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QUEER ARTS FESTIVAL

Transdisciplinary Arts Festival: Performing, Visual, Literary, and Media Arts

ReGenerations

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2014 PROGRAMME GUIDE

JULY 23 - AUGUST 9

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QAF aims to provide a space that is physically accessible as well as accessible to individuals of all genders.

Gender-neutral washrooms with appropriate signage are next to the Exhibition Hall for the duration of the festival.

ASL INTERPRETATION WILL BE PROVIDED FOR

JUL 23 *Art Party!*

JUL 26 X

JUL 31 *Alien Sex*

AUG 6 *Kickstart Reverb*

AUG 8 *Deaf-Queer 101 Dialogue*

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QAF QUEER ARTS FESTIVAL

Presented by Pride in Art Society, the Queer Arts Festival taps into the visceral power of the arts to build a better world. We bring our diverse communities together in the intimate act of sharing as artists and audiences, as we dispel hatred through the visibility, recognition and celebration of lives that transgress sexual and gender norms.

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A MESSAGE FROM

RACHEL IWAASA

ACTING ARTISTIC DIRECTOR



Welcome to the Queer Arts Festival 2014! I have had the good fortune to take the festival's helm for one year, as QAF's Artistic Director **SD Holman** takes an artistic leave (and keeps busy by winning national awards like the YCWA Women of Distinction). They are very big shoes to fill, and it has been my great joy and humbling challenge to carry that vision forwards.

QAF's 2014 theme, *ReGenerations*, is a defiant reframing of the Nazi term "Degenerate Art", the moniker under which they banned work by the avant-garde, Jews, Communists, and queers. Tyrants throughout history have censored artists on the grounds that their work posed an imminent danger to society. QAF embraces the premise of art as dangerous, even revolutionary. For it is in the intimate act of sharing as artists and audiences we find meaning and transformation. And from that place of vulnerable connection, we find the strength and inspiration to change the world.

With a stellar lineup of artists aged 18 to 80, *ReGenerations* traces our transgressive queer cultural heritage, propagated across generational and geographical boundaries. QAF 2014 foregrounds cross-generational collaborations, mentorships that team up emerging with established artists, and programming that connects historical queer icons to our living, contemporary art practice. This year's festival brings together artists navigating the complex territories of queerness from 27 nations including Australia, Brazil, the Cree Nation, India, Iran, Russia, South Africa, and Zimbabwe. *ReGenerations* also speaks to healing and renewal, addressing topics such as addiction, coalitions between ability and disability, and solidarity for those continuing the struggle for queer rights, both internationally and at home

The works in QAF 2014 have been brought together to speak to each other, as well as to you. I urge you, in addition to attending the shows you're dying to see, to try something outside your comfort zone. Seek out new terrain - and ask how such a wide variety co-exists under the single rubric of "queer." Within the riot of perspectives and expressions collected here - from **Laiwan's** pluralistically polyvocal curation of *Queering the International*, to **Sunny Drake's** deeply personal storytelling in *X*, to **Colin Tilney's** passionate engagement with history, to **David Bloom's** vision of collaborative artistic deviance in *Alien Sex* - each work here means something different in juxtaposition than it would in isolation. They are, in their kaleidoscopic diversity, stronger collectively than individually. And in the end, isn't that what community is all about?

QAF 2014: ReGenerations.

Dare to be challenged. Risk being changed.

+ BE SOGGAL!



Mike Nahai

ART PARTY!

ROUNDHOUSE EXHIBITION HALL
WED JUL 23 • 7-10PM | BY DONATION
ASL INTERPRETED

How gay can it get? One of Vancouver's hottest pride season events, this spectacular gala event features lavish live performance, ravishing refreshments, amazing artwork and queer conviviality, hosted by the fabulous Barb Snelgrove.

Performances by:
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ALIEN SEX: A GALA(XY) FUNDRAISER

ROUNDHOUSE PERFORMANCE CENTRE
THU JUL 31 • 7:30PM | \$80 (INCLUDES \$50 TAX RECEIPT)
ASL INTERPRETED

Get your gala on at this transdisciplinary fundraiser for the Queer Arts Festival, featuring the work-in-progress presentation of **Alien Sex!** (SEE PAGE 14)

Come dressed in an outfit representing your planet of origin, and have your stellar portrait taken by fabulous festival photographer **belle ancelle photography**. Plus get an exclusive insider take on the project in a pre-show chat with Alien Sex instigator **David Bloom**. Prizes will be awarded to the best dressed queer aliens. Earthlings welcome too!

All proceeds benefit the Pride in Art Society.

LOUD & QUEER SAT AUG 9 • 7:30 - 11PM (SEE PAGE 22)



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QUEERING THE INTERNATIONAL

Laiwan curates queer artists who creatively expand possibilities of how to be Queer in the Large World

WED JUL 23 - SAT AUG 9

GALLERY HOURS

10:30am - 10pm weekdays
10:30am - 4:30pm weekends

CURATOR'S TOUR JUL 26 • 5PM

Get a glimpse into the creative process! Join QAF's 2014 Visual Arts Curator Laiwan in an informal talk about *Queering the International*

ROUNDHOUSE EXHIBITION HALL

QAF's signature visual arts exhibition is curated this year by esteemed interdisciplinary artist Laiwan. *Queering the International* features a lineup of established and emerging artists from around the globe who are immigrant, indigenous, undocumented, displaced, and creatively working towards reconciling liberation through ideas of indigeneity, diaspora and disidentification.

Recent homophobic events in Russia, India, Uganda, and elsewhere have made it timely to highlight artists who address queer identity on an international scale, and whose work celebrates the complex human condition we find ourselves in as queers. *Queering the International* engages themes that are at once broad and challenging, asking artists What is Queer, What is International, What is your Diaspora, and What is Identity?

This exhibition features artists from a range of nations including Brazil, Canada, the Cree Nation, Guatemala, Guyana, the Haudenosaunee Territories, Hawaii, Hong Kong, India, Iran, Mexico, the Philippines, Russia, South Africa, Trinidad, the United States, and Alutiiq / African-American / Choctaw / European heritage, covering a breadth of viewpoints and perspectives from queers near and far.

This groundbreaking work is brought together by the curatorial talents of Zimbabwe-born Laiwan and curatorial assistant Anne Riley, who is of Dene/Cree ancestry, considering both national and queer identities, and questioning what happens when we step out of these predefined borders. Join us in queering the diaspora, and queering indigeneity - *Queering the International*.

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COR FLAMMAE [KOR 'FLAM.MAJ] FLAMING HEART

Ignite your evening with the ravishing, soaring voices of Cor Flammae, Vancouver's only professional choir of queer singers who illuminate the rich and furtive queer spaces typically left out of classical choral concerts. Composed from the ranks of Vancouver's top-flight choral ensembles, the choir seeks to reveal the hidden queer heritage within the rich history of music, and change the ways we listen to the works of well-known historical figures to celebrated contemporary composers.

In their concert debut, *Reincarnations*, they explore works by **Barber, Menotti, Cage, Schubert, Britten,** and **Ravel**, as well as contemporary local queer composers **Stephen Smith, Michael Park, Shane Raman** and **Catherine Laub.**

THU JUL 24 • 7:30PM

\$30 General Admission

\$15 Youth/Seniors/Underemployed

THE ROUNDHOUSE



COR FLAMMAE





COLIN TILNEY

— Celebrates —

LXXX

FRI JUL 25 • 7:30PM

ROUNDHOUSE PERFORMANCE CENTRE

\$30 GENERAL ADMISSION
\$15 YOUTH/SENIORS/UNDEREMPLOYED

6:30PM PRE-CONCERT CHAT

ROUNDHOUSE EXHIBITION HALL | Free for Members

Moderated by **Rachel Iwaasa** with

Matthew White, Artistic Director, Early Music Vancouver
Alexantler Weimann, Artistic Director, Pacific Baroque Orchestra

A giant among the first generation of musicians bringing historically informed performance to the general concertgoer, renowned keyboardist **Colin Tilney** turned 80 this year. Join us as we celebrate his legacy with a solo harpsichord recital.

Tilney's wide repertoire stretches from the English virginalists through Mozart to Louis Andriessen. He plays the fortepiano and clavichord in addition to his main instrument, the harpsichord, and has made a single organ recording, Elizabethan music on a seventeenth-century chamber organ. In his concerts and recordings he tries as far as possible to use historical instruments or modern replicas in an attempt to match the music with the sounds the composers heard as they wrote them.

Colin Tilney's program will include **Bach's** monumental *Sixth English Suite*; a prelude and dances by **Louis Couperin**, the uncle of François; five sonatas by **Scarlatti**; and *Quinque* by South African lesbian composer **Priaulx Rainier** (1903-1986).



EARLY MUSIC VANCOUVER
TRANSCENDING TIME

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VANCOUVER EARLY MUSIC FESTIVAL

X

by

SUNNY DRAKE

SAT JUL 26 • 7:30PM

SUN JUL 27 • 3PM

MON JUL 28 • 7:30PM

ASL INTERPRETATION ON JUL 26
NO ALCOHOL WILL BE SERVED JUL 27

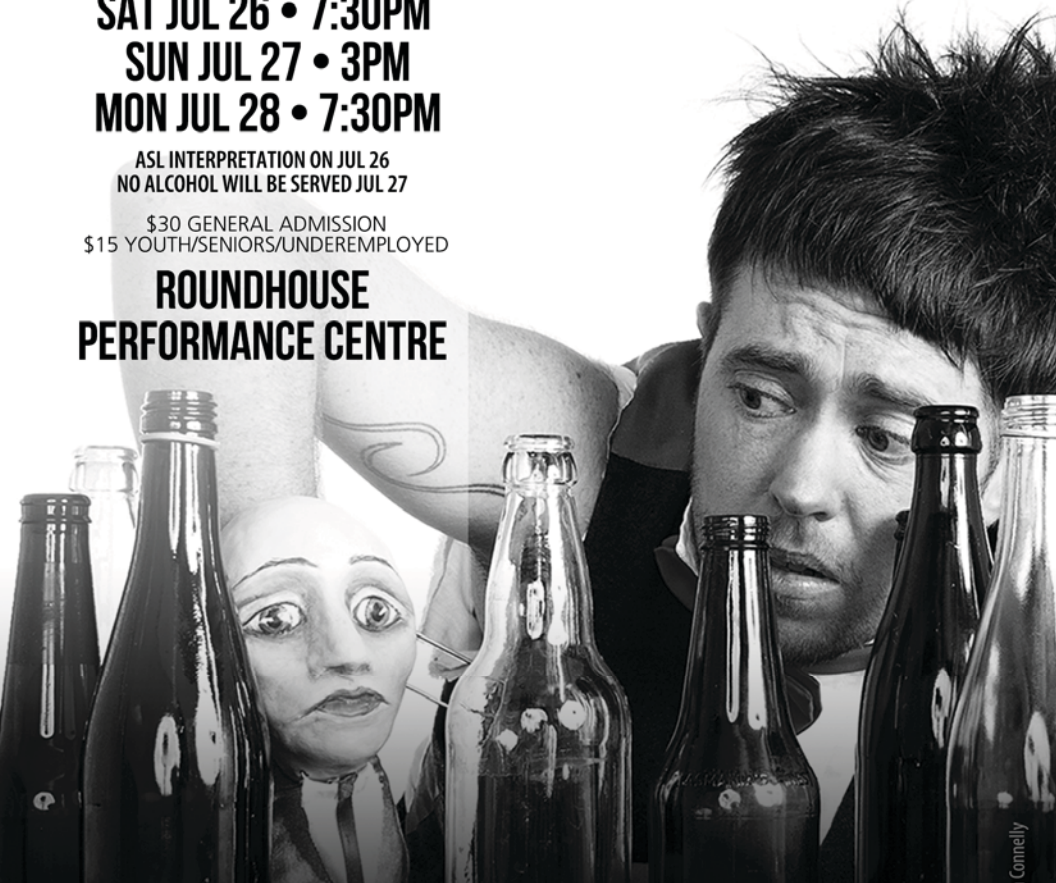
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EVER SEEN A DRUNK PUPPET?

Sex. Booze. Facebook. Carbs, Fess Up: what's your guilty pleasure? Stunning stop motion animation, whimsical puppets, and sharp live performance meld in this fast-paced one-man show. *X* is a magical, imaginative and honest look at addiction, particularly struggles with alcohol, as well as sex and pop star obsession. The work is grounded in, but not limited to, queer and trans experiences, and is partially informed by over forty interviews with community members.

Sold out shows in San Francisco. Rave reviews in Australia. Festival award-winner, including the 2013 RBC Arts Professional Award at SummerWorks.



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Everything is better in bed

Curated by the frank theatre, *Clean Sheets* was created in 2008 by Seán Cummings and Chris Gatchalian as a new national queer playwriting workshop, and premiered at the 2009 Queer Arts Festival with the support of the City of Vancouver and Pride In Art. Now in its sixth year, *Clean Sheets* has become a renowned national play-reading series of new queer-themed plays in development. Each year, *Clean Sheets* selects two to four plays and pairs the playwrights up with Vancouver's top dramaturges in order to further develop the play for to a public reading at the Festival.

This year, we are proud to present:

6PM: **Nicola Harwood's *Buffalo Girls***, a collision of absurdist comedy and cabaret, where we find three mannish women performing as freaks of nature in a circus on the plains.

7:30PM: **Bill Marchant's *Husk*** follows urban hermit Sully as he vies for survival after environmental and social collapse; an unwanted visitor arrives at his door in distress, and an unlikely alliance forms between the two men.

9PM: **Rafael Antonio Renderos' *Salvador***, a mash of verbatim theatre, story-telling, and drag performance, follows a young man who travels to El Salvador in order to investigate gay rights violations.

THE **frank** CO-PRESENTED WITH
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CLEAN SHEETS

WED JUL 30 • 6PM

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ALIEN SEX

Workshop presentation of QAF commission
Premiere at QAF 2015

Tentacles wrestle the sexual status quo; secret identity exposes itself; the Empire is challenged by authentic expression in a work that mixes whimsy, savage poetry, heartbreaking vulnerability and B-movie joy.

Actor/director & Alien Sex instigator **David Bloom** brings together a multi-genre, multi-generational team of QAF all-stars, including Vancouver genderqueer creators **Olivia B** (performance poet / tap dancer) & **Floyd VB** (performance poet / visual artist), propelled by the visceral life force of **Eileen Kage** (Taiko drummer), **Sammy Chien** (composer / dancer / video artist), **Robert Leveroos** (actor / dancer / visual & performance artist), and **SD Holman** (actor / photo-based artist).

Drawing upon energetic interpretations of the transgressive BDSM poet **Linda Smukler** (Samuel Ace) and the divisive heterosexual playwright **David Mamet**, gay, lesbian, bi, queer, straight, vanilla, kinky and yet-to-be-named perspectives collide in a speculative fiction that fearlessly explores the strange, beautiful, and sometimes inexplicable territory of human sexuality.

ALIEN SEX: A GALAXY FUNDRAISER

Have you been thinking of supporting of the festival? For the earthly cost of admission, you get a once-in-a-lifetime chance to revel in the infinite risk and beauty of queer outerspace prior to the full premiere of *Alien Sex* in 2015. Your \$30 ticket is a pass to the performance and to exclusive pre-show *Alien Sex: A Gala(xy) Fundraiser* festivities (SEE PAGE 7).

At the same time, your \$50 donation provides a burst of impetus and energy to the festival as we continue to seek out and inspire the best in queer arts and culture from around town, around the globe, and beyond. Help us make it so!



THU JUL 31 • 8:30PM SHOW

ROUNDHOUSE
PERFORMANCE CENTRE

\$20 SHOW ONLY

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CONTENT ADVISORY

Audiences should be prepared for graphic descriptions of sex, cussing, allusions to self-harm, (consensual) BDSM, age play, existentialism, death, emotional dysfunction, Taiko drums, language, sex without touching, fear, euphoria, aliens, utopia, dystopia, cis-het sex, queer-sex, genderfuck, telepathic sex, sex between planets, tap dancing, poetry and general fracked-up-ness.

THU JUL 31 • 7:30PM GALA
ROUNDHOUSE EXHIBITION HALL

\$80 GALA + SHOW

Includes \$50 tax receipt

All proceeds to benefit the Pride in Art Society

CONTEMPORARY MUSIC WITH THE ERATO ENSEMBLE I SING THE BODY ELECTRIC

WALT WHITMAN AND THE BEAT GENERATION

Just in time for Pride weekend, the **Erato Ensemble** celebrates the Queer spirit of **Walt Whitman** and the **Beat Generation**, who dared to express an individual language and lifestyle in the midst of the conservative social mores of their times, changing our culture forever.

Walt Whitman's poetry is the basis for an emotional love story of two men - from meeting, to falling in love, to separation by war and death. Music by **Kurt Weill, Charles Naginski, William George** and world premieres by **Lloyd Burritt** and **Ben Schuman**.

The Beat poets **Allen Ginsberg, Jack Kerouac, Gary Snyder, Lawrence Ferlinghetti** and **Diane Di Prima** inspire colorful new works by **David Del Tredici, David Sisco, Jerome Kitzke, Steven Ebel, Anthony Ocaña**, a "Beat Madrigal," and a world premiere by **Catherine Laub**.

FRI AUG 1 • 7:30PM

\$30 GENERAL ADMISSION
\$15 YOUTH/SENIORS/UNDEREMPLOYED

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ERATO ENSEMBLE

Catherine Laub
soprano

Melanie Adams
mezzo-soprano

Will George
tenor

Peter Alexander
baritone, percussion

Michael Park
piano

Cicely Nelson
violin

Mark Haney
double bass

2014 EVENTS LISTING

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CURATED VISUAL ARTS EXHIBITION

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WED JUL 23 - SAT AUG 9 | GALLERY HOURS 10:30AM - 10PM WEEKDAYS; 10:30AM - 4:30PM WEEKENDS



ART PARTY!

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QAF's spectacular opening night gala - amazing art meets queer conviviality. With MC Barb Snelgrove. Sponsored by Health Initiative for Men.

Thu Jul 23 • 7:30PM



COR FLAMMAE

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Incendiary queer classical chorus debuts at QAF.

Thu Jul 24 • 7:30PM



COLIN TILNEY CELEBRATES LXXX

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Solo harpsichord recital by world-renowned keyboardist Colin Tilney. Presented in partnership with the Vancouver Early Music Festival.

Fri Jul 25 • 7:30PM



X

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Sunny Drake's magical, humorous and honest look at addiction, grounded in queer and trans experiences.

Sat Jul 26 • 7:30PM | Sun Jul 27 • 3PM | Mon Jul 28 • 7:30PM



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Readings of queer plays in development presented by the frank theatre.

Wed Jul 30 • 6PM



ALIEN SEX: A GALAXY FUNDRAISER

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Get your alien on at QAF's gala fundraiser, with a sneak peek at the darkly erotic, playfully disturbing, speculative collaboration, Alien Sex. See also Page 7 for more information.

Thu Jul 31 • 7:30PM gala, 8:30PM show



I SING THE BODY ELECTRIC: WALT WHITMAN AND THE BEAT GENERATION

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Erato Ensemble performs contemporary music inspired by Walt Whitman and the Beat Generation.

Fri Aug 1 • 7:30PM



QUEERPROV

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All-queer improv comedy with the Bobbers. Co-presented with the Vancouver Pride Society.

Sat Aug 2 • 7:30PM



BIG GAY SING!

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Sing along with the Vancouver Men's Chorus: it's karaoke with glitter!

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Kickstart and REVERB present literary readings from queers united against normalcy. Co-presented with the Kickstart Society for Disability Culture and REVERB: a queer reading series

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Short films by Rodrigue Jean collaborating with Montreal male sex workers and addicts. Co-presented with the grunt gallery

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QAF's closing fiesta, featuring the young artists of QSONG and a silent auction.

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PRIDE IN ART COMMUNITY VISUAL ART SHOW

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An open visual art exhibition celebrating queer artists from the community.

Wed Jul 23 - Sat Aug 9 | Gallery hours 10:30AM - 10PM weekdays; 10:30AM - 4:30PM weekends

QUEERPROV

SAT AUG 2 • 7:30PM

\$10 GENERAL ADMISSION

ROUNDHOUSE
PERFORMANCE CENTRE

Join **The Bobbers'** all-queer improv comedy troupe for a special edition of *QueerProv!* The well-loved weekly improv show at Heaven's Door moves on up to the Roundhouse for Pride. Featuring local performers in a fabulous showcase of Vancouver's LGBTQ comedic talent.



CO-PRESENTED
WITH THE
VANCOUVER
PRIDE SOCIETY

QueerProv: Special Pride Show is a 105-minute comedy tribute to Pride!

Featuring an all-queer cast of 7 of Vancouver's top improv comedians, we'll create hilarious scenes and play rapid fire games based on pride suggestions and stories from the audience.

A rip roaring good time!
Proudly presented by **The Bobbers** and their weekly *QueerProv* comedy show - Vancouver's very own queer improv troupe.



BIG GAY SING!

SUN AUG 3 • 7:30PM
\$20 GENERAL ADMISSION
ROUNDHOUSE
PERFORMANCE CENTRE

The perfect post-parade pairing — round out your Pride Sunday with a Queer Arts Festival mainstay, *Big Gay Sing!*, a festive, participatory, music-making spectacle led by the **Vancouver Men's Chorus**.

Described as "Karaoke with Glitter," this post-parade sing-a-long is one of our most popular annual events now in its fifth year! Whether you're winding down your festivities, or revving up for the night ahead, the Roundhouse will be alive with "The Sound of Music". This interactive audience event takes you out of the spectator's seat and puts you right into the performance. Don't even think about sitting back and enjoying the show!

Always a sold-out show, *Big Gay Sing!* is led by choral conductor **Willi Zwozdesky**, pianist **Stephen Smith**, and the **Vancouver Men's Chorus**. So come early to the Roundhouse and mingle — oogle at the fabulous outfits, meet your fellow queers, and take in the exhibitions!

PHOTO: Xelha Tapia



CO-PRESENTED WITH THE VANCOUVER MEN'S CHORUS

ÉPOPÉE

Initiated by the filmmaker **Rodrigue Jean**, *Épopée* is a collection of films written and made in collaboration with male drug addicts and sex trade workers in Montreal. The project was initiated following the shooting of the film *Men for Sale* (2008), whose participants expressed the desire to create fictional works in addition to the documentary. The two genres merge to yield a raw on-screen truth whose symbolic power gives meaning to the individual events they relate. The films provide us with a picture of our society, which is often impossible to grasp and ruled by exclusion.

Translated as "epic poem," *Épopée* is both a poetic and political gesture of resistance.

JUL 21 - AUG 9

L'État des lieux
(The State of the Moment)

Alternating projection of short films

FREE ADMISSION

grunt gallery

350 E 2nd Ave - Unit 116
Vancouver, BC

TUE AUG 5 • 7:30PM

L'État du monde
(The State of the World)

Feature-length film screening

Post-show talkback with:

filmmaker, **Rodrigue Jean**;

Épopée collective member,

Serge-Olivier Rondeau;

Matthew Taylor, and a member of **HUSTLE** at **HiM!** (Vancouver's program for men in the sex industry)

\$10 General Admission |

\$8 Youth/Seniors/Underemployed

ROUNDHOUSE PERFORMANCE CENTRE

WED AUG 6 • 7PM

Closing reception

grunt gallery

CO-PRESENTED WITH THE GRUNT GALLERY AND DAZIBAO

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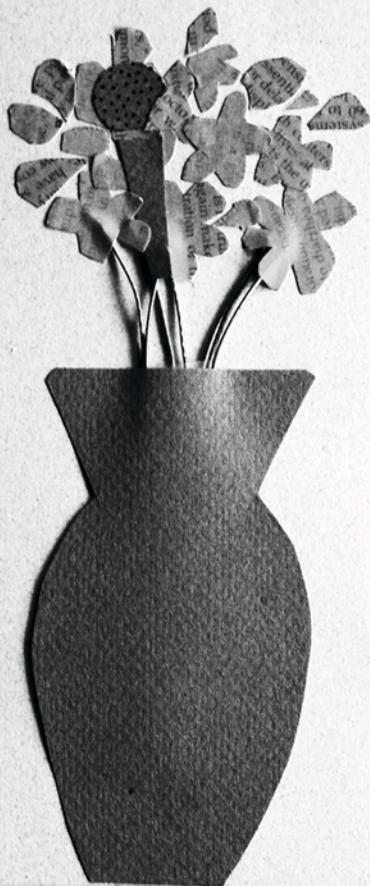
KICKSTART REVERB

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curated by
Leah Horlick
Emma Kivisild
Esther McPhee

WED AUG 6 • 7:30PM

BY DONATION

**ROUNDHOUSE
EXHIBITION HALL**



The dog days in August bring languid evenings, raw mornings, hot afternoons. This year, as part of the Queer Arts Festival, they also bring an alchemical collaboration between **Kickstart Disability Arts** and **REVERB: A Queer Reading Series**, with words from communities united against normalcy, the best of strange bedfellows.

Kickstart produces and presents work by artists with disabilities in a variety of disciplines. **REVERB** is a quarterly reading series with an anti-oppressive framework that showcases emerging and established queer-writers on unceded Musqueam, Skwxwú7mesh, and Tsleil-Waututh land.

Join us for an evening of literary readings from queers with and without disabilities. Like they say, expect the unexpected, because the seas might boil.

CO-PRESENTED WITH REVERB: A QUEER READING SERIES
AND THE KICKSTART SOCIETY FOR DISABILITY CULTURE



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LOUD & QUEER

ROUNDHOUSE EXHIBITION HALL
SAT AUG 9 • 7:30PM - 11PM | BY DONATION

Celebrate the closing of another thrilling festival season with Loud & Queer! Our final fiesta, join us for a delectable evening of choice refreshments, spellbinding performances, and two simultaneous auctions featuring the latest treats, swag bags and accoutrements from local queer artists and businesses. Revel in the scintillating voices of young, loud and queer singer/songwriters from our fabulous **QSONG** workshop (SEE PAGE 26) while bidding for your favoured auction items with old friends and new.

QAF ONLINE ART AUCTION

Have a favourite artist from a past festival? Here's your chance to take home one of their latest creations through QAF's inaugural **Art Auction**. Learn more about the participating artists and bid on individual pieces via QAF's auction page on **E-Bay**:

BIT.LY/QAF2014AUCTION

Bidding Opens:
July 23, 2014, 5PM

Bidding Closes:
August 9, 2014, 8:30PM

- Participating Artists:
- Afuwa
 - belle ancelle
 - Joe Average
 - Kathy Atkins
 - Wendy B
 - Persimmon Blackbridge
 - Jeffery Austin Gibson
 - SD Holman
 - Abby Jackson
 - Ceci Lam
 - Toni Latour
 - Susan Stewart
 - James Walton
 - Paul Wong
 - & more

Winning bids to be announced at Loud & Queer. Deferred payment plans may be requested by winning bidders. All proceeds benefit the participating artists and the Pride in Art Society.

QAF SILENT AUCTION

ONE NIGHT ONLY!
Start your festive season shopping early! Come to the **Silent Auction** and bid on a wide variety of special treats, merchandise, gift certificates, tickets, surprise packages, memorabilia and more from local artisans and businesses.

ROUNDHOUSE EXHIBITION HALL

Bidding Opens:
August 9, 2014, 7:30 pm

Bidding Closes:
August 9, 2014, 9:30 pm

Winning bids to be announced and collected at Loud & Queer. All proceeds benefit the Pride in Art Society.

IMAGES (FROM TOP LEFT)

- Suzo Hickey, *Lions in Chains*
- Afuwa, *Nudes, turning & still*
- Ceci Lam, *title unknown*
- James Walton, *Love Torrent 2*
- Katherine Atkins, *Kissing Dutch Girls:*
Beyond the Stake
- belle ancelle photography

Connecting and bringing communities together lies at the core of the QAF's mandate. Working closely with arts, queer, community service organizations and the broader public, QAF offers a wide array of educational workshops and community outreach programming during the Festival and throughout the year! To pre-register online, please visit queerartsfestival.com



SEEKING PROTECTION IS NOT A CRIME

PAINTED STORIES FROM SELF-IDENTIFIED LGBTQ2SI MIGRANTS & REFUGEES

An intimate participatory painting workshop creating and claiming space for queer migrants and refugees, sharing stories and building community through the visual arts. This project taps into the power of the arts to build a sense of belonging and community among participants, offering a safe and inclusive space to share their personal stories and perspectives on the queer refugee experience, exploring art as a tool for social justice. Participants met weekly through April & May 2014. Melanie Shambach put the finishing touches on the painting in June. The finished work is on display for the duration of the festival, bringing to light the hidden stories of queer refugees, provoking questions through a medium where language poses no barrier. Countries of origin for the participants include Columbia, Mexico, Jordan, Montenegro, South Korea, Cameron, Iran, Ukraine, Iran, Saudi Arabia, Nigeria and Mongolia.

ROUNDHOUSE EXHIBITION HALL

WED JUL 23 - SAT AUG 9
10:30AM - 10PM WEEKDAYS
10:30AM - 4:30PM WEEKENDS
ADMISSION BY DONATION

RECEPTION: THU JUL 24 • 5:30PM

Project Coordinator
Mira Ghattas

Social Artist
Melanie Shambach

Facilitators
Israel Motta
Alex Winter
Zdravko Cimbalevic
Mira Ghattas

Participants
Vahid Ghanadi
Emma Kim
Ihor
Hiram Oliveros
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& others who wish to be anonymous

Co-produced by:





WED JUL 23 - SAT AUG 9
10:30AM - 10PM WEEKDAYS
10:30AM - 4:30PM WEEKENDS
FREE ADMISSION

COMMUNITY ARTISTS

Kathy Atkins
Joseph Arking
Kate Braun
Christina Cooke,
Caelie Frampton, & Justin Saint
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Jeffery Austin Gibson
SD Holman
Susan Macrae
Stephen Middleton
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PRIDE IN ART COMMUNITY SHOW

Pride in Art Community Show is a Queer Arts Festival tradition. This longstanding open exhibition showcases the talents of emerging and established visual and media artists from within the queer community: leading, fresh, innovative, political, charged, edgy, sexy, and strong. We invite you to share your queer perspectives.

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WORKSHOPS: FEB-AUG 8 | FREE ADMISSION
PERFORMANCE: AUG 9 • 7:30PM AT LOUD & QUEER
ROUNDHOUSE EXHIBITION HALL

QSONG

QSONG (Queer Songwriters of a New Generation) is an annual, 16-week workshop for queer, trans* and allied youth (14-25) to develop their skills in songwriting. At QAF 2014, performances by QSONG participants will be featured as a part of the closing night party, **LOUD & QUEER (SEE PAGE 7)** on Aug 9.

Facilitated by:
Sarah Wheeler & Melissa Endean



ROUNDHOUSE ROOM C

SAT JUL 26 • 1PM - 3PM | SUN JUL 27 • 1PM - 3PM
SAT AUG 2 • 1PM - 3PM
SOLD OUT!

TOUGH LANGUAGE, TENDER WISDOMS

Following a sold-out run at QAF 2013, Lambda winning author **Amber Dawn** returns with a memoir writing workshop for transgressive voices. Participants will be invited to write under-told and boundary-pushing stories from their personal experience, and to develop strategies to creating safe and celebratory spaces for these stories to be heard.



ROUNDHOUSE EXHIBITION HALL

TUE JUL 29 • 3:30-8:30PM

ADMISSION SLIDING SCALE \$2-20 PER FAMILY

SILKSCREENING

Bring your own t-shirt, bag or fabric and learn to silk screen in an all ages workshop for queer families. This event is not suitable for people living with Multiple Chemical Sensitivities due to chemicals in inks.

Facilitated by: **Sarah Hart**
REGISTER ONSITE PRIOR TO WORKSHOP

Co-presented with: **GENDERFEST**

PLANNING MEETING

Want to be part of the Queer Arts Family? Join us as we begin planning for the 2015 festival and beyond! Meet the people who make QAF happen and help brainstorm ideas for the future. Artists and art-lovers of all ages, orientations, backgrounds and abilities are invited to participate!



ROUNDHOUSE EXHIBITION HALL

THU AUG 7 • 7:30PM | FREE ADMISSION

SELF-PRODUCING & TOURING 101

Wanna tour the world with your art or performance? Explore step-by-step considerations for self-producing and touring independent performance, including being presented by venues, festivals or community groups!

Facilitated by: **Sunny Drake**



**DON'T MISS SUNNY DRAKE'S, X
JUL 26-28 (SEE PAGE 12)**

ROUNDHOUSE ROOM C

TUE JUL 29 • 7:30PM - 10PM
ADMISSION BY DONATION

DEAF-QUEER DIALOGUE 101

Join the BC Rainbow Alliance of the Deaf (BCRAD) and QAF as we embark on a collaboration to explore the dynamics of Deaf-Queer identities! Our facilitator and four panelists from various backgrounds of Deafness explore what it means for Deaf and queer communities to work hand-in-hand in challenging ableism and discovering accessibility as a united front. English interpretation will be provided for non ASL-signers.

Co-presented with: **BCRAD**



ROUNDHOUSE ROOM C

FRI AUG 8 • 7:30PM - 10PM
ADMISSION BY DONATION



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