

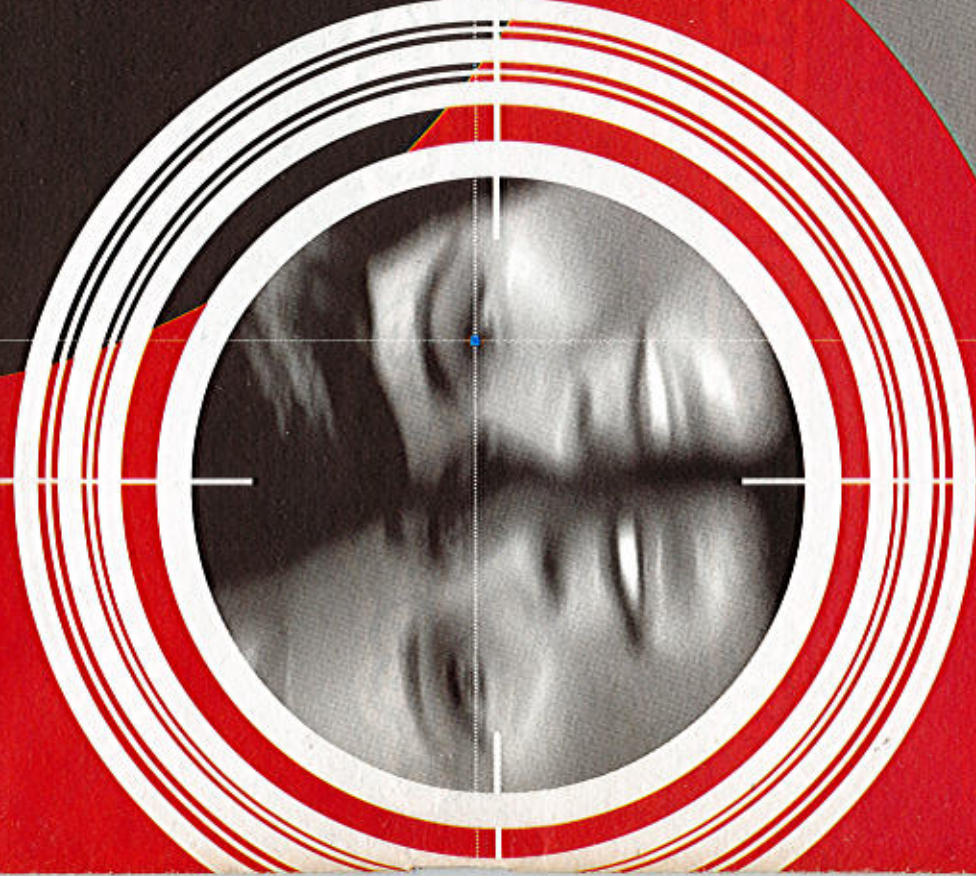
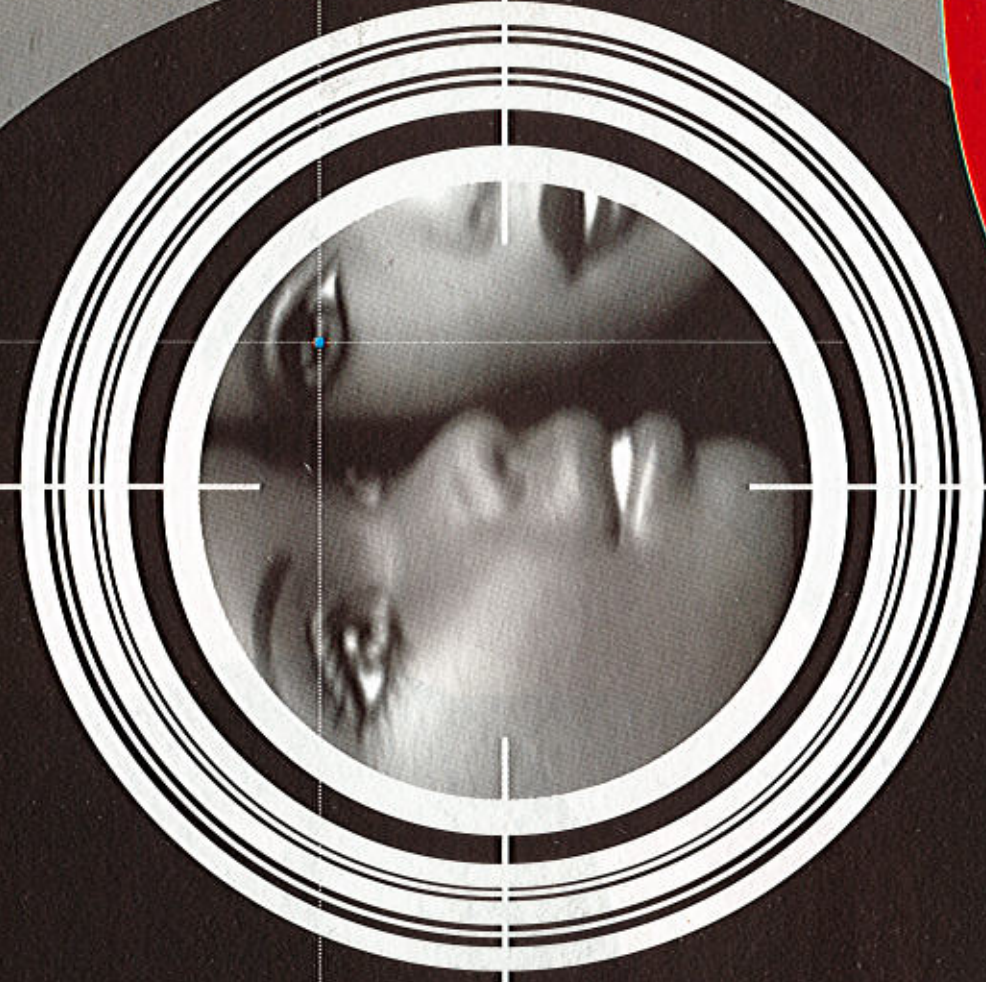
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Welcome to Midsomma 2001

Welcome to the city of Melbourne. We respectfully acknowledge that we are meeting on the traditional land of the Kulin Nation. This special place now known by its European name of Melbourne.

Today, Melbourne is one of the greatest multicultural cities of the world, a significant meeting place. For the Bunurong, Wurundjeri, Taungurong, Djadjawurrung and the Wathaurung which make up the great Kulin Nation, Melbourne has always been an important meeting place and location for events of social, educational, sporting and cultural significance.



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Welcome to the thirteenth annual Midsomma Festival. In this, our 1st teenage year, Midsomma presents the strongest artistic program yet with the best of local, national and international queer talent. With three weeks of art and community this celebration of gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender and pansexual culture has enough experimentation, excitement, sophistication and notions of beauty for everyone.

Midsomma's favourite events return beginning with Street Party, Red Raw, Pride March and of course the spectacular finale weekend with Pool Party, the new Awards Night Cabaret in the Park, Carnival Day and T-Dance. In a look to a more diverse future Midsomma is proud to support an Indigenous focus this year across all areas including Visual Arts, Performing Arts, and Spoken Word programs. Midsomma's first event outside of Melbourne premieres in Bendigo with a Visual Arts event outreaching to our keen regional supporters.

Partnerships with Victoria's leading Arts organisations have also been strengthened with Midsomma extending its influence to the Victorian Arts Centre Black Box with a sure to please performance season and to the stunning new Melbourne Museum's Body Art exhibition. A celebration of body continues with Midsomma and Team Melbourne joining to bring the best sports program yet and a renewed push towards our personal best at the 2002 Gay Games.

I personally welcome The Market Hotel back in their second year as Principal Sponsor and extend my welcome to all new and renewing festival sponsors. I invite the whole community to join this celebration of our culture, lifestyle and diversity. I invite everybody to sit up, take notice and to remember..... Midsomma is not just a pretty face.....

Nigel Higgins, President

"Midsomma is committed to presenting an annual arts and cultural festival that, within a safe and healthy environment, celebrates the pride and diversity of Victoria's lesbian, gay and allied communities.

The Board of Midsomma Festival Inc aims to produce an annual arts and cultural festival that

is inclusive of and responsive to the lesbian, gay, queer, bisexual, transgendered and pan-sexual sections of the community; is diverse and challenging; supports and encourages all community activities it perceives as having cultural relevance within the community; promotes opportunities for new artistic talent; educates the community to become consumers of lesbian and gay arts and culture;

is committed to excellence; maximises access and equity; promotes lesbian and gay arts and culture in Melbourne, Victoria and Australia; builds strategic alliances with other marginalised arts and cultural communities including indigenous and multicultural communities; is recognised as a principle arts and cultural festival interstate and internationally; is financially responsible."

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Midsomma Best Dressed Window Competition

Supported by Tourism Victoria and Lombard The Paper People

Here's your chance to dress to impress. Midsomma are looking for the best dressed windows in Melbourne and we are offering cash prizes to ensure that it happens! Cafes, restaurants, boutiques, florists, offices, clubs, pubs and all shopfronts are invited to take part.

Seize the Midsomma 2001 theme - 'Not just a pretty face' - and out dress your neighbour!

First and Runner Up prizes will be awarded to the best of each of the following gay and lesbian centres: CBD; Fitzroy and Collingwood; St Kilda and Elwood; Yarraville and Williamstown; Daylesford and Regions; and a special prize for Best Venue.

For an entry form contact the Midsomma office on 9419 9819 or admin@midsomma.org.au

For an official Midsomma 2001 Visual Merchandising Pack contact Lombard The Paper People on 9376 2500.



PRINCIPAL SPONSOR



The Market Hotel is proud once again to be Principal Sponsor of Midsumma.

Midsumma Festival is a magnificent three week period which showcases gay and lesbian arts and culture, and we hope in 2001 the community joins forces to produce one of the most talked about gay and lesbian events of the year.

It is important to have a festival that we can call our own.

Happy Midsumma!

Spiro Condos, The Market Hotel

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Thank you to Melbourne's gay and lesbian community for your continued support and have a wonderful festival.

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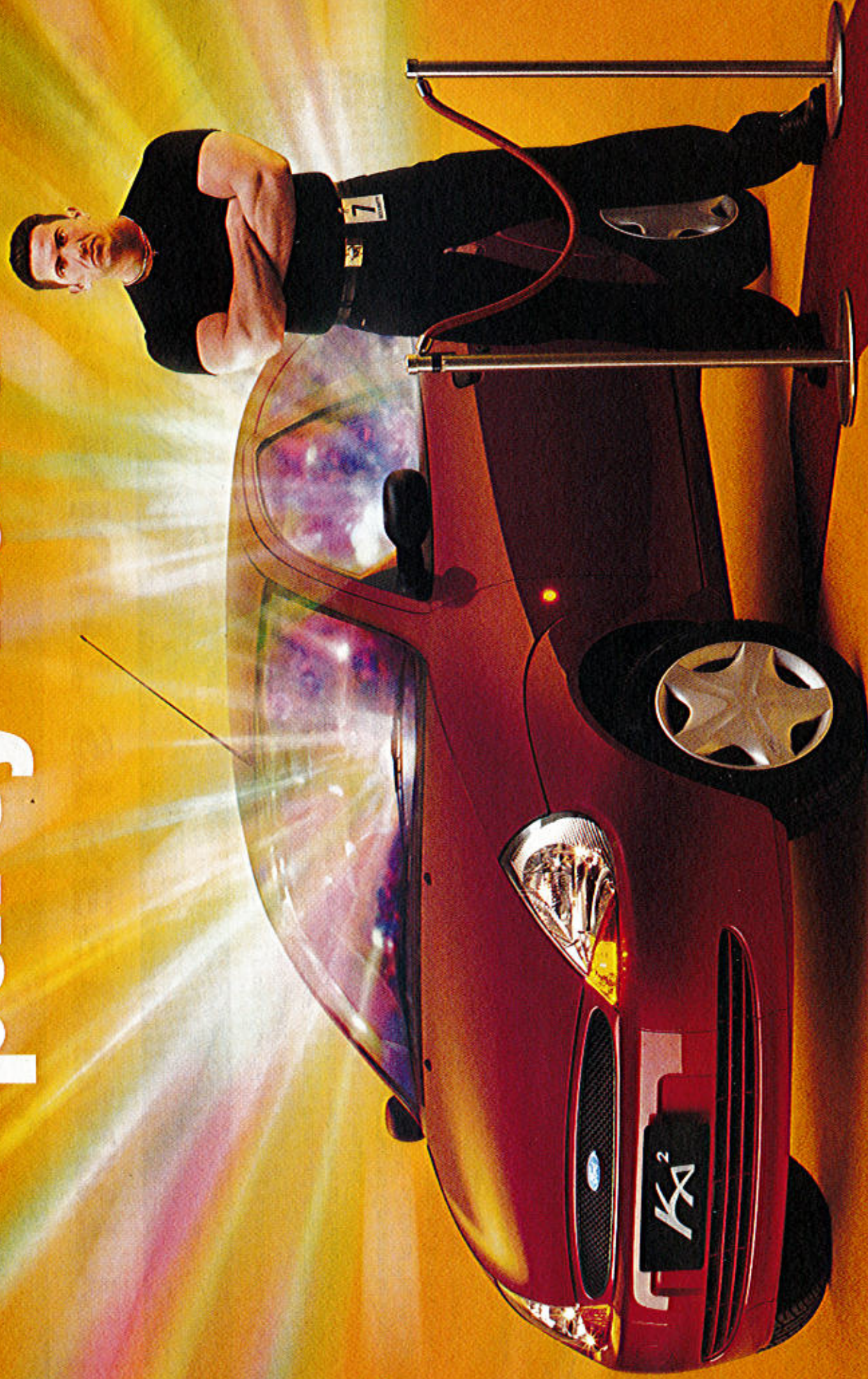


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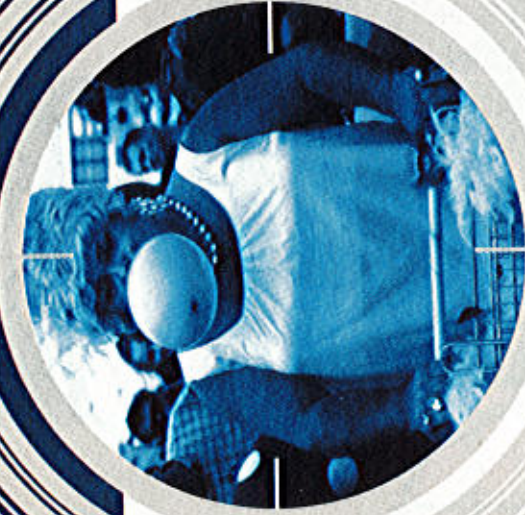
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OPENING NIGHT STREET PARTY

Ⓞ Commercial Road, Prahran/South Yarra
Ⓞ Saturday 13 January, 5pm - Midnight

Ⓞ Free

Ⓞ Midsumma 9415 9819, www.midsumma.org.au



Commercial Road Prahran is the setting for Melbourne's most colourful outdoor night time celebrations - the opening night of the 2001 Midsumma Gay and Lesbian Festival!

The street will be bursting at the seams with poofs and pansies, dykes and drags, and muscle marys' of all shapes and sizes jostling for the spotlight. Everyone is invited to join the celebration as Melbourne's queer community kick up their collective heels to welcome in the 13th Midsumma Festival.

Be early to see Dykes on Bikes and Melbourne Motorcycle Tourers as they arrive on Commercial Road just in time to avoid the madness of the infamous Trolley Dolly Folly Race. Get lost in the action of The Market Hotel's Disco Dance Space, and marvel at the Xchange Hotel's Rooftop Drag Xtravaganza. Stand in awe as roaming entertainers and dizzy drag queens scramble out of the way of Midsumma's Olympic inspired trampoline demonstration.

This night is not for the faint hearted. It's a roller coaster ride of excess. Join the rabble or take a ringside seat at one of the many kerbside cafes or bars and watch the parade pass by! Ⓞ Ⓞ

Performing Arts
Premier Event



Arts Projects Australia and Midsumma present

DIAMANDA GALÁS

in **LA SERPENTA CANTA (The Serpentes Sing)**

Ⓞ Victorian Arts Centre Concert Hall

Ⓞ A Res \$55/\$45 conc, B Res \$45/\$35 conc

Ⓞ One concert only - Sat 20 January 8pm

Ⓞ Bookings: Ticketmaster 136 166



The internationally acclaimed vocalist, pianist, composer and poet, Diamanda Galás will be performing her latest work for the first time in Australia as part of the Midsumma Festival. Diamanda Galás is an exceptional talent with an extraordinary, explosive technique and a quintessentially theatrical performance style. With her inimitable three and a half octave operatic voice laced with angels and demons, her theatrical power transcends singing as we know it. Diamanda Galás is the real deal. Her performances are captivating, compelling and not to be missed.

In *La Serpenta Canta* (The Serpentes Sing), a cycle of songs concentrating on the soul and blues as only Galás knows how to sing it, she performs a selection of her favourite songs from the likes of Screaming Jay Hawkins, Mahalia Jackson and Ornette Colman including classics such as *I Put A Spell On You*, *Let My People Go*, *My World Is Empty Without You* and *The Thrill Is Gone*.

"Ghoulis yet gripping, Diamanda Galás makes herself heard. From devil to angel, beast to holy hero, she has inspired a host of otherworldly associations. Galás is one of music's most passionately beloved cult artists and one of its most daunting."

THE NEW YORK TIMES

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PREMIER EVENTS

KINK ART

A RICK CASTRO RETROSPECTIVE

📍 Gamma Space, Level 1, 141 Flinders Lane 📍 Free

📅 Monday 15 January - Sunday 4 February, ☎ Midsumma 9415 9819

🕒 Mon-Fri 10am-6pm, Sat 10am-4pm

Hollywood based photographer and filmmaker Rick Castro brings kink down under with a retrospective of photography, zines and videos.

Rick Castro has worked with Annie Lebowitz, Herb Ritts and Joel Peter Witkin and has been documenting the subversive side of Los Angeles for the last ten years. In 1996 he co-directed and wrote (with Bruce La Bruce) the feature film, 'Hustler White', a romantic comedy about hustlers on Santa Monica Boulevard.

Rick's first book, entitled 'Castro', was published in 1991, containing a selection of his early images including male nudes, glamorous women, fetish, humour and underground celebrities of Los Angeles in the late 80's and early 90's.

Kink Art will explore various pleasures derived from bondage, S&M, gay soft-porn and street hustling, combining dark lustful images with a good dose of humour.

"I hope to bring humour back to the bedroom where it belongs,"
Rick Castro

Rick Castro will also be presenting **Street Life** at The Market, a series of slides, short films and excerpts from 'Hustler White'.
See p26 for details. Produced by Hares & Hyenas.

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BLACK BOX @ VICTORIAN ARTS CENTRE

Midsumma invites you to embrace the spirit of the performing arts, music and spoken word which celebrate our diverse culture, challenge perceptions of our distinct community and explore the notions of identity. Midsumma for the first time will present performers and musicians at Black Box through a new partnership, which we have developed with the Victorian Arts Centre Trust.

We welcome, celebrate and support all our performers from interstate including – 'Andrea rieniets' listed among one of the luminaries of contemporary popular music. With Hares & Hyena's we introduce the 'Romaine Morton Quartet' the poetic and unwavering Indigenous artists from Sydney and 'Odd Girl Out' who appear for one night only - an upbeat trio who unite all people through music and laughter.

Midsumma also brings to the forefront two Melbourne productions created by some of our extraordinary emerging artists. 'Bison' a bold and dynamic production by Lachlan Philpott and 'PRETTY Butch face' which unleashes the raw humanistic humour of writer/performer Bridget Boson. Allow yourself to be curious and take the opportunity to see beyond the boxes - visit the Black Box during Midsumma. This is a raw and engaging program that can't be missed. Hope to see you there! 📍



Visual Arts
Premier Event



Photo: Rick Castro

MIDSUMMA 2001

PRIDE MARCH 2001

Presented by Pride March Victoria

- Assemble at the corner of Lakeside Drive and Fitzroy Street St Kilda and march to the Catani Gardens
- Sunday 21 January, Assemble 4.30pm, March 5.30pm ☎ 9513 3054 or www.kingwest.com.au/pride

Victoria's lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and allied communities hold their annual pride march in St Kilda. Up to 52,000 people attend. Family and friends are encouraged to march with us as we celebrate our pride and solidarity. Anyone can join the march, there are no registration fees, and individuals do not have to register to march. ☎

After the march enjoy the free finale concert at the Catani Gardens.

For more information or to volunteer to marshal call (613) 9513 3054 or visit our website. Pride March is organised by Pride March Victoria Inc. Principal Sponsor City of Port Phillip.



MASS DEBATE

- Melbourne Concert Hall, Victorian Arts Centre
- Tuesday 30 January 7.30pm

☎ \$16.50 full, \$11 conc. + booking fee

☎ 0417 484 427, vglr_lobby@hotmail.com, www.vicnet.net.au/~vglr



The Mass Debate returns as one of the most enduring and popular events of the Festival. Comprising of an individual debate (non-team) in the first half with four speakers taking issue with each other on this year's topic: 'That some are more equal than others'

What is the finishing line for the gay and lesbian, bisexual and transgender community in terms of equality. Do we want 'gay rights' or human rights? What do we want to achieve? Other specific issues such as marriage, adoption and IVF all fall within the ambit of this topic.

The second half includes a celebrity 'Squeal of Fortune' where celebrities, playing on behalf of audience members, answer questions on a series of pertinent community issues.

Live magic will be weaved throughout both halves of the evening by the 'Woman of Deception', with a gala draw of the grand raffle prize towards the end of the evening.

Host/Presenter Julie McCrossin ☎



Information
Premier Event

ALSO'S RED RAW

- Shed 14, Cowper St, Victoria Dock
- Saturday 27 January, 10pm - 6am

☎ ALSO 9510 5569 or www.also.org.au

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If you go to one party this season, make it this one!



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PREMIER EVENTS

WORD IS OUT @ the Builders

- Builders Arms Hotel, 211 Gertrude St, Fitzroy ☎ \$8, \$6 members, \$5 concession
- Auslan interpreters • Wheelchair accessible ☎ 9824 0110, hares@bigpond.net.au

Spoken Word
Premier Event

The Builders Arms Hotel in Gertrude Street, Fitzroy, has long been a venue of choice for Word is Out. Providing one of the best boutique performance venues in Melbourne with great meals and drinks at bar prices, the hotel is the focus for Word is Out @ the Builders. Featuring five events in four nights over three weeks.

Suzanne Covich

Western Australian poet and political activist Suzanne Covich (middle right) presents a 15-minute set of her writing. An openly lesbian teacher of many years experience, Covich intersperses poetry with narrative as a means to overcoming the victimisation that too often accompanies gays and lesbians who choose to live openly.

Mon 15 Jan, 8pm

Disposable Bodies

'The quintessential revolution is that of the spirit.' Aung San Suu Kyi.

Are you throwing away your life? Are you worth more dead than alive or is that just the way you treat people? Disposable Bodies is a spoken word dance interweaving textures of experience by a mix of writers, dancers, videographers and sound artists. Life is too short for ignorance and hatred. Words break our shackles. Join us as we step out of harm's way by falling, stumbling, stuttering and running in love. Artists: Julia Trahan (above right), Henry Sasrawijaya, Angela Costi, Ying Gilbert, Camilla Hannan. Manager: Natasha Cho. This will be Julia Trahan's last appearance before returning to the United States.

Mon 15 Jan, 8.30pm

Includes entry to Suzanne Corvich 8pm

Not just a Pretty Face

Tue 23 Jan, 8pm

Selected entrants to the Pretty Short Story Competition strut their talent as we present some stand-out writing from MSO readers. All themes and genres accepted as long as the story is less than 1,500 words and contains the word 'pretty' somewhere in the story. See p26 for details.

TransLiteration

Mon 22 Jan, 8pm

The fifth annual Word is Out gender reading is back with some of your favourite trans writers, some new talent and an open mic. Artists include Sally Goldner, Julie Peters, Jodie Joyce, Michael Martel and Kay Sera.

Rapid Fire 17

Mon 29 Jan, 8pm

The 17th Rapid Fire returns with a line-up of familiar faces alongside several new voices. Twelve writers have six electrifying minutes to win your hearts and heads in our most popular and enduring literary event. Writers include Steven Dawson, Linda Spencer, Fiesta Carrera, Trevor Ball, Lisa Belleair, Rae Bennett, Kevin McGreal, Andrew Champness (below right), Letizia Mondello, Brenton Geyer, Beng Eu.

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Sport
Premier Event

Sth.P.O.O.F.T.A

- Dorothy Paul Playing Field, Albert Park ☎ Sunday 14 January, 11am ☎ Free
- Melways ref 2N K2 (57 K7) ☎ Mark 0425 734 238, Shannon 9489 5190



Hit the Grass. Taste the Sweat. Feel the Leather! Sth.P.O.O.F.T.A. (Proud Openly Out Football Touch Association), is Melbourne's queerest touch football team and part of Team Melbourne for Gay Games VI. Everyone can play - all sizes, all skill levels, all ages, all sexes, all genders. Butch dykes & sissy boys welcome. Come along to play the game, watch the action, be an Orange Girl or just enjoy a picnic lunch or bbq. This special Midsumma match will pit the home team SPOOFTA's against a visiting Poofa team from Sydney. ☎ SPOOFTA Social Club meets at The Prince of Wales every Sunday after the game.

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PREMIER EVENTS

Moonlighting Premier Event

THE LADY BUNNY

The Lady Bunny is the founder, organizer and hilarious MC of Wigstock, New York's annual dragfest, attracting over 30,000 people each year. The day long extravaganza, which features drag stars such as Lypsinka and RuPaul, is now in it's 15th year and has been the subject of a major motion picture, WIGSTOCK: The Movie.

Off screen, Bunny's live way-off-Broadway shows, such as '24 Carrot Lady' and 'Jingle Belles' have been heralded as "the hits of the season" in the U.S., and as "glamorous, hilarious and bitter!" in London. Bawdy songs, outrageous costumes...definitely not for the fainthearted!

Don't miss Lady Bunny's appearance at Carnival, plus these cabaret shows:

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THE LADY BUNNY @ THE PRINCE

- Ⓞ Prince of Wales, Fitzroy St, St. Kilda Ⓞ \$20 pre-sale, Hares & Hyenas, The Prince Bar
- Ⓞ Thursday 1 & Friday 2 Feb, 8pm. Pre-show drinks with the Lady Bunny on the Balcony from 7pm.

THE LADY BUNNY @ 'WIGS ON PARADE'

- Ⓞ The Dome, 19 Commercial Rd, Melbourne Ⓞ \$20 pre-sale Ⓞ 9529 8966
- Ⓞ Saturday 3 February, Showtime 1am Best bonnet wins a trip for 2 to Los Angeles.



BODY ART

- Ⓞ Melbourne Museum, Nicholson St, Carlton Ⓞ \$8 full, \$6 concession
- Ⓞ Wednesday 24 January, 7pm Ⓞ 1300 130 152

Join Midsumma for this one-off queer guided tour of Body Art. Your hostesses, the sumptuous Vivien St James and the unctuous Tabitha Turlington will take you through this extraordinary examination of beautification and mutilation. From piercing and tattooing, scarification, body painting and modification, Body Art celebrates the ways people adorn and transform their bodies. This fascinating new exhibition uses intimate photographs, demonstrations and audio visual displays to tell stories of body art across cultures and throughout time. 🍷

Body Art is produced by Australian Museum Sydney.

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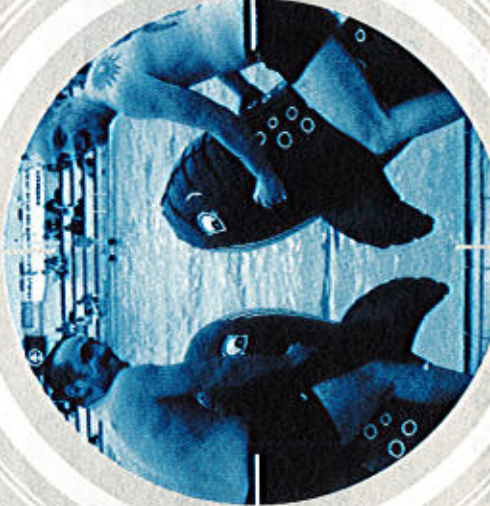


Out & About
Premier Event



GREAT AUSSIE GAY BBQ POOL PARTY 2001

- Ⓞ Collingwood Leisure Centre, Ⓞ \$13.20 full, \$8.80 concession
- Ⓞ cnr Hoddle and Turnbull St, Clifton Hill Ⓞ Midsumma 9415 9819
- Ⓞ Friday February 2, 7pm - 12pm www.midsumma.org.au



No running. No bombing. No footy shorts. No skylarking. No diving in the shallow end. Sound familiar? Forget it! It's time for the Midsumma Great Aussie Gay BBQ Pool Party 2001. BYO togs and a towel. Quality cheap Aussie BBQ food available. Snags, spuds, salads, coleslaws and cold collation. Climb the highboard on our Red Bull Cocktail Punch. Cool DJs, special guests, novelty races, sexy lifesavers, indoor and outdoor areas. First show at 7pm. Hosted by Vanessa Wagner. PS. No chokitos. 🍷

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AWARDS NIGHT CABARET

- Ⓞ The Big Top, Alexandra Gardens
- Ⓞ Saturday 3 February, 8pm

- Ⓞ \$13.20, \$7.70 Midsumma members/artist passholders
- Ⓞ Midsumma 9415 9819 or www.midsumma.org.au

An evening of glittering entertainment and salubrious stars under the Midsumma Bigtop in the Alexandra Gardens, the home of the Midsumma Carnival. Join our special guests as we award artistic, cultural and community excellence and achievement at this, the inaugural Awards Night of the Midsumma Festival. Ticket price includes four hours of entertainment from Melbourne's best quirky cabaret, dancing divas and queer community characters! Full bar and plentiful gourmet platters available. Get a group together and book a table, come with the chick you picked up the night before, or the boy you bonked after Red Raw. This is the glamour event of Midsumma 2001 so dress up big time, eat up, drink up, and be entertained. You deserve it! Ⓞ

CARNIVAL

- Ⓞ Alexandra Gardens, Melbourne
- Ⓞ Sunday 4 February, 11am - 6pm
- Ⓞ Free
- Ⓞ Midsumma 9415 9819 or www.midsumma.org.au

Melbourne's biggest day of Queer Pride is on again at the Alexandra Gardens in the City. The gardens open up to embrace the Queer Community with stages brimming with song and dance, a fabulous array of food and wine and a melting pot of Melbourne's GLBT Community.

The famous and the infamous hide behind rose coloured glasses and ten gallon hats, while the Hoi Poloi run amok amidst the hundred or so stall holders, market vendors, sideshow rides and roving raconteurs.

This is the place to be seen.

Perennials such as Dulcie Du Jour's Dog Show return once again. Enter your pooch early to avoid the rush. The Market Hotel's new and improved Wigstock Drag Extravaganza, hosted by New York's Lady Bunny is outdoor daytime drag that will be as fierce as it is fabulous!

A day and night of wild abandon not to be missed! Ⓞ Ⓞ



MIDSUMMA T-DANCE

- Ⓞ Bigtop @ Carnival, Alexandra Gardens
- Ⓞ Sunday 4 February, 6pm - 11.30pm

- Ⓞ \$16.50, \$13.20 members/conc, \$20 at the door
- Ⓞ Midsumma 9415 9819 or www.midsumma.org.au



The hit of last year's Midsumma party events, T-Dance, returns to Carnival.

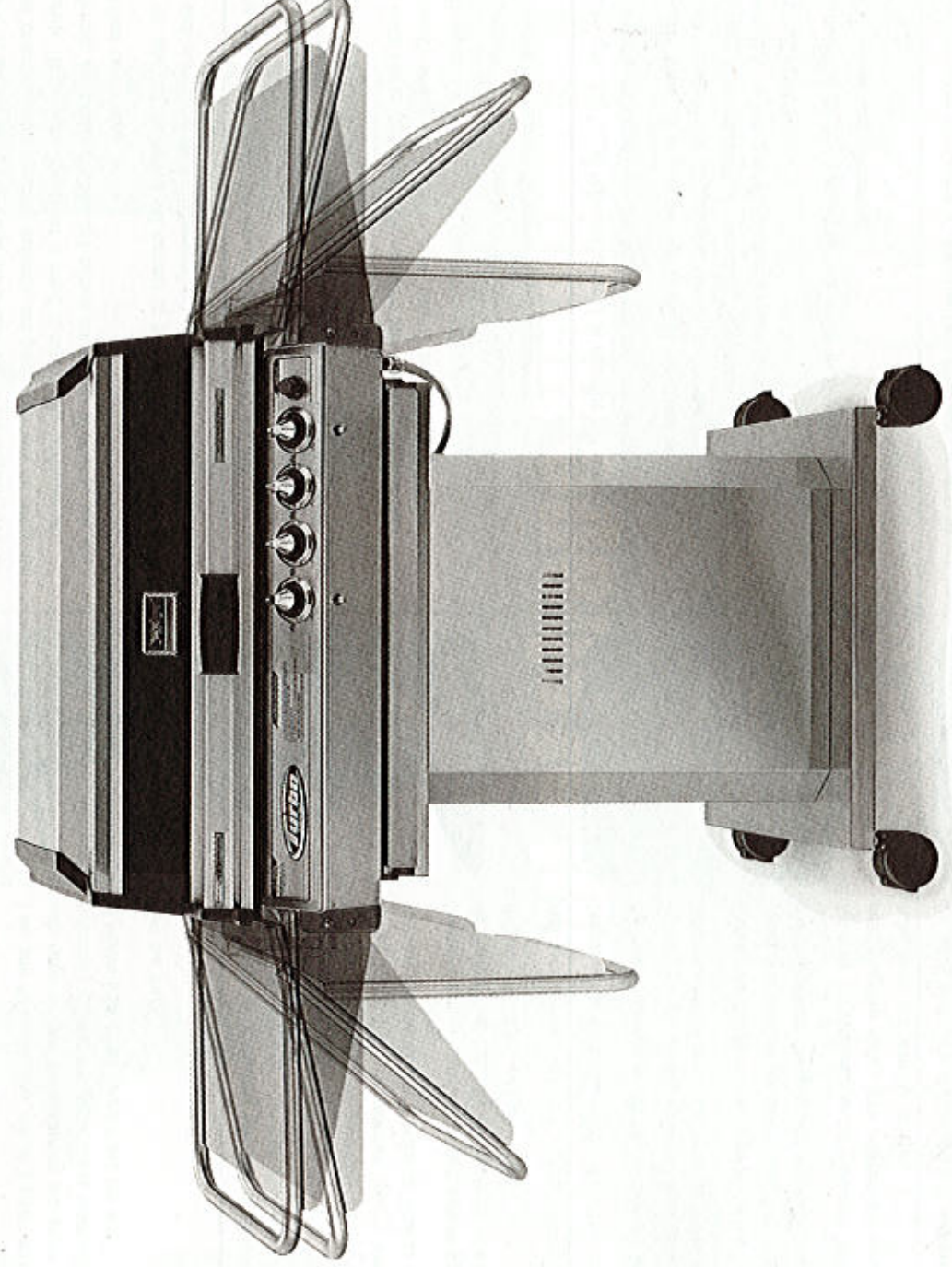
Midsumma 2001 climaxes under the Big Top with disco dykes and party poofs converging on to the dancefloor to farewell the Festival in true party style.

With full discotheque sound and lighting, and some of Melbourne's funkiest DJs, this is the perfect blast to end three weeks of queer culture consumption. Ⓞ

T-Dance is presented by Midsumma and the Victorian AIDS Council/Gay Men's Health Centre



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- Suburb: Grey area
- carlton: Blue area
- Railway: Dashed line
- Tramway: Dotted line

Scale: 0 to 1km



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VISUAL ARTS



Visual Arts Premier Event

See Page 7 for full details

KINK ART - A Rick Castro Retrospective
Hollywood based photographer and filmmaker Rick Castro brings kink down under with a retrospective of photography, zines and videos, at Gamma Space in Flinders Lane.

Gaze Queerly @ Midsumma Visual Arts 2001. The Midsumma Festival expands its visual arts program to take you beyond titillation and present diverse initiatives into the future. From Melbourne lanes to Bendigo arcades, an abundance of local, interstate and international artists will feature within gallery walls and out and about on the streets exploring queer history, identity, fantasy and desire for your visual pleasure.

The Midsumma Visual Arts Program is proudly supported by the Rand Corporation.

Queer Street

- Ⓞ See main description
- Ⓞ See main description
- Ⓞ See main description
- Ⓞ 9415 9819



Queer Street - at your own risk enter into Melbourne's city streets and open your mind to the images from artists and outlaws who push and blur the boundaries for your visual pleasures. Midsumma continues to infiltrate Melbourne CBD with out there public art. Don't get comfortable! 'Queer Street' is proudly sponsored by The City of Melbourne.

Urban Art Bus Shelters Display Units on City Circle Tram Route. Ex de Medici-renowned artist and practising tattooist airs some new and bold photographic portraits. Spencer near Bourke, Spencer near Collins, Flinders near Queensbridge, Victoria near Latrobe and Lonsdale near Spencer. 16 Dec - Wed 31 Jan 24 hours/7 days a week.

City Lights Outdoor lightboxes in Hosier Lane burn bright with curiously camp images from artists: Chris Orr, Kevin D'Souza, Hadas Shlagman, Fiona Lawry. Hosier Lane between Flinders St and Flinders Lane, Melbourne. Fri 12 Jan - Sun 4 Feb 24 hours/7 days a week.

Poster Pillars the Know No Space Four designers/photographers explore the political, aesthetic and informative aspect of posters in public places. Located on the Poster Pillars throughout the CBD and North Melbourne. Keith Holland, Lin Tobias, Angela Bailey and Peter Lambropoulos compete for dominance in an environment so fierce that survival is transient and definitely not guaranteed. Fresh every week! Bourke St Mall near Swanston, Cnr Swanston & Little Bourke, Swanston near Little Lonsdale and Queensberry near Errol, North Melbourne. Mon 15 Jan - Sun 4 Feb 24 hours/7 days a week.

City Shop Fronts and Projections Light Me Up. Various Artists. Various Locations. Illumina Nighttime Colour our world as city buildings and Melbourne icons burn bright and dazzle sweaty summer skies during Midsumma. Various buildings in the CBD. Sat 12 Jan - Sun 4 Feb.

Mass Hang It Get that art out there gang. Queer Art in the Park for all to see. An estimated 80,000 people frequent the Midsumma Carnival - a fab opportunity to show off and sell a few pieces. Contact Midsumma for entry forms: 9415 8919. Midsumma Carnival Alexander Gardens. Sun 4 Feb 12pm - 7pm. Proudly supported by Slater and Gordon.

Deeper Water Photographic images of scintillating swimmers, underwater and beyond in the window of Zetta Florence. 187 Gertrude St, Fitzroy. Sun 12 Jan - Sun 4 Feb 24 hours/7 days a week.



Queer Family

- Ⓞ Span Galleries 45 Flinders Lane Melbourne
- Ⓞ Thurs 11 Jan - Thurs 25 Jan
- Ⓞ Free
- Ⓞ 9415 9819



An exhibition of local, urban Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Gay and Lesbian artists - Destiny Deacon, Lisa Belleair, Craig Charles, Kimba Thompson, Clinton Nain and Lou Bennet. Queer Family will highlight the diversity and culture both within the Indigenous community and the Gay and Lesbian community.

'Queer Family' is proudly sponsored by The City of Melbourne. Proudly presented by The Midsumma Festival.

There is going to be a Big Disaster

- Ⓞ Gamma Space Level 1/141 Flinders Lane Melbourne
- Ⓞ Mon 15 Jan - Sun 4 Feb
- Ⓞ Mon - Fri 10am - 6pm
- Ⓞ Sat 10am - 4pm
- Ⓞ Free
- Ⓞ 9415 9819



An exhibition of photographic images by Queensland artist, Ray Cook. Exploring mortality, gender and sexuality with humor, camp and irony. Cook's images investigate queer identity by reclaiming and re-inventing ancient history.

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🕒 Opening Fri 12 Jan
Sat 13 Jan - Sun 4 Feb
Wed - Sat 11am to 5pm
Sun 1pm to 5pm

🆓 Free

☎ 9415 9819



Bendigo Project

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Bendigo

🕒 Opening Sat 20 Jan 2-5pm
Sat 20 Jan - Sun 11 Feb
Mon - Sun 10am - 5pm

🆓 Free

☎ 9415 9819



'The New York Flower Suite' & 'Enriching Routine'

© Ross Watson Gallery
465 Nicholson St
Carlton North

🕒 Wed 24 Jan - Sun 4 Feb
Wed - Sun 11am to 6pm

🆓 Free

☎ 9348 2821

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Alternative Lives Photographic Exhibition

© The Maltheouse Gallery
113 Sturt St, Southbank

🕒 Tues 23 Jan - Sun 4 Feb
Mon - Sat 9am to 5pm

🆓 Free

☎ 9685 5161

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Obscenes

© Gypsy Bar
334 Brunswick St, Fitzroy

🕒 Sat 13 Jan - Sun 4 Feb
Sun - Wed 11am to 1pm
Thurs - Sat 11am to 2am

🆓 Free

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'Torture' the exhibition

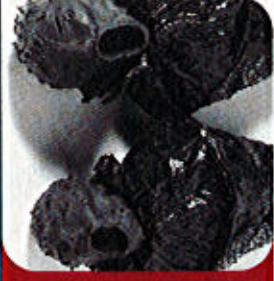
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123 Yere St, Collingwood

🕒 Sun 14 Jan - Sun 28 Jan
12pm to 6pm

🆓 Free

☎ 9404 113 037

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Window to my Fantasies- Elaine D'Esterre

© Windows on Church Galleries
270 Church St, Richmond

🕒 Opening Thur 11 Jan 6.30pm
Fri 12 Jan - Tues 30 Jan
Tues - Sat 11am to 6pm
Sun 12pm to 5pm

🆓 Free

☎ 9427 0003

0401 256 992



The fabulous winning artists of Midsumma's signature 'New Q' exhibition showcase their recent artworks. Featuring: Marcus Bunyan, James Verdon, Marryanne Christodolou, Katie Hamilton, Deborah Kelly, Kerry Herrmann, Scott Campbell, Kathryn Reeves and Deb Williams. 'New Q' 2001 will also introduce a People's Choice award and exhibition viewers will be encouraged to go into the draw to win gorgeous things. Winners will be announced at the Midsumma Carnival. Melbourne's queer art at its finest. New Q will arise again with a national touring and prize focus in 2002. Keep a wicked eye out. 🌈

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Slit

© Front Window Gallery
200 Gertrude St, Fitzroy

🕒 Sat 13 Jan - Sun 4 Feb
Open 24 hours
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Take a gawk, take a peek in the gallery window of 200 Gertrude Street, Fitzroy. A drive-by, walk-up installation in collaboration between Jane Irongrove and Susan Long. 🌈

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🕒 Wed 24 Jan - Sun 4 Feb
Wed - Sun 11am to 6pm

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These new paintings directly evolve from the last two sell-out 'Absolute Realism' exhibitions. Exotic realism meets surreal urban landscapes. Watson muses over regular men to Armani models. His stylized paintings attract collectors from Elton John to the President of the World Bank. Including new prints, thus appealing to all budgets. 🌈

Calendar Girls Photographic Exhibition & Launch

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🕒 Sat 13 Jan - Sun 28 Jan
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Sat - Sun 11am to 7pm

🆓 Free

☎ 0409 355 946

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www.vip.com.au/calendargirls



'Calendar Girls' (colour photographs by Vicki Jones) presents a humorous twist on the image of the 'calendar girl'. Superb modeling is provided by the Melbourne Marching Girls and famous drag queens, who get their gear off to entertain and inspire you! Have the exhibition all year round by purchasing the calendar at www.vip.com.au/calendargirls. 🌈

Re (:) present

© Mechanics Institute
Performing Arts Centre
Car Sydney Rd & Glenlyon Rd
Brunswick

🕒 Opening Mon 15 Jan 6-8pm
Tues 16 Jan - Sat 20 Jan
Wed 24 Jan - Sun 28 Jan
Tues - Fri 12pm to 3pm
Sat - Sun 12pm to 5pm

🆓 Free

☎ 9350 4000



Re (:) present is a collection of mixed media works. It is a new initiative providing support and visual expression for young people around Moreland. Artists connected and workshopped over three months to combine their experiences and provide evidence of their ideas and realities. Sponsored by the Moreland City Council, a project of Co-care, Moreland Health Service. 🌈

The Erotic Cup

© Northcote Pottery Gallery
85A Cycle St, Thornbury

🕒 Fri 5 Jan - Thurs 15 Feb
Mon - Fri 8.30am to 5pm
Sat 9am to 4pm

🆓 Free

☎ 9484 4380

melb@northcote-pots.com.au



Last year it was 'Exotic/Erotic', this year it's 'The Erotic Cup'. The tradition of erotic Midsumma exhibitions continues at the Northcote Pottery Gallery. Some of Victoria's most notable artists reinterpret 'the cup' for your erotic pleasure. 🌈

Window to my Fantasies - Elena Ryzanoff

© Windows on Church Galleries
270 Church St, Richmond

🕒 Opening Thur 11 Jan 6.30pm
Fri 12 Jan - Tues 30 Jan
Tues - Sat 11am to 6pm
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Elena Ryzanoff. Moscow born into a family of well known artists, Elena completed her specialist art education at Moscow's finest - Sourikov Academy of Fine Arts. She has participated in numerous contemporary exhibitions in Moscow, Canberra and in Melbourne. Elena's paintings feature sensual, flowing figures with a unique, sculptural quality which tempts viewers to touch. 🌈



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Sun - Wed 10am to 5pm
Thurs - Sat 10am to late

🆓 Free

☎ 9510 3355

Inspired by recollections of the infamous Parisian 'Tata Beach', 'Fragments of Sex' are new sculptural photographic works by controversial artist Travis de Jonk. Using rephotographed pornography and other sexual detritus, the exhibition brings together the tender and delicate with the **HARDCORE** and seedier sexual elements of the 'brief encounter'.

Massimo Speroni - Il Dolce Farniete



Ⓢ Charles Nodrum Gallery
267 Church St, Richmond

📅 Tues 16 Jan - Sun 4 Feb
Tues - Sat 11am - 4pm

🆓 Free

☎ 9427 0140
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Charles Nodrum Gallery is proud to present Massimo Speroni's first Australian exhibition. His exquisitely drawn erotic and sensuous nudes won acclaim in his native Italy, and have already generated a faithful following among Australian collectors. Speroni perpetuates a tradition of carefully modelled drawings that reminisce of the world of Italian masters, and speak of intimate tranquility, infused voyeurism, passion and desire.

Exploring w)hole



Ⓢ Bulle Galleries
96 Flinders St, Melbourne

📅 Opening Tues 16 Jan
Wed 17 Jan - Sun 4 Feb
Tues - Fri 10am to 5pm
Sat - Sun 1.30pm to 4pm

🆓 Free

☎ 9650 3944
fax 9450 3430

'Exploring w)hole'. An exhibition of saggar fired ceramics by emerging ceramist John Ferguson. Textured and burnished surfaces envelop his forms, creating sensual and tactile works which draw the viewer to caress and explore. Represented in the art gallery of South Australia, this is John's first Melbourne exhibition.

Significant Moments



Ⓢ Displayed during Pride March, Fitzroy St, St Kilda and Carnival

📅 Pride March Sun 21 Jan
Carnival Sun 4 Feb

🆓 Free

☎ www.kingwest.com.au/pride

Pride March and Australian Lesbian and Gay Archives present an exhibition celebrating 100 years of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender life. Funded by the Victorian Government, through the Centenary of Federation Victoria Community Support Fund, this exhibition will be displayed at Assembly, the Finale Concert, carried in Pride March on January 21 and at Midsumma Carnival.



Jonathan Mills, Melbourne Festival Director

My best wishes to all participating in Midsumma. My congratulations to Nigel Higgins and Brenton Geyer and their team for creating a diverse program of great appeal. A festival is a great opportunity for any community to express itself. Midsumma's role in forging connections and encouraging a sense of belonging within Melbourne's gay and lesbian community is significant.

Have a great time. With very best wishes from your colleagues at the Melbourne Festival.

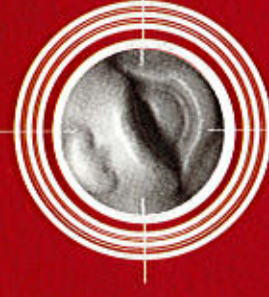


Vanessa Pigrum, Melbourne Fringe Festival Director

Ah Midsumma...where else can you get such wit & panache, eyebrow raising art, a dog show, stylish fashions on the field AND a bit of spicy sausage all in the one juicy program? Midsumma celebrates the sparkling diversity of the queer family. But let's be honest. We really love it because it heralds the official start of our summer social season. Ladies bring a plate!

Melbourne Fringe wishes you all the best for another hit festival.

Vanessa Pigrum



KIDZ EVENTS

Polyglot Puppet Theatre - Workshops



Ⓢ Kidz Art Tent @ Carnival
Alexandra Gardens

📅 Sun 4 Feb
11am, 1.30pm & 4pm
duration 1.5 hours

🆓 Free (td to 10 per session)

☎ 9827 9667 for bookings
polyglot@venturinezau

Polyglot has been alive and kicking for 22 years and is one of the leading puppet theatre companies for young people in Australia. We are hosting three great workshops with puppet maker Katrina Gaskell. She will show you how to construct a rod puppet from simple materials and create your own puppet character. You will be taken into the intriguing world of puppets and end up with one of your very own. The 11am and 1.30pm workshop is for young people aged between 7-13 years old. The 4pm workshop is for "big kidz" ...that's adults. Book early to secure a place.

Photo by Rebecca Sutherland.

polyglot

Kid Zone



Ⓢ Midsumma Carnival
Alexandra Gardens

📅 Sun 4 Feb all day
for 7-13years

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See Page 9 for full details

Indigenous Word



Focus on Indigenous artists: Lisa Belleair, Off Chapel Poetry (17 Jan), Dyke World (24 Jan) and Rapid Fire (29 Jan); Romaine Morton Quartet: an unforgettable fusion of spoken word and jazz - see Moonlighting section (31 Jan - 2 Feb); Outblack at the Black Box: Ernest Kinsey, Lisa Belleair, Rae Bennett (also at Rapid Fire), Romaine Morton and more (3 Feb 8pm).

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Extraordinary Lesbian Lives



Melbourne writer Jean Taylor joins interstate guest Sally Irwin in a reading celebrating two extraordinary lives. Irwin's 'Between Heaven and Earth' documents the life of mountaineer and independent woman Freda Du Faur and her struggles with the social restrictions at the beginning of this century. Jean Taylor's 'The C Word' tells the story of her life with Maureen O'Connor and their fierce and moving struggle with cancer.

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Inscribing the Body at the Museum



Five writers including Richard Watts, Jules Wilkinson and Merrilee Moss read about the queer body and its possibilities for inscription. Set in the Body Modification section of the Body Art exhibition (produced by the Australian Museum) at the Melbourne Museum. Produced by the Melbourne Museum and Word is Out. Image, 'Caught Smoking', courtesy of Rick Castro from his 'Kink Art' exhibition at Midsumma.

- Ⓞ Melbourne Museum
Carlton Gardens, Carlton
- Ⓞ Thurs 18 Jan 7.30pm-9pm
- Ⓞ \$8 full, \$5 concession
includes entry to 'Body Art'
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The underground comes to the surface as we mix words with dance, performance, music, film, photography and the computer screen in venues across the city. At most events there will also be the signed word, with Auslan signers once again interpreting for the deaf. In the biggest Word is Out in its seven-year history, as well as workshops, launches, readings, performances and forums, there is a focus on work by Indigenous artists in the final week. Word is Out is produced by Hares & Hyenas bookshop for Midsumma Festival. Word is Out 2001 has been made possible by several independent event producers and the assistance of several individuals. Rowland and Crusader

Rick Castro's Street Life



Photographer and filmmaker Rick Castro presents a series of slides, short film programs and excerpts from his film 'Hustler White' about the secrets of street sex in Los Angeles. An unforgettable night of spoken film performance, co-presented by Queer Film Australia, this is a fundraiser for Word is Out and the Melbourne Queer Film Festival.

- Ⓞ The Market Boag
143 Commercial Rd
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- Ⓞ Thurs 25 Jan 8pm-9.30pm
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Pretty Short Story Competition



MSO and Hares & Hyenas present Not Just a Pretty Face, the Pretty Short Story Competition. MSO readers are invited to submit stories of less than 1,500 words - any genre, any topic, but must contain the word Pretty. Entries should be sent by 7 Jan to MSO, PO Box 205, Fitzroy 3065. Name and contact details to be provided separate to the story. Selected stories to be published. See page 7 for details of reading.

- Ⓞ See main copy
- Ⓞ Entries close 7 Jan
- Ⓞ Free
- Ⓞ Hares & Hyenas 9824 0110
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Off Chapel Poetry



The hit of Midsumma 2000 returns with a night of upbeat poetry by acclaimed poets Kristin Henry and Lisa Belleair, with 40 minutes of open mic readings. Come along with your poems prepared (of two minutes or less) and share your work in an exciting and vibrant environment. Produced by Chapel Off Chapel.

- Ⓞ Chapel Off Chapel
9 Little Chapel St, Prahran
- Ⓞ Wed 17 Jan 8pm-9.30pm
- Ⓞ \$7.50 full, \$5.50 con
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Queer Lust in the Lambda Quadrant



An evening of tales of queer lust in a galaxy far, far away. Hear slash fiction where your favorite characters get it on - find out what Seven of Nine and Captain Janeway really get up to in Transporter Room 3; listen to cyber fiction at its best. Also features the launch of the first issue of the Spaced Out zine by Melbourne's queer sf club. Hosted by cyberdyke Jules Wilkinson. Auslan interpreters. Image from 'Meatmen'.

- Ⓞ Hares & Hyenas
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Hello Kitty



The queer karaoke hit of the 2000 Fringe Festival is back. Asian stereotypes are subverted and literature becomes glamorous when six writers read their own brilliant fiction/poetry and sing karaoke favorites. Writers: Tony Ayres, Nazasha Cho, Chi Yu, Ying Gilbert, David Nguyen and Lisa Pham. Hosted by Asian drag queen Mia Suzanna. (Line up subject to change.) Produced by the Footscray Community Arts Centre.

- Ⓞ Commercial Hotel
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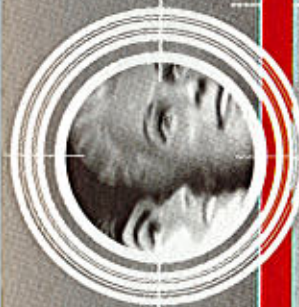


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'Corpus Christi' by Terrance McKally

'Dating Joe' & 'Sunset BBQ'

Diamanda Galás in 'La Serpenta Canta'

Ms Penelope in 'Gayschool'

My Life as a Dyke

Only Heaven Knows

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Swami Brudda's Enlightenment Show

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The Naked Drag Queen
The Pot and the Kettle - A Cabaret Conflict
There Are Bears In There
Utilization
Vicki Vegs in Review
Wrigstock Heats @ The Market


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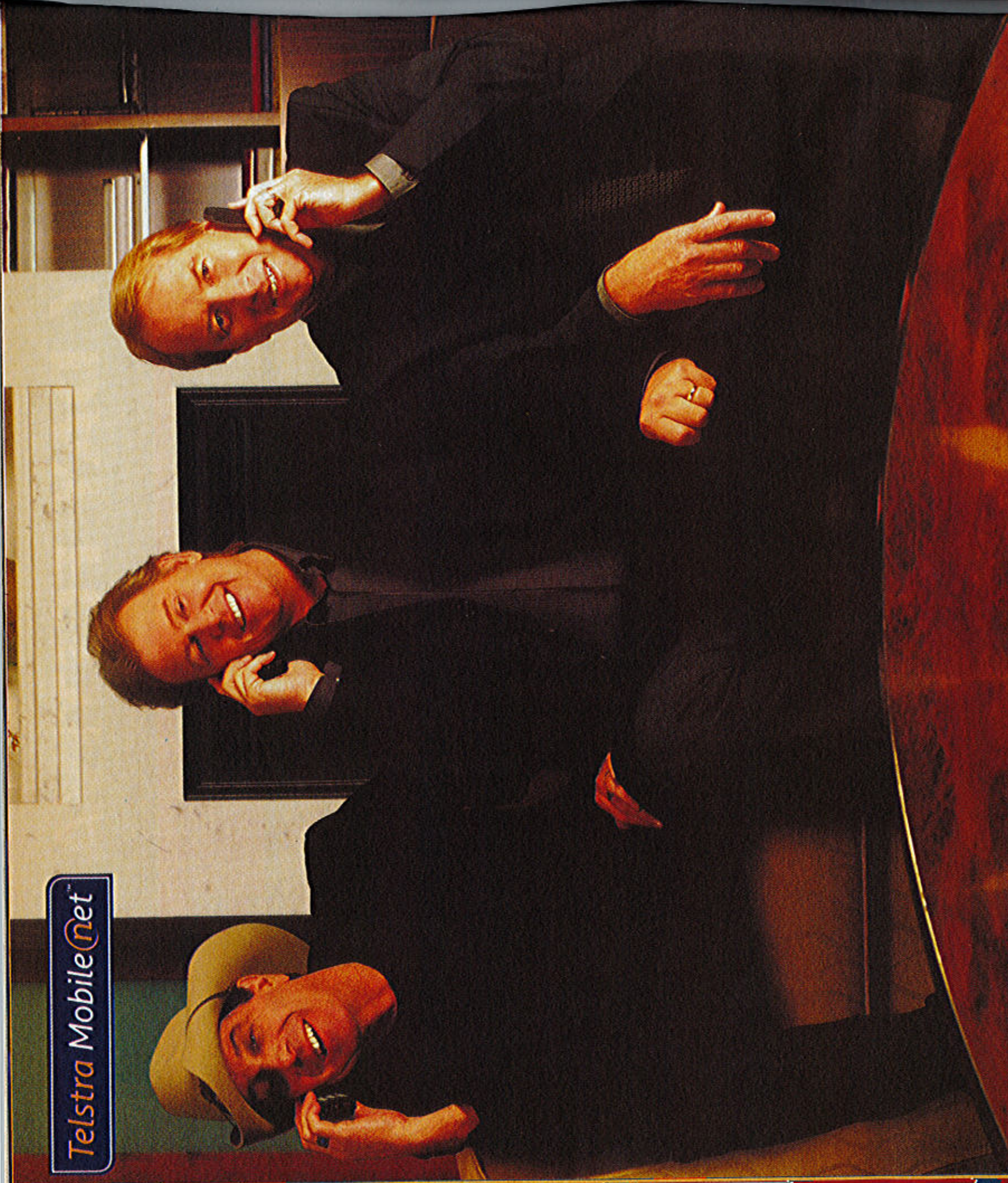
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The Launch of 'Gay'

- Ⓞ Hares & Hyenas
135 Commercial Rd
South Yarra
- 🕒 Thurs 25 Jan 6pm - 7pm
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- 🕒 Fri 26 Jan 7.30pm-9pm
- 🎟 \$8 full, \$5 con & members
- 📞 Hares & Hyenas 9824 0110
hares@bigpond.net.au
www.hares-hyenas.com.au



Join us for readings from Graham Willett's 'Living Out Loud' and Steve Dow's 'Gay'. Encompassing the history of gay activism in Australia alongside pungent writing about sexuality, identity, gender and community values, these two writers will read from their works and discuss some of the urgent issues confronting Australians today. Supported by www.worldwriting.com, Allen & Unwin and the Aust. Lesbian and Gay Archives. 📍📞

Voices Through Voices

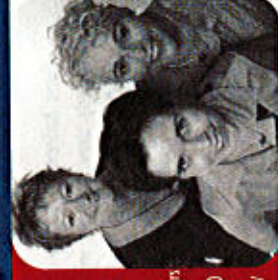
- Ⓞ Chapel Loft
12 Little Chapel St, Prahan
- 🕒 Sun 28 Jan 3pm - 4.30pm
- 🎟 \$7 full, \$4 con & members
- 📞 9386 0397
context_wic@hotmail.com



Fragments, stories and lip syncing around GLBT young people and around people who work with GLBT young people. "...And I went 'Ooooooo my question my question' he said 'I want to know about you and Sally...Did you two actually go out?' And I said 'Yes...and that was about 2 months ago and it is still sort of an 'Ooooooo Ooooooo' subject..." Violet 16, bi-sexual, Auslan interpreters upon request. Produced by Context. 📍

Odd Girl Out

- Ⓞ Black Box @
The Victorian Arts Centre
St Kilda Rd, Melbourne
- 🕒 Sun 28 Jan 8pm - 9.30pm
- 🎟 \$12 full, \$10 con & members
- 📞 Hares & Hyenas 9824 0110
hares@bigpond.net.au
www.powerup.com.au/~ogol



Simone Brooks, Sue Drummond and Jodi Murtha are Odd Girl Out. Together they represent the contemporary white working class point of view. Their music explores racial tensions and reconciliation from a white perspective, as well as issues of gender and class, balancing it all with cheeky wit and satire. Odd Girl Out is an upbeat trio uniting all people through music and laughter. Fresh from the Upstarts Aussie US tour. 📍

Writing for Film - Image, Sound and Story

- Ⓞ Victorian Writers' Centre
156 George St, Fitzroy
- 🕒 Sat 20 Jan
10am - 4pm
- 🎟 \$88 full, \$46 concession
\$55 VWC members
- 📞 9415 1077



Mira Robertson, award-winning scriptwriter and co-writer of 'Head On' and 'Only the Brave', presents a full day workshop exploring story structure, dialogue, use of imagery, characterisation and filmic time. Practical writing exercises and a discussion of queer films are part of this introductory workshop. All three writing workshops in collaboration with the Victorian Writers' Centre. 📍

Writing Oral History

- Ⓞ Victorian Writers' Centre
156 George St, Fitzroy
- 🕒 Sat 10 Feb
10am - 4pm
- 🎟 \$88 full, \$46 concession
\$55 VWC members
- 📞 9415 1077



Wendy Lowenstein is a pioneer of white oral history in Australia, and author of 'Weevis in the Flour' and 'The Immigrants' (with Morag Loh). Oral testimony can be read as literature, but much meaning dwells in what we can hear or even see of the narration and oral history. This workshop will allow for discussion of ethics, legal issues, practice in designing interviews, editing, writing and publishing, as well as face-to-face interviewing. 📍

St. Dorothy's Day

- Ⓞ St Agnes' Anglican Parish
Garden
114 Booran Rd, Glenhuntly
- 🕒 Fri 2 Feb 6.30pm
- 🎟 \$7 per person
- 📞 Bookings essential
9571 3932



Mass, Mozart and Al Fresco supper. Solemn Eucharist 6.30pm. It doesn't get much better for St. Dorothy's Day. Enjoy the words of a Preacher, David Head, the music of Mazarin's coronation mass and the delights of an Al Fresco supper to follow. All friends of Dorothy welcome. 📍 Independent event.

Access All Areas

- Ⓞ MAC/GMHC
& Clarendon St, South Yarra
- 🕒 Sat 27 Jan 2pm - 4pm
- 🎟 \$8 full, \$4 con & members
- 📞 Hares & Hyenas 9824 0110
hares@bigpond.net.au
www.hares-hyenas.com.au



An open facilitated discussion with people with disabilities or chronic illness. In the Chair will be Caroline Bowditch, who will take you through some of the salient issues that confront all of us when dealing with access and involvement by this talented group of people. Sponsored by the Victorian AIDS Council/Gay Men's Health Centre/Positive Living Centre. Free to Midsumma 2000 participants. 📍📞

Fedora, Fiesta & Me

- Ⓞ Hares & Hyenas
135 Commercial Rd
South Yarra
- 🕒 Sun 28 Jan 5.30pm-7pm
- 🎟 By donation for Auslan Signers
- 📞 Hares & Hyenas 9824 0110
hares@bigpond.net.au
www.hares-hyenas.com.au



Merrilee Moss reads from her newly released and recently serialised dyke detective novel 'Fedora Walks' (Spinifex Press). Outlandish and erotic Fiesta Carrera takes aim at lesbian bloodlust, Anzacs, psychiatrists and missionaries in 'Charmel Knowledge' - a flagrant, sexually charged comedy crossed with a science thriller. Book launches and readings. 📍📞

Outback @ the Black Box

- Ⓞ Black Box @
The Victorian Arts Centre
St Kilda Rd, Melbourne
- 🕒 Sat 3 Feb 8pm - 10pm
- 🎟 \$12 full, \$8 con & members
- 📞 Hares & Hyenas 9824 0110



'Outback' and 'Word is Out' present Aboriginal and Torres Strait writers in the grand finale of 'Word is Out' at Midsumma. Featuring Lisa Bellair, Rae Bennett, Romaine Morton, Ernest Kinsey, amongst others, this will be a transformative night of song and spoken word performance from amazing talents. Outback is Victoria's Koorie Gay Transgender Sistergirl Support Group. 📍📞

Writing Short Fiction: On- and Off-Line

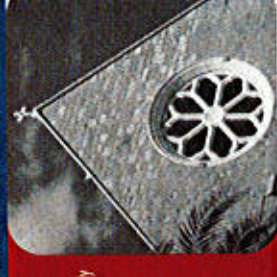
- Ⓞ Victorian Writers' Centre
156 George St, Fitzroy
- 🕒 Sat 27 Jan
10am - 4pm
- 🎟 \$88 full, \$66 concession
\$55 VWC members
- 📞 9415 1077



Join popular short fiction writer, Dean Kiley, in this workshop on the development of story ideas and styles of presentation. Kiley will evaluate participants' fiction and deal with the practical aspects of a publication point of view, as well as looking at the poetics and rhetorics of online narrative. Also discussion and workshopping. Participants should submit a piece of their writing prior to the workshop. 📍

Poetry by Ken Parker

- Ⓞ St Agnes' Anglican Parish
Garden
114 Booran Rd, Glenhuntly
- 🕒 Fri 26 Jan 6.30pm
- 🎟 \$5 per person
- 📞 9571 3932



A program of poetry by Gay and Lesbian women and men of faith. Devised and read by Ken Parker. Includes drinks and snacks. 📍 Independent event.

Strawberry Sunday

- Ⓞ Basement Shop 256
Finders St, Melbourne
- 🕒 Opening Event Sat 13 Jan
Sat 13 Jan - Sat 6 Feb
Mon - Thurs 9.30 - 5.30pm
Fri 9.30 - 6.30pm
Sat 9.30 - 1.30pm
- 🎟 Free
- 📞 9376 1296



Strawberry Sunday presents the theory and practice of queer sexuality. In text and graphics this non-fiction book is the latest installment of FNL Osowski's Post modern Queer Project. Independent event.



PERFORMING ARTS

Performing Arts Premier Event
See Page 6 for full details



DIAMANDA GALÁS
The internationally acclaimed vocalist, pianist, composer and poet, Diamanda Galás performing her latest work for the first time in Australia at the Concert Hall (Sat 20 Jan)

Of the fourteen performing arts events as part of the 2001 festival, three are presented by Midsumma as part of the festival's newly formed association with the Victorian Arts Centre and nine are produced independently for inclusion under the Midsumma Performing Arts umbrella. In this program are four productions at Chapel off Chapel and three productions at La Mama. Other venues include Carlton Courthouse, Theatreworks in St Kilda, Mechanics Institute in Brunswick and The Athenaeum II in the City. This array of venues affirms Midsumma's strengthening reputation as a quality arts festival and an event that is recognised as one of Melbourne's hallmark events.

'BISON' by Lachlan Philpott

Black Box @ the Victorian Arts Centre
31 Kilda Rd, Melbourne
Preview Tues 16 Jan
Wed 17 Jan - Sat 20 Jan
Wed 24 Jan - Sat 27 Jan
9.30pm one hour show
\$19 full, \$12 con, \$10 mem
Preview - Health Care Card
holders' gold coin donation
Hares & Hyenas: 9324 0110



Midsumma Festival presents 'Bison' - the sexual saga of a man who could be you! Torn between the stability of a relationship and the voyeuristic promise of anonymous sex this play explores a tension many of us experience. With a cast of seven males, Bison presents an underworld that is usually taboo. A confronting new Australian play, that premiered to a sell out season in Melbourne with rave reviews. Contains full frontal nudity. 'A sexy, confronting, intelligent play' 3LO (ABC Radio). 'Evocative and cleverly constructed, the play forces the audience to act as voyeurs of secret gay male rituals...An intelligent and confronting play about gay male desire and the lure of anonymous sex. Bison definitely deserves to be seen at Mardi Gras...' The Melbourne Times

'Which Way Out' a Y-Glam Theatre Production

Mechanica's Institute
Performing Arts Centre
Cor Sydney Rd & Georlyan Rd, Brunswick
Wed 24 Jan - Sat 27 Jan
8pm
\$12 full, \$10 concession
9388 1460
wioy@mech.org.au



Country town, moving out, coming out, going home... not your average visit. Following the sell out season of 'Homogeneity', Y-Glam presents 'Which Way Out', a theatre work written and performed by young people.

The Swami Brudda's Cosmic Enlightenment Show

Mechanica's Institute
Performing Arts Centre
Cor Sydney Rd & Georlyan Rd, Brunswick
Tues 16 Jan - Sat 27 Jan
7pm
\$12 full, \$7 concession
9387 3376



Marie Andrews is back with a brand new new cosmic comedy show. Together with Riteria Nikora they are the 'Swami Brudda's', Wan and Doo. Re-arrange your chakras, drive your karma and walk your dogma. Nirvana is here. We take you now. Bring Visa, Mastercard or Swamicaid! Come! Come!

My Life as a Dyke

La Mama
205 Faraday St, Carlton
Wed 24 Jan - Sun 4 Feb
Wed - Sat 8pm
Sun 8pm
\$14 full, \$10 concession
9347 6142



After two sell-out seasons, the lesbian smash hit of Midsumma 2000 returns for two weeks only, 3 women explore the misadventures of modern day life as a dyke. "Funny, well produced and professional...featuring some excellent punchy writing and three extremely polished performances...(MSO). Avoid disappointment - book early."

The Bull With A Fire In His Belly

The Carlton Courthouse
349 Drummond St, Carlton
Tues 23 Jan - Sat 3 Feb
Tues - Sat 8.15pm
Sun 6.15pm
\$16 full, \$11 concession
9347 6142



The story of George Filev, growing up gay in Melbourne with Macedonian lineage. Discovering similarities in two cultures that can't be easily defined, in a world where everything is given a label. Creating modern mythology through the eyes of an ancient culture by using circus skills, storytelling, music and song. Produced by La Mama.

'Corpus Christi' by Terrence McNally

Athenaeum II
188 Collins St, Melbourne
Tues 16 Jan - Sun 4 Feb
8.00pm
\$22 full, \$16.50 concession
plus booking fees
Paul Nair 0418 514 766
mail@polemic.org
www.polemic.org



Polemik Productions staging of Terrence McNally's controversial play 'Corpus Christi'. Directed by Catherine Hill, Corpus provides an alternative perspective on the Gospel through its gay Jesus-like character Joshua.

Walk in Dirt

La Mama
205 Faraday St, Carlton
Thurs 25 Jan - Sun 4 Feb
Wed - Sat 10pm
Sun 8pm
\$12 full, \$8 concession
9347 6142



'Walk in Dirt' written and performed by Stephen House, directed by Geoff Crowhurst, original music and sound by George Kallika. "Stephen House's ability to mix raw emotions in his writing is again revealed." - Louise Nunn, The Advertiser, Adelaide. From the author of the award winning hit plays 'Go By Night' and 'Drapes'*****. Warning: occasional explicit language.

The Cabar(gay) Convention

Chapel off Chapel
12 Little Chapel St, Prahran
Thurs 25 Jan - Sat 27 Jan
10pm
\$10 per person
9531 1641
meat@ibm.net



Cabar(gay) talent quest is seeking singers, comics, drag acts, site acts. Come and strut your stuff with gay abandon! Heats - Thurs 25 Jan, Semis - Fri 26 Jan, Final - Sat 27 Jan. Guest spots, judges, prizes. First 20 acts to register qualify. Call Martin on (03) 9531-1641. Even Barbara had to start somewhere!



OPERA CHRISTI CORPUS CHRISTI

Polemic Productions Presents

The Australian Premiere of Corpus Christi

by Terrence McNally

Directed by Catherine Hill

Assistant Director Ariane Vrisakis

Music Director Richard Davies

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Ⓢ Theatreworks
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Ⓢ \$16 full, \$21 concession
☎ 9534 3388
perform@netpace.net.au

From the producers of 'Homme Fatale' comes the true story of Heinz E. and his extraordinary struggle to survive the horrors of Nazi persecution. As a young homosexual boy in tormented Europe of World War II, Heinz embarks on an incredible journey. Through his quick wittedness and lucky twists of fate, Heinz manages to cheat death by his good looks and intelligence. Sometimes controversial, sometimes unbelievable but always riveting, this emotive and remarkable epic will stay with you long after the story ends. Note: this production contains nudity, sex and violence. Some scenes may offend. Limited season. Ⓢ

'Sex With Men Too' by Steven Dawson



Ⓢ T.B.A.
☎ Wed 10 Jan - Sat 3 Feb
Tues - Sat only 8pm
Ⓢ \$22 full, \$16 concession
☎ 9305 5333
tickets@also.org.au
ourcast@also.org.au

From Melbourne's own Out Cast Theatre and Steven Dawson, the wicked writer of 'Big Dicks on Stage', comes two brand spanking new comedies. 'The Mormon Cookie' is a tale of religious righteousness and good old fashioned "rumpy-pumpy". 'A Gorgeous Bit of Fluff' is the story of a porn actor and his right hand man, both looking for a different kind of love. Warning: may contain nudity...if you're lucky.

'Dating Joe' and 'Sunset BBQ'



Ⓢ Chapel off Chapel
12 Little Chapel St, Prahran
☎ Wed 17 Jan Preview 7pm
Thurs 18 Jan - Sun 4 Feb
Thurs - Sun only 7pm
Ⓢ \$24 full, \$15 concession
☎ 0418 321 338
eme@evermail.com.au

'Dating Joe' is a hilarious one man one act romantic comedy about Joe Thompson's long and accident prone search for love using a dating agency. In 'Sunset BBQ', Mick Watson has just gotten out of jail for the manslaughter of his best friend. This fast paced drama explores teen love, ignorance, bigotry and innocence against the backdrop and romance of sunsets. Ⓢ

Ms Penelope in 'Gayschool'



Ⓢ Chapel off Chapel
12 Little Chapel St, Prahran
☎ Wed 24 Jan - Sun 28 Jan
Doors open 8.30pm
Show starts 9pm
Ⓢ \$18 full, \$15 concession
☎ 9522 3382

Everyone's favorite sex therapist returns to tickle your childish fancy with a comedy cabaret for tiny friends of Dorothy's. Proudly supported by MINUS18, Gay and Lesbian Switchboard, Joy Melbourne and Victorian AIDS Council. Starring Ms Penelope and Peter Hurley, with Pat Wilson and Adrian Barnes. Director: Luke Gallagher

Only Heaven Knows



Ⓢ Chapel off Chapel
12 Little Chapel St, Prahran
☎ Wed 17 Jan Preview 8.45pm
Thurs 18 Jan - Sat 3 Feb
8.45pm
Ⓢ \$18 full, \$15 concession
☎ 9522 3390
barnes@optusnet.com.au

Alex Harding's charming musical play is a roller-coaster journey through the life of a young man growing up gay in Australia. Tim's journey overflows with funny moments, discovery, loss, love, friends and all the things that go with coming out. Set in the forties, 'Only Heaven Knows' illustrates that nothing changes in the epic journey of self discovery. Ⓢ

'PRETTY Butch face' by Bridget Boson



Ⓢ Back Box @
the Victorian Arts Centre
51 Kilda Rd, Melbourne
☎ Preview Wed 17 Jan
Thurs 18 Jan - Sat 20 Jan
Wed 24 Jan - Sat 27 Jan
7.30pm one hour show
Ⓢ \$16 full, \$12 con, \$10 mem
☎ Hares & Hyenas 9824 0110

'PRETTY Butch face' unleashes the raw humanistic humour of the writer/performer, Bridget Boson. The show combines the dynamic and engaging energy of stand up comedy with cleverly staged and scripted theatre. Interwoven are songs, subversive slapstick, social conflict and irreverent yet compassionate mimicry. Bridget dynamically builds and incorporates visual aids with acute observations and explorations of the essentially hilarious business of being whoever you are. This show is a sound piece of empathy, which is very bloody funny! Ⓢ

Directed by Suzie Wickes and Emma Newman. Costumes by Cyndi Darnell.
Proudly presented by the Midsumma Festival.



Robyn Archer, Gay Games VI Artistic Director

The proliferation throughout Australia of events which celebrate gay, lesbian, transgender and bisexual culture, is an indication of how lucky we are to live in a country where a lot of the battles have been won.

The stories, energies and skills which arise from these celebrations are testament to a community which has survived and is thriving, and has a great deal to offer society at large.

While you enjoy your Midsumma, spare a thought for those in the global community, some our close neighbours, who do not yet enjoy our freedoms. I hope you are planning (and saving) to meet some of them and your Australia-wide and world-wide comrades in Sydney when Midsumma joins forces with the Gay Games VI Sporting and Cultural Festival.

Robyn Archer AO



Muthafucka MC, Winner King Victoria 2000

Being crowned King Victoria, is one of my proudest glories. No king will ever be as great as me, but you can try, and Midsumma might help you along, just like they helped me. I just flew in from LA last night. Grammys, girls, record deals, it was great - but Midsumma in Melbourne rocks my world.

So here's a shout out to my main crew - drag kings, pools, dykes, transys, queers, I LOVE YOUSE !!! LIVE IT UP !

always,

muthafucka mc.



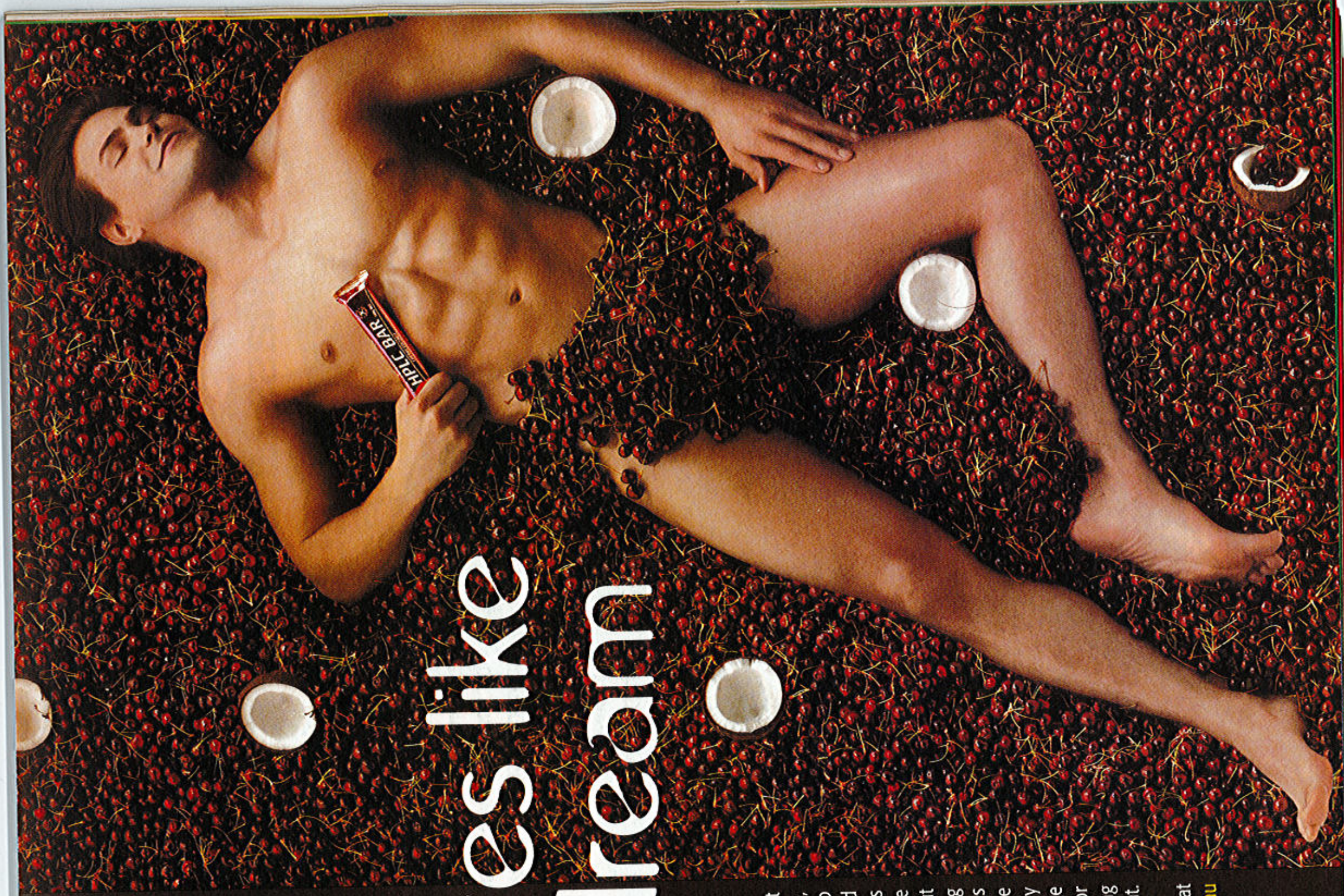
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PLUS enjoy the special celebrity 'Squeal of Fortune'. You could be an audience member that one of the celebrities plays on behalf of.

Also thrill to the live magic of the 'Woman of Deception'.

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9865 6700

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CHILL OUT TENT @ Carnival

Victorian AIDS Council/Gay Men's Health Centre
in association with
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Before you decide to have unprotected sex, CONSIDER THIS:

Sexually transmissible infections such as gonorrhoea, syphilis, non-specific urinary infections and Chlamydia are increasing in our community. Their presence may increase the likelihood of HIV transmission.

HIV treatments do not provide the solutions that we once hoped for. People living with HIV are required to adhere to strict drug taking regimes that can be difficult to maintain. Vomiting, severe headaches and diarrhoea are common side effects.

HIV remains a serious life threatening illness. And still there is no cure in sight.

The challenge is for all of us to make informed decisions every time we have sex.

Condoms used with water-based lubricant stop HIV being passed on.

If our sexual partners don't suggest using a condom, it doesn't mean that they are HIV negative.

Similarly, if our sexual partners don't suggest using a condom, it does not mean they are HIV+.

When partying this Midsummer remember that being trashed can affect our ability

to act on the decisions we make about practising safe sex.





SPORTS

Sports Premier Event



Sth. P.O.O.F.T.A.
Hit the Grass.
Taste the Sweat.
Feel the Leather!
Sth. P.O.O.F.T.A. plays Melbourne's queerest touch football team (Sun 15 Jan)

See Page 9 for full details

Midsumma's focus on sport continues in 2001 with the return of last festival's favourites. This focus reflects Midsumma's commitment to Team Melbourne and ensuring that Melbourne is appropriately represented at the 2002 Sydney Gay Games VI. Go For Gold Teamsters!

The Midsumma 2001 Sports program is presented by Team Melbourne and the Victorian Aids Council/Gay Mens Health Centre.



GNC Physique Competition



- 📍 Carnival, Alexander Gardens
- 📅 Sun 4 Feb, 2pm
- 💰 Free
- ☎ 9415 9819

The serious eye candy comes out on parade for the 2nd Annual Midsumma GNC Physique Competition at Midsumma Carnival.

Starting training now to be a participant or come along to check out the oiled up muscle boys and girls flex and pose for the grand prize of Mr Physique and Ms Physique 2001.

Subject to the rules of the International Natural Bodybuilding Association, this event is part of the lead up to Gay Games VI in Sydney 2001.



Melbourne Spikers Volleyball Tournament



- 📍 South Yarra Sports Centre, 679 Chapel St, South Yarra
- 📅 Sat 27 Jan, 9am - 5pm
- 💰 \$15 includes lunch
- ☎ 0509 577 453
melspikers@hotmail.com
www.home.vicnet.net.au/spikers

Melbourne Spikers presents the Midsumma Volleyball Tournament 2001. This is the Spikers premier event for the year and attracts players of all standards and is open to all players in all states. There will be Open and Social levels of competition including lunch, raffles, an auction and prizes. Spectators can watch for free and individual players are welcome to join in.

Metro Mountain Bike Ride



- 📍 Fairfield Boat Shed Carpark, Fairfield
- 📅 Sun 28 January 11am
- 💰 Free
- ☎ 0407 358 180

An easy 35km ride on one of Melbourne's best bike paths 'The Outer Circle Trail'. We will meet at the car park at Fairfield boat house. The ride is suitable for all standards.

Dance Cats Dance Competition



- 📍 Collingwood Town Hall, Middle St, Collingwood
- 📅 Fri 26 Jan, 4pm - 9pm
- 💰 \$12 full \$7 concession, \$7 members
- ☎ 9417 4072

Fundraising dance competition for future Gay and Lesbian dancesport events, hosted by Dance Cats Studio, in the lead up to Gay Games Sydney 2002. Events include Latin-American and Ballroom from novice to A-grade in Victoria's 4th Annual Championships. Social dancing, performances and giveaways throughout the afternoon, including bar.

69ers Bowling Tournament



- 📍 Moorabbin Bowl, 938 Nepean Highway, Moorabbin
- 📅 Sat 27 Jan, 10.30am, Registration 10am
- 💰 \$20 single/teams, \$35 both
- ☎ 9722 2700
bowling69ers@hotmail.com

Individual and teams tenpin bowling tournament, with both scratch and handicap events. Teams can be formed on the day. Shoe hire and refreshments are available at the venue. The centre provides bowling balls if required. Social bowlers welcome.

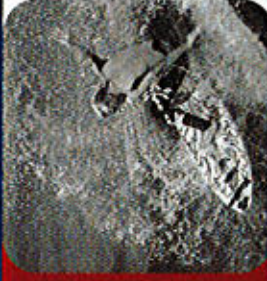
2001 - A Skate odyssey



- 📍 Pit Building 6, Anglobe Drive, Albert Park
- 📅 Sat 20 Jan 10am-2pm
- 💰 \$5 if you supply your own skates/pads/helmet or plus \$10 per hour hire fee (limited skates available - bookings essential)
- ☎ 9415 9819

Gay Skate is reborn for 2001 - bigger, better and out there! This year the event has moved outdoors, so soak up the glorious summertime sun and cruise around your choice of two circuits, 600 metres or 1.2 km. An instructor will be on hand for beginners, and those who work up an appetite will be treated to a BBQ featuring Celebrity Chefs. All attending receive a Midsumma Sports Showbag. Pads and helmets must be worn by all skaters.

Surf Safari



- 📍 Lorne Front Beach
- 📅 Sat 20 Jan meet at 10am
- 💰 \$10 includes wet suit, foamie board hire and instruction
- ☎ 9415 9819

Join hostess Bin "bigfoot" Dixon-Ward for your chance to strut your stuff in the surf! Beginner or Pro, bring your surf board, boogie board, chairman of the board, anything you can use to catch some waves, or take advantage of the equipment hire package from G60 Hire a Wave. A beach BBQ at the end of the session will appease all appetites. Pack a lunch! Look out for the Midsumma flags.

The Gay Golf Outing



- 📍 Northcote Golf Course, 243 Normandy Ave, Thornbury
- 📅 Sun 21 Jan meet at 10am
- 💰 Golf set hire \$8.50 half set, \$22 full set of clubs
- ☎ 9415 9819
Bookings required before Fri 12 Jan

Love the great outdoors? Have a fondness for long socks and clothes that clash? If so, Midsumma's Gay Golf Outing is the event for you! Enjoy a relaxing 9 holes of golf with your mates, or come along and meet other golfers. A day to have fun and to swing your clubs around. A professional caddy will be on hand for beginners. Look out for the Midsumma flags.

Midsumma Ride Out



- 📍 Meet at Domain Rd near Park St, South Yarra
- 📅 Sat 13 Jan 9.30am
- 💰 Free
- ☎ Free on 9808 4398
mmr@opnathome.com.au
www.motorcycletours.org.au

Melbourne Motorcycle Tours and Dykes on Bikes will conduct Midsumma's first motorcycle ride supporting Melbourne's Gay and Lesbian Community. Approx. 250km. All skill levels welcome. You must have a license/learners permit and roadworthy motorcycle. Ride will finish at Commercial Road in time for the Street Party.

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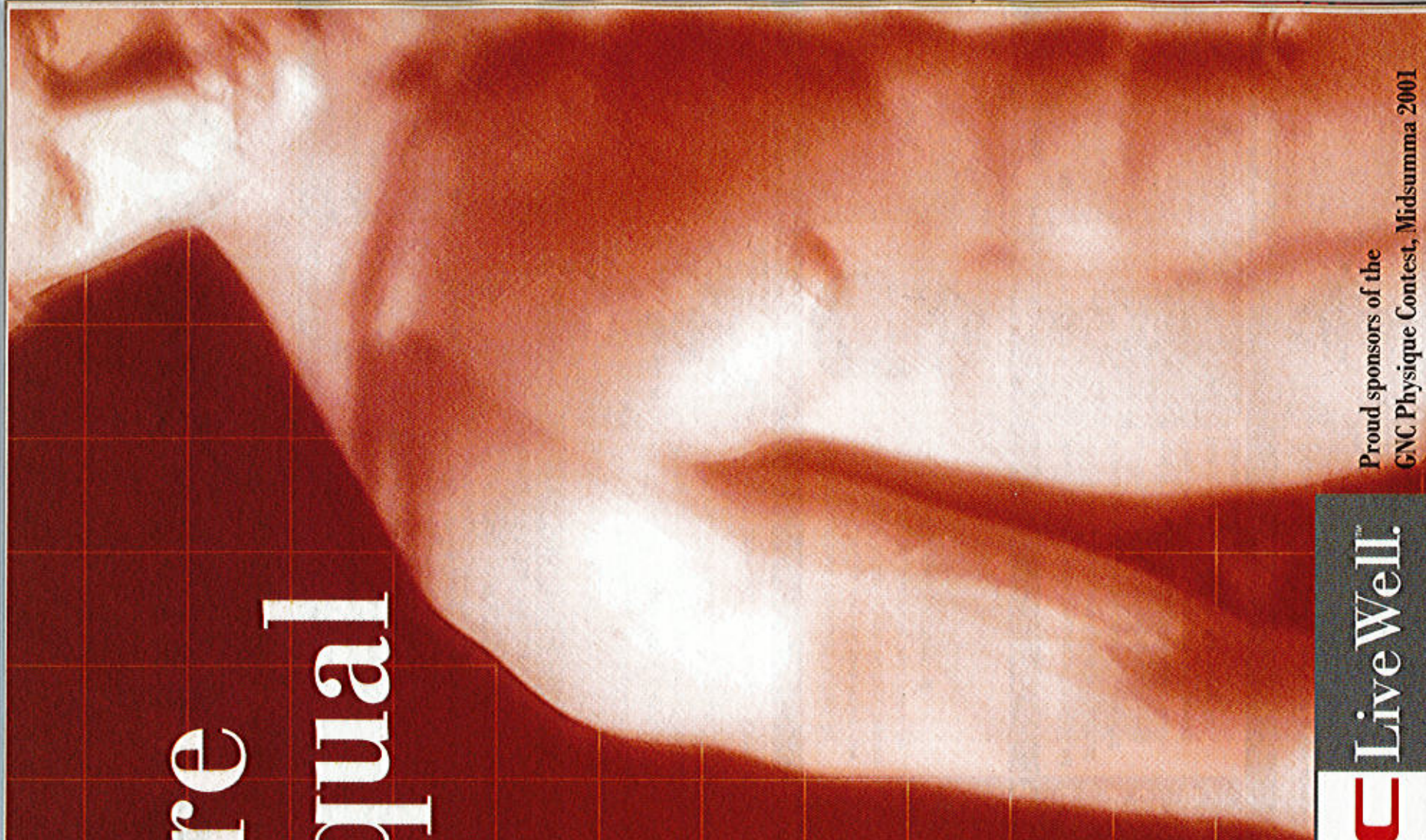
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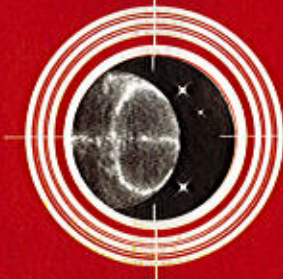
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MOONLIGHTING

Moonlighting Premier Event



THE LADY BUNNY
Direct from NYC, the Queen of Wigstock in 2 shows at The Prince (Thu 1 & Fri 2 Feb), one night at The Dome (Sat 3 Feb) and at Carnival (Sun 4 Feb)

See Page 10 for full details

A new category for Midsumma 2001, Moonlighting combines Cabaret, Nightlife, and Music into one great melting pot of events for you to sink your teeth into after the sun goes down. Soak up everything from tinkling piano to raucous laughter. The bawdy and the blue sit next to the prim and proper. It's all in a night out for Midsumma 2001!

Andrea Rieniets



Black Box @
The Victorian Arts Centre
St. Kilda Rd, Melbourne
Tues 30 Jan - Fri 2 Feb
8pm
\$16 full, \$12 con, \$10 mem
Hares & Hyenas 9824 0110

Let the sublime voice of Andrea Rieniets take you to another space. Her songwriting is exquisite. Her delivery irreverent. Her performances flip story telling into the erotic. Her acoustic touch and techno savvy leave a lingering sensuality. Listed among the luminaries of contemporary popular music, Andrea gracefully stepped onto the world stage with 'Wooden Child' - a playground chant of heartbreak and defiance. Andrea's new songs map her physical and emotional journey through sub-Antarctica; the frailties, ironies and miracles of our deeper lives; and the suburban whirr of the whipper snipper man. From Antarctica to Semaphore, her idiosyncratic take on the world creates a musical journey, rich and resonant.

"A swag of techno and street savvy..." Rolling Stone. "Her voice is more miracle than mystery..." HQ Magazine.



There Are Bears in There



Chapel Off Chapel
12 Little Chapel St, Prahran
Tues 16 Jan & Tues 23 Jan
8pm 2 shows only
\$15 full, \$10 concession
9522 3382

Peter Hurley and David Rogers Smith in 'There Are Bears In There', two fat, hairy old pools singing show tunes - songs by Sondheim, Porter, Gershwin, Bernstein and wicked originals. Entertaining music with a gay sensibility - songs that tell our stories.

The Divine and the Damned



Chapel Off Chapel
12 Little Chapel St, Prahran
Wed 31 Jan - Sat 3 Feb
8pm
\$21 full, \$18 concession
9522 3382
live@chapeloff.com

Everyone is welcome at the church of the fallen angel. Be cleansed of your sins at this cabaret show of biblical proportions. Midsumma favorites, Lieder of the Pack, deliver divinely inspired interpretations of pop, gospel and soul standards. The very reverend Ron Bell ("A truly gifted comedy writer" - Herald Sun) leads the worship of queer pop culture. Spiky satire and heavenly harmonies. Hallelujah!

Vicki Vegas in Review



Chapel Off Chapel
12 Little Chapel St, Prahran
Thurs 18 Jan - Sat 20 Jan
8pm
\$15 full, \$12 concession
9522 3382

Witness celebrated female impersonator Vicki Vegas and ensemble portray showbusiness legends in a night full of lavish costuming and slick routines. A show filled with song, sequins and style. Also direct from Vegas, Vegas St. Bedrock, Drag Kings extraordinaire, the Downe Brothers bringing songs, suits and shaveless faces to the stage. A must see. Also starring Ben Jacobson and Ms Tash.

Satin and Silk Ball



Collingwood Town Hall
Huddle St, Collingwood
Sat 3 Feb 7:30pm - 1am
\$30 waived, \$25 part waived
\$20 concession
5432 3831 for bookings
PO Box 101, Heathcote 3525
enclosing cheque & SAE

A leading event in the Lesbian calendar, and an important fundraiser for Matrix Guild Victoria Inc. It offers a live band, DJ, finger food, B.Y.O drinks in historic surroundings. Held annually, the 'Satin and Silk Ball' continues to be eagerly anticipated by the Lesbian community.

Brought to you by the Matrix Guild Victoria.

Romaine Morton



Black Box @
the Victorian Arts Centre
St. Kilda Rd, Melbourne
Wed 31 Jan - Fri 2 Feb
9:40pm
\$16 full, \$10 con, \$8 mem
Hares & Hyenas 9824 0110

Midsumma at the Black Box and Word is Out present Romaine Morton, Indigenous spoken word performer from the Bundjalung and Goempii nations with her trio of musicians, Phoenix, Neicha and Troy Russell. A fusion of jazz rhythms, percussion and bass guitar with the unforgettable words of this highly acclaimed writer, the Romaine Morton Quartet will snare your soul and carry you to places you never existed in this land. Reservations through Hares & Hyenas.

Co-produced for Word is Out by Hares & Hyenas and Midsumma Festival.

Festival Jack-Off



Box City Sauna
4820 Glenhumpy Rd
Esserwick
Mon 22 Jan 7-8pm arrival
\$15 no booking required
9446 6502
wankers@al.com.au
www.bonnie-bone.net.au/mid
bourne/wankers/

The Melbourne Wankers 11th Annual Jack-Off Party offers an environment which is safe, friendly and discreet. All ages (over 18) and sizes, singles and couples welcome. Full nudity. No lips below the hips. Standard club rules apply.

Mooning 2001



The Laird Hotel
149 Gipsy St, Abbotsford
Fri 19 Jan 9:30pm
Gold coin donation
9417 2822
hotel@lairdhotel.com

The Laird Hotel joins forces once again with MAG (No Attitude Gays) to present 'Mooning 2001', a heated and frantic search for Melbourne's 'Hottest Arse'. Entry forms at The Laird Hotel.

This event is a charity fundraiser.



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- Ⓞ Sunday Prince @ Prince of Wales Fitzroy St, St. Kilda
- Ⓞ Sun 28 Jan 9pm
- Ⓞ \$10 per person
- Ⓞ www.kingvictoria.com.au

King Victoria presents DRAG KING SHOW OFF. Starring MC Muthafucka, Slab, Neil Dominant, drag king go go and special guests. With rare screening of instant cult classic "KING PORN 1" starring Mo B Dick as King Cum, Maurice Valentino as King Cock, Skippy Nic as Tomz the Taxi, plus a femme. Directed by Sal B.

Girl Bar Midsumma



- Ⓞ Upstairs, Prince of Wales Fitzroy St, St. Kilda
- Ⓞ Fri 26 Jan 10pm - 6am
- Ⓞ \$12 full, \$10 members, free before 11pm for Girl Bar members
- Ⓞ 9536 1168, 0419 439 202 0402 117 531

Girl Bar for the world's loniest Lesbians and guests. Homosexual ambiance, 5 star venue, world class DJs, outdoor balcony and lounge area.

Come Up and See Me Sometime - Mae West Tribute



- Ⓞ The Store Room 1st Floor The Parkville Hotel Cor St Georges Rd & Scotchmer St, North Fitzroy
- Ⓞ Thurs 18 Jan - Sat 20 Jan 8.30pm
- Ⓞ Thurs 25 Jan - Sat 27 Jan 8.30pm
- Ⓞ \$16 full, \$11 concession
- Ⓞ 9481 8496

Mae West comes south for Midsumma to share her philosophy on sex, life and love. Always a straight talker she shoots from the hip as she sashays through her life story and entertains with her songs. "May sizzles - go up and see her sometime, you won't be disappointed." - MSO

Cling - a cabaret in stretch velour



- Ⓞ The Store Room 1st Floor The Parkville Hotel Cor St Georges Rd & Scotchmer St, North Fitzroy
- Ⓞ Thurs 11 Jan - Sun 14 Jan 8.30pm
- Ⓞ Thurs 18 Jan - Sun 21 Jan 8.30pm
- Ⓞ Thurs, Sat & Sun only 9.30pm
- Ⓞ \$10 full, \$8 concession
- Ⓞ 9826 5532

Featuring Luke Gallagher and Nigel Ubrhien. They just can't get enough of each other! Luke and Nigel of the award winning cabaret success story Friends of Barbara, strike out on their own in a dazzling display of camp classics and awe-inspiring episodes of questionable taste. Spillit! Thrills! Danger! Dry Clean Only.

The Naked Drag Queen



- Ⓞ Dave's Cafe Bar Cor Gertrude & Napier St Fitzroy
- Ⓞ Thurs 11 Jan - Sun 14 Jan 8.30pm
- Ⓞ Thurs 18 Jan - Sun 21 Jan 8.30pm
- Ⓞ Thurs, Sat & Sun only 9.30pm
- Ⓞ \$10 full, \$8 concession
- Ⓞ 9826 5532

A delicious cabaret indulgence for chanteuse and piano accompanist, Kaye Sera (Joy Melbourne Radio, Bent TV) strips drag back to the bare root, exposing the sausage in the roll, the apple in the pie, the pav in the pavlova. Promises to entice, entertain and above all celebrate. Don your aprons, roll up your sleeves and prepare to blend. Directed by Luke Gallagher.

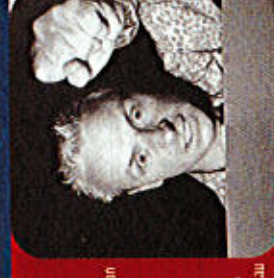
Ms Lesbian 2001 - the ultimate quest...



- Ⓞ The Comedy Club 1st Floor, 380 Lygon St Carlton
- Ⓞ Fri 19 Jan 8.30pm One Show Only
- Ⓞ \$20 door, \$10+booking fee pre-sale
- Ⓞ \$248 1622 www.mslesbian.com.au

Bursting from the loins of the hugely successful Ms. Lesbian Victoria 2000, this new event unites the Lesbian community of Victoria in the ultimate quest, The Woman That Women Love Best. Hosted by drag identity Kaye Sera, M.L.V. is a parody of the conventional beauty pageant, bringing together 10 finalists, a panel of celebrity judges and a room full of screaming women. Get your tickets early.

Grey Power



- Ⓞ The Market Hotel 143 Commercial Rd South Tarrna
- Ⓞ Thurs 25 Jan - Mon 29 Jan 8pm 1 performance daily
- Ⓞ \$16 full, \$11 concession
- Ⓞ John Brekney 9534 7786 johnbrekney@westpac.com.au

Grey Power's therapeutic use of song dance and rant keeps that sugar in your step and that kick in your stick. More than a lifestyle system, this is your answer to ageism, homophobia and acid wash mishaps. Zimmer frames and viagra admitted. Blond streaks and solarium tans discouraged.

Wigstock @ The Market



- Ⓞ The Market Hotel 143 Commercial Rd South Tarrna
- Ⓞ Thurs 18 Jan, Thurs 25 Jan & Thurs 1 Feb 10pm
- Ⓞ \$5 after 10pm
- Ⓞ Contact The Market now to register 9026 0933

Brush up your bonnets Girls. Grease up your strap on Guys. The Market Hotel wants you to get on stage and show 'em what you've got for this year's Wigstock Drag Competition. There are three heats leading up to the Grand Final to be held at the Midsumma Carnival on Sunday 4 Feb. Heats will be held each Thursday during Midsumma. Great prizes to be won, and who knows, the glory of being crowned Wigstock Queen or King?

The Pot and the Kettle - A Cabaret Conflict



- Ⓞ The Store Room 1st Floor The Parkville Hotel Cor St Georges Rd & Scotchmer St, North Fitzroy
- Ⓞ Thurs 18 Jan - Sat 20 Jan 10pm
- Ⓞ Thurs 25 Jan - Sat 27 Jan 10pm
- Ⓞ Wed 31 Jan - Sat 3 Feb 10pm
- Ⓞ \$16 full, \$11 concession
- Ⓞ 9481 8496

This cabaret is one watched pot that will boil. It's a hot band and steamy atmosphere where conflict is always brewing. The vocalists Wes Snelling and Renae Jacobs proceed to strut, sing-it-out-aloud, simmer, sashay, seduce, swoon and generally have an utter ball while taking the audience along with them. Michael Parry Fringe Buzzcuts/3RRR

Alix Dobkin in concert



- Ⓞ East Brunswick Club Hotel Lygon St, Brunswick
- Ⓞ Sat 3 Feb 8pm One Show Only
- Ⓞ \$18 full, \$15 concession
- Ⓞ 9708 8889 doxian@westpac.com.au

Before Ellen, Melissa or KD, there was Alix. In every culture there are innovators. For Lesbian culture, that would be Alix Dobkin. Since the 1970's her music has inspired a generation of women. Truly one of the icons of Lesbian culture and women's music. Alix last toured Australia (from the USA) 10 years ago.

ULULATION



- Ⓞ Cozzo Room Builders Arms Hotel 211 Gertrude St, Fitzroy
- Ⓞ Thurs 18 Jan - Sat 20 Jan 7pm - 8.15pm
- Ⓞ Thurs 25 Jan - Sat 27 Jan 7pm - 8.15pm
- Ⓞ \$10 full, \$8 concession \$7 members
- Ⓞ 9383 3384 topshilling@yahoo.com

The terrifically talented musical comedians Shirley Billing and Meroptie Carr (aka Rhododendron & Dusty Footpaths of the Ukulele Ladies) present an hilarious show that will have you tapping your toes. It begins with a cow and ends with Elvis. Cooked up with the help of Rebecca Hilton and Donna Jackson. You'll want the recipe.

Bootscooting to a T



- Ⓞ St Marks Church Hall Cor. George St & Moor St Fitzroy
- Ⓞ Sat 3 Feb 6pm to 9pm
- Ⓞ \$5
- Ⓞ 9687 3886 0418 501 539 lesbians@primus.com

Fun filled bootscooting, dogging and 2 stepping to Country and Western Music with some alternative music mixed in. Great relaxed atmosphere, friendly people who enjoy having fun dancing. If you can't scoot, still come and join us, everyone can dance. Be a part of Melbourne's only G&L bootscooting party. Brought to you by the New Frontier Dance Association. Sponsored by Lesbiana.

MINUS 18



- Ⓞ Silvers Nightclub 442-449 Toorak Rd, Toorak
- Ⓞ Wed 17 Jan 6pm to 12am
- Ⓞ \$15 door only, includes free unlimited soft drink on tap. ID required for entry
- Ⓞ 9511 4083 9510 5569 www.abco.org.au/MINUS18

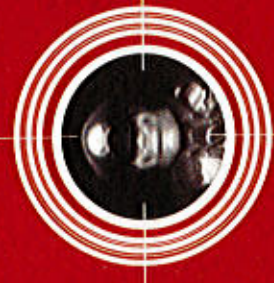
PFLAG presents a fully supervised, no alcohol, no drugs underage nightclub party for Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender youth aged 13 to 17 years. No one 18+ admitted. No passouts.

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OUT 'N' ABOUT

Out 'N' About Premier Event



BODY ART
Midsumma's one-off queer guided tour of the Body Art exhibition at the Museum of Victoria (Wed 24 Jan)

See Page 10 for full details

From the sublime to the ridiculous, let Midsumma take you on a journey that encompasses far flung locations such as Mt Macedon and the Yarra Valley to the Melbourne Zoo and other parks and gardens throughout the City!

Pack a sense of adventure and a community spirit and participate in the 2001 Midsumma Out 'N' About program. You never know who you'll meet on the way!

Ghetto Picnics



Back by popular demand....the crisy, schmoozy hit of Midsumma 2000, Midsumma's Ghetto Picnics return! Get to know your neighbours - are they or aren't they? Find out today! Set up a barbie at the park near you. Have a drink, play with the dogs, mingle a little. Then head out for a coffee, make arrangements for the future or just go home and bonk! Find the Midsumma Poster! BYO drink, food, rug, pets. **Albert Park St Vincent Gardens, Montague St Melway ref 2j K6. Prahran Grattan Gardens, Grattan St Melway ref 2L H10. South Yarra Darling Reserve, Darling St off Alexandra Ave Melway ref 2L H3. Richmond City Reserve, Church St opposite DJ's Melway ref 2H B5. St Kilda (Cottini) Gardens, Beaconsfield Pde Melway ref 57 J8 K9. North Fitzroy Edinburgh Gardens Rowanda, St. Georges Road Melway ref 44 B1. Dargisford on the lake, Cnr Leggatt St and Bleakly St, Chastfield Reserve.**

- Ⓞ Various Parks
- 📅 Sat 14 Jan from 11am
- 💰 Free
- 📍 Pack a bbq picnic, an esky and a rug
- ☎ 9415 9819

Pride by the Tide



Prior to the Pride March 2001, Midsumma Sponsors, Tooheys and Epicure Catering will be hosting a luncheon at the Harbor Room at the Royal Melbourne Yacht Squadron. Along with delicious food and amber elixer, you will be treated to one of the most stunning seaside views in Melbourne. A brewer from Tooheys will be hosting the luncheon with interesting food and a complementary selection of beers.

- Ⓞ Harbour Room - Royal Melbourne Yacht Squadron Pier Rd, St Kilda
- 📅 Sun 21 Jan 1.30pm - 3.30pm
- 💰 \$60 per person
- ☎ 9522 3382

Fruits in Suits



GLOBE's southside business and social networking event.

- Ⓞ Garden Terrace (above Black Box) Concert Hall, Victorian Arts Centre
- 📅 Thurs 18 Jan 6pm - 8pm
- 💰 Free Globe members \$8 non-members
- ☎ 9529 3020 www.globebusiness.com.au/globe

Picnic in the Park



The picnic will be held in 10 acres of private garden named Forest Glade. This European style garden is divided into many areas including plenty of shaded areas or your picnic blanket. You'll be serenaded by the Rainbow Band and Motofrenz - G&L Car Club will have a display of classic and collectible cars. So BYO picnic lunch (no BBQ), drink and alcohol. Plenty of street parking. Sorry no pets.

- Ⓞ Forest Glade, Mt Macedon Off The Calder Highway approx 1hrs from Melb. Look for the 100 balloons on the right after the Mt Macedon township
- 📅 Fri 26 Jan 10am
- 💰 \$5 per person

Open Gardens



Midsumma Open Gardens last year proved to be an event not to miss, so get out and get into the greenery!! The tour promises to exhibit everything from the window box to a large and luscious pastoral paradise. Immerse yourself in the beauty of the outdoors and absorb the energy. A day of horticultural madness for everyone to enjoy.

- Ⓞ See main copy
- 📅 Sun 28 Jan 10am - 5pm
- 💰 Gold coin donation
- ☎ 9415 9819

Information sheets available at the following outlets - Hares & Hyenas, 135 Commercial Road, Prahran. Fitzroy Nursery, 390 Brunswick Street, Fitzroy. Plants for Salis, 30 Grey Street, St Kilda. Ultra Violet, 85 High Street, Westgarth. Vasette, 247 Brunswick Street, Fitzroy.

Lemons With a Twist



- Ⓞ Grove Darling Hotel 114 Smith St, Collingwood
- 📅 Thurs 25 Jan 6pm - 8pm
- 💰 Free Globe members \$8 non-members
- ☎ 9529 3020 www.globebusiness.com.au/globe

GLOBE's premier drinks and networking event for women and their friends, on the Northside. Free canapés, drinks at bar prices.

The Great DT's-Golden Stiletto Rally



- Ⓞ DT's Hotel 164 Church St, Richmond
- 📅 Sat 30 Jan 3pm
- 💰 \$5
- ☎ 9428 5724

Contestants leave DT's Hotel and follow a chartered course around Richmond picking up clues to help answer their questionnaire. There are two entry levels - 'Straight Questionnaire' or 'Novelty' where bonus points are awarded for dressing up, doing the course on roller-skates or in a wheelchair etc. The more imaginative the more bonus points. Enter individually or as a team. Cash prizes are awarded to each section.

Jamie Lee's Dream Girls Zoo Safari



- Ⓞ Melbourne Zoo
- 📅 Sun 28 Jan 11.30am - 4.30pm
- 💰 Zoo entry price
- ☎ 9569 2420 jamieleesye@hotmail.com

A safari of Melbourne Zoo guided by Jamie Lee Sky and the Dream Girls. A Midsumma favourite. Prizes for best dressed drag queens. Will you be able to pick the drag queens from the apes?



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Chandon Picnic



- Ⓞ Domaine Chandon, Yarra Valley
- ⌚ Sun 28 Jan 12pm - 5.45pm
Bus picks up & drops off at The Laird Hotel Colingwood
- 💰 \$75 per person all inclusive
870 Picnic Blanket
- ☎ 9739 1110

Recover from the night before in style - picture yourself lying on a picnic rug under 100 year old oak trees in the tranquil gardens of Domaine Chandon admiring the most seductive views in the Yarra Valley. Imagine sipping on a glass of Chandon Vintage sparkling wine and feasting on a French gourmet picnic hamper from Sacrebleu Restaurant, while the warm breeze carries the scent of flowers and summer through the air - like it? Package inc Return Bus Transfers, glass of Chandon Vintage Brut on arrival, guided tour of Domaine Chandon Winery, French Gourmet Picnic Hamper (serves two) inc a bottle of Chandon Vintage sparkling wine, two mineral waters and two Chandon etched flutes. Timing: 12noon - Laird Hotel Pick up, 1.15pm - Arrive at Domaine Chandon, tour of winery, 1.45pm - Green Point Room for shopping spree, 2.00pm - Picnic 4.30pm - Depart winery. 5.45pm - Arrive Melbourne.

History Walk



- Ⓞ Outdoors, Melbourne starts Melbourne Town Hall, ends Carlton Gardens
- ⌚ Sun 28 Jan 11am
allow an hour and a half
- 💰 \$5 per person
- ☎ 9482 1184
g.willet@arts.unimelb.edu.au

"Cross-dressers, window dressers & stage-door johnnies - a look at the queer and camp history of Melbourne". Come and see some of the queerest historical spots in town as we tour from Myers, through theatre-land, and East Melbourne finishing with afternoon tea in the splendor of Mr Johnson's antique collection. Presented by Australian Gay and Lesbian Archives. Commentary by Graham Willett and Wayne Murdoch. ☎



SOUND & VISION

Movies Under the Stars - 'Edge of 17'



- Ⓞ Fairfield Amphitheatre, Fairfield Drive Park, Fairfield
- ⌚ Fri 2 Feb screening 8.45pm
Gates open 7.30pm
- 💰 \$11 full, \$9 concession
- ☎ 9510 5576
qts@rucc.net.au

Screening Friday 2 February is the acclaimed 'Edge of 17'. Trouble starts when Eric falls in lust with hunky gay co-worker Rod during Spring break in 1980's Ohio. ☎

JOY 90.7 FM



- Ⓞ On the Airwaves
- ⌚ Sat 6 Jan until Sat 10 Feb

Tune into JOY Melbourne 90.7FM for all of MIDSUMMA. JOY is on air full time from 6th January to the 10th of February (one week before and one week after the festival). There will be daily updates, regular interviews and news on all Midsumma events and activities throughout Midsumma. Tune in during Breakfast and Drive for a daily round-up of events. Joy will broadcast live from Street Party at Carnival as well as Pride March. Listen out for details of our soundscapes as part of our Midsumma events. JOY 90.7FM - Australia's first and Melbourne's only dedicated Gay and Lesbian radio station.

Movies Under the Stars - 'Relax...It's Just Sex'



- Ⓞ Fairfield Amphitheatre, Fairfield Drive Park, Fairfield
- ⌚ Fri 19 Jan screening 8.45pm
Gates open 7.30pm
- 💰 \$11 full, \$9 concession
- ☎ 9510 5576
qts@rucc.net.au

Movies Under the Stars - 'But I'm A Cheerleader'



- Ⓞ Fairfield Amphitheatre, Fairfield Drive Park, Fairfield
- ⌚ Fri 26 Jan screening 8.45pm
Gates open 7.30pm
- 💰 \$11 full, \$9 concession
- ☎ 9510 5576
qts@rucc.net.au

The hilarious tale of a high school cheerleader whose suspect sexuality sees her sent away for 'rehabilitation'. High camp hysterics and sorority high jinks ensue in this John Water-esque extravaganza starring RuPaul. ☎

Fluid Transmission



- Ⓞ Your PC
www.fluidtransmissions.va.com.au
- ⌚ online throughout the festival
- ☎ _trans@va.com.au

An innovative media based queer 'Web-zone' that will be driven by research, material and investigations into queer space on-line.

TEST SUBJECTS: Jayse Hayes (sub) / Jason Sweeney (dub). EXTRACTION SITES: Melbourne, Australia / Banff, Canada / Los Angeles, USA.
DATA @ <http://fluidtransmissions.va.com.au>

Rick Castro's Street Life




- Ⓞ The Market Hotel, 143 Commercial Rd, South Yarra
- ⌚ Thurs 25 Jan 8pm-9.30pm
- 💰 \$12 full, \$5 con & mem
- ☎ Hares & Hyenas 9824 0110
hares@bigpond.net.au
www.hares-hyenas.com.au

Photographer and filmmaker Rick Castro presents a series of slides, short film programs and excerpts from his film 'Husler White' about the secrets of street sex in Los Angeles. An unforgettable night of spoken film performance, co-presented by Queer Film Australia, this is a fundraiser for Word is Out and the Melbourne Queer Film Festival. ☎ ☎
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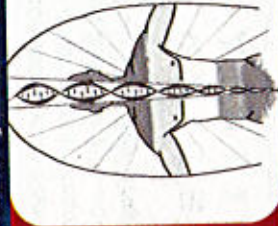
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MASS DEBATE
Four speakers will discuss this year's topic: "That some are more equal than others", with magic, games and surprises (Tue 30 Jan)

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Quantum Sexuality

- Brunswick Town Hall
The Mayors Room
233 Sydney Rd, Brunswick
- Wed 17 & Thurs 18 Jan
7.30pm
- \$5 full \$3 members
- 5348 5743
0407 040 164



New thoughts on the age old question of how sexuality works and why it gets us into so much trouble! Blending ideas from physics and metaphysics, Randal Newton John leads a seminar/discussion on how we can use our sexual energy to build confidence, creativity and vitality. Make the leap!

Launching the AVP - A Forum on Violence

- Brunswick Town Hall
233 Sydney Rd, Brunswick
- Thurs 18 Jan 7pm
- \$5.50 per person
- Bookings can be made through Hares & Byenas on 9824 0110



Join the newly formed Anti-Violence Project of Victoria in a forum addressing homophobic violence and hate speech. Here's a chance to have your say on the issue of public violence and join the AVP in its fight for a safer Victoria. Featuring Melinda Edwards, Gay and Lesbian Liaison Officer for Victoria Police, and Judge Jennifer Coate, President of the Children's Court.

JOY Community Forum - Full Time JOY?

- Trades Hall
Melbourne
- Tues 30 Jan 6pm
- Free
- 9690 0907



What would it mean for Melbourne to have its own full time Gay and Lesbian radio station? What sort of programs and music would be played? What sort of resources would be needed? These questions and more will be discussed at the community forum at Trades Hall from 8.00pm, Tuesday 30th January. There will be an update on the progress of the full time licence and opportunity for questions from the audience.



Nan McGregor, Hon President, P-FLAG Victoria

Carnival Day, along with Pride March, are the Midsumma events which are most relevant to P-FLAG. I cannot imagine us not being involved with either and they are wonderful. Pride March is a special opportunity for us to take to the street in public affirmation of the lives of those whom we love. Midsumma Carnival Day is also an excellent opportunity for us to network, catch up with friends, but most importantly to make our information available.

I applaud all the hard work which must go on behind the scenes to make the entire Midsumma experience so memorable for so many people. Congratulations, and may Midsumma 2001 be successful beyond all expectations.

Nan McGregor



Miss Candee, Drag Legend

The Midsumma Festival has been an important event on the Melbourne gay calendar for many years now. It offers such a diverse range of activities in its program from high brow exhibitions and performances to tube wrestling and a dog show. Midsumma really has something for everyone.

For me as a drag artist and scene queen, nothing beats the atmosphere of the Commercial Road Street Party or the magic of Carnival day on the last Sunday of the festival".

Miss Candee

(*They serve beer at these events)

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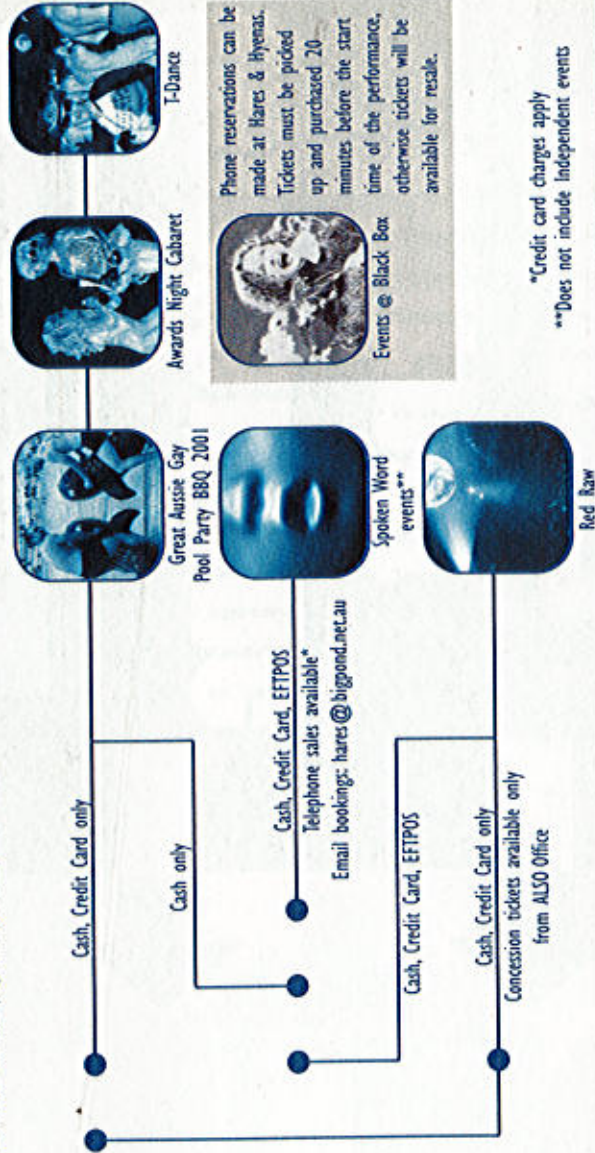
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