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OPENING NIGHT: THE MAIN SQUARE

ON FRIDAY, JANUARY 21 2006, MELBOURNE'S ICONIC FEDERATION SQUARE WILL ONCE AGAIN BE TRANSFORMED INTO AN ARENA OF QUEER CELEBRATION AND MAYHEM, AS QUEER MELBOURNE LAUNCHES INTO MIDSUMMA'S 2006 SEASON OF THE GAMES WE PLAY.

Join thousands of enthusiastic queers and guest ready for a hotly contested competition filled with exotc events and steamy scenarios. Enjoy the world-class of queer entertainment on offer, shake your body with queer abolition and dare to play a noisy hoedown - there's something for all in The Games We Play.

JOY Melbourne will set the scene for the (very) best by broadcasting live all day from the Main Square. Damien Cook will whip you into a frenzy from 4pm, live and defiantly plugged, transmitting the uplifting sounds of JOY over the suburbs.

For seasoned spectators who like to watch, get in early and grab some sideline seats. The first ball is set to bounce in the Main Square from 8pm kicking off an all-star line up of performers from some of Australia's newest hot spots, including Melbourne's, Sydney's, Vienna's, Melbourne's, The Mains, The 1 and 2's and San Francisco's.

The Midsuoma opening night party is proudly supported by Federation Square.

VENUES:
Federation Square, Onf Kistern & Swanston St
Date: Fri 21 Jan
Time: 8.00pm
Price: Gold coin donation
Info: 9415 3619, admin@midsuoma.org.au, www.midsuoma.org.au

PHOTOS:
Main: Federation Square.

GIRLS GET ALL THE GOOD BITS
WEBSITE SNELLING HOSTS A LINE UP OF CABARET-ESQUE, COMEDY AND MUSIC.

Queen Celebrity guests Perform their favorite female artists injected with their own spin, be it a revue of Dolly or the oasis of Elisa, the bound of Felt or the motion of Marilyn... Its all here in one Berlin-style cabaret arena for Opening Night.

Performers include: Shauna Hingley, Leilani Hingley, Rachel Brown, Rachel Chop, Kelly Thomas, Tina McKean, Fiana Scott Norman, Boner Ballet Co. and more.

VENUES:
Topknot Lounge, Upper Level, Transport Hotel, Federation Square, Swanston St, Melbourne
Date: Fri 21 Jan
Time: 9.30pm - Late
Price: Free
Info: 9415 3619, admin@midsuoma.org.au, www.midsuoma.org.au
OPENING NIGHT: ZINC SUNSET PARTY

WIND DOWN YOUR WEEK WITH A DRINK AND A SHUFFLE; AND WATCH A SUNSET BY THE YARRA FROM THE DECKING OF ONE OF MELBOURNE'S MOST CONTEMPORARY VENUES, ZINC AT FEDERATION SQUARE.

Hook up with old school tunes and get yourself warmed up for a night of party craze. Some of Melbourne's hottest DJs will get you game, set and match as they take to the decks at 8pm onwards - from an inspiring summer playlist until late into the evening.

Drinks Specials and complimentary Cocktail Food served for the first few hours.

Encounter old party partners or let new contenders enter the ring, as you near the finishing line with some of girls at dance moves. Come early for sunset and stay late as Paul Main takes over the decks at Midnight with his hip-wobbling uses of head-turning disco funk!

Venue: Zinc at Federation Square, Melbourne
Date: Fri 29 Jun
Time: 6:00pm - late
Price: $15 Tix; $30 at door only, includes Zyzzixs. Limited numbers, pre-sale Tix available
Info: 9415 8918, admin@midsumma.org.au, www.midsumma.org.au

SUMMADIVA

IT'S BACK AND IT'S THE BIGGEST DRAG-FEST SOUTH OF SYDNEY!

Ms Kane and Tabitha Turlington twist the lid off the silly jar to present 2 hours of non-stop sanity. Zinc at Federation Square will slide to the legendary levels of Melbourne's drag circuit. This will be a mixed bag of hard-boiled, soft-arsed and wickety sweet Kings and Queens who will play it, pause and quicken their way around the dance floor for your entertainment pleasure.

Venue: Zinc at Federation Square, Melbourne
Date: Fri 29 Jun
Time: Doors open 6:30pm - late (Show time 8:00pm - 11:00pm)
Price: $15 Tix at door only, includes Show
Info: 9415 8918, admin@midsumma.org.au, www.midsumma.org.au

GAME, SET, MATCH

FEEL A LITTLE SHY GOING UP TO THE HOT THANG SHAMMYING ON THE DANCE FLOOR... WELL FEAR NOT! MIDSUMMA AND GAY.COM PROVIDES PASSION, LOVE OR JUST A LITTLE HANGRY PARTY WITH GAME, SET, MATCH, A FUN, INTERACTIVE DATING GAME AT THE ZINC SUNSET PARTY.

Register for your unique pick-up number and wear it with flair while tiding yourself with all and sundry at the Zinc Sunset Party. Throughout the night, if someone wants to let you know how they feel, they can leave you a message on the sunscreen. Make contact and hang on - we'll let your dates to all of your kids, move on, events.

Don't stress if you miss your messages. Gay.com will be displaying them online throughout the rest of Midsumma.

So register Opening Night at the Zinc Sunset Party, haunt your number to get lucky!

ZINC AT FEDERATION SQUARE

One of Melbourne's most contemporary venues, ZINC at Federation Square, is a striking space that merges modern design and sophistication with the natural beauty of its sweeping parkland surrounds. Guests can both view the cool manor with its floor-to-ceiling windows or park out onto our deck and take in the perfect view of Melbourne views of the city, The Arts Centre and the Yarra River. ZINC is an ideal function or party food and wine that you seek for your next event call us on 9664 3322, we'll put the plug into your production.
MESSAGES OF SUPPORT

JOHN SO
OWNER, CITY OF MELBOURNE

On behalf of the City of Melbourne, I am happy to welcome you to the 2006 Midsumma Festival. It promises to be bigger and better — a promise it keeps every year.

As Melbourne’s premier gay and lesbian event, Midsumma is a vibrant expression of our city’s diversity, and a celebration of our place as the cultural capital of the nation. The city buzzes with activity during Midsumma, with a huge range of events catering for both fun and reflection. This year, the Summer Festival will be held in our magnificent Treasury Gardens, and there’s a program includes the best in arts, community and sporting events, as well as host of fabulous parties.

The City of Melbourne is a proud supporter of the Midsumma Festival, and we look forward to the opportunity to welcome visitors from across the country and overseas. I wish everyone a great Midsumma in Melbourne!

THE HON JOHN PANADZOPoulos MP
MINISTER FOR TOURISM AND MAJOR EVENTS

Melburnians are only too aware of the games people play as they prepare to participate in one of the world’s biggest — the Commonwealth Games. But sporting spectacles, the Midsumma Festival will again attract thousands of international and interstate visitors to our state.

Its importance is helping make Melbourne one of the world’s most appealing gay and lesbian destinations — and the real role of events such as this to Victoria’s $10 billion tourism industry — cannot be underestimated.

The Midsumma Festival is a huge party year in Melbourne in 2006 that will hold on to what the city does so well — ensure and ensure everyone has a great time.

The State Government, through Tourism Victoria, is again proud to support Midsumma Festival and welcome gay and lesbian travelers to Melbourne.

MARY DELAHUNTY
MINISTER FOR ARTS

I am delighted to offer my support to the 2006 Midsumma Festival.

Midsumma is an event that gives a proud, vibrant voice to the Victorian GLBTQI community while reaching local, interstate and international audiences. Showcasing a program of contemporary performances and presentations across the written, visual and performing arts, the Festival is fast becoming one of the region’s most exciting arts events.

Revelers like Midsumma offer wonderful opportunities for both artists and audiences. They facilitate an environment where new ideas can be shared, community identity can be represented, ground-breaking art can be created, and — no less importantly — where fun can be had.

This year Arts Victoria is proud to provide the Festival with support for commissioning Victorian artists to produce new works that will be presented across nine exhibits.

I wish the Festival all the success in 2006, as the games begin.

CR DARREN RAY
CITY OF MELBOURNE

Mary Phillips is well known for her support of diversity. It is to mention our open and love of diversity communities.

We look forward to welcoming over 250 000 people to this year’s festival. We are also particularly proud of this year’s festival, which marks Midsumma’s 10th anniversary.

We hope that everyone will enjoy the events and that people will come together to celebrate our diversity and the rich tapestry of cultures that make up our community.

CR KAY MEADOWS
CITY OF MELBOURNE

Midsumma is an important part of the Victorian calendar. For a number of years, the festival has been proud to support this valuable festival for the city and its community.

Victoria Police will be represented as many of the Midsumma events in 2006. We shall be actively taking part in Pride March and Carnival City as well serving our community by providing security services at many of the events that form the festival.

We are proud to be part of Midsumma, and we look forward to seeing you there.

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PRIDE MARCH VICTORIA

The 11th Annual Pride March is Victoria is a celebration of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, intersex and allied communities, marching with pride down Flinders St, St Kilda.

Pride March is about being seen, so dress up, show off and get loud. Family and friends are encouraged to attend. Marshals are always needed.

Principal sponsors – City of Port Phillip and GAY Horizons Service.

After the march enjoy the fabulous live concert at Carlton Gardens until 11.00pm.

Photo: Photo courtesy of PRIDE March Victoria

Venue: Flinders St and Carlton Gardens, St Kilda
Date: Sun 5 Feb
Time: March departs 5:00pm
Price: Free

SERIOUSLY

The Pet Shop Boys
Discography. Reinterpreted.

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THE PET SHOP BOYS DISCOGRAPHY, INTERPRETED.
CONCEIVED BY DAVID KNOX & DEAN LOTHERINGTON.

5 PERFORMERS, A GRAND PIANO, AND A STRING QUARTET REINVENT THE SONGS OF TENANT AND LOWE.

Since 1985 the Pet Shop Boys remain one of pop's most enduring duos. Neil Tennant & Chris Lowe's failures are eternally urbane, intricate and simple, with lyrics drooping in romance, humour, optimism and sadness.

To celebrate their 25th anniversary, Seriously will only bring a discography spanning in history to its purest form, with 5 singers, a grand piano and a string quartet.

This retrospective musical event dives to unravel the words behind "Rent" and "What Have I Done to Deserve This?" amongst the sumptuous melodies of "West End Girls" and "So Hard / So Soft."

David Knox, Writer/Director of the sold-out hit of Midsummer 2002, "I Should Be So Lucky" combines forces with Dean Lothening, composer of the NY Musical Theatre Festival's "Ice Starts Again." Together they will dissemble and reassemble the soundtrack to our lives.

Venue: Chapel Off Chapel, 1 Little Chapel St, Prahran
Date: Tue 24 Apr – Sun 6 May (Preview Tue 24 Apr)
Time: 8.00pm Tue – Sat, 7.00pm Sun
Price: $55 Full, $45 Con, $49 Preview
Info: 8290 7000, www.seriously pled.com

Ph: 9489 5444
345 St Georges Road, North Fitzroy
SUMMA CRUISE

MIDSUMMA HEADS OUT ON THE BAY FOR ANOTHER SESSION ON THE HIGH SEAS! ALL ABOARD THE VICTORIA STAR – A FORMER SYDNEY FERRY – FOR BOTH AN AFTERNOON AND EVENING CRUISE AROUND PORT PHILLIP BAY.

AFTERNOON CRUISE

The afternoon cruise sets sail to the tuneful tinkling of deejay Frank (aka vinyl will spank – Scott Norman) who will keep you on your toes with her retro tunes and classy classics. A cocktail of breezy beats and golden rays will help you glide through the afternoon amidst friends that you have not yet met.

The magnificent City views and surrounding industrial landscapes of the Bay are not to be missed. Cruise into the afternoon with a cocktail in one hand and a romantic heart in the other.

Venue: The Victoria Star, A Victoria Dock, Docklands (Melway Ref: 2E 07)
Date: Sat 28 Jan
Time: 1:00pm boarding call for 2:00pm sharp anchors away (Duration approx three hours)
Price: $35 Full, $30 Con, $30 at the gangplank
Bookings: 9415 5619, adm@midsumma.org.au
Only 500 tickets available: Book early
Info: 9415 5619, adm@midsumma.org.au, www.midsumma.org.au

NIGHT CRUISE

The night cruise takes on a different pitch! Deejay Aliki de Silva and Shannon aged join forces to serve up Midsumma’s true bifurcate experience. With a captive audience of just 300, these club superstars will work the room with all the glitter and glam of a night club scene.

Dress up for a hot night with cool flavours and classy company. Cruise into the night with a cocktail in one hand and a dancing heart in the other.

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Photos: Main: Welcome aboard; Above left: DJ Aliki de Silva; Above right: Shae Gin Tapp J

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New Mardi Gras
our freedom, your freedom™

When you are done partying at Mardi Gras, we would love to welcome you to the Sydney Gay and Lesbian Mardi Gras Festival 2006.

Beginning on 3rd February, we have over one hundred artistic, cultural and sporting events - from Kikki and Herb at the Opera House to Magnificent Mozart from the Australian Brandenburg Orchestra.

With the parade and party on 4th March, there couldn't be a better time to visit Sydney.

Did we mention the gay water polo team?

For full event and travel information, visit www.mardigras.org.au
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NOVEL CONVERSATIONS III: THE GAMES WE PLAY


See www.midsuma.org.au for bios.

Sit in a relaxed, panel-style setting, this event is a one-opportunity for the audience to get up close and personal with some of Australia's best and most literature's favorite authors, to ask the questions you've always wanted to and hear the author's personal perspectives. A sure-fire sell out, get in quick!

Authors will be signing their books, available to purchase on the night, at Hennes & Hynes Bookshop.

There's also a publishers book prize!

Funded by the City of Yarra Cultural Festivals Sponsorship Program.

Venue: The Night Cat, 144 Johnson Street, Fitzroy 3065
Date: Thu 9 Feb
Time: 7:30pm
Price: $15 Full & $12 Conc. At the door: if available, from 7.00pm
Pre-sale: Hennes & Hynes Bookshop, 158 Commercial Road, South Yarra 3141, Tel: (03) 9824 0110
Info: CALL 1300 883 766 or email admin@midsuma.org.au

WRITING QUEER II: LET'S PLAY!

EXPLORE "WRITING QUEER" WITH FICTION AUTHOR, SCREENWRITER AND PLAYRIGHT CHRISTOS TSIOLKAS, JOINED BY WRITER, POET, SCREENWRITER, FILM DIRECTOR AND LECTURER CATHY JOHNSTONE.

Prepared as two practical 4-hour writing workshops, held over 3 weekends, covering topics such as characterization and dialogue, with a special focus on performance and screenwriting – all with a queer bent! Morning & afternoon tea is provided.

Max 10 participants only. Please refer to www.midsuma.org.au for full workshop details, agenda and registration form.

Funded by the City of Yarra Cultural Festivals Sponsorship Program.

Venue: Fitzroy Library Meeting Rooms, Fitzroy Library Town Hall, 128 Moor Street, Fitzroy 3065
Date: Sat 4 & 18 Feb (Note: 1 week break between sessions)
Time: 10.30am - 3.30pm (with 1 hr break for lunch)
Price: $30 Full / $20 Conc. & MIDSUMMA/FIT Library's Centre members

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from Tate Britain
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Look where you can go this Midsumma

Discover the journey of legendary Aussie pop star Dusty Springfield in DUSTY, The Original Pop Diva From 12 January

Molly Stubbs and Marine Prior star as two young lassies vying for the spelling championship of a lifetime in Melbourne: Theatre Company's The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee From 16 January

100 St Kilda Road Melbourne Victoria
www.theartscentre.net.au
PREMIER EVENTS

MIDSUMMA CARNIVAL:
THE BIGGEST GAME OF THEM ALL
CARNIVAL TRANSFORMS TREASURY GARDENS INTO THE QUEEREST PARK
IN AUSTRALIA

Carnival is winding up with its brand new Treasury front so come and test your skills and experience a spectacular hub of queer games, live music, bath show, drag shows and sporting events all while celebrating the closing of Midsomma.

Take advantage of three live stages and flash your latest obstacle button, shake your body to any of the tunes on the open mic, sing a song in the air and make your friends with the crowd on the blankets. bingo! Whatever turns you on, Carnival has it for you.

The LGBTIQ+ site at Carnival will have everything this year, including interviews and entertainment with a spectrum of LGBTIQ+ performers, special guests and cabarets. The new festival brings a whole range of possibilities. You can also buy a stall on the front lawn. Melbourne’s only gay and lesbian radio station and go into the draw for some amazing prizes.

This year featuring Kyl Zepp, the Midsomma Garage, Sports Precinct, we’ve also ramped up the Mermaids youth zone, Queer DJs, issues featuring the Mirroir and Special Guests, an artful destroyed with an authentic gambit and an

Venue: Treasury Gardens, Corner Flinders & Spring St, Melbourne
Date: Sun 12 Feb
Times: 7:00am - 6:00pm
Prices: Due to the increased costs in providing Carnival, we are asking all patrons for a $5 donation to ensure we continue to provide the best of Quest Melbourne to you.

All the Fun of the Fair
Carnival presents over 100 stalls including:

- Gay Melbourne
- Out Video
- DRA Magazine
- LORI Magazine
- Gay Life Loans
- GAUSA.com.au
- Harbour Resort At Birkenhead
- Turtle Cove Resort
- Dungog Mens Relief
- Carlton Civic
- Eagle Radio Dog Food
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- Dine in Tan
- 927 Mobile Phones
- Australia Money Lenders
- Citi
- Qantas
- The Park Directory
- Tourism Victoria
- Below the Belt
- Loaded Swimmer
- Victoria Police
- Victorian Ambulance Service
- MOV Images
- St. Johns Photography
- Kandy Photography
- Quest Sports Alliance Melbourne
- Melbourne Recreation
- Yarra Yarra
- Vintage Man
- Martin Gear
- AQBH
- Social Lovers
- FRASER Rights Lobby
- MOFF
- PLAYA

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Cross Campus Queer Network
Tens Melbourne Gender Project
Leading Business Services
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(The time of printing)
TWISTER STAGE

Build up on your dance moves with a touch of "Buena Vista Social Club". Get your feet in the air and dust off your favourite moves. Give me an "I", give me an "E", give me an "I", give me an "E" - give me an "I", give me an "E". "Give me an F", give me an "E", give me an "I", give me an "E". "Give me an I", give me an "E", give me an "I", give me an "E". Give me your wildest dreams, pick up some pom poms and learn some "Cheerleader" moves. See you on the dance floor!

POKER STAGE

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION ESSENTIAL.

Once more Dulcie presents her famous Dog Show. Cuddly camels, fluffy sheep and friendly bulldogs all fight it out for Best in Show. Dulcie Dog Show this year is limited to 16 entries. Register at the Eaglehawk stand from 11.00am.

Categories include: Best and Fanciest, Most Concerting: Inspector Rex, Oldest Bulldog, Best Dog and Owner Combo, Longest Tail, Best Overall.

If you've got it and want to flaunt it, then Froome Out in your finery. The queen body is celebrated in all its glory with nosy nuts, exotic feathers, best hat and finish the day on display. Dress up and wow us.

Catch some tiny bodies parade up and down the canals at our exclusive fashion parade with hair & make-up by Karen Gourley, Cloud - Romeo and Donny Giordano.

SHUTTLECOCK STAGE

A SENSATIONAL, ECLECTIC LINE UP TO ENTERTAIN, DELIGHT AND ENTHRALL YOU.

Carnival kicks off by getting in touch with our tribal roots with West African percussion group "Roundup". New local band "Shuttlecock" will be providing their eclectic and dance-pop. Currently burning up the local music scene, catch them before they head off on their first overseas tour.

"Sota She" - Shalma Mcleod and Rosalind Mc. Two of the sweetest Lady MC's in the band are joined by the infamous Rough Ricks for a full out of this world.

Transylvanian Gypsy music from "Vardos" driven by Alana Hunt's wild and passionate violin playing.

And to top it all off, our closing ceremony will be "Muscari Dulcie", a Melbourne based female drumming group playing Japanese Taiko music.

Photos: G. to H. Sota She, Vardos & Shuttlecock.

T DANCE


This is T-Dance, our glorious finale to Carnival and Midsumma.

Co-presented with the Market Hotel, this incredible party will feature ice-cool DJs and sexy boys and girls strutting their stuff. Don't miss out, limited tickets available.

See page 50 for more T-Dance.

Venue: Treasury Gardens, Corner Warrigal & Spring St, Melbourne
Date: Sat 12 Aug
Time: 5.00pm - 11.00pm
Price: $10, no pre-sale. Limited tickets from the Midsumma information stall at Carnival

www.midsumma.org.au THE GAMES WE PLAY 21
WELCOME TO THE 2006 VISUAL ARTS PROGRAM

Melbourne will challenge, entertain and inspire your senses with an exciting visual arts program. Emerging artists and renowned & established practitioners present the diversity of our local and national contemporary queer art.

This issue sees the expansion of the Visual Arts Program. Our much loved Queer Street has grown to become part of Queer City. Melbourne continues to acknowledge the support of the City of Melbourne in presenting the Queer City Program Liquid Aesthetics, Queer Street & The Trium Project, and City of Yarra in presenting the Yarra Arts Program, the latest forward is seeing you at the opening – Enjoy the art.

Rox Abeyapihlas, Midsumma Visual Arts Director.

LIQUID AESTHETICS

JOIN US IN CELEBRATING THE PREMIER EVENT OF THE MIDSUMMA VISUAL ARTS CURATED PROGRAM.

Liquid Aesthetics showcases the works of seven artists who explore the synergies between 'queer' as an experiential, political and theoretical space and the 'normal' aesthetics of modernist modernity.

Artists: Catherine Arts, Trudy de Jong, Marta Lobeda, Queen Latifah, Susan Long, Vanessa Soverel and Marika Tichiaro.

Venue: Black Box, The Arts Centre, 100 St Kilda Rd, Melbourne
Date: Fri 20 Jan 11.00am – 6.00pm, Sat 21 Jan – Sun 25 Jan 11.00am – 6.00pm
Opening: Thu 19 Jan 2.00pm – 5.00pm with a live performance by Susan Long & Susan Forever
Price: Free
Info: 9413 9819, admin@midsumma.org.au, www.midsumma.org.au

QUEER ST OPENING

LOOK UP, LOOK DOWN AND TO THE SIDE AS THE 2006 QUEER STREET PROGRAM INFLATABLE VENUES ACROSS THE FINDLERS LANE QUARTER.

Take a walk down Queer Street in Australia’s queerest city.
Join us for the launch and enjoy a fantastic ‘inflatable’ tour of the exhibitions in the Queer Street Program.

Venue: City Library, 253 Flinders Lane, Melbourne
Date: Sat 21 Jan
Time: 11.00am
Price: Free
Info: 9413 9819, admin@midsumma.org.au, www.midsumma.org.au

VESELS

WOODS (DAVID WOOD) PRESENTS A COLLECTION OF VESSELS FORGED FROM STEEL AND COPPER.

Inspired by images from Classical Art, the artist uses mechanical systems found in nature as the basis of form in his work. Vessels is a playful attempt to lift an object from a page to create a whole shape and to ask the viewer, with what would you fill them?

Venue: The Studio Cafe, 253 Flinders Lane, Melbourne
Date: Fri 20 Jan – Sun 12 Feb
Time: 10.30am – 6.00pm Mon – Thu, 10.00am – 6.00pm Fri
Price: Free
Info: 9413 9819, admin@midsumma.org.au, www.midsumma.org.au

HOWL

ARTIST JOSE KESSTENBERG HAS CREATED A PROJECTION WORK INSPIRED BY "HOWL", A WORK BY CONTROVERSIAL BEAT POET ALLEN GINSBERG.

This explicit use of the poets language questions the nature of power, war, religion and society and Gubbi’s images relate through her interpretation of the text to society today. The result is a rich visual capacity of iconic images and intertwined text.

Venue: City Library, The Paper, 253 Flinders Lane, Melbourne
Date: Fri 20 Jan – Sun 12 Feb
Time: 11.00am – 6.00pm Mon – Thu, 11.00am – 6.00pm Fri
10.00am – 1.00pm Sat
Price: Free
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INTERTWINED

THIS CURATED TEXTILES BASED EXHIBITION WILL PRESENT TWO ARTISTS ‘INTERTWINED’ IN THE MEZZANINE GALLERY AT THE CITY LIBRARY.

Brett Alexander’s art practice is based in fibre textiles and explores issues relating to memory, gender, sexuality and identity. The "text", ideas and feelings, are developed through a range of materials and processes.

A hybrid of art and craft, Karen Airiong’s work appropriates images from popular culture to highlight the diverse nature of contemporary female identity.

Venue: City Library Gallery, 253 Flinders Lane, Melbourne
Date: Fri 20 Jan – Sun 12 Feb
Time: 8.00am – 9.00pm Mon – Thu, 8.00am – 10.00pm Fri, 10.00 am – 1.00pm Sat
Price: Free
Info: 9413 9819, admin@midsumma.org.au, www.midsumma.org.au
CUPS AND COUPLING
AMANDA ANDREE POLAND'S PRACTICE EXPLORES
GENDERED IDENTITY AND AUTOBIOGRAPHY.
In a series of video works in the heart of the City showing her solo life and photo-based
installations will engage our construction of memory and relationships through
objects. Through the series Cups and Coupling the objects carry with them
the evidence of time and trace the patterns of life.

Venue: City Library Niche Bar, 253 Flinders Lane, Melbourne
Date: Fri 20 Jan – Sun 12 Feb
Time: 8:00am – 8:00pm Mon – Thu, 8:00am – 6:00pm Fri 16:00pm – 1:00pm Sat
Price: Free
Info: 9415 5819, admin@midsumma.org.au, www.milsumma.org.au

SPACE IN-BETWEEN
SOCIAL AND POLITICAL CLIMATES THROUGHOUT THE WORLD
CONTAIN VARYING DEGREES OF SIMILARITY AND DIFFERENCE.
It is these variations that help to shape who we are and how one is placed and categorised
within their environment. Artist Kelly Morning deals with the individual's experience
in relation to these societal constructs

Venue: City Lights, Hosier Lane, Melbourne
Date: Fri 20 Jan – Sun 12 Feb
Time: 24/7 viewing
Price: Free
Info: 9415 5819, admin@midsumma.org.au, www.milsumma.org.au

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Luke Hockenbury's work considers the displacement of reality following the hyper-
real experience. These ideas are articulated and referencing popular culture
commodities.

Venue: Platform 4, Majella House, Germein Place (near corner Flinders Lane)
Date: Mon 30 Jan – Fri 3 Mar
Time: 24/7 viewing
Price: Free
Info: 9415 5819, admin@midsumma.org.au, www.milsumma.org.au

GIRLS ON THE FLOOR @ LOOP
MIDSUMMA INVITES YOU TO VIEW MIXED DOSES OF
WANT GASP GASP VOMITING IMAGE AND PERFORMANCE
WORK BY LOCAL AND INTERSTATE WOMEN ARTISTS.
Enjoy some of Melbourne's hottest DJs and DJs at this one off event.
A very noisy and intense experience -- a night that promises not to be missed!

Venue: Loop, 33 Meyers Place, Melbourne
Date: Fri 7 Feb
Time: 7:00pm doors
Price: Free
Info: 9415 5819, admin@midsumma.org.au, www.milsumma.org.au

THE BIG PICTURE
THE BIG PICTURE TAKES TO THE FACADES OF THE 1/2, 96 & 86 TRAMS.
Mark McCarty's imagery will travel through the City of Melbourne and The City of Pana celebrating
Midsumma and placing the visual into program about town in a new and exciting way.

Venue: 1/2, 96 & 86 Trams
Date: Fri 20 Jan – Sun 12 Feb
Time: 24/7 viewing
Price: Free
Info: 9415 5819, admin@midsumma.org.au, www.milsumma.org.au

Midsumma Melbourne 2006 www.milsumma.org.au THE GAMES WE PLAY
LIVING QUEER

Exhibited by Photographer Mikala Du’jik, members of the LGBTI community who live or work in the City of Port Phillip investigate what it means to be queer in Port Phillip.

Using a framework of community cultural development, the participants have worked together until October 2006 to create a body of photographic work that explores social, cultural or political issues of living queer. The work focuses on the daily lives of queer residents, seeking audiences to investigate what it means to be queer in the City of Port Phillip, and examines their place within the broader community.

This project has been assisted by the City of Port Phillip through the Cultural Development Fund.

Venue: Port Phillip Gallery, 52 Edward St, St Kilda
Date: Fri 20 Jan – Sun 13 Feb
Times: Mon – Fri 10am – 5pm, Sat – Sun 12pm – 5pm
Opening: Sun 22 Jan 3pm
Price: Free
Info: 9415 9819, admin@midsumma.org.au, www.midsumma.org.au

Photos: Mikala Du’jik.

YARRA ARTS

JOIN US FOR THE LAUNCH OF THE MIDSUMMA CURATED VISUAL ARTS PROGRAM PRESENTED IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE CITY OF YARRA.

This multi-located presentation of the work of emerging and established queer artists will be officially launched prior to a walking tour of the exhibitions, including Uncovered@Seventh, John Panagakis at Gertrude Contemporary Artists and Twelve Exits at the Centre for Contemporary Photography.

Venue: Seventh, 155 Gertrude Street, Fitzroy
Date: Sat 17 Jan
Time: 6.30pm
Price: Free
Info: 9415 9819, admin@midsumma.org.au, www.midsumma.org.au

UNCOVERED@SEVENTH

THIS IS YOUR CHANCE TO SUPPORT LOCAL UP-AND-COMING ARTISTS.

Midsumma invites you to explore the work of three young contemporary artists who use photography, moving image and sound in innovative and stimulating ways.

Main Gallery: Bridie Lunny, Jocelyn Moss
Plan B Gallery: Natasha Combe

Venue: Seventh, 155 Gertrude St, Fitzroy
Date: Sat 17 Jan – Sun 7 Feb
Time: Sat – Sun 12.00pm – 5.00pm
Price: Free
Info: 9415 9819, admin@midsumma.org.au, www.midsumma.org.au

SPIROS PANAGIKAS

MELBOURNE-BASED ARTIST SPIROS PANAGIKAS CREATES A CAPTIVATING SPACE IN WHICH PRIVATE INTERACTIONS, SOCIAL SPACE AND THE PUBLIC GLARE INTERSECT AND DIVerge.

Panagikas has created several collaborative installation projects in recent years, exploring the parameters of community, artistic practice and economies of exchange.

Venue: Front Gallery, Gertrude Contemporary Art Spaces, 100 Gertrude St, Fitzroy
Date: Mon 16 Jan – Sun 29 Jan
Time: 24/7
Price: Free
Info: 9415 9819, admin@midsumma.org.au, www.midsumma.org.au

TEN XII XT

TEN XII XT EXIT THE WINDOW. EACH FIGURE DEPENDS ON THE OPEN FRAME DISAPPEARING INTO THE REAL WORLD WHERE THE VIEWER STANDS WATCHING.

Randel’s Window’s new work activates an interaction between projected (virtual) and three-dimensional (physical) space, while continually transforming the perception of the viewer. Each person in the window is aware and question the boundary between what we perceive as real and what is left within.

Venue: Centre for Contemporary Photography, 2a George Street, Fitzroy
Date: Thu 17 Jan – Sat 12 Feb
Time: The Projection Window is viewed from the street after dark
Price: Free
Info: 9415 9819, admin@midsumma.org.au, www.midsumma.org.au

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**SEEN IS BELIEVING**

TRUTH = BEAUTY = FAITH = SEEN IS BELIEVING. THE UNASHAMEDLY QUEER EXHIBITION BY MELBOURNE'S LEADING, EMERGING ARTISTS.

**Truth = Reality**

**Sight** = ARI

**Seking** = The ARI is an unashamedly queer exhibition by Melbourne's leading, emerging artists from the ART 5 collective.

**Venue:** Temora Galleries, 38 James St, Prahran
**Date:** Tue 17 - Fri 17 Feb
**Time:** 9am - 6pm, Thu - Sat
**Group 1 Launch:** Tue 17 Jan, 6.30 - 8.30pm
**Group 2 Launch:** Tue 2 Feb, 6.00 - 8.00pm
**Price:** Free
**Info:** 9907 5299, art@temoragalleries.com, www.temoragalleries.com

**PINQ**

AN EXHIBITION OF PREDOMINANTLY PINK JEWELLERY, WITH A Q BEAUTIFULLY CRAFTED BY PEARL GILLIES.

**Venue:** 185 Little Collins Street, Melbourne
**Date:** Fri 20 Jan - Sun 12 Feb
**Time:** 24/7 viewing
**Price:** Free
**Info:** 9634 3334, info@pinq.com.au, www.pinq.com.au

**AMBIGUITIES**

PAINTINGS OF THE MALE NUDE, POSED AGAINST ELABORATE MATISSE BACKGROUND, EXPLORING SEXUAL AND SPATIAL ANOMALIES.

**Venue:** Carriageworks, 200 Carriageworks St, Sydnham
**Date:** Thu 19 Jan - Tue 16 Feb
**Time:** 10.00am - 6.00pm, Thu 11.00am - 2.00pm
**Opening:** Thu 19 Jan, 6.00pm
**Price:** Free
**Info:** 9213 8866, art@justsqueakygallery.com, www.justsqueakygallery.com

**RITES, PASSAGES, AND CROSSINGS**

RECENT PAINTINGS AND DIGITAL WORKS EXPLORING UNDERCURRENTS OF SEXUALITY, MASCULINITY, AND HUMAN MUTATION.

**Venue:** Grounds Road, 41 Yarraville St, Collingwood
**Date:** Mar 23 - Sep 28
**Time:** 12.00 - 5.00pm Opening: Sat 21 Jan, 5.00pm
**Price:** Free
**Info:** 5477 1400

**OUT IN THE SOUTH**

NOW IN ITS 3RD YEAR, OUT IN THE SOUTH WILL SHOWCASE EXCITING ARTWORK BY MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY, IN CONJUNCTION WITH MIDSUMMA.

**Venue:** Kingsley Arts Centre Gallery, 579 Batman Way, Melbourne
**Date:** Thu 26 Jan - Mon 19 Feb
**Time:** Mon - Fri 9.00am - 5.30pm, Sat 12.30pm - 5.30pm
**Opening:** Thu 26 Jan 6.00 - 6.00pm
**Price:** Free
**Info:** 9956 4440, info@kingsleyarts.org.au, www.kingsleyarts.org.au

**KNOW YOUR GAY ART**

MIDSUMMA MELBOURNE IS A GROUP OF ARTISTS AND ART LOVERS WHO MEET REGULARLY FOR GALLERY TOURS AND ARTS & CURIATOURS TALKS.

The group will this selected Melbourne exhibitions and discuss the duration of the festival meet the artists about their work, their inspiration and their relationship in an informal and friendly atmosphere. The organisation continued afterward at a nearby café. Substitution is given on request. For more details.

**Price:** A small donation is requested of participants
**Info:** 9477 5460, gly@midsun.org.au, www.midsun.org.au
## Community Radio Station

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**65 programs from 80 producers every week.**

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THEATRE

PLAY A DIFFERENT GAME THIS MIDSUMMA
WE HOPE YOU WILL ENJOY THE 30 PERFORMANCE, CABARET AND MUSIC EVENTS THAT ARE ON OFFER THIS YEAR AS PART OF MIDSUMMA 06.
We're thrilled to welcome new productions and new venues such as the Red Room, Rosabella and Gaggle into the MIDSUMMA tent, as well as welcome back favourite finalists such as Chapel off Chapel, the Butterfly Club, DanceA and La Memo. Catch up with you live performers, and see something new. So much to see, so little time... get in quick!

THE ZEITGEIST ROOM
BIT-SIZED WORKS BUILT FOR A BOOTH.
A ONE ON ONE CHOICE YOUR OWN ADVENTURE.
A booth stands in the midst of Veluxid human traffic. Its guilty pleasure suggests a fortune teller or mini-magic trick. Rosabella show as they aren't known as fortune.
A speaker in the venue distributing a menu... The Four Rooms, performed by Kerryn Kneir. "The menu contains a lot of small purpose built props for sale. One actor, one audience member, 5 scenarios. Make your selections..."

Venue: The Four Rooms, The Arts Centre, 222 St Kilda Rd, Melbourne
Date: Thu 31 Jan - Sat 17 Feb
Time: Tue - Sun 12.30pm - 6.00pm & 9.30pm - 10.30pm
Price: $5 Full, $7 Con
Info: 9660 3763, bookings@theartcentre.com.au

THE TRUE AMAZON ADVENTURES OF ROGER CASEMENT
OUR HEROES MUST NOT HAVE ANY FAILINGS.
NOTHING SHOULD REMIND US THEY'RE HUMAN LIKE US.

Venue: La Mama, 295 Flinders St, Carlton
Date: Wed 21 Feb - Sun 11 Mar
Time: Wed & Sun 6.30pm, Thu - Sat 8.00pm
Price: $20 Full, $10 Con
Info: 5474 0472, bookings@lamama.com.au Up to 24 hours prior to performance
www.lamama.com.au

THEATRE

MY LIFE AS A DYE...
TALES FROM THE DYE SIDE
FLUSHING THE REST OF MY LIFE AS A DYE TRIOLOGY INTO ONE HUGE SHOW!
3 bits shown... 2... 1 compact personalities... 1 huge season... Following 5 years of research and development, the story behind the 'My Life as a Dye' Trilogy have now been released onto the stage. With the full length comedy extravaganza this is my life as a dye... Tales from the dye side. Strictly limited season. An art disappointment, book now!

Venue: Carlton Courthouse, 348 Brunswick St, Carlton
Date: Wed 24 Jan - Sat 18 Feb. Opens Thursday night playing Wednesday - Sunday.
Time: Sat, 11.00 am, Sun, 2.00pm, Thu, Fri, Sat 8.00pm
Price: $30 Full, $20 Con.
Info: 9642 0472, bookings@lamama.com.au (Qld inc. prior to performance)
www.lamama.com.au

BOYFRIENDS FROM HELL!
A SHORT PLAYS BY QUEER MELBOURNE PLAYWRIGHTS, PRESENTED BY TRANSMISSION THEATRE.
Project in aid of GLIDE, trans and intersex people are invited to participate.
A beautiful collection of short tales by some of the theatre's finest. All play will be read aloud.

Venue: Chapel off Chapel, 12 Little Chapel St, Prahran
Date: Thu 2 - Sat 4 Feb
Time: 7.30pm
Price: $20 Full, $17 Con.

MEN IN LYCRA ROWING SHORTS (& OTHER FANTASIES) BY STEVEN DAVIDSON
Latest "feisty" entertainment from the team that brought you last year's hit "Naked, Love in a Cubicle & Four Queens in Hawaiian Shirts".
"Boating in line with straightforward, sharp and genuine play makes its Australian premiere in the intimate space upstairs at The Courtyard Theatre. After years of waiting, "Boating" is finally coming to Melbourne. As they play together, the men reveal their true selves, their most intimate secrets, and the stories behind their songs. The show is a celebration of male friendship, love, and all that's good in life."

Venue: Opera House, 315 St Kilda Rd, Melbourne
Date: Thu 17 Jan - Sat 16 Feb
Time: Sat - Sun 8.00pm
Price: $20 Full, $10 Con. Group of 10+

CRAZY LADY
DARK SECRETS ARE REVEALED WHEN LONG-LOST FRIENDS JAZ AND CLAUDIA MEET UP IN A BAR.
London hit with Olivier Award winner Natasia Stott's one-woman show, "Crazy Lady" is sure to be a hit. The story follows the friendship between Crazy Lady and her best friend, the charming and complex Claudia. Their long-lost friendship is rekindled when they meet up in a bar, and their secrets are revealed. This show is a hilarious and heartwarming tale of female friendship and domestic chic.

Venue: The Windsor Hotel (Courtyard), 88 Albert St, Windsor
Date: Sat 4 Feb, Thu 24 - Fri 25 Jan Time: 8.00pm
Sat 22 Jan Time: 5.00pm
Sat 21 Jan Time: 3.00pm & 8.00pm
Price: $18 Full, $10 Con. Group of 4

Info: 5408 889 340, crazylady@tld.com.au
www.melbtheatre.com.au

VENUE: The Four Rooms, The Arts Centre, 222 St Kilda Rd, Melbourne
Date: Thu 31 Jan - Sat 17 Feb
Time: Tue - Sun 12.30pm - 6.00pm & 9.30pm - 10.30pm
Price: $5 Full, $7 Con
Info: 9660 3763, bookings@theartcentre.com.au

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Info: 9642 0472, bookings@lamama.com.au (Qld inc. prior to performance)
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HEATH LEDGER
SIENNA MILLER
JEREMY IRONS

A Film By Lasse Hallström

CASANOVA

A PARTIALLY TRUE STORY ABOUT HIS TOLD.
VIRTUE LOST AND LOVE FOUND.

THEATRE

QUEER AND PLEASANT DANGER
COMIC JULES WILKINSON TAKES OUR COMMUNITY'S DIRTY LAUNDRY OUT OF THE CLOSET FOR A GOOD ARIING.
Can you handle the truth? Comic Jules Wilkinson drops a Deep Threat as she reveals the truth behind Q25 - the Queen Agency Of Subversion. 30 short, alarming and amusing tales expose the truth behind the gay agenda and the biggest plot to bring world domination in this tiny new show.

Venue: Gin Bar and Cinema, 231 St Georges Rd, North Ryde
Date: Sun 29 Jan & Sun 5 Feb, Wed 1 & Wed 8 Feb, Thu 2 Feb & Thu 9 Feb
Time: 7.30pm
Price: $15 Full, $12 Con. inc. Medusa Members & Volunteer Rush!
Info: joulwilkinson@yahoo.com.au

DELICACY
FOR EVERY OCCASION HUNGER THERE'S A SPECIAL SOMEBODY OUT THERE ALREADY TO SATISFY IT.
Greedy and lustful are looking forward to their comfort-food dinner for two, but their dark lust will be played out to its grisly end.

Venue: The Old Courant Chambers, Victoria Tastes Hall
On Victoria St, Carlton
Date: Fri 25 - Sat 26 Jan, Wed 1 - Sat 4 Feb
Time: 6.30pm
Price: $20 Full, $15 Con. & groups

SATURDAY AFTERNOON PLAYREADINGS @ THE BUTTERFLY CLUB
Do you like the idea of relaxing on a Saturday afternoon, with a drink in your hand and have a wonderful new play read to you by some of Australia’s leading actors? After last year’s sell-out event, Fly-On-The-Wall and The Butterfly Club returns with the 2006 Saturday Afternoon Playreadings – four international gay plays by four international gay Saturday’s.

BLOWING WHISTLES BY MATTHEW RODY
An absurdist drama about boiling sex, lies and gay pride... Nick loses his
homosexual friend – he has a long-time boyfriend, goes clubbing and has lots of
sex in their spin relationship. James, his partner of ten years, isn’t sure things are so
great... The night before the fateful couple discover Cumby, 11 on Gaydar.co.uk. They play for a night of casual sex, but their young guest has a very different agenda... Blowing Whistles is a hilarious, honest account of a present day gay lifestyle.
Bar opens 30 minutes prior to showtime.
Note: Plays contains high-level sexual content and explicit language.

Venue: The Butterfly Club, 204 Bark St, South Melbourne
Date: Sat 4 Mar
Time: 2.00pm
Price: $12
Info: 9690 2000, info@thebutterflyclub.com, www.thebutterflyclub.com

ECSTASY+GRACE BY JAMES MARTIN CHARLTON
Once upon a time, Daisy had visions of a better world. Now it computers. Living is Amsterdam, managing Blackbird’s Porn Shop with his German landlord, Just. Just favours throngs of interesting female. But then may not be to come P球员, the 13-year-old son Duvv’s gay play? Daisy, “the traffic in manwhores...”JP is a mythic but nearly realistic work dealing with the stereotypes in which the human spirit can

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Date: Sat 11 Mar
Time: 2.00pm
Price: $12
Info: 9690 2000, info@thebutterflyclub.com, www.thebutterflyclub.com

THE MASTER’S BOY BY PHEE WILLIAMS
The simmering obsessive link of Strindberg’s male slave for his serving man – lust is translated by award-winning author Phe Williams into a truly gay master/servant, parasite, for a few weeks in 1906 Strindberg’s working class went on strike and a rebellious class youth seeks over the job he’s abandoned. A thrilling sexual power struggle ensues amongst the fist, and greed of a shop at midnight between a striper and the wealthy young man attempting to drive his bus. This play is both a fascinating personal piece and an exploration of gay love and hate as a weapon of submission.
Bar opens 30 minutes prior to showtime.
Note: Plays contains high-level sexual content and explicit language.

Venue: The Butterfly Club, 204 Bark St, South Melbourne
Date: Sat 18 Mar
Time: 3.00pm
Price: $12
Info: 9690 2000, info@thebutterflyclub.com, www.thebutterflyclub.com

NEW BOY ADAPTED FROM THE STAGE BY RUSSELL LABEy,
FROM THE BEST-SELLING NOVEL BY WILLIAM SUTCLIFFE
Mark is a 17-year-old who is about to lose his gay partner, his weight and his life. When
He and his partner, who has the same at a planned meeting of Mark’s old school, the two become best friends. This new relationship allows Mark the opportunity to experience his hormonal emotions by way of an eating disorder. Though Mark is a young man, he develops a very close bond with the two friends. This play contains high-level sexual content and explicit language.

Venue: The Butterfly Club, 204 Bark St, South Melbourne
Date: Sat 25 Mar
Time: 2.00pm
Price: $12
Info: 9690 2000, info@thebutterflyclub.com, www.thebutterflyclub.com

ALISON MOYET only blue voice odd
A unique version of aliens will sell our "One Blue Voice" UK tour concert soon. Billed in June in front of an intimate audience at The Hospital in Granville. Includes material from "Voice", "Homosexual", since recorded live media. The voice he "Only Blue" and much more, recorded with an 8-piece band including a string quartet.

ANDY BELL ELECTRIC BLUE
The debut solo album on Sanctuary Records from half of Enigma due Autumn. A supreme pop/chill out album, with guests Jake Shears, Seasoned (Ex Cedric and Claudia Black (Propaganda). "Electric Blue" is a minimalist dance-pop apology. "Le Magazine"
OH CAPTAIN! MY CAPTAIN!
The words and music of Whitman, Well and Copland
Tate Michael Smith will perform four Whitman pieces set to music by Kurt Weill, including Whitman's famous "Oh Captain! My Captain!". The songs combine to create a powerful paean to America's tragic loss of its heroes. Smith will be accompanied by Leigh Harnie from the Australian National Academy of Music. Harriet will open the concert with Aaron Copland's piano sonata, composed in 1941. Produced by Opera for Autism.

Venue: IMV Hay, Federation Square, 101 Flinders & Swanston St, Melbourne
Date: Fri 13 Feb Time: 7:00pm
Sun 12 Feb Time: 8:00pm
Price: $25 Full, $20 Con. $18 each for groups of 10 or more

OUTRAGEOUSLY DIVINE: A TRIBUTE TO BETTE MIDLER
Belinda Lemon's tribute to Bette Midler returns to Melbourne for two nights only - this time with the added glitz and glamour of the Saucy Harlettes.
Outrageously Divine: A Tribute to Bette Midler
This tribute to the legendary Bette Midler captures the humour, the emotion and the talent of the Divine Miss M. Outrageously Divine contains many of the best loved songs from every phase of Bette Midler's award winning career. After a sell-out Midsummer season in 2002, Belinda Lemon returns to Melbourne for two nights.

Venue: Chapel Off Chapel, 10 Little Chapel St, Prahran
Date: Sun 12 Jan Time: 9:00pm
Sun 22 Jan Time: 7:30pm
Price: $25.00 Full, $20.00 Con. $16.00 Members & Volunteer/Tutors
Info: 8290 7011, chapel@stunning.org.au, www.chapeloffchapel.com.au

MIZIMA STARR IS BORN FREE
Drop dead gorgeous Mizima Starr unearths her weathered coatBorn Free, an earthy, bluesy show that's a victory for those who sing, tell stories, tell beauty and aesthetic salvation.
Witness photobombing, cheap dates, and sex of the greatest songs ever belted out by a hairy pimpmomma. For the first time in Melbourne, have your life irreversibly altered by Mizima Starr, Australia's outrageous entertainment earthquake!

Venue: Chapel Of Chapel, 12 Little Chapel St, Prahran
Date: Wed 26 - Sat 28 Jan
Time: 9:15pm
Price: $22 Full, $10 Con.
Info: 8290 7011, chapel@stunning.org.au, www.chapeloffchapel.com.au

COLE'S GIRLS
Out on a limb and loose, two no frills, home brand girls trapped scanning their options while navigating the furniturn of life.

Venue: Darlot's, 79 Gertrude St, Fitzroy
Date: Wed 22 - Sat 25 Jan (Premiere) Sun 26 Jan
Time: 7:00pm
Price: $15 Full, $13 Con. (Previews $18.10 every other time)
Info: 4123 275 892, ticket@stunning.org.au, www.tickets.maynemon.com

SECRET LOVE
Brilliant new musical theatre — IT'S BLACK COMEDY, CABARET AND MURDER MYSTERY!
Was she or wasn't she? Yes! That's the burning question. *The clever plot is a tale of good humour, social insight and surprising twists*— Sydney Mail
"Secret Love" is a zinger and a zinger and a zinger and a zinger... Do not miss this show if it comes to your town!" — Sue Mitchell, MAC, New York

Starring: Catherine Campbell (2005 Midsummer hit "My Blue Angel"; Dracula 5 and Godspell Piazza, SEB), Director: Frank Ford.
Musical Director: Nellys Peer.

Venue: Chapel of Chapel, 12 Little Chapel St, Prahran
Date: Thu 26 - Sun 29 Jan
Time: 7:30pm (matinee 2:30pm)
Price: $20 Full, $17 Con. 3/6 Groups of 10
Info: 8290 7011, chapel@stunning.org.au, www.stunning.org.au/about/chapel

DARREN NATALIE IS AUDACIOUS
A dryly moving and sometimes hilarious one-man show about love, life and sex.
Darren's show is both bold and touching, deeply moving and absolutely hilarious. His one-man show tells the audience on a cynical, kick-the-life-out-of-them, love, sex and laughter journey. It was named best show at the Festival. "Cabinet at its very best. Not to be missed." (The Age, May 2005).

Venue: Kingston Arts Centre, 975 Neatby Hwy, Mornington
Date: Sat 11 Feb
Time: 8:00pm
Price: $24 Full, $22 Con. $20 Kingston Arts Centre Members, $20 kids of school

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CLASSICAL FRUITS
Talented young performers, soprano Simon Maddocks and pianist Paul Fitzsimon, present evocative and uplifting works of four gay composers: Britten, Copland, Ravel and Schubert.
Simon Maddocks has featured in many operas and has an extensive concert repertoire. Paul Fitzsimon is a up and coming concert pianist. All proceeds to Gay and Lesbian Switchboard.

Venue: St Peter's Eastern Hill Church Hall, 35 Osborne St, East Melbourne
Date: Sat 21 Jan
Time: 6:00pm
Price: $10 Full, $8 Conc.
Info: 9475 7734, smaddocks@bigpond.com, www.homosexual.net.au/~glsunTV

LET'S MISBEHAVE
DO LLY STRUTS OUT IN LET'S MISBEHAVE, A LITTLE BIT NAUGHTY, A LITTLE CAMP, BUT ALWAYS ENTERTAINING!
The likes of innuendo and vocal dexterity. UK comic cabaret performer, Dolly, returns to her Australian fans for the summer of 2006. Dolly will strut out in her own inimitable manner, highlighting those less talented in the audience. Let's misbehave is a little bit naughty, a little camp, but always entertaining! This musical revue is guaranteed to thrill and delight.

Venue: Chapel Off Chapel, 12 Little Chapel St, Prahran
Date: Thu 26 - Sun 5 Feb, Thu 9 - Sat 11 Feb
Time: 8:15pm
Price: $35 Full, $30 Conc.

A NIGHT AT THE MOVIES
SPRING AN ENCHANTED EVENING WITH MICHAEL SHARMON AS HE PAYS TRIBUTE TO THE GUITARING AND GLAMOROUS WORLD OF THE MOVIES AND THE PEOPLE IN THEM.
Songs include The Way You Look Tonight, Candle in the Wind and Sometimes my Prince will come.

Venue: Atherstone Theatre, 188 Collins St, Melbourne
Date: Sat 5 Jan
Time: 6:00pm
Price: $30 Full, $15 Conc. $15 groups of 10 or more (plus $1)
Info: Haris and Krystina, 03 8314 1010, The Athenaeum 9050 1500

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A CABARET FAIRY TALE
A MUSICAL ROMP THROUGH WHIRLWIND ROMANCES, FAMILY TREES, AND THEATRE BOUGHS!
Stayed from the path. Lived the fairy tale. And we're not out of the woods yet!

Venue: Chapel Off Chapel, 12 Little Chapel St, Prahran
Date: Wed 25 – Sat 28 Jan
Time: 7:00pm
Price: $29 Full, $15 Conc. & group
Info: 8290 7011, 8290 7011, chapel@stonington.vic.gov.au, www.chapelloffchapel.com.au

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A hint of sexy, a swirl of freaky, a morass of trash... girl, girls, girl colony.
A sumptuous evening of grotesque baroque.

Venue: Cherry Bomb, 1st Floor, 97 Smith St, Fitzroy
Date: Sat 11 & Sun 12 Feb
Time: 8:00pm – 1:00am
Price: $25 Full, $15 Conc. $15 groups of 10
Info: 9479 1396, 0400 089 355, http://v+d.daspace.com

LEGENDS
JUDY, LIZA, BARBRA... THREE GAY BOYS ARGUE THE CASE OVER WHO IS THE BIGGEST LEGEND.

Venue: Chapel Off Chapel, 12 Little Chapel St, Prahran
Date: Sat 21 Jan, 7:00pm & Sun 22 Jan
Time: 5:00pm
Price: $25 Full, $15 Conc. $15 groups of 10
Info: 8290 7000, info@endamantay.com, endamantay.com

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Venue: Ebony, Cnr Grovedale & Ngar St, Fitzroy
Date: Thu 7 – Sat 9 Nov
Times: 8:30pm
Prices: $15 Full, $12 Con
Info: 9357 3864, nobbing@yahoo.com

PAGEANT... THE MUSICAL

'You've never seen a beauty pageant like this ever!' Top 10 pin-up beauty queens (all played by kids) against each other in an onslaught of evening gowns, bathing suits, and not to be missed talent!

Venue: Cubic Theatre, 355 Cnr Pon Street, South Yarra
Date: Wed 1 – Sun 5 Feb
Times: 8:00pm
Prices: $35 Full, $32 Con & groups of 12 or more
Info: 9671 4450,産捡於the@onlinemail.com

BUSTER DANIELS IN NANCY BOY

Allow us to introduce BUSTER DANIELS... REFORMED ALFAR BOY AND AID GERBIL ENTHUSIAST.

Venue: The Butterfly Club, 204 Bank St, South Melbourne
Date: Thu 26 Jan – Sun 12 Feb (apart from Thu – Sun)
Times: 8:30pm
Prices: $30 Full, $25 Con (previous two weeks: $20 Full, $15 Con)

TICKETS TO OURSELVES

They always dream of careers in the theatre... They should have been more specific.

Venue: The Butterfly Club, 204 Bank St, South Melbourne
Date: Mon 16 – Sun 12 Jan
Times: 8:30pm
Prices: $25 Full, $15 Con

HARDER, LONGER, FASTER

A CABARET EVENT WITH LUKE GALLAGHER, ADRIAN KIRK AND KAYE SERA

Venue: Chapel Off Chapel, 12 Little Chapel St, Prahran
Date: Sat 4 Feb
Times: 7:30pm
Prices: $15 Full, $10 Con
Info: 9295 7000, www.thebutterflyclub.com

KABARESQUE

FEMININITY GETS A MAKE-OVER

Kate Sera takes a good hard look beneath her girly bow and finds there's more to feminine style than a generous change and a flutter of the eye lashes. Wearing vivid costumes, comedy and chaos. Kate is one of Melbourne's few drag performers to sing live. She presents IDY Melbourne's Brunch show (SUN 8/4) weekend and is a regular contributor to the gay press.

Venue: Vibe, 125 Smith St, Fitzroy
Date: Thu 26 – Sun 28 Feb
Times: 8:00pm
Prices: $15
Info: 9422 872 5503, www.freeweb.com/kkeysara

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Get out of the bedroom and feed it to hungry ears. Make contact.

Venue: Rob Roy, 51 Brunswick St, Fitzroy
Date: Tue 24 Jan
Time: 8:00pm
Price: $14 Full, $9 Con.

GODDESS GROOVES
GODDESS GROOVES CELEBRATES CONTEMPORARY FEMALE MUSICIANS. URBAN, FOLK, ROSE, POP, BLUES AND MORE
— ANOTHER UNFORGETTABLE NIGHT.
Goddess Grooves presents and celebrates the creativity at our community's finest singer songwriters. Natalie Varese, Joa Smith and Jade Leonard join together in a musical celebration of women, love and music. This night has something for everyone. Contemporary female artists across these stages!

Venue: Great Central, 293 Swan Street, Richmond
Date: Sat 11 Feb
Time: 9:30pm
Price: Pre-booked: $16 Full, $10 Full at door
Mez available: two course meal, check out & you're done $30

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Amarevois is a multi-faceted musician and singer-songwriter with a rich vocal sound, mixture of guitar, acoustic piano and urban bass. Join Amarevois and ensemble in The Let for an evening of seductive, lush and unpredictable sounds.

Venue: The Loft, Chapel Off Chapel, 13 Little Chapel St, Fitzroy
Date: Sat 21 Jan & Sat 22 Jan
Time: 9:15pm
Price: $32 Full, $29 Con., (+ booking fees)
Info: 9159 2711, chapel@chapeloffchapel.com.au,
www.amarevois.vic.gov.au/avenue/events/amotheplpe

THE BLUENHOUSE
THE BLUENHOUSE PERFORM 2 EXCLUSIVE SHOWS, SHOWCASE MATERIAL FROM THEIR CURRENT CD "THOSE DAYS".
The Bluenuke - a trio that engages you with their charm, gorgeous harmonies and feel-good, simple music. They are a total pleasure to watch. One of the last chances to see this trio in the current line up.

Venue: Northcote Social Club, 301 High Street, Northcote
Date: Fri 31 Jan
Time: 9:30pm
Price: $17 Full, $15 (pm诚意), $12 Full at the door $15 Con. (£ at the door)
Info: 03 9487 1671, 9489 3917, info@northcotesocialclub.com,
www.northcotesocialclub.com

THE BIG GAY OUT (HOMO ROCK 3)
WHATS BIGGER THAN THE BIG GAY OUT? THE BIG GAY OUT, 7 BANDS, 1 VENUE.
Melbourne has started catching onto the world-wide trend that is seeing human walk all the dance floor and onto the stage, and the Big Gay Out seen seven of the best queer bands grace the stage in an evening of loud music, sweaty dancing and rock moves. The years line-up will be announced on www.medes.com.au.

Venue: Rob Roy, 51 Brunswick St, Fitzroy
Date: Fri 27 Jan
Time: 8:00pm – 1:00am
Price: $18 Full, $8 Con.
Info: 0411 325 116, medes@hotmail.com, www.medes.com.au

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PLAYTIME

In addition to the infinite number of pubs and clubs available to the queer party-goer, take a moment to check out these special Midsumma events.

If you are into boys on boys action, girls on girls romance, younger, older, or in between... these queer special events are guaranteed to satisfy the hungriest appetites! Be it red or black, satin, silk, rubber or leather, it's all here...

RED RAW

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Red Raw has been the key dance party event on the gay and lesbian calendar for over 23 years, featuring a mix of international, national and local DJs and performers. Come bust a move with thousands of others.

Venue: QVB, 1 Queenstreet St, South Bank
Date: Sat 28 Jan
Time: 10.00pm - 5.00am
Info: 03 9068 4808, info@agentmad.com.au, www.agentmad.com.au

GURLESEQUE

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Venue: Crystal 7th, 478 Sydney Road, Brunswick
Date: Sun 29 Jan
Time: 7.00pm - 1.00am
Price: $25 Full, $20 Con.
Info: gurlesque@yahoo.com, www.gurlesque.com

BEYOND

Come and Party at Midsumma's Only Leather & Fetish Event: Sexy, Masculine, Leather, Men!

Beyond returns for its annual Midsumma event, now into its 5th year. Melbourne's premier leather party is a party for men, with music and lighting that will blow you away. Perfect for its friendly and non-judgmental atmosphere, BEYOND has become a Melbourne favourite and the first party of 2006 will be no exception.

Venue: The Cage, Level 3, 2 Coopers M, Melbourne
Date: Sat 4 Feb
Time: 11.00pm - 8.00am
Price: $50, including recovery
Tickets available from: Hot, Hikey, Dungeon Warehouse, Edoga Leather, Lurena, De Soe, Bright Clothing, Staff @ Bondage's and Safety Style
Info: www.beyondbeyond.com.au

SATIN AND SILK BALL

This is THE NIGHT for Lesbians.

It's your chance to dress up, dance and mingle with old and new friends, accompanied by the music of Dj Kiki, Supper, Tea, Coffee, unlimited soft drinks, all-inclusive, Table service. No BFO, featuring a performance by Rachel and Nik, the fabulous duo from the 'My Life as a Sleazy Show'. Women only.

Venue: San Remo Ballroom, 360 Nicholson Street, Carlton North
Date: Sat 25 Feb
Time: 7.30pm - 1.30am
Price: $55 Full, $45 Con.
Info: 9964 7088

SHEBAR

Shebar is a Womyn's Event held on the 2nd and 4th Saturday of each month.

Be seductive. Strut your stuff and strut at one of our guest artists such as Michelle Tracey, Mel Bo and guest DJ.

Venue: The Big House, 420 Sydney Road, Brunswick
Date: Sat 3 Feb
Time: 6.00pm - 1.00am
Price: $10/16$, $9 Con. $15 group of 10
Info: 0413 392 866, phbro@metropace.net.au, www.shebar.org

MOONING 2006

The Tradition Continues with Melbourne's 'Best Arie' Competition.

NACO! and the Naked Rodeo present the 2006 Mooning Competition. Here's your chance to support Melbourne's best aries, and help the David Williams Fund in the process.

Venue: Unity Hotel, 149 Gipps Street, Abbotsford
Date: Sat 25 Feb
Time: 5.00pm
Price: $5
Info: 94172832, km@krebshoel.com

SEX BOMB

A Monthly OH TRICK Convention of the Underworld.


Venue: Cherry Smith, 1st Floor, 91 Smith St, Fitzroy
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Time: 8.00pm - 1.00am
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Bookings are not required – just turn up on the day with your friends and a picnic basket. Please note – no hot, no BBQ’s. Please take all rubbish home with you.

Venue: Forest Gaze, Mt Macedon Rd (off Calder Hwy), Mt Macedon
Date: Thu 28 Jan
Time: 11:00am – 4:00pm
Price: $15 Full, $10 Con, Joy Members and Slumber Safari Members
Info: 5605 2943, caf@joy.org.au, www.joy.org.au
(A printable map is available at www.joy.org.au)

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Join us on a unique overnight experience, including accommodation, animal experience and sleep over in a cage. Includes luxury heated accommodation, African entertainers, all meals and free additional tours.

Venue: Werribee Open Air Zoo Slumber Safari, C/44, Werribee
Date: Thu 18 Jan & Thu 2 Feb
Time: 3:00pm – 11:30am following day (laundry if required)
Price: $350 Full, $220 Con (10% discount for groups over 20)
Info: 9781 9600, www.ozu.au

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Venue: Meet at Citizens Park, Church St, Richmond (opposite 57th)
Date: Sun 20 Jan
Times: 8:30 Departs 9:00am, Return to Melbourne approx 6:00pm
Price: $10 Full, $5 Con
Info: Contact Group Office at the Positive Living Centre on 1800 0419
or fresh@yrelabs.asu

HISTORY WALK

CROSS-DRESSERS, WINDOW DRESSERS AND STAGE-DOOR JOHANNIES

A look at the queer and camp history of Melbourne, as you tour from layers, through theatre land to the top end of town. Hear about the lives behind the Truth headlines. Presented by The Australian Lesbian and Gay Archives.

Venue: Starts State Library forecourt (off La Trobe and Swanston St), ends McArthur’s (near Treasury Building), Melbourne
Date: Sun 27 Jan, departed Sun 5 Feb
Time: 10:30am
Price: $10 Full, $5 Con (includes program)
Info: Register by phone: 9499 1765 or email alj@archies.asu

GOLDEN STILLETTO

BE PART OF THE FUN OF OT’S ANNUAL FOOT RALLY THROUGH THE STREETS OF RICHMOND.

The rally starts from OT’s mixed and travels around the streets of Richmond. Teams gather prizes by answering questions and performing a certain act (along the way). Bonus points are awarded to teams who dress in theme or drag. Alcohol, drugs or other inventive means of movement are permitted.

All teams arrive (try to) on 12th to continue the fun.

Venue: OT’s Hotel, 164 Church St, Richmond
Date: Sun 4 Feb
Time: Taxis must arrive by 3:00pm
Price: Free to attend. $5 to enter a team. Proceeds to OTs
Info: 9428 8704

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Explore the grounds of this wonderful garden, join a round of croquet or just relax on a lounge and enjoy the jazz.

Born in England in 1895, Edna Walling came to Melbourne at 19. She found her own way in a career dominated by men, in which she succeeded with high profile assignments.

Edna Walling established her career at a time when women were predominantly housewives and mothers and she succeeded as one of Melbourne's most recognized and applauded landscape designers.

Walling's most common attire was short dresses, a hat, coat and jacket and very often a man's handkerchief. Walking was referred to as 'walking', with her short-cropped hair, and lack of makeup, A very practical, logical and intelligent woman, she attracted a following of fans, many young women.

Speculation suggests a love affair with a radio personality, Glenn Johnston, whom she refers to as 'Doctor Old Sausage', and Lorna Firth, a long-time friend and companion, next to whom Walling is buried.

Her gardens live on as timeless tributes to this remarkable character, and evoke certain awe amongst her admirers. Experience this beautiful Walling garden for yourself. Bring your own picnic, Tea & Coffee included.

Venue: Mawarra, 8 Sherbrooke Road, Sherbrooke
Date: Sun 22 Jan
Time: 3.00pm – 6.00pm
Price: $12 Full, $8 Con.
Info: Numbers are limited. Book with Mawarra, 9415 5818, admin@mawarra.com.au

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LOVE MAKES A FAMILY

FIND OUT HOW THE LAWFUL FAMILY CAMPAIGN IS HELPING CHANGE VICTORIAN LAW AND ATTITUDES TOWARDS LGBT FAMILIES.

In 2009, the Victorian government passed laws to allow same-sex couples to register their relationships and enter into legally binding agreements. The campaign is working to change public attitudes and laws to support LGBT families.

Venue: St. Kilda Town Hall
Date: 10th July
Time: 6.30pm to 8.30pm
Price: Free
Info: 0411 590 669, lea_dolly@yahoo.com.au

RAINBOW FAMILIES PICNIC DAY

ENJOY A RYO PICNIC AND ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND WITH OTHER RAINBOW FAMILIES. FUN FOR 0-14 YEARS.

Join other Rainbow families and friends at St Kilda Adventure Playground. Fun for children 0-14 years with climbing structures, zoids, trolley rides, flying foxes, cubbies, a bussell ring and more. RYO Pole, BBQ and fridge available.

Proudly presented by the Rainbow Families and LGBTIQ+ Community. The Victorian Gay and Lesbian Rights Lobby and the City of Port Phillip. Alcohol and smoke free event.

Venue: St Kilda Adventure Playground, entrance between 209 & 211 Dunca St,
Date: Sun 23 Jan
Time: 11.00am to 2.00pm
Price: Free
Info: 0411 590 669, lea_dolly@yahoo.com.au

YOUNG WOMEN LOOK BEYOND THE YOUTH GROUP

OUTCROWN THE YOUTH GROUPS! AN INTERACTIVE SESSION LOOKING AT HOW AND WHERE YOUNG LESBIANS SOCIALISE.

This is for young women only. Not ready for walking groups and quiet dinners? Where do you go to meet other women and find out more about sexuality? Join us and experience finding friends, developing community and having fun. Discuss your interests in getting together with women of your own age group.

Venue: Victoria Hall, 9-11 Flemington Rd, North Melbourne
Date: Sat 28 Jan
Time: 2.30pm to 4.30pm
Price: Free
Info: Contact Elizabeth Spender 9783 2282, el_spender@vic.gov.au

DRAG SCHOOL

DRAG SCHOOL is a chance for everyone to express their creativity. Drag queens and drag kings will teach you how to be a drag queen! Students will receive advice on makeup, wigs, costume and choreography and feature in a giant celebration and coming out at RYO's Drag Out Night.

Venue: Pinkie's Nightclub, 31 Northam St, St Kilda
Date: Sat 11 Feb
Time: 9.00pm for students, 9.30pm for Drag Out Night celebration
Price: $50 Full, $30 Concessions
Info: 9688 1870, showtime@thepinkies.com
www.theun旅游度假.com/drag.school?

WHAT MAKES A FAMILY?

STORIES BY CHILDREN WITH SAME SEX PARENTS

Kids of gay and lesbian parents come together to develop stories about their families in a positive and fun environment. Under the direction of author of popular children's literature, these workshops will be led by children who are happy to share their stories. Kids get the chance to work alongside professional artists to create stories, art and music. Come to play as part of the Midsumma special event.

Venue: ArtPlay, Birminghman Centre, Melbourne (old goods shed, near the rear entrance)
Date: Sat 28 Jan
Time: Workshop 1: 10.00am to 12.30pm (2-5 years)
Workshop 2: 1.30pm to 3.00pm (6-9 years)
Workshop 3: 3.30pm to 5.00pm (9-12 years, workshops ceased on Sat 28 Jan if Sunday is fully booked)
Price: $10 per child or $5 for a family of 2 or more
Info: 9688 1870, showtime@thepinkies.com

Starring Eric Packer as Frederick and Anna Phylactic as Mabel also with Jos Beange and Richard Gabriel with Musical Direction by Kristy Garrick

Pirates of Penzance

Written by Sir W. S. Gilbert
Music by Sir A. Sullivan

Tickets available from Ticketek: 599 Full, 525 Conc and 399 members
www.ticketek.com

February 5, 6, 13, 14 at 8.00PM
Performance: The Abbotsford convent
1 St. Andrews Street, Abbotsford
Convent Ref. 40 55
MELBOURNE ARGONAUTS
QUEER ROWING CLUB REGATTA
Come and join the Melbourne Argonauts for their second Regatta on the Yarra River. It's your chance to cheer for the boys and girls in black, white and purple as they pay homage to rowing clubs from around Melbourne and Victoria for a day of fun and fierce competition in the lead up to Montreal 2009.

Venue: Hawthorn Drive, upstream from Princess Bridge, Melbourne
Date: Sun 22 Jun
Time: from 9.30am
Price: free
Info: queerrowing@melbourneargonauts.com, www.melbourneargonauts.com

COME OUT TO PLAY
A FREE FORUM ON SPORT AND SEXUALITY
"What do you mean you're queer?" "No. What if someone is afraid to come out in our club?" "Oh, because our club is welcoming and inclusive, isn't it?"

By exploring personal stories, community attitudes, best practice and the law, this forum shows sporting organisations, clubs, schools and officials how to make their sporting activities free, safe and fun for all.

Come Out To Play is funded by the Equal Opportunity Commission Victoria, Victoria University and Sport and Recreation Victoria. Light Refreshments and resource kits are provided. Attendance to the forum is free and unlimited.

Venue: Equal Opportunity Commission Victoria, Level 2, 380 Lonsdale St, Melbourne
Date: Thu 2 Dec
Time: 6.00pm – 8.15pm
Price: free
Info: education@eqc.gov.au

ACE GIRLS FREE TENNIS TRAINING FOR BEGINNERS
ACE GIRLS, MELBOURNE'S LGBTIQ TENNIS TRAINING TEAM, IS HOLDING 2 FREE BEGINNERS SESSIONS.

Want to play tennis but not sure where to start? Come to dust off your racquet at the back of the wardrobe, get fit and add something new to your social life. ACE Girls Melbourne's LGBTIQ tennis training team is holding 2 free beginners sessions to introduce Melbourne's LGBTIQ community to tennis. All equipment and refreshments will be provided. All are welcome. For more information please contact info@acegirls.org.

Venue: Group Fitness, Princess Royal Park, Royal Parade, Carlton North
Date: Jul 29 & Oct 27
Time: 10.00am (Meet at Albert Oval front entrance car park)
Price: free
Info: 0415 764 875, www.acegirls.org

SPASH & GIGGLE
HAVE YOU EVER WANTED TO GIVE ROWING A TRY?
Well here's your chance! Come and join Melbourne Argonauts Queer Rowing Club for a morning of chatting and skiing on Albert Park Lake. No experience required, just comfortable exercise cloths and a willingness to get a little drenched!

Venue: Lord Renays & Power House Rowing Sheds, Lakeside Drive, Albert Park
Date: Sat & 26 Jan
Time: 10.30am
Price: $30 full, $15 Con.
Info: queerrowing@melbourneargonauts.com, www.melbourneargonauts.com

LET'S GO SURFING WITH BENT BOARDS
A SURF GROUP FOR GENDER SURFERS OF ALL LEVELS AND FRIENDS.
Little surfer boys and gals, take the drop and hang 10 with Bent Boards, Melbourne's own surf group for 638 surfers of all levels and their friends. Learn how to surf or improve your technique with help from our expert coaches, then enjoy brunch at the beach with good vibes and friendly company.

Venue: Tennyson (exact location to be advised)
Date: Sun 5 Feb
Time: 9.00am
Price: les6en participants $50 (includes two hour group lesson, wetsuit & surfboard hire, sunscreen & lunch), Con. $45
Non-les6en participants $20 (surfboard & bodyboarders with own equipment, non-surfing partners & kids), Con. $15
Info: Call 0409 621 377, bentboards@optusnet.com.au, www.bentboards.net/les6en

QUEER SPORTS ALLIANCE MELBOURNE SPORTS PRECINCT
TAKE A FRESH LOOK AT MELBOURNE'S SPORTS CLUBS AT CARNIVAL DAY IN THE SPORTS PRECINCTS
Melbourne's queer sports clubs are open to anyone of all abilities and ages. Why not come along and meet some of our athletes at Carnival Day. Come down and support your local GLBTI sporting and women's organisations as they gear up for the 1st World Outgames in Montreal and the Gay Games in Chicago.

Venue: Melbourne Carnival, Treasury Gardens, Melbourne
Date: Sun 12 Feb
Time: 12.00pm – 6.00pm
Price: free
Info: team@melbourneargonauts.com

FAIRFIELD TO ELMTHAM BIKE RIDE
JOIN BENT KRANKS FOR A FUN DAY OUT ON YOUR BIKE!
Join the Bent Kranks for a ride from Fairfield to Eltham. The ride will be approximately 30kms long, with a moderate level of difficulty. Refreshments will be available at the finish.

Venue: Fairfield Park Car Park, Fairfield Park, Heidelberg Rd, Fairfield
Date: Sun 29 Jan
Time: 10.00am
Price: $25 (includes Bent Kranks membership) No bookings required
Info: 0412 817 292, bendkranks@hotmail.com

VIC TENNIS TOURNAMENT
The Vic Tennis Tournament is a very popular annual sporting event held during the Australian Open to attract a variety of local and interstate tennis players of all standards and abilities. The tournament is a doubles event for both men and women. All are welcome. Please visit our website for updates... this will be huge!

Venue: Tulip Street Tennis Centre, 107 Tulip St, Sandringham
Date: Sat 29 Jan
Time: 10.00am – 4.00pm (later if needed)
Info: 0425 819 024, victennis@karen.com.au, www.victennis.com

GLAMOURHEAD SHARKS POOL PARTY

Splash & Gizzle Returns to the Collingwood Leisure Centre as the Glamourhead Sharks Aquatics Club Host the 2006 Pool Party!

Surrounded by the 'sharks' (dads) in the Midwawa program, come and see the boys and girls dive off their summer tans and swim laps. Catering, prizes, and side pools get the latest 22-year-olds rolling! The night will be a bash!

This event is open to parents and kids. The Glamourhead Sharks Swimming Team and the G-Sharks Water Polo Team's annual bash on the 1st World Outgames in Montreal, July 2006.

Venue: Collingwood Leisure Centre, Middle Street (cnr Yamba, Collingwood)
Date: Sat 27 Jul
Time: 6:00pm – 1:30am
Price: $25 Full, $20 Con.
Info: www.glamourhead.net

MELBOURNE G-SHARKS VS SYDNEY STINGERS

WATER POLO GRUDGE MATCH!
The Melbourne G-sharks water polo team take on the Sydney Stingrays in their annual Melbourne based grudge match. The Melbourne team has been stuck in a taxi in the local competition and they are on fire to destroy the Sydney boys.

Come down and support the local heroes and watch all the boys wet and wrestling in their Speedos.

Venue: South Yarra Sports Centre, 679 Chapel St, South Yarra
Date: Sat 27 Jul
Time: 3:00pm
Price: Free
Info: www.glamourhead.net

MELBOURNE GAY & LESBIAN DANCESPORT CHAMPIONSHIPS

Follow the couples as they are put through their paces to reach the finale.
Competitors travel from all over Australia and New Zealand every year and range from beginners to professional. The atmosphere here on the dance floor is electric and the audience is fabulous. A lot of energy! Come cheer on your favourite couple!

Bar & food service available.

Venue: Collingwood Town Hall, 140 Halsey St, Collingwood
Date: Sat 27 Jul
Time: 1:30pm – 10:00pm
Price: $20 Full, $15 Con.
Info: 8477 8570, info@dancesports.com.au
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**OUR MISSION**
Midsumma is committed to presenting an annual arts and cultural festival that
welcomes all and serves as a catalyst for the development of the arts. Our vision is to create a
cultural centre that reflects the rich diversity of Melbourne's gay and lesbian communities.

**THE OBJECTIVES OF THE MIDSUMMA BOARD**
The Board of the Midsumma Festival Inc. aims to produce an annual arts and
and cultural festival that is inclusive of all and responsive to the needs of gays, lesbians,
bisexuals, transgendered, and pansexual persons of the community. The festival supports
and encourages all community activities, in particular, activities that promote
the rights of gays and lesbians, and which reflect the diversity of the gay and lesbian
community. The festival also aims to provide a venue for the arts, and cultural
activities, in particular those that promote the rights of gays and lesbians, and which reflect
the diversity of the gay and lesbian community.

**WHO IS MIDSUMMA?**
Midsumma is a volunteer-run organisation, staffed by volunteers and
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By becoming a Member or Patron of Midsumma you play your part in presenting a festival of innovative artistic practices and presentations together with a unique cultural experience. As a Member or Patron you will receive invitations to all Midsumma events including Visual Art Launches, Opening Night, VIP drinks and Carnival 9299.

Your application for Membership can be submitted by returning this form via mail to:
PO Box 3248, Fitzroy Business Centre, Vic 3065
or Fax: 9415 9817

By applying for Membership, you agree to be bound by the rules of Midsumma for the time being in force.

A copy of our rules is available at our office by request.

Are you renewing an existing membership? Yes [ ] No [ ]

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Organisation: $60
Patron: $250

Please select: Yes [ ] No [ ]

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PREMIER EVENTS

T DANCE
CELEBRATE THE FINALE OF THE FESTIVAL AT THE BIGGEST AND MOST DISTINCTIVE DANCE PARTY ON MELBOURNE'S QUEER CALENDAR.

This is where Carnal goes ramp up a few notches, move to a different beat, extend the pleasure and make their moves. T Dance is a visual Where 2000 queer, party animals in their natural habitat — under the stars of the Treasury Gardens, we will rock you.

Bought to you by Midsumma and The Market, we present a party that is new, revolutionary and right up there with the best. Fully supported with an all-star schedule of performers (if we don't burn out, a stunning selection of shagging (if they are still standing) and a state of the art (or lack) of the generator holds out. We want, they might be, and it will.

The Market's resident DJ's James Packer, Tony Suen, Henri, Queen Marine, & Camrin S. Romano dance on the decks from 3:00pm to 11:00pm, interrupted only for a Zombie Koa production show of Royal Convenience.

Be here and be queer.

Venue: Midsumma Carpark, Treasury Gardens, Cnr Spring St & Wellington Pde, Melbourne
Date: Sun 28 Feb
Time: 5:00pm - 11:00pm
Price: $10. No pre sale. Tickets available from 12:00 noon at the Midsumma Information Caravan.
Info: 9413 9888, admin@midsumma.org.au, www.midsumma.org.au

AFTER PARTY!
CONTINUE THE PARTY AT THE MARKET TILL 3:00AM, WITH RESIDENT DJ'S PETER ALCOANAMA, FRSKY & LUKE BOWDITCH.

Lighting by Rob Lowy.
The floor is powered & the system cramps!

Venue: The Market, 103 Commercial Rd, South Yarra
Date: Sun 28 Feb
Time: 11:00pm - 3:00am

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What are you missing out on?

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