

## It's A Gay Life After All

### Going to the Smithsonian

The Art and Culture Center of Hollywood will host the opening reception for a new exhibition titled *Picturing the Century: One Hundred Years of Photography from the National Archives* on March 1 from 7 to 9 pm.

The exhibition will run from March 2 to April 28, and it will feature photographs ranging from the American West to the construction of the Empire State Building to urban blight.

William McGuire, Professor of Art and Art History at FIU will give a lecture about the series, on Thursday, March 14 at 7 pm. It will be free for members and \$5 for non-members.

The exhibition will be on view at the Art and Culture Center of Hollywood, located at 1650 Harrison Street, in Downtown Hollywood.

For more information, call 954.921.3274

### He's Back!

Playwright/Director Robby Kendall, who last presented his self-conceived play *Change: A Family in Conflict* to the community, will hold auditions for his new non-equity conception, a gay-based soap opera called *Victoria Place*.

Kendall is looking for five local actors, ages 18 and up, to play gay men (20s and 30s). Some experience is preferred, and rehearsals will take place on select weekday evenings and weekends.

Audition dates are March 1 from 6 to 7:30 pm, and March 2 from 5 to 7:30 pm at Cathode Ray, located at 1307 East Las Olas Boulevard, in Fort Lauderdale.

Cold readings will be required. For more information, contact Robby Kendall at [RobbyKendall@aol.com](mailto:RobbyKendall@aol.com).

### Get a Taste of Their Honda

The Gay and Lesbian Community Center of South Florida will join with Rick Case Honda and the Boys and Girls Club of Broward County to raffle off a new 2002 Honda Accord. The drawing will be on March 1, and tickets are \$10 each. All of the proceeds will go to the GLCC, located at 1717 North Andrews Avenue, in Fort Lauderdale. Tickets are available by calling the GLCC at 954.463.9005, or with GLCCSF board and staff members. Winners do not have to be present to win.

### It's Never Too Late

Black and White Men Together of South Florida will hold a Late Black History Month Party on Saturday, March 2 from 7 to 11 pm.

For a \$5 suggested donation, partiers will be treated to a cash bar, food and socialization with other interracial couples and their admirers.

The event will be held at 3186 Roosevelt Street in Hollywood.

For more information, e-mail [BWMT\\_S\\_FL\\_2001@hotmail.com](mailto:BWMT_S_FL_2001@hotmail.com).

### Burn the SAGE Bush

Senior Action in a Gay Environment (SAGE) will present Showtime 2002 on Saturday, March 2 at 7:30 pm at the Sunshine Cathedral, located at 1480 SW 9 Avenue, in Fort Lauderdale.

The event will feature the many talents of the senior community, and it will benefit the organization's expanding projects in Broward, Miami-Dade and Palm Beach.

Tickets are \$15 in advance and \$20 at the door.

For tickets, call 800.873.2876.



### Loving Lights at the 'Lush

*Love and Lights*, the LaLush Gallery's latest exhibition of paintings, will feature the work of Perry Pandrea and Richard Fett at its 201 SW 16 Court, Fort Lauderdale gallery space.

The opening reception will be on Saturday, March 2 from 8 pm to midnight. Jazz band Cous Cous will perform.

For more information, e-mail [lalushgallery@hotmail.com](mailto:lalushgallery@hotmail.com).

### Reno Returns

The Broward Women for Reno will hold a special reception for gubernatorial candidate Janet Reno on March 2 from 4 to 6 pm at a private home in Plantation. Tickets to the event are \$100, and all proceeds will go to the Janet Reno for Governor Campaign.

For more information or to RSVP by February 26, call 954.978.1960.

### Life is Nothing But Follies

Religious Science of Fort Lauderdale in Wilton Manors has added a multi-media light, sound and video system in their auditorium, and they are ready to show it off for you when they unveil *Florida Follies*, a musical comedy written and produced by Terry Hammond.

The show will be presented on Saturday, March 9 at 8 pm and on Sunday, March 10 at 7 pm at Religious Science, located at 1550 NE 26 Street, in Wilton Manors.

It will be directed by Alan Saban and will highlight our Florida lifestyle and the diverse people who live here.

Tickets are \$20 in advance and \$25 at the door. To purchase tickets, call 954.566.2868.

### Hollywood High

The Hillcrest Follies 2002 will present *Hooray for Hollywood*, a salute to the heroes in the armed forces, police and firefighters, on Saturday, March 9 at 7:30 pm and Sunday, March 10 at 2 pm. The show will take place at Hillcrest Playdium, located at 1100 Hillcrest Drive, in Hollywood. Tickets are \$8.

For more information, call 954.983.5253.

### Gays Who Lunch ... and Now Dine

GayLauderdale.com is now hosting a

series of highly successful business networking lunches for gay, lesbian and gay-friendly business people and professionals.

The lunches run from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm on the second Tuesday of every month at different area locations.

The lunches are buffet style and feature a guest speaker, door prizes and sponsor presentations. The March 12 lunch will be held at the GLCC and will feature Chief Assistant Public Defender and WSVN-7 News Legal Expert Howard Finkelstein.

On March 18, GayLauderdale.com will co-host a special dinner with *The Express* that will feature Michael Wilke of *The Commercial Closet*. The dinner will be held at 7 pm at the Embassy Suites Hotel, located at 1100 SE 17

Street, in Fort Lauderdale.

Tickets to the lunches are \$21 in advance, or \$25 at the door, and tickets to the dinner are \$25.

Because of limited seating, all guests are asked to advance RSVP even if they are paying at the door. RSVPs can be made online at [www.gaylauderdale.com/lunch](http://www.gaylauderdale.com/lunch), or by calling 954.938.5226.

### Show Some Dignity

Dignity/Fort Lauderdale will be hosting a day of spiritual renewal with Friar John J. McNeill on Saturday, March 16.

From 9 am to 4 pm, the chapel of the Sunshine Cathedral, located 1480 SW 9 Avenue in Fort Lauderdale, the former Jesuit Priest will host a free, all-day program that will include discussions, meditations and lectures.

The program is open to the entire gay community, with their friends and family.

For more information, call 954.463.4528, or e-mail [dignityftl@aol.com](mailto:dignityftl@aol.com).

### The Artist's Way

Over 100 artists of all varieties will come together for Art Explosion! 2002, a one-day spectacular event, on Wednesday, March 20. The event will showcase the work of South Florida's most cutting-edge artists, photographers, writers and performers beginning from 6 to 10 pm at ArtServe, located at 1350 Sunrise Boulevard, in Fort Lauderdale.

Event chair Chris Yoculan, of sponsoring organization ArtsUnited, says, "[It is] one of the most exciting dates in Fort Lauderdale's calendar. The event is unique in that it gives all those interested in any of the arts a chance to get a glimpse of what people in the whole South Florida arts community are doing in one place and on one night."

The event will have three performance stages, with performers allotted 15-minute slots each. Miami Beach writer David Leddick will judge the visual art exhibition.

The event will also feature a Showtime-sponsored screening of an as-yet-unseen episode of the hit television series *Queer as Folk*.

Donations will be accepted at the door as an entrance fee.

For more information and artist registration, call Chris Yoculan at

954.592.2593.

### A Gala Affair

The Miami-Dade Gay and Lesbian Chamber of Commerce will hold first annual Gala Dinner at the Eden Roc Renaissance Resort in Miami Beach, FL. The event will be held on Thursday, March 21 beginning at 6:30 pm. Michael Wilke of the Commercial Closet will be speaking and tracing the history of G & L advertising through the years.

The annual event will be the MDGLCC's major fundraising event of the year.

For tickets or more information, call 305.534.3336. Ticket prices are \$100 per person.

### Spend the Night in Monte Carlo

The Gay and Lesbian Community Center of South Florida will present its third annual Monte Carlo Casino night on March 22. The GLCC main ballroom will be filled with Blackjack, Roulette, and Craps tables for a night of casino fun. Prizes and entertainment will also be included at the event.

For more information, call 954.463.9005.

### Proud to be in Palm Beach

Pridefest 2002, *Partners in Pride*, will kick off on March 24, 2002 at Bryant Park in Lake Worth.

As in previous years, the parade will begin at noon and end at the park, led by this year's Grand Marshall, Tom Hicks of Gladiator Graphics.

From noon until 6 pm, there will be live entertainment, food and fun activities. Latin pop star Jade Esteban Estrada will be this year's featured entertainer.

For more information on participating in Palm Beach's premiere gay pride event, call Compass at 954.533.9699.

### Walk the Walk

Care Resource has announced that they will be paring up their annual AIDS WALK Miami with the Miami Beach Chamber of Commerce's *Taste of the Beach* event on April 21<sup>st</sup> this year in order to bring more participants to the charitable Walk and the City of Miami Beach. The 2002 AIDS WALK, Run & Blade has also been renamed this year to incorporate running and rollerblading.

The event is currently seeking individual and team participants. For more information, visit [www.careresource.org](http://www.careresource.org).

### True Colors

The Third Annual Gay Black Pride Weekend is coming on March 1- 3.

This year's theme is *Out from the Gloomy Past*.

On Friday, March 1, a Town Hall Meeting and Awards Night will take place at the

GLCC at 7 pm. It is a free event.

The following night, Saturday, March 2, will offer a Cultural Arts Night, also at the GLCC at 7 pm.

Tickets are \$7, with a free open bar sponsored by Bacardi. The night will feature spoken word and performance art.

On Sunday, March 3 there will be an Interdenominational Celebration at the Sunshine Cathedral, located at 1480 S.W. 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue, in Fort Lauderdale.

All are welcome at every event regardless of race or sexual orientation.

For more information, call Bishop Ma Hee at 954.723.9076.