



As You Like It is as merry and satisfying a Shakespeare play as ever there was, and Free Shakespeare in the Park unveils its opening performance this weekend. The daughter of an exiled duke and her friend dress up in disguise (no Shakespeare comedy is complete without a little crossdressing) and escape to the Forest of Arden, where a quirky group of misfits enjoy each other’s company. Shenanigans ensue. And, of course, romance of the most convoluted and confusing kind. It’s a delightful, silly romp that is perfect for a summer evening.

Free Shakespeare in the Park’s *As You Like It* opens this weekend with performances at 6pm Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 1 & 2, at Amazon Community Center, 2700 Hilyard St.; FREE.

Hiroshima-Nagasaki Commemoration w/potluck, speakers, Taiko drumming & Obon Dancing, 6:30-9:30pm, Alton Baker Park, near duck pond. FREE.

Doc’s Pad Drag Queen Bingo continues. See Thursday, July 30.

Downtown Toastmasters continues. See Thursday, July 30.

Eugene Metro Business Networking International continues. See Thursday, July 30.

Exhibit Talks continue. See Thursday, July 30.

Nar-Anon Meeting continues. See Thursday, July 30.

Open Figure Drawing continues. See Thursday, July 30.

KIDS/FAMILIES Wonderful Ones Storytime continues. See Thursday, July 30.

LECTURES/CLASSES “World Heritage Sites of India” w/ Denis Shelton, 6pm, downtown eugene. FREE.

Warrior Sisters Teen Self Defense Class continues. See Thursday, July 30.

LITERARY ARTS Lunch w/ Philippe Lazaro, author of *If Not for Second Chances*, noon, The Book Nest, 1461 Mohawk Blvd., Spfd. FREE.

ON THE AIR “The Point,” 9-9:30am, KPOV 88.9FM.

“Arts Journal,” current local arts, 9-10pm, Comcast channel 29.

OUTDOORS/RECREATION Oregon State Capitol Tower & Building Tours continue. See Thursday, July 30.

Pool Hall for seniors continues. See Thursday, July 30.

SOCIAL DANCE Music & Dance Workshops w/Taller de Son Jarocho, 7-9pm, American Legion Hall, 344 8th St., Spfd. FREE.

English & Scottish Country Dancing continues. See Thursday, July 30.

SPECTATOR SPORTS Baseball: Emeralds vs. Salem-Kaizer Volcanoes, 7:05pm, PK Park. \$7-\$13.

THEATER Roving Park Players’ *The Secret Garden*, 6pm, Petersen Barn Community Center, 870 Berntzen Rd. FREE.

No Shame Workshop continues. See Thursday, July 30.

VOLUNTEER Care for Owen Rose Garden, bring gloves & small hand-weeding tools, instruction provided, noon-3pm, end of N. Jefferson St., 682-5025.

Native Plant Nursery Volunteer Work Party continues. See Thursday, July 30.

CORVALLIS AND SURROUNDING AREAS

THURSDAY, JULY 30: “John Rock Collection,” 10am-4:30pm

today through Saturday & Tuesday through Thursday, Aug. 6, Benton County Museum, Philomath. FREE.

SATURDAY, AUG. 1: Corvallis Farmers Market, special Beekeepers Association info booth, 9am-1pm, 1st St. FREE.

SUNDAY, AUG. 2: First Sunday Vocal Jam Circle, 2-4pm, Riverfront Park, Corvallis. FREE.

MONDAY, AUG. 3: Dry Farming Field Day, 4-7pm, Oak Creek Center, Corvallis. FREE.

THURSDAY, AUG. 6: Bard in the Quad: *A Midsummer Night’s Dream*, 7:30pm, OSU, Corvallis. \$5-\$15.

ATTENTION OPPORTUNITIES

Lane Community College Performing Arts holds auditions for The Pillowman from 5:30-7pm Monday & Tuesday. Call 463-5648 for information.

The Shedd Institute holds youth auditions for its upcoming staging of *Mary Poppins*, 9am-noon Saturday. See theshedd.org.

SLUG Queen Competition applications are available now. Submit before Friday, Aug. 7. See slugqueen.com.

Open Session Figure Drawing, 6:30-9pm, Emerald Art Center, 500 Main St., Spfd. \$6.

Salem Drum Circle, 6:30pm, downtown Riverfront Park, Salem. FREE.

Exhibit Talks continue. See Thursday, July 30.

Oregon State Capitol Tower & Building Tours continue. See Thursday, July 30.

KIDS/FAMILIES Lapsit Storytime, ages birth-3 w/adult, 10am, Springfield Library, 225 5th St., Spfd. FREE.

Preschool Storytime, ages 3-6, 10am, Springfield Library, 225 5th St., Spfd. FREE.

Family Board Game Night, 6pm, Castle of Games, 660 Main, Spfd. FREE.

LECTURES CLASSES “Comparing the Environmental Impact of Common Household Items” w/

David Tyler, 11:30am-1pm, Hilton Hotel, 66 E. 6th Ave. FREE.

Paleo Pancakes Cooking Demo w/Yaakov Levine, noon-1:30am, Natural Grocers, 201 Coburg Rd. FREE.

ON THE AIR “The Point,” 9-9:30am, KPOV 88.9AM.

“That Atheist Show, weekly call-in, 7pm, Comcast TV channel 29, 790-6617.

OUTDOORS/RECREATION Accessible Aquatics, swimming classes for individuals with disabilities, 10am, Amazon Pool, 2600 Hilyard St. \$7.

Pinball Knights, double-elimination pinball tournament, 21 and over, 8pm, Blairally, 245 Blair Blvd., 683-1721. \$5 buy in.

Pool Hall continues. See Thursday, July 30.

THURSDAY AUGUST 6

SUNRISE 6:06AM; SUNSET 8:30PM
AVG. HIGH 83; AVG. LOW 51

FARMERS MARKETS FFLC Youth Farm Stand continues. See Thursday, July 30.

Lane County Farmers Market continues. See Saturday, July 30.

McKenzie SmartGrow Farm Stand continues. See Thursday, July 30.

FILM Almost an Oscar: *Do the Right Thing*, 6:30pm, Wildish Theater, 630 Main St., Spfd. FREE.

FOOD/DRINK Thirsty Thursday continues. See Thursday, July 30.

GATHERINGS Party on the Plaza: hip hop artists Def Con 5, 5:30-6:15pm, Hult Center Plaza. FREE.

PERFORMANCE BY ADRIAN BLACK

PRETTY IN PINK

Saying goodbye to G.L.A.M.

After four years and three venues, G.L.A.M. arrives at its grand finale and celebration, a pink party at Luckey’s Club Saturday, Aug. 1, to send off the whole G.L.A.M. family in style.

The drag show Eugene has grown to love began as Gays, Lesbians And More, offering a positive venue to queer folks and their allies. “It was about people who didn’t have a space,” says producer/emcee Anthony Barber, aka Diva-Simone Slaughter, who has performed in Eugene since “Baby Got Back” was the flavor of the week.

What now then for G.L.A.M.-goers? “People should know that G.L.A.M. isn’t dying — it’s evolving,” Slaughter says. The spirit of the event has always been that it was a home in the absence of a home, and for Slaughter, with the advent of The Wayward Lamb, a new explicitly queer bar, it’s time to move on.

What comes next will be something more diverse, featuring drag kings and other yet-unknown pleasures.

G.L.A.M. ran for its first year or so with Slaughter, Cornel Hardiman, aka Karess Ann Slaughter, and the internet go-go dancer celebrity Curtis Goodman, aka Vegas Platinum. In lieu of Goodman, the Pink Party lineup will feature long-time regular Bill Sullivan, aka Daphne

Storm, who has traveled with the event from John Henry’s to Diablo’s and, finally, Luckey’s.

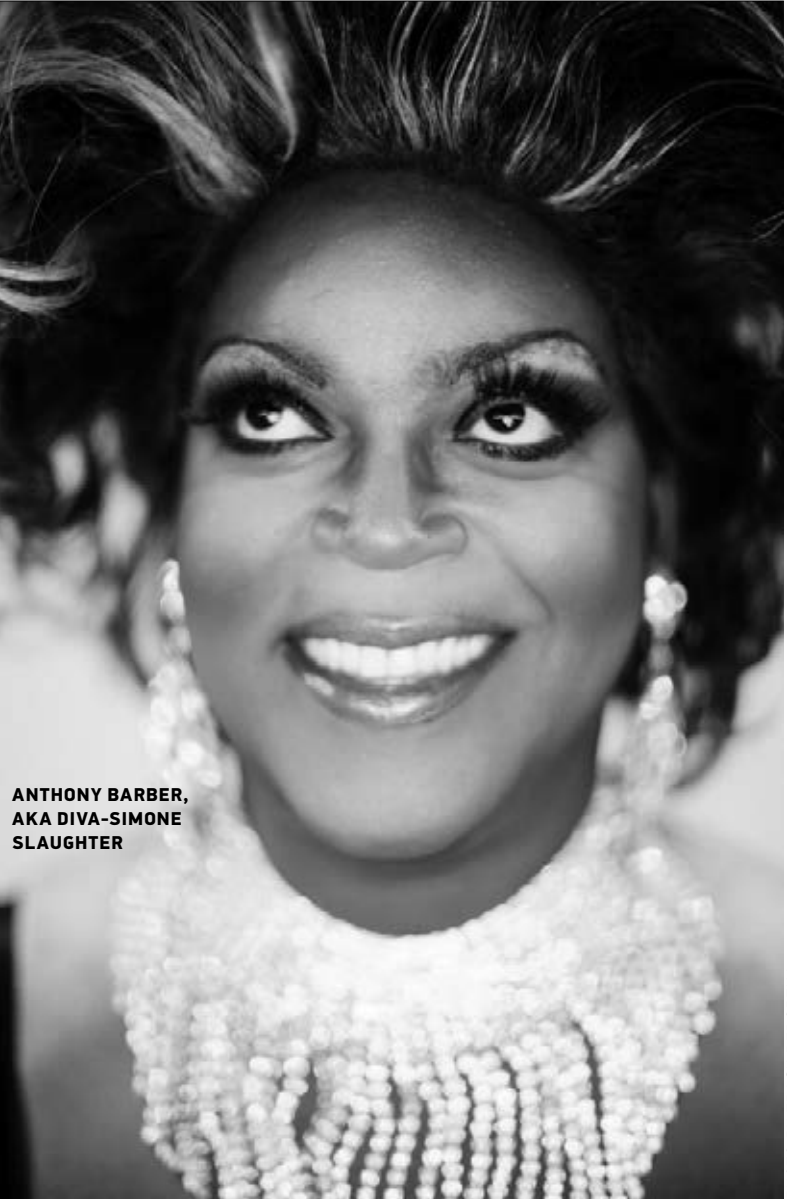
Storm, locally born and raised, isn’t heartbroken. “I’ve seen things come and go,” she says, adding that, in this case, “it’s a good thing.”

Storm and Slaughter met ages ago through the charity collective Imperial Sovereign Court, where they’ve since performed for causes like HIV Alliance and Sexual Assault Support Services of Lane County.

“A large part of my life has been drag and doing stuff for the community,” says Slaughter, who over the years has worked at about a dozen bars in the area, doing everything from bartending to hosting a dating game show. “G.L.A.M. was a good place to put all that together.”

“I spend a lot of time and effort on a look. I believe in glamor,” Slaughter says, recalling past wardrobes and themes. “We’ve done red parties, we’ve done green parties. We’ve never done pink,” she says. The drag party before there was G.L.A.M. was called Club Pink. “It’s an homage to that.”

Diva-Simone Slaughter, Karess Ann Slaughter and Daphne Storm will let loose, backed by the G.L.A.M. Squad go-go dancers, all to the tunes of DJs Jordin McDowell and John Strieder, 11 pm Saturday, Aug. 1, at Luckey’s; \$5, doors at 9 pm.



ANTHONY BARBER, AKA DIVA-SIMONE SLAUGHTER

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