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Apparently black gay pride celebrations across the country are beginning to resemble a Snoop Dogg "GirlzGone Wild" video release party; complete with unprotected sex and plenty of loose young boyz eager to go wild. Having been a founding member of many Black Gay organizations in New York City in the 80's, I know and support my brothers and sisters needs to assert their existence and pride throughout the rest of the world. But having been a founding member of the Minority Task Force On AIDS (where we had to walk down 125 Street in Harlem under armed police escort, just to carry a banner with the word "AIDS" on it) I will never understand why my fellow brothers would put their lives at risk twenty some years into the AIDS pan-

I was shocked and pleased to be given this opportunity to take a closer look at what is going on and report back to the community at large. What I learned is as follows: At Atlanta's Black Gay Pride, 17 of 54 events advertised were for "RAW" sex parties by and for Black Gay Men. The fact that Atlanta is the home of the Centers for Disease Control didn't seem to make a difference to anyone. In fact, I am told that this

new trend of making Black Gay Pride Celebrations across the country into Black Gay Male sex circuit parties is quite popular. These parties have become so bold that they are now advertising them right in the open, next to legitimate Pride parties and events. Prior to this disturbing trend, Black Gay Men used to just use Internet sex websites to find out about and advertise these parties. Black Gay men from around the country could meet up to have "raw" sex with other anonymous Black Gay male sex partners forin pay at "partiesy" and "backroom" environments. One eye witness described to me walking into one event and there being a line of men waiting their turn to have at it with this one guy who was spread eagle, on a couch, totally naked, having unprotected, anally receptive, sex at one of these parties with anyone willing to simply get in line. So who are these proud "RAW" sex party

So who are these proud "RAW" sex party people? 18-30, Black Gay Men who identify with Hip-Hop culture, seem to be the ones who have access to money and travel time, the ability to make "hooking up" a sport or full-time job, and do not seem to care about catching STD's or HIV/AIDS'; in fact are paying handsomely to put themselves at risk at these affairs. This seems to be exclusively a "man thang,"," meaning Black Lesbians of the same age group are not choosing to play this game. When asked what about

HIV/AIDS, the reported answer is: "So, what! I'm gonna die anyway!" In fact, one board

member of a Nnational Black Gay Pride told me of many, many, black gay young men he has come in contact with that have this very attitude which he attributes to their misguided image of HIV/ AIDS as "not so bad." They look at pictures in magazines put there by Drug Companies and Major HIV/AIDS Agencies showing HIV positive men climbing mountains, or saying: "My Life didn't start until I became HIV Positive" or "I've been Positive since 1986" like it's is a special club. like American Express. Some have gone so far as to deliberately get infected with HIV thinking it is a quick and easy way of getting out of working and cashing in on these "wonderful" government benefits that HIV positive people have. After all, the government is just giving money away to PWA's (What are PWA's? Maybe you should spell it out!) right? Ok, so you have to take a few pills or visit a few doctors, but it is a free ride after all, right? Wrong!!! It is not clear whether any of these

It is not clear whether any of these events were actually "official" pride events, but having been a workshop leader at a national black gay pride for six years, I can tell you that it is easier to get your information into the New York Times Style section than it is to get it into a Black Gay Pride host hotel lobby or on a publicity table. Everyone at a black gay pride is trying to get their party sanctioned or endorsed by the host black gay pride organization, and therefore you cannot piss in a dark alley in a host city without someone associated with the official black gay pride celebration knowing about it. Further, at least one major black gay pride celebration presenter told me that he was so disgusted at these events appearing at black gay prides across the country that he reported one black gay pride organization to the National Federation of Black Gay Prides only to have nothing done. Apparently, once it was looked into, it was revealed that a lot, and I mean A LOT OF MONEY IS BEING MADE OFF THESE "RAW" SEX PARTIES so "the federation decided to look the other way" in his words. This is particularly troubling because when I asked other black gay pride organizations what should be done about this disturbing phenomenon they all said that the "Federation" should take quick, swift and decisive action, including expulsion if necessary." This does not seem likely if the "Federation" values black gay pride celebrations being "successful" and big money makers OVER doing the more difficult and unpopular thing of

protecting the very mission statements of these organizations.

So, money is being made but how much and is it worth it? These sex-party events range from \$20-\$50 to enter; plus the money spent to travel to them, advertise, promote and sell various things at the actual event.

I wonder how many organizations, agencies, companies and promoters salivate each time they think of the idea of hundreds of black gay men coming cross country to spend time and money in these host cities to "have fun" at any cost. Capitalism at it's best right? What is the responsibility for each host city that presents a black gay pride celebration? Who is responsible for enforcing the mission statement of black gay prides? What is the standard to be maintained during a black gay pride? When is it time to shut these money makers down in the name of decency and community accountability? Can anvone come to someone else's town and do anything without being helped or facilitated by someone in that town? Is the host town responsible what goes on at their black gay pride?

Considering that 46% of black gay men are infected with HIV and at least 25% of these men do not even know they are infected. I think the answer to all of the above is an astounding "YES". The bottom line is clear. These black gay men have made a choice to celebrate anything but PRIDE at these black gay pride events and this is a problem for all of us who still want to progressively further the civil rights and social accommodations that are our lives. That is the real black gay pride celebration, and the underpinning of each and every black gay pride organization I spoke too. After all, these civil rights and accommodations have been fought for by many of us who had to sacrifice our money, our time, even our lives to get them. We as a community cannot allow this to turn back the clock. Whether any organization does anything or not, we as proud black gay men and women have to say enough! We can take it upon ourselves to tell these misguided black gay men that we will not tolerate that type of behavior around us. We are truly proud and our lives and actions represent that pride 24/7. In the light of day and dark of night. On the front line and in the backrooms.

Catch it!



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RAY CUNNINGHAM

By Victor Hoff

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(The following interview was conducted with Ray Cunningham by phone. Ray, one of the eight roommates on the third season of BET's popular reality show, "College Hill," is also the first openly gay person on the network. We spoke recently with Ray and asked him about his celebrity status and about being gay and Black.)

I want to talk to you first about the audition process. How did it work? I'm assuming you were already attending Virginia State University (VSU) – home to season 3 of "College Hill."

I actually completed my classes this past summer and I'll be graduating this December.

Congratulations. How did you find out about the auditions? How many people auditioned for the show? How did they know you were right for "College Hill?"

I was actually the first person that Tracey Edmonds met. She is the CEO/President/Owner of Edmonds Entertainment [who] created our show. I met her and she mentioned that they were doing this type of show and she asked me to try out. So, I tried out. And then once word spread around the school that "College Hill" was coming, people were auditioning and everybody said, 'Ray you're gonna make it, you're gonna make it. You're the bomb. You got drama. You're outspoken.

You're just gonna make it. You're, like, the most confident gay guy on campus.' And they called me right back after I went in my first interview and they asked us to tell them something about ourselves that makes us stand out from anybody else trying out. I said the first thing that popped in my head; 'I pass gas when I get nervous.'

And they just busted out laughing. (He laughs) So, I went through three or four more interviews and out of the 2,000 students I was one of the eight chosen.

Tell me what a typical day was like for you on the show. Did you divide your time between your classes and the show? How did that work?

Honestly, it was very stressful. At first it was exciting because everybody was into it. For me, it was my senior year and I was suppose to be graduating that May. And it was stressful because you had to concentrate on your schoolwork. I was still the mascot and I was still involved in other student campus organizations. And then I had a personal life. I had an alternative

lifestyle that I was, at first, not comfortable with, I had to deal with respecting my family, I had to deal with giving the show what they wanted, and being a successful student. And at times you just wanted to run from the camera and not be around. And with the camera crew I would sometimes say 'get the hell away from me and don't follow me.' Or I'd turn my microphone off so they couldn't hear what I was saying. I was dodging the camera sometimes.

"College Hill" was loosely modeled after the popular MTV show "The Real World," where each season you had an array of characters – the Bitch, the Jock, and the Lover. And increasingly they incorporated a gay or lesbian "character" to fill out the show. "College Hill" doesn't seem to be that different. But one way it is different is that it's set on a traditionally African-American college or university campus. How do you think that dynamic is different from a mostly White college or university experience?

"College Hill" has always been referred to as the Black version of "The Real World." But what's different about "College Hill" is that it exposes universities on a national level as to what really goes on at a university. We have drama as far as who's sleeping with who, who's talking to who, and who's talking about who. You get to see the Greek life, the fraternities and the sororities, you get to see the marching bands, the football, the basketball, the parties, and the fashion shows. Just some of the things Black colleges all embrace. With living in L.A., I now cherish that I had the opportunity to go to a historically Black school. A lot of Black kids out there don't know what it's like to go to a homecoming or a concert for your homecoming dance. There are a lot of things they miss out on. And don't think "The Real World" taps into real issues. They deal with people who have issues coming into the show that make drama for ratings. The other thing they had on our show was real. It wasn't staged. So when you saw Bianca crying about her father that was real. 'Cause they're a lot of kids in college who don't have that father role model, and then they go to college and get caught up in drugs, sex, and dating guys that are not right for them because they didn't have a father figure.

Anyone familiar with the African-American community knows that, traditionally, homosexuality has rarely been discussed as openly as it is being discussed now, especially in churches, in dealing with the AIDS crisis. Why do you think African-

Americans have been so averse to dealing openly and honestly with homosexuality?

WWhen I was growing up nobody every talked to me about gay guys. All I heard was the name calling – sissy, fag, and fairy – you never heard why it was wrong. In the Black community, when they use the word 'gay' or 'homosexual' it was always something negative. And the thing is, they won't discuss it but there are a lot of homosexual men who are in the church. And I think it's horrible that Black people don't know how to deal with homosexuality. I think it's an issue of male ego as far as men go. You're always suppose to see Black men helping their family's out, being supportive, and being the provider. You can be that and be in this lifestyle.

I don't want to dwell on the "gay" factor but what is the state of "gayness" in your generation?

I think the state of gayness for my generation is out of control. I go to these Black Pride Events and I speak about Safe Sex and I can honestly tell you that the guys would rather talk to me and try to get me to go on a date with them, or go out to eat with them, or talk to me after the event but without taking a condom. I was just recently at Dallas Southern Pride and hardly any guys took condoms. They didn't need it or they didn't want it. My generation is promiscuous. I just think it's out of control and people are taking it to a whole 'nother level.

Are you seeing anyone special?

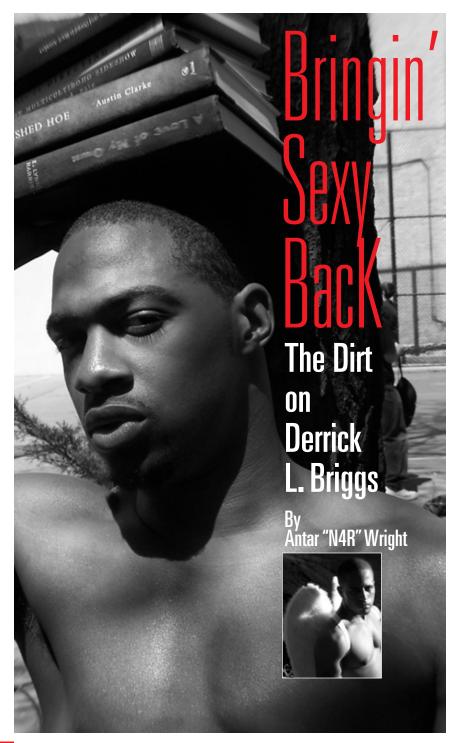
(He laughs.) Well, right now, with the schedule I'm keeping right now, I have a friend

but I haven't been able to see him or dedicate the time to him that I want to dedicate, so you can pass on the word that I'm single.

Ray Cunningham currently lives in Los Angeles. He is a guest blogger for the fourth season of the hit BET show "College Hill."

This interview was edited for continuity.

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As the kids pawn and fight over the next unobtainable "IT" man, we suggest they set their sights elsewhere. The man to watch is the sexy gent that goes only by his full name, Derrick L. Briggs. This modern day Darius Lovehall brings the Renaissance man to another level. Who else can bring sexy back to books while captivating your attention for more? This artist, blogger, and now available producer of an exciting literature group is bringing brothers together in ways most wouldn't expect. Who said only the club or a pride event captures our attention? Derrick L. Briggs sits down with Antar "N4R" Wright and brings the fire!!!

- The Derrick L.Briggs Book Club what is that?
- A. A community of urban gay males, who come together, read books, talk about authors, topics and share stories.
- How did the book club start?
- A. Went to brunch with five of my friends in August of 2003. We picked out two books.
- Q. What was your motivation for the book club?
- A. It happened on a whim. I was at home with a good friend that is an avid reader. Out of nowhere I told him I wanted to start a book club. He responded I should since reading is fun. Since I like to do things with friends I decided I should get them together and start a book club. My inspiration came from a HIV experience I had with someone I dated. I took him to a clinic and we got tested together. That's when we found I was negative and he was positive. That was an immediate eye opener. From that experience I realized we needed to more in the community besides going to the club and hooking up. Something was missing. I wanted to start another outlet that allowed for discussion. The book club became a way to communicate more with one another.
- What was your initial vision for the book club?
- A. My initial vision was to enjoy some good times with some friends. Nothing like getting together talking which always leads to inviting others.
- O. Three years have passed. How has this vision changed or been modified with the success of the book club?
- **A.** I believe it has grown enormously over the years. Within three years the group has gone from five people to 45+ in my last discussion. Some discussions would have twelve or twenty people but it has come a long way. It's good to see the amount of recognition the book club receives. I would see people around or in the club and they would ask me, "Hey, when is the next

meeting?" Even if they don't show up they still know about it. That is what counts. Personally I don't believe it has changed, it more so evolving from something in the neighborhood to going nationwide. It was suggested that I pursue "the Derrick L. Briggs Book Club goes to Paris". I'm all for it! I would love that. Why not take it international? A co-worker told me to dream bigger. I have decided to do just that.

- O. Describe a normal book club discussion. How does it work?
- A. Depending on what's going on or the time of year I brain storm ideas with friends as to what book or discussion to do next. I announce when we will meet through an email blast and people are given a month to read their book. From there I get a great venue, wine, candles, throw on some music, and we are good. We get together and have our discussion.
- **Q.** With the success of the book club have any authors solicited you to feature their book?
- A. There have been times I have met ten authors within a two-month span and they would send me their book to feature. Once an aspiring author sent me an incomplete manuscript just to get my opinion if he should continue to complete the book. I was like, who the hell am I? I am not an editor. I like to get the word out there and make it about the authors. They are writing stories so other people can read them. What better way to help the authors than to create an environment where their books are shared? I just enjoy helping them. One notable author, Keith Boykin, was initially too busy to be featured. One day we were hanging out and he tapped me on my shoulder and asked when was I going to feature him in my book club. By then he heard so much about it. I suggested he close out my year and he did a wonderful job last year.
- **Q.** I noticed your book club has taken it a step further in not only featuring the book but also having the authors themselves present to be a part of the discussion. Is it an easy task to get them to attend?

- A. Actually it is easy! I was even able to get a celebrity author Dr. Ian Smith to discuss his mystery novel Blackbird Papers. Granted he is not a gay author but I went to his website and presented myself professionally and it worked. Secretly I think my advantage is I produced a stellar website for the book club, www.dericklbriggs.com. I created the website initially for the book club but followed a suggestion to also make it about me. I am able to sell the book club through myself. I think the authors are impressed with the website. Most have been receptive and decided to give the book club a shot.
- **Q.** Who has been some of the more notable authors you have featured in your book club?
- A. Keith Boykin's Beyond the Down Low, Dr. Ian Smith Black Bird papers, Maritha Matgate's Fall of Rome, Brian Keith Jackson Queen of Harlem, Fredrick Smith's Down for Whatever, Elliot Torres' Undaunted, and Sons by Alphonso Morgan (whom I am eagerly anticipating produce his next book). I continue to maintain relationships with the authors after the book club.
- Q. Your book club often features no-book discussions where you discuss particular topics or have the members share short stories of their own. How do you come up with those topics?
- A. The topics come from my own personal experiences. As I evolve the book club evolves. Often we would be in the middle of a discussion with a group of people and I would think to myself "this should be bigger and I bring that to the book club. "That is how I came up with a popular topic Friends & Lovers during dinner with friends. That was very personal to me at the time and I was sure others would also be affected. I wanted to bring it on a grander scale. My next discussion is called Trust. All my topics come from life.
- **Q.** Trust that is big concern in our community. Where do you plan to take that discussion?
- A. I am doing it with Onyx, a life coach and friend. We will host at his house and it will be a sleepover. Think very much Oprah's Legends Ball without the diamond earrings. We are providing a late night snack and brunch the following morning. All discussions will be about trust. What was your initial reaction when you first heard the topic was trust? Do you trust yourself during the sleepover? This event will culminate my year and I will end it with a toast.
- Q. Book clubs are traditionally associated with the culture of white middle-class suburbia: little white ladies discussing Danielle Steel novels over coffee and tea. How were you able to transform your book club into something that was accessible and appealing to urban gay men of color?
- A. Being an urban gay man of color myself, it wasn't hard for me. I am creative by nature and work in advertising. For me to get into reading I think outside the box. I wanted to read more

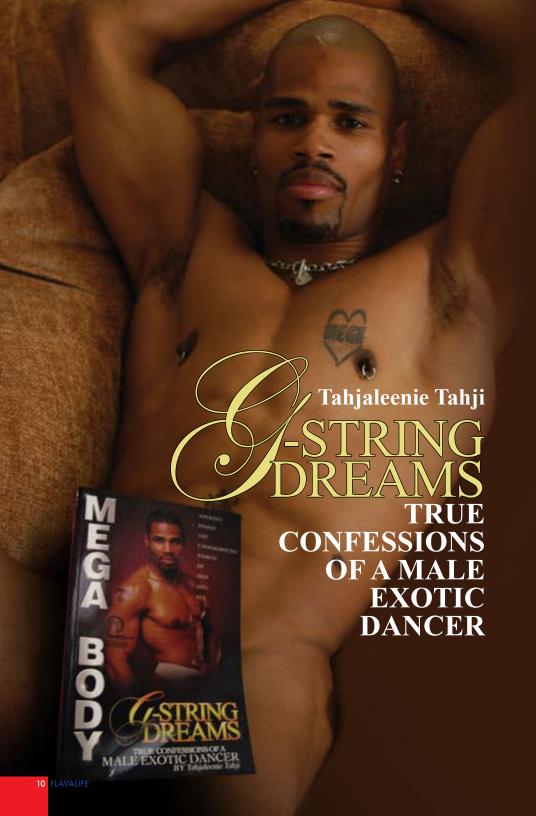
- and encourage brothers like myself to do the same. It's all about community; I kept the coffee and tea, removed the Danielle Steel and inserted a gay element, my gay friends with a gay author talking about gay topics. No exact format; I go with the flow. I don't follow by chapters I go with what strikes me. If a certain character is intriguing I ask the author, "where did this character come from?" I try to dig deeper.
- **Q.** One of your notable campaigns was Books Are Sexy. How did that come about? Why are books sexy?
- A. Two years ago I was trying to think of a flyer that involved a brand, that's the marketing and advertising in me. I am a sexual person so I like to see great bodies and people looking good. It was summer; I was walking and thinking about the book club. Then the thought came to me: books are sexy! I wrote it down; from there it stuck. After writing it I thought I could add a model and there I had it. I asked two very attractive friends to model and [NYC club promoter] Nathan "7" Scott shot the campaign. Tommy Hilfiger and Gap inspired me.
- Q. Are books themselves sexy or the men who are reading them?
- A. Both! I want to promote reading. They say sex sells so I wanted to incorporate the two. I wanted to tell people books are sexy, that it's okay for people to be on the train headed to work reading. It's okay not to go out to the club and stay in to read a book. Just as you get your cloths together to look sexy it's just as sexy to get a book and enlighten your mind. Books are sexy as well as the people who read them.
- **Q.** What would you say has been your most memorable 'book club' moment to date, and why?
- A. Again my most recent discussion is most memorable. It stands out because I have a new mindset, I feel myself changing as an individual. I am more comfortable and have better control of the discussion. Now, more so than ever, I am putting my heart, sweat, blood, and tears into this book club. It's become my baby. They even did a collection for the first time. Money is always memorable.
- **Q.** Tell me about your most difficult experience with the book club.
- A. Every discussion is starting to become difficult. Since I am no longer in a relationship I have to do a lot more physical activities to get the discussion together. Carrying the display boards and food is starting to get heavy as the book club grows. I mention a relationship not to say that I am using them but it never hurts to have someone there to support and help you. I am thinking bigger, having to do bigger things, meaning I do more work. More recently I have people who volunteer their time in conjunction to my close friends who already assist.

- Q. Rumor has it that the book club regularly attracts NewYork City's finest (handsome) men of color? But this has also been a source of criticism towards the book club. What would you say to critics who have suggested that your book club focuses too much on "sexiness" and sexy-topics over more salient political issues?
- A. I focus on sexual topics because we are sexual beings. I believe that we can talk about political issues but we have to get through our own shit first before we take it there. Once we get through the things that affect us personally then we can talk about having a movement and taking on larger issues. We cannot have a movement when everyone in the room wants to sleep with each other. Lets talk about that! First we will take care of ourselves then take it to the next level. We have talked about political issues if it pertained to the book. Politically we need to become a community first. Then we can handle the movements. This is where it starts. My book club provides a social atmosphere so people can feel comfortable. No real discussion can happen if people are afraid to share.
- Q. As you know I am bringing the DLB Book Club to Connecticut. Do you see that becoming a trend? Will others be interested in doing the same in other states?
- A. Yes that is my goal! I want it to happen like a domino effect. I have already planned my Books Are Sexy Tour. I will physically go out and facilitate these groups in other states. Then allow others to continue my work and use the Derrick L. Briggs name. Besides you [Antar] I have been asked by a gentleman in Philly to start an extension there and use my name.
- Recently you were featured as one of Leading Men of 2006 in Instinct Magazine. How was that experience?
- A. It has been great! They are one of the leading mainstream publications of the gay community as whole. Early last summer I pitched them an idea through an email. They didn't respond to my pitch and I forgot about them. Out the blue, a couple of months ago they contacted me saying they had been watching and reading up on me. Then they asked if I would be willing to be featured in their November 2006 issue. I was honored and impressed by article they wrote. I am still in shock.
- Q. What is the future of the Derrick Briggs book club? What authors, artists, and/or other figures would you like to see involved in the book club in the future?

A. I really want to meet Zane. I contacted her through email and she responded last week. She is very interested so I am trying to pull her in now. I would love to have Maya Angelou and Toni Morison. I want to meet Oprah, but in a different light, by having her contact me. Of course I want to meet the pioneers of gay literature, as we know it, E. Lynn Harris and James Earl Hardy, I want to feature them together and name the discussion The Classics. On another level it has been suggested I pitch the book club to a network to have my discussions live. Maybe even a radio show. However big I get I will always find the time to invite people over and still have a discussion. I admire people like Oprah but she is not accessible. She goes to Africa. I am not in Africa I am in Brooklyn. I will continue to come back to the community.

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Reviewed by By Victor Hoff

This is Tahjaleenie J. Tahji story.

Donti James Field was born on September 19, 1966. Born Black and poor, Donti faced many challenges while living in a broken home. With an abusive father, who later abandoned his mother, Donti would soon experience a life without parents.

Donti's mother, a former go-go dancer, continued to encounter abusive men while living in conditions not fit for rodents. At age 12, Donti was given up for adoption and later taken in by his Aunt Samantha, who had seven children and a cousin who lived with them. It was that cousin that would introduce young Donti to the art of fellatio.

Donti began learning the stereotypes faced by Black males and their sexual abilities. He knew that if he were ever to escape the oppressive conditions of his youth, he would need to find a way to exploit what few gifts he did have.

From eighteen to around twenty-five, Donti would spend the better part of seven years in and out of correctional facilities. There he worked out, converted to Islam, and adopted the name Tahjaleenie J. Tahji – meaning creative and ambitious.

But the meat of his story begins shortly upon his release from prison. With help from a friend, Tahji discovers Wet Seductions, an African-American exotic dance company. He enters the world of exotic male dancing – a world where men strip bare for horny women itching to get a glimpse.

Both men and women have asked, is there a difference between an exotic dancer and a stripper? The answer is a resounding yes. A stripper is a person who looks good and takes off their clothes, but the person does not need to have dancing skills – anyone with a fit body can be a stripper. An exotic dancer has the skills to stimulate someone while dancing with their clothes on, and they also can dance to any type of music.

Tahji dives into this explosive and erotic world where he describes it as a blessing and a curse. Without benefits or 401Ks, life as an exotic male dancer can have a very short shelf life. We also come to meet three women: faithful Goddess, headstrong Venus, and scheming Dawn. And then there are the hundreds of nameless, faceless others that were enthralled by Tahji's moves and his very large and very thick dick. Some of his shows were seen as raunchy, uncontrolled, and exuberant.

As the book speeds along we discover Tahji's Achilles Heel – his voracious sexual appetite – undermines everything just as events are moving in his favor. Tahji spends the last part of the book discussing sexual issues and where he's incredibly self-enlightened. Tahji clearly keeps an open mind and in the world of exotic dancing, which is practically unheard of.

Tahji is an excitable entity and his writing style reflects his personality perfectly. But, inventing uses for semicolons, hyphens, commas, and overlooking obvious spelling errors (e.g. 'Mancho' for 'Macho?' 'Neither' instead of 'Either?') are unsuitable for a writer of any stature.

In the end, Tahji's compelling story shows courage and a testament to sheer will power and ambition – he started his own publishing company in order to get his book published. But I just wish it were less preachy and a little less self-righteous. After all, do we really need to be lectured about treating women right from a man who neglected to pay child support while he was out cheating on his partners, and someone spending money on clothes and other trappings instead of taking care of his responsibilities as a father? We don't.

But if we take from this book how not to succumb to the many temptations in life, then this morality tale will have served us well. This cautionary autobiography is about greed and about one African-American male's odyssey from "playa" to family man.

Survival First Publishing, Inc. - 319 Pages - \$15.99 Available at www.CocoStore.com

WORD(S) ON THE STREET

Culture Vulture Frank Mizrahi hits the streets of New York City each month to ask five random New Yorkers questions that are related to our contemporary times.

"What is the most pressing political issue facing black folks today?"

"If there was one book every black person should read, what would it be and why?"

WORDS FROM THE PEOPLE



SHANTI

Occupation: Underground Hip Hop Artist Hailing from: Clinton hill, Brooklyn

"The most pressing political issue facing black people today is mental, emotional and spiritual health. Not just following trends, religion and cultural dictates, but really knowing oneself."

Every black person should read: "Tar Baby by Toni Morrison. Although its not her best or her most well-known book, this was the first Morrison book I ever read (at age 11). It opened up my eyes about the real ways that black people could love or destroy one another through colorism. It also led me to read everything she had. I highly recommend it."



CHRIS

Occupation: Musician/Journalist

Hailing from: Fort Greene, Brooklyn vis-à-vis Long Island

"Apathy is the most pressing political issue facing black people today."

Every black person should read: "I don't think it's helpful to suggest a definitive book because everyone's experience as a black person is different. I think black people should read everything they can get their hands on. Two books that I have re-read recently that I find myself constantly going back to are: Ngugi Wa Thiong'O's Decolonising the Mind and Amiri Baraka's Blues People."



DRANDEN

Occupation: graduate student, Tisch School of the Arts at NYU Hailing from: east village vis-à-vis Washington, D.C.

"Political consciousness and media savvy, especially in terms of contemporary american politics. Black people need to understand two things: (1) how the media can be both a form of mobilization and manipulation and (2) how critical the right to vote is. Too many people are walking around thinking they can't make a difference in the way they are treated by their own government. pssh that."

Every black person should read: "The Souls of Black Folks, by W.E.B. duBois. if you have to ask why its important, then you need to read it immediately."



AFRAH

Occupation: PhD candidate in the History of Education Hailing from: Fort Greene vis-à-vis Oakland

"The state of public education is in crisis. We need talented and dedicated teachers to train the next generation."

Every black person should read: "James Baldwin's The Fire Next Time because the prose and the message about African Americans is powerful and remains fully relevant today."



HENDEE

Occupation: Singer Hailing from: Paris, France

"Connecting with our sisters and brothers throughout the world, not just the United States.

Every black person should read: Zora Neale Hurston's Their Eyes Were Watching God. Read the book, the movie sucks! The book on the otherhand is the most poetic piece of literature you'll ever come across. Zora Neale Hurston was a legend of her times.

WORD(S) ON THE STREET

PART II

From Jack Mizrahi's Battle Ball 4 at Club Escuelita, New York City

"Of any historical figure, dead or alive, who would you like to meet and why?"



BARBIE MIZRAHI

Category: "Perfect 10s" (Face, Body, Sex Siren, All Around)

"Jesus Christ. It's so weird, but not really. I was raised as a Southern Christian so I have lots of questions about my faith, beliefs and other aspects of religion. If I met Jesus I would have so many things to talk about!"



MOTHER GINA GOSPEL

Category: Still searching for one.

Martin Luther King. Dr. King was a pastor and a minister, and as a Christian I'm inspired by that. I would want to know how was able to spread the gospel so effectively.



SEAN APHRODITE

Category: Legendary Face

"Michael Jackson. People can say what they want, but everyone knows that it just doesn't get any bigger than Michael Jackson. He has defined what it means to be an ICON. In spite of all of the controversy and drama he has been through, this man has managed to transform himself so many times and bring the world so many magic moments. He truly stands in a class of his own. There will never be another Michael Jackson. If I met Michael I would ask him what his secret is---how does he manage to come up with the creative effects and ideas he's always known for bringing?"

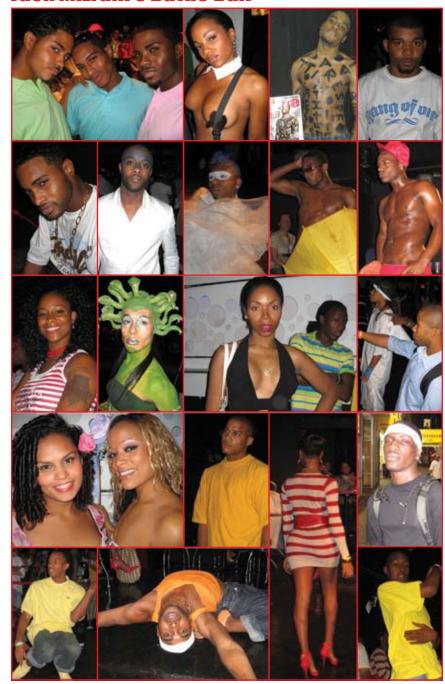


MIKE BALENCIAGA

Category: Face

"Tyra Banks. Tyra Banks is such an inspiring person. She has accomplished so much at such a young age including everything from modeling to business endeavors like America's Next Top Model, etc. She's truly a fab business lady and I admire that. I'd want to ask her how she's been able to stay focused in the industry and what advice would she give to someone who is trying to get into the business."

Jack Mizrahi's Battle Ball



Frank Leon Roberts

House of Escada Ball - Detroit

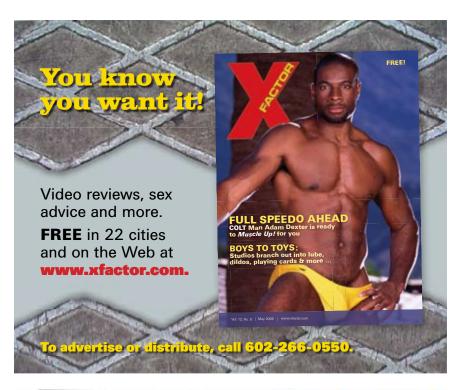


Frank Leon Roberts

Stewart Milan, R.R. Chanel. and Andre Mizrahi Presents: The Icons Ball - Atlanta



Frank Leon Roberts





ALABAMA

Bars/Clubs

B Bobs, 213 Conti St, Mobile AL 36602 Phone: 251-433-2262 - www.b-bobs.com

Fat Boy's Follies, 215 N Court St, Montgomery AL 36104 Latroy's, 316 20th St S, Birmingham AL, 35233 Phone: 205-322-8338

ARIZONA Phoenix

Bars/Clubs

B-1. Harley's Club 2303, 2303 E Indian School Rd, Phoenix AZ 85016 - Phone: 602-956-2885 www.harleysclub155.biz

B-2. Incognito, 2424 EThomas Rd, Phoenix AZ 85016 - Phone: 602-955-9805

Hotel/Motel/Accommodations H-1. Arizona Royal Villa Apartments, 4312 N

12th St, Phoenix AZ 85014 Phone: 602-266-6883 - www.royalvilla.com

H2. Arizona Sunburst Inn, 6245 N 12th Place, Phoenix AZ 85014-1712 - Phone: 602-274-1474, Toll Free: 1-800-974-1474 - www.azsunburst.com

H-3. Maricopa Manor B&B, 15 West Pasadena Ave, Phoenix AZ 85013 - Phone: 602-274-6302 www.maricopamanor.com

Men's Clubs/Sex Clubs

C-1. Chute, 1440 E Indian School Road, Phoenix AZ 85014 - Phone: 602-234-1654, 1-877-245-1094 - www.chuteaz.com

Flex Club, 1517 S Black Canyon Hwy, Phoenix AZ 85009 - Phone: 602-271-9011 http://flexbaths.com

Information Resources

Echo Magazine, PO Box 16630, Phoenix AZ 85011 Phone: 602-266-0550 - www.echomag.com

Ionaz Magazine, PO Box 2808, Phoenix AZ, 85002 - Phone: 602-271-0202 - www.ionaz.com

X-Factor, PO Box 16630, Phoenix AZ 85011 Phone: 602-266-0550, www.xfactor.com



CALIFORNIA Los Angeles

Bars/Clubs

2200, 6507 Sunset Blvd, Hollywood CA 90028 Phone: 323-993-7161

Alibi East/Back Alley, 225 S San Antonio Ave, Pomona CA 91766 - Phone: 909-623-9422

B-1. Annex, 835 S La Brea Ave, Inglewood CA 90301 - Phone: 310-671-7323

B-2. Catch One, 4067 W Pico Blvd, Los Angeles CA 90019 - Phone: 323-734-8849 www.jewelscatchone.com

Club Rumor, 22554 Main St, Hayward CA 94541 Phone: 510-733-2334 - www.clubrumor.com

B-3. Club L, 4923 Lankershim Blvd, North Hollywood CA, 91601 - Phone: 818-769-7722

Club LBC, 3428 E Pacific Coast Hwy, Long Beach CA 90804 - Phone: 323-860-8877

B-4. Club Seduction@The El Cid, 4212 W Sunset Blvd, Los Angeles CA 90029 Phone: 818-633-3056 Club Seduction LA, 2501 Wilshire Blvd, Los Angeles, CA - www.clubseductionla.com/

Factory, 652 N Lapeer Dr, West Hollywood CA 90069 - Phone: 310-659-4551

Faultline, 4216 Melrose Blvd, West Hollywood CA 90029 - Phone: 323-660-0889

B-5. First Fridayz LA, Los Angeles CA - Phone: 323-769-6333 - www.firstfridayzla.com

Here Lounge, 696 Roberson Blvd, West Hollywood CA 90046 - Phone: 310-360 8455

www.herelounge.com
The Larchmont, 5657 Melrose Ave, Hollywood
CA 90038-3909 - Phone: 323-467-4068

www.myspace.com/thelarchmont

B-6. Lodge, 4923 Lankershim Blvd, North Hollywood CA, 91601 - Phone: 818-769-7722 www.clubl.net

Menagerie, 3581 University, Riverside CA 92507 - Phone: 909-788-8000



B-8. Rage, 8911 Santa Monica Blvd, Los Angeles CA 90069 - Phone: 310-652-7055

Study, 1723 N Western Ave, Los Angeles CA 90027 Phone: 213-464-9551

Ultra Suede, 661 N. Robertson Blvd, West Hollywood Ca 90069 - Phone: (310) 659-4551

Restaurants/Cafes

R-1. Abbey, 692 North Robertson, West Hollywood CA, 90069, 310-289-8410 www.abbeyfoodandbar.com

R-2. Benvenuto, 8512 Santa Monica Blvd, West Hollywood CA 90069 - Phone: 310-659-8635 www.benvenuto-caffe.com

R-3. Bossa Nova, 685 N Robertson Blvd, West Hollywood CA 90069 - Phone: 310-657-5070

R-4. Cafe D'etoile, 8941 1/2 Santa Monica Blvd, West Hollywood CA 90046 - Phone: 310-278-1011

R-5. Choices, 740 East Broadway, Long Beach CA, 90802 - Phone: 562-983-7001 www.choiceslb.com R-6. Dude's Beach Bar & Grill, 8865 Santa Monica Blvd, West Hollywood CA90069 Phone: 310-652-8865 - www.food4dudes.com

R-7. Felt, 8279 Santa Monica Blvd, West Hollywood CA 90069 - Phone: 323-822-3888 www.feltrestaurant.com

R-8. French Market Restaurant, 7985 Santa Monica Blvd, West Hollywood CA 90046 Phone: 323-654-0898 www.frenchquarterwest.com

R-9. Jamba Juice, 8591 Santa Monica Blvd, West Hollywood CA 90069 - Phone: 310-360-7440 - www.jambajuice.com

R-10. Mark's, 861 N La Cienega, West Hollywood CA 90069 - Phone: 310-652-5252 www.marksrestaurant.com

R-11. Off Vine, 6263 Leland Way, Hollywood CA 90028 - Phone: 323-962-1900 - www.offvine.com

CALIFORNIA Los Angeles (cont.)

R-12. Paradise Bar/Restaurant, 1800 W Broadway, Long Beach CA 90802

Phone: 562-590-8773 - www.paradiselb.com

R-13. Tango Grill, 8807 Santa Monica Blvd, West Hollywood CA 90069 - Phone: 310-659-3663

White Lotus, 1743 N Cahuenga Blvd, Hollywood CA 90028 - Phone: 323-463-0060 www.whitelotushollywood.com.

Yukon Mining Company, 7328 Santa Monica Blvd, West Hollywood CA 90069 Phone: 323-851-8833

Hotel/Motel/Accommodations

R-1.Beachrunners' Inn, 231 Kennebec Avenue Long Beach CA 90803 - Phone: 866-221-000 www.beachrunnersinn.com

R-2. Coral Sands Motel, 1730 North Western Ave, Los Angeles CA 90027 - Phone: 323-467-5141 - Toll Free: 800-421-3650, 800-367-7263

R-3. Holloway Motel, 8465 Santa Monica Blvd, West Hollywood CA 90069 Phone: 323-654-2454 -Toll Free: 888-654-6400 www.hollowaymotel.com

R-4. Le Montrose Suite Hotel, 900 Hammond Street, West Hollywood CA 90069 - Phone: 310-885-1115 - www.lemontrose.com

R-5. Ramada Plaza West Hollywood, 8585 Santa Monica Blvd, West Hollywood CA 90069 - 310-652-6400 - Toll Free: 800-845-8585 www.thegayhotel.com R-6. San Vicente Inn-Resort, 845 N San Vicente Blvd, West Hollywood CA 90069 Phone: 310-854-6915 - www.gayresort.com

R-7.Turret House, Chestnut Ave, Long Beach CA 90802 - Phone: 888-488-7738 www.turrethouse.com

R-8. Valadon Hotel, 8822 Cynthia Street, West Hollywood CA 90069 - Phone: 310-854-1114 www.valadonhotel.com

Men's Clubs/Sex Clubs

C-1. Circus of Books, 8230 Santa Monica Blvd, West Hollywood CA 90069 - Phone: 323-656-6533

C-2. Flex Complex, 4424 Melrose Ave, Los Angeles CA 90029 - Phone: 323-663-5858 http://flexbaths.com

C-3. Hollywood Spa, 1650 Ivar, Los Angeles CA 90028 - Phone; 213-463-5169 - Toll Free: 800-SPA-CLUB - www.hollywoodspa.com

C-4. Melrose Spa, 7269 Melrose Ave, West Hollywood CA 90046 - Phone: 323-937-2122 www. midtowne.com

C-5. Midtowne Spa, 615 South Kohler St, Los Angeles CA 90021 - Phone: 213-680-1838 www.midtowne.com

C-6. North Hollywood Spa, 5636 Vineland Ave, North Hollywood CA 91601 - Phone: 818-760-6969

C-7. Video 10, 7063 Lexington Ave, Los Angeles CA 90038 - Toll Free: 800-548-4310



C-8. Zone, 1037 N Sycamore Ave, West Hollywood CA 90038 - Phone: 323-464-8881 www.thezonela.com

1350 Club, 510 West Anaheim St., Wilmington, CA 90744, 310-830-4784

Information Resources

Amassi Center, 1Amassi Center, 160 South La Brea Ave suite 200, Inglewood CA 90301 Phone: 310-419-1969 - www.amassi.com

Diversionary Theatre, 4545 Park Blvd, Suite 101, San Diego CA 92116 - Box Office: 619-220-0097 Business Office: 619-220-6830 www.diversionary.org

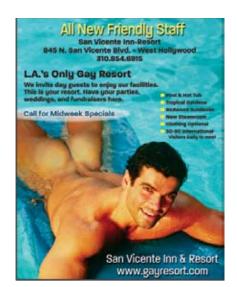
I-1. Frontiers Magazine, 5657 Wilshire Suite 500, Los Angeles, CA 90036

Phone: 323-930-3220 - www.frontiersweb.com

I-2. Gay and Lesbian Community Center, 1625 N Schrader Blvd, Los Angeles CA 90028 Phone: 323-993-7400 - www.lagaycenter.org

Retail

S-1. A Different Light, 8853 Santa Monica Blvd, West Hollywood CA 90069 - Phone: 310-854-6601 www.adlbooks.com



CALIFORNIA San Diego

Bars/Clubs

Brass Rail, 3796 Fifth Ave, San Diego CA 92103 Phone: 619-298-2233

Rich's, 1051 University Ave, San Diego CA 92103 - Phone: 619-295-2195 www.richssandiego.com

Restaurants/Cafes

California Cuisine, 1027 University Ave, San Diego CA 92103 - Phone: 619-543-0790 www.californiacuisine.cc

Mixx, 3671 Fifth Ave, San Diego CA 92103 Phone: 619-299-MIXX

Baja Betty's, 1421 University, San Diego CA 92103 - Phone: 619-269-8510

Brian's American Eatery, 1451 Washington St, San Diego CA 92103 - Phone: 619-296-8268

Crest Cafe, 425 Robinson Ave San Diego CA 92103 - Phone: 619-295-2510 - www.crestcafe.net

David's Coffee House, 3766 5th Ave, San Diego CA 92103 - Phone: 619-296-4173

Hamburger Mary's, 308 University Ave, San Diego CA 92103 - Phone: 619-491-0400 www.hamburgermarys.com

Jimmy Carter's Cafe, 3172 Fifth Ave, San Diego CA 92103 - Phone: 619-295-2070

Lips, 2770 5th Ave, San Diego CA, 92103 Phone: 619-295-7900 - www.lipsshow.biz

Martini's Above Fourth, 3940 4th Ave, Suite 200, San Diego CA 92103 - Phone: 619-400-4500 - www.martinisabovefourth.com

Hotel/Motel/Accommodations Balboa Park Inn, 3402 Park Blvd, San Diego CA. 92103 - Phone: 619-298-0823, 1-800-938-8181 www.balboaparkinn.com



Dmitri's Guest House, 931 21st St, San Diego CA 92102 - Phone: 619-238-5547

Inn at the Park, 3167 Fifth Ave, San Diego CA 92103 - Phone: 619-296-0057

Keating House, 2331 2nd Ave, San Diego CA 92101-1505 - Phone: 1-800-995-8644, 619-239-8585 - www.keatinghouse.com

Harbor House Resort, 642 W Hawthorn, San Diego CA 92101 - Phone: 619-338-9966 www.harborhouseresort.com

Hillcrest B&B at Kasa Korbett, 4050 Front St, San Diego CA 92103 - Phone: 619-291-3962, 800-757-KASA - www.kasakorbett.com

Hillcrest Inn, 3754 5th Ave, San Diego CA 92103 Phone: 619-293-7078, 1-800-258-2280 www.hillcrestinn.net

Park Manor Suites, 525 Spruce St, San Diego CA 92103 - Phone: 619-291-0999, 800-874-2649 www.parkmanorsuites.com

Men's Clubs/Sex Club

2200 Club, 2200 University Ave, San Diego CA 92104 Phone: 619-297-1661

Club San Diego, 3955 4th Ave, San Diego CA 92103 - Phone: 619-295-0850 Vulcan Stream and Sauna, 805 West Cedar, San Diego CA 92101 - Phone: 619-238-1980

Information Resources

Adams Avenue Studio, 2804 Adams Ave@ Idaho, San Diego CA 92116 - Phone: 619-584-3593 - www.therealtheater.com Buzz Magazine, 3314 4th Ave, San Diego CA 92103 - Phone: 619-291-6690, fax: 619-542-0076 www.buzzpublication.com

Diversionary Theatre, 4545 Park Blvd, San Diego CA 92116 - Box Office: 619-220-0097, Business Office: 619-220-6830 www.diversionary.org

Gay and Lesbian Times, PO Box 34624, San Diego CA 92163 - Phone: 1-800-GET-UPTOWN, 619-299-6397, fax: 617-299-3430 www.gaylesbiantimes.com

Lesbian and Gay Men's Community Center, 3909 Centre St, San Diego CA 92103 Phone: 619-692-2077 - www.thecentersd.org

Update, PO Box 33148, San Diego CA 92163 Phone: 619-299-0500, fax: 619-299-6907 www.sandiegogaynews.com

Retail

Obelisk-The Book Store, 1029 University Ave, San Diego CA 92103 - Phone: 619-297-4171 www.obeliskbookstore.net

Rainbow Road, 141 University Ave, San Diego CA 92103 - Phone: 619-296-8222 www.rainbowroadusa.com

CALIFORNIA San Francisco (cont.)

Bars/Clubs

B-1. Anthem, Anthem, 1015 Folsom St, San Francisco CA 94103.

B-2. Blackout, 525 Harrison St San Francisco CA Phone: 415-263-6923 - www.blackoutsf.com

B-3. Club Red @ Blondies, 540 Valencia, San Francisco CA 94110 - Phone: 415-339-8310

Restaurants/Cafes

R-1. Blue, 2337 Market St, San Fransisco CA 94114 - Phone: 415-863-BLUE

R-2. Cafe Flore, 2298 Market St, San Fransisco CA 94114 - Phone; 415-621-8579 www.cafeflore.com

R-3. Harvey's, 500 Castro, San Fransisco CA 94114 - Phone: 415-431-4278

R-4. Metro City Bar, 3600 16th St, San Fransisco CA 94114 - Phone: 415-703-9750

R-5. Millennium, 580 Geary St, San Fransisco CA 94102 - Phone: 415-345-3900 www.millenniumrestaurant.com

Hotel/Motel/ Accommodations

H-1. Atherton Hotel, 685 Ellis St, San Fransisco, CA 94109 - Phone: 415-474-8256 www.hotelatherton.com

H-2. Becks Motor Lodge, 2222 Market St, San Fransisco CA 94114 Phone: 415-621-8212

H-3.Chateau Tivoli, 1057 Steiner St, San Fransisco, CA 94115 - Phone: 800-228-1647 www.chateautivoli.com





H-4. Inn on Castro, 321 Castro St, San Fransisco CA 94114 - Phone: 415-861-0321

H-5. Parker Guest Houses, 520 Church St. San Fransisco CA 94114 - Phone: 415-621-3222.Toll Free 800-520-PARK - www.parkerguesthouse.com

H-6. Renoir Hotel, 45 McAllister St. San Fransisco CA 94102, Phone: 415-626-5200, fax: 415-626-0916 - www.renoirhotel.com

H-7. Twenty Four Henry and Villagehouse, 24 Henry St and 4080 18th St @ Castro, San Fransisco CA 94114 - Phone: 415-864-5686 or 1-800- 900-5686 - www.24henry.com

H-8. Willows, 710 14th St. San Fransisco CA 94114 - Phone: 415-431-4770, fax: 415-431-5295

Men's Clubs/Sex Clubs

C-1. Blow Buddies, 933 Harrison St, San Fransisco CA 94114 - Phone: 415-777-HEAD www.blowbuddies.com

C-2, Eros, 2051 Market At Church, San Fransisco CA 94114 - Phone: 415-255-4921 www.erossf.com

- B-2. Black Out B-3. Club Red @ **Blondies**

Restaurants/Cafes

- R-1 Blue R-2. Cafe Flore
- R-3. Harvev's
- R-4. Metro City bar R-5. Millenium

Hotel/Motel/

- Accommodations H-1. Atherton Hotel
- H-2. Beck's Motor Lodge H-3. Chateau Tivoli
- H-4 Innon Castro H-5. Parker Guest House
- H-6 Renoir Hotel
- H-7 Twenty Four Henry H-8. The Willows

Men's Clubs/Sex Clubs

- C-1 Blow Buddies
- C-3. Mack Folsum Prison
- 4. Nob Hill Theatre C-5. Power Exchange

Information Resources

- -1. Bay Area Reporter Harvey Milk Institute -3. SF Lasbian Gav
- Bisexual Transgender Community Center

S-1 Rock Hard

C-3. Mack Folsom Prison, 1285 Folsom St, San Fransisco CA 94103 - Phone: 415-252-1221 www.mackfolsomprison.com

C-4. Nob Hill Theatre, 729 Bush St, San Fransisco CA 94108 - Phone: 415-781-9468 www.nobhilltheatre.com

C-5. Power Exchange, 74 Otis, San Francisco CA 94103 - Phone: 415-487-9944 www.powerexchange.com

Steamworks, 2107 4th St, Berkeley CA, 94710 Phone: 510-845-8995 www.steamworksonline.com

Information Resources

I-1. Bay Area Reporter, 395 Ninth St, San Fransisco CA 94103 - Phone: 415-861-5019 www.ebar.com

I-2. Harvey Milk Institute, 584-B Castro St, San Fransisco CA 94114 - Phone: 415-552-7200. fax: 415-552-0179 - www.harveymilk.org

I-3. SF Lesbian Gav Bisexual Transgender Community Center, 1800 Market St. San Fransisco CA 94102 - Phone: 415-865-5555

S-1. Rock Hard, 518 Castro St, San Francisco CA 94114 - Phone: 415-437-2430

CALIFORNIA Oakland

Bars/Clubs

Cable's Reef, 2272 Telegraph Ave, Oakland CA 94612 - Phone: 510-451-3777

Club Rimshot, Oakland CA - Phone: 510-839-2788

Club Rumor, 22554 MAin St Havwood, Havward CA 94541 - Phone: 510-733-2334 www.clubrumor.com

Hypnotic, 1933 Broadway, Oakland CA, Phone: 510-835-4827

Ibiza, 10 Hegenberger, Oakland CA

New Bench & Bar, 2111 Franklin St, Oakland CA 94607 - Phone: 510-444-2266

White Horse Inn, 6551 Telegraph Ave, Oakland CA 94609 - Phone: 303-296-17416

Boadecias Books, 398 Colusa Ave, Kensington CA 94707 - Phone: 510-559-9184 www.boadeciasbooks.com

Information Resources SMAAC Youth Center, 1608 Webster St. Oakland CA 94612

COLORADO Denver

Bars/Clubs

Tracks Nightclub / Cream Fridays, 3500 Walnut St. Denver CO 80205-2428 Phone: 303-863-7326 - www.tracksdenver.com

Tongues Twisted, 314 E 13th Ave @ Grant St.

Denver CO 80203 - Phone: 303-837-5015

Restaurants/Cafes

Charlie's, 900 E Colfax, Denver Colorado 80218 Phone: 303-839-8890 - www.charlieonline.com

Denver Detour, 551 E Colfax, Denver Colorado 80202 - Phone: 303-861-1497

Holiday Chalet Bed and Breakfast, 1820 East Colfax Ave. Denver Colorado 80218 Phone: 303-321-9975, Fax: 303-831-0459 www.holidavchalet.net

JR's Bar and Grill, 777 East 17th Ave, Denver Colorado 80203 - Phone: 303-831-0459

Hotel/Motel/Accommodations

Ramada Inn, 1150 E Colfax, Denver Colorado 80218 - Phone: 303-831-7700 www.ramadadowntowndenver.com

Men's Clubs/Sex Clubs

CCC, 2151 Lawrence, Denver Colorado 80205 Phone: 303-297-2601 - www.ccc.com

Denver Swim Club, 6923 E Colfax, Denver CO 80220 - Phone: 303-321-9399 www.denverswimclub.com

DISTRICT of COLUMBIA Washington D. C.

Bars/Clubs

B-1. Bachelors Mill Feat. Mikes Place, 1104 8th St, SE Washington DC 20003 Phone: 202-544-1931

B-2. Back Door Pub. 1104 8th St. SE Washington DC 20003 - Phone: 202-546-5979

B-3. Deep End @ Andalu, 1214 18th St, NW Washington DC 20036 - Phone: 202-785-2922

B-4. Delta Elite, 3734 10th St, NE Washington DC 20017 Phone: 202-529-0626 www.thedeltaelite.org

B-5, Edge, 6256 L St. Washington DC 20003 Phone: 202-488-1200 - www.edgewet.com

B-6. Fireplace, 2151 P St, NW Washington DC 20037 - Phone: 202-293-1293

Midtowne Spa, 2935 Zuni St, Denver Colorado 80211 - Phone: 303-458-8902 www.midtowne.com



B-7. Heat, 18 O St, SE, Washington DC 20003 Phone: 202-479-2233 - www.heatdc.com

B-8. Omega, 2122 P St, NW rear, Washington DC 20037 - Phone: 202-223-4917 www.omegadc.com

B-9. Phase One, 525 8th St, SE Washington DC 20003 - Phone: 202-544-6831

B-10. Velvet Nation, 1015 Half St, SE Washington DC 20003 - Phone: 202-544-1500 www.velvetnation.com

B-11. Wet Nightclub, 52 L Street, SE Washington DC 20003 - Phone: 202-488-1200 www.edgewet.com

B-12, Ziegfields, 180 Half St. SE Washington DC 20003 - Phone: 202-554-5141



Restaurants/Cafes

R-1. Annie's Paramount Steakhouse, 1609 17th St, NW Washington DC 20003 Phone: 202-232-0395

R-2. Banana Cafe & Piano Bar, 500 8th St, SE Washington DC 20003 - Phone: 202-543-5906

R-3. Cafe Luna/Skewers, 1633 P St, NW Washington DC 20036 - Phone: CAFE LUNA: 202-387-4005, SKEWERS: 202-387-7400 www.skewers-cafeluna.com

R-4. Cyberstop Cafe, 1513 17th St, NW Washington DC 20036 - Phone: 202-234-2470 www.cyberstopcafe.com

R-5. Dik Bar At Dupont Italian Kitchen, 1637 17th St, NW Washington DC 20009 Phone: 202-238-0100

R-6. Ellingtons On Eighth, 424A 8th St, SE Washington DC 20003 - Phone: 202-546-8308 www.compacturl.com/xrdg R-7. Hamburger Mary's, 1337 14th St, NW Washington DC 20005 - Phone: 202-232-7010 www.hamburgermarys.net/dc

R-8. Lizard Lounge, 1223 Connecticut Ave, NW Washington DC - Phone: 202-331-4422 www.atlasevents.com/lizard.html

R-9. Mr. Henry, 601 Pennsylvania Ave, SE Washington DC 20003 - Phone: 202-546-8412

Hotel/Motel/Accommodations

H-1. 1836 California, 1836 California St, Washington DC 20009 - Phone: 202-462-6502 www.members.aol.com/dc1836cal

H-2. Carlyle Suites, 1735 New Hampshire Ave, NW Washington DC 20009 - Phone: 202-234-3200, 800-964-5377 - www.carlylesuites.com

Men's Clubs/Sex Clubs 17.The Crew Club, 1321 14th St, NW Washington DC 20005, Phone: 202-319-1333 www.crewclub.net

Information Resources

DC Bear Club, PO Box 75273 Washington DC 20013-5273 - Phone: 301-277-0664 www.dcbearclub.com

I-1. Metro Weekly, 1012 14th St, NW Washington DC 20005 - Phone: 202-638-6830, FAX: 202-638-6831 - www.metroweekly.net

Washington Blade, 1408 U St, N Washington DC 20009 - Phone: 202-797-7000, FAX: 202-797-7040 - www.washblade.com

Retail

S-1. Lambda Rising Book Store, 1625 Connecticut Ave, NW Washington DC 20009 Phone: 202-462-6969 www.lamdabusiness.com

S-2. Sisterspace & Books, 1419 V St NW Washington DC 20009 - Phone: 202-332-3433 www.sisterspace.com

FLORIDA Fort Lauderdale

Bars/Clubs

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Bill's Filling Station, 1243 Ne 11th Ave, Ft Lauderdale FL - Phone: 954-525-9403 www.Billsfillingstation.com

B-1. Boardwalk, 1721 N Andrews Ave, Ft Lauderdale FL 33311 - Phone: 954-463-6969 www.boardwalkbar.com

Boom, 2232 Wilton Dr, Ft Lauderdale FL Phone: 954-630-3556 - www. clubboom.com

Cloud Nine Lounge, 7126 Stirling Rd, Davie FL Phone: 954-499-3525

Cathode Ray, 240 S.E 13th Ave E Las Olas, Fort Lauderdale FL 33301 - Phone: 954-462-8611 www.cathoderayusa.com

B-2. Coliseum, 2520 S Miami Rd, Fort Lauderdale FL 33316 - Phone: 954-832-0100 www.coliseumnightclub.com

Dude's, 3270 NE 33rd St, Ft Lauderdale FL 33308 Phone: 954-568-7777 - www.dudesbar.com

Elements, 3073 N.E. 6th Ave, Wilton Manors FL 33334 - Phone: 954-567-2432 www.elementsbar.com

Georgie's Alibi, 2266 Wilton Dr, Wilton Manors, FL 33305 - Phone: 954-565-2526 - www.georgiesalibi.com

J's (Women's Bar), 2780 Davie Bvld, Ft Lauderdale FL - Phone: 954-581-8400

Jackhammer, 1725 N Andrews Square, Ft Lauderdale FL 33305 - Phone: 954-522-5855 - www.jackerhammerbar.com

Manhatten South, 6890 Powerline Rd, Ft Lauderdale FL 33069 - Phone: 954-971-1449 www.manhattensouth.com

New Moon, 2440 Wilton Drive, Wilton Manors Fl 33305 - Phone: 954-563-7660 www.newmoonbar.com

Ramrod (Leather/Levi/Uniform), 1508 NE 4th Ave, Ft Lauderdale FL - Phone: 954-763-8219

B-4. Torpedo's, 2829 W Broward Blvd, Ft Lauderdale FL - Phone: 954-587-2500

Voodoo Lounge, 111 SW 2nd Ave, Ft Lauderdale FL 33315 - Phone: 954-522-0733 www.voodoloungeflorida.com

Restaurants/Cafes

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R-2. Boulevard Cafe, 240 SE 13th Ave, Fort Lauderdale FL 33301 - Phone: 954-467-3266 www. boulevardcafe.net

R-3. Chardees Courtyard Cafe, 2211 Wilton Dr, Ft Lauderdale FL - Phone: 954-563-2499

R-3. Chardees Dinner Club, 2209 Wilton Dr, Ft. Lauderdale FL 33305 - Phone: 954-563-1800

R-4. Food Amongst The Flowers, 2345 Wilton Dr, Wilton Manors Ft Lauderdale FL 33305 - Phone: 954-563-7752 Fax: 954-563-7014 www. Flowers2345.com

Galanga, 2389 Wilton Dr, Ft Lauderdale FL 33305 - Phone: 954-202-0000 www.galangarestaurant.com

R-5. Rosy's Bar & Grill, 2825 E. Oakland Park, Ft Lauderdale FL 33305 - Phone: 954-567-1320, Fax: 954-567-1326 - www.hamburgermarysftl. com

Herban Kitchen, 2825 E Oakland Park Blvd, Ft Lauderdale FL 33306 - Phone: 954-566-1110 - www.herban-kitchen.com

R-6. Hi Life Cafe, 3000 N Federal Hwy, Ft Lauderdale FL 33306 - Phone: 954-563-1395 - www. hillfecafe.com

R-7. Java Boys, 2230 Wilton Dr, Ft Lauderdale FL 33305 - Phone: 954-564-8828 www. javaboys.net

R-8. La Bonne Crepe, 815 E Las Olas Blvd, Ft Lauderdale FL 33301 Phone: 954-463-0554

La Cantina, 2870 E Sunrise Blvd, Ft Lauderdale FL - Phone: 954-565-3839

Peter Pan Diner, 1216 E Oakland Pk Blvd, Ft Lauderdale FL 954-565-7177

Simply Delish, 2287 Wilton Dr, Ft Lauderdale FL - Phone: 954-565-8646

R-10. Tropics, 2000 Wilton Dr, Wilton Manors, Ft Lauderdale FL 33305

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H-2. Blue Dolphin, 725 N Birch Rd, Ft Lauderdale FL 33304 - Phone: 954-565-8437, 800-893-BLUE, Fax: 954-565-6015 www.bluedolphinhotel.com

H-3. Cabanas, 2209 NE 26th St, Ft Lauderdale FL33305 - Phone: 866-564-7764. 954-564-7764, Fax: 954-564-7767 www.thecabanasquesthouse.com

H-4. Cheston House, 520 N Birch Rd. Ft. Lauderdale FL 33304 - Phone: 954-566-7950. 866-566-7950 - www.chestonhouse.com

H-5. Coconut Cove, 3012 Granada St, Ft Lauderdale FL 33304 - Phone: 954-523-3226, 888-414-3226 - www.coconutcoveguesthouse.com

H-6. Coral Reef Guest House, 2609 NE 13th Blvd. Ft Lauderdale FL 33304 - Phone: 954-568-0292, 888-ENJOY-IT, Fax: 954-568-1992 www. coralreefguesthouse.com

H-7. Deauville Inn, 2916 North Ocean Blvd, Ft. Lauderdale FL 33308 - Phone: 954-568-5000, Fax: 954-565-7797 - www.thedeauvilleinn.com H-8. Dunes Guest House, 2835 Terramar St, Ft Lauderdale FL 33304 - Phone: 954-568-6161, 800-425-8105, Fax: 954-568-6209 www.dunesquesthouse.com

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H-9. Elysium Resort, 552 N Birch Rd, Ft Lauderdale FL 33304 - 800-533-4744, 954-564-9601, Fax: 954-564-5618 - www.elysiumresort.net

Embassy Suites Hotel, 1100 SE 17th St Ft Lauderdale FL 33316 - Phone: 954-527-2700

H-10, Flamingo Resort, 2727 Terramar St. Ft Lauderdale FL 33304 - 954-561-4658, 800-283-4786, Fax: 954-568-2688 www.theflamingoresort.com

H-11. Gigi's Resort By The Beach, 3005 Alhambra St. Ft Lauderale FL 33304 - Phone: 954-463-4827, Fax: 954-523-4620 - www.gigisresort.com H-12, Grand Resort, 539 N Birch Rd, Ft, Lauderdale FL 33304 - Phone: 954-630-3000, 800-818-1211, Fax: 954-630-3003 - www.grandresort.net

H-13. Inn Leather Guesthouse, 610 SE 19th St, Ft Lauderdale FL 33305 - Phone: 954-467-1444 www.innleather.com

H-14. La Casa del Mar/Soberano Resort, 3003 Granada St, Ft Lauderdale FL 33304 - Phone: 954-467-2037, 866-467-2037, Fax: 954-467-3610 www.lacasadelmar.com

H-15. Lambton Court, 840 NE 17th Terrace, Ft Lauderdale FL 33304 - Phone: 954-462-3977, 866-222-7905 - www.lambtoncourt.com

H-16, Liberty Suites, 1501 SW Second Ave. Ft. Lauderdale FL 33004-4263 - Phone: 877-927-0090, 954-927-0090, Fax: 954-927-0090 www.libertysuites.com

H-17. Mangrove Villas, 1100 N Victoria Park Rd, Ft Lauderdale FL 33304 - 954-527-5250, 800-238-3538 - www.mangrovevillas.com

H-18, Manor Inn Bed and Breakfast, 2408 NE 6th Ave. Ft Lauderdale FL 33305 - Phone: 954-566-8223 - www.wiltonmanorsinn.com

H-19. New Zealand House, 908 NE 15th Ave, Ft Lauderdale FL 33304 - Phone: 954-523-7829, 888-234-5494 - www.newzealandhouse.com

H-20. Orton Terrace, 606 Orton Ave, Ft Lauderdale FL 33304 - Phone: 954-566-5068, 800-323-1142 Fax: 954-564-8646 - www.ortonterrace.com

H-21. Palm Plaza, 2801 Riomar St Ft Lauderdale FL 33304 - Phone: 954-260-6568, Fax: 954-566-4948 - www.palmplazaresort.com

H-22. Pineapple Point, 315 NE 16th Terrace, Ft Lauderdale FL 33301 - Phone: 954-527-0094. 888-844-7295, Fax: 954-527-0705 www.pineapplepoint.com

H-24. Royal Palms, 2901 Terramar St Ft Lauderdale FL 33304 - Phone: 954-564-6444, 800-237-PALM, Fax: 954-764-1111 - www.royalpalms.com

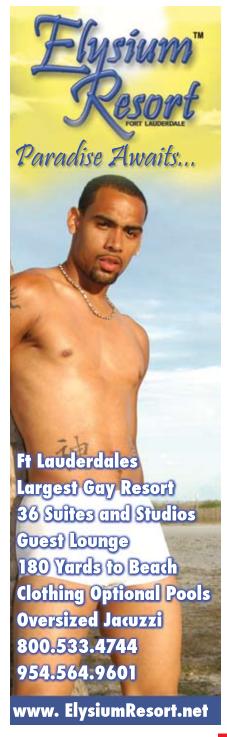
H-25. Schubert Resort, 855 NE 20th Ave, Ft. Lauderdale FL 33304 - Phone: 954-763-7434.866-763-7435, Fax: 954-763-4132 www.schubertresort.com

H-26. Sea Grape House, 1109 NE 16th PI, Ft Lauderdale FL 33305 - Phone: 954-525-6586, 800-447-3074 code 44, FAX: 954-525-0586 www.seagrape.com

H-27. Villa Venice Mens Resort, 2900 Terramar St, Ft Lauderdale FL 33304 - Phone: 954-564-7855, 877-284-5522 - www.villavenice.com

H-28. Windamar Beach Resort, 543 Breakers Ave, Ft Lauderdale FL 33304 - Phone: 954-564-7855. 800-205-KING - www.windamarbeachresort.com

H-29. Worthington GuestHouse, 543 N Birch Rd. Ft Lauderdale FL 33304 - Phone: 954-561-0039, 800-445-7036, FAX: 954-563-6819 www.theworthington.com



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Men's Clubs/Sex Clubs C-1. Club Fort Lauderdale, 1110 NW 5th Ave, Ft Lauderdale FL 33311 - Phone: 954-525-3344

www.the-clubs.com

C-2. Clubhouse II, 2650 E Oakland Park Blvd, Fort Lauderdale FL 33306 Phone: 954-566-6750

Information Resources

I-2. Hotspots Magazine, 5090 NE 12th Ave, Ft Lauderdale FL 33334 - Phone: 954-928-1862, FAX: 954-772-0142 - www.hotspotsmagazine.com

Sea Experience, 801 Seabreeze Blvd, Ft Lauderdale FL 33316 - Phone: 954-467-6000 www.seaxp.com

Retail

Audace, 813 E Las Olas Blvd, Ft Lauderdale Fl Phone: 954-522-7503 - www.audace.com

Ball, 2252 Wilton Drive, Ft. Lauderdale FL 33305 - Phone: 954-537-4120

Bo's Barber and Stylist, 2635 N Federal Highway, Ft Lauderdale Fl 33306 Phone: 954-564-7383

Bottom and Tops, 2244 Wilton Dr, Ft Lauderdale FI - Phone: 954-561-6670

Clothes Encounters, 1952 E Sunrise Blvd, Ft Lauderdale FL 33304 - Phone: 954-522-2228 Gay Mart, 2240 Wilton Dr, Ft Lauderdale Fl 33305 Phone: 954-630-0360 - www.gaymart.com

J. Miles Clothing Co, 721 E. Broward Blvd, Ft Lauderdale FL 33301 - Phone: 954-463-3988

Leather Works, 1226 NE 4th Ave, Ft Lauderdale FI - Phone: 954-761-1236 www. leatherworks.com

Miguels Fashions, 2223 Wilton, Ft Lauderdale FI - Phone: 954-563-2243

Pride Factory, 845 N Federal Hwy, Ft Lauderdale FL 33304 - Phone: 954-463-6600 www.pridefactory.com

Source Spa and Salon, 1881 NE 26th St, Ft Lauderdale FI - Phone: 954-568-1998 www.sourcespaandsalon.com

Tropixxx Video 1514 NE 4th Ave, Ft Lauderdale FL 33304 - Phone: 954-522-5988 www.tvxusa.com

We're Everywhere, 2041 Wilton Dr, Wilton ManorsFl 33305 - Phone: 954-537-5600 www.WereEverywhere.com

Zoo 14, 1208 NE 4th Ave, Ft Lauderdale Fl Phone: 954-763-9666 - www.zoo14.com

Zoo Two Clothing Company, 2151 Wilton Dr, Ft Lauderdale Fl 33305 - Phone: 954-537-6055 www.zootwo.com - www.zoo14.com

FLORIDA Hollywood

Bars/Clubs

Trixies, 600 S Dixie Highway, Hollywood FL Phone: 954-923-9322 - www.trixiesbar.com

Club Xit, 219 N 21st Ave Hollywood FI 33020 954-925-5801

Retail

Hollywood Spice, 600 N. St Rd #7, Hollywood FL 33021 - Phone: 954-983-4687

Movies 4 Sale, Oakwood Plaza (I-95 & Stirling Rd), Hollywood FL 33020 - Phone: 954-921-4355 Sensation Video, 106 S. State Rd 7, Hollywood FL, 33023 - Phone: 954-894-7701

X-Factor, 3675 Pembrooke Rd, Hollywood Fl 33021 - Phone: 954-961-4469 www.thexfactors.com

FLORIDA Jacksonville

Bars/Clubs

Incahoots Nightclub, 711 Edison Ave, Jacksonville FL 32204 - Phone: 904-353-6316 www.incahootsjax.com

FLORIDA Key West

Hotel/Motel/Accommodations

Alexander Guesthouse, 1118 Fleming St, Key West FI - Phone: 1800-654-9919 www.alexanderkeywest.com

FLORIDA West Palm Beach

Bars/Clubs

Cupids Cabaret, 4430 Forest Hills Blvd, West Palm Beach, - Phone:561-642-5299

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B-2. Club GT Bar, 10205 NW 7th Ave Miami FL

Crobar, 1445 Washington Ave Miami Beach FL 33139 - Phone: 305-531-5027 - www.crobar.com

B-3. House, 2041 Biscaynen Blvd, Miami FL

J's Bar, 2780 Davie Blvd, Miami FL Phone: 954-581-8400

Laundry Bar, 721 N Lincoln Lane, Miami Beach FL 33139 - Phone: 305-531-7700 www.laundrybarmiami.com

Lotus, 1320 Ocean Dr, Miami Beach FL Phone: 305-673-1552

B-5. Magnum Lounge, 709 NE 79th St, Miami FL 33138, Phone: 305-757-336

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B-8. Score, 727 Lincoln Rd, Miami FL Phone: 305-535-1111

Ted's Hideaway, 124 2nd St, Miami Beach FL Phone: 305-532-9869

B-9. Twist, 1057 Washington Ave, Miami FL 33139 - Phone: 305-538-9478

Oxygen Lounge, 2911 Grand Ave Miami FL 33133 Phone: 305-476-0202 www.oxygenlounge.biz

O'Zone, 6620 SW 57th Ave, South Miami FL

- Phone: 305-667-2888

Restaurants/Cafes

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Cafe Des Arts, 1360 Collins Ave, Miami Beach FL - Phone: 305-535-6525

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R-1. Da Leo Trattoria, 819 Lincoln Rd, Miami FL 33139 - Phone: 305-674-0350, FAX: 305-674-0488 - www.daleotrattoria.com

R-2. Edelweiss, 2655 Biscayne Blvd, Miami FL 33137 - Phone: 305-573-4421, FAX: 305-573-7246

Euphoria Fridays @ Madiba Miami, 1766 BayRd, Miami Beach FL - Phone: 305-695-1566 www.madibarestaurant.com

R-4. La Sandwicherie, 229 14th St, Miami FL 33319 - 305-532-8934, FAX: 305-531-9883 www.lasandwicherie.com

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Albion Hotel, 1650 James Ave/ Lincoln Rd, Miami Beach FL 33139 - Phone: 305-913-1000 www.rubellhotels.com

B-Boy Brains and Beauty Martin "Redd" Balenciaga

Lately everyone has been throwing around this ridiculous phrase "bringing sexy back". On a practical level how does one really bring sexiness back into style? What defines sexiness to you?

A lot of people assume that because I am a gym boy, muscles and masculinity is all that's important to me. That's not true at all. Sexiness to me really has less to do with the body and more to do with spirit and intellect. On the real, the ultimate sexy guy is one who combines a great mind, body, and spirit. Now that's sexiness.

Ok, so then would you say you're more attracted to the intellectual over the muscle man?

Yes most definitely. The intellectual guy has wisdom. That's not always guaranteed with some muscle-head. But then again its not always mutually exclusive. Sometimes the intellectual and the muscle-man can be the same person.

Gotchu. Tell me about your involvement in the house-ball scene, you're a household name in Washington, D.C. How has that been?

Yeah the ballroom scene is a great extracurricular activity for me. In my professional life I'm a full-time, certified personal trainer. The ballroom scene is a space where I can show-off this body a little bit and also meet new people and have fun. It's all about having fun. I'm always careful to make sure im not too caught up though—again, this is just a hobby for me. But yeah, I love it.

Personal trainer eh? And I heard you also do a little something else on the side for the ladies.

[Laughs] Yes, I'm also an exotic dancer. I do private events for the ladies: birthday parties, bachelorette events, showers, etc. The ladies can sometimes get out of hand! They want to take it a little too far sometimes. I'm glad that they're attracted to me and they're pleased with my moves, but I'm a professional, this is just a job for me.

Awesome. So back to the ballroom scene for a minute. When did you actually start walking?

Well, I've been familiar with the ballroom scene since about 1999 but I didn't actually join a house until 2003. The House of Balenciaga has been my ballroom family for

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Joined the scene in 1999, been walking since 2003 under the Balenciaga name

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Favorite Artist

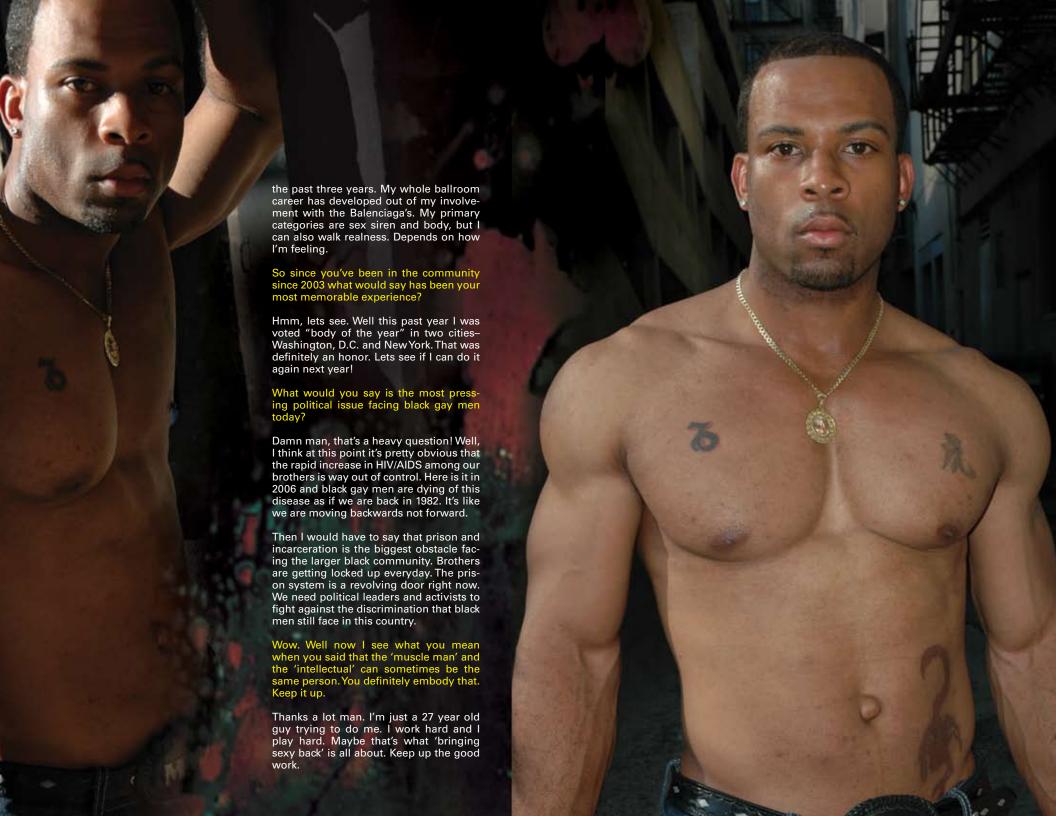
Biggie Smalls, Mary J. Blige, John Legend

Favorite Book

Gifted Hands by Dr. Ben Carson

Personal Motto

"Treat others as you wish to be treated"



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Best Western South Beach, 1050 Washington Ave, Miami Beach FL 33139 - Phone: 305-674-1930 - www.bestwestern.com/southbeach

The Cavalier Hotel, 1320 Ocean Dr, Miami Beach FL - Phone: 305-531-3555 www.cavalierhotel.com

Century Hotel, 140 Ocean Dr, Miami Beach FL Phone: 305-674-8855 www.centurysouthbeach.com

Indian Creek Hotel And Restaurant, 2727 Indian Creek Dr, Miami Beach FL 33140 - Phone: 800-491-2772 - www.indiancreekhotel.com

H-3. Island House, 1428 Collins Ave, Miami Beach FL 33139 - Phone: 305-864-2422, 800-382-2422, FAX: 305-865-2220 www.islandhousesouthbeach.com

Marriott Hotel,161 Ocean Dr, Miami Beach FL - Phone: 305-536-7700 - www.marriott.com/property/propertypage/miamb

Miami River Inn, 118 SW South River Dr Miami FL 33130 - Phone: 305-325-0045 or 800-468-3589 - www.miamiriyerinn.com

Nassau Suite Hotel, 1414 Collins Ave, Miami Beach FL - Phone: 305-532-0043 www.nassausuite.com

The Shelborne Beach Resort, 1801 Collins Ave, Miami Beach FL - Phone: 305-531-1271 www.shelborne.com

Sobeyou, 1018 Jefferson Ave, Miami Beach FL 33139 - Phone: 305-534-5247, 1-877-599-5247 www.sobeyou.us

Men's Clubs/Sex Clubs Club Body Center Miami, 2991 Coral Way, Miami FL 33145 - Phone: 305-448-2214

www.clubbodycenter.com

Retail

Cloverleaf Book & Video, 14907 NW 7th Ave, Miami FL - Phone: 305-681-2001

Gaydar, 1671 Alton Rd, Miami Beach FL - Phone: 305-538-6434

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Bars/Clubs

Quest, 5274 W Colonial Dr, Orlando FL 32808 Phone: 407-297-3992

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Bars/Clubs

Brothers Nightclub, 926 West Tharpe S, Tallahassee FL 32303 - Phone: 850-386-2399 www. brothersnightclub.com J & R Book & Video, 7450 SW 40th St, Miami FL - Phone: 305-262-6570

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Pleasure Emporium, 1019 5th St, Miami Beach FL 33139 - Phone: 305-673-3311

Pleasure Emporium II, 7020 NW 72nd Ave, Miami FL 33166 - Phone: 305-805-9095

Pleasure Emporium III, 224 Sw 6th St, Miami FL 33130 - Phone: 305-854-7977

Pleasure Emporium North, 20600 Nw 2nd Ave, Miami Fl 33169 - Phone: 305-654-9400

Sensations Video, 1317 Washington Ave Miami Beach FL 33139 - Phone: 305-534-2330

S-1.Whittall & Shon, 900 Washington Ave #3, South Beach FL 33139 - Phone: 305-538-2606 www.whitallandshon.com



FLORIDA Tampa

Bars/Clubs

Harbor Club, 1915 East Grant St, Tampa FL Phone: 813-932-6712

Tracks, 1430 E 7th Ave, Tampa FL 33605 Phone: 813-247-2711

Valentine's Nightclub, 7522 N Armenia Ave, Tampa FL - Phone: 813-936-1999 www.valentinesnightclub.com



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B-2. Bulldogs, 893 Peachtree St, Atlanta GA 30309 - 404-872-3025 - www.bulldogsbar.com

B-3. Burkhart's, 1492-F Piedmont Ave, Atlanta GA 30309 - Phone: 404-872-4403 www.burkharts.com -

Central Park Club & Bistro, 5231 Memorial Drive, Stone Mountain GA 30082 Phone: 404-508-3070

Chapparral, 2715 Buford Hwy, Atlanta GA 30324 - Phone: 404-634-3737

Club 708, 708 Spring St NE Atlanta Ga 30309 404-872-3025

Fusion Sunday @ Red Chair, 550-C Amsterdam Ave Midtown Atlanta 30306 404-246-9000

B-5. Heretic, 2069 Cheshire Bridge Rd, Atlanta GA 30324-4241 - Phone: 404-325-3061 www.hereticatlanta.com

Jungle, 2115 Faulkner Rd Atlanta Ga 30324 404-844-8800 www.jungleclub.net

Lion's Den, 2678 Buford Hwy, Atlanta GA 30324 Phone: 770-991-6929 www.thelionsdenatlanta.com

B-8. Phase One, 4933 Memorial Drive, Stone Mountain, GA 30083 - Phone: 404-296-4895

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B-9. Tower II, 735 Ralph McGill, Atlanta GA 30312 - Phone: 404-246-9000

Restaurants/Cafes

R-1. Einstein's, 1077 Juniper St, Atlanta GA 30309 - Phone: 404-876-7925

La Cafe Hinds, 543 Stokeswood Ave, SE Atlanta GA 30316 - Phone: 404-653-0325 www.lecafehinds.com

R-2. Mary Mac's Tearoom, 224 Ponce De Leon, NE Atlanta GA 30308 - Phone: 404-876-1800 www.marymacs.com

Hotel/Motel/Accommodations

H-1. Hello B&B, 1865 Windemere Dr, Atlanta GA 30324 - Phone: 404-892-8111, FAX: 404-892-2212

Men's Clubs/Sex Clubs

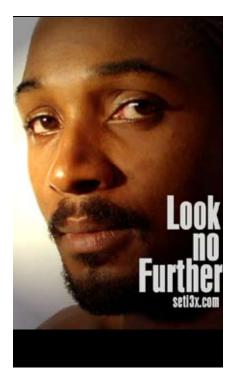
The Den, 334 N. Clarendon Ave, Scottsdale - Phone: 404-292-7746 - www.thedeninc.com

C-1. Eros Atlanta, 2219 Faulkner Rd, Atlanta GA 30324 - Phone: 404-634-9790 www.cluberosatlanta.com

C-2. Flex Complex, 76 4th St NW, Atlanta GA 30308 - Phone: 404-815--0456 www.flexbaths.com

C-3. Inserection, 505 Peachtree St, Atlanta GA 30308 - Phone: 404-892-6707 - www.inserection.com

C-4. Swinging Richards, 1400 Northside Dr, Atlanta GA 30308 - Phone: 404-352-0532 www.swingingrichards.com



Information Resources BrothaLove Images, Atlanta GA Phone: 404-808-6873

Retail

African Butterly, 149 Palisdade Point Dr, Ellenwood GA 30294 - Phone: 800-871-2608 www.africanbutterfly.org

S1. Brushstrokes, 1510 Piedmont Ave, NE, Suite J, Atlanta GA 30324 - Phone: 404-876-6567

www.brushstrokes.us

Inserection, 1739 Cheshire Bridge Rd, Atlanta GA 30316 - Phone: 404-875-9200 - 1023 West Peachtree St, Atlanta GA 30316 Phone: 404-815-9622 - www.inserection.com

S2. Outwrite Bookstore, 991 Piedmont Ave, Atlanta GA 30309 - Phone: 404-607-0082 www.outwritebooks.com

Production

OzonEntertainment, 836 Juniper St, Atlanta GA 30308 - Phone: 1-866-35OZONE OR 404-284-3600 - www.ozonentertainment.com



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B-1. Baton Show Lounge, 436 N Clark St, Chicago IL 60610 - Phone: 312-644-5269

B-2. Berlin, 954 W Belmont, Chicago IL 60657 - Phone: 773-348-4975 - berlinchicago.com

B-3. Ear-Rotic @ Spin, Belmont & Halsted, Chicago IL - Phone: 312-323-4141 www.zeretmusic.8m.com

B-4. Escape, 1530 E 75th St Chicago IL, 60619

B-5. Gentry On Halsted, 3320 N Halsted St, Chicago IL 60657 - Phone: 773-348-1053 **B-6. Gentry On State**, 440 N State St Chicago IL 60610 - Phone: 312-836-0933

Jackhammer, 6406 N Clark, Chicago IL 60626 - Phone: 773-743-5722

JB-7. Jeffrey Pub, 7041 S Jeffery Blvd, Chicago IL 60649 - Phone: 773-363-8555

JR'S, 325 20th St, Rock Island IL 61201 Phone: 309-786-9411

B-8. Little Jim's, 3501 N Halsted, Chicago IL 60657 - Phone: 773-871-6116

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B-9. Minibar, Chicago, 3341 N Halsted St Chicago IL 60657 - Phone: 773-871-6227

B-10. Nutbush City Limits, 301 N Harlem Ave, Forest Park IL 60130 - Phone: 708-366-5117

B-11. OTDL @ Generator, 306 N Halsted@ Fulton, Chicago IL - Phone: 773-215-OTDL

B-12. Prop House, 1675 N Elston, Chicago IL 60622 - Phone: 773-486-2086 / 2390

B-13. Roscoe's Tavern and Cafe, 3356 N Halsted St, Chicago IL 60657 - Phone: 773-281-3355 www.roscoes.com

B-14. Spin Nightclub, 800 W Belmont Ave, Chicago IL 60657 - Phone: 773-327-7711 www.spin-nightclub.com

B-15. Taste, 6331 S Lowe St Chicago IL 60621 Phone: 708-802-1705

Restaurants/Cafes

R-1. Ann Sather Restaurant, 929 W Belmont Chicago IL 60657 - Phone: 773-348-2378 www.annsather.com

R-2. Arco De Cuchilleros, 3445 N Halsted, Chicago IL 60657 - 773-296-6046

R-3. Bangkok, 3542 N Halsted, Chicago IL 60657 - 773-327-2870

R-4. Chicago Diner, 3411 N Halsted, Chicago IL 60657 - Phone: 773-935-6696 www.veggiediner.com

R-5. Cornelia's, 748 W Cornelia, Chicago IL 60657 - Phone: 773-248-8333

R-6. Cucina Bella, 1612 N Sedgwick, Chicago IL 60614 - Phone: 312-274-1119 www.cucinabella.com

R-7. Firefly, 3335 N Halsted, Chicago IL 60657 773-525-2505

R-8. Hearty Boys, 3404 N Halsted, Chicago IL 60657 - Phone: 773-244-9866, FAX: 773-244-8088 - www.heartyboys.com

R-9. Jack's Bistro, 3201 N Halsted, Chicago IL 60657 - Phone: 773-244-9191

R-10. Kit Kat Lounge and Supper Club, 3700 N Halsted, Chicago IL 60613 - Phone: 773-525-1111

R-11. Las Mananitas, 3523 N Halsted, Chicago IL 60657 - Phone: 773-528-2109

R-12. Leona's, 3215 N Sheffield, Chicago IL 60657 - Phone: 773-327-8861 www.leonas.com

R-13. Mark's Chop Suey, 3343 N Halsted, Chicago IL 60657 - Phone: 773-281-9090

R-14. Nookies Tree, 3334 N Halsted, Chicago IL 60657 - Phone: 773-248-9888

R-15. Star Gaze, 5419 N Clark, Chicago IL 60640 Phone: 773-561-7363

R-16. T's Bar and Restaurant, 5025 N Clark, Chicago IL 60640 - 773-784-6000

Hotel/Motel/Accommodations

H-1. Abbott Hotel, H-1. Abbott Hotel, 721 W Belmont, Chicago IL 60657 - Phone: 312-248-2700

H-2. Ardmore House, 1248 W Ardmore Ave, Chicago IL 60660 - Phone: 773-728-5414, FAX: 773-784-5574 - www.ardmorehoiusebb.com

H-3. Arlington House International Hostel & Hotel, 616 W Arlington PI, Chicago IL 60614 - Phone: 773-929-5380, 800-HOSTEL-5, FAX: 773-665-5485 - www.arlingtonhouse.com

H-4. Best Western Hawthorne Terrace, 3434 N Broadway, Chicago IL 60657 - Phone: 888-675-BEST, FAX: 773-244-3435 www.hawthorneterrace.com

H-5. City Suites Hotel, 933 W Belmont, Chicago IL 60657 - Phone: 773-404-3400, 800-CITY-108, FAX: 773-404-3405 - www.cityinns.com

H-6. Comfort Inn and Suites Downtown, 15 E Ohio, Chicago II 60611 - Phone: 312-494-1515 www.chicagocomfortinn.com

H-7. Days Inn, 644 W Diversey, Chicago IL 60614 - Phone: 312-525-7010

H-8. Majestic Hotel, 528 W Brompton PI, Chicago IL 60657 - Phone: 800-727-5108 www.cityinns.com

H-9. Villa Toscana Guest House, 3447 N Halsted, Chicago IL 60657 - Phone: 773-404-2643 www.villa-toscana.com

H-10. Willows Hotel, Chicago IL 60657 Phone: 800-787-3108 - www.cityinns.com

Men's Clubs/Sex Clubs

C-1. Bijiou Theater, 1349 N Wells, Chicago IL 60610 - Phone: 312-943-5397 www.bijouworld.com C-2. Leather Archives and Museum, 6418 N Greenview, Chicago IL 60626 Phone: 773-761-9200 www.leatherarchives.org

C-3. Man's Country, 5017 N Clark St, Chicago IL 60640 - Phone: 773-878-2069 www.manscountrychicago.com

C-4. Steamworks, 3246 N Halsted, Chicago IL 60657 - Phone: 773-929-6080 www.steamworksonline.com

Information Resources

Bailiwick Repertory Theatre, 1229 W Belmont Chicago IL 60657 - Phone: 773-883-1090 www.bailiwick.org

Boi Magazine, 3711 N Ashland, Chicago IL 60613 - Phone: 773-975-0264 www.boimagazine.com

Boystown Club, PO Box 101171, Chicago IL 60610-1171 - Phone: 877-595-5247 www.boystownclub.com

Chicago Special Events Management, 1960 N Clybourne Ave, Chicago IL 60614 Phone: 773-868-3010 - www.chicagoevents.com Gay Chicago Magazine, 3115 N Broadway Chicago IL 60657 - Phone: 773-327-7271 www.gaychicagomag.com

Leather Archives and Museum, 6418 N Greenview Chicago IL 60626 - Phone: 773-761-9200 www.leatherarchives.org.

North Halsted Area Merchants Association, 3739 N Halsted St, Chicago IL 60613 Phone: 773-883-0500 - www.northalsted.com

Toto Tours, Ltd, 1326 W Albion Ave #3-W, Chicago IL 60626 - Phone: 773-274-8686, 800-565-1241 - www.tototours.com

Broadway Theatre, 3175 N Broadway, Chicago IL 60657 - Phone: 312-902-1500

Chicago Area Gay & Lesbian Chamber of Commerce, 1210 W Rosedale, Chicago IL 60660 Phone: 773-303-0167 - www.glchamber.org

Chicago Free Press, 3714 N Broadway Chicago IL 60613 - Phone: 773-325-0005 www.chicagofreepress.com

International Mr. Leather, 5015 N Clark St, Chicago IL 60640-2823 - Phone: 773-381-4650 www.imrl.com

Retail

S-1. Unabridged Books, Inc, 3251 N Broadway St, Chicago IL 60657 - Phone: 773-883-9119

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Restaurants/Cafes

Abbey Coffe House, 825 Pennsylvania, Indianapolis IN 46204 - Phone: 317-269-8426

Downtown Olly's, 822 N Illinois, Indianapolis IN 46204 - Phone: 317-636-5597

English Ivy's Restaurant, 944 No Alabama, Indianapolis IN 46202 - Phone: 317-822-5070

Metro Nightclub and Restaurant, 707 Massachusetts Ave, Indianapolis IN 46204 - Phone: 317-639-6022 - www.metro-indy.com

Men's Clubs/Sex Clubs Club Indianapolis, 620 N Capitol Ave, India-

napolis IN 46204 - Phone: 317-635-5796 www.the-clubs.com

Fat Dick's DVD's, 815 Muskingum St, Indianapolis IN 46204

Work's, 4120 N Keystone Ave, Indianapolis IN 46205 - Phone: 317-547-9210 www.theworks4men.com

Information Resources Midwest Bear Pack, PO Box 771, Indianapolis IN 46206 - Phone: 317-216-9588 www.bearpack.org

OUTlines, 133 W Market Str, Suite 105, Indianapolis IN 46204 - Phone: 317-923-8550 www.indygaynews.com

Theatre on Square, 627 Massachusetts Ave, Indianapolis IN 46204 - Phone: 317-637-8085 www.tots.org

Varsity Lounge, 1517 N Pennsylvania, Indianapolis IN 46202 - Phone: 317-635-9998

LOUISIANA New Orleans

Bars/Clubs

Fusion's, 2004 APTureaud Ave, New Orleans I A 70116-1333 - Phone: 504-301-5121

Onyx, 2441 Bayou Rd, New Orleans LA 70114 Phone:504-948-2443

Orlandos Society Page, 542 N Rampart St, New Orleans LA 70112 - Phone: 504-593-9941 Oz, 800 Bourbon St, New Orleans LA 70116 504-593-9491

Parade Disco, 801 Bourbon St, New Orleans LA 70116 - Phone: 504-529-2107

Golden Lantern, 1239 Royal St, New Orleans LA 70116 - Phone: 504-523-6300

MARYLAND Baltimore

Bars/Clubs

Bunns, Bunns, 608 W Lexington St, Baltimore Phone: 410-234-2866

Hippo,1 W Eager St Baltimore MD 21201-5406 Phone: 410-547-0069 - www.clubhippo.co

Paradox, 1310 Russell St, Baltimore MD 21230 Phone: 410-837-9110 - www.thedox.com

Park Sportsman Bar, 412 Park Ave, Baltimore MD 21201 - Phone: 410-727-9620

Restaurants/Cafes

Coconuts Cafe, 309 W Madison St, Baltimore MD 21201 - Phone: 410-383-6064

Gallagher's Bar and Grill, 940 S Conkling St, Baltimore MD 21224 - Phone: 410-327-3966

Information Resources

Baltimore OutLoud, PO Box 3640, Baltimore MD 21214 - Phone: 410-444-8052 www.baltimoreoutloud.com

Health Education Resources Organization,

1734 Maryland Ave, Baltimore MD 21201 Phone: 410-685-1180 - www.hero-mcrc.org

Retail

Lambda Rising Bookstore, 241 W Chase St, Baltimore MD 21201 - Phone: 410-234-0069 www.lambdabusiness.com

Calamus Bookstore, 92 S St, #B Boston MA 2111 - Phone: 617-338-1931 www.calamusbooks.com

MICHIGAN Detroit

Bars/Clubs

Alvin's, 5156 Cass Ave, Detroit MI 48202 Phone: 313-831-4577

Manios, 928 W McNichols, Detroit MI 48203 Phone: 313-863-3934 - www.manios.com

Numbers, 17515 Woodard Ave, Detroit MI 48203

Off Broadway East, 8239 E Forest Ave Detroit MI 48213 - Phone: 313-617-3943

Pandora's Boxs, 6221 E Davidson St. Detroit MI Phone: 313-892-8120

S. Backstreet Lounge, 7468 E Davison St, Hamtamck MI 48212 - Phone: 313-365-7136

Woodward's Cocktail Bar, 6426 Woodward Ave. Detroit MI - Phone: 313-872-0166

Restaurants/Cafes

Pronto, 608 S Washington, Royal Oak MI 48067-3828 - Phone: 248-544-7900

Temple Bar, 2906 Cass Ave, Detroit MI 48212 Phone: 313-832-2822

Men's Clubs/Sex Clubs

Body Zone, 1617 E McNichols, Detroit MI 48203 Phone: 313-366-9663

Information Resources

Cruise Magazine, 660 Livernois, Ferndale MI 48220 - Phone: 248-545-9040

Metra Magazine, PO Box 71844, Madison Heights MI 48071 - Phone: 248-543-3500 www.metramagazine.com

TNT/Complex Video, 13333 W Eight Mile Rd, Detroit MI 48235 - Phone: 313-341-5322

Common Language, 215 S 4th Ave, Ann Arbor MI 48104 - Phone: 734-663-0036 www.commonlanguagebooks.com

MINNESOTA Minneapolis

Bars/Clubs

Dejavu Nightclub, 315 Washington Ave, Minneapolis MN 55401 - Phone: 612-333-6333

Saloon, 830 S Hennipen, Minneapolis MN 55403 - Phone: 612-332-0835

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www.gaympls.com/hotel.html

Information Resources KFAI FM 90.3, 1808 Riverside Ave, Minneapolis MN 55454 - Phone: 612-341-3144 www.kfai.org

Rainbow Road, 109 W Grant St, Minneapolis MN 55403 - Phone: 612-872-8448 www.rainbowroadusa.com

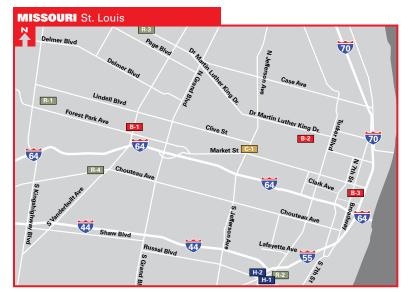
MISSISSIPPI Jackson

Bars/Clubs

Club City Lights, 200 N Mills St, Jackson MS39201 - Phone: 601-353-0059

Metro Entertainment Complex, 4670 Hwy #80 W, Jackson MS - Phone: 601-922-8237 www.metroentertainmentcomplex.com





Bars/Clubs B-1. Magnolias B-2. Club 747 B-3. Faces

Restaurants/Cafes

R-1. Chez Leon R-2. Clementines R-3. Harlem Tap Room

R-4. Novak's

Bars/Clubs

B-1. Magnolia's, 5 S Vandeventer St. St Louis MO, 63108, 314-652-6500 www.magsbar.com

B-2. Club 747, 1624 Delmar Blvd, St Louis MO, 63103. 314-621-9030

B-3. Faces, 130 North 4th St, East St Louis MO, 62201, 618-271-7410

Restaurants/Cafes

R-1. Chez Leon, 4580 Laclede Ave, Saint Louis MO, 63108, 314-361-1589, www.chezleon.com

R-2. Clementines, 2001 Menard St, Saint Louis MO. 63104. 314-664-7869. www.clementinesbar.com

R-3. Harlem Tap Room, 4161 Dr Martin Luther King Drive, St Louis MO, 314-531-2965

Lady A's Bar and Grill, 6754 Page St, St Louis MO, 314-721-3322

R-4. Novak's, 4121 Manchester, Saint Louis MO. 63110. 314-531-3699. www.novaksbar.com,

Hotel/Motel/Accommodations

H-1. A St. Louis Guest House, 1032-38 Allen Ave, Saint Louis MO 63104 - Phone: 314-773-1016, - www.stlouisguesthouse.com

H-2. Brewers House B&B. 1829 Lami St. Saint Louis MO 63104 - Phone: 314-771-1542 - Toll Free: 888-767-4665 - www.brewershouse.com

Men's Clubs/Sex Clubs

C-1, Club St. Louis, 2625 Samuel Shepherd Dr. Saint Louis MO 63103 - Phone: 314-533-3666 www.the-clubs.com

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Information Resources

EXP Magazine, 4579 Laclede, Number 110, Saint Louis MO 63108 - Phone: 314-367-0397 www.expmagazine.com

Vital Voice, PO Box 170138, Saint Louis MO 63117 - Phone: 314-865-3787 www.thevitalvoice.com

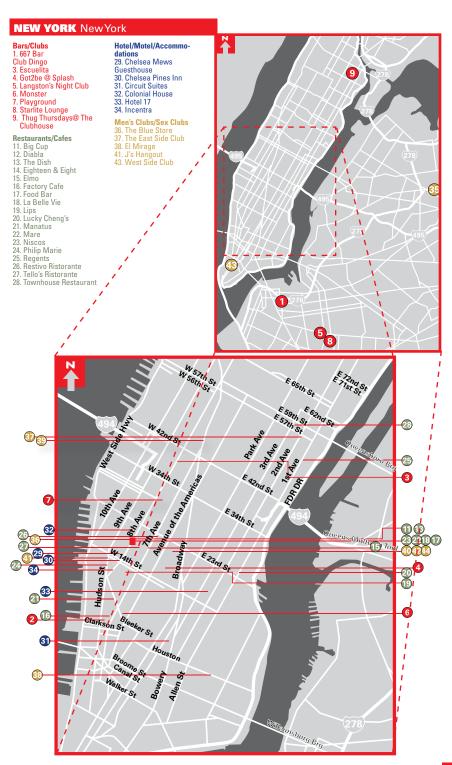












1. 667 Bar, 667 Fulton St, Brooklyn NY 11217 Phone:718-855-8558

Cafe05@Deep, 16 West 22nd St, New York NY, Phone: 212-229-0585 - Sundays

Chi Chiz, 135 Christopher St, New York NY, Phone: 212-462-0027

Club House 134, 134 Dewey Ave, Buffalo NY 14214

Club Boysroom, 9 Ave A, (Bet 1st & 2nd St), New York NY

Club Shelter, 20 West 39th St, New York NY, 212-749-4479, www.clubshelter.com

DA Flow Mondayz @ Stonewall, 53 Christopher St, New York NY 10014-3530 Phone: 646-230-1316

3. Escuelita, 301 West 39th St, New York NY 10018 Phone: 212-631-0588 - www.escuelita.com

Freaky Fridays@Krash NYC, 16 West 22nd St, New York NY - Phone: 212-229-0585 www.krashnyc.com

Globetrotters, 59 Lincoln Park, Newark NJ 7102

4. Got2be @ Splash, 50 West 17th St, New York NY 10011-5727 - Phone: 212-691-0073

Groove, 125 W MacDougal (7 W 3rd), New York NY

Krash, 16 West 22nd St, New York NY 10010 Phone: 212-229-2000 - www.krashnyc.com

The Lab, 1428 Fulton St, New York, NY Phone: 718-773-1760, Friday Nights

5. Langston's Night Club, Open Bar From 1-2 am Free Before 12 am, 1073 Atlantic Av Bet. Classon and Franklin - Train A,C To Franklin or 2,3,4,5 To Franklin and Take The Shuttle Over. More Info Call 718 484 1555 Or 646 283 6509

Luci's Lounge, 2306 8th Ave, New York NY

Luke And Leroy, 21 7th Ave S, New York NY 10014, - Phone: 212-645-0004

Mix @ Caviar Studios, 46 Washington Ave, Brooklyn NY 11205 - Phone: 718-222-9456

Mo' Betta Brothas@Reign, 46 Washington Ave, Brooklyn NY - www.sanjuanbrothas.com

6. Monster, 80 Grove St, New York NY 10014, Phone: 212-924-3558

NO Parking, 4168 Broadway @ 177th St, New York NY

Oscar Wilde, 221 East 58th St, New York NY 10022 - Phone: 212-355-3395

7. Playground, 251 West 30th St, New York NY 10001-2810 - Phone: 718-992-5974

Quo Night Club, 511 W 28th St, New York NY 10001, - Phone: 212-268-5105

Red Zone, 2018 45th St. Astoria NY 11105

Roxy, 515 West 18th St, New York NY 10014 Phone: 212-645-5156 - www.roxynyc.com

Sky Saturdays, 29 W 125th St, New York NY

Slide, 356 Bowery @ 4th, New York NY 10051

Speed, 20 West 39th St, New York NY

8. Starlite Lounge, 1084-86 Bergen St, Brooklyn NY 11202 - Phone: 718-773-5921

Therapy, 348 West 52nd St, New York NY 10019 Phone: 212-397-1700 - www.therapy-nyc.com

9. Thug Thursdays @ The Clubhouse, 2334-Third Ave @ 122nd St, New York NY 10035-1304 - www.clubworldusa.com

Thug'z Out Firdayz At Club Life, 565 Nostrand Ave ,bet. Atlantic Ave & Pacific St, Brooklyn New York - Adm: Free B4 1am, Only \$5 Before 2am - Open From 11pm - 4.30am, 21& Over Id Is A Must - Contact Ken Or Kev @ 718-484 1555 / 646 283 6509

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11. Big Cup, 228 Eighth Ave, New York NY 10011

13. Dish, 201 8th Ave, New York NY 10011 Phone: 212-352-3003

15. Elmo, 156 Seventh Ave, New York NY 10011 Phone: 212-337-8000

16. Factory Cafe, 104 Christopher St, New York NY 10014 - Phone: 212-807-6900

17. Food Bar, 149 8th Ave, New York NY 10011 Phone: 212-243-2020

18. La Belle Vie, 184 Eighth Ave, New York NY 10011 - Phone: 212-929-4320

19. **Lips**, 2 Bank St, New York NY 10014 Phone: 212-675-7710

20. Lucky Cheng's, 24 1st Ave, New York NY 10009 - Phone: 212-473-0516 www.luckychengs.com

21. Manatus, 340 Bleeker St, New York NY 10014 - Phone: 212-989-7042

22. Mare, 198 8th Ave, New York NY 10011 Phone: 212-675-7522

23. Nisos, 176 8th Ave, New York NY 10011 Phone: 646-336-8121

24. Philip Marie, 569 Hudson St, New York NY 10014 - Phone: 212-242-6200 www.philipmarie.com

25. Regents, 317 East 53rd St, New York NY 10128 - Phone: 212-593-3091

26. Restivo Ristorante, 209 7th Ave, (at 22nd Ave.), New York NY 10011 - Phone: 212-366-4133

27. Tello's Ristorante, 263 West 19th St, New York NY 10011 - Phone: 212-691-8696

28. Townhouse Restaurant, 206 East 58th St, New York NY 10022 - Phone: 212-826-6241

Hotel/Motel/Accommodations 29. Chelsea Mews Guesthouse, 344 West 15th

St, New York NY 10011 - Phone: 212-255-9174

30. Chelsea Pines Inn, 317 West 14th St, New York NY 10014 - Phone: 212-929-1023 www.chelseapinesinn.com **31. Circuit Suites**, 192 8th Ave, New York NY 10011 - Phone: 917-553-758

32. Colonial House, 318 West 22nd St, (btn 8th & 9th), New York NY 10011 - Phone: 212-243-9669 - www.colonialhouseinn.com

33. Hotel 17, 225 East 17th St, New York NY 10003 - Phone: 212-475-2845

34. Incentra, 32 8th Ave, New York NY 10014 Phone: 212-206-0007

Men's Clubs/Sex Clubs

82nd Street Club, 40-33 82nd Street, Flushing NY 11373 - Phone: 718-396-3945

The Blue Store, 206 Eighth Avenue, New York NY 10011 - Phone: 212-924-8315

The East Side Club, 227 E 56 St (btn 2nd & 3rd), New York, NY 10022 Phone: 212-753-2357, 212-888-1884

El Mirage, 253 East Houston, New York NY 10002-1023 - Phone: 212-253-7877

36. Blue Store, 206 8th Ave, New York NY 10011 Phone: 212-924-8315

37. East Side Club, 227 East 56 St, (btn 2nd & 3rd), New York NY 10022 Phone: 212-753-2357 / 212-888-1884

38. El Mirage, 253 East Houston, New York NY 10002-1023 - Phone: 212-253-7877

41. J's Hangout, 675 Hudson St, NewYork NY 10014 - Phone: 212-989-8496

NEVADA Las Vegas

Bars/Clubs

Pride Factory Las Vegas, 953 E Sahara Suite E 1-B, Las Vegas NV 89104 - Phone: 704-444-1691 www.pridefactory.com

Retail

Get Booked, 4640 Paradise Rd, Suite 15, Las Vegas NV 89109 - Phone: 702-737-7780 www.getbooked.com

Hotel/Motel/Accommodations

Blue Moon Resort, 2651 Westwood Drive, Los Vegas NV 89109 -

Phone: 866-798-9194 - FAX: 702-361-9110 www.bluemoonlasvegas.com

NORTH CAROLINA

Bars/Clubs

CC Nightclub, 313 West Hargett St, Charlotte NC - Phone: 919-755-9599 www.cc-raleigh.com

Scorpio Lounge, 2301 Freedom Dr, Charlotte NC 28208 - Phone: 704-373-9124,

Club Odyssey, 4019-A Country Club RdWinston-Salem NC 27104 - Phone: 336-774-7071

Palms, 413 N Eugene St, Greensboro NC 27401 - Phone: 336-272-6307

43.West Side Club, 27 West 20th St, 2nd fl (5&6), New York NY 10011 Phone: 212-691-2798

Information Resources

Ballroom Rockstar,

www.ballroomrockstar.com

Gay Men of African Descent, 103 East 125th St, Room 503, New York NY 10035 - Phone: 212-828-1697 - www.gmad.org

HX Magazine, 230 West 17th St, 8th fl, New York NY 10011-5367 - Phone: 212-352-3535 www.hx.com

LBGT Community Center, 208 West 13th St, New York NY 10011 - Phone: 212-620-7310 www.gaycenter.org

Next, 121 Varick St, 3rd fl, New York NY 10013 Phone: 212-627-0165 - www.nextmagazine.net

Retail

Creative Vision Bookstore, 548 Hudson St, New York NY 10014 - www.creativevisionsbooks.com

Rizzoli Bookstore, 31 West 57th St, New York NY 10019 - Phone: 212-759-2424

Whitall & Shon, 113 Christopher St, New York NY 10014 - Phone: 212-691-6964

Productions

BC Productions, PO Box 210-561, Brooklyn NY 11211 - Phone: 646-351-7091



Restaurants/Cafes

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Club Evolution, 5800 Colerain Ave. Cincinatti OH 45239 - Phone: (513) 245-2220

Mans World, 22909 Detroit Ave, Cleveland OH 44113 - Phone: 216-574-2203

Men's Clubs/Sex Clubs

Flex Complex, 2600 Hamilton, Cleveland OH, 44113 - Phone: 216-420-3539 - http://flexbaths.com

Pink Pyramid, 907 Race St. Cincinnati OH 45202 - Phone: 513-621-PINK



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- B-3. Sisters Restaurant 8 Nightclub B-4. Woody's

Restaurants/Cafes R-1. Astral Plane

- Cafe Nola R-3. Millenium Coffe R-4. Vallini Restaurant
- and Lounge R-5. Venture Inn R-6. Westbury Bar and Restaurant

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C-1. 6 Club

Men's Clubs/Sex

C-2. Adonis Cinema

C-4. Danny's Adam

and Eve

C-3. Club Body Center

- I-4. Philadelphia Fight to Philly I-5. The Philadelphia
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B-2. Paradise Alley, 624 Front St @ Fairmount, Philadelphia PA, 19130, www.clubwarehouse.com

B-3. Sisters Restaurant and Nightclub, 1320 South Chancellor St, Philadelphia PA 19107 Phone: 215-735-0735 www.sistersnightclub.com

B-4. Woody's, 202 S. 13th St, Philadelphia PA 19107 - Phone: 215-545-1893 www.woodysbar.com

Restaurants/Cafes

R-1, Astral Plane, 1708 Lombard, Philadelphia PA 19146 - Phone: 215-546-6230 www.theastralplane.com

R-2. Cafe Nola, 328 South Street, Philadelhia PA 19147 - Phone: 215-627-2590

R-3. Millennium Coffee, 212 South 12th St, Philadelphia PA 19107 - Phone: 215-731-9798

Tierra Columbiana, 4535 North 5th St, Philadelphia PA 19140 - Phone: 215-324-6086

R-4. Valanni Restaurant and Lounge, 1229 Spruce St, Philadelphia PA 19107 Phone: 215-790-9494 - www.valanni.com

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H-2. Uncles Upstairs Inn, 1220 Locust Street, Philadelphia PA 19107 - Phone: 215-546-6660

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C -1, 6 Club Philadelphia, 1220 Chancellor Street Philadelphia PA 19107 - Phone: 215-735-7671 - www.clubbodycenter.com

C-2. Adonis Cinema, 2026 Samson Street, Philadelphia PA 19122 - Phone: 215-557-9319

C-3. Club Body Center Philadelphia, 1220 Chancellor St, Philadelphia PA 19107 - Phone: 215-735-7671 - www.clubbodycenter.com

C-4. Danny's Adam and Eve, 133 South 13th St, Philadelphia PA 19107 - Phone: 215-925-5041

Information Resources

I-1. Altus Group, 211 North 13th St, Suite 802, Philadelphia PA 19107-1610 Phone: 215-977-9900 x15

I-2. Colours Organization Inc, 1201 Chestnut St, 15th floor, Philadelphia PA 19107 - Phone: 215-496-0330 - www.coloursinc.org

I-3. Phila Vis & Convo Bureau, 1515 Market St. Suite 2020, Philadelphia PA 19102 Phone: 215-636-3323

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Pegasus Lounge, 818 Liberty Ave, Pittsburgh PA 15222 - Phone: 412-281-2131

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I-4. Philadelphia Fight to Philly, 1233 Locust St. 5th fl, Philadelphia PA 19107

Phone: 215-985-4448

I-5. Philadelphia Gay News, 505 South 4th St, Philadelphia PA 19147 - Phone: 215-625-8501 www.epgn.com

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I-6. William Way LGBT Community Center, 1315 Spruce St, Philadelphia PA 19107 Phone: 215-732-2220 - www.waygay.org

S-1, Giovanni's Room, 345 South 12th St. Philadelphia PA 19107 - Phone: 215-923-2960 www.giovannisroom.com

S-2. Scorpio Books, 205 South Juniper St, Philadelphia PA 19107 - Phone: 215-545-2181

S-3 . Spruce Street DVD & Video, 1201 Spruce St, Philadelphia PA 19107 - Phone: 215-985-2955 - www.sprucestreet.com

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Bars/Clubs

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Bars/Clubs

Allusions Entertainment, 3204 North Thomas, Memphis TN - Phone: 901-357-8383

Backstreet Memphis, 2018 Court Ave, Memphis TN 38104 - Phone: 901-276-5522

N COGNITO, 338 South Front St. Memphis TN 38103 - Phone: 901-523-0599

Paragon, 2865 Walnut Grove, Memphis TN 38111 - Phone: 901-320-0026

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Bars/Clubs

The Connection, 901 Cowan St. Nashville TN

Information Resources

Nashville Cares, 209 10th Ave, South, Suite 160 Nashville TN 37203 - Phone: 615-259-4866 www.nashvillecares.org

Brothers United, 501 Brick Church Park Dr, NashvilleTN 37207 www.nashvillecares.org

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Charlies, 1301 Lavaca St, Austin TX 78711 -Phone: 512-474-6481 - www.charliesaustin.com



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B-1. Brick, 4117 Maple Ave, Dallas TX 75219 Phone: 214-521-2024 - www.brickdallas.com

B-2. Club Elm & Pearl (Metro), 2204 Elm St, Dallas TX 75201 - Phone: 214-741-0000 www.elmandpearl.com

B-4. Havana Nites, 4006 Cedar Springs, Dallas TX 75219 - Phone: 214-526-9494

B-6. Off the Street, 4001 Cedar Springs, #B, Dallas TX 75219 - Phone: 214-521-9051

B-7.The Johnny Orleans, 2704 Worthington, Dallas TX

B-8. Station 4, 3911 Cedar Springs Rd, Dallas TX 75219 - Phone: 214-526-7171

Restaurants/Cafes

R-1. Crossroads Market, 3930 Cedar Springs, Dallas Texas 75219 - Phone: 214-521-8919

R-2. Hunky's, 4000 Cedar Springs, DallasTX, 75219 - Phone: 214-522-1212 www.eatsguide.com/hunkys/index.html

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H-1. Holiday Inn Select Love Field, 3300 West

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H-2. Melrose Hotel, 3015 Oak Lawn Ave, Dallas TX 75219 - Phone: 214-521-5151/800-MELROSE www.melrosehoteldallas.com

Men's Clubs/Sex Clubs

C-1. Alternatives, 1720 West Mockingbird Lane, Dallas TX 75235 - Phone: 214-630-7071

C-2. Club Dallas, 2616 Swiss Ave, Dallas TX 75204 - Phone: 214-821-1990 www.the-clubs.com

Information Resources

I-1. Dallas Voice, 3000 Carlisle, Suite 200, Dallas TX 75204 - Phone: 214-754-8710 www.dallasvoice.com

Abounding Prosperity, Inc, 1816 Prosperity, Dallas, TX 75215 Phone: 214-565-9500 www.apdallas.org

Retail

S-1. Chocolate Bar, 2825 Commerce St, Dallas TX 75226



H-2. Montrose Inn

Bars/Clubs

B-3. Inergy House

B-4. Outpost

B-1. Bartini, 2204 Elm St, Houston TX Phone: 832-443-1016

B-2. G Spot, 2205 Richmond, Houston TX

R-3. Hollywood

R-4. House of Pies

B-3. Inergy Houston, 5750 Chimney Rock, Houston TX 77081 - Phone: 713-666-7310

B-4. Outpost, 1419 Richmond, Houston TX 78212 - Phone: 512-225-7330

Restaurants/Cafes

R-1. 1415 California, 1415 California, Houston TX 77006 - Phone: 713-522-7066

R-2. Barnaby's, 604 Fairview, Houston TX 77006 Phone: 713-522-0106

R-3. Hollywood, 2409 Grant, Suite D, Houston TX 77006 - Phone: 713-523-8808 www.hollywoodvietnameserestaurant.com

R-4. House Of Pies, 3112 Kirby Drive, Houston TX 77098 - Phone: 713-528-3816

Hotel/Motel/Accommodations

H-1. Lovett Inn, 501 Lovett, Houston TX 77006 Phone: 713-522-5224 / 800-779-5224 www.lovettinn.com

H-2. Montrose Inn, 408 Avondale, Houston TX 77006 - Phone: 713-520-0206 / 800-357-1228

Men's Clubs/Sex Clubs

C-1. Club Houston, 2205 Fannin St, HoustonTX 77002 - Phone: 713-659-4998 www.the-clubs.com

C-2. Midtowne Spa, Spa3100 Fannin St, Houston TX 77004 - Phone: 713-522-2379 www.midtowne-spa.com

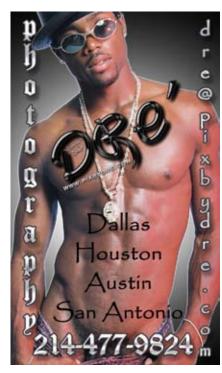
Information Resources

I-2. Texas Triangle, 315 W Alabama St, Suite 101, Houston TX 77006-5139 - Phone: 713-521-5822 www.txtriangle.com I-3. This Week in Texas, 500 Lovett Blvd, Houston TX 71006 - Phone: 713-527-9111 www.thisweekintexas.com

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Babe's, 3166 West Cary St, Richmond VA 23221 Phone: 804-355-9330

www.babesrestaraunt.com

Club Colours, 536 N Harrison St, Richmond VA

23220 - Phone: 804-353-9776

Retail

Phoenix Rising, 19 N Belmont Ave, Richmond VA 23221 - Phone: 804-355-7939

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Bars/clubs

Madison Pub, 1315 E Madison St, Seattle WA 98122 - Phone: 206-325-6537 www.madisonpub.com

Neighbors, 1509 Broadway, Seattle WA 98122

Phone: 206-324-5358

Re-Bar, 1114 Howell St, Seattle WA 98101

Phone: 206-233-9873

Sea Wolf Saloon, 1413 14th Ave, Seattle WA 98122 - Phone: 206-323-2158

Information Resources

Life Enrichment Bookstore, 8300 Rainier Ave, South Seattle WA 98118 - Phone: 206-722-7785

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Molly & Oscars, 405 Tower Ave, Superior WI 54836 - Phone 715-394-7423

Outwords, 2710 N Murray Ave, Milwaukee WI 53211 - Phone: 414-963-9089 www.outwordsbooks.com

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Backstage, Ave. Ponce de leon / Urb. Las Delicias, Ponce Puerto Rico, - Phone: 87-448-8112

The Bar, Ave. jesus t pinero 266-B, Hato ReyPuerto Rico

Club Xchange, Carr. 1 km 30.2, Caguas Puerto Rico - Phone:787-243-1472

Cups, Calle San Mateo #1708, Santurce Puerto Rico - Phone: 787-268-3570

El Picoteo Bar De Tapas, El Convento Hotel #100 calle Cristo, Old San Juan Puerto Rico 901 Phone: 787-723-9202

El Teatro - 1257 Ponce De Leon, Santurce Phone: 787-722-1132 - Sun & Sat - Latin

Eros, 1257 Ponce De Leon, San Juan PR 907 Phone: 787-722-1311

Junior's Bar, Calle Condado 613 Pda. 17.5, Santurce Puerto Rico - Phone: 787-725-4868

Kenny's Country Club, Carr. #1 km 23.6, Caguas Puerto Rico - Kennysclub@yahoo.com

Pleasures The Club, Ave Campo Rico 793, San Juan Puerto Rico - Phone: 787-300-9786 www. arcenciel-enterprises.com

Starz The Club, 365 Avenida De Diego Esq. Ponce De Leon, San Juan Puerto Rico

Restaurants/Cafes

Cafe' Bohemio, El convento Hotel 100 Cristo, Old San juan Puerto Rico Phone: 787-723-9202

Sofia, 355 San Francisco St, Old San Juan Puerto Rico - Phone: 787-721-0396

Hotel/Motel/Accommodations

Carlas Cappalli's Miao Miao Hotel, 408 ave. hostos. esq. Ramos Urb. El vedado, Hato Rey Puerto Rico - Phone: 787-764-9569 www.miaomiaohotel.com

L'Habitation, 1957 Calle Italia, San Juan, Puerto Rico - Phone: 787-727-2499 www.habitationbeach.com

Retail

Bookworm, 1129 Ashford Ave, Condado Puerto Rico 907 - Phone: 787-722-3344

Condom World, Carr. 2 Km 124.7, Bo. Caimital Alto Aguadilla, Puerto Rico Phone: 787-819-1418

Condom World, Calle Marginal, G-8, Urb. Vista Azul, Arecibo Puerto Rico - Phone: 787-817-6108 Condom World, Calle Marginal Santa Cruz, C-

28, Bayamon Puerto Rico Phone: 787-780-8445

Condom World, Ave. Betances 600, Urb. Hnas. Davila Bayamon LL Puerto Rico Phone: 787-785-5313

Condom World, Ave. Luis Munoz Marin, C-22, U-6, Caguas Puerto Rico - Phone: 787-258-4885

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Phone: 787-747-2897

Condom World, Ave. Isla Verde 5890, Carolina Puerto Rico - Phone: 787-728-2897

Condom World, Calle CE-1, Reparto Montellano, Cayey Puerto Rico - Phone: 787-263-5285

Condom World, Ave. Ashford 1122, Condado Puerto Rico - Phone: 787-721-7575

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Phone: 787-285-4225

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Phone: 787-265-5325

Condom World, Edif. Ceramic Plaza, Carr. 2, Km. 147.9, Mayaguez IL Puerto Rico Phone: 787-833-4582

Condom World, Marginal Perla del Sur 222, Local 1, Ponce Puerto Rico Phone: 787-843-3762

Condom World, Ave. Fagot 2908, Urb. Jardines Fagot, Ponce Puerto Rico - Phone: 787-842-2514 Condom World, Ave. 65 Infanteria, Km. 12.8, Carolina II Puerto Rico - Phone: 787-768-7795

Men's Clubs/Sex Clubs

C-1. Steamworks - 205 Calle Luna, Old San Juan PR, USA, - 787-725-4993 www.steamworksonline.com

MEXICO Puerto Vallarta

Hotel/Motel/Accommodations

Villa Viva Vallarta, Phone: 1-702-474-0264 www.gayhotelpuertovallarta.com

ST CROIX

Hotel/Motel/Accommodations

On The Beach Resort, 127 Smithfield Rd, Frederiksted St Croix 841 - Phone: 800-524-2018 - www.sandcastleonthebeach.com



i don't care what you are...

By Jonathan Perry



Let me start by introducing myself. For those of you who don't know me, my name is Jonathan, Jon, J, JP or [more memorably] Jon Jon. I was born in a backwoods town called Goldsboro at Seymour Johnson Air Force Base North Carolina. I received my BA in Philosophy and Psychology from Johnson C Smith University in Charlotte, North Carolina.

Now, I'm not partial to the "activist" label, but it [was] after all my outspokenness that gained me an audience with the queen of media herself – the big 'O' (Oprah Winfrey) – in April 2004 when she read my story on CNN.com and invited me to be a guest on her show. I appeared on "Men Living on the Down Low" episode, which aired April 16, 2004; and as a result, I was later featured on BET's Open Mic, BET.com, PBS, LOGO and in numerous other publications and television programs.

"As we let our light shine," Nelson Mandela said, "we unconsciously give other people permission to do the same. As we are liberated from our own fear, our presence automatically liberates others!" That's how I live my life.

So, when Flava Works, Inc. offered me my own column in Flava Life Magazine, I thought it would be an excellent opportunity to share my heart and feelings with [you] my Black and Latin brothas and sistas. I thought this might be an occasion to share a side of my life that

my "activism", heretofore, has not permitted the ones who know of me to see. And for those of you who haven't the slightest idea of who I am; I want you to know me for yourself and not by way of what your friend's friend who heard from his cousin's gay mama or daddy said I [might] be. Now, not that I am opposed to gay/ sgl extended families; I just don't want one.

I am not your judge, your jury nor your executioner. I am here to share my life with you. All I ask in return, is that you maintain sufficient personal integrity and an open mind, because what I say may be perceived as offensive, too bold or down right sacrilegious. All I know is what is true for me. What is true for me is what I have observed myself and when I lose that I can hang it up, because I have lost it all. So let this be my first and only apology to you, because I am NEVER wrong about my experience.

L. Ron Hubbard said that personal integrity is knowing what you know, knowing what you know is what you know, and having the courage to know and say what you have observed. "That is integrity. And there is no other integrity." He was right. Then he goes on to talk about terms like honor and truth; or terms that are likely to be understood by only a small number of people with a specialized knowledge or interest. For now, I will just stick to integrity.

It's not always easy just being ourselves, especially when we are surrounded by forces and pulled in directions that teach us to strive to be like: Mike, Jay-Z, or even Jesus. We are constantly being encouraged to go in directions that are in most cases contrary to our truest self and the desire to just be what we are.

There is rarely a day that goes by when someone doesn't ask me where did I get the name – "justbthat?" Well, in 1998 I was chatting with a really nice guy from NewYork that I'd met online. You know back in the WBS and go.com days. He was insistent upon his desire to be with me, expressing every reason in the world why I was the one for him. So, I asked him to send me a picture of himself and after much reticence, he sent the picture. Besides the distance, I did not find him all that attractive — so I gave him every reason I could think of, except the truth, why I was not he one for him. Finally, he shut me down, "I don't care what you are, just be that." My reply, "I guess!"

It wasn't until about 2004 that my reflection made that single statement more real to me than any line any man ever spit to me in my entire life. He was saying, those things you think make you unattractive or even undesirable, are some of the same things that make you beautiful to me. Just continue to be those things that make you what you are and I'll take care of the rest. You be what you are and let me decide if what you are is what I want.

We feel that we are compelled, almost uncontrollably, to pretend to be the things we know are attractive to the men or women we want to pull. Isn't it better to develop an honest relationship, whatever type relationship that may be, than to have them and then they recognize you for what you are in their eyes at that moment in your life - a fake? It winds up costing you more than what you believed it was worth. I catch hell from my friends for being so transparent; but I realize; their rejection, for any reason at all, is my direction. The way I see it, if I have to pretend and lie to get him, then I have to pretend and lie to keep him; and that is not the type of relationship I want from a friend or a partner...that person is NOT for me.

Your past does not make you bad because every past is somewhat sordid. Your HIV status does not make you bad because all it takes is one. You are not bad if you do not have a lot of money. You don't have to rock a pair of True Religions to be a quality person. What makes you bad? What takes away from your quality? Those are not questions for me to answer. That's introspection becomes ones savior! Just be conscious of the principles of conduct and notions of honor and decency with which you introspect.

Earlier I asked you to maintain sufficient personal integrity and an open mind. Do you remember that? I asked that you to do that because that is the part of you knows what I am saying is right.

The year 2004 changed my life; it changed the way I interacted with everyone. I stopped judging and started letting people just be. Just be what you are and let me decide if what you are is what I want.

Don't change your colors for me because with the greeting of time, trust me, they will fade and I will see what you thought you hid – which is what you are.

I [really] don't care what you are...justbthat!



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by Reginal T. Naji-Allah

To say that cellphone designs and Bling has exploded is a understatement. People are using their cellphones as the newest way to express their personal sense of style and celebrity. Whether you are Paris Hilton or Diddy, your cellphone and it's accessories has become a real status symbol.

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