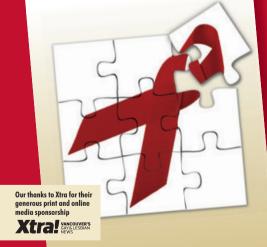




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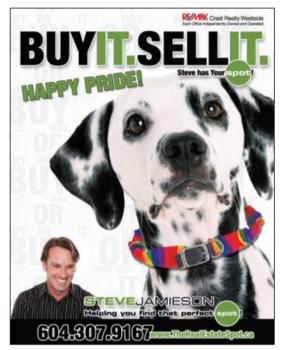
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THE ULTIMATE PRIDE LISTINGS

ALL THE EVENTS, OFFICIAL AND UNOFFICIAL

FRI. JULY 16

EVENING

Vancouver Folk Music Festival

A weekend of music to move the heart, hips and head, one of the best indie folk-music festivals in Canada and a lesbian mecca. Gates open Friday at 4pm and festival runs until Sun, July 18. Jericho Beach Park, 3941 Point Grey Rd. thefestival.bc.ca

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Flygirl Productions brings you an inclusive, elegant and playful party for women and friends. 9pm—2am. Canvas Lounge, 99 Powell St. Tickets \$12 at flygirlproductions.com

SAT. JULY 17

AFTERNOON

Gay Day At Playland

Carnival games, rides, mini donuts, candyfloss, the famous wooden roller coaster and drag queens! Live entertainment and a private beer garden. Wear red to show your pride. 12–8 pm. Playland at the PNE, 2901 E Hastings St. Tickets \$28.50 for the day. vancouverpride.ca

EVENING

Bear Cave

Aimed at bearish guys, chubs, chasers and their admirers, but



you don't have to be any of the above to attend. DJ The Round Mound of Sound. 8pm—1:30am. Heritage Grill, 447 Columbia St, New Westminster. No cover.

Who Does She Think She Is

Tracey Bell becomes 13 divas in 69 minutes, from Marilyn Mon-

roe to Lady Gaga. 7pm. Five Sixty, 560 Seymour St. Tickets \$20 advance at Mine (177 E Broadway), Denman Fitness (1731 Comox St), Biz Books (302 W Cordova St) or traceybell.com. \$30 at door.

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The Return Of Honey Dijon

The House of Venus presents NY superstar Honey Dijon for one night only. Hostess Miss Cotton and DJs Dreaddy, MKW, Mumbles and Luis. 10pm. Five Sixty, 560 Seymour St.

Ken & Barbie Party

Dress like a doll and join them as they celebrate their sixth birthday at Celebrities. Special performances by Jaylene at 11:30pm and midnight, hosted by Vegas and Fushia with DJs Zach Shore and Timeline. 9pm. Celebrities, 1022 Davie St.

SUN. JULY 18

EVENING

Kate Reid

Girlgig Productions brings you performances by the Rosie Burgess Trio from Australia and Vancouver's own Kate Reid. Doors 8pm, show 9pm. Railway Club, 579 Dunsmuir St. \$10 at

WED, JULY 21

EVENING

Hair

Fighting Chance Productions brings that ode to 1960s sexual liberation back to the stage with a live band. Runs until Aug 1. Wed to Sat 7:30pm, Sun 1:30 and 7pm. Waterfront Theatre, 1412 Cartwright St, Granville Island. Tickets \$25–30 at the door.

Celebration of Light

Okay, it's not explicitly a Pride event, but what's a celebration without some fireworks in the West End? Four countries will light the sky above English Bay over the course of four evenings. Visible from almost all vantage points along English Bay and Kitsilano. Sit back and enjoy the show or watch from your new best friend's rooftop

patio in the gaybourhood. Continues on Sat, July 24, Wed, July 28 and Sat, July 31.

FRI. JULY 23

AFTERNOON

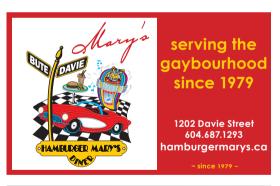
Average Joes Café

Join other gay poz men at a daytime alternative to clubs, every Friday. Make friends, discuss issues and problems, or just relax and play pool. 3–6 pm. Junction Pub, 1138 Davie St. bcpwa.org

EVENING

Tret Fure in Concert

Since starting her singing career in coffeehouses and on campuses in the Midwest four decades ago, Tret Fure has released four albums on her own label, Tomboy Girl Records, and made her mark in the folk world. Doors 6pm, show 7:30pm. Rhizome Café, 317 E Broadway St. Tickets \$12–18, sliding scale. tretfure.com









SAT. JULY 24

MORNING

Picnic in the Park

Pack your basket, bring your friends and throw down a blanket. Tug of war, high-heel toss, watermelon-eating contest, kids' theatre and drag races. Plenty of food, entertainment and a beer garden. 11am—6pm. Brockton Oval, Stanley Park. Free, vancouverpride.ca

AFTERNOON

Bears, the Baths And Beyond

Come see what all the fuzz is about. The fourth Saturday of each month, Steamworks Bathhouse has music, food and hot furry men from 1–6pm. Work out, relax in the steam or meet new friends. Steamworks, 123 W Pender St. steamworksonline. com/vancouver/vancouver.

EVENING

Man Up

What began as a drag king competition for the title of The Man now features a regular showcase and celebration every fourth

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Saturday of the month. 10 pm. Lick Club. 455 Abbott St.

Dirty Girls Play Party

A light, fun evening of play where almost anything and everything goes. A place for beginners to dip in their toes and explore their voyeuristic or exhibitionist sides (or both). Women only. 8pm—

1am. To register go to libidoevents.com

SUN. IULY 25

AFTERNOON

Brunch J Lounge Style

Brunch served at noon, followed by the Show Your Colours T-Dance with DJ Jeffery Michael and DJ Marc Tattoo at 3pm. J Lounge, 1216 Bute St. No cover.



Vancouver Rainbow Sisters Kickoff

An evening of comedy, music and friends hosted by the Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence. Doors 8pm, show 9pm. J Lounge, 1216 Bute St. \$10–20 (sliding scale), proceeds support the Sisters' community grant program. More info at yvrsisters.ca

Cash-Tastic

Pride week at Numbers starts with a karaoke dance party from 9pm—midnight, hosted by Jeff St Germain and DJ Tom. \$200 cash prize. No competition, just be there for your chance to win. \$3 cover after 9 pm. 12—2am with DJ Aron. Numbers, 1042 Davie St.

MON, JULY 26

EVENING

Tops & Bottoms

Improv show starts at 8pm with the Tops & Bottoms women





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battling it out in Womyn Rule. Then stay for Intimate and Interactive at 10pm, as founding artistic director David C Jones hosts three of your favourite Bobbers in this one-hour cross between a probing talk show and no-holds-barred house party. Revealing, honest and wickedly funny. J Lounge, 1216 Bute St. Reservations 604-609-6665.

Pride Latin Night

S200 dance contest, Latino drag performers, hosted by Mart3 and DJ Noe, with live band 4U playing all your favourite tunes in the Loft. \$3 cover after 9pm. After the band, enjoy the Karaoke Funbox. Numbers, 1042 Davie \$5

Jack & Jill Masturbation Event

Group scene featuring tons of people masturbating in various forms. Women and men, couples and singles. Masturbate yourself, your date or perhaps a new friend. Sex machines, porn and live sex shows. 7–9:15 pm. \$30. Register at libidoevents.com

TUES. JULY 27

EVENING

Vancouver Is Burning

1181 teams up with Sad Mag and the Queer Film Festival to present a screening of the gay cult classic *Paris Is Burning*. Followed by a cocktail reception and '90s throwback tunes by DJ Robo Santa. Doors open at 6pm, film starts at 7:30pm. 1181, 1181 Davie St. Free.

The Feud Is Back

Barb Snelgrove hosts your favourite game show with a gay twist. Prizes, drink specials, door prizes. S3 cover after 9pm. Video dance party with DJ Tim. Karaoke Funbox in the Loft. 1042 Dayle St.

Queer Shorts

Queer Shorts on Screen hosted by Josh Rimer at 7pm. Followed by karaoke with Gogan at 9pm. J Lounge, 1216 Bute St. No cover.

Coming Unbuttoned

Back by popular demand, Doug Cameron presents an updated version of his playful review of homoerotic poetry by American poet, author and filmmaker, James Broughton. Co-presented by the Vancouver Pride Society and the Queer Arts Festival. 7pm. Roundhouse Performance Centre, 181 Roundhouse Mews. \$10 at the door.

The Gayest Show on Earth

Comedian Darcy Michael unleashes a no-holds-barred stand-up comedy show featuring riffs on everything from gay marriage to suicidal thoughts in suburbia. Copresented by the Vancouver Pride Society and the Queer Arts





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Festival. 9pm. Roundhouse Performance Centre, 181 Roundhouse Mews. \$10 at the door.

Ryan Steele

Local comedy troupe performs a mix of script-based improvisation, stand-up comedy and video skits the last Tuesday of every month. For video skit examples, visit youtube.com and search for the Ryan Steele Show. Doors 9pm, show 9:30. Odyssey Night-club. 1251 Howe St. S8 cover.

Frequeency Pride

Vancouver's fiercest young performers dance their weaves off at this high-energy, top-40 Pride drag night. Starring Vancouver's Empress and one of the best drag performers in town, Raye Sunshine, with Kamelle Toe and special guests. Jello-shot contests and giveaways, with shows at 11:30pm and 1:30am. Odyssey, 1251 Howe St.

WED. JULY 28

EVENING

Carnival Drag Queen

Come in drag and you could win a \$100 bar tab. Too shy? Then let 1181 dress you up from their Drag Bag — but it could get scary! Hosted by Ryvainka and

Robyn Graves. DJ Quest spins. 5pm—2am. 1181, 1181 Davie St. No cover. tightlounge.com

Queer Arts Festival Opening Night

The Pride in Art Society kicks off its third annual Oueer Arts Festival with tonight's opening party. Featuring live performances, the visual art exhibit and a cash bar. Festival runs until Sat, Aug 14 and features pianist Sara Davis Buechner, the Vancouver Men's Chorus, the No Shit Shirleys, the annual Queer Cabaret, Clean Sheets and more. Gallery hours: weekdays 10am-10pm, weekends 10am-4:30pm, Roundhouse, 181 Roundhouse Mews. All festival tickets available at prideinart.ca. Little Sister's (1238 Davie St), Rhizome Café (317 F Broadway) and Banshee Clothing (1566 Commercial Dr). For a full list of shows and times go to prideinart.ca/2010new



Deconstructing Dynasty

Discover the joys and excesses of the 1980s as a middle-aged fag (David C Jones) reveals the wonders of the classic camp TV series at 8pm. Then stay for Plugged In, with live music from Matthew Presidente, Tara C Tay-

lor and friends at 10pm. J Lounge, 1216 Bute St. No cover.

Pride Bingo for Life

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around as Celebrities and Priape co-present the winner of Ru-Paul's Drag Race 2010, Tyra Sanchez, plus international pornstar Samuel Colt, live and naked. 9pm—4am, show starts at 11pm. Celebrities, 1022 Davie St. Tickets \$10 advance at Little Sister's (1238 Davie St), Priape (1148 Davie St) or celebritiesnightclub.com/pride2010

THURS, JULY 29

AFTERNOON

Aging with Pride

The 411 Seniors Centre Society presents its eighth annual Aging with Pride celebration, featuring speakers, an improv comedy performance, live music, entertainment and a fabulous lunch. 1—3pm. 3rd floor, west wing of the 411 Seniors Centre, 411 Dunsmuir St. For more information contact Bonnie O'Sullivan at 604–684–8171 or bosullivan@411seniors.bc.ca

EVENING

Cocky Mardi Gras

Big fat cock contest. Dare to share and you could win a \$100 bar tab. But rumour has it bartender Ryan Steele is a winner. Prove him wrong! Shirtless beer boys and bartenders as DJ Dreaddy spins. 5pm—2 am. 1181, 1181 Davie St. No cover.

Pride Movie Night

This year's movies build on the Vancouver Pride Society's 2010 theme of Liberate, starting with the award-winning doc Beyond Gay: The Politics of Pride, followed by She's a Boy I Knew by Gwen Haworth. 7–10 pm. Vancity Theatre, 1181 Seymour St. S20 at the Pride office (603–1033 Davie St) or Little Sister's (1238 Davie St).

Malibu Debauchery Night

Hosted by Barb Snelgrove. The person who collects the most money wins an LCD HD TV. Upstairs BlackOut, the under-bear night for bears, starts at 9pm. \$3 cover after 9pm. DJ Del from 12— 2am. Numbers: 1042 Davie St.

The Pride Ball

The teams behind SPIT and Oueer Bash come together for a Pride kickoff party for the East Side. MC Crystal Precious will work you down the runway as celebrity judges hand out prizes for best beach bod, butchest gueen (for your first time in drag), highestfashion summer wear and most "East Van realness." Symone performs and DJ G-Luve spins for a night of East Van fashion, dancing and cheap booze. 8:30pm-2am. ANZA Club, 3 W 8th Ave. Tickets \$10 in advance at Priape (1148 Davie S) or \$15 at the door.

FRI, JULY 30

EVENING

Pride Tennis Tournament

The 2010 tournament starts today and runs until Mon, Aug 2.



Organizers expect 100 players from around the world for a fun and competitive field in five divisions on a number of courts around the city. Matches begin today at 6pm in Stanley Park. Vtatennis.ca

Hot & Wet: The Original Women's Pride Cruise 9

The MV Britannia sets sail from Vancouver filled with some of the loveliest cargo ever to ply the Seven Seas: 500 women celebrating with pride. Always sells out fast, so get your tickets early. DJ Tracey D. 6pm boarding, 7-11pm sailing. Harbour Cruises #1, north foot of Denman St. \$35 before July 15, \$45 after, \$50 at boarding. Tickets at Little Sister's (1238 Davie St), VCV Computers (888) Commercial Dr) or cremaproductions.com

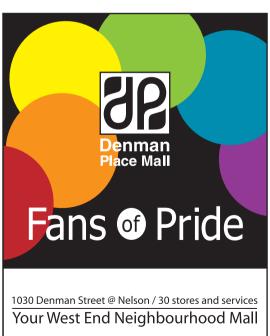
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Dance under the stars while you sail past the 2010 Olympic village in False Creek, English Bay, Stanley Park and West Vancouver on this three-tiered Miami-style ship. UK DJ Riki Rocket, Board the MV Oueen of Diamonds at 7pm at the Plaza of Nations Marina, 750 Pacific Blvd. Sail from 8 pm-midnight. Tickets \$35 until July 18, \$45 after, \$50 at boarding (limited available). Advance tickets at Little Sister's (1238 Davie St) and Kokopelli's (2052 Commercial Dr). flygirlproductions.com

Queer Arts Fest: Sara Davis Buechner

The Queer Arts Festival presents Crossing the Concourse: Sara Davis Buechner in Music and Words. Acclaimed trans planistBuechner's recital begins at 7:30pm. Roundhouse, 181 Roundhouse Mews. All festival tickets available at prideinart. ca, Little Sister's (1238 Davie St), Rhizome Café (317 E Broadway), and Banshee







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Davie Street Pride Party

Presented by Telus, the now-annual Davie Street Pride Party shuts down Vancouver's main street of gay and packs it with dancers, drinkers, vendors, visitors, volunteers, partiers and players as it kicks off Pride weekend in the Village. Join Kim Kuzma, Joan-E, Sugarbeach, Splitting Adam and many more on the Live Stage at Burrard and Davie streets, from 8 pm on. Runs until midnight, on Davie St between Burrard and Jervis St. \$7 admission.

Bride of Pride

Play party for kinky women into gueer, woman-to-woman BDSM. Open to all past, present and future women, including trans guys, of any orientation and experience level. Dress in whatever makes you feel good and bring your toys and your play partners. Costumes and fetish wear encouraged but not required. Special theme areas include puppy play, age play, a wrestling space and more. 8pm, WISE Hall, 1882 Adanac St. Tickets \$15 advance at Little Sister's (1238 Davie St). Banshee Clothing (1566 Com-

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Vancouver Men in Leather: Tom of Finland Party

Biker, lumberjack, leather man, hitchhiker, cowboy... which Tominspired icon will you be? Start your Pride weekend with Vancouver Men in Leather at this officially sanctioned event. Theme, leather gear or just shirtless always welcome. 9–11pm. Numbers Leather Loft, 1042 Davie St.

Social Butterfly

The House of Venus returns to the centre of the gaybourhood to get it on. DIs Betti Forde and G-Luve, hosted by Pussy Willow and Miss Cotton and the House of LaDouche. Can you say diversity? 10 pm. Junction Pub, 1138 Davie St. Tickets S20 at the door.

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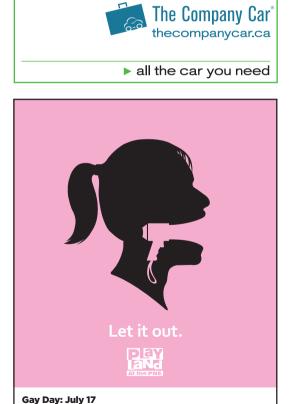
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proud with the gang at Lick and enjoy the swag. 10 pm—3 am. Lick, 455 Abbott St. Cover \$10.

Celebrities Pride Ball

With DJ Manny Lehman (Palm Spring White Parties, Montreal's Black & Blue), go-go boys, hosts Vegas and Fushia, and featuring Big Rogers' underwear launch. Celebrities, 1022 Davie St. Tick-cets \$25 advance at Little Sister's (1238 Davie St.) Priape (1148 Davie St.) or celebritiesnightclub. com/pride2010

SAT. JULY 31

MORNING

Out on the Green Pride Tournament

Out on the Green is a nonprofit, volunteer-driven golf league consisting of more than 100 gay and lesbian golfers from around the Vancouver area. Victoria and even as far as Mexico City. Tournament starts at 10am, at the Langara Golf Course, 290 W 49th Ave. \$82.50 includes golf and light meal. outonthegreen.com

Terry Wallace Breakfast

Join the Vancouver Pride Society to honour Terry Wallace, one of the founders of Vancouver Pride, with a pancake breakfast. The community churches will be sizzling and serving at this Pride breakfast tradition. 9am. Davie and Bute streets. vancouverpride.ca

Pride Run & Walk

Sixth annual Frontrunners fundraiser for the Dr Peter Centre. Race starts at 9am at Lumberman's Arch in Stanley Park and is limited to 80 entrants. Door prizes, awards for the top three male and female 10km finishers, and the best scenery in Vancouver. Registration \$30 online or \$35 on race day, space permitting.

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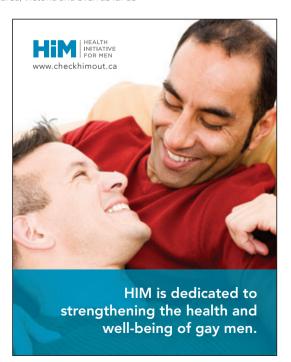
Vanqueer Dance Day

Same-sex ballroom (standard and Latin) and country dancing workshops and competitions all day, followed by an evening showcase. Workshops 10am-1pm. Adjudicated dance competitions, 2:15 pm. Evening showcase: the best of afternoon dancers plus surprise guest performers and general dancing for all. Cash bar. 7:30-11pm. Let's Dance Studio, 927 Granville St. 2nd floor. Competitor and spectator costs at notsostrictlyballroom.ca on the registration form.

AFTERNOON

7th Annual Vancouver Dyke March & Festival

March leaves at noon from Mc-Spadden Park (at Victoria Dr and McSpadden) and goes north on Commercial Dr to the





festival site, located this year at Victoria Park on Kitchener St between Salsbury and Victoria. Vendors, food and entertainment, including Dianna David, Janis Mullan's Melissa Etheridge tribute and more. With MC Morgan Brayton. vancouverdykemarch.com

Frisky

Hot men, lots of muscle, great music: it's Big Roger's first T-dancel With DJ Alyson Calagna and pornstar Reese Rideout. 2–8 pm. J Lounge, 1216 Bute St. Tickets \$28 at Little Sister's (1238 Davie St). bigrogerevents.com

EVENING

Live with Pride

Live with Pride presents a Californian invasion of performers in concert, including Cassidy Haley (LA), Kim Kuzma (now based in Palm Springs) and Fans of Jimmy Century (San Francisco). 9pm. J Lounge, 1216 Bute St.

Tickets \$20 at Little Sister's (1238 Davie St).

Thickset

Quickly becoming one of the busiest monthly bear parties around. However you label yourself (or don't), it's a casual night of antics and fun, with a whole bunch of bears, cubs, post-bears,



non-bears, big guys, hairy guys, furry-faced guys and those who love 'em. Thickset aims to provide an attitude-free, affordable event with great, local beers in a comfortable space. DJ Mickey Moniker and guests look beyond the obvious radio fluff and circuit party sounds. Doors 9pm. Cobalt Hotel, 917 Main St. \$5 before 10 pm, \$10 affer. thickset.ca

Dyke March Dance

Wrap up your Dyke March day with a dance at the WISE Hall, 1882 Adanac St. Performances by Sugarbeach and The Reincarnation of Marion. With DJ K-LA Shayne. Doors at 9pm. Tickets \$15 in advance at Little Sister's (1238 Davie St) and Kokopelli's (2052 Commercial Dr). vancouverdykemarch.com

Rapture: Ignition

The Flame & The Dame bring you DJ Ana Paula from Brazil, with



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Toronto's DJ Jeremy Khamkeo spinning the opening set. Special performance by Lena Love. Hosted by Jessica, Hunter and Brad Fashion. 9pm—5am. Commodore Ballroom, 868 Granville St. Tickets \$75 at Priape (1148 Davie St), Little Sister's (1238 Davie St) and ticketmaster.ca

Rainbow Night

A celebration of diversity and innovation starring Hollywood superstar Candis Cayne performing live. With DJs Betti Forde (TO and Stink Mitt) and Quest in the concert hall. DJ T and MKW play hip hop, R&B and girlie pop in the art lounge, while Mumbles and Jef Leppard get disco down and electro dirty in the bathroom bar. Hosted by Miss Cotton from the House of Venus. 10pm. Five Sixty, 560 Seymour St. Advance tickets S20 at Priape (1148 Davie St) or Five Sixty box office.

Deviate

Hosted by MC Brigee K with live performances by LA's Rough Duchess. DJs DeLux and Riot offer a mashup of deep sounds from the underground. 10pm. Lick, 455 Abbott St. \$10 cover.

Release Your Pride

Superstar DJ Hector Fonseca, with vocalist Lisa Shaw singing live throughout the night. Opening sets by Release resident DJ Dan James, plus circus perform-

ers and go-go boys. Celebrities, 1022 Davie St. Tickets \$35 advance at Little Sister's (1238 Davie St), Priape (1148 Davie St) or celebritiesnightclub.com/ pride2010

Pride Black Saturday

Get your leather or fetish wear out and join the guys at PJs for an evening of fun, fetish and fellas. A hot night for even hotter men in town for the festivities this weekend. Everyone needs a little Pride romance in the dark. PumpJack Pub, 1167 Davie St. pumpjackpub.com

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MORNING

Sunset Beach Pride Festival

Even before the first float crosses the Pride parade finish line, the Sunset Beach festival site will be ready to receive. Last year the crowd swelled to more than 110,000 people listening to live music. This year's performers include Kim Kuzma, Locus, Sugarbeach, Symone, Jerome Mandrake and many more. You'll also find 125 booths, with a diverse range of community groups, products and services, and a beer garden. 11am-6 pm. Sunset Beach, Beach Ave and Thurlow St. Free.

AFTERNOON

Pride Parade

This is the big event! The 2010 Pride parade starts at noon at Robson and Bute streets, heads west down the hill to Denman St, then south along Denman to Beach Ave and Pacific, ending at Jervis St at the Sunset Beach Festival Site. Expect 150 parade entries, including colourful floats, musical marching bands, community groups and at least 500,000 spectators. Hosted by Conni Smudge, Joan–E and Symone. This year's grand marshals







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are Vancouver's Barb Snelgrove, Catherine White Holman (posthumously), Moscow Pride's Nikolai Alekseev and American trans model, actress and performer Candis Cayne. Don't forget your water and your sunblock!

Carnival Beach House

After the parade, head to 1181 for fun, drinks and free afternoon pizza at its fifth annual postparade party. DJ Mumbles takes you through the afternoon and DJ Jeffery Michael takes you well into the night. 1pm—3am. 1181, 1181 Davie St. No cover.

Trouble T-Dance

Martini presents the ninth annual Trouble Pride T-Dance with the Out for Kicks Soccer Club. Join the soccer gang for this annual favourite, known for its friendly crowd. Great music and lots of hot men in the West End's sexiest hideaway: two rooms and two spacious patios. 3–8 pm. J Lounge, 1216 Bute St. Tickets \$15 advance at Little Sister's (1238 Davie St) or \$20 at door.

Chicas

Vancouver's legendary lesbian Pride party moves to yet another new venue. This one features 13,000 square feet of green space with a 2,000-square-foot pond and two separate, massive outdoor DJ/ live performance patios. Just steps away from the Pride parade route. The party starts with

a live performance from Van-

couver's Alita Dupray and The

Dreamers, followed by DJs Soul-



funkee, Betti Forde and Miami's Alyson Calagna spinning house to hip hop. 3–9 pm. Coast Plaza Hotel, 1763 Comox St, entrance on Nelson St only. S45 advance at Little Sister's (1238 Davie St) and Kokopelli's (2052 Commercial Dr). Limited admission at door. flygirlproductions.com

Rapture: Heatwave

With DJ Nick Bertossi and a performance by Cassandra. 3–8pm. The Westin Grand pool deck. Tickets start at \$30. tfdpresents.com

History VII

After the Parade, head to Celebrities for the seventh annual Pride-party marathon. The 13-hour non-stop party begins with DJ Darylo and Johnny Jover, then Bertossi and Dreaddy join

forces to close Pride 2010 with a bang! Best butt contest at 5pm. Register from 3–5pm at the Celebrities coat check. Winner walks away with more than \$500 in prizes. 3pm–4 am. Celebrities, 1022 Davie St. \$15 cover after 9 pm.

PumpJack Pride Patio

After the Parade, come meet your friends for drinks on the back patio at PumpJack. Whether this is your pre-party or you're staying the night, chances are you'll enjoy the room full of hot, sexy men. PumpJack Pub, 1167 Davie St.

Numbers Pride

After the parade, check out Numbers' beer garden and

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REALTY

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barbecue. One lucky person will win a \$1,000 cash prize just for being there. Grind with the hottest men in town. DJ Shelly spins till 4am. Karaoke Funbox in the Loft. Pool and Darts available. Numbers, 1042 Davie St.

EVENING

White Party Cruise

CruiseyT, Vancouver's original Pride cruise, sets sail aboard the MV Princess, with DJ Denny Kindel and performances by Jaylene Tyme and Empress Raye Sunshine. Board at the Harbour Cruises dock at the foot of Denman St at 4pm, sail from from 5–9 pm. Tickets \$60 (includes light meal) at Little Sister's (1238 Davie St) and Priape (1148 Davie St) and at cruiseyt.com

Go Go Cruise

CruiseyT, Vancouver's original Pride cruise, sails the MV Brittania with DJ Zach Shore, performances by Joan-E and Carlotta Gurl and all the hot bodies you can handle. Board at the Harbour Cruises dock at the foot of Denman St at 5 pm, cruisetakes place from 6—10 pm. Tickets \$60 (includes light meal) at Little Sister's (1238 Davie St), Priape (1148 Davie St) or

Naked Pride 2010

The Pacific Canadian Association of Nudists (P-CAN) presents its best and busiest naked event of the year. Doors open at 6pm for active members and membership purchases and renewals. 7pm—1am. WISE Hall, 1882 Adanac St. \$10 for members, \$20 for guests.

Spitbash: East Side Pride Party

From the sexy minds of SPIT and Oueer Bash comes the hottest Pride event on the Fast Side, for gueers, lesbians, gay men, West Enders and East Siders alike. Check out this Fast Van alternative to the West End circuit parties. With performances by Queer Bash favourites: DMS Entertainer of the Year Isolde N Barron, burlesque gueen Dusty Volumes, Vera Way and SPIT sensation Lil Miss Naughty. Tunes by SPIT and Queer Bash's shared resident hotties DJ Jef Leppard and Robo Organizers promise Santa. "enough Gaga-Sexy-Romp-Crunking to make this your most memorable Pride yet." How can you dispute that? 9pm-3am. Cobalt, 917 Main St. Tickets \$15 in advance at Priage (1148 Davie St). Limited door access.

The Big Gay Sing

Conni Smudge partners with Vancouver Men's Chorus member Jamie Foster to host this night of song at the Queer Arts Festival. Don't worry about your singing ability or learning any words: they'll be projected high above you with a bouncing ball to guide you. There will be singing and schmacting galore by various VMC members, all artistically led by the VMC's own conductor Willi Zwozdesky and accompanied by their own Liberace, Stephen Smith. Prize for the most outrageous outfit. Cash bar. Doors 6pm, show 7pm. Roundhouse, 181 Roundhouse Mews. Tickets \$15 at Little Sister's (1238 Davie St) or at door, if available.

Dreamweaver

Q

The 10th annual women's Pride celebration at the Vancouver Rowing Club. Dance starts at 7pm and goes until midnight. 450 Stanley Park Dr (at the Georgia St entrance to the park). Tickets S25 advance at Little Sister's (1238 Davie St) or S30 at the door.

Stockpile

The group that brings you Thickset takes you one step further with its post-parade bear and cub dance. This party will fill up early, so don't delay. 8pm. Anza Club, 3 W 8th Ave. Tickets \$10. thickset.ca

Pride Youth Dance

The Vancouver Pride Society and Gab Youth present this annual Pride dance for youth under 25. Age limit will be enforced with picture ID. This is a drug- and alcohol-free event. By donation. All money raised goes to Gab Youth programs. 9pm. West End Community Centre, 870 Denman St.

Smudge Cab-A-Retro

The unstoppable Conni Smudge hosts this hilarious cabaret of



song, drag and surprises. If you have never seen the Smudge, now is definitely the time. 9 pm. J Lounge, 1216 Bute St. \$10 at door.

JetGirl

Celebrate Pride in one of Vancouver's hottest new spots and experience JetGirl the way it should be: four rooms, three DJs, the latest visuals and lighting, plus an art gallery. DJ Wildfire (Portland/Seattle) spins the latest in club anthems in the main room. DJ T gets down and dirty downstairs with R&B and hip hop. 9pm—2 am. Five Sixty, 560 Seymour St. \$15 advance at Little Sister's (1238 Davie St), VCV Computers (888 Commercial Dr) or cremaproductions.com. \$20 at the door.

Hershe Bar

Hershe Bar takes over two adjacent nightclubs at the Plaza of Nations. Gossip Nightclub will feature an eclectic mix of



electro and house, while Mint Nightclub will showcase top 40, mashups and hip hop. Get your wristband and fly from one to the other at your convenience. 9pm—2am. 750 Pacific Blvd (across the street from BC Place Stadium). \$25 advance. Limited door admission. Tickets at Little Sister's (1238 Davie St), Kokopelli's (2052 Commercial Dr) or flygirlproductions.com

Church: God Is a DJ Pride Edition

And Godsaid, "Let there be house." Fifth annual Pride party reveres the rediscovery of house music and aims to make you sweat. Featuring DJs Quest, Lisa DeLux and G-Luve with an opening set by Antonia. Hosted by Symone, partial proceeds to benefit A Loving Spoonful. 9pm—3am. Ginger 62, 1219 Granville St. S10 cover.

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Rapture: Victory

Starring LA's DJ Paulo, with an opening set by Vancouver's DJ Landon James. With performances by circuit diva Shokra, Vancouver's Peter Breeze and Lena Love. 9pm—5am. Commodore Ballroom, 868

Granville St. Tickets \$75–85 at Priape (1148 Davie St), Little Sister's (1238 Davie St) and ticketmaster.ca

United

Miami's DJ Abel teams with Vancouver's own DJ Adam Dreaddy to wind you up and up and up at Big Roger's popular



Pride afterhours party. High energy till the wee hours of the morning will let you see the sunrise in a whole different light. 2–10am. Gorg-O-Mish, 695 Smithe St. Tickets \$67 in advance at Little Sister's (1238 Davie St). bigrogerevents.com









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MON. AUG 2

AFTERNOON

Hot Gav DJ Grand Finale

Eight DJs vie for the title of Vancouver's Hot Gay DJ. Come watch the grand finale unfold in two rooms and a patio. One DJ will walk away the winner. Eight hours straight, all day long, until there is only one DJ standing. 12–8 pm. J Lounge, 1216 Bute St. S10 hotgavdi com.

Pride Party Cruise

The parade may be over, but the party is still going strong. CruiseyT, Vancouver's original Pride cruise, hosts its third and final cruise of the weekend. This is the big one: time to say goodbye to everyone you met over Pride. DJ Abasi and Iain on the sax, with performances by Joan–E and Jaylene Tyme. Board at the Harbour Cruises dock at the foot of Denman St at 3 pm, cruise sails from 4–8 pm. Tickets \$60, includes light meal, at Little Sister's (1238 Davie St)

and Priape (1148 Davie St) and at cruiseyt.com

EVENING

Tops & Bottoms

Not one but two shows for you tonight. 8pm is Boy Power, where the cleverest, hottest Bobbers boys perform competitive Hangover Improv. Then at 10pm, catch Miss Stretch's Remedial Cabaret. Julia Stretch hosts and produces this new monthly hour-long cabaret of



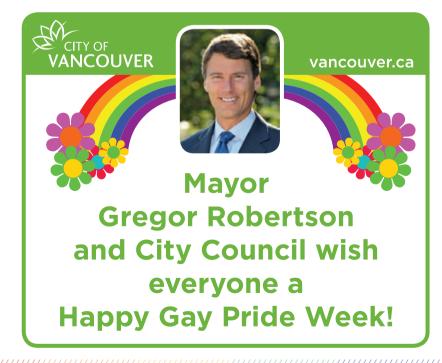


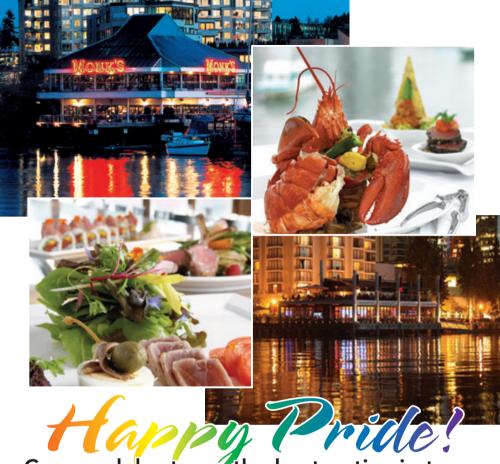






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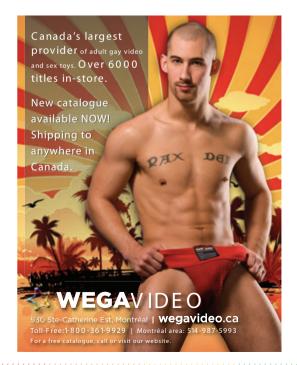
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comedy, song and audaciously saucy acts that will leave you laughing and a little shocked. J Lounge, 1216 Bute St. Reservations at 604-609-6665.

Show Us Your Crack

Amateur strip contest hosted by Jeff St Germain. Celebrity judges and a live band in the loft after 10pm. \$3 cover after 9pm. Numbers, 1042 Davie St.

THURS, AUG 5

EVENING

Queer Arts Fest: The No Shit Shirleys

The Queer Arts Festival presents this all-female a cappella septet. Show starts at 7:30pm. Roundhouse, 181 Roundhouse Mews. All festival tickets available at prideinart.ca, Little Sister's (1238 Davie St), Rhizome Café (317 E Broadway) and Banshee Clothing (1566 Commercial Dr). prideinart.ca/2010new/

FRI, AUG 6

EVENING

New Westminster Gay Pride Kickoff

Amanda Luv's Diva Gurls kick off New West's first–ever Pride weekend. It is also a fundraiser for the Royal City Pride Society. Guests include Amanda Luv,

Kamelle Toe, Mz Adrien, Taylor Mayd and many more. 7:30pm— 2am. Heritage Grill, 447 Columbia St, New Westminster. \$10 at the door.

Queer Arts Fest: Jodaiko

The Queer Arts Festival once again presents this popular Tai-ko drumming group. Show starts at 7:30pm. Roundhouse, 181 Roundhouse Mews. All festival tickets available at prideinart.ca, Little Sister's (1238 Davie St), Rhizome Café (317 E Broadway) and Banshee Clothing (1566 Commercial Dr). prideinart.ca/2010new

SAT. AUG 7

EVENING

New Westminster Pride Dance

Celebrate the first-ever Pride in New Westminster. Come meet new friends and celebrate the New West gueer community's accomplishment on this historic day. The theme is "Diversity: Celebrating our Chosen Families." Dance is 8pm—1:30am at the Heritage Grill, 447 Columbia St, New Westminster. \$15 at the door with partial proceeds to the Royal City Pride Society.

Queer Arts Fest: Queer Cabaret

The Queer Arts Festival presents its most anticipated show-case: the annual cabaret. Show starts at 7:30pm. Roundhouse, 181 Roundhouse Mews. All







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festival tickets available at prideinart.ca, Little Sister's (1238 Davie St), Rhizome Café (317 E Broadway)and Banshee Clothing (1566 Commercial Dr). prideinart.ca/2010new

SUN. AUG 8

MORNING

Under the Volcano

Indie festival of art and social change turns 20 this year and

wraps up its run with a grand finale. More than 30 artists on four stages, food vendors and more. Noon—9:30pm. Cates Park, North Vancouver. Special shuttles leave Broadway SkyTrain station every 30 minutes from 11am. Tickets \$10—20, sliding scale. volcano.resist.ca

AFTERNOON

DMS BarbieQueen BBQ

Join the Dogwood Monarchist Society for its fundraising barbecue. Burgers are \$5 with all proceeds going to this year's DMS-selected charities, including Qmunity, the Queer History Project and the Health Initiative for Men (HIM). So come out for a pint and a burger with the 39th reign and help them meet their goal. With DJ Dirty Del spinning from 1–4 pm. PumpJack Pub, 1167 Davie St. Info at knightsofmalta.ca

Queer Arts Fest: Clean Sheets

Screaming Weenie Productions and the Queer Arts Festival team up to present Clean Sheets, a play-reading series for emerging and established playwrights. This year's readings include Gatatea by Lawrence Aronovitch at 2pm, Inna Di Wardrobe by Deidre Walton at 3:30pm and Turkey in the Woods by Jan Derbyshire on Mon, Aug 9 at 7:30pm. Roundhouse, 181 Roundhouse Mews.



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THURS, AUG 12

FVFNING

Queer Film Fest Opening Gala

Vancouver's 22nd annual Queer Film Festival opens with Undertow, director Javier Fuentes-León's debut feature about two men having an affair in Peru. Followed by an opening gala party at Celebrities, 1022 Davie St. queerfilmfestival.ca

FRI. AUG 13

EVENING

No Hate: Vancouver Queer Film Festival Youth Gala

An evening of anti-homophobia films created by queer and allied youth 19 and under, copresented by the Queer Arts Festival and the Queer Film Festival. Roundhouse. Roundhouse Mews, All festival tickets available at prideinart. ca. Little Sister's (1238 Davie St), Rhizome Café (317 E Broadway) and Banshee Clothing (1566 Commercial Dr). prideinart.ca/2010new

SAT. AUG 14

EVENING

Queer Arts Fest: Closing Gala

The Queer Arts Festival closes its 2010 run with its Queer Youth Chorus, conducted by Kevin Zakresky, at 7:30pm. Roundhouse, 181 Roundhouse Mews. All festival tickets available at prideinart.ca, Little Sister's (1238 Davie St), Rhizome Café (317 E Broadway) and Banshee Clothing (1566 Commercial Dr). prideinart. ca/2010new



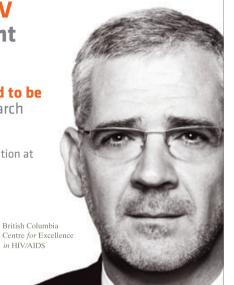


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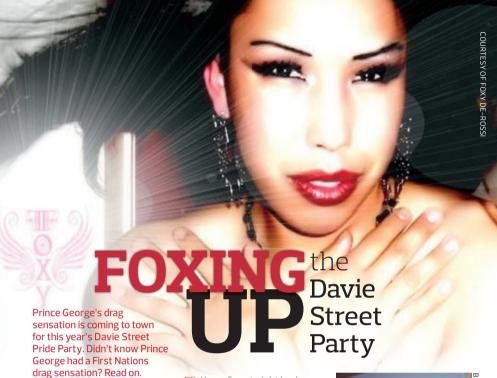
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Xtra: Drag queen... Prince George... I don't see those two things together too often. Tell us what it's like to be a performer there.

Foxy De-Rossi: Not too long ago, I was called the Pocahontas drag queen in BC. It's pretty hick here, which is why I always leave the house without my pants on. Not by choice either.

Xtra: What kind of performance can Vancouver

expect when
you come
here for the
street
party?

FD: I have five straight backup dancers that vogue. I'm doing a Madonna song, and it's going to be a hell of a number. I'm going to fox up Davie St.

Xtra: I've heard you know RuPaul... Dish, girl.

FD: Back in 2002, he did a show at Celebrities, and we were hanging out on Granville and we jay walked across the street. We almost got arrested. We've been friends since.

Xtra: What's the one thing you don't leave home without?

FD: A trunk full of assistants... A fagmobile.

A fagmobile, right?

Xtra:

Favourite accessory?
FD: A hot, naked guy.

-Sean Horlor



Foxy De-Rossi joins Cassidy Haley, Scatterheart, Sugarbeach, Kim Kuzma, Joan-E and more as the Vancouver Pride Society shuts down the strip for a night of dancing, drinking and debauchery at the third annual Davie Street Pride Party. Fri, July 30, 7pm to midnight. S7 at the gate.

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And what better way to celebrate the seventh annual Dyke March and Festival than ending up where it all began in 2004?

Back then, when the Dyke March crew selected the roughly two-block Victoria to—Grandview—Park route to

> gauge women's appetite for street-level Dyke Pride, between 500 and 1,000 queer souls showed up.

At high noon on July 31, it'll be time to take over the Drive again for what may be better known as No Really, Where Did All These Dykes Come From Day.

Thousands of women-lovingwomen and their allies will embark on the now nine-block pilgrimage from McSpadden Park to Victoria Park, where a stellar roster of musicians, drag kings and a host of other artistes await.

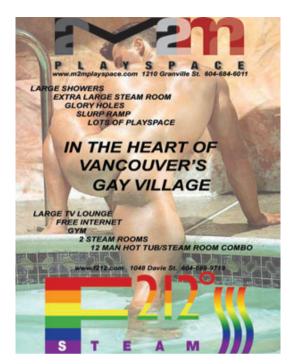
How's this for a lineup? Kim Kuzma, Kate Reid, Cris Derksen, Dianna David, the Black Parade Kings and Fake Moustache Drag — plus the indomitable comedic spirit of Morgan Brayton helming MC duties.

Women, women, music... and then, more women.

What more could a dyke ask for?

—Natasha Barsotti

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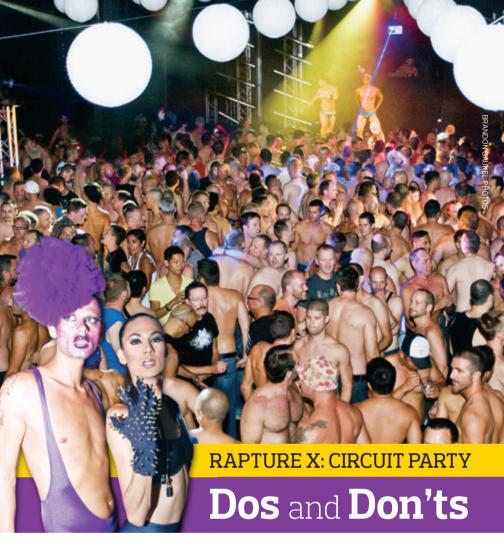


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Cheers, bitches! This year marks the 10th anniversary of what are now Vancouver's biggest Pride parties. Here are some things to keep in mind:

Don't wear a lot of clothes By midnight, it'll be hot like Mexico. Although wearing button-ups and linen pants probably won't be your biggest post-Rapture regret, it'll be high on the list.

Do wear glitter

This is the one time of year you get to share your gay herpes with everyone. The rest of the year, keep it to yourself.

Don't let anyone take your photo

Check out TFD Productions online and see if you can find that Rapture: Ignition shot of me from last year. Now do you understand?

Do bring sunglasses For your early-morning walk home. Don't wear them inside... unless, of course, you want everyone to think you're a douchebag. In which case, who am I to stop you?

—Sean Horlor

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Olleer Festival

The Pride in Art Society presents the third edition of its (recently renamed) Queer Arts Festival, a celebration of visual art, live performances, music, spoken word, theatre and more.

This year's Queertopia theme encouraged artists to explore utopian and dystopian expressions of queerness. What does it mean to be queer in 2010? What are our achievements? What are our challenges? Where do we go

from here?

From the art exhibit to the impromptu Queer Youth Choir to Clean Sheets' presentations of up-and-coming play wrights to the annual Queer Cabaret, there's sure to be something for everyone.

-Jackie Wong

Queer Arts Festival July 27-Aug 14 Roundhouse Community Centre, 181 Roundhouse Mews prideinart.ca









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SPITBASH

Eastside Pride **Dos** and **Don'ts**

The Queer Bash and SPIT parties made Pride ki ki and gave birth to this slutty little number.

Take these tips to heart if you're thinking of venturing past the West End city limits to check out this East Van alternative to the circuit scene.

Don't be afraid of dark corners

Past parties by these promoters have included a porn room, a spin-the-bottle room, stripper pole

installations and my personal favourite: the make-out room.

Do wear stripes

Whether you're a hipster or a hipster wannabe, there's no better way to show your apathy for life than with a striped tank.

Don't shave your body hair

Hairy chests for men and women are so in this year, so let it all hang out.

Don't wear clothes

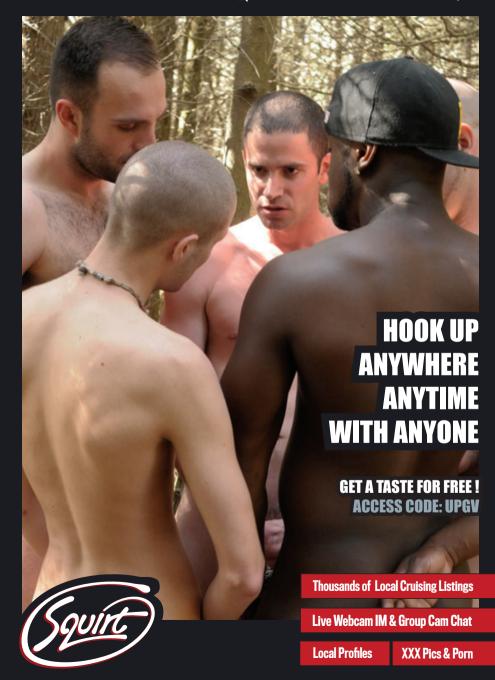
Speaking of letting it all hang out, some asshole *always* ends up taking off all his/her clothes, losing them and wandering around naked at these parties. Save yourself a step and just come nude, okay?

-Sean Horlor

SPITBASH

Sun, Aug 1, 9pm—3am Cobalt, 917 Main St Tickets \$15 in advance at Priape, 1148 Davie St

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MON, JULY 26 MASTURBATORIUM MONDAY

An organized mass jerk-off session? I've asked the Jack & Jill Masturbation Event to host at my apartment and you're all welcome. No no-no hole or oral action, though. Sorry.

TUES, JULY 27 LET'S GET WRECKED!

This is pretty much a Pride Week tradition. After all that jerking off, this is your chance to share your raw nether regions with the free world. Swimwear optional.

WED, JULY 28 DRAG BAG

Forecast: dress-in-drag night at 1181 calls for glitter showers with a 100 percent chance of sexy. Tempt fate and let the bartenders dress you in their castoffs.

THURS, JULY 29 BALL BASHING

You're a stupid sack of hair if you plan on missing this. Queer Bash and SPIT present this year's realest Pride Ball at the swampy ANZA Club. Walk, strut and sweat your way to fame and glamour.

FRI, JULY 30 THE DAVIE ST BEAT

The Davie Street Pride Party is back this year and

promises to be bigger than ever. DJs, dancers and drag queens all fenced in with thousands of gays, lesbians and trannies. Treat this like a window into Gaga's brain. A stop at Celebrities afterwards is a MUST!

Beach Fest, but you can count on me having my annual Rapture OD at the Rapture: Heatwave pool party in the afternoon and then the daddy of all Vancouver circuit parties Rapture: Victory all night long. Happy Pride!

-Sean Horlor

SAT, JULY 31 DYKEOTOMY DELICIOUSNESS

Okay, we get it. Pride
Saturdays are girl crazy.
This is the day I let my
inner dyke loose at
the Dyke March, free
my sandbags and
support the ladies. I'll
also be rekindling my
Reese Rideout
romance at Big
Roger's first T-Dance.

SUN, AUG 1 RAPTURE RAPTURE RAPTURE

XTRA/S ULTIMATE PRIDE GUIDE 2010

Sure, there's that parade thing happening, and you know, like 100,000 at the Sunset





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