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# "THAT'S SO GAY"

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I recently read an article in *The Advocate* that represented my beliefs in today's understanding of phrases that teenagers say.

I have made many visits to the high school where our two children have attempted to outwit the staff. In addition, with my recurring visits, I have come to be recognized by a number of the administrative staff as well as teachers.

However, with all the staff on hand – they are still not able to eliminate unwanted politically incorrect phrases or comments. What might be offensive to one person – is not offensive to the majority. So there is not much any one person can do.

"That's so gay," one young teenager spouted. "No, you're gay," said another. Phrases that these kids spout every day might be offending someone. However, I didn't see any administrators request the teenager not to say those words. And I so much wanted to say something to that little brat – of course, I kept my composure and walked on while giving them the evil eye. And I'm sure I was the short topic of the moment as I got out of ear shot.

A couple of years ago, the phrase "That's so gay" was the topic of widespread discussion among educators and civil servants attempting to address its rampant use by second- and third-grade students. In school yards across the nation, it had become an all-purpose put-down or condemnation for a lack of conformity, despite actual or perceived sexual orientation. Many asked, Do these children understand its knife-like effect and far-reaching implications the way school-yard bullies who use the word "faggot" do?

Does it mean something bad? Well, I guess it depends on your perspective. When a individual in a gay club says "bitch" or "fag", we can naturally assume the screaming queen is just being a little more bitchy than usual. So we don't ask them not to use those words. We grin and kiss-kiss the air and continue cruising.

Now picture that same bitchy screaming queen walking out of the same gay club – and down the street comes a pickup filled with hunky men – the queen turns to admire the muscles and the throbbing arms holding a can of beer. Then suddenly "Faggot – cock sucker – fudge packer" is bellowed from those same guys as the truck speeds away. Should we assume those words were meant to be hurtful? Well if you think "faggot – cock sucker – fudge packer" are nasty, then you might understand why I think "That's so gay" offends me.

Words like "faggot" were once used to offend us and make us feel guilty. Now we use them in a bitchy context. Why? Has our skin gotten so tough so nothing bothers us?

I hear African Americans using the word "Nigga" when they talk to one another. They laugh – and move on with their discussion. However, you let a Caucasian person use that same word – and you're asking for a butt-whipping. Why? Someone told me once that "you haven't earned the right to use the word." What sort of bull is that? As a politically correct southern white boy from Mississippi, I decided – I DECIDED – not to use those words.

Distinctions like this undermine the GLBT community. There should be no line drawn in the sand. It is up to each of us to refrain from using words that others use to hurt us. We should be ready for it – and recognize it when it finally hits us in our faces. "That's so gay" is meant to describe something as BAD.

Mike Orr

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## THE MILLENNIUM THEATRE TO OPEN NEW LOBBY/BOX OFFICE

The Millennium Theatre, home to Stages of Omaha Theatre Company, Inc. and the newly formed Kirkland Productions, is renovating and adding a new box office and lobby to its current location.

The Millennium Theatre opened on the first floor of the Union Plaza Building with the Stages of Omaha production, *Clue, The Musical*, on April 15, 1999. Since then, The Millennium Theatre has hosted 16 productions from Stages of Omaha as well as productions from Bad Rep Productions, Spot Theatre Company and SNAP! Productions, with the first show from Kirkland Productions set to open here on April 3. The Millennium Theatre has now acquired the second commercial space on the first floor of the Union Plaza Building, which is being renovated to provide a box office/lobby space which will be used for pre-show ticket sales as well as pre-show, intermission and post-show concessions. This additional space also provides a rehearsal stage and office space for Stages of Omaha Theatre Company and Kirkland Productions.

The planned opening of the new box office/lobby is May 1, opening night of Stages of Omaha's *Jekyll & Hyde*.

## KIRKLAND PRODUCTIONS Kicks Off Inaugural Season With Christopher Durang's **BABY WITH THE BATHWATER**

Kirkland Productions is excited to open its inaugural season with a comedy from Christopher Durang, *Baby with the Bathwater!* *Baby with the Bathwater* opens Thursday, April 3 at The Millennium Theatre, running until April 19.

*Baby with the Bathwater* begins with the new set of parents, Helen & John, who are disappointed that their child doesn't speak English and are too polite to check its sex. So they decide that the child is a girl and name it Daisy—which leads to all manner of future emotional and personality problems when it turns out that Daisy is actually a boy. Thereafter, the saga of Daisy's struggle to establish his identity continues, despite his parents' growing obliviousness. The show features Debi Gaver, Keith T. Morgan, Jennifer Camden, Cody Enicke, Theresa Weddle, and Linda Wilmont, and is directed by Sarah Keith.

This is the first of four productions from this new theatrical production company to be staged at The Millennium Theatre this year. Kirkland Productions is now sharing The Millennium Theatre with Stages of Omaha Theatre Company, Inc.

The show runs April 3 - 19, Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights at 7:30 pm and Sunday afternoons at 2:30pm. Tickets are \$12 for adults; \$10 for students, military and senior citizens, and \$8 for children under age 10. For more information or reservations, call The Millennium Theatre at (402) 345-8166, or online at [www.StagesofOmaha.com](http://www.StagesofOmaha.com).

## Frank Wildhorn's Broadway Phenomenon makes Omaha Debut **JEKYLL & HYDE**

Stages of Omaha is excited to announce the Omaha Premiere of Frank Wildhorn's Broadway phenomenon, *Jekyll & Hyde*. *Jekyll & Hyde* opens Thursday, May 1, 2003 at The Millennium Theatre, running until June 1, 2003.

*Jekyll & Hyde* is a rousing and evocative gothic musical based on the classic Robert Louis Stevenson tale of the epic battle between good and evil. Murder and chaos run rampant and evil lurks around every corner, but love and virtue put up a strong fight in this engaging thriller.

Dr. Henry Jekyll (Andrew Bryant Brooks), a brilliant doctor pursuing his life-long quest, endeavors to separate the two natures of man. Convinced the cure for his father's mental illness lies in the separation of Man's evil nature from his good, Dr. Jekyll unwittingly unleashes his own dark side (Hyde), wreaking havoc in the streets of late 19th century London.

Hyde begins murdering the members of the Board of Governors who previously refused assistance to Jekyll's cause. Meanwhile Jekyll fights in vain to keep his darker half under control. Caught in the cross-fire of this epic internal struggle are Jekyll's fiancée, Emma Carew (Susan Hinkle); her father, Sir Danvers (Gene Hinkle); Jekyll's best friend, John Utterson (Kevin Buswell); and a prostitute named Lucy Harris (Randi Riessen), who becomes entangled with Hyde.

*Jekyll & Hyde* fuels such classics as Sweeney Todd and *The Phantom of the Opera*, and a lush, romantic pop score that includes the hit songs "This is the Moment" and "Someone Like You." Music direction is by Darius Makaitis.

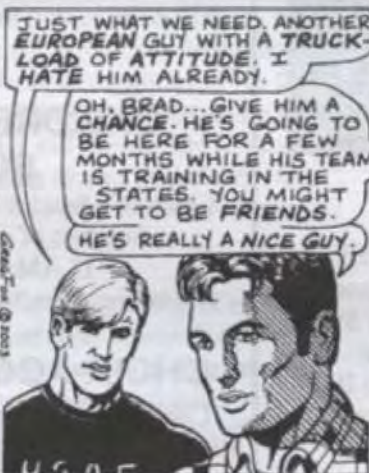
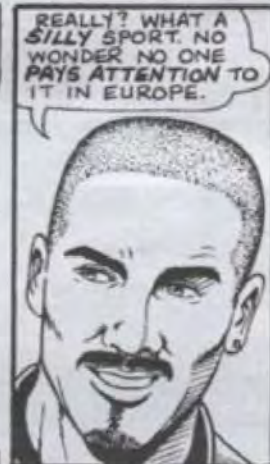
Jerry R. Ditter directs with *Jekyll & Hyde* also features Cathy Buresh, Kevin Buswell, Kyle Goos, Anna Rebecca Kunkel, Keith T. Morgan, Tim Reilly, Sam Reimer, and Nicholas L. Walker, with Lena Cigleris, Melissa Garner, Carrie Ludwig, Caitlin Mabon, and Jayni Serfass.

The show runs May 1 thru June 1, Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights at 7:30 pm and Sunday afternoons at 2:30pm. For more information or reservations, call Stages of Omaha at (402) 345-8166, or online at [www.StagesofOmaha.com](http://www.StagesofOmaha.com). The Millennium Theatre is located on the first floor of the Union Plaza Building on the corner of 16th and Jackson Streets at 601 South 16th St., two blocks south of the Orpheum Theatre.

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- **Palm Sunday Worship**  
9 AM & 11AM  
Sun., April 13
- **Good Friday Worship**  
7 PM, Fri., April 18  
MCC-O Choir Sings
- **Prayer Vigil**  
Saturday 6 PM until 6 AM Sunday
- **Easter Sunrise Service—6:30 AM**  
Sunday, April 20  
Followed by Breakfast  
In the Social Hall
- **Easter Worship—9 AM & 11 AM**  
Social Time following each service  
MCC-O Choir Sings at 11 AM Service



MCC-Omaha is located at 819 S. 22nd St. in Omaha, NE. For more information about these Holy Week Services, contact the church office at 345-2563.

## CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

Children's Sunday School is held the first four Sundays of each month during the 11 AM Worship Service. Children ages 3-early teens are welcome!

## CHOIR ACCEPTS SINGERS

Choir rehearsal is each Sunday from 10:10 til 10:50 AM between the 9 & 11 AM Services. New singers are welcome any Sunday!

## QUESTIONS ABOUT HIV OR AIDS?

Call the Nebraska AIDS Hotline.  
1-800-782-2437  
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Sunday-Friday: 10 am-10 pm



## 2003 HEARTLAND RODEO VOUCHER SALES PROGRAM

A new fund-raising concept offered by HGRA in cooperation with selected community organizations.

### Program Concept

In a time of declining government funding, it provides a new source of unrestricted funds for organization use. It also will provide additional visibility for the organization at HGRA's Heartland Rodeo, June 28-29, 2003. Participating groups will make available to their supporters, clients and friends, Rodeo Vouchers for \$10.00 each. The vouchers can be presented at the gate for rodeo attendance. At the Sunday, June 29, 2003, Grand Entry of the 7<sup>th</sup> Heartland Rodeo, \$5.00 of that \$10.00 will be presented back to the organization.

### Program Specifications

- Vouchers will be available in blocks of 10, 25, or 50
- When vouchers are received by an organization, an Invoice will be included for the total amount (10x\$10 = \$100 / 25x\$10 = \$250 / 50x\$10 = \$500)
- Payment is due upon receiving tickets from HGRA Representative
- No vouchers may be returned
- At the rodeo's Sunday Grand Entry, a check for half the amount will be presented to the organization (10x \$5.00 = \$50 / 25x\$5.00 = \$125 / 50x\$5.00 = \$250)
- Participating organizations are not required to have 501c3 status

### About The HGRA

HGRA is a charitable and social organization. Our purpose is to promote the country western lifestyle in the Gay and Lesbian community: to encourage member participation in local, national, and international rodeos; and to perform charitable duties. HGRA is one of the 22 member associations of the International Gay Rodeo Association (IGRA). For the past 6 year, HGRA has held rodeos in Fremont and Springfield, Nebraska. The 7<sup>th</sup> Heartland Rodeo "The Little Rodeo With A Big Heart" will be held June 28-30, 2003 at the Sarpy County Fairgrounds in Springfield, Nebraska.

### About The IGRA

The specific purpose of the IGRA is the fostering of national and international amateur rodeo and other equestrian competition and related arts, crafts, and activities to develop amateur athletes and activities for such competition and other activities, which encourage the education on or preservation of the "country-western" lifestyle heritage, such as dance.

*The above information is provided courtesy of the Heartland Gay Rodeo Association.*

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## SCOTLAND: 1 IN 5 GAYS IS A PARENT

The largest survey of its kind ever commissioned in Scotland has discovered that **one in five gay people in Scotland is a parent**, and a further 17 percent would like to have children in the future.

One-third of all gay parents said their children were living permanently with them. Ruth Henry, manager of Beyond Barriers, said the high number of gay parents had taken them by surprise. "We will have to look at the issue of parenting and the issues facing the children of lesbian and gay parents," she told the Scottish Herald.

The statistics were part of a national GLBT survey conducted across Scotland. The biggest issue facing GLBT people was **equal partnership rights**, according to the survey. **Discrimination and prejudice** were seen as the next most important issues.

### Club Joy Invites You To A Roast Friday April 11, 2003

**For: Jeff McKenzie –  
Mr. Max V, Emperor Emeritus XVII, Mr. H.G.R.A.**

Hosted by: Stella Dallas & Dietra Snow  
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## GAYZETTE AD RATES

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Fourth Page	3 ¾ X 4 ¾	\$ 25.00	Business Card		\$ 15.00

All ads must be camera ready. Payment must accompany ad, Checks payable to Rainbow Outreach GLBT Resource Center. 10% Discount for on-going ads of any size. Payment and ads should be delivered to the Rainbow Outreach GLBT Resource Center 1719 Leavenworth St. on or before the deadline or emailed to [news@rocc.org](mailto:news@rocc.org). Please call ahead to reserve space.

**Ad Deadlines** Friday, April 11 for Publication April 18

Friday, April 25 for Publication May 2



# SPECTRUM

## FUNDRAISER APRIL 10

Spectrum, the GLBT/Straight Student Alliance at the University of Nebraska Lincoln will be hosting a fund-raiser on Thursday April 10 from 8 pm until 1am at The Panic in Lincoln. Variety show and raffles. Cover charge is \$3, 21 and up.

This fund raiser is important to Spectrum because we fund and staff the only GLBT Resource Center in Lincoln. Contact: Lisa Blakey (402)742-6733 [lisa\\_blakey@yahoo.com](mailto:lisa_blakey@yahoo.com) or Michael Whelan (402)660-2420 [rainbowleo84@hotmail.com](mailto:rainbowleo84@hotmail.com) Everyone is invited to this important event.

Primarily for undergraduate students, Spectrum works for a safe and supportive campus environment for GLBT and questioning students and their allies. The group's goals include programming, education, and providing members with a safe social space. Meetings are in the format of a casual discussion forum for GLBT students and allies to share their thoughts and ideas. The meetings are also intended to provide students with a fun yet supportive social environment where they may meet other GLBT students and allies with similar interests. Meetings are open to all students--come see what it's about!

Any student, regardless of sexual orientation, is welcome to become a member of Spectrum. Non-students are welcome to participate, but are not allowed to hold office or to vote. There are no required dues or membership fees at this time.

Members wishing to participate in a leadership role may do so simply by expressing their interest in working with Spectrum's Executive Board. Spectrum reserves the right to confidentiality and the right to a safe space for all of its members.

For information including meeting times, please call (402) 472-5644. We invite students to stop by the Spectrum resource office located on the second floor of the Nebraska Union. It's open weekdays... (check volunteer schedule for times) and it's a great place to check out books, literature and events in Lincoln.

Spectrum needs your support and help with raising funds. If you are a performer or can help in some other way to help make the April 10th fund raiser a success, please contact Michael at the Spectrum office. Check out Spectrum's Website at: [www.unl.edu/lambda/spectrum](http://www.unl.edu/lambda/spectrum). To be added to Spectrum's listserv, contact the Webmistress at [Flwrpwr@yahoo.com](mailto:Flwrpwr@yahoo.com).

Contributions may be made to Spectrum, GLBT Student Organization Office, 234 Nebraska Union, University of Nebraska, Lincoln Ne. 68508.

## MCC ENDORSES STUDENT "DAY OF SILENCE"

On 10 April 2003, high school and college students around the world will fill school hallways with an audible silence, bringing life and awareness to the actual silence too many GLBT students and staff in schools are forced to endure. The annual event is known as the **Day of Silence** and Metropolitan Community Churches have again endorsed this international student event.

The **Day of Silence Project** is the largest student-led GLBT and ally day of action designed to bring attention to the silence faced in schools because of bias, harassment and abuse against those who are, or are perceived to be, lesbian, gay, bisexual and/or transgender. Last year, more than 100,000 students at more than 2,000 schools and colleges took part in the **Day of Silence Project**.

Organizers, including the **Gay, Lesbian, and Straight Education Network (GLSEN)**, hope to increase the number of participating schools to 3000 this year. For information and resources on the **Day of Silence**, visit [www.dayofsilence.org](http://www.dayofsilence.org).

Hastings College will observe a Day of Silence on April 9, to coincide with the GLSEN Day of Silence. The day will end with a candlelight vigil at 7 PM in the college chapel, at the top of the circle drive on Turner Avenue between 7th and 9th St.

## GALO MEETINGS

The Gay and Lesbian Organization at UNO is meeting every 2nd and 4th Thursday for the rest of spring semester. There are no set times or locations, just set days. People can email [unogalo@hotmail.com](mailto:unogalo@hotmail.com) for more information.

## YAHOO GROUP FOR BI MARRIED MEN

Omaha now has a yahoo group for bi married men. The web address is <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/OmahaBiMarriedMen>

## EARLY MCC LEADER WILLIE SMITH DIES

**Willie Smith**, one of the first 12 members of MCC, passed away from a heart attack last week. Funeral services were held on Saturday, March 15, at MCC Los Angeles. Willie attended the **very first MCC service in October 1968** and was a long-time choir leader and music director in MCC. For a free copy of **Rev. Troy Perry's** eulogy for **Willie Smith**, write to [info@MCCchurch.org](mailto:info@MCCchurch.org).



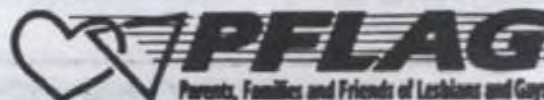
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Indian Oven D  
Julio's North D  
Julio's Old Market L,D  
Julio's West L,D  
Katies Greek Restaurant D

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Le Voltaire L,D  
Lisa's Radial Café B,L  
McFoster's L,D  
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# GAYZETTE EVENTS

**SUNDAY, APRIL 6**

MISS NEBR NATIONAL 9pm, MAX

**THURSDAY, APRIL 10**

PAMPERED CHEF & TASTEFULLY

SIMPLE PARTY 7pm, MCC-Omaha,  
Benefit for Handicapped Accessibility

TREMBLING BEFORE G-D Ross Thea-

tre, Lincoln

SPECTRUM BENEFIT, 8pm, The Panic,

Lincoln

**FRIDAY, APRIL 11**

CELEBRITY ROAST: JEFF MCKENZIE

9PM, CLUB JOY

**SATURDAY, APRIL 12**

PRIDE 2003 RECEPTION 2pm, Grand

Ballroom, Sheraton Hotel Downtown

PRIDE SHOW & DRAWING FOR CHER

CONCERT TICKETS 8:30pm, JOY

**SUNDAY, APRIL 13**

ICON CLOSET BALL 9pm, The MAX

**FRIDAY, APRIL 18**

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICES 7pm, MCC-

Omaha, 819 South 22 St

PORTFOLIO MEN 10pm The MAX

**SUNDAY, APRIL 20**

EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE 6:30am

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**FRIDAY, APRIL 25**

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**SUNDAY, APRIL 27**

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MOINES CLUB JOY, 10pm

**FRIDAY, MAY 1**

JOY'S 2004 CALENDAR STRIP OFF

FEATURING MARK DALTON

**SATURDAY, MAY 3**

ICON PR BALL 6pm, The MAX

**SUNDAY, MAY 4**

RAFFAELLA — NEW YORK CITY'S

TOP MADONNA IMPERSONATOR

6pm, The MAX

**FRIDAY, MAY 9**

FLO & RAGE FROM KANSAS CITY JOY

**FRIDAY, MAY 16**

N'JOY SHOW & JORDAN KENNEDY JOY

**SATURDAY, MAY 17**

ICE BOWL 9-PIN NO TAP TOURNAMENT

Maplewood Lanes, Info: Danny Szcseblewski  
(402) 573-0415

**SATURDAY, MAY 24**

FOAM PARTY CLUB JOY

**SUNDAY, MAY 25**

PORTFOLIO MEN 10pm The MAX

**MONDAY, MAY 26**

ICON MEMORIAL DAY PICNIC 1—6pm,

Vennelyst Park, 9100 N. 31 Omaha

**SATURDAY, MAY 31**

OMAHA WOMYN'S RIVERBOAT CRUISE

Commonbond in Concert. Info 402-467-5737

**SUNDAY, JUNE 1**

CANDIDATE SHOW 9:30pm, The MAX

**SUNDAY, JUNE 8**

MISS GAY OMAHA ALEXANDRA STONE

10pm The MAX

**FRJ. JUNE 20 & SAT. JUNE 21**

PRIDE NEBRASKA 2003

**SAT. JUNE 21 & SUN. JUNE 22**

CHORUS CONCERT 7:05pm, UNO

**FRJ. JUNE 27—SUNDAY, JUNE 29**

HEARTLAND REGIONAL RODEO

**SUNDAY, JUNE 29**

EMPRESS' STEP DOWN 9:30pm, MAX

**FRIDAY, JULY 4**

ICON PICNIC 1-6pm, Hill Haven

**SATURDAY, JULY 13**

ICON CORONATION 6PM, Sokol Hall

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 9**

ICON INVESTITURE OF REIGN 23

Reception 5pm, Show 6pm, The MAX

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 24**

RIVER CITY LEAGUE PRE-

REGISTRATION DAY 3pm, Maplewood

Lanes, Info re: event and fall league, call

Norma Harrison (402) 731-5706

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 1**

ICON LABOR DAY PICNIC 1-6pm,

Vennelyst Park

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9**

ICON FOOD 4 THOUGHT 9:30pm MAX

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6**

NIGHT OF 1000 STARS

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14**

ICON TOYZ 4 TOTZ 9:30pm, The MAX

## WEEKLY EVENTS

*Every Sunday*

WORSHIP SERVICES:

DIETZ METHODIST 1423 S.10, Heartland

Casual Coffeehouse 9:30am, Traditional

Worship 11am

IST METHODIST 7020 Cass, 8:30 &

10:45am

METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY

CHURCH OF OMAHA 819 S. 22,

345-2563 Worship: 9am & 11am

Sunday School: 11am

FIRST UNITARIAN 3114 Harney, 11am

LOWE AVE PRESBYTERIAN 1023 N 40

10am

UNITY CHURCH OF OMAHA,

3424 N. 90, Omaha, 9am, 11am

HASTINGS COLLEGE GSA 8PM

FFI: Judy Sandeen (402) 461-7372

LINCOLN WOMYN'S POTLUCK

Cheryl 474-1937 11:30am-4pm

WIMMIN'S SHOW KZUM 89.3 12:30pm

RIVER CITY II MIXED BOWLING,

3pm, Maplewood Lanes,

GAY MEN'S ALCOHOLICS ANONY-

MOUS 4pm Lowe Avenue Presbyterian,

1023 N. 40 St. Info call Mark 639-3055

*Every Monday*

HIV TESTING, 7- 9:30pm, 139 S. 40<sup>th</sup>

A A GLBT "RAINBOW GROUP"

Meeting Place, 28 & S, Lincoln, 7:30 p

*Every Tuesday*

UNL LESBIAN/BI/QUESTIONING SUP-

PORT GRP 7-8:30pm, Women's Ctr,

Nebr Union, Lincoln, 472-5644

OMAHA MEN'S SUPPORT GROUP,

MCC-Omaha, 819 S. 22, 7:30pm

*Every Wednesday*

WORSHIP SERVICES

MCC OMAHA, 7pm

UNITY CHURCH OF OMAHA, 7pm

HIV TESTS, 1-4 pm NAP, 139 S. 40

FRONTRUNNERS RUN/WALK 6:30pm

AkSarBen Lot 5, Omaha

LGBT A A 7:30pm, Alcohol Ctr 2116 W.

Faidley, Grand Island. Peggy (308) 226-

8286, Center (308) 398-5427

KARAOKE W/ STACY 8:30pm DC's

*Every Thursday*

GLBT FELLOWSHIP, 6:30pm, Trinity Ca-

thedral Clarkson Center, 109 N. 18 Info:

391-1950; dknosae@qwest.net.

OMAHA WOMEN'S SUPPORT GRP,

Rainbow Outreach Center, 1719 Leaven-

worth, 7:30pm

HIV TEST 7- 9:30 pm, NAP, 139 S. 40<sup>th</sup>



**KARAOKE** 9pm, Connections

*Every Friday*

**SAGE POTLUCK DINNER** 6 - 7:45pm  
ROCC, 1719 Leavenworth, 341-0330

**FREE FRIDAY MOVIE** 7:45PM,  
Rainbow Outreach GLBT Resource Ctr

**LAMBDA TV**, Lincoln Cable Ch 13. 9pm

**HIV TESTING**, 5 - 10 pm, NAP Outreach  
Center, 1723 Leavenworth

**LGBT AA** 8pm, Boys & Girls Home Sioux  
City, IA (712) 252-4272,

**GLBT AA** 7PM to 8PM, Lowe Avenue  
Presby Call 556-8364, ask for Sanford

*Every Saturday*

**WOMEN'S SUPPORT GRP**, 10am, MCC-  
Omaha, 819 S. 22 St.

**LAMBDA TV** Lincoln Cable Ch 13. 3 pm

**PROUD HORIZON YOUTH GROUP** 4-  
6pm, 291-6781 proudhorizons@yahoo.com

## MONTHLY EVENTS

*1st Saturday*

**RIVER CITY GENDER ALLIANCE** Room  
Open: 4pm Meeting at 7pm, 991-8845 or  
email: rcga@tgforum.com

**GAY/BI SUPPORT GROUP HIV+ MEN**,  
6-8pm, NAP, 220 S. 17, Lincoln FFI: Mark  
Giesler 476-7000.

*2nd Tuesday*

**PRIDE PLANNING MEETING** 7pm, NAP  
Outreach Ctr, 1723 Leavenworth

*2nd Wednesday*

**"OUT AND ABOUT NEBR"** 7pm Discus-  
sion Group, Rainbow Outreach, 341-0330

**FLAT WATER BEARS** 7:30pm, The MAX

*2nd Thursday*

**PFLAG- OMAHA**, 7pm, 1st Methodist

*2nd Friday*

**FREE, CONFIDENTIAL, ANONYMOUS  
HIV TEST** UNL campus FFI: 476-0355.  
1-3:30pm

**SUDS RAPID HIV TEST**, (2 hr results) 5 -  
10 pm, NAP Outreach, 1723 Leavenworth

**POLYAMOROUS (GLBT)**, 7pm, Gilligans,  
Socials for poly-swing-sm-leather-fetish  
communities

*2nd Saturday*

**GLSEN OMAHA** Brd 9:30am South High

**LEATHER ENGINEERS- OMAHA**  
Meeting 7pm, Gilligan's

**HIV TESTING** UNL Campus, Cornerstone,  
476-0355. 1:30-3:30pm

**LEARNING TO EXCHANGE POWER**  
L2EP@aol.com 1pm; 1719 Leavenworth

*2nd Sunday*

**INTEGRITY** 6-7:30pm, St. Marks, Lincoln

*3rd Monday*

**IMPERIAL COURT OF NEBR MCC-O**,  
6:30pm, icon.impcourt.org

*3rd Friday*

**GAY/BI SUPPORT GRP FOR HIV+ MEN**  
6-8pm NAP, 220 S. 17, Lincoln, 476-7000.

*4th Tuesday*

**PRIDE PLANNING MEETING** 7pm, NAP  
Outreach Center 1723 Leavenworth

**PFLAG-CORNHUSKER** Unitarian Church,  
6300 A, Lincoln, 7 p.m.

**YOUTH HIV TEST** Lighthouse, 2530 N, Lin-  
coln, ages 13 to 18, FFI: 475-3220. 3-5:30 pm

*4th Saturday*

**HIV TESTING** UNL campus. Cornerstone,  
476-0355. 1:30-3:30pm

*LAST Sunday*

**REAL FAMILIES** Omaha-area families  
headed by gay/lesbian parents, meet last Sun-  
day of every month. Info: Margaux at 561-  
6738 or email [MargauxPolo@aol.com](mailto:MargauxPolo@aol.com)

TO HAVE YOUR EVENT  
LISTED HERE  
EMAIL INFORMATION TO  
[news@rocc.org](mailto:news@rocc.org)  
Or mail to:  
ROC, 1719 Leavenworth,  
Omaha, NE 68102

## Where Can You Find The Gayzette?

**Omaha:**

Aces Bar, 1263 South 16th Street  
Body Mods, 61st and Military  
Club Olis, 2801 North 16th Street  
Connections, 1901 Leavenworth  
The Diamond, 712 South 16th Street  
DC's Saloon, 610 South 14th Street  
Dixie Quix, Restaurant 20th Leavenworth  
Flixx 1019 South 10th Street Omaha  
Gilligan's Pub, 1407 Harney Street  
The Joy, 1516 Jones Street  
Liquid Courage Custom Tattoo,  
2936 South 84th Street  
The Max, 1417 Jackson  
Metropolitan Community Church,  
819 South 22nd Street  
Omaha Mining Co., 1715 Leavenworth  
Mystery Bookstore, 1422 South 13th St  
Nebraska AIDS Project, 139 South 40th St  
Next Millennium, 2308 North 72nd Street  
Rainbow Outreach GLBT Resource Center,  
1719 Leavenworth  
Stage Right Coffee and Tea House,  
16th and Harney  
Youth Emergency Services, 3910 Harney

**Lincoln:**

Boondoggles, 1324 P Street  
Panic Bar, 200 South 18th Street  
Q Bar, 226 South 9th Street

**Iowa:**

Wilson Resource Center, Arnolds Park, IA

## OMAHA BARS

**CONNECTIONS** 1901 Leavenworth 933-3033

**CLUB OLIS** 2801 N 16 St 934-4030

**THE DIAMOND** 712 S. 16<sup>th</sup> St 342-9595

**DC'S SALOON** 610 S. 14<sup>th</sup> Street 344-3103

**FLIXX** 1019 S. 10th St 408-1020

**GILLIGAN'S PUB** 1407 Harney 449-9147

**JOY** 1516 Jones, 341-7337

**The MAX** 1417 Jackson 346-4110

**OMAHA MINING CO** 1715 Leavenworth 449-8703

## LINCOLN BARS

**PANIC** 200 S. 18<sup>th</sup> Lincoln 435-8764

**Q** 226 S. 9<sup>th</sup> St, Lincoln 475-2269

## SIOUX CITY BAR

**JONES STREET STATION**

412 JONES ST, SIOUX CITY 712-258-6922



## PRIDE SEEKS ITEMS OF PRIDE HISTORY

Rainbow Celebrations Pride Committee would like to acquire a complete history of past Pride Guides for future reference for all interested. If you have an extra Pride Guide prior to 2001 that you would not mind donating back to the Pride Committee, please email [pride@rainbowcelebrations](mailto:pride@rainbowcelebrations) to let us know.

This collection will be kept at the Rainbow Outreach Resource Center for all individuals to have access to. Along with the Pride Guides, if you have any news clippings, magazine articles, old New Voices or Gayzettes, or audio or video clips which we might borrow to make copies and scans of, we would also be very interested in these items.

Please contact us at [pride@rainbowcelebrations](mailto:pride@rainbowcelebrations) or by phone at 402.415.8769. Thanks so much for your assistance with these history items!



## CHER TICKETS TO BE DRAWN APRIL 12

On Sat., April 19, Cher is bringing her Living Proof Farewell Tour to the Mid America Center in Council Bluffs! Pride 2003 is offering you a chance to win a pair of 26th Row - Main Floor Tickets. Along with the two tickets, you also will get a stay in a Designer Suite and Dinner for two at the AQUILA BISTRO courtesy of the Sheraton Omaha Hotel, a much concert t-shirt (before the concert even gets here), the Cher Biography and the 100 page Cher Scrapbook! At \$5 each, raffle tickets will be sale now from Anastasia, any Pride 2003 Committee member or by visiting [www.rainbowcelebrations.org](http://www.rainbowcelebrations.org)! The winning ticket will be drawn on Saturday, April 12 during a Pride 2003 Benefit starting at 8:30 PM at Club JOY.

## UPCOMING PRIDE 2003 MEETINGS

April 8 & 22

May 6 & 20

June 3, 10, 16, & 19

All meetings are at 7 PM at Rainbow Outreach GLBT Resource Center, 1719 Leavenworth St.

For more information about Pride, please visit [www.rainbowcelebrations.org](http://www.rainbowcelebrations.org), email [PRIDE@rainbowcelebrations.org](mailto:PRIDE@rainbowcelebrations.org) or call 402.415.8769.

## BE A PRIDE 2003 SPONSOR!

The 2003 sponsorship levels offer something for everyone. Whether you wish to give \$25 or \$10,000 - there is a sponsorship level for you. New for 2003 sponsorships are the gifts of the official Pride Coffee mug and Pride coaster sets for the \$50 and \$100 sponsorship contributors. Sponsors who give at the \$500 level or above will receive among the many benefits a 10'x10' canopy tent booth during the festival. More complete information regarding the 2003 Sponsorship program is available at [www.rainbowcelebrations.org](http://www.rainbowcelebrations.org) or by calling 402.415.8769.

## LAST CHANCE TO VOTE ON GRAND MARSHALS NOMINEES SEE ARTICLE PAGE 1

Rainbow Celebrations' Pride 2003 Committee announces the following 2003 GLBT Pride Parade Grand Marshal nominees:

BOB & BETTY DORR

CARLA PETERSEN & SHARON VAN BUTSEL

The 2003 Grand Marshal will lead the GLBT Pride Parade on June 21. rainbow Celebrations has posted complete biographies at [www.rainbowcelebrations.org](http://www.rainbowcelebrations.org).

# PRIDE 2003 BENEFIT SHOW

## SAT., APRIL 12

### JOY

### 8:30PM

**FEATURING MISS GAY PRIDE  
ANNASTASIA WORTHINGTON  
AND AN ALL-STAR CAST**

**—Drawing for CHER Concert Tickets—**





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**Marcia Wallace**



**Amy J. Carlisle**

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[WWW.ROSETHEATER.ORG](http://WWW.ROSETHEATER.ORG)



# RAINBOW OUTREACH GLBT RESOURCE LIST

## OMAHA BASED

**BiMenNebraska**, Social Support for Bi and BiCurious Men <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/BiMenNebraska> and <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/Bi-MEN-MIDWEST>

**Citizens for Equal Protection** 1102 Howard St. Suite 2, Omaha NE 68102, 398-3027 [www.cfep-ne.org](http://www.cfep-ne.org)

**Flat Water Bears**, Box 3751, Omaha 68103 [flatwaterbears@yahoo.com](mailto:flatwaterbears@yahoo.com) Hirsute men and admirers, 2<sup>nd</sup> Wed, The MAX, 7:30pm

**Front Runners/Walkers**, Box 4583, Omaha 68104 (402) 496-3658 Fun Run/Walks 10am Sun, 6pm Wed

**GALO (Gay & Lesbian Org at UNO)** [www.angelfire.com/home/GALO](http://www.angelfire.com/home/GALO) contact: [unogalo@hotmail.com](mailto:unogalo@hotmail.com) or SPO (Student Organizations) at 554-2711.

**Gay, Lesbian, Straight Education Network -Omaha**, Box 641676, Omaha 68164, 596-2596  
Website: <http://www.glsenomaha.org>

**GayLibrary.com**, World Wide Resources

**Heartland Gay Rodeo Association**  
Box 3354, Omaha 68103 402-203-4680

**Ice Bowl Invitational Bowling Tournament (IBIT)** P.O. Box 31838, Omaha, 68131 R. Hollendieck (402) 556-5556

**Imperial Court of Nebraska**, Box 3772, Omaha 68103 556-9907, Board Meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday, 819 S. 22 [icon.impcourt.org](http://icon.impcourt.org)

**Learning to Exchange Power**, L2EP@aol.com; Social, educational group novices in Leather Lifestyle

**Leather Engineers of Omaha (LEO)** Box 8101, Omaha, 68108-8101 Gay men in leather lifestyle, Mt 2<sup>nd</sup> Sat Gilligan's 7pm

**LinOma Bares**, Box 8493, Omaha 68108  
Nudist/ Nudist Club for gay/bi men Info: Eric (402) 553-5944; Jerry (402) 553-6626

**MPower**, c/o Nebr AIDS Project, 139 S. 40, Omaha 68131 [www.mpower-nap.org](http://www.mpower-nap.org).  
Men teaching men about HIV

**Men's Support Group-Omaha**, 819 S. 22, 345-2563; Tuesday 7:30pm <http://mike2tom.home.radiks.net/msgomaha/>

**Metropolitan Community Church of Omaha**, 819 S. 22 St., Omaha 68108 345-2563, [mccomaha@radiks.net](mailto:mccomaha@radiks.net)  
Website: [www.mccomaha.org](http://www.mccomaha.org)  
Sunday Worship 9 & 11am, Sunday School 11am, Wed Evening Service 7pm

**Nebraska AIDS Project**, 552-9260  
Watanabe Wellness Ctr, 139 S. 40, Omaha 68131, Testing Mon, Thurs Eve, Wed aft

**NAP Outreach Center**, 1723 Leavenworth, Testing & Counseling: Fri Nights

**Nebraska Advocates for Justice & Equality**, 1102 Howard, Suite 2, Omaha 68102, 402.346-5960 [naje\\_now@hotmail.com](mailto:naje_now@hotmail.com)

**Nebraska Gay Dads** group list exchange emails posted to the list for discussion <http://mike2tom.home.radiks.net/nebraskagaydads/>

**Omaha Bi Married Men Yahoo Group** <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/OmahaBiMarriedMen>

**Omaha Nebr Gay Pride WebPage** <http://members.cyberwolves.com/omahangaypride> PO Box 4154, Omaha, 68104-4154 402-502-9195 [omahangaypride@cox.net](mailto:omahangaypride@cox.net)

**Omaha Women's Support Group**, Thurs 7:30pm, 1719 Leavenworth, 341-0330

**Onyx Images**, Box 31026, 68132-9998 [Onyximages@hotmail.com](mailto:Onyximages@hotmail.com) Fraternity for African American Men

**Out and About in Nebraska**, During the summer meets 2nd Wednesday 7pm, Rainbow Outreach Center, website: [www.travel.to/outabout](http://www.travel.to/outabout)  
Email: [NeOutAbout@yahoo.com](mailto:NeOutAbout@yahoo.com)

**Parents and Friends of Lesbians And Gays (PFLAG) Omaha Chapter** Box 390064, Omaha, 68139-0064 291-6781 Website: [www.pflag-omaha.org](http://www.pflag-omaha.org), email [info@pflag-omaha.org](mailto:info@pflag-omaha.org) Meet 2<sup>nd</sup> Thurs, 1st United Meth, 7020 Cass

**Polyamorous (GLBT)** meets monthly 2nd Friday at Gilligans, 7pm. Encourage swing, ply & sm/leather/fetish. Phone Moon 1-4-2-423-1580

**Proud Horizons Youth Group**, Sat Afternoon, info: (402) 291-6781 or email [proudhorizons@yahoo.com](mailto:proudhorizons@yahoo.com)

**Rainbow Outreach GLBT Resource Ctr**, 1719 Leavenworth, Omaha, 341-0330, Web Site: [www.ROCC.org](http://www.ROCC.org), email: [rainbow@rocc.org](mailto:rainbow@rocc.org)  
Info Line, Library, Movies, Gayzette

**Rainbow Bible Study**, Fridays, 6-7:30pm, Lowe Ave Presbyterian, 1023 N. 40 St.

**Rainbow Celebrations**, Box 8583, Omaha, 68108 402.502.1577 Pride Parade & Festival, National Coming Out Day (NCOD) Event  
[info@rainbowcelebrations.org](mailto:info@rainbowcelebrations.org)  
**Pride 2003** Box 8583, Omaha, 68108 [pride@rainbowcelebrations.org](mailto:pride@rainbowcelebrations.org)  
**National Coming Out Day** P.O. Box 8583, Omaha, 68108 [NCOD@rainbowcelebrations.org](mailto:NCOD@rainbowcelebrations.org)

**Real Families**, Omaha-area families headed by gay/lesbian parents, meet last Sunday of every month. Info: Margaux at 561-6738 or email [MargauxPolo@aol.com](mailto:MargauxPolo@aol.com)

**River City Gender Alliance**, Box 8076, Omaha 68108, 402-991-8845, Website: [www.genderalliance.com](http://www.genderalliance.com)  
Social/Support Group for transgender/transsexual/cross-dressers and supporters

**River City Mixed Bowling II** 3pm, Sundays, Maplewood Lanes, Omaha Norma Harrison (402) 731-5706

**River City Mixed Chorus**, Box 3267, Omaha, NE 68103, 402-341-SING  
Website: [www.rcmc.org](http://www.rcmc.org)

**SNAP Productions**, Box 8464, Omaha, NE 68108 [www.snapproductions.com](http://www.snapproductions.com)

**Unity Church of Omaha** 3424 N. 90, Omaha, Sunday worship: 9am, 11am Wednesday evening worship 7pm; 571-1344; [www.unityomaha.org](http://www.unityomaha.org)

**Women's Support Group**, Saturday 10am, MCC-Omaha, 819 S. 22, 345-2563

**WomenSpace**, Box 24712, Omaha 68124  
Newsletter, Concerts

## LINCOLN BASED

**Boondoggles** shop online <http://www.ideviate.net>

**GLBT and Ally Programs and Services at UNL**, D. Moritz, Assistant Director, 402-472-1752. Located in Student Involvement Office of the Nebraska Union, Room 200.

**Gay/Lesbian/Bi/Straight Alliance** 2229 J St., Lincoln 68510 (402) 436-1301 ext. 232 Ruth Kupfer

**Gay/Lesbian Film Fest**, Deanna Zaffke, [cea@unlserve.unl.edu](mailto:cea@unlserve.unl.edu)

**Gay Men's Support Group**, UNL Health Center, Counseling & Psychology, Rm. 214, Lincoln 68588-0618 472-7450

**Lesbian, Bisexual and Questioning-Women's Discussion Group**, University of Nebraska, Lincoln Women's Center (sponsor), Room 340, Nebraska Union, Lincoln 68588-0446. 402/472-5644.

**Nebraska AIDS Project**, 220 S. 17th St. Lincoln, NE 68508. (402) 476-7000

**Nebraska Coalition for LGBT Civil Rts**, 122 S. 11 St, Ste 200, Lincoln 68508 474-8923 [nebcoalition@yahoo.com](mailto:nebcoalition@yahoo.com)

**Omaha Women's Riverboat Cruise**, 4949 N. 73, Lincoln, 68507 467-5737

**Parents, Friends of Lesbians & Gays, Cornhusker Chapter**, Box 30128, Lincoln 68508, Meet 4<sup>th</sup> Tues, Unitarian Church, 6300 A, Barbara Kimberly [jkbkimber@msn.com](mailto:jkbkimber@msn.com), Website: <http://pflag.ineb.org/>

**Plainsmen**, Support FtM's (Female to Male) Drag Kings TV Butches, 402-820-1267

**SAGE**, Box 22043, Lincoln 68542 Coffee House 2<sup>nd</sup> Sat, 6-9pm, Lesbian Videos 7:15pm, 3319 S. 46

**Sexuality Education eXchange**, University Health Ctr, 15th & U, Rm.12h, 472-7447 or email: [ptetreault1@unl.edu](mailto:ptetreault1@unl.edu) Comprehensive, inclusive sexuality/sexual health info, resources/referrals including sexual orientation, ally and diversity training.

**Straight Spouse Support Grp** 483-5592

**Women In Trades/YWCA**, 1432 N St., Lincoln 68508; 434-3494,

**UNL Committee on GLBT Concerns**, Contact Pat Tetreault, c/o University Health Center, 15th & U Streets, Rm. 12h Lincoln, NE 68588-0618, (402) 472-7447 or email: [ptetreault1@unl.edu](mailto:ptetreault1@unl.edu)

**Youth Support Group**, (402) 434-9880

**Trevor-24-hour National Suicide Hotline for GLBT and Questioning Youth** 1-800-850-8078 or email: <http://www.thetrevorproject.org/helpline.html>



# LOWE AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH BECOMES FIRST "MORE LIGHT" CONGREGATION IN NEBRASKA

The session of Lowe Avenue Presbyterian Church in Omaha, Nebraska passed a More Light statement at their March meeting. A More Light Presbyterian Church is a congregation that officially declares itself open to the full membership rights of gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender persons. The full text passed by the session follows.

Lowe Avenue Presbyterian Church of Omaha, Nebraska has been an open and inclusive church for many years. It was among the first Presbyterian churches to elect women and gay persons as elders of the church. After consideration and discussion, the Session of Lowe Avenue Presbyterian Church has approved and adopted the following More Light Statement of Welcome: *As a community of Christians, our church is inclusive of all persons without regard to age, race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, previous religious affiliation, marital status, economic status, physical ability or mental condition. By recognizing our individual differences, we believe that all can grow and practice a unity of faith. We welcome into the full life and ministry all those who profess faith in Jesus Christ. We recognize the right of all members to hold office as an ordained elder, if elected by the congregation.*

Unanimously adopted by the Session of Lowe Avenue Presbyterian Church on March 18, 2003, which allows Lowe Avenue to become the first More Light Presbyterian Church in the state of Nebraska and to continue a rich heritage of mission and outreach to those who seek Jesus as their Lord and Savior.

By five o'clock on Thursday, March 20, Lowe Avenue had already been listed as a More Light Church on the MLP website, and that the statement itself had been posted. The relevant URLs are: <http://www.mlp.org/churchlist.html> and <http://www.mlp.org/list/lowe.html>

Please join us in congratulating Lowe Avenue Presbyterian Church on this bold step.

## RIVER CITY LEAGUE PRE-REGISTRATION DAY

The River City League will be holding a Pre-Registration Day, Sunday, August 24, 2003 at Maplewood Lanes as a kick-off for the upcoming fall season. The event will start at 3:00 P.M. Please calendar this event and tell your friends to come join us. For further information regarding Pre-Registration and the fall league contact Norma Harrison at (402) 731-5706.

## ICE BOWL 2004 9-PIN NO TAP TOURNAMENT - MAY 17TH

Ice Bowl 2004 has scheduled a 9-Pin No Tap Tournament Fundraiser to be held Saturday May 17, 2003 at Maplewood Lanes. Please contact Danny Szczeblewski at (402) 573-0415

## THIS SUMMER JOY HAS THE HOTTEST EVENTS IN OMAHA!!! JOY IS NOW OPEN 7 DAYS A WEEK!!!

That's right! JOY is now open every day for your drinking pleasure! WE WILL EVEN HAVE HAPPY HOUR 7 DAYS A WEEK! 4pm-9pm \$1 wells \$1.50 domestic beers! (yes, it includes Sundays!)

Friday April 4th: Falcon Lifetime Exclusive Matthew Rush!

Friday May 2nd: Adam Magazines Man of the Year:

Mark Dalton!

Sunday May 4th: Raffaella "MADONNA"

She's New York City's top Madonna impersonator, she's been on stage at the Grammys with Madonna, but she said life wouldn't be complete without performing live at JOY (okay, I made up that last one). It's a must for EVERY Madonna fan!

Friday May 9th: FLO and Rage return to JOY!

You know her, you love her, you're afraid of her....it's FLO!

Friday May 16th: The N'JOY Show featuring JORDAN KENNEDY! Jordan's back and this time she with our girls!

Saturday May 24th: FOAM PARTY!

For all you pervs...I mean, for everyone that was wondering if we would ever have another foam party...Come see JOY convert it's dance floor into a new custom made foam pit! Memorial Day weekend, JOY WILL BE THE PLACE TO BE!!! Clothes Check will be provided (yes, you must keep your underwear on).

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# The Hardship Of Being Gay In Orthodox Judaism

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With "Trembling Before G-d," the director Sandi Simcha DuBowski latches on to a provocative subject and invests it with a compelling tenderness. This documentary is essentially about merging the Old World and the New, but with a twist that is shocking: it concerns the heartfelt desire of homosexuals to find a place for themselves in Orthodox Judaism, where they are shunned and repudiated. When does compassion supplant dogma, or can it? These are the deceptively innocent questions raised by "Trembling," which opens today at Film Forum.

The director knows it would be wrong to take the easy way out and castigate the rabbi who tries to understand the sexual choice of David, a Jew who wants to be a part of the flock and cannot see a way out of his lifestyle. The rabbi does feel that things have changed since the Talmud — which says homosexuality is punishable by death, "an abomination," according to the Torah quote from Leviticus that opens the film — but that has nothing to do with the demands of pure Orthodoxy. For the rabbi, David's path is simple, though for David, agonizingly so: stop his homosexual behavior or be condemned.

In the eyes of some Orthodox believers, death from AIDS becomes a hand striking down the blasphemers who dare to lead lives of open defiance, and "Trembling" doesn't overemphasize the opinion of many Orthodox Jews who think the problems that gays face are justified.

"Trembling Before G-d," a stark and appropriate title, tells several stories, profiling a number of people. Mr. DuBowski knows that the film would shatter if his viewpoint were rendered in hysterical terms or even condescending ones. The film is more interested in dealing with the intrinsic drama in these situations, like that of the gay Jews who decide to divorce themselves from their faith with the same forcefulness used against them.

The position taken by some of the gays and lesbians interviewed for the film is that this resistance gives purpose to their lives and provides a kind of reverse passion.



What the picture needs is a little of what keeps them going — the release offered by walking away from the strictures of the faith and from the harsh rejection they suffer from their families.

But that's not to say that "Trembling" is one-sided or simple-minded. Mr. DuBowski's camera subjects constitute a worldwide sampling taking up both sides of the argument; this kind of raw debate isn't limited to the United States or Israel.

The film's true sadness comes when a therapist, Shlomo Ashkinazy, explains the separatism that has kept such an anti-homosexual stance alive in Orthodox Judaism, even more than the dictum that men and women are to couple primarily to procreate.

And after hearing the views of many fundamentalist Christians, it's obvious that strong views against homosexuals are not limited to Orthodox Judaism.

The fine and powerful "Trembling Before G-d" has gained a whole new urgency and purpose since its screening at the Sundance Film Festival in January. The

subtlety of the pressure on David — the advice given, implying that the necessity to change is easy — is what adds a much deeper undercurrent of tragedy to this unforgettable picture.

## TREMBLING BEFORE G-D

Directed by Sandi Simcha DuBowski; in English, Hebrew and Yiddish, with English subtitles; directors of photography, Donna Binder, Sandra Chandler, Mik Cribben, Jim Denault, Ken Druckerman, Mr. DuBowski, Kirsten Johnson, Kevin Keating, Karen Kramer, Jennifer Lane, David Leitner, Marie Pederson, Ben Speth, Fawn Yacker and Andrew Yarme (U.S.A.); Noski DeVille and Mr. DuBowski (U.K.); Nili Aslan, Mr. DuBowski, Issa Freij, Jackie Matithau, Yoram Milo, Yitzak Portal and Abigail Sperber (Israel); edited by Susan Korda; music by John Zorn; produced by Mr. DuBowski and Marc Smolowitz; released by New Yorker Films. Running time: 84 minutes. This film is not rated.

WITH: David, Michelle, Devorah, Mark, Israel, Malka, Leah, Rabbi Steven Greenberg, Shlomo Ashkinazy, Chaim, Ben Aaron, Sue, Tova and Shmuel. (Some are pseudonyms.)

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