

# COMMUNITY



Queer Heroes NW has named Frank Roa of Hermiston one of its 30 heroes. Roa says there are no LGBTQ or people of color in leadership roles or community government in Morrow County. He says he and his community are not accepted and prejudice and racism are a huge issue where he lives and works in Eastern Oregon.

Read more about Roa on the Community page at [JustOut.com](http://JustOut.com)

(Q CENTER)

## HEROES NORTHWEST

The Q Center and the Gay & Lesbian Archives of the Pacific Northwest (GLAPN) are partnering on a multi-media celebration of local LGBTQ pioneers and leaders, Queer Heroes NW. The project will be unveiled this month.

The 30 queer heroes will be featured at the Q Center throughout June, as well as in Q Center's booth at the waterfront Pride festival.

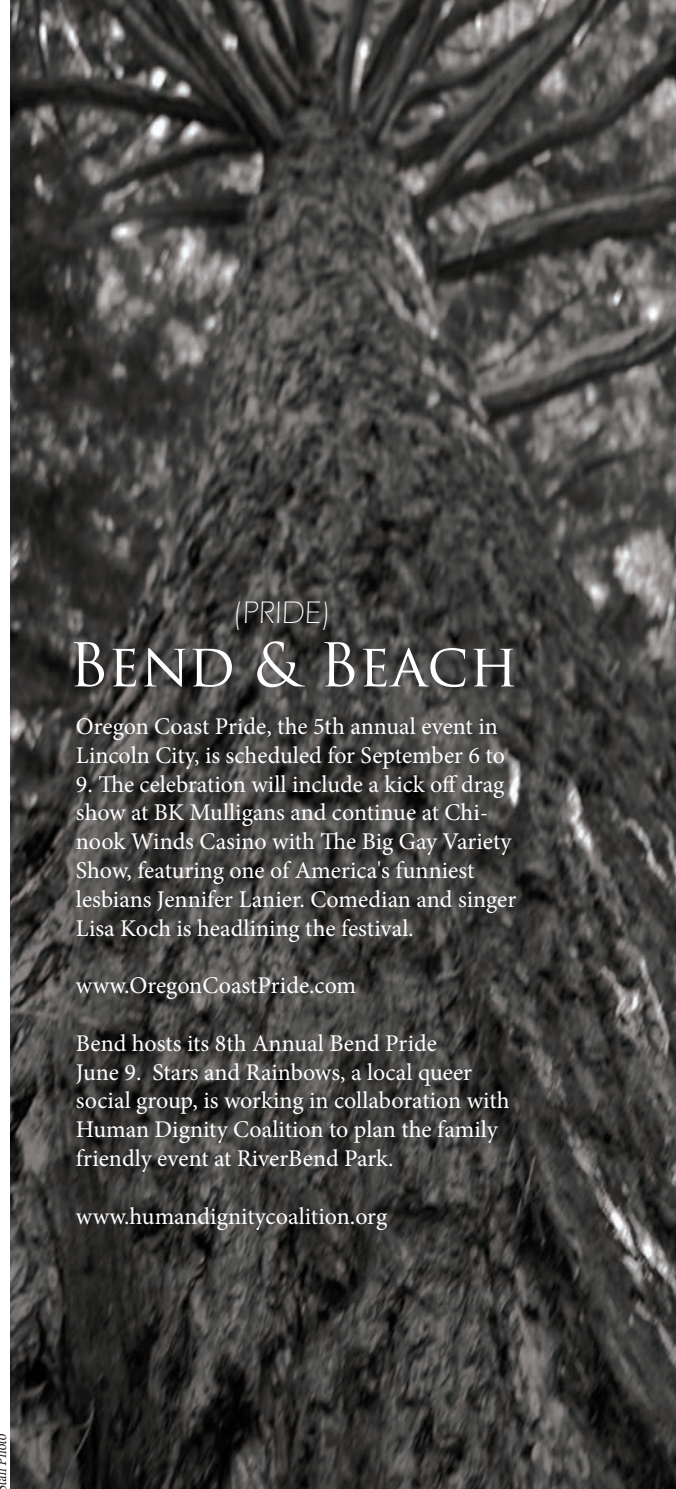
The portable display will be hitting the road and making the rounds all over community centers, schools, churches, and businesses.

Frank Roa is one queer Hero. The executive director for Umatilla Morrow Alternatives (human dignity group) has lived in Eastern Oregon since he was 4.

[www.pdxQcenter.org](http://www.pdxQcenter.org)

ACCORDING TO MENSHEALTH.COM, PORTLAND IS ONE OF THE TOP PORN-VIEWING CITIES IN THE COUNTRY. THE ROSE CITY CAME IN AT #16! OUR MORE PRUDISH NEIGHBOR TO THE NORTH — SEATTLE WAS #45. SEEMS OUR TEAM MUST SHARE IN AT LEAST A PART OF THIS NOTORIETY.

#1 YOU ASK? ORLANDO, FL., THE HAPPIEST PLACE ON EARTH.



(PRIDE)

## BEND & BEACH

Oregon Coast Pride, the 5th annual event in Lincoln City, is scheduled for September 6 to 9. The celebration will include a kick off drag show at BK Mulligans and continue at Chinoook Winds Casino with The Big Gay Variety Show, featuring one of America's funniest lesbians Jennifer Lanier. Comedian and singer Lisa Koch is headlining the festival.

[www.OregonCoastPride.com](http://www.OregonCoastPride.com)

Bend hosts its 8th Annual Bend Pride June 9. Stars and Rainbows, a local queer social group, is working in collaboration with Human Dignity Coalition to plan the family friendly event at RiverBend Park.

[www.humandignitycoalition.org](http://www.humandignitycoalition.org)

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## BROWNSTEIN'S MEMOIR

Local musician, comedienne, writer and queer icon Carrie Brownstein might just have some interesting things to say in her upcoming memoir. The forthcoming tome from Riverhead Books has yet to have a pub date or a title but the internet is already abuzz with the news.

Brownstein started her career with the Olympia-named Sleater-Kinney, an alternative rock band, and continued other musical projects forming her current band Wild Flag with fellow indie-credible members Mary Timony, Rebecca Cole and Janet Weiss. She is also a co-creator and star, along with SNL's Fred Armisen, of the hit IFC homage/spoof on our town, Portlandia, as well as former music writer for The Believer and Monitor Mix blog for NPR.