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Top Of The News

AIDS DIVA: The Legend of Connie Norman (2018)



photo: Chuck Stallard

This event is a work-in-progress presentation of an upcoming documentary on the late AIDS Activist and LGBTQ media spokesperson, Connie Norman.

As the self-appointed “AIDS DIVA” and masterful spokesperson for ACT UP /Los Angeles in the late 80s and early 90’s Los Angeles, Connie described herself as “ex-drag queen, ex-hooker, ex-IV drug user, ex-high risk youth and current post-operative transsexual woman who is HIV positive” and simply “a human being seeking my humanity.”

Standing proudly in her multiple, fluid and evolving LGBTQ identities, she was often a lone advocate for the fledgling trans community of that era. Both beloved and confronting, Connie’s soulful and salty rantings and intersectional politics were heard widely through her local LGBT newspaper column and her pioneering LGBTQ cable television talk show. Fueled by the urgency of her mortality and the hard-on honesty and clarity her survival had required, Connie challenged self-hatred, hypocrisy and denial, as she evoked a humanitarian, neighborly, transcendent vision of life and love for our tribe and us all.

She served as a bridge, in both gender and politics, - from ACT UP/LA to the Radical Fairies, to right-wing talk shows to Sacramento policy meetings to her marriage to gay husband Bruce - and challenged us to confront what it means to be a woman, a man and ultimately a human being. Modeling ‘wokeness’ in an earlier era of crisis, Connie’s piercing and compassionate voice, through these rare vintage video clips,

leaps into the present, urging us again to wake up, to take action, and to fully engage with our collective lives and our world.

As part of One City, One Pride LGBTQ Festival.

Saturday, June 2nd at 7pm

Screening followed by Panel moderated by Karen Ocamb and reception. Free admission but RSVP required.

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Meet the Rainbow Flagmakers: Original Rainbow Flag Artists and their Friends



**Join us for a free presentation by some of the Rainbow Flag artists from 1978.
Saturday June 2nd 2018 from 3pm—4:15pm, in West Hollywood.
West Hollywood council chambers
625 N. San Vicente**

The first Rainbow Flags were conceived and handmade at the Gay Community Center called “330 Grove” in June of 1978 in San Francisco. Several of the artists,

including producing artist Faerie Argyle Rainbow, their friends and volunteers who worked on the flags at 330 Grove will be there to share their stories of creating and flying the original rainbow flags. Historian (and 330 Grove volunteer) Glenne McElhinney will kick-off the presentation with a short slideshow of photos of 330 Grove, the original Rainbow Flags and the people and groups that funded the artists.

Co-presented by the California LGBT Arts Alliance and Impact Stories History Project

One City One Pride LGBTQ Arts Festival opens in May



West Hollywood : <https://pride.weho.org/?view=calendar&month=April-2018>

National Queer Arts Festival opens in May



San Francisco and Oakland : <https://qcc2.org/>

Queer Rebels Fest 10th Anniversary



National Queer Arts Fest 2018

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**10 YEAR ANNIVERSARY
QUEER REBELS FEST**

Fri 5/25- Sat 5/26
Doors@7pm Show@7:30pm
762 Fulton St
SF, CA 94102
Ticket Info: www.qcc2.org [NOTAFLOF 10-25\$]

The poster features a large '10' with a rainbow outline. The '1' contains images of a person with face paint and a person playing guitar. The '0' contains images of a person with a pink mask and a person with a tattoo. A rainbow flag is in the top right corner.

Queer Rebel Productions: our mission is to showcase queer and trans artists of color, connect generations, and honor our histories with art for the future.

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New EXHIBIT in WeHo – Adelaide Drive: Christopher Isherwood and Don Bachardy



(Don Bachardy and Christopher Isherwood. Photo courtesy of Wayne Shimabukuro)

The Fight Magazine

The City of West Hollywood's Arts Division unveiled its newest art exhibit, Adelaide Drive: Christopher Isherwood and Don Bachardy on Saturday, April 14, 2018 at the West Hollywood Library, located at 625 N. San Vicente Boulevard. The exhibit features images of the famous couple taken over the course of several decades by photographer Wayne Shimabukuro. The installation also features five original portraits by Don Bachardy. The exhibit runs through Wednesday, October 17, 2018.

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Featured Alliance Member Organization

June Mazer Lesbian Archives Grand Re-opening Sunday May 6



June Mazer Lesbian Archives
Where Lesbians Live Forever!

www.mazerlesbianarchives.org

626 N. Robertson Blvd.
West Hollywood, CA 90069
(310) 659-2478

The Archives, originally called the West Coast Lesbian Collections, was founded in Oakland California, in 1981. Six years later it was moved to Los Angeles by Connexus Women's Center/Centro de Mujeres. The Archives acquired its present name after the death of June Mazer, in honor of her work as a community activist and invaluable supporter of the Archives.

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Links

California LGBT Art Events are available on our website for easy access at any time. See the [Art Events Calendar](#) online.

CA LGBT Arts Alliance Guide To [Artist Resources](#)

Artist Calls : Top Picks

Deadline ~ Title ~ Place

05-01-2018 ~ [Pressing Matters 2018](#) ~ San Luis Obispo Museum of Art, San Luis Obispo

05-01-2018 ~ [Bay Delta Science Conference Art Exhibition](#) ~ Bay Delta Science Conference, Sacramento

05-04-2018 ~ [South Bay Mural Project Open Call](#) ~ Port of San Diego, San Diego

05-07-2018 ~ [38th International Exhibition](#) ~ The San Diego Watercolor Society, San Diego

05-07-2018 ~ [California Crafts Competition](#) ~ California State Fair, Sacramento

05-10-2018 ~ [San Francisco Bay International Photo Show](#) ~ San Francisco Bay Month of Photography, San Francisco

05-10-2018 ~ [Storytelling](#) ~ Art Works Downtown, San Rafael

05-10-2018 ~ [Photography and the Creative Eye](#) ~ Pacific Art League, Palo Alto

05-15-2018 ~ [Sac Open Studios](#) ~ Verge Center for the Arts, Sacramento

05-15-2018 ~ [Artist Residency Call for Proposals](#) ~ The Residency Project @ 880, Pasadena

05-18-2018 ~ [Carbondale Clay National XIII](#) ~ Carbondale Clay Center, Carbondale

05-18-2018 ~ [Art Commission for Bernal Park Oak Woodland Area](#) ~ City of Pleasanton, Pleasanton

05-21-2018 ~ [Planet Pulse: A National Art Exhibit](#) ~ Santa Cruz Art League, Santa Cruz

05-25-2018 ~ [Newport Beach Art Exhibition](#) ~ Newport Beach City Arts Commission, Newport Beach

05-28-2018 ~ [Pulse of LA 2018](#) ~ SoCal Women's Caucus for ART, Los Angeles

[See More Artist Calls](#)

Grants : Top Picks

Deadline ~ Title ~ Grant Provider

05-11-2018 ~ [2018 Film and Video Grant Program](#) ~ Berkeley Film Foundation

05-14-2018 ~ [Artist Residency Program](#) ~ The Watermill Center

05-18-2018 ~ [Individual Photographer's Fellowship](#) ~ Aaron Siskind Foundation

05-21-2018 ~ [Arts Writers Grant Program](#) ~ Creative Capital/The Andy Warhol



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About the CA LGBT Arts Alliance

The mission of The California LGBT Arts Alliance is to promote artistic and financial partnerships that strengthen and deepen the cooperative relationship among California's LGBT non-profit arts organizations and individual artists.

The California LGBT Arts Alliance is a 501 (c) (3) non-profit organization.

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LOS ANGELES COUNTY ARTS COMMISSION

CITY OF LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF CULTURAL AFFAIRS

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Get your personalized ART license plate. website: <https://www.artsplate.org/>

Proceeds from the plate sales directly benefit the California Arts Council (CAC).

For information about the City of West Hollywood Arts and Cultural Affairs Commission visit: <http://www.weho.org/residents/arts-and-culture>

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