

CenterListings

September 2010

The Lesbian, Gay,
Bisexual & Transgender
Community Center
208 West 13th Street
New York, NY 10011
(Between 7th & 8th Aves.)
gaycenter.org

Telephone

Main number: 212.620.7310
Fax: 212.924.2657

Building Hours

MON-FRI 9AM-10PM
SAT 11AM-10PM
SUN 11AM-9PM

Adult Services

Center CARE Recovery
Center CARE Wellness
Project Link

MON-FRI 10AM-6PM

DROP-IN OR BY APPOINTMENT
DIRECT DIAL 646.556.9300

The LGBT Archive

DROP-IN TUE & THU, 6-9PM
OR BY APPOINTMENT, CALL
212.620.7310 X205

David Bohnett Cyber Center

MON-FRI 11AM-9PM
SAT-SUN 12-9PM
\$3 PER HOUR

Pat Parker/Vito Russo

Library & Book Sale
MON-THU 6-9PM
FRI-SAT 1-4PM
LIBRARY CATALOG ONLINE AT
GAYCENTER.ORG

For more information about all
listings visit gaycenter.org.

CENTER EVENTS & PROGRAMS

To register for Center events and
learn about all programs and volun-
teer opportunities, visit us online at
gaycenter.org.

VOLUNTEERING

MON, SEP 27, 6:30PM

Volunteer Opportunities

Interested in volunteering? Get
more information about volunteer-
ing at the Center and other LGBT
organizations. Visit gaycenter.org
for details.

CULTURAL PROGRAMS

MON, BEGINNING IN SEP Center Literacy presents Learn English (ESL)

Do you want to improve your
ability to speak, write and under-
stand English? Then join our ESL
class. Classes are free. Visit gaycenter.org
for detailed information.

WED, 11AM-12:15PM Center Culture presents Yoga Positive

Designed specifically for HIV+
men and women. Strong but gentle
Yoga practice. Includes a short pre-
sentation about potential benefits to
individuals with HIV. Free. Info at
gaycenter.org.

THU, 7PM Queer Men's Erotic Art Workshop

Re-imagined, re-focused, re-invig-
orated and with a renewed sense of
purpose. Harvey Redding's Queer
Art Now with the Queer Men's Art
Workshop. Reach beyond yourself
to new heights of art making and
display it to the world. \$20. Speci-
fic dates and info at gaycenter.org.

SAT, SEP 11, 11AM-1PM Center Learning presents Microsoft Excel for Beginners

Use hands-on approach and real
examples to explore Excel. Also
review OpenOffice, gnumeric and
GoogleDocs. Free. Register at
gaycenter.org.

TUE, SEP 14, 6:30-8PM Center Learning: PowerPoint Beginner and Intermediate

Fast-paced class designed to more
than just familiarize you with
Microsoft PowerPoint 2007, a pro-
gram used for presenting ideas.
From toolbars to transitions, we
cover the basics to further your
ideas and projects in business and
in your personal life. Program
review and exercises customized to
teach you what you need to know.
Instructor Myles J. Glynn, www.worldwidemyles.com. Free.
Register at gaycenter.org.

THU, SEP 16, 11AM-4PM 4th Annual Out to Work LGBT Career Fair

The Center and the Greenwich
Village-Chelsea Chamber of Com-
merce present the largest LGBT
career fair in the Northeast, featur-
ing 40 exhibitors from all Indus-
tries. Details and registration at
gaycenter.org.

MON, SEP 20, 7PM Center Speakers presents Patricia Clarkson

From *High Art* through *Far from
Heaven* to this year's *Cairo Time*,
Patricia Clarkson has won a de-
voted LGBT following. Meet the
Oscar nominee tonight. For details
and tickets visit gaycenter.org.

TUE, SEP 21, 6:30PM Center Culture presents Connecting to the Right Side of Forty – A Workshop for Gay Men at Midlife

Sixty-minute workshop allows gay
men to gain insight into how their
childhood experiences of not fitting
in with other males inform their in-
teractions as younger gay men
(especially if able to achieve
success and popularity as many
younger gay men do) – which then
leads to thinking we no longer
belong again as older gay men.

WED, SEP 22, PANEL DISCUSSION 6:30PM, SCREENING 6:45PM Center Cinema and Engendered present Queer Shorts

Stalwarts of the South Asian Queer
Cinema come to the Center for a
panel discussion entitled *Queer-
istan: Exploring Otherness*, then
a screening of *Queer Shorts: Amen,
Office, Saayey, and You Cannot
Curry Love*, followed by a talk-
back with the filmmakers.
Engendered (engendered.org) is the
annual, New York-based
transnational arts and human rights
festival that brings together the best
in contemporary South Asian
cinema, visual arts and
performance. For more info and
tickets visit gaycenter.org.

FRI, SEP 24, 6PM-MIDNIGHT Fairgrounds Out at Night VII at Six Flags Great Adventure

Don't miss this amazing
community event. Get bus tickets,
park tickets and all the details at
gaycenter.org.

SAT, SEP 25, 9PM

Dance 208 presents *Fall Fur*
Summer is over and the bears will
be out in full force to kick off the
Center's dance season! \$10 at the
door, \$8 online. Tickets at
gaycenter.org.

THU, SEP 30, & FRI, OCT 1 RECEPTION 6:30PM PERFORMANCE 7PM Center Performance presents WinterKill

Denise Flemming brings her rivet-
ing one-woman performance to the
Center. WinterKill exposes multiple
personalities buried in an abusive
past and reveals that what we ex-
perience as young people truly
affects us for the rest of our lives.
Co-sponsored by The Dollhouse.
Tickets at gaycenter.org.

CENTER KIDS & CENTER FAMILIES

For more information visit gaycenter.org/families or email Ivy Belar-
do, ibelardo@gaycenter.org.

SUN, SEP 12, 1-4PM Men Having Babies

Center Families presents the 6th
annual forum about surrogacy. Ex-
pert advice, personal stories, practi-
cal tools and contacts for gay men
interested in having biological
children through surrogacy. Every-
thing you've ever wanted to know!
For more details and to register,
visit menhavingbabies.org. Please
note, *Planning Biological Parent-
hood for Men will not meet in Sep.*

Center Kids Group Meetings

1ST THU, SEP 2, 8-10 PM Wannabe Dads and Moms

Group for LGBTQ people explor-
ing the possibilities of becoming
parents through adoption. \$5 dona-
tion/household.

WELCOME BACK THE RIDERS AND CREW OF BRAKING THE CYCLE SUN, SEP 26, 5PM

Braking the Cycle is a three-day bike ride from Boston to NYC that benefits the HIV/AIDS services of the Center.

The riders have been training and fundraising for months. Today they conclude their 285-mile trek from Boston with a triumphant celebration in front of the Center. Join the festivities and say thank you to this remarkable bunch. They – and all the people who support them – make a huge difference in the Center's HIV/AIDS services. Be moved. Be inspired. Who knows? Maybe you'll ride next year! Meanwhile, check out brakingthecycle.org.

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2ND WED, SEP 8, 6:30-8PM Parenting Partnerships

Co-ed group for those interested in making babies together and raising them cooperatively. \$5 donation/household.

2ND/4TH THU, SEP 9, 23, 6:30-8PM

Planning Biological Parenthood for Women

For women considering, preparing for, or currently in the process of conceiving through alternative insemination. \$5 donation/household.

3RD SAT, SEP 18, 12:30-2PM Pregnancy Support and Networking

Support and networking group for pregnant parents-to-be wanting to connect and share their experiences and resources with others. \$5 donation/household.

3RD MON, SEP 20, 6:30-8PM TLC for Women TTC

Support group for women who have been trying to conceive through alternative insemination for 6 months or longer. \$5 donation/household.

4TH SUN, SEP 26, 12:30-2PM Genderqueer and Trans Parenting

Group provides space for genderqueer and trans parents and prospective parents to meet, exchange information, share stories, offer and receive support. \$5 donation/household.

NO SEP MEETING Planning Biological Parenthood for Men

Please join us for our *Men Having Babies* forum on Sep 12. See above.

ADULT SERVICES

Center CARE Wellness
Center CARE Recovery

**Direct dial for Adult Services
646.556.9300**

Special Events

FRI, SEP 10, 7-10PM Women of Color Game Night

A night of games and socializing for women who love the company of other women. Join us for fun, games, raffle prizes and refreshments! (Metrocards provided).

FRI, SEP 24, 7-10PM Translatina: The Documentary

Premiere NYC screening of the groundbreaking documentary that exposes the reality of transgender women in Latin America and incorporates interviews with people of 15 nationalities.

Center CARE Recovery Group Schedule

All Center CARE Recovery groups are by appointment only and are open only to registered Center CARE Recovery clients. For info about becoming a Center CARE Recovery client, visit gaycenter.org/health/recovery or call 646.556.9300 x295.

Center CARE Recovery accepts Medicaid and private insurance (currently Value Options, GHI & CHCS) in addition to out-of-network reimbursement and sliding scale payment options.

MON, 11AM-12PM; MON, 6-7PM; WED, 11AM-12PM; THU, 6-7PM Early Recovery Group

For those with fewer than 90 days abstinence.

MON, 12-1PM Sex, Sexuality & Recovery Group

Explores sexuality and substance use.

MON, 1-2PM Young Adults Group

Substance use related to young adults (18-25 y.o.).

MON, 4-5PM Tobacco & Recovery Group

Smoking cessation and recovery.

MON, 5-6PM Integrating Substance Abuse Treatment & 12 Steps Groups

The meaning and purpose of the 12 Steps in relation to substance abuse treatment.

TUE, 11AM-12PM; WED, 6-7PM Relapse Prevention Group

For those with 90 days or more abstinence.

TUE, 3:30-5PM Positive in Recovery Group

Explores thoughts and feelings about having HIV and staying sober.

TUE, 12-1PM Mindfulness Group

Examines habitual reactions to thoughts and feelings related to substance abuse.

TUE, 5-6PM Emotional Wellness Group

Examines difficult emotions that contribute to substance use.

WED, 12-1PM Crystal Meth Group

For those coping with crystal meth use.

WED, 1-2:30PM Creative Recovery Group

Uses art, writing, drawing and other creative processes to stimulate new ideas and attitudes to recovery.

WED, 5-6PM Managing Your Anger & Frustration Group

Examines alternative means of expressing frustration and anger that can lead to substance use.

THU, 11AM-12PM Orientation & Engagement

Provides overview of services, rules, policies, and general information about the CCR treatment program, in order to facilitate engagement and commitment to treatment. Includes Q and A period.

THU, 12-1PM Relationships Group

Examines relationships with self and others in connection to substance use.

THU, 5-6PM Justice & Recovery

Examines recovery as an alternative to incarceration and as an adjustment strategy after incarceration. Members discuss factors that complicate recovery and that predispose the member to recidivism and relapse.

FRI, 11AM-12PM Weekend Recovery Planning Group

Develops relapse prevention strategies for weekends.

FRI, 12-1PM Health & Wellness Group

Provides information about the relationship between health issues and substance use.

FRI, 4-5PM Sex, Crystal Meth & Recovery

Seeks to achieve a healthy integration of sex and intimacy in the context of recovery from crystal meth.

Center CARE Wellness Fall Group Cycle

Updates on group start dates at gaycenter.org/health/wellness.

MENTAL HEALTH BEREAVEMENT | WELLNESS

MON, 6-7:30PM, SEP 27 - DEC 6 Learning, Coping & Healing

All-gender interactive support group for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender-identified people dealing with anxiety, depression and other mental health concerns to gain insight into anxiety and depression, increase coping mechanisms, strengthen support network, and enhance well-being. Intake required. Sliding scale fee.

WED, 6-7:30PM, OCT 6 - DEC 15 Bereavement Support Group

All-gender group to help lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender-identified people navigate their grief and healing processes after losing a loved one, to express and normalize feelings of loss, build contacts, and find resources and creative outlets for loss. Intake required. Sliding scale fee.

TUE, 6-7:30PM, OCT 5 - DEC 14 Yoga for People of All Genders

Weekly drop-in yoga workshop for people of all genders. Part of Center CARE's transgender peer-driven services. Weekly attendance not required. \$5 suggested donation, no one turned away for lack of funds. Drop-in. No registration required.

MON, 7:30-9PM, OCT 18 - NOV 8 Life Coaching for Gay Men

Four-week series designed to assist gay and bisexual men and men of trans-experience in learning new ways to make positive changes, reduce stress, enhance health and begin to increase the level of satisfaction in their lives. Intake required. Free.

TUE, 6-7:30PM, OCT 12 - NOV 16 Discovering Your Inner Coach Life Coaching for Women

Six-week series designed to assist all women in exploring their strengths, setting goals, identifying barriers towards attaining their vision, making positive changes, enhancing health and increasing the level of satisfaction in their lives. Intake required. Sliding scale fee.

GENDER IDENTITY PROJECT

All Gender Identity Project groups are drop-in. Drop-in groups allow you to come to as many or as few sessions as you want. Please come on time and leave on time.

Sign up for the GIP newsletter at genderidentityproject.org.

WED, 7:30-9PM, SEP 22 - DEC 15 Gender Drop-In: Feminine Spectrum

Weekly drop-in group for those assigned male at birth who now identify as trans-femme, trans-women, women, trans-female, cross-dresser, drag queen, transsexual, femme queen, exploring, etc. to explore and discuss their feelings and concerns about gender, trans-identities and their histories. Drop-in. No registration required. \$5 suggested donation, but no one turned away.

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WED, 7:30-9PM, SEP 22 - DEC 15 Gender Drop-In: Masculine Spectrum

Weekly drop-in group for those assigned female at birth who now identify as trans-masculine, trans-men, men, trans-male, boi, gender-queer, AG/Aggressive, transsexual, androgynous, exploring, etc. to explore and discuss their feelings and concerns about gender, trans-identities and their histories. Drop-in. No registration required. \$5 suggested donation, but no one turned away.

WED, SEP 15, 6-7:30PM Trans Families & Friends

Monthly drop-in group for family members and friends of someone who is transgender, transsexual, gender-different or gender questioning. Join other moms, dads, uncles, siblings, grandparents, friends and adult children of transgender individuals. Drop-in. No registration required. \$5 suggested donation, but no one turned away.

TUE, SEP 14, 6-7:30PM Transgender Health Initiative of New York (THINY)

Monthly drop-in advocacy group working to create community-based trans-access to the healthcare movement. THINY is for transgender and gender non-conforming people, and allies. Hosted by GIP, TLDEF, and NYAGRA. Drop-in. No registration required. Free.

1ST/3RD WED, 7:30-9PM Trans Partners/Trans Amoroso

Twice monthly drop-in group to provide support and community for people of all genders to discuss and explore their attraction to and relationships with trans-identified or gender non-conforming individuals. Group open to people currently or formerly in partnerships with trans-people and those exploring their attractions. Drop-in. No registration required. \$5 suggested donation, but no one turned away.

1ST WED, 6-7:30PM T-HOT: Trans Hands-On Team!

Looking for a place to connect with transgender and GNC people? Wish there were more trans and GNC events in NYC? Join us to develop, plan and conduct community events and outreach. We'll review basic skill development for effective leadership. Leaders who complete minimum requirements will be eligible for a leadership certificate and will be eligible to have their story featured as a community role model. No registration required. Free.

FOUNDATION FOR RECOVERY

MON, 7-8:30 (Trans & Gender Non-conforming Focus)

TUE, 2:30-4PM (General Population)

THU, 7-8:30PM (General Population)

Connected in Recovery

Weekly support group led by and for LGBT people in recovery. Drop-in. No registration required. General meetings for LGBT people. For more information, contact Joe Disano, 646.556.9300 x485, jdisano@gaycenter.org

In Recovery with Resources

Case management services to help you find the resources you need to remain in recovery, such as welfare benefits, referrals to LGBT-competent providers, job placements and more. Free. For more info or services, contact Miguel Castillo 646.556.9300 x476, mcastillo@gaycenter.org

En Recuperación con Recursos

Manejo de casos para ayudarlo con los recursos necesarios para continuarle en continuar en recuperación de abuso sustancias y prevenir recaídas. Le podemos ayudar con servicios aplicaciones para servicios sociales, seguros medico, vivienda, empleo, referidos a proveedores LGBT competentes y mucho mas. Servicios gratuitos. Para registrarse contacte Miguel Castillo 646.556.9300 x476, mcastillo@gaycenter.org

HIV/AIDS SUPPORT

MON, 6-7:30PM, SEP 20 - DEC 13 Positive Care I:

Newly Diagnosed HIV+

Group for newly diagnosed HIV+ men to provide emotional support to ease anxiety, fear, and isolation related to a new diagnosis and to help members begin to adjust to HIV in their lives. Open to gay and bisexual men and men of trans-experience. Free. Intake required; call to schedule.

MON, 6-7:30PM, OCT 18 - DEC 6 Positive Care II:

Living with HIV

Group for men living long-term with HIV to provide emotional support to maintain and promote health and happiness. Group provides space to discuss concerns around self-esteem, isolation, safer sex, stigma, etc. Open to gay and bisexual men and men of trans-experience. Free. Intake required; call to schedule.

LESBIAN CANCER INITIATIVE

Serving Lesbians, Bisexual Women, and Transgender People.

Sign up for the LCI email newsletter at gaycenter.org.

THU, 6-7:30PM, SEP 16 - DEC 16 Survivors Group

Group for lesbians, bisexual women and transgender cancer survivors to help participants navigate the challenges of living with, and after, a cancer diagnosis. Group focuses on cancer's broad impact on our lives, from the stress of navigating the medical system and treatment decisions to its effect on sexuality, body image and relationships. Offered in partnership with SHARE. Free. Intake required; call to schedule.

MON, 6-7:30PM, OCT 4 - DEC 13 Caring for Someone with Cancer/Caring for Ourselves

Support group for lesbians, bisexual women and transgender (LBT) people caring for a partner, friend or family member with a cancer diagnosis, as well as women and transgender people offering care to an LBT person with cancer. Group aims to help participants navigate the challenges of caring for someone with a cancer diagnosis and focuses on juggling the emotions and responsibilities of care giving with the critical importance of self-care. Free. Intake required; call to schedule.

SMOKE FREE PROJECT

For information and screening, call 646.556.9300 x485.

THU, SEP 16, 6-9PM

Not Quite Ready to Quit

Three-hour workshop focuses on understanding nicotine addiction, increasing motivation, and eliminating roadblocks to making the decision to quit. Screening required.

THU, 7-8:30PM, SEP 23 - OCT 28 Commit to Quit

Six-week group helps you develop a quit plan, build a support system, and effectively handle relapse pressure after you have quit. One session of Not Quite Ready to Quit required. Screening required.

SUPPORT SERVICES FOR IMMIGRANTS

TUE, 7-8:30PM, OCT 5 - DEC 14 Immigration Support Group - English

Now weekly! Supportive space for LGBT immigrants (regardless of immigration status) to meet and discuss issues related to living in a new country. Group also serves as a

place for LGBT immigrants to get referrals to organizations that can help them adjust to their new life in New York and to meet others living in similar circumstances. Drop-in. No registration required. Free.

LUNES, 6-7:30PM, OCT 4 - DIC 13 Grupo de Apoyo para Inmigrantes (en Queens)

Este grupo se hará en español. El grupo que venia reuniéndose cada dos semanas en Manhattan, ahora se hará cada semana y se ubicará en **Queens Pride House** localizado en **Jackson Heights**, Queens, en el 76-11 37th Avenue, Suite 206. El grupo sigue siendo un espacio seguro donde Inmigrantes LGBT, (sin importar su estatus migratorio) un lugar donde inmigrantes LGBT pueden recibir información sobre organizaciones que los ayuda ajustar a su nueva vida en New York. Gratis y no requiere registro previo.

TUE, 7:30-9PM, SEP 7 - DEC 14 Immigration Social Action Group

Comprising members from over 25 different countries, group conducts outreach and organizes the LGBT Immigration Fair in April. Drop-in. No registration required. Free. Gratis y no requiere registro previo. For more info email George Fesser at gfesser@gaycenter.org.

EVENTS BY OTHER GROUPS

THU, SEP 2, 6:15-7:15PM Pride Toastmasters: Organize Your Speech

Learn how to organize your thoughts and communicate them effectively. Membership \$125 per year. Attend at least three (free) meetings before joining. 347.850.3253, info@pridetoastmasters.com, pridetoastmasters.com.

FRI, SEP 3, 8-10PM Psychology Discussion Group

Can the so-called "science of happiness" help us develop or restore independent warmth and pride? All welcome. Admission closes after 8pm, so please don't be late. \$10. 718.473.0702. rosenfels.org/schedule.htm.

TUE, SEP 7, 6-8PM Sacred Center New York

Creating spiritual space in your home. Facilitated by Rev. John Foran and open to everyone regardless of race, religion, culture or sexual orientation. No charge/pass the basket. revjohnforan@earthlink.net

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TUE, SEP 7, 6:30-8PM

SAGE presents Kick the Clutter Habit

Professional organizer Andrew Mellen presents a workshop in conjunction with the release of his new book *Unstuff Your Life! How to Kick the Clutter Habit and Completely Organize Your Life for Good*. Free. sageusa.org.

TUE, SEP 7, 7-9PM

The New Deeper Dating: Finding Relationships That Inspire Us

Tonight, Ken Page LCSW, discusses how to move away from "relationships of deprivation" and find "relationships of inspiration" instead. \$20 in advance; \$25 at the door. Deeperdating.com.

THU, SEP 9, 6:15-8PM

Pride Toastmasters: Social Break-Through

The members of Pride Toastmasters invite you for a social meeting and evening. See what everyone is talking about. See Sep 2 for details.

FRI, SEP 10, 6:30-9:30PM

Contra Dance Party

Tom Toomey is the caller tonight, with live music by Contrazz. No partner or experience needed, everyone welcome. Beginner intro and pre-dance schmooze at 6:30. \$12. Tom 917.991.0579, Carol 718.972.3191, lcfid.org/nyc.

SAT-SUN, SEP 11-12, 11AM-6PM Re-Imagining Your Life and Stepping into Adulthood: A Workshop for All LGBT People

David Conneely and Monica Murray facilitate two-day workshop on John C. Lilly's model. \$250 for both days. David 917.817.9842, conneely.david@gmail.com.

SAT, SEP 11, 5-7PM

Moonfire Empowerment and Spirituality Network

Rev. Carol A. Cannon facilitates The Mayan Calendar and The Transformation Of Consciousness. \$6. All welcome. Amethyst 212.222.2467, amethystsylviachild@gmail.com.

SAT, SEP 11, 8-10PM

Boyfriend Material: Single Guys for a Long-Term Relationship!

Meet guys one-on-one, get assigned to groups, and get your matches by the end of the night! \$15 in advance; \$20 at the door. 212.971.1084, bfmaterialny.com.

TUE, SEP 14, 6-8PM

Sacred Center New York

Looking in the mirror of your life, do you love what you see? See Sep 7 for details.

TUE, SEP 14, 8-10PM

Pat Parker/Vito Russo Center Library Book Discussion Group

Discussion of *A Perfect Waiter* by Alain Claude Sulzer. Some readers have had trouble finding this book at the library, so start looking now. howardwill.com/BooksToConsiderReading.htm.

THU, SEP 16, 6:15-7:15PM

Pride Toastmasters: Out to Work Special

Do you ramble in conversation? Learn how to get to the point and just say it. See Sep 2 for details.

SAT, SEP 18, 2-4PM

A Passion Party

An entertaining shopping experience! Romance consultant Kara Addington talks about female sexuality in a fun, safe environment. Enjoy a demonstration of passion-related products, followed by a confidential ordering process. Free. RSVP: 347.738.0352, KarasSweetSpot@gmail.com, passionparties.com.

SAT, SEP 18, 2:30-4:30PM

Remembering John Stahle: A Tribute Memorial

Readings, reflections, music and visual art to honor the life and work of John Stahle, writer, graphic designer, and editor of *Ganymede*, a journal devoted to gay men's art, literature and culture based in New York City. Free; open to the public. rememberingjohnstahle.com.

SAT, SEP 18, 4:30-6PM

Sipper's Delight Wine Tasting Social Club

Beginners, moderate consumers and connoisseurs are welcome to sip, network, and broaden their knowledge of wine in a casual and unpretentious environment. \$10. RSVP Burley.Tuggle@gmail.com.

SAT, SEP 18, 8-10PM

Girlfriend Material: Dating and Friendship for Single Women

Get into four discussion groups, meet women one-on-one, and then find out your mutual matches. \$15 in advance; \$20 at the door. 212.971.1084, gfmaterialny.com.

SUN, SEP 19, 1-2:30PM

SAL Book Discussion Group

All lesbians welcome to discuss contemporary and classic lesbian literature with this friendly group. Today's book is *Crocodile Soup* by Julia Darling. \$3; exact change appreciated. groups.yahoo.com/group/salbookgroup.

TUE, SEP 21, 6-8PM

Sacred Center New York: The 10 Commandments for the 21 Century

Come and discover a deeper interpretation: the Inter-faith experience. See Sep 7 for details.

THU, SEP 23, 6:30-8PM

SAFE presents Living in Religious Exile: How To Find Your Spiritual Self

Workshop includes meditation, discussion, teachings and readings from different religions and spiritualities. \$5. chris@gaysafe.org.

THU, SEP 23, 6:15-7:15PM

Pride Toastmasters: How to Say It

Remember the saying "It is not what you say, but how you say it"? Come to Pride Toastmasters and learn how to say it effectively. See Sep 2 for details.

SAT, SEP 25, 5-7PM

Moonfire Empowerment and Spirituality Network

Dr. Stephen L. Hintlian, DLE, facilitates The Big Picture: Everything You Need To Know About The Universe...And Beyond. All welcome. \$6. Amethyst 212.222.2467, amethystsylviachild@gmail.com.

SAT, SEP 25, 8-10

Lesbian Dating/Social Mixer Make Me A Match

Singles event run by a lesbian comedian with mini-dates, non-threatening interactions and a mingling period. Fall special \$21. Must pre-register. 212.989.8549, nyclavenderlounge.com.

SAT, SEP 25, 8-10PM

Qwik Dates: Men Ages 30s/40s Night

Meet lots of guys for speed-dating and a mingling period, and get your matches by the end of the night! \$15 in advance; \$20 at the door. 212.971.1084, qwikdates.com.

TUE, SEP 28, 6-8PM

Sacred Center New York

Healing from organized religion-based homophobia that told us – the LGBT community – that we were not worthy of the Divine Love. See Sep 7 for details.

WED, SEP 29, 7-9PM

Public Forum hosted by the NYPD LGBT Advisory Committee

This is your opportunity to share your concerns so the advisory committee can convey them directly to the Police Commissioner. Free. Andy Velez anmvlevez@aol.com, Antonio Centeno 646.262.1968.

THU, SEP 30, 6:15-7:15PM

Pride Toastmasters: The Ice Breaker

First words make first impressions. Learn how to say them with ease. Build your confidence and overcome your speaking fears. See Sep 2 for details.

SUN, OCT 3, 6-8PM

Disabled Queers of New York (DQNY)

Social/support group for disabled gay men and gay men with chronic illnesses. Being a minority within a minority isn't easy, but DQNY will help you to feel good about yourself. Meets quarterly; call or email for future dates. 718.389.8180, atrocchia@aol.com

RECURRING MEETINGS & EVENTS

ACT UP (AIDS Coalition to Unleash Power)

Individuals united in anger and committed to direct action to end the AIDS crisis. General Meeting Mon 8pm. 212.966.4873, actupny.org, actupny@panix.com

African Ancestral Lesbians United for Societal Change (AALUSC)

Community space for Lesbians of the African Diaspora regardless of language, class or culture. Discussions, workshops, cultural events for Black Lesbians by Black Lesbians. Thu 6-8pm. facebook.com/home.php#/group.php?gid=53221651752, AALUSC1974@gmail.com

American Veterans for Equal Rights New York (AVERNY)

GLBT American armed forces veterans. VA medical benefits assistance, parade marching, oral history project, rights advocacy, community projects, social events, dinners. Visit our website for schedule information or call 718.849.5665. www.averyn.tripod.com, averyn@nyc.rr.com

Art Group for Gay and Lesbian Artists

1st Tue 8-10pm, no Jun/Jul/Aug. 212.431.4532

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Bi Perspective Social/discussion/support group for bisexual, bi-friendly, questioning men, women, couples who live, work or play in NYC. 1st Sun 3-4:30pm. Michael 908.355.4051; Bi Info Line 212.459.4784, nyabn.org/BiPerspective, michaeltalmo@aol.com

Bi Request Topic-focused, moderated discussion group, followed by optional dinner. Ad hoc social activities throughout the year. 1st/3rd Thu 6-8pm. Birequest@yahoo.com, BiRequest.org

Bi Women of All Colors Social group for women, featuring discussion topics followed by dinner at a nearby restaurant. Safe space for women to share and meet new people. 2nd Sun 5-6:30pm. 917.583.1797, 347.204.5049, myspace.com/biwomenofallcolors.

Big Apple Softball League NY's only gay/lesbian softball league. 2nd Wed 6-8pm. 212.726.1518, bigapplesoftball.com

Bisexual Women's Support Group Support/discussion group for bisexual and bi-curious women only. \$3 donation requested; no one turned away. 3rd/5th Wed 6:30-8pm. cindytrue@msn.com

Board Stiff Exotic and unusual card and board games. Beginners happily taught. \$5, \$3 students. 1st/3rd Wed 8-10pm. boardstiffny.com

Buddhist Explorers Group NYC Explore how Buddhist practice, meditation and ethical philosophy can enhance happiness, compassion, and physical/emotional/spiritual health. We view Buddhism as a lifestyle and ethical philosophy rather than a theology or religious belief or concept of God. All welcome. Free. 3rd Sun 2-3:30pm. DharmaFellowship.com; Mark de Solla Price 212.924.1845, mark@MarkandVinny.com,

Butch/Femme Society 3rd Wed 6:30-8pm. 212.388.2736, bfsnyc@aol.com

The Change Project Study group focused on change within and outside of us. Learn about creating, embracing, enduring change. 1st/3rd Tue 2-3pm. 212.255.1186 geoff.l.allison@gmail.com

Christian Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgendered & Others Fellowship Group singing, prayer, bible study, discussion. 2nd/4th Tue 8pm. 212.529.2365

Christian Science Group Study/discussion group offering safe space to explore sexuality and all life's issues in spiritual context. Thu 8-9pm. 212.532.8379, nycsgroup.com

Circle of Voices (C.O.V.) Social discussions, event opportunities for LBT womyn of color and African descent empowerment groups. Seeking visual/electronic artists, guest speakers, community contributors. \$6. Refreshments. 5th Fri 6-8pm. circleofvoicesinc.org

City Cruisers, NYC Motorcycle Club Riding club for gay male motorcyclists. 1st Thu 8-9pm. citycruisers.com, info@citycruisers.com

A Common Bond Support group for ex-Jehovah's Witnesses who are LGBT. 3rd Sat 5-6:30pm. acbnyc.com

Contra Dance American folk dance. Friendly atmosphere, everyone welcome. Live music, easy-to-learn dances. \$12. 2nd Fri 7-9:30pm. Brooks 347.275.7983, Carol 718.972.3191. lcfid.org/nyc

Dignity New York Celebrating the Eucharist, working for a time when LGBT people participate fully in all aspects of life within the Roman Catholic Church and society. Steering Committee 2nd Tue 8-10pm. Liturgy Committee 4th Tue 8-10pm. 646.418.7039, dignityny.org, dignityny@aol.com

Disabled Queers of New York (DQNY) Social/support group for disabled gay men and gay men with chronic illnesses. Being a minority within a minority isn't easy, but DQNY will help you to feel good about yourself. Meets quarterly on Sun 6-8pm. Call or email for dates. 718.389.8180, atrocchia@aol.com

Disclosure Network/New York (DNNY) UFO to paranormal topics. Speakers plus Q&A. All welcome. 1st Sun 2-5pm. \$8. 917.701.9033, dnnny.org, Nicknyny1@gmail.com

Fifth Wednesday Gaming Group Different games at each meeting; latecomers may not be admitted. \$5, exact change appreciated. 5th Wed 8-10pm. 212.246.6214

Filmmakers' Club All invited, novice to pro, mac or pc, covering cinematography and lighting thru festival distribution. \$5. 2nd Tue 8-10pm. No Jul/Aug/Sep. GayFilmmakersNYC.com

FIRE-FLAG, Inc. Peer support for gay firefighters, EMS and related professionals. 2nd Tue 6-8pm, followed by social at Tys. Tom 888.763.0479, fireflag.net, fireflag1@aol.com

French Language Club For beginners/intermediates who wish to upgrade ability to speak but lack opportunity to practice. Not a class. Relaxed, round table discussion to enjoy using what you already know. \$5. 1st/3rd Wed 6-8pm, no Jul/Aug. 212.772.3511

Gay & Lesbian Bible Study Study books of the Bible one by one. Mon 8-10pm. gerig@columbia.edu

Gay & Lesbian Independent Democrats (GLID) Progressive, open political club discusses events, endorses candidates, promotes education on lesbian and gay issues. 3rd Wed 6-8pm. glid.org

Gay & Lesbian Reading Group Discussion of LGBT experience through reading novels, plays, poetry, non-fiction. Newcomers welcome. 2nd Thu 8-9:30pm. Jim 212.945.0709, jclarkmedia.com/gaybooks, jclark@jclarkmedia.com

Gay & Lesbian Yeshiva Day School Alumni Safe space to integrate Jewish and lesbian/gay identities in self-affirming, positive direction through discussion, socializing, activism. 4th Thu 8-10pm. 212.780.4656, glydsa.org, glydsa@hotmail.com

Gay Asian & Pacific Islander Men of NY (GAPIMNY) Safe space for gay, bisexual and questioning men and transgender people of Asian/Pacific Islander heritage. General Meeting 3rd Fri 8-10pm. Steering Committee 1st Mon 8-10pm. 212.802.7423, gapimny.org, gapimny@gapimny.org

Gay/Bi Dad's Group of New York Support/social group for gay and bisexual fathers and others in child-nurturing situations. General Meeting 1st Fri 8-10pm. gaybidads.org, info@gaybidads.org

Gay Men's Opera Club Listen to and discuss recordings. 2nd Fri 8-10pm. Charles 212.691.5993

Gay Officers Action League (GOAL) Lesbian and gay criminal justice professionals. Membership Meeting 2nd Tue 8-10pm. 212.691.4625, goalny.org, goalny1@goalny.org

Grand Slam Bridge Group Relaxed game of duplicate bridge promotes social ties. Partner not needed; everybody who arrives on time gets to play. 2nd/4th Sun 2-5pm, no Jul/Aug. 914.665.8862, 516.671.2095

Greater New York Gesneriad Society Learn about miracle houseplants in African Violet and Florist Gloxinia families. 3rd Sat 11am-2pm. 212.666.2395, nygesneriad.org

Heritage of Pride/NYC Pride Organizers of NYC's LGBT pride events (Rally, March, Dance on the Pier, Pride-Fest). 2nd Mon 8-10pm. 212.80PRIDE, hopinc.org.
HI-five (HIV/AIDS) Support Group Support group for gay men living with HIV and/or AIDS. Sun 11:30am-1pm. \$10/session. Scott A. Kramer, LMSW, ACSW 347.620. LIFE, scottakramer@gmail.com
HIV+ and HIV- affected Gay Men Support Group (ACRIA) Thu 6:30-8pm, 212.924.3934, acria.org
HIV+ Gay Men Support Group (ACRIA) Fri 6:30-8pm. 212.924.3934, acria.org

Identity House Walk-In Peer Counseling Low-cost counseling for coming out, relationships, dating, all other life topics. Sat & Sun 6-8pm. info@identityhouse.org
Imperial Court of NY Social drag organization promoting self-respect and positive awareness while raising funds for community and AIDS service organizations. 1st Wed 7:30-10pm. 212.475.0838

Indoor Gardening Society of America Learn the joys of houseplant horticulture with the Metropolitan Chapter. 4th Tue 6-9pm, 3rd Tue Dec, no Jul/Aug. 212.877.9010

I.C.E. (Inner Child Experience) Offers progressive thinking and community wellness arts and crafts workshops. 4th Fri 6-8pm. the-innerchildexperience@yahoo.com
Instigate NYC Queer/trans led, anti-racist, anti-classist, pro-pervert BDSM/sex/kink infoshare. Open to all. Sliding scale. 3rd Sun 5-6pm. instigatenyc@riseup.net

Knit and Schmoose Sometimes your brain works better when your hands are busy. Bring needles and yarn. Led by Barbara Drainin, DSW. 1st/3rd Mon 6:30-8pm. To sign up email bdrainin@aol.com and put "knitting" in subject line.

CenterListings

Las Buenas Amigas Lesbianas Latinas en Nueva York Formed in 1986. US-born Latinas, immigrants from Latin America, working-class women, mothers, students, professionals, artists, activists. 1st Sun 3-5pm. 718.596.0342 x44, lasbuenasamigas.org, lba@lasbuenasamigas.org

Latino Gay Men of New York General meeting for Latino gay, bisexual, transgender men to explore their total beings without closeting sexuality or feeling discriminated against because of cultural heritage. 1st Fri 8-10pm, no Aug. 212.367.0342, lgmny.org, info@lgmny.org

Leather Pride Night Committee Planning for annual charity auction in June to raise money for Heritage of Pride and other LGBT and s/m-leather-fetish beneficiaries. 1st Thu 8-10pm. 718.497.4994, leather-pridenight.org, lpnyc@aol.com

Legal Clinic Offered by Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual & Transgender Law Association Foundation of Greater NY. Free walk-in clinic provides general legal information, referrals. Tue, Sign-in 6-6:30pm. 212.353.9118, le-gal.org, le_gal@earthlink.net

Lesbian & Gay Teachers Association General Meeting 1st Wed 6-8pm, no Jul/Aug. Jonathan 212.933.4544, Catherine 646.660.3303, lgt@aol.com

Lesbian Sex Mafia (LSM) Fetish social group for women only. 3rd Fri 8-10pm. 212.726.3844, lesbiansexmafia.org, lsmnyc@hotmail.com

Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual & Transgender Social Workers (NASW NYC LGBT Committee) General meeting and networking. 4th Wed, Jan/Apr/Oct, 6:30-8pm. 212.668.0050, lgbtnasw@yahoo.com

Life Drawing Monitored life drawing sessions, male models, short and long poses. Sat 11am-2pm, last Sat long poses. \$12. Bring own drawing material. All skill levels welcome. Steven Frim 201.945.5134

Living Soulfully NYC Men who have been to Easton Mountain Retreat, their friends, those curious about Easton Mountain meet for varied program of fun, fellowship, meditation, ritual, heart-to-heart connection. Usually 1st Sun 4-6pm. 800.553.8235, eastonmountain.com

Males Au Naturel (M.A.N.) Gay/bisexual men's nudist/naturist group for NY. Sponsors members-only, non-sexual, nude social events, parties at Center and other locations. Annual membership required for continued invites and discounted admission. Non-nude information session at the Center Jan 13, Apr 14, Jul 14, 7pm. 212.898.0383, males.org

Manhattan Stuttering Group Self-help support group for persons who stutter. 2nd/4th Wed 6-8pm. 201.823.1465

Marriage Equality NY Coalition of lesbian, gay and non-gay individuals and organizations committed to ending discrimination against same sex couples in civil marriage. 1st Wed 6:30-7:30pm. 877.772.0089, marriageequalityny.org, info@marriageequalityny.org

MASt Metro NY Community inclusive support group for those who identify as owner/master/mistress or property/slave. Open to all genders/orientations interested in this lifestyle, regardless of relationship status. 1st Sun 2-5pm, 2nd Sun Dec. mspetal@gmail.com

Masters & Slaves Together NY (MASt NYC) Support group for gay men interested or involved in Master/slave, Daddy/boy, other power-exchange relationships. Discuss concerns, share info, get to know the men behind the labels. 4th Sun 4-6pm. mast.net

Mateando NYC Social, cultural, human rights group for GLBT Argentineans and Uruguayans living in NY State and friends. 2nd Sun 2-5pm, no Jun/Jul/Aug. 718.766.7500, mateando_nyc@yahoo.com, mateandonyc.org

Meditation Class Learn practical techniques in meditation, mindfulness for spiritual, personal growth. Led by woman Buddhist monk. Tue 6-8pm. \$5. woman_monk@yahoo.com

Men of All Colors Together (MACT) Striving to create multi-cultural community. General Meeting 1st/3rd/4th/5th Fri 8-10pm. Board Meeting 2nd Fri 8pm. 212.330.7678, mactny.org, secretary@mactny.org

Men of Onyx New York Brotherhood of men of color who advocate the practices of BDSM/Fetish, providing education and support to the community. 2nd Sun 5-7pm. onyxnewyork.com

Metro Gay Wrestling Alliance Amateur freestyle wrestling practices. All welcome regardless of gender or sexual orientation, especially beginners. Sun 2-5pm. metrowrestling.org, mgwa@metrowrestling.org

Moonfire Empowerment & Spirituality Network Diverse workshops, discussions on empowerment, healing, spirituality, metaphysics, creativity, entertainment. 2nd/4th/5th Sat 5-7pm. \$6. All welcome. Amethyst 212.222.2467, amethystsylviachild@gmail.com

Natural History Group Lesbian and Gay Naturalists of NY. Field trips, programs. 1st Thu 8-10pm. 646.469.4149

Network for the Realization of the Goddess (NRG) Women's Dianic Wicca Spirituality Circle. Open to all women. Safe CR-like setting to learn. practice Goddess, Mother Nature-based rituals. 2nd Thu 8-10pm. 718.786.0145

New York boys of Leather Leather social organization providing leather boys a forum to have fun, learn, educate, socialize, support each other and leather community. 2nd Thu 8:30-10pm. newyorkboysofleather.com

New York Fashion Model Drawing Meetup Designers, illustrators and enthusiasts sketch fashions from live model. \$15 per session, reservations required. 3rd Sat 1-4pm. meetup.com/NY-Fashion-Model-Drawing

NYC Gay Men's Shamanic Circle Open circle for gay men performing shamanic journey work for healing on many levels, including ourselves, our community, the planet. 1st Sun 12-1:15pm Feb/Apr/Jun/Aug/Oct/Dec. \$10. nycgayshamans.net

NYC Latino PFLAG, parte de PFLAG FCA, NYC Todos son bienvenidos, incluyendo padres, amigos, familiares y personas GLBT con o sin sus familias. Primer domingo 1-3pm. Las coordinadoras: Nila Marrone 914.787.8738, nilajoe@optonline.net; Migdalia Santiago, 718.749.8562, florlatina123@yahoo.com.

NYC Married Men's Support Group For men who identify as bi or gay and are, or have been, in a mixed orientation marriage. Contact facilitator before attending. Jeremy Lees, jllees@verizon.net.

NYC Open Gay Men's Pagan Magick Circle Celebrate queer spirit, honor the Earth and the Gods, raise joyfully creative healing energy. As Eclectics, we acknowledge, support diverse traditions, including Wiccan, Faerie, Egyptian, Druidic, Shamanic. Newcomers welcome. 3rd Tue 8-10pm. groups.yahoo.com/group/mag_pagan/

Other Countries: Black Gay Expression Peer-facilitated writing workshop for black gay men to present their writing (fiction, non-fiction, drama, etc.) and receive/provide critiques. Those interested in presenting encouraged to confirm week prior, but walk-ins accepted. 2nd/4th Sat 6-9pm. kevmcgr@pipeline.com

Out Professionals Gay, lesbian professionals organization. More than 1,000 members. Workshops, lectures, seminars, socializing for social/networking contacts in NYC. 3rd Wed 6:30pm and more; check website. outprofessionals.org

Philosophy Forum Inquire into teaching of thinkers past/present, East/West. 2nd/4th Sat 3-5pm; no Jul/Aug. Call before attending. Warren 212.477.2827, paulinepark@earthlink.net

Photography Club Amateurs, professionals meet to show work, receive comments. nycphotoclub.com, info@nycphotoclub.com

Polyamorous NYC Discussion group designed specifically for individuals, couples and groups who are part of the Gay, Lesbian, Bi & Trans community and who have an interest in long-term, romantic-ally committed, multiple-partner relationships. 3rd Wed 8-10pm. Justen 212.543.9494, poly-nyc.com, info@poly-nyc.com

Pride Toastmasters Improve speaking, presentation skills! Mutually supportive, positive learning environment; every member has opportunity to develop communication, leadership skills, fostering self-confidence, personal growth. Thu 6:15-7:15pm. 646.548.7414, info@pridetostmasters.com, pridetostmasters.com

Prime Timers Social club for mature men. General Meeting 2nd Sat 2-4pm. Board of Directors 2nd Sat 1-2pm. POB 1185, Lenox Hill Station, NYC 10021-1185. nyprime69@yahoo.com

CenterListings

Psychology Discussion Group

Grow with other men, women in atmosphere of support, challenge. Discuss homosexuality/creativity, gender/identity, masculinity/femininity, more. Experienced facilitator. Door closes 8pm. 1st Fri 8-10pm Mar/Jun/Sep/Dec. \$10. 718.473.0702, ninthstreetcenter.org/schedule.htm

Rainbow Tango Dance mixer with tango class, line dancing, shows. No dance experience required. Bring comfortable shoes, leather sole recommended. \$12. 3rd Sun 3-5pm. Register at statnyc@yahoo.com.

Room To Write Writing group open to all in LGBT community, novice or experienced. All subjects, styles of writing. 1st/3rd/5th Wed 7-9pm. 2nd/4th Fri 6-8pm, no Fri Jul/Aug. roomtowrite@live.com

Sacred Center New York New thought inter-faith spiritual group. Prayer, meditation and sharing experience. All welcome. Tue 6-8pm. Free. Rev. John Foran revjohnforan@earthlink.net.

SAL Book Discussion Group Lesbian book group to discuss contemporary, classic lesbian literature. Newcomers welcome. 3rd Sun 1-2:30pm. groups.yahoo.com/group/salbookgroup

Scrabblers All levels. Bring boards. English, Spanish, French, Italian. 2nd/4th Mon 8-10pm. 212.362.5889

Sirens Motorcycle Club Tri-state area premier women's motorcycle club dedicated to promoting motorcycling as a sport among women emphasizing skill, safety, solidarity, support, friendship. 3rd Tue 8-10pm. sirensnyc.com, sirensnyc@hotmail.com

Sistahs in Search of Truth, Alliance and Harmony (SiSTAH) Supportive/nurturing space for bi, lesbian, trans, same-sex loving womyn of colour. Special focus on health, wellness, social, educational issues. 3rd Fri 6-8pm. 212.479.7886, 917.623.7889

Sophisticated Aggressive Gents Support group for women who self-identify as AG's/Butches/Studs/Aggressives for group discussions, advice, suggestions, networking, support. 2nd Fri 6-8pm. Paris 646.330.8641, myspace.com/aggressivegents

South Asian Lesbian & Gay Association (SALGA) Support Group Social and political organization for LGBT people who trace their descent from South Asia. Support Group 2nd Sat 4-6pm. Mailing address: SALGA c/o The LGBT Community Center, 208 West 13 Street, NY, NY 10011. 212.358.5132, www.salganyc.org, salganyc@hotmail.com

Stonewall Democratic Club Special events, discussions on LGBT issues, candidate endorsements. 4th Wed 8-10pm. Tom Smith 212.330.6572, sdnyc.org

STONEWALL Veterans' Association Participants in legendary 5-night 1969 Stonewall Rebellion eligible for membership. Friends of SVA last Sat 4:15-6pm. 212.627.1969, 212.777.6286, stonewallvets.org, sva@stonewallvets.org

Stop the False Arrests Campaign Organizing to end false arrests in LGBT community. 4th Wed 7:30-9pm. stopthearrests@aol.com

SUGAR: LGBT Diabetics Drop-in support group for LGBT people living with diabetes. Connect with others who face the same struggles. Share "food for thought" through personal experiences to help other members increase their quality of diabetic life. Spark discussions that lead to better dialogues between you and your doctors. 4th Wed 6:30-8pm. Suggested donation \$5.

Sundance Outdoor Adventure Society NY area gay outdoors club for men, women of all ages, abilities. Over 500 members enjoy outdoor non-competitive activities: backpacking, biking, boating, hiking, horseback riding, social outings, skating, skiing and more. All-volunteer Sundance run by members. Quarterly mixers. sundanceoutdoor.org

Support Group for Single Lesbians Support/social group for single lesbians meeting in caring, safe space. Fri 6-7pm. Pauline 718.762.3473

TwentySomething Social group for LGBT New Yorkers in/around their twenties (ages 18-33). \$5. 1st/3rd Tue 8-10pm. 20somethingNYC.com

VegOut NYC Vegan potluck for LGBT/queer-friendly vegetarians, vegans, friends. Bring dish to share (no meat, poultry, fish, eggs, dairy, honey) and \$5; \$12 without food. 3rd Sun 3-5pm, no Jun. meetup.com/vegout-nyc, vegoutnyc.org

Village Dive Club Gay, lesbian scuba diving club. Meetings, social events, dive trips. VillageDiveClub.com, VillageDiveClub@gmail.com

Village Playwrights Gay, lesbian playwrights, screenwriters present scripts for informal critiques leading to staged productions. 2nd/4th Wed 8-10pm. Emanuel 212.645.1514, Phryxus@aol.com, village-playwrights.googlepages.com

West Village Trans-Legal Clinic Name Change Project Free information, assistance to transgender identified people interested in obtaining legal name changes. Drop-in. 1st Mon sign-up 6-6:30pm 212.353.9118, le_gal@earthlink.net

Women About, The Adventure Social Club for Lesbians NY-based network for lesbians generating social, cultural, athletic activities in tri-state area since 1976. Quarterly meetings to plan events, mail newsletter. Yearly dues: \$15 singles, \$25 couples. PO Box 146, New York, NY 10011-0146. 212.642.5257, womenabout.org, info@womenabout.org

Women's All-Preference Social For bisexual, lesbian, trans and straight women. Sharing, followed by a social. BYO food and drink. \$3 donation requested; no one turned away. 1st Wed 6:30-8pm. cindytrue@msn.com.

Zappalorti Society Lesbian, gay, transgender psychiatric survivors organized for peer support, self-help, mental health advocacy. Sat 1-4pm. 917.286.0616, bert_coffman@yahoo.com

Zen Meditation Group Buddhist discussion and practice group from Open Sky Sangha. Dharma talks, group dialogue, meditation instruction and practice. Learn to tame your thoughts, discover your true nature and develop peace of mind. All welcome regardless of previous experience or background. 1st Thu 6-7:30 pm. \$5. 212.989.3456, www.openskysangha.com

SAGE AT THE CENTER

Services and Advocacy for GLBT Elders offers an extensive array of groups and programs at the Center. For more info, call 212.741.2247 or visit sageusa.org.

SAGE Community Services Office Room 207 at the Center. Walk-in hours Mon-Fri 2-5pm.

SAGE Administration and Clinical Services 305 7th Ave, 6th Floor, NYC 10001. Send all SAGE mail to that address.

SAGE Special Events

TUE, SEP 7, 6:30-8PM
SAGE presents Kick the Clutter Habit

Professional organizer Andrew Mellen presents a workshop in conjunction with the release of his new book *Unstuff Your Life! How to Kick the Clutter Habit and Completely Organize Your Life for Good*. Bring your clutter concerns – photos and other visual aids welcome – and Andrew will answer your questions. Copies of *Unstuff Your Life!* on hand for purchase and signing. Free. sageusa.org.

BEGINNING IN SEPTEMBER
SAGE Lifelong Learning: Filmmaking Workshop

SAGE is collaborating with Dixon Place to offer this workshop. Participants work together to develop and create an original short film, with hands-on camera experience and opportunities to learn basic video editing. \$25 fee; need-based scholarships available. Daytime workshop. Open to those age 50+. If interested, call Alex at 212.741.2217.

NEW! OCT 3 - DEC 12

Foreign Language Classes

SAGE is pleased to announce 10-session *beginner* courses to run on Sundays (except Nov 28): **Spanish** 12-1:15pm, **Italian** 1:30-2:45pm, **French** 3-4:15pm. \$50 fee for each course; scholarships available. Registration required; call Alex at 212.741.2217.

SAGE Recurring Events

Daily Drop-in Comfortable, casual space at the Center for LGBT seniors to relax and meet. Refreshments served. Mon-Fri 1-4:30pm.

Drop-In Groups (no registration)

Morning at the Opera Mon 10:30am-12:30pm

SAGERCIZE Tue/Thu 11am-12pm

Daytime Discussion Tue 2-3:30pm

Women's Group Wed 3:30-5pm

Men's 50+ Rap Wed/Fri 5:30-7pm

Booklovers' Discussion 1st Wed 7-8:30pm (call for current title)

75+ Discussion Thu 1-2:30pm

SAGE Singers Thu 5-6:30pm

Men's 40+ Rap Thu 7-8:30pm

Scrabble & Bridge Fri 12:30-2pm

Life Issues Beyond Retirement Fri 3:30-5pm

Gay Widowers' Support Group

2nd & 4th Sun 6-7:30pm

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Groups Requiring Registration

Foreign Language Classes (see above), Caregiver Support, MS Support, Men's 50+ HIV+, Creative Writing, Bereavement, and more. Call or stop in for more info.

12-STEP MEETINGS

Adult Children of Alcoholics

SAT, 11AM-12:30PM Struggle for Intimacy

Alcoholics Anonymous

Intergroup 212.647.1680, nyintergroup.org

TUE, 6-7:15PM Women Now

TUE, 7:30-8:45PM Westwingers

WED, 6-7:15PM Women Together Step Meeting

THU, 12-1PM Agnostics

THU, 9-10PM Westwingers

SAT, 6-7:30PM Women Together Closed Discussion

SAT, 9:30-10:30PM S/M Sober Miracles

SUN, 12-1:30PM High Noon

SUN, 4-5:15PM Village Agnostics

LAST SUN, 5:30-6:30PM Village

Agnostics Step Meeting

SUN, 6:45-7:45PM Living Today

SUN, 8-9PM Living for Today Discussion

Al-Anon

Intergroup 212.941.0094

THU, 5:45-7:15PM Gay Men's Round Robin

FRI, 7:30-10PM Gay Men Beginners & Regular

SAT, 7:45-9:15PM GLAD Gay & Lesbian Discussion

SUN, 5:45-7:15PM Sundays at the Center

Cocaine Anonymous

Intergroup 212.929.7300

SAT, 6-7:30PM Gay & Lesbian Open Meeting

SUN, 11AM-12:30PM Serenity Sunday

Co-Dependents Anonymous

Intergroup POB 1509, NY, NY 10159-1509, codanyc.org

MON, 9-10PM CODA

FRI, 8:30-10PM Co-Dependents Anonymous

Crystal Meth Anonymous

Intergroup NYCMA, POB 1517, Old Chelsea Station, NY, NY 10011, 212.642.5029, info@nycma.org

MON, 6-7PM Relapse Prevention

TUE, 7:30-9PM CMA New York Group #1 Beginners

SAT, 11AM-12:30PM Saturday Solutions

SAT, 8-9PM Meditation Meeting

SAT, 9:30-10:30PM Relationships, Intimacy, Sex & Sobriety

SUN, 11:15AM-12:15PM CMA Sunday Solutions

SUN, 6-7:15PM CMA Sunday Step Meeting

SUN, 7:30-8:30PM Beginners

Debtors Anonymous

Hotline 212.969.8111, danyc.info

MON, 7:30-9PM Lesbian & Gay Step Meeting

WED, 11:45AM-1PM Step Writing to Abundance

THU, 7:30-9PM Recovering from Underearning

SAT, 11:15AM-12:45PM Writers Group

SAT, 4:15-5:45PM Recovering from Fear of Success Group

SUN, 12:15-1:45PM Creating Your Vision

Incest & Sexual Abuse Survivors (Men)

FRI, 6:15-8PM

Marijuana Anonymous

Hotline 212.459.4423, ma-newyork.org

WED, 8:30-9:45PM Marijuana Anonymous

3RD WED, 8-9:15PM Marijuana Anonymous District 8

Narcotics Anonymous

Helpline 212.929.6262

Area Service Committee nycasc.org

TUE, 5:45-7:15PM Narcotics Anonymous (Tue)

FRI, 5:45-7:15PM Recovery at Dusk

SUN, 2:15-3:45PM Serenity Sunday

Overeaters Anonymous

Intergroup oa.org

MON, 1-2PM Just for Today Discussion

TUE, 12:15-1:15PM Discussion

WED, 12:15-1:15PM Format Varies

THU, 12:15-1:15PM Big Book

FRI, 12:15-1:15PM 12-Step

SAT, 12-1:30PM Step Writing Workshop

SAT, 6-7:30PM Word of Mouth Open LGBT Meeting

SUN, 7:30-9PM Gay Men

Sexual Compulsives Anonymous

Intergroup 212.439.1123,

sca-recovery.org/cities/newyork

MON, 12-1:30PM 4th Step Writing Workshop

MON, 4:15-5:30PM Living Sober

MON, 5:45-7:15PM Unsafe Sex

MON, 9-10PM Sharing Towards Recovery

TUE, 12-1:30PM Tuesday Round Robin

WED, 12-1:30PM Round Robin

WED, 9-10PM Porn/Internet/Phone Sex

THU, 12-1:30PM Round Robin

FRI, 12-1:30PM Round Robin

FRI, 5:45-7:15PM Beginners

FRI, 7:30-9PM Healthy Sexuality

SAT, 2:30-4PM Committed Relationships

SAT, 6-7:30PM First Step Meeting

SAT, 7:45-9:15PM Characteristics

SUN, 12:30-2PM Intimacy Workshop

2ND SUN, 3-5PM Intergroup

SUN, 5:45-7:15PM Sex, Drugs & Alcohol

Sexual Recovery Anonymous

Intergroup 212.340.4650;

sexualrecovery.org

1ST MON, 6-8PM Intergroup

SAT, 11:15AM-12:45PM Step Meeting

Survivors of Incest Anonymous

Helpline 212.501.HEAL;

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