, backwards skate and putting on some serious mileage at Oaks Park. (7-9:00 p.m., 1 SE Spokane St., \$6 plus a food donation for Esther's Pantry)

Totally F*cked: Strap It On. Let Sophia St. James teach you how to own your strap-on. (7:00 p.m., In Other Words, 14 NE Killingsworth, 18+, \$7 adv/\$10 dos, strapitontpdx.eventbrite.com)

Pub Quiz with Polly. (7-9:00 p.m., CC Slaughters, 219 NW 3rd, 21+)

OUT Dancing Beginning Cha Cha lessons. (7:30 p.m., Ankeny Street Studio, 975 SE Sandy, \$10, outdancing.info)

The Portland Polyamory Circle is a place to chat about inclusive relationships, extended families, and intentional community. (7:30 p.m., Contact Laury at 503-285-4848 for location)



Love In The Time Of Dance Fights

Broadway revival of *West Side Story* arrives in Portland

If dance fights and star-crossed lovers make you glad to live in "Ah-mer-ee-kah," it's time to get snappy—check out *West Side Story* when the Grammy-winning revival tour touches down in Portland.

Over a half-century ago, *West Side Story* exploded onto the Broadway stage with a tale of lovers beleaguered by the rival gangs to which they swear their allegiance. Inspired equally by *Romeo & Juliet* and the ethnic tensions of 1950s New York, the play's dark theme, sophisticated music, extended dance scenes and focus on social problems marked a turning point in American musical theater. The score by Leonard Bernstein and Stephen Sondheim—a collection of standards that includes "Tonight," "Maria" and drag queen classic "I Feel Pretty"—is widely regarded as a

vanguard of genre composition. Even after 50+ years, the music of *West Side Story* is innovative—enough to garner the 2010 cast recording a Grammy.

This groundbreaking production, recreated for the tour by David Saint, offers a fresh, bold new design that builds on the original show's raw power. It's a little retro, certainly—but the touring production of *West Side Story* transcends mere nostalgia to illustrate how good theater can be truly timeless.

Jan. 3-8, *showtimes vary*; Keller Auditorium, 222 SW Clay; \$24.50 and up; 800-982-ARTS, 503-241-1802 or broadwaywestsidestory.com.

—NICK MATTOS