

QUEER BEAT

Do you even *have* teeth? No, I don't think so! Queer Beats is back bringing you and your lack of teeth up to date on some of the new sounds you've been hearing and tipping you off to some even newer ones to pester your favorite DJ with until it gets played and played ad nauseum.

Let's begin with some of the new videos that have sprung up within the last few weeks, notably **Club 69's** clip for "Let Me Be Your Underwear." A solid dance track which has been burning up the urban charts for weeks takes on new depth against a steamy montage of flawless **Calvin Klein**-type models getting naked and extremely homoerotic. You will see this video... Speaking of underwear, **Marky Mark's** video, "Gonna Have A Good Time" works lots of shots of Marky in some hot soaped up shower action. The song is fierce, but with this video it could be his biggest thing since **Good Vibration.** Oh, and then there's **Martha Wash** and her new clip for "Give It To You." Miss Wash knows that sex sells, and surrounds herself with about twenty hunky dancing men in scanty outfits to help work this song, and boy does it work! Also, **Boy George** has released his video for "The Crying Game." Unfortunately, the mix is not that great, and I wonder if he's been watching too many old **Siouxsie And The Banshee** videos... **Uncanny Alliance** came out with a video for "I Got My Education," which is a hilarious send off of the now-famous "Miss Thing, Miss Thing" diatribe the track is built around. No doubt you'll catch a glimpse of this one soon if you haven't already.

Moving right along to new music, **Cascade's** fabulous song, "Do What You Want To Do" is coming out on the new **Razormaid** release in a week or so, and if you know this song, then you know you'll want this remix! Believe it or not, **Cover Girls** have raised our eyebrows with their new track, "If You Want My Love (Here It Is.)" **DJ EFF's** **Tribal As A Mofa Mix** is a sweet tribal-house version with hints of rave! New from **Finitribe** is "Forevergreen," with lots of juicy samples, and six mixes ranging from tribal, trance, techno and house, everyone should like this release. A fierce

new techno-house song from **Anitco**, "Don't Stop The Rhythm," is hard and catchy. You may have heard this one by now, and if not, get it! **Utah Saints** have remixed **Annie Lennox's** new single, "Little Bird," and have thrown in samples from their own first single, "What Can You Do For Me" which were originally sampled from Miss Lennox herself. A fitting tribute. This truly excellent remix will definitely be played in the clubs due to the lovely dance beat they've given it. Oh, **N-Joi** and **Todd Terry** also lend this song their remixing talents which makes for an all-around flawless 12-inch.

Whitney Houston's latest single, "I'm Every Woman" takes **Chaka Khan's** classic anthem and turned out quite a hit for herself. A queen's delight. **RuPaul** has out-done herself again with her latest remixes of **Supermodel**, which are grand enough to be listed in this column again. Kudos to the **Aurora Borealis Speaks** a capella...work it, work it girl!

Rapination featuring **Kym Mazelle** has a slamming house single out entitled "Love Me The Right Way." If you haven't heard this yet, you need to get out more or at least turn on the radio once in a while. A **FAG RAG** favorite this issue! Surprise! **Abbracadabra** did another fabulous **ABBA** cover, "Winner Takes It All," which is very true to the original. For those NRG freaks out there who haven't heard enough **ABBA** covers in the last 12 months, this one needs to be in your collection. And "S.O.S." is next...

Banarama fans: following up their smash "Movin On" single from last summer, the girls have a new one out called "Last Thing On My Mind." In the same vein as some of their earlier hits with that familiar vocal style and a harmonizing piano line, **Stock** and **Waterman** minus **Aichman** (a first?) produced this one.

Technophonia LTD. has a new track called "Raving To The Fifth", which is just what you might expect. A techno-rave twist of **Beethoven's** Fifth Symphony that is sure to have all you ravers ecstatic. For techno-house lovers, **Eternal** has a new single called "Mind Odyssey", with a tasty trance/house flavor. This one's fun,

very danceable, and can even be played in non-techno clubs. The **Spanish Trance Mix** is fabulous. Out on domestic label **frr**, **Electroset** has released "How Does It Feel?" A wonderful dance tune with **New Order** samples that make the song so playable.

"Save Your Love," by **Bad Boy Blue**, a great NRG cut, is getting lots of airplay even though the import didn't do so well a year ago. **Transformer 2's** new single, "Fruit Of Love" is mesmerizing, melodic and beautiful. Recommended for any techno lover, this one's already making it strong in the clubs. **Semi Real** has a new single called "People Living Today," which is a very catchy house/techno track produced by **Future Sound Of London**, (who gave us the steamy song from **Basic Instinct**, "Papa New Guinea".) Speaking of **Future Sound Of London**, they have a new name, and a new label. You may now refer to this duo as **Metropolis**, and also, you can pick up their new single entitled, what else, "Metropolis." Pumping club music with techno, acid, and piano, this is truly a worthy effort.

Sunscreem's, new one, "Broken English" gives a techno twist to that **Marianne Faithful** tune. **808 State** has a new guitar house track out called "Plan 9," and the b-side has a '93 remix of "Olympic..." **Eon's** new single is called "What Is Music," and offers a slightly different taste of techno, with spacey keyboards and a nice tempo. "Spice" fans will like this one, and there's even new mixes of that unforgettable techno classic thrown in! **Nomad** has released a slammin' cover of **Barbara Pennington's** classic "24 Hours A Day" with actual string samples from the 1977 hit. You may end up hearing a lot of this little nugget.

On the CD compilation circuit, "Strictly Rhythm: The Album," was just released featuring **George Morel's**

DJ TOP 10

DJ: Kyle Gray
Club: Charlie's

1. Supermodel / Ru Paul
2. I'm Gonna Get You / Bizzare Inc.
3. Deeper & Deeper / Madonna
4. That's What Love Can Do / Boy Krazy
5. Erotica / Madonna
6. Connected / Stereo MCs
7. Rhythm Is A Dancer / Snap
8. It's Gonna Be A Lovely Day / S.O.U.L.S.Y.S.T.E.M.
9. Run To You / Rage
10. Free Your Mind / En Vogue

"String Symphony" and **Knightmen's** "Keep It Busy", neither of which have ever been released on **Strictly Rhythm** before. Also hot: **House To House's** "I Need Your Love" Also new and a must-have for NRG fans is "The Best of Almighty Part 3: Detour." With fabulous remixes of **Abbracadabra's** "Lay All Your Love On Me," **K-Club's** "Do You Really Want To Hurt Me," **Obsession's** gayola cover of "Suspicious Minds," **Linda Taylor's** melodic "Love In The Shadows", a new remix from **Dream Girls**, and **Drama** doing **Donna Summer's** "Love's About To Change My Heart," this CD is full of that hot NRG sound that **Almighty** has consistently been piping out these last couple of years. Grab it!

Lulu, the same singer who sang "To Sir With Love" in the late 60's has a hot new NRG import out called "Independence." Not too fast and real pretty sounding, we think this one will burn up the after-hours dance floors. **The Brothers in Rhythm** remix is the one worth your time.

Once again we are out of space before we are out of opinions, so grab up the next hot issue of **FAG RAG** to stay on top of the best dance tracks in Austin and around the whole planet. Keep on dancing! FR

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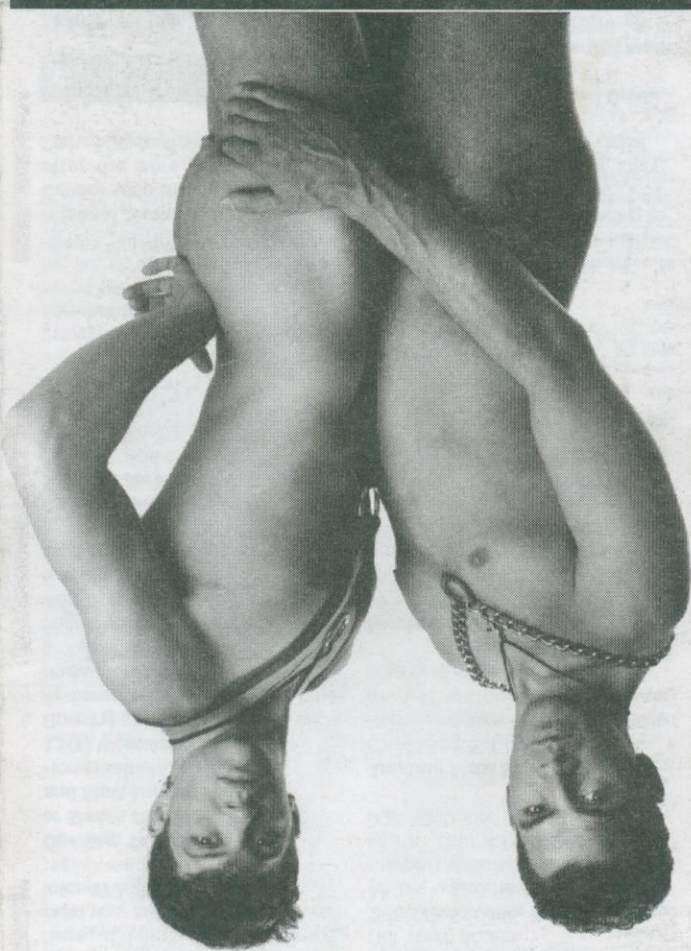
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VALENTINE'S ISSUE

the house that night, their next valium and didn't make it out of those of you who took too many Frank "the bank" Brown. And for Seville, Clayboy, Mr. Ed, and Austin's hottest turned out in droves to dance the night away to the fresh mixes of deejays Lauren Sommer's advertizing manager co-editor Stephen Williams editor and publisher Craig Edwards dance floors, virtual reality trips been privy. With two separate freshest to which Austin's ever lighting effects were about the space was huge, and the laser managed to find the place. The networking, some 1400 ravers 6th Street and frantic telephone in a cave, you know that the future. Thanks to a last minute thus averting this problem in the even the most demonic dieters, next rave, which will withstand one leg pointed towards Dallas ing two hunky young dudes with-ered her at Pease Park entertain- one morning when they discov- ruffed by Austin's finest early diva recently had her feathers system! The boys over at **Cosmic** one else with mailboxes on that only the rave line, but also every- over it already! Shit! Anonymous Tibert: What 21-ish over it already! Shit! we're here, we're queer, get Hello! It's the nineties already; get used to it sooner or later. happy hour at **Olican's**? But problems with the rave-line, you know what a good time was had managed to find it despite the **Seuss** rave. For those of you who **tion's On The Loose With Dr. of weeks was **Cosmic 7** Produc-**



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rave promises to be even better. The location this time will be most unusual— definitely someplace that's never seen the likes of a rave before. A homo must.

ANONYMOUS TIDBIT: Which humpy go-go dancer about town was heard in a local club's restroom shrieking "I just showed you my dick, bitch! Now you owe me a dollar!" Thanks for straightening that out for us, we were wondering just how that worked! Funny, they always show us for free!

And speaking of strippers, what's all this we hear about a bill in the Texas legislature proposing to raise the legal age of strippers from 17 to 21?! Sorry, but we happen to think that it's a particularly stupid idea. Maybe they should just go ahead and raise it on up to 40; all strippers and go-go dancers must be at least 40 years old. That would be sensible... Don't those nincompoops have anything better to worry about? And furthermore, don't they enjoy watching 17 year olds dance around in various states of undress as much as we do?

While we're on the subject of people who like to take their clothes off, **Madonna** has taped another scandalous, tell-all interview, which will be airing on **VH-1** the evening of Valentine's Day. Set your VCRs now, particularly if you missed the last one, which ran on **MTV** about a month ago. With any luck this interview will have been taped in America so she can speak in her normal voice; the last one was taped in

London and she seemed to slip in and out of a weird kind of half-assed British accent thang... We worry about her; she's just so impressionable... In other **Madonna** news, "**Bad Girl**" will be her next single off the Erotica album— watch for a hot new clip and a gaggle of remixes in another couple of weeks.

And while we're on the topic of music, **Auntie Mame's** master of the steel wheels, **Kevin Campbell**, is looking for Austin's best deejays for a top-secret project. He says you must be able to serve up Austin's fiercest sound and light show and that only the best need bother to apply. Contact him at Mame's for more details.

Wigstock?!! Yes, yes, it's about time somebody threw a **Wigstock** party! It's time to get out those wigs you have hiding in that closet of yours and go party with the best of 'em. We all know that wigs are the most flawless accessory a girl can own, and this benefit at the **404** promises to be anything but tame. Prizes will be awarded for the most outrageous wig, so get out the hair-spray and the combs and get to work on that nappy mess— the competition will be fierce, but you'll have to be even fiercer.

That's about all we have room for this time around, but be sure and be here next time, as next issue we'll dish the real **Mardi Gras** in New Orleans, as well as that granddaddy of all gay parties, **The White Party**, held by the **Saint-At-Large** in New York City next weekend. **HR**

We Want Your Dish!

Heard or seen any nasty, tasty gossip that you just can't keep to yourself? **FAG RAG** wants to know! We just love to get the dirt on everyone and everything, and since we can't be everywhere at once, your help is appreciated. Call or fax the FAGline at 416-0100 or write us at P.O. Box 1034, Austin, TX 78767 at once with your naughty tales of the city.

Thanks!

A PUBLIC SERVICE REMINDER FROM THE GIRLS AT FAG RAG

by Dame Stella Starr

Greetings! Greetings my loving friends. Dame Stella Starr, your bi-weekly, bi-coastal, bi-sexual high priestess of psychic phenomenon is here to guide you through your otherwise dreary lives.

With the help of my battery-operated "Channeller" I transcend many levels of pulsating vibrations. Using techniques taught to me by ancient masters, I concentrate all incoming vibrations on a certain spot that carries me to a level of intensity where all knowledge of the universe is revealed to me in the form of an implosion that rocks the very core of my world. Whew! Got a light? Read on, readers.

AQUARIUS (Jan 20–Feb 18) You finally follow through on your New Year's Resolution and join a gym. Your love of water sports has you lingering in the showers where you perfect your squats.

PISCES (Feb 19–Mar 20) Your constant craving for attention and cash has you reflecting on your life as you strip on amateur night. Your dizzy ways pay off when you forget to wear your G-string and you win the contest.

ARIES (Mar 21–Apr 19) You're going on a trip! You manage to work up a blush when the metal detector picks up the tin-foil-wrapped dildo your friends slipped into your carry on as a bon voyage gag.

TAURUS (Apr 20–May 20) You shed your strong-willed ways for the man of your dreams. He's got you by the nose ring (and/or titty ring) and he's pulling you down to the nearest tattoo shop to put his brand on you.

GEMINI (May 21–Jun 21) Count your lucky stars. Your dual personality has you sandwiched between a grunge rocker and a frat brat in a three-way you will never forget. Skank and spank, awright!

CANCER (Jun 22–Jul 22) Your astrological symbol looks like the number sixty-nine. Lucky you! All your chakras are in line and you look great; your lucky number will be coming up a lot in the next couple of weeks.

LEO (Jul 23–Aug 22) Your recent feelings of paranoia are completely founded and totally valid: everyone is staring at you and everyone is talking about you...

VIRGO (Aug 23–Sep 22) After years of therapy you finally give up your packrat tendencies and have a long-overdue yard sale. Your life is strewn about the grass for all to see and no one buys a thing.

LIBRA (Sep 23–Oct 23) You can never decide whether to make a decision or not. You forfeit a night o' pleasure when you can't choose between the two men who were cruising you and they end up leaving with each other.

SCORPIO (Oct 24–Nov 21) On a recent business trip you a scandalized when the search for unexplained turbulence turns out to be you in the lavatory along with the "head" Flight Attendant.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov 22–Dec 21) Fashion is your passion as a recent graduate of a correspondence fashion design school endorsed by Sally Struthers. I don't see any of your planets in the House of Style so don't quit

CAPRICORN (Dec 22–Jan 19) Your recurring nightmare of being asked to leave an orgy continues to haunt you



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Gentle Readers: welcome to the latest installment of Austin's most popular advice column. I want to start out by thanking the many of you out there who have taken time out of your gay lives to write and fax me seeking advice; it's been a thrill, even for a jaded Fag Hag such as myself.

If I haven't gotten to your letter yet, be patient, and please, keep those letters and faxes coming!

Dear Fag Hag,

I am a lesbian who is out and proud. Recently I have developed a friendship with a woman who is still coming to grips with her homosexuality. She has confided in me that she is uncomfortable when we go out together because of what other people might think. Should I tone down my image and sacrifice my beliefs, or stand by my ideals and risk losing her friendship?

— Convicted

Dear Confused,

It's great to hear that you have overcome the pressures to conform to societies restrictive ideals of convention. But think back to a time when things might not have been so easy. The prying eyes and slanted comments of the masses are hard enough to tolerate, let alone ignore. At the same time you can reassure her that being seen out with even the butch-est of dykes doesn't automatically make her one. I personally have many lesbian friends that I hang out with but I wouldn't trade clit for dick any day! (however that's just me.) I think it's more important that you be yourself and provide a positive role model. If she wants to live a lie, that's her choice. Be sympathetic and understanding, but stand up for what you believe in. —FH

Dear Fag Hag,

My name is Adam and while I am bisexual, most people think that I am straight. I like to keep up this appearance due to professional reasons. Lately though there is a new hot, saucy guy at work that gives me a boner every time I look at him. I am not

entirely sure if he goes both ways, but I know he has a girlfriend. I want to make a play for him, but I don't really want to give myself away if he's not interested. The conflict is killing me.

— Hungry for Meat

Dear Carnivore,

First of all, you should be careful when you try to scam on a guy that's already spoken for (unless you're not worried about having scandalous and unflattering photos published all over town... but that's another story). Hell hath no fury like a woman scorned, and I don't care how big and burly a man you are, a woman whose been dissed by another man is meaner than a tiger in a tutu. Besides, men tend to go for what they know. A few well directed comments towards establishing will- ingness is strategy enough. If he wants you, you'll know. —FH

Dear Fag Hag,

I know this is an age-old problem, but I would appreciate whatever help you can give me. Every time a guy touches my dick for longer than a few minutes I come all over the place. It's really embarrassing. What should I do?

—Short But Sweet

Dear Quick Draw,

Here's my recipe for staying power: put on a condom as soon as you get a hardon (for safety purposes... wink, wink). Next, put the idea of the sexy stud you're with out of your head for a few minutes and concentrate on your favorite sport. Once an acceptable time period has elapsed, preferably longer than 90 seconds, feel free to let your mind go. If you still have a problem, poor thing, try using two condoms. Good luck. —FH

Dear Fag Hag,

My boyfriend and I used to have a wonderfully satisfying monogamous relationship. Lately, however, he's turned into the biggest slut in town. He says he still loves me and wants to continue our relationship but I'm get-

ting tired of having strange men traipsing through the bedroom at every hour of the day or night. Last week I came home after a hard day's work to find an electrical technician lounging about in my favorite bathrobe. He tried to tell me that our VCR wasn't working and he needed the head cleaned by an expert. I was so mad I broke all his Erasure albums. This can't go on forever.

— End of My Rope

Dear Victim of Love,

Wow, you sound awfully long suffering to me. But, keep in mind that men are pigs. Or perhaps more accurately, little boys in pigs clothing. Your lover's recent randy adventures sound like a case of give him an inch, and he'll take eight inches, wherever he can get it. If you are really bothered by his antics, don't be such a big girl's blouse, put your foot down and see what happens. Even if you lose your boyfriend in the process, at least you've made some contacts along the way. —FH

Dear Fag Hag,

Last weekend I met the man of my dreams. We danced, we drank, we went back to my place and reveled in untold ecstasy. He was tall, built, tender, witty, and gave great head. It just seemed like a dream come true. In the morning when we sobered up, he dropped the bomb. He had a boyfriend who was out of town for the day and he couldn't see me again. Why does this always happen to me?

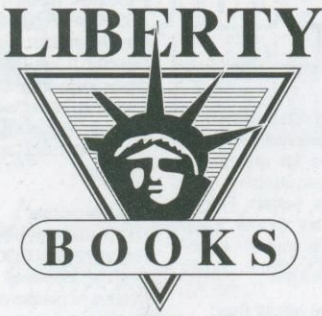
— Mourning that Man

Dear Touch me in the Morning,

Did this guy have green eyes and long, dark, curly hair? Did he have a tattoo of the road runner on his left shoulder? Did he say that your eyes were like the rarest cognac? Well never mind, men are pigs. —FH

Send your questions about love and sex, comments and personal problems to: Ask Fag Hag, P.O. Box 1034, Austin, TX 78767 or fax to 512-416-0100.

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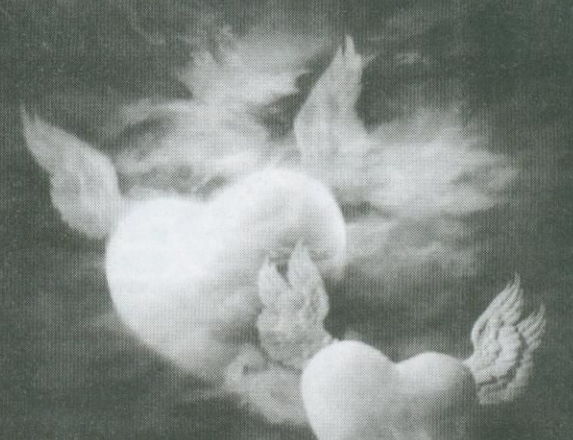


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THE QUEER INDEX

BAR & CLUBS

The 404, 404 Colorado (above 4th St) 499-0088, 10pm-4am, 18+ Multi-level mostly male dance club with urban feel and hi-tech lighting plays hot house and techno music. Catwalk surrounding dancefloor for prancing and preening. Outdoor patio. Weds: 50¢ draft, no cover before 2am. Thurs: Disco 2000, \$75 prize, 5¢ beer, no cover before 2am. Fri, Channel 404: \$3 cover after 11pm, 1.75 well all night. Sat: Care-Free Dancing, \$3 cover after 11pm.

Acropolis, 208 Neucues (3rd St) 472-7253, 10pm-2am, 18+ This extra-large (over 10,000 sq ft.) dance club attracts a mixed crowd, and boasts one of Austin's most dazzling light shows. Ride the cyber-gyro, pose for souvenir photos in the autobooth, or just hang out in the fabulous bathroom. Weds: Return To Planet 9, packed and pounding with a young humpy crowd dancing to eighties music all night long and 25¢ draft beer from 10-11 pm. Thurs: Rave Night, \$1.25 well all night. Fri: The Return To Trash Disco, with 50¢ wells and trash can punch specials. Sat: 50¢ wells.

Auntie Mame's, 912 Red River (10th St) 478-4511 9am-2am, Sun noon-2am, 21+ A newly remodeled men's tavern with all requests deejay and occasional live entertainment. Happy hour pianist 5-9 pm M-F. Tues & Thurs 1-1.50 longnecks 6-11, Weds \$1.75 wells from 6-11. Sun: Kindell's Breakfast Club from noon-2pm.

'Bout Time, 9601 N IH-35 (Rundberg) 832-5339, 2pm-2am, 21+ Mixed G&L tavern-style bar. Relaxed, casual atmosphere. Pool & Video games, Large Screen TV. Happy hour every day from 2-8pm. Potluck dinner Sun 4-6pm. Cabaret-style piano on Mondays. Call for liquor and beer bust specials Sunday and Monday. Tuesday prize night starting at 7:30 with cash and ticket giveaways. Wednesday is lotto night from 6-8pm with lotto ticket giveaways and hourly 15-minute specials from 8-11pm. Thurs 1.75 well and domestic beer all day, all night. Fri and Sat \$1.75 well and domestic beer from 10-11.

Chain Drive, 504 Willow (off Red River south of 1st) 480-9017 A fabulously seedy Levi's and Leather bar. Dance floor, patio, pool table. Store inside bar stocks various leather and rubber items as well as the usual sex supplies and toys. Mon: \$1 well/schnapps/draft. Tues: 50¢ draft. Weds: 85¢ domestics and \$1.50 premium beer. Thurs: 90¢ well. Draft beer bust 6-11pm Fridays, and Bottle beer bust Sat 2-8pm. Dress code Sat 9-2am: Levi's, leather and/or latex. Sun: Liquor bust 2-7pm, Draft bust 4-9, Liquor bust 7-11pm.

Chances, 900 Red River (10th St) 472-8273 Tu-Th 5pm-2am, Fri-Sat 7pm-2am, Sun 5pm-Mid A laid back women's club (men welcome) with dancing, pool tables, video games, jukebox. Large mixed turnout for live local music (Th-Sun), Fundraisers, Plays, Sandwiches, and salads served weekdays.

Charles, 1301 Lavaca (13th St) 474-6481, 2pm-2am Men's bar with pool table and video games by the front bar, back bar has deejay and dance floor. Popular happy hour weeknights. Mon: \$1.25 wells/domestics from 7-10pm and "Muscles in Action" male dancers 10:30pm with a show at midnight featuring Nicole. Optional \$2 draft cover + 25¢/mug. Tues: Cocktail wheel spins hourly specials. Steak Night (\$5 buy-in) from 6-8pm. Amateur strip contest at midnight. Optional \$2 draft cover + 25¢/mug. Weds: Austin's original

25¢/50¢ wells, with a \$5 cover. \$1.25 domestics and \$2.50 calls. Thurs: "Muscles in Action" at 10:30pm with a show at midnight featuring Little Debbie. Fri: \$5 cover for 25¢ wells, \$1.25 domestics and \$2.50 calls. "Muscles in Action" dancers from 5-9pm. Buffet at 5pm. Sat: \$1.25 wells/domestics from 8-10pm. Sun: "Muscles in Action" 7pm & 11pm. \$1.50 wells and domestics from 2-10pm. Optional \$2 draft cover + 25¢/mug.

The Crossing, 611 Red River (above 6th St) 476-3611 9am-2am daily, noon sun Men's dance bar with a front and back bar, pool tables, video games and pin-ball, and a large dance floor. Go-go boys Mon, Tues, Thurs and Fri. Amateur strip contest Tues 11pm.

Nexus, 305 W 5th (west of Lavaca) 472-5288, 6pm-2am daily Along with it's sister bar in San Antonio, the largest women's bar in Texas. Pool tournament Tues 9pm, dance lessons Weds 7:30pm, steak night Thurs 7-9pm (BYO steak, everything else provided), free fajitas buffet Fri 6pm.

Oilcan Harry's, 211 W 4th (off Colorado) 320-8823 Very popular men's dance bar. Monday night is happy hour all night long. Tues: Happy Hour from 2-10pm with drink specials. Weds: \$1.75 well and domestics all day/all nite. Thurs: Happy Hour 2-8pm, with \$2.25 wells and \$1.75 domestics 8-11. Fri/Sat Happy Hours are 2-10pm, with a free buffet from 4-8pm on Friday. Hot young weekend crowd dances to a wild mix of old NRG and new house music. Sunday Happy Hour 2-8pm with bare-bunned dancers at 10:30pm and 12.

San Fran Cisco's, 113 San Jacinto (2nd St) 479-6939 Country & western bar for men with pool tables, air hockey, and a good sized dance floor. Mon: Free dance lessons at 9pm. Pool tournament Weds night and Sun night, with cash prizes awarded. Weekly specials. Mon: \$1.50 longnecks and \$1.25 wells. Tues: \$1 wells and \$1.75 longnecks. Weds: \$1 longnecks and 75¢ schnapps. Thurs \$1.25 wells and \$1.50 longnecks. Happy Hour price on Fri and Sat. Sun: Liquor Bust, \$5 buy-in gets you 25¢ wells from 6-11pm. Happy Hour prices all night

Socials, etc. 929-7928, call for information and directions. Austin's newest nightclub, a large, friendly facility with two dance floors, cheap drinks, a "show bar for all lifestyles." Drag shows, male dancers, gameroom amateur night contests. Running with their new expanded hours, now open Tues thru Sat, 7pm-2am. Tues: night is Boys Nite Beer Bust with amateur male dancers competing for cash prizes. Fri: Girl's Nite Beer Bust with amateur women dancing for cash prizes. Stop in and fill out their questionnaire for what you want in Austin's rising new hot spot, they aim to please everyone. Wheelchair accessible.

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Condom Sense, 509 E 6th, 476-0123 Austin's first condom boutique, featuring a full line of condoms, both usual

and exotic, as well as gifts and accessories.

Celebration!, 108 W 43rd St. 453-6207 A cute bookstore with quite an assortment of cards, t-shirts, incense, oils, candles, crystals, jewelry, beads, toys and more.

Emerald's, 600 N Lamar, 476-4496 Modern, stylish men and women's clothing.

Europa Books, 2406 Guadalupe 476-0423 An "intelligent bookstore" with new and used books, lots of interesting and unusual magazines, including gay, lesbian and foreign titles. A booklover's heaven! **Let's Dish**, 1102 S Lamar (at Treadwell in Lamar Plaza) 444-9801 Strictly fabulous collectables and vintage clothing.

Liberty Books, 1014-B North Lamar (at 11th St behind Sound Warehouse) 495-9737 Austin's most complete selection of Gay & Lesbian literature, photography, magazines and T-shirts.

Sparks, 1014 W 6th (Lamar) 477-1014 A fun greeting card shop that also sells gifts, T-shirts, calendars and objets d'art.

MUSIC

Clubland Records 217B W 4th Street (near Lavaca) 474-1133/fax: 478-5263 This new kid on the block located strategically next to Oilcan Harry's specializes in dance music. Super gay-friendly, run and staffed by local deejays.

MusicMania 3909D N IH-35 #1 (38 1/2 St) 451-3361 This recently expanded store has an extensive collection of new and used music, and boasts Austin's best collection of old NRG and retro 12" singles. Many out-of-print treasures in mint condition.

Sound Exchange 21st & Guadalupe, 476-2274 Large alternative selection. Buys and sell used CDs at bargain prices. Near campus on the drag and heavily trafficked by students. Also boasts large import dance single collection.

Technophilia, 504 W 24th St, 477-1812 Also near the heart of campus, stocks new and used imports and domestics. Sells only CDs, with CD players and headphones stationed conveniently around the store so you can sample before you purchase.

Tower Records 2402 Guadalupe (24th), 478-5711 One of Austin's largest music stores, much like it's New York and L.A. counterparts, is always sure to stock the most sought, chart topping favorites, with a healthy dose of new and alternative music in the racks as well.

Waterloo 600A N Lamar, 474-2500 A large, busy store with a diverse selection of music leaning towards the new and progressive. Video section has many music videos and regular titles. Vinyl Annex around corner has great selection of dance and 12" imports.

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Austin Six 521 Thompson Lane, 385-5328 Deluxe auditorium with one all-male theatre, selection of gay and lesbian videos and magazines, and movie booths. Open 24 hours.

Cinema West, 2130 S Congress (above Oltorf) 442-5719 11am-2am daily All-male theater, large selection of videos for sale and rent.

Pleasureland, 613 W 29th Street (Guadalupe) 478-2339 11am-2am daily

EATING OUT

Chuy's, 1728 Barton Springs Road, 474-4452 10520 N Lamar, 836-3218 Our favorite source for imaginative Tex-Mex food at reasonable prices. Great fajitas, drinks, salads. Friendly staff. Popular during dinner/happy hour stretch; a short wait for a table is usual.

East Side Café, 2113 Manor Road 476-5858 A charming restaurant with a great

menu. Fresh produce grown in their very own garden adds that extra fresh zeal to many of their fine dishes. Popular for lunch and dinner.

Hyde Park Bar & Grill, 4206 Duval St 458-3168

An imaginative menu and intriguing wine list add to the ambience of this snazzy restaurant. Many health-conscious dishes available, but be sure and try their french fries, made in a herb buttermilk batter and served with a horseradish sauce: Yum, Yum!

Hut's, 807 W 6th St., 472-0693

Not exactly the gayest restaurant in Austin, but worth the trip, for they serve up the best hamburgers in Austin— 20 different varieties including chicken, veggie and buffalo. Wednesday nights have burger happy hour from 6-10pm— two for the price of one!

Katz's Deli & Bar, 618 W 6th St (Rio Grande) 472-2037

An upscale New York deli-style restaurant with complete Breakfast-Lunch-Dinner menu served 24 hours a day. "Katz's never Kloses." Ask to sit at the ASA Benefit table, and 10% of your check will be donated to AIDS Services of Austin. If only more restaurants would do this...

Magnolia Café, 2304 Lake Austin Blvd (west of Mopac) 478-8645 and 1920 S Congress, 445-0000 Visit this cozy restaurant, open 24 hours a day to stay in touch with Austin's eclectic "Artsy" crowd. Homestyle menu has many scrumptious entrées, including delicious migas.

Moondance Diner & Bar, 706 Congress, 474-6605 A delicious selection of home-style, health-oriented food sure to fill your tummy. In-house bakery serves up delectable rolls, cornbread muffins, etc. at their freshest. Their long-running gay Monday nights brings out all the girls and sisters.

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Cafe Spizazzo 5416 Parkcrest Drive 459-9960 7736 Bee Cave Road 328-7919

Fancy, yet reasonably priced gourmet Italian restaurant serves up satisfying portions from their artful menu. Fabulous wine list and friendly, knowledgeable staff.

CULTURE

The Baltimore Waltz Vortex Theater, 1921 E Ben White 448-2299 Jan 27-Mar 7, Th-Sun 8pm, \$8 A whimsical tale of three actor's travels to exotic locales, from director Paula Vogel.

Beehive, Zachary Scott Theater, 1421 W Riverside, 476-0541 held over through Feb 21

A campy send-up of the era of harmonizing girl singing groups, these girls work their fabulous wigs, vintage 60's outfits and belt out the hits in such rapid-fire succession that it's hard to keep up. A highly entertaining evening of music and nostalgia, guaranteed to keep you smiling. Directed by Dave Steakley

Body of Evidence Presidio Theaters, See Madonna and Willem "the horse" DaFoe get it on in scenes so steamy it originally got a NC-17. Like buttuh.

The Crying Game Village Cinema, 2700 Anderson Director Neil Jordan's cinematic masterpiece. A twisting narrative will keep you guessing. Don't read anything about this film or let your friends tell you about it, just see it.

The Sum Of Us Hyde Park Theater, 511 W 43rd St 452-6688, Feb 4-27, Weds-Sat 8pm, Sun 4pm

Director Travis Dean brings to life this realistically-played and emotion-filled tale of a father learning to accept his gay son. Special prevue performance will benefit Out Youth Austin; call for more info.

Less Miserable Diva's Cabaret, 521 E. 6th 320-0553 Feb 19/20 Fri: 9:30/Sat: 9:30 & 11:30 Dallas comedy sensation Less Miserable performs for two nights only! Campy, raw improvisation perfected into an art form! Don't miss it.

To list your event in **Fag Rag**, please fax us at 512-416-0100 or send your info to: Fag Rag Listings, P.O. Box 1034, Austin TX 78767 at least 7 days before the issue covering the event.

Friday, February 12

Happy Hour Buffet & Dancers The Crossing, 611 Red River Dinner and dick... the perfect combination! Come join the weekly party early, oogle the hot dancers, and take advantage of happy hour drink prices.

Alternative Music Night Chances, 900 Red River, 10pm An exciting evening of alternative music with: **Spot Removal**, **Eleanor Plunge**, and headliners **Joan of Arkansas**.

Austin's Original 25¢ Well Drinks Charlie's, 1301 Lavaca, 21+, \$5 Catch **Muscles in Action** performing from 5-9pm and suck down 25¢ well drinks all night long.

Channel 404 the 404, 404 Colorado, 18+, \$5 DJ **Randy Todd** cranks out his special blend of fierce dance tracks and works the spanking new 10 foot video screen. "Music never looked so good..." And get this: starting tonight, 25¢ well drinks all night long. The next best thing to an open bar!

The Flirtations The Vortex Theatre, 1921 E. Ben White, 8pm, \$10 Vortex presents **The Flirtations**, the last night to catch these fabulous a capella performers in Austin. A queer men's pop a capella group confronting homophobia, AIDSphobia, sexism, misogyny, and queer-bashing.

Inner Circle presents Michael Ganthier and Men Of Power, Men of Heart

This two-day community event is for personally actualizing ways to live a powerful life. Dealing with self images, life directions, self expression, emotional nurturing, sex, health, and vitality, each man will discover new personal power. For reservations and information call 477-1528.

Saturday, February 13

Venus Love Rave Cosmic 7 Productions presents the Venus Love Rave, with special live performance by **Metrosonic**. With three deejays ripping it out in a location TBA on the night of the rave, this one is sure to be big. Featuring dancing robots, video games and skee-ball, smart bar, quadrophonic concert sound, opti-kinetic oil sculptures, and wild brain trip machines, free groovy luv rubs, plus other vendors and surprises all night. Portion of proceeds will benefit **AIDS Services Of Austin**. Call 404-2380 tonight for location, be sure to get there early to avoid long lines!

Sean Colby Performs Live The Crossing, 611 Red River If you missed his performance at Oilcan's last week, be sure to check out this **Falcon Video** star's eye-opening one-man act.

Pre-Valentine's Day Celebration Chances, 900 Red River A pre-valentine's celebration with **Girls In The Nose** performing live and special guests from New Jersey, **Fertile Crescent**.

CareFree Dancing the 404, 404 Colorado, \$5, 18+ Austin's most raging Saturday night club experience. Deejays **Michael Hernandez** and **Danny**

Cardiel's fierce blend of music keeps 'em dancing long after the bars stop serving at 2am. 50¢ draft beers all night.

Come One, Come All Friend's Meeting House, 3014 Washington Sq. 12:30 pm. To learn more about the March, or to share what you know, come to our meeting. Info:837-1596

Workout For Life 4 Locations: Body Business, Village Shopping Center, 328-2639, World Gym, Littlefield Mall, 115-B E. 6th St. 479-0044, YMCA of Austin, Town Lake, 1100 W 1st St. 476-6705, or Future firm, 8620 Burnet Rd., 451-7400. \$7 donation for any or all classes. 3 one-hour aerobics/bench classes beginning at 9am-noon. Benefitting **AIDS Services of Austin**, there are T-shirts available at each location or at **ASA** (406-6113.) For class format or info call participating locations.

Sunday, February 14

Shaman's Circle, Crosswinds, 3355 Bee Cave Road #101, 8-9:30pm Join in for a celebration of gay spirit, where connections, feelings, spirit, creativity and dreams will be shared. Bring instruments of sound, objects of meaning, written and spoken words. No charge, but donations appreciated. A weekly event. For information call 477-1528.

Coco Nicole's Illusions '93 the 404, 404 Colorado, **Coco** and special guest **Sabrina Ross** live on stage. DJ **Danny Cardiel** keeps you dancing with \$1.75 well drinks and 50¢ draft all night. Doors open at 10pm.

Gloria Steinem Book Signing MexicArté, 419 Congress 12:30-3:30pm The noted author will be speaking at 12:30, and signing copies of her new book *Revolution From Within* afterwards. Sponsored by **bookwoman**, **AWARE**, and **YWCA**.

Sweethearts Dance Nexus, 305 W 5th Come join in the fun at Austin's uncontested women's dance bar champion. Tonight register for the free Valentine's Day giveaway: prizes include a romantic dinner for two and a big huggable stuffed animal. 50¢ draft, \$1 schnapps, \$1.50 wells and \$2 margaritas all night long!

Wigstock '93 The 404, 404 Colorado The **National Leather Association of Austin** presents WIGSTOCK '93 (Aka: The Hair Ball) at the 404 Club. Grab your wildest piece of hair or style the ones you have outrageously for this fundraiser benefitting the **Texas Human Rights Foundation** and **NLA: Austin**. This evening promises to be an evening of fun and festivities with a very special show starring Miss Gay USA '88, **Tommie Ross**, **Jaqui DeShawn**, and Austin's favorite, **Nicole**. Prizes given for the most outrageous hair styles. The fundraiser is to help the **THRF** with the attorney fees that have accumulated during the 21.06 sodomy case. Come out and support this worthy cause and possibly celebrate its victory. Info: Chris at 476-5266.



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The second annual 'Celebration Of Queer Voices' presents talented writers reading from their novels, plays, poetry, and stories. 7-10pm. Boasting a different program each Sunday, a \$5 donation benefits the **HIV Wellness Center**. Contact Dan Martell, 472-2222.

Capital City Riders Cookout
Chain Drive, 504 Willow
The **Capital City Riders** present a cookout and beer bust from 4-9pm.

Monday, February 15

Gay Monday Nights
Moondance Diner, 706 Congress
Dress spiffy and come on out for this fabulous weekly gay and lesbian event. Good drinks, great food and fun company.

Muscles In Action
Charlie's, 1301 Lavaca
Emcee drag diva **Nicole** presents **Muscles In Action**.

At One Table
Westbank Fish Camp, 2219 Westlake Drive, 7:30pm
Westbank Fish Camp invites you to a 5-course dinner with your neighbors at a benefit for the construction and completion of Christopher House. Featuring the talents of: **Dave Blair, David Garrido, Harvey Harris, Brenton Childs, Del Pizzullo, Bob McLaughlin, Gary Holley, Billy Templeton, Fish Camp, Jeffrey's, Mezzaluna, Jean-Pierre's upstairs**, and special entertainment to follow. Tickets \$25. Info: 327-9500

Tuesday, February 16

Peer Support Group For HIV+ Youth
Out Youth Austin, 2330 Guadalupe, 7pm
All are welcome to attend this support group aimed at HIV+ youth. For info call 472-9246 or 476-0880.

Amateur Male Strip Contest
Charlie's, 1301 Lavaca
If you're buffed and toned, or just like looking at naked boys who are, turn out for Amateur night and see who scoops up the cash prize by shakin' their thang.

Nicole and Vanessa Rae
Nexus, 305 W 5th, 11pm
The divas of drag will work your last nerve with another stirring performance.

Wednesday, February 17

Austin's Original 25¢ Well Drinks
Charlie's, 1301 Lavaca, 21+, \$5 \$5 Cover gets you in for 25¢ well drinks all night long. (50¢ gets you a tall double!) Get plastered for a measley couple of bucks!

ACT UP Meeting
Grassroots Peace Bldg., 227 Congress, 8pm, 477-AIDS

Return To Planet 9,
Acropolis, 208 Nueces, \$5
Alternative mixed crowd keeps the dance floor packed dancing to early 80's retro music with Austin's most hypnotic light show. 25¢ draft from 10-11.

Thursday, February 18

Disco 2000,
the 404, 404 Colorado, from 10pm, 18+
DJ **Michael Hernandez** spins early 80's trash and retro music. Hot go-go dancers shakin' their buns! \$1.75 wells all night.

Chances presents Live Music
900 Red River, 9pm
A Thursday showcase including **Eric DeValpine, Black Irish**, and **Room by River**.

Muscles In Action
Charlie's, 1301 Lavaca
Come watch the show at 10:30 and midnight. The **Muscles In Action** boys will make your pulse race! \$1.25 wells and domestics from 8-10pm.

Notes From the Underground - The Art of Music Video: Ten Years After
Dobie Theatre, 2021 Guadalupe
Presented by LagunaGloria Art Museum. The fourth in a series of five programs surveying and celebrating an alternative view of the history of music video, featuring Notes from the Underground: the work of renegades who rebel against the pop video mainstream. Series tickets are \$20, per evening \$5, \$3 for museum members. 7pm, seating limited.

Friday, February 19

Chances presents Live Music
900 Red River, 10pm
Tonight, newly-formed **SINCOLA** join Austin's old favorite, **Texas Instruments**.

Channel 404,
the 404, 404 Colorado, 18+, \$5
DJ **Randy Todd** works his magic on the turntables and the 10 foot video screen. Unbelievable 25¢ wells all night—get clown-faced!

Austin's Original 25¢ Well Drinks
Charlie's, 1301 Lavaca
\$5 Cover gets you in for 25¢ well drinks all night long. (50¢ gets you a tall double!) Get plastered on a budget!

Saturday, February 20

Tribute to Audrey Lorde
Synergy Studio, 1501 W 5th St, 7:30-10pm
The Foundation for a Compassionate Society/MUSE presents

a tribute to the late black lesbian feminist activist poet and author, **Audrey Lorde**, featuring a live performance by **The Washington Sisters**, two real-life black lesbian sisters as well as local artists. 478-1835 for info.

Searching The Spirit, Dancing The Soul
American Legion Hall, 2201 W. 1st, 10am-4pm, \$70
A one-day intuitive movement and spontaneous play workshop with **Adolphine Carole**. Learn to recognize and trust your faculty of intuition and use it with your daily lives, develop self-confidence, build your self-esteem, and more! Info: 477-2972.

Opening: The Photography of Shawn Childress and Matt Lankes
Horsefeathers, 1108 West Ave., 7pm.
Opening night of a fabulous show by these two talented photographers. Childress' work, as you probably know, is featured in the pages of **FAG RAG**, and Lanke's work features wild polaroid transfers and other unique experimental formats.

CareFree Dancing presents Ru Paul Live!
the 404, 404 Colorado, \$5, 18+
Feel the fierceness! Gag on the glamour! Entrez l'elegance. Don't miss New York's seven-foot-tall super-drag sensation **Ru Paul** turning it out live on stage fresh from her tour of the country. You'll be in the presence of a super-model, so dress to impress. You better work, bitch! DeeJays **Michael Hernandez** and **Danny Cardiel** keep the energy high long after the bars stop serving at 2am. 50¢ draft beers all night.

Sunday, February 21

Shaman's Circle,
Crosswinds, 3355 Bee Cave Road #101, 8-9:30pm
A gathering exploring and celebrating the gay spirit. For information call 477-1528.

NLA Cookout
Chain Drive, 504 Willow
The National Leather Association: Austin present a cookout and beer bust from 4-9pm.

Open Mike Tribute
bookwoman, 324 E 6th, 6-8pm
In honor of **Audrey Lorde**, the late feminist author/poet, bookwoman invites you this open mike-format tribute. Call 478-1835 to register. Come speak your mind in the form of prose, poetry or prayer.

Austin's All-Star Drag Relays
the 404, 404 Colorado
Camp it up with this all-star, baton-passing, relay contest. Sure to keep you on the floor!

Chances presents Live Music
900 Red River
Grain Elevator, San Antonio's **Coyote Dreams**, and **Mayday** perform at 10pm.

Drag Queen Night
the 404, 404 Colorado
Come watch the drag queens and hear DJ **Danny Cardiel** as he spins the night away.

Monday, February 22

Gay Monday Nights
Moondance Diner, 706 Congress
Gay Mondays continue at this scrumptious eatery. Grab your girlfriend and come on down for the queerest hot dishes in Austin.

Tuesday, February 23

Peer Support Group For HIV+ Youth
Out Youth Austin, 2330 Guadalupe, 7pm.
All are welcome to attend these support groups aimed at HIV+ youth. Call 476-0880 or 472-9246 for more info.

Amateur Male Strip Contest
Charlie's, 1301 Lavaca
Come and strip for the cash prize or just watch the fun. Show begins at midnight.

Nicole and Vanessa Rae
Nexus, 305 W 5th, 11pm
The local first ladies of drag will ham it up for an appreciative crowd with another campy live performance.

Wednesday, February 24

ACT UP Meeting
Grassroots Peace Bldg., 227 Congress, 8pm, 477-AIDS

Return To Planet 9,
Acropolis, 208 Nueces, \$5
Alternative mixed crowd keeps the dance floor packed dancing to early 80's retro music with 25¢ draft from 10-11. Do your thang in the best bathrooms in Austin!

Austin's Original 25¢ Well Drinks
Charlie's, 1301 Lavaca
\$5 Cover gets you in for 25¢ well drinks all night long. (50¢ gets you a tall double!) Get plastered on a budget!

Thursday, February 25

Chances
900 Red River, 10pm.
Several **Poi Dog Pondering** members come together as **SWAG**, joined by **Seth and Amy Tiven** and **Room By River**.

Mr. 404 Contest '93
the 404, 404 Colorado, from 10pm, 18+
Nicole presents the Mr. 404 contest with special guest **Karl Thomas**. DJ **Michael Hernandez** spins early 80's trash/retro music. \$1.75 wells all night.

Artists' Advertisement Alternatives - The Art of Music Video: Ten Years After
Dobie Theatre, 2021 Guadalupe 7pm
Presented by LagunaGloria Art Museum. The fifth in a series of five programs surveying and celebrating an alternative view of the history of music video, featuring Artists' Advertising Alternatives: The future of music as an art form disengaged from advertising. Series tickets are \$20, individual tickets per evening (if available) \$5, \$3 for museum members. Seating is limited.

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