

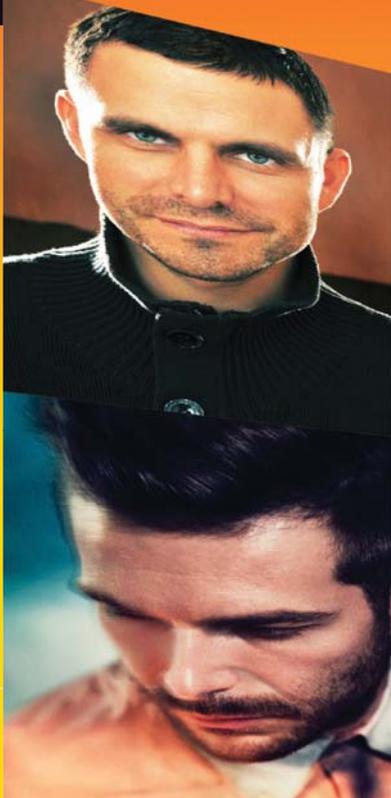
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# SUMMER RITES

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# The Second Silence: what's not being spoken

By Patrick Cash

There is a 'Second Silence' amongst gay men, and it revolves around HIV and AIDS.

**SILENCE**, can be harmful. In the 1980s when the AIDS epidemic was at its height, there was a palpable statutory silence on behalf of the Conservative government and healthcare services until 1987. The ensuing tombstone and iceberg adverts instigated by Lord Norman Foster began a conversation on HIV prevention and safe sex that saved lives; 'AIDS: Don't Die of Ignorance' was the tagline. Launched five years into the epidemic, it was too late for the many gay men who had already succumbed to the disease.

Recently, the phrase 'the Second Silence' has begun to be heard in discourse on modern HIV/AIDS work. 'When we talk about the Second Silence I know exactly what's being referred to,' says Simon Watney, the HIV activist/campaigner and author of *The Spectacle of AIDS*. 'I think the First Silence was rather later [than the 1980s], when things went quiet, when

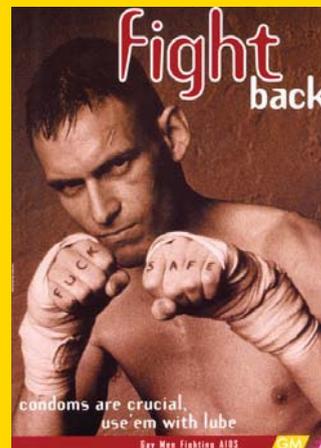
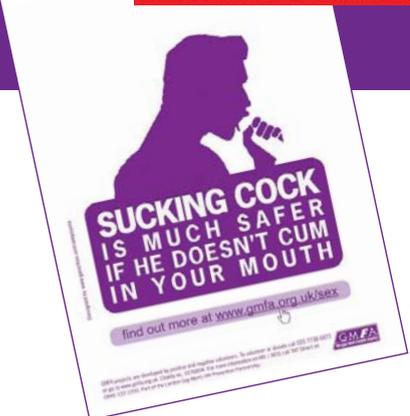
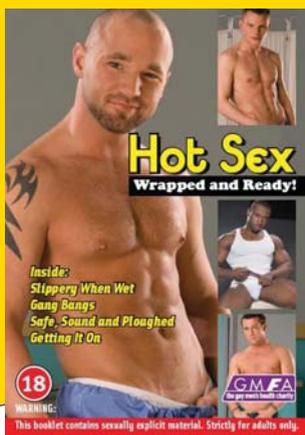
treatments came around in the 90s. And maybe we've just had a deepening silence since then...

'I think the Second Silence is simply about the numbers of people out there with HIV, both those who know they're infected and those who don't. There's every good reason why when you've got HIV you don't want to tell everybody under the sun and become an HIV bore, confidentiality is crucial, absolutely vital, but the question of confidentiality and self-protection paradoxically have an unintended consequence – and that unintended consequence is that nobody seems really aware of the percentage of people with HIV in their midst.'

Where this consequence seems to be most prevalent is amongst young gay men in their teens and twenties, those who came into their sexualities after the spectre of death by AIDS had been allayed by antiretroviral therapy drugs. 'In 2012 there were 3,250 gay men diagnosed with HIV and a third of those were in their teens and twenties,' says Matthew Hodson, the Chief Executive of GMFA, who have recently launched their 'Think Again' HIV awareness campaign.

'Anecdotally we just kept on hearing "oh young gay men aren't engaged with HIV prevention, they don't think it's their issue anymore" and that kind of seemed to me to make sense, because when I spoke to young gay men, the things they would be talking about would be the blood ban or marriage equality... One study which I read suggested that unless there was a dramatic change, we were talking about 50% of college-age young gay men would be HIV positive before they were 50. Now, obviously that mathematical model is speculative to a certain extent, but it just hit me in the face that I don't think it is acceptable, I think we need to do something.'

GMFA have been doing something about HIV and AIDS since their inauguration. Founded in 1992 as 'Gay Men Fighting AIDS', the group was initially made up of people already working in HIV prevention work who were concerned that HIV had been 'de-gayed' for political reasons. GMFA's prerogative from the start was to provide an authentic gay male voice for the gay



community. 'GMFA is your really well informed gay friend and that's the tone in FS Magazine, on the website, in our advertising campaigns, we're not pretending to be better, we're not pretending to be different,' says Hodson.

But for a voice to be listened to, it first needs to make itself heard. Therefore many of the most high profile advertising campaigns on HIV prevention work, and promotion of safer sex, have stemmed from this organisation, as can be seen on these pages. Despite brutal funding cuts, they carry on doing this work. 'We actually think that there are things that GMFA do better than anyone else,' Hodson continues, 'that are related to using gay men's language, talking honestly about sex, not pretending, not being too prissy, being kind of blunt and to the point.'

With the Think Again campaign they are targeting young gay men for awareness reasons, but also trying to dispel the many myths of misinformation that have wreathed themselves about HIV. Hodson states of the focus groups GMFA ran to develop its most recent campaign: 'We were so struck by some of these inaccurate beliefs...



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with the early AIDS epidemic: it wasn't an attractive disease, it was for sluts, it was for promiscuous people and nasty sinners, and it was hard for some people to feel empathy for those really unattractively afflicted.

'You can also see it on social media, you put up a post about caring for people who use drugs problematically and you get a sea of troll responses about how nasty they are from their gay brothers, and it should be the opposite. But despite the silence that we're talking about now, I see things happening, I see a dialogue happening on social media, and even though it's trolling and it's highly passionate opinions being thrown about, it's a dialogue that I didn't see six years ago when I was working with chemsex. In some areas I see an amazing movement happening, I have new friends who I see stepping up out of their armchairs and out of the nightclubs to do something.'

A lot of what we got back confirmed our fears, that there were a lot of gay men who said "HIV is not an issue anymore or it's something that won't affect me, or it won't happen to me because I'm not a slut or it's something that won't happen to me because I'm too young to get it, it's something that happens to other people." I think that's true of everyone; almost everyone thinks it's something that happens to other people.'

This 'it happens to other people' thinking mentioned by Hodson, crops up again in my conversation with David Stuart, Lead Substance Use Advisor at 56 Dean Street, on the Second Silence subject. If misinformation and lack of education are in part behind the continuing spread of HIV amongst gay men, then a particularly rapid rise in London can also be attributed to current 'chemsex' trends in the capital's gay male community.

'It can be identified walking through a nightclub in Vauxhall, someone collapsing from G, and people stepping over them, going "oh, she can't handle her drugs", that's a nasty kind of apathy,' says Stuart. 'And what I've read about those pioneering older gay brothers of mine that were heroes and champions in the early AIDS epidemic is not that... One thing we do have in common

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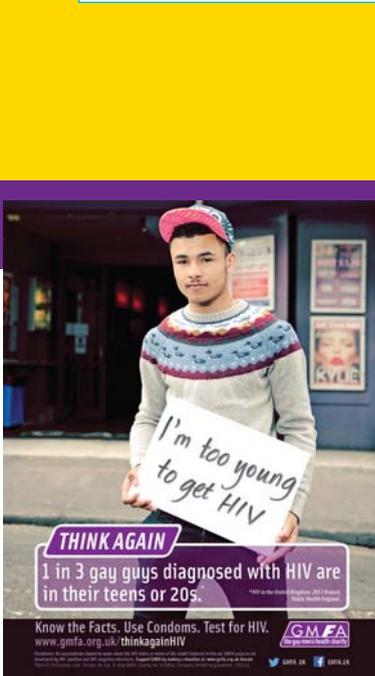
Doing something in the context of fighting this silence seems to start with the most obvious answer: communication. And through the shoots of communication we grow a community that cares holistically about its members, rather than standing fractured and alone. In response to the chemsex syndemic, David Stuart and I have launched the monthly open forum 'Let's Talk About Gay Sex & Drugs' for anyone to come and voice their opinion, judgement-free, on



the subjects as others listen. Beyond this event, beginning the greater conversation on HIV that groups like GMFA are trying to encourage, creates not only a sense of empathy but also a concession to caring about each other's health and wellbeing, whatever their background or nationality.

'Nobody should be dying of AIDS today, nobody,' says Simon Watney in some of his final words. 'In this country the people who are dying of AIDS are a subset of Black Africans, who are getting diagnosed late through a series of complex social and cultural reasons, and dying; the second overwhelming contingent of people dying unnecessarily are gay men. But on the whole, not to over-simplify, they're not English gay men, they're gay men who come here from around the world. From Syria as refugees, from Iran, Iraq, from South America, from Sicily, from wherever. With no education, whatsoever. God knows English kids don't have very much, but if you're growing up in Kurdistan you know Jack-diddy-squat about any of this; these are the people who know nothing about infecting, don't know, don't test, come down with PCP and die... There's a debate about PrEP\* now, which is really great that the discussion's going on. I used to say years ago sometimes you have to chuck petrol on the bonfires. As long as people are discussing it.'

\*Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis, a combination of HIV antiretroviral therapy drugs currently being trialled in the UK for use in HIV prevention work.



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Read full 'In Conversation With' interviews with Simon Watney, Matthew Hodson and David Stuart on the QX blog: [www.qxmagazine.com/blog/](http://www.qxmagazine.com/blog/)

# Siren Swagger

It's been four years since **Cher Lloyd** exploded on to the X Factor stage and she's been Swagger Jaggerin' across international pop charts ever since. With a new album on the way and an appearance at G-A-Y this weekend, Lee Dalloway caught up with the lovely lady...



**Your latest single 'Sirens' is quite different. Is this a new direction or are you just showing off another facet of your personality.**

I've took time to figure out what I want to do musically the past couple of years and I've grown up quite a lot. I realised I've never been given the opportunity to properly sing. A lot of my other tracks are up-tempo or rap-ish and I feel like I've had the opportunity to create an album myself, without too many people being involved.

**The lyrics are quite vulnerable...**

Yeah, there are a few touching songs on there. I wrote a lot on this album about what mattered to me. I want to be able to get on stage and feel something; I don't want to be singing songs I have no connection with.

**They say a change of scenery can alter your mindset. Did living in LA change you personally and professionally at all?**

I think being in a different country has its ups and downs to be quite honest. I felt a lot freer over there; it was almost like a fresh start. While I'm out there, I miss my family so much. I haven't seen them for six months!

**We love your honesty! In a recent article you said you were "a total bitch" during X Factor...**

[Laughs] Yeah, looking back on it now, I'm almost 21 and I was 16 then, I was a total bitch. Some of the things I would say I wouldn't dream of saying now. It's rude to behave like that. I didn't have a clue how the industry was meant to work, but as time's gone on you learn to become more professional and understand what you're meant to do. I have younger sisters and the things that they say and do I'm shocked by, but I was probably ten times worse!

**It must be a huge pressure being so young in such a massive show, though?**

Yes, and I look forward to how people will respond to what I'm doing now and whether

they change their opinion of me. I was sort of a self-righteous little brat. I don't blame people for having a negative opinion of me, but you want people to judge you for who you are now rather than bringing up things from years ago.

**Do you ever read stories about yourself in the press or do you steer clear?**

I tend not to read too much. No matter what I say or do, someone's going to put a headline that isn't really in context, but I understand that's what you do to get people to read the article. I've learnt you can't have 100% control of everything. No matter what's said or printed, you have to shrug it off. It comes with the job.

**What's the most ridiculous thing you've ever read about yourself?**

There was an article a few years ago that said I was trying to attack someone with a spoon! First of all, a spoon would not be my weapon of choice [laughs]. I was making a cup of tea and they photographed me with a spoon in my hand. Whatever you do, you can't clear it up, so you've gotta laugh about it. Everyone thinks I'm a spoon attacker now [Laughs]!

**You're playing at G-A-Y again this weekend, are you looking forward to that?**

Absolutely! I think G-A-Y is the only venue that I've ever performed in where I get off stage and can actually enjoy myself after and mingle with people. There's no other place I've been able to do that.

**Now, the outfit you wore last time...**

[Laughs] Seriously, I wore this horrific cat suit. When I look at it, I could die. Why didn't anyone stop me from wearing that? This time, I've spent time looking through designers and picked a nice dress. It's not so extreme. My band are coming over from America, too. It's a big occasion for me.

**"I was a total bitch. Some of the things I would say I wouldn't dream of saying now."**



Cher Lloyd is at G-A-Y (Heaven, under the Arches, Villiers Street, WC2N 6NG) on Saturday 19th July. Discount wristbands from G-A-Y Bar.

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# DIVINE

## by Mink

Continuing our tribute to iconic drag actor Harris Glenn Milstead, more famously known as **Divine**.

You may know Nancy Paine Stoll better as **Mink Stole**, who made a name for herself appearing in such underground classics as *Female Trouble*, *Pink Flamingos* and *Hairspray*. Cliff Joannou spoke to the American actress about her memories of the cult screen legend that is Divine...

By Cliff Joannou



Mink Stole (as Taffy Davenport) in *Female Trouble*, 1974... and now.



Photo: Greg Gorman

### feather boas that we had in London.

Here too. We had the Cockettes in San Francisco that were combining beards and glitter and embracing the entirety of their sexuality as opposed to trying to conceal one with the other. He knew that he was breaking ground. There was no way for anybody at the time to appreciate the impact that this was going to have on people. It could easily have gone the other direction where people laughed at him.

### Was it intended to shock from the outset?

All the motivation came out of John. I think that they agreed. Divine wanted to be famous and John wanted to be famous and this was what they were going to do. An enormous statement had to be made. I wasn't present for the conversation, but I kinda have a feeling it went with John saying, "Are you game?" and Divine saying, "Yes!"

### What is his greatest legacy?

He was such an inspiration to young, confused people. Men in particular. I can't tell you how many people. He gave hope to outsiders that there was a place for them in the world. They didn't have to be hidden. They could come out and be something.

**I Am Divine is in cinemas on Friday 18th July (Peccadillo Pictures)**

### When did you first meet Divine?

I met him at a party, probably in 1966. He was 'Glenn' then, not Divine. Nobody ever called him Harris [his first name]. And I was Nancy. I tell people this, and I think it's true, I think I was on acid. I'm not 100% sure, but I was taking a lot of it at the time and I would take a lot at these parties I would go to. He was very imposing. Neither of us had done any acting, but he had done a lot of drag competing and he was a very grand, large imposing presence. I was shy around him. I wasn't wary of him in that he would hurt me, but I was a very insecure kid and very unworldly and pretty naïve. I had just spent a summer in Provincetown in '65 where I had met John [Waters] and was just exposed to a heavily gay culture. I grew up in rather conservative suburbs and this was my first exposure to a completely other side of the world and I was fascinated and thrilled. Coming to Baltimore and meeting this crew of people that were so much more sophisticated than I was, I was a bit in awe of them. I mean Divine was perfectly lovely to me, but I was just a little kid. He and I became Divine and Mink fairly soon after that.

### Was he 'Divine' in and out of make-up?

He was very different. As a person he was much quieter. When you are on stage you are throwing out a lot of energy. If you had to live like that all the time you'd be exhausted. No stage persona is like the off-stage persona. It can't be.

### At what point did his character supersede his real personality?

I know that for him, being Divine was both a blessing and a curse. Had he not become Divine, had he not had this beginning, he would not have been known by anybody. With John, the two were such a team that they fed each. They were absolutely vital to each other's early careers. But after a while, when Divine wanted to play more serious roles and male parts and he wanted to stop being thought of as a drag queen, it was very hard because people would look at him as the drag queen that ate dog shit. Doing that made him famous, but he couldn't get away from it.

### Do you think he resented it?

I think he did. But he acknowledged that without it he wouldn't have his fame. It was a paradox.

### Did Divine appreciate the iconic look that he created?

I think he knew that he was going way past the bounds of traditional female impersonation.

### It was really challenging at the time from the conventions of guys dressed in glittery dresses and big

### QX magazine and Peccadillo Pictures present Divine Bingo and

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Read the full interview at: [www.qxmagazine.com/feature/divine-part-2](http://www.qxmagazine.com/feature/divine-part-2)

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# RIO Grande!



**G-A-Y Porn Idol** continues its run of RuPaul's Drag Race guest judges with **Bianca Del Rio**! UK drag terrorist **Meth** hooked up with her this week to talk wigs and wickedness...

### **Poppers, Meth, or Alcohol?**

I'm alcohol, but I've done poppers and meth. They're a little more entrancing, you know like it takes a little more... But I like alcohol. Alcohol's the best way to get off.

**I love how everybody has taken this really seriously. This question is entirely for my own ego: I'm expecting you all to say Meth.**

Well, I don't like the person and I don't like the drug.

**You sold out four shows at the Meth Lab in literally under an hour and then you went on to sell out in Glasgow and Dublin. This is literally the biggest buzz that's surrounded a Drag Race queen coming to the UK. How are you finding the reaction from UK fans?**

First of all, I didn't know if you were watching the show over here, or knowing it to the extent that people do in America – I always thought all the diehard fans were in America. To find it over here is quite lovely, and the fact that everybody understands me and gets my sense of humour is amazing. That was the one thing I was terrified about. Or if people think it's too racy in person – but they like it, they actually want me to be racier, which is good.

**Were you as unsurprised as the rest of the world when you won RuPaul's Drag Race?**

I was surprised. And I know people are going to think that that's full of shit but you really don't know what they're going to do. Did I feel like I did a good job? Yes. But I also knew it's a TV show. I knew that they could do whatever they wanted. It's Ru's decision.

**Your best and your worst moments during Drag Race?**

One of my favourite moments was getting to know Trinity K Bonet through that process. I didn't understand where her angst was coming from. And then when we found out what was going on it was very special to me, because as you know from the show, I had a friend that I had lost, so it was kind of like what I couldn't do for my friend then, I could do for her there, in a much smaller way.

The worst part was the way that I handled things with Laganja Estranga. It was rough to

watch.

My reaction wasn't in hate. My reaction was that I was over it. In that moment I have to take responsibility for what I said and did, but I probably would have handled it better now, or in a different setting.

**If you had the chance to read anybody, dead, alive or fictional, who would it be and what would you say?**

Oh wow, that's a tough one... Y'know, I don't know. Well I think it's funny, tonnes of people on Twitter are constantly saying "Read me! Read me" and I always say it's not just the actual words that you use, it's your inflection and when you use it. It's having the right thing to say at the right time that's the key to reading.

**What is the most quintessentially British thing you can think of?**

Oh, tea! We had tea together, I love tea.

**What will you be looking for from the G-A-Y Porn Idol contestants?**

I'm looking for stamina, obviously looks. If you wanted to see ugly people fuck you'd look at your own life. I'm not really a size queen, but if you've got a small dick you need to be a real good bottom.

**Your favourite genre of porn?**

Free! I don't care what it is as long as it's free.

**Bianca Del Rio** guest judges **G-A-Y Porn Idol** (Heaven, Villiers Street, WC2N 6NG) on Thursday 17th July. Discount wristbands from **G-A-Y Bar**. To be a contestant, text **07789 553 868** or email [info@g-a-y.co.uk](mailto:info@g-a-y.co.uk)



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**Summer Rites: Out on the Dock** takes over the stunning Tobacco Docks in Wapping for a huge day of entertainment featuring some of London's tastiest clubbing and cabaret brands. Just some of the arenas include: Sink The Pink, The Bear Brig, East Bloc Room, Trannyshack, Cabaret Stage, The R&B Terrace, Barcode & Wrong, East Starboard and the Girls Arena. Here's just a tiny slice of what to expect from the summer's biggest gay festival event...

## BIG GAY REUNION

One of the highlights for seasoned clubbers out there (read: anybody over 30) is the fact that four giants of London's gay scene history come together for a monster mash-up of clubbing excess as **Trade**, **DTPM**, **Crash** and **Love Muscle** take over the main dance arena. We asked some of the big names spinnin' for those clubs what you can expect to shake your booty to on the day...

### Terry Farley @ CRASH

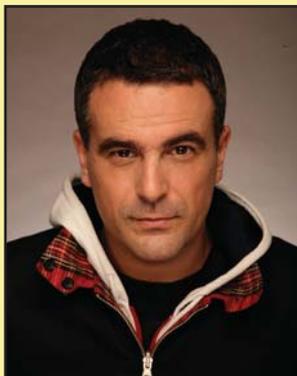


**'Wild Luv 2014'** - Roach Motel  
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**'Lovelee Day'** - Blaze  
Perfect happy happy track for a happy day.

**'Not Enough'** (HiFi Sean Mix) - John le Page feat. Nikki Harris  
Great vocals and a bottom end that shakes your booty.

### Guy Williams @ DTPM



**'No Guarantees'** - D Ramirez and Guy Williams  
One of the tracks from our forthcoming Motherload EP on Great Stuff, working the floors.

**'Sweat'** (The Carry Nation Remix) - Stereogamous feat Shaun J Wright  
Loving the low slung dirty funk vibe of this great track with wicked vocal from the talented Carry Nation boys from NYC

**'In Sintesi'** (Psychemagik Remix) - Roisin Murphy  
One of my favourite remixes of the year and one of my favourite vocalists, this sounded so good at Glastonbury and Pacha Ibiza.

### Nick Tcherniak @ TRADE



**'Haze'** - Alberto Ruiz & Hugo Blanco  
Driving, hypnotic and intensely trade-esque.

**'Grand Union'** - Jel Ford  
An epic and melodic never-ending journey of a track on the world's biggest techno label.

**'Bring It To Me'** (Original Mix) - Skober  
A seductive vocal, slicing high-hats and a hooky synth, a must play.

## EAST STARBOARD

East London is gonna have a massive presence with some of its best and most sizzling gay nights at the Summer Rites festival when the likes of **Batty Bass**, **Hot Boy Dancing Spot**, **Homoelectric** and **GutterSlut** release their musical mayhem in the East Starboard room. The latter two reveal five fine tunes that will have your dancing feet firmly working over time...

### Jamie Bull @ HOMOELLECTRIC



**'The Boss'** (Dimitri From Paris Remix) - Diana Ross  
Dimitri has delivered one of the best remixes of his career and given Miss Ross a new lease of life for 2014.

**'Galaxy'** - Oliver & Alex Metric  
A mid-tempo nu-disco track that always lifts the mood when I play it. Very anthemic.

**'1989'** - Daniel Solar  
As the title suggests, it sounds exactly like something from 1989. Piano house all the way!

"HomoElectric is a long running gay/mixed night. Its origins are in Manchester, with the London version started around four years ago. It's a free-thinking, no rules disco for all persuasions. Everyone is welcome, gay, straight, boy, girl, young and not so young, just come with an open mind. Our primary focus has always been to unite the tribes with a love of underground music, weaving together disco, house, garage and techno. Get the music right and then if you cop off it's a bonus!" - Jamie Bull

"I was and still am very proud to have been a DTPM resident since 1998. It was a groundbreaking club both at The End and at Fabric and sooooper excited about it's return for part of the best LGBT festival in London this year!"  
- Guy Williams

"The Trade Collective can't wait to join the line-up at Summer Rites 2014 - the venue looks incredible! Alongside three of our main residents Nick, Francesco and Kyle, the team are extremely excited to invite Filterheadz as our very special guests to add their unique techno sound to the event! See you out on the dock!"  
- Nick Tcherniak



Nic Fisher @ GUTTERSLUT

**'Urban Animal' (Dixon Dub Mix) - Claude Von Stoke**  
Dixon is the master of hypnotic house and this remix is a real gem.

**'Voodoo Knight' (Catz 'n' Dogz Dub Mix) - Spirit Catcher**  
Loved the original and Catz N' Dogz are giving it that extra wow factor.

**'Avalanche' - Sebo K**  
I say "Aciiiiii!"

## CABARET STAGE

It's not just disco dancing and 4/4 club beats that get spun at Summer Rites: Out on the Dock... Many of London's most celebrated cabaret stars will be turning it out and delivering an onslaught of wigs, heels, glitter and other trashy-talking, roof raising antics to wave your weaves at! Handsome/Bender promoter **Martyn Fitzgerald** shares his thoughts on just five of the fabulous freaks that will be sharing the spotlight on the big day...

### JOHN SIZZLE

The John Sizzle, thank you. What can I say? Some guys like it hot! She's the mistress of ceremonies this year and has brought the whole cabaret angle together. Wherever Sizzle is, the party is. Never one to shy away from glass of Prosecco or bottle of poppers, this lady is a professional.

### JONNY WOO

A cabaret room in London wouldn't be complete without Woo. I remember him from the late nineties just as east London was beginning to form a tiny alternative scene and since then he's been at the centre of it. From Gay Bingo to Radio Egypt - I can't wait to see his channeling of a Romford middle-aged housewife at Out on the Dock!

### BOURGEOIS & MAURICE

These two have taken the cabaret world by storm in the past couple of years and have played some major events and venues: the Round House, Royal Academy of Arts (fancy!), Bestival, Glastonbury - I could give myself RSI if I listed the lot. Clever, witty, brilliant songs and always looking sharp as surgical knife, these two really are coup to get for Out on the Dock.

### THE LIPSINKERS

Ah, this crew I've got a real soft spot for. I've had them do their shows at East Bloc and it always receives so much love and appreciation from the crowd. They take miming to a new level and the routines are full of energy and seriously spot on. Mr. Teds Whitney Houston tribute is a particular favourite. Richardette, Lisa Lee, Rhyannon Styles and Blanche DuBois make for a formidable and funny gang!

### SCOTTEE

This one is now Arts Council funded no less. From humble beginnings... he's now a star! I loved the Worst of Scottee at the Roundhouse earlier this year and his amazing Camp On the Estate was brilliant. She's an all round star.



John Sizzle



Scottee

Summer Rites: Out on the Dock is on Saturday 26th July at the Tobacco Dock (50 Porter's Walk, E1W 2SF) from midday to 11pm. [www.summerritesevents.com](http://www.summerritesevents.com)



Jonny Woo



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# INFORMER

THE WHO, WHAT, WHY, WHERE, WHEN OF GAY LONDON...

## THE CHRISTEENE MACHINE

Soho Theatre, 21 Dean Street, W1D 3NE  
Wednesday 23rd – Saturday 26th July,  
9.30pm.

[www.sohotheatre.co.uk](http://www.sohotheatre.co.uk)

Enter **The Christeene Machine**: a gender-blending, booty-pounding perversion of punk dragged through a musical theatre gutter, commanded by **Christeene**, a human pissoir of foul hilarity and raw unabashed sexuality. In this furious ritual Christeene is sacrifice, calling the world to bring their burning anger, their tawdry secrets, their stained hopes to the front and wake them up from any presumptions of gender roles, race, sexuality, celebrity, religion and morality they walked in with...



## SPOKEN WORD LONDON: ANTI-HATE

Vogue Fabrics, 66 Stoke Newington Road, Dalston, N16 7XB

Wednesday 23rd July, 7.30pm-10.30ish.  
Free (please buy a drink).

[www.facebook.com/SpokenWordLondon/](http://www.facebook.com/SpokenWordLondon/)  
[www.voguefabricsdalston.com](http://www.voguefabricsdalston.com)

For the first anniversary of the Spoken Word London open-mic night at pioneering arts venue/club Vogue Fabrics, they're running a special 'Anti-Hate' themed event. Trying to tackle hate crime in all its forms, it's inspired in part by recent events such as the acid attack against gay men in Vauxhall. It will be a mixture of featured readers and open-mic, with five minute slots available to sign up for between 7.30 and 8pm. All welcome, whether to speak or listen.



## BROKEN RAINBOW 10th ANNIVERSARY DINNER

Café de Paris, 3-4 Coventry Street, W1D 6BL

Sunday 20th July, 6-10pm. Special offer: £85 (£120).

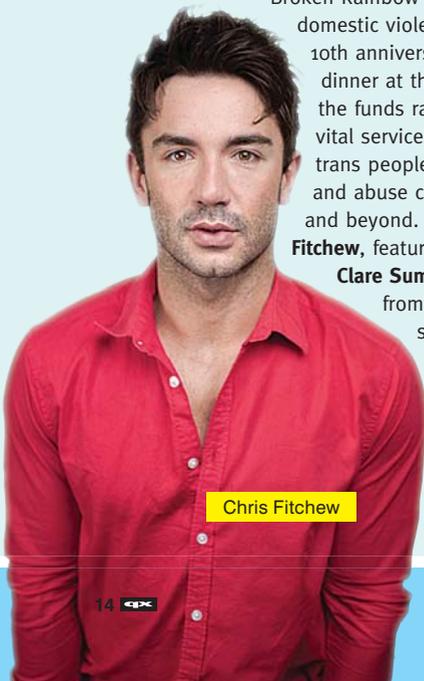
[www.brokenrainbow.org.uk/anniversary/qx](http://www.brokenrainbow.org.uk/anniversary/qx)



Broken Rainbow

Broken Rainbow is the charity that helps victims of LGBT domestic violence across the UK. To celebrate its 10th anniversary, they will be hosting a fabulous dinner at the famed Café de Paris venue, using the funds raised from the tickets to ensure vital services for lesbian, gay, bisexual and trans people affected by domestic violence and abuse continue for the next ten years and beyond. Hosted by the lovely **Chris Fitchew**, featuring comedy from the fabulous **Clare Summerskill** and live performance from the stunning singer-songwriter **James Poole**, plus much more.

Take advantage of a special QX reader offer where you can get 30% off tickets by following the link above!



Chris Fitchew



Clare Summerskill

## TERRENCE HIGGINS TRUST

HIV Support Employment Scheme

Deadline for applications: Friday 15th August

[www.tht.org.uk/workpositive](http://www.tht.org.uk/workpositive)



Terrence Higgins Trust has secured funding from the Big Lottery Fund (BLF) to extend its annual 'back to work' scheme

for people living with HIV in long-term unemployment. There are 25 work placements on offer in London and the south-east, and placements are open to anyone living with HIV who has been unemployed for two years or more or is receiving benefits. For further information, applicants should visit the above web address.

## STONEWALL speaks out against homophobic bullying

[www.stonewall.org.uk](http://www.stonewall.org.uk)



Stonewall has announced that 'schools are failing to prepare young people for the realities of modern Britain'. 86% of secondary school teachers say homophobic bullying happens in their school, and a third of teachers hear homophobic language from other school staff. This is despite the fact that two thirds (66 percent) of secondary school teachers say that homophobic bullying has a detrimental impact on students' achievement and attainment at school. *The Teachers' Report 2014* was launched at Stonewall's Education for All conference, details of which can be read on their website.

## SING OUT!

[Hackney Empire, 291 Mare Street, E8 1EJ](http://www.hackneyempire.co.uk)

Sunday 20th July, 5pm. £12.

[www.hackneyempire.co.uk](http://www.hackneyempire.co.uk)

Sing, hum or clap along as the Hackney Empire hosts a huge sing-out featuring local and professional choirs from all over London performing on the main stage. Featuring **The Fourth Choir**, London's newest LGBT-friendly chamber choir, and compered by former BBC Last Choir Standing judge **Sharon D Clarke**.



## POLARI

[Level 5 Function Room,](http://www.southbankcentre.co.uk)

[Royal Festival Hall,](http://www.southbankcentre.co.uk)

[Southbank Centre,](http://www.southbankcentre.co.uk)

[Belvedere Road, SE1 8XX](http://www.southbankcentre.co.uk)

Tuesday 29th July, 7.45pm.

£5.

[www.southbankcentre.co.uk](http://www.southbankcentre.co.uk)

Paul Burston's award-winning LGBT literary salon returns, with **Paul**

**Bailey** heading the bill with his new novel 'The Prince's Boy'. Plus, **Janet Ellis**, **Tiffany Murray**, **Vernal Scott** and **Wayne Herbert** all take part, and the long list for this year's **Polari First Book Prize** will be announced.



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### 18/07/15: A:M 'CENSORED'

A:M's known for being one of the liveliest after parties in London, but this week it doubles up with **Rude Boyz** (remember that?) for an all-nighter (you remember those too, right?). That means you can pound the dance floor before pounding a scally in the dark room. **D'Johnny, Mike Dower, Michael Mizrahi** and **Fabio Luigi** get your Friday night kicking in the main room while **Terry Bryan, Matt Bogard** and **Sam DMS** provide the \*throbbing\* beats in the Rude Boyz den.

Fire, 39 Parry Street, Vauxhall, SW8 1RT.  
10pm-11am. £8 advance, £12 OTD.



Mike Dower



Fabio Luigi



Matt Bogard

# CLUB NEWS

### 19/07/14: CHER LLOYD @ G-A-Y

Thought you had swag? Bitch, please. Come and see the sixteen year-old that invented swag! She's not 16 anymore, of course. **Cher Lloyd** has grown up and is bringing her new mature image and sound to Heaven this weekend. After breaking America the starlet returns to the UK with latest single 'Sirens'. Bring your Swagger Jagger gays and girls!

Heaven, Under the Arches, Villiers Street, Charing Cross, WC2H 6NG. 11pm-5am. £4 with wristband from G-A-Y Bar.



COMING UP @  
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26/07/14  
Britain's Got Talent winners  
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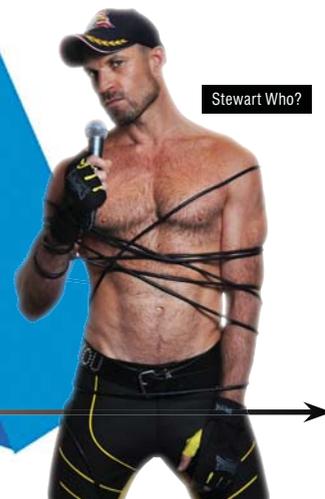
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**RUPAUL'S DRAG RACE'S**  
**WILLAM**

02/08/14  
**ANASTACIA**

### 19/07/14: LITTLE GAY BROTHER

If you've been partying at Lovebox over the weekend, there's a high chance that you might not want to stop the party there – well luckily for you, the 'Superstore' is hosting a post-park shindig. With the help of **Stewart Who?, Jeffrey Hinton** and **James Phillips** the top bar will be kicking harder than Solange, while **Will Bond, Guy Williams** and **Chris Camplin vs Franco** turn it out in the basement.

Dalston Superstore,  
117 Kingsland High  
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**19/07/14:  
HANDSOME**

Well, you obviously wouldn't catch us at a night called 'Ugly', so no prizes for guessing where you'll find us this Saturday. Mhmm hunty, we'll be with the rest of the pretty bitches at East Bloc. Naturally, we'll be shaking our sexy butts to the sounds of **Dave Kendrick, Fitzgerald, and Fidel** in the main room. Before popping our pussies to the bootyful beats of **Mark-Ashley Dupé and Mistamaker**.

East Bloc, 217 City Road, Shoreditch, EC1V 1JN. 10.30pm-6am. £5 b4 midnight, £10 after.



**19/07/14: CARPET BURN  
'WE ARE DIVINE'**

You may have noticed the giant poster of the legendary **Divine** over the dance floor at The Eagle, well now they bring an entire night dedicated to their idol, and the official launch party for 'I Am Divine' the movie. They're giving away £500 for the best Divine 'look', so get painting those eyebrows up to your hairline and hope for the best! There's also a free BBQ and £3 cocktails until 1am – now that's divine!

Eagle London, 354 Kennington Lane, Vauxhall, SE11 5QY. 9pm-3am. Free b4 10pm, £5 after. FREE if you attend an I Am Divine cinema screening – just flash your ticket on entry. See [www.iamdivinefilm.com](http://www.iamdivinefilm.com) for screening locations.

**19/07/14: XXL 'BEAR'**

Anyone that's been to XXL before knows that 'Bear' is a running theme each week, so we can only expect things to be even furrer and fuzzier than usual! Cancel that back, sack and crack – save yourself the pain and bag a man instead! **Mark Ames, Joe Egg, Andy Almighty, Stewart Styles, Christian M and Alex Logan** drop the sounds of uplifting vocal house.

Pulse, 1 Invicta Plaza, Southbank, SE1 9UF. 10pm-8am. £8 members, £15 guests.





## D'JOHNNY @ A:M



### D'JOHNNY'S A:M TOP 10

- 1. Pig & Dan**  
**'I Can't Believe'**  
Spoken vocal over jacking dirty bass, yum!
- 2. Yolanda Be Cool**  
**'Cause I Like It'**  
The title says it all. Old school v.s new school.
- 3. Oxia**  
**'Perception'**  
Funky deep house looped, sexy and funky.
- 4. Lee Cabrera**  
**'Shake it' (Dale Howard remix)**  
I was positively surprised about this garage bass line remix.
- 5. Retrophobia**  
**'Ain't Nothing Going On But The Rent' (D'Johnny's A:M remix)**  
Me on remix duty with Boy George on vocals.
- 6. Leftwing & Kody**  
**'Right Now'**  
Gay underground tech house and A:M floorfiller.
- 7. Him Self Her**  
**'Reflected' (Vollkoder remix)**  
Rolling deep techno with sexy dreamy vocal.
- 8. Sonny Fodera**  
**'Reach Out'**  
Funky Jamie Jones sounding house track sampling Todd Terry.
- 9. Lana Del Rey**  
**'Westcoast' (MK remix)**  
Chilled and groovy at the same time.
- 10. Green Velvet**  
**'Bigger than Prince' (Yousef Circus rework)**  
Works a treat every time!

#### Who is D'Johnny in one sassy sentence...

A Swedish farmer boy who's dream came true.

#### And your music style?

I like to play music that makes you feel something. In short, anything house and techno as long as it's sexy.

#### Describe a night at A:M to the uninitiated...

A:M is a party where it's all about the music and no gimmicks. It's an intimate underground affair where the crowd is a mix of everything, very friendly but mostly always up for it! Mikele [promoter] has done an awesome job with freshening-up the brand and is now delivering quality clubbing, every week!



**A:M Censored featuring Rude Boyz is at Fire (39 Parry Street, Vauxhall, SW8 1RT) on Friday 18th July, 10pm-11am.**

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## THIS WEEKEND

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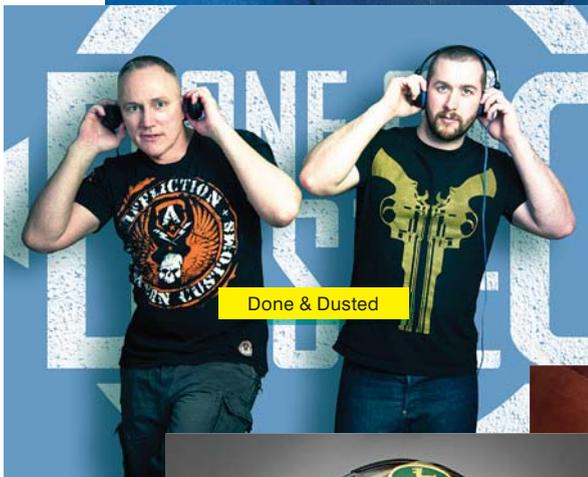
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# BRIGHTON PRIDE AFTER-PARTY PREVIEW GUIDE

## 02/08/14: WILD FRUIT OFFICIAL PRIDE PARTY

A highlight of Brighton's big weekend sees the crème de la crème of the crème de la femme descend on bouji seafront club Audio. We were there last year, and if that's anything to go by – trust us – you're in for a treat. You'll have Miami vibes out on the terrace (if Mother Nature complies) while **Paul Heron, Hifi Sean, Done & Dusted, Jon Byrne, Kate Wildblood** and **Mikalis** provide the sexy soundtrack.

Audio, 10 Marine Parade, Brighton, BN2 1TL. 10.30pm-5am. £10/£15.



Done & Dusted

## 03/08/14: SUNDAE PRIDE REUNION

Hungover? Wait, a minute, of course you are! And you're not the only one – but the weekend's not over and they do say that the best cure for a hangover is hair of the dog. We second that. Join the other gays and girls **Fat Tony, Jeffrey Hinton, Kate Wildblood** and **Mikalis** get the terrace pumping for another after session.

Audio, 10 Marine Parade, Brighton, BN2 1TL. 3pm-3am. £5/£7.

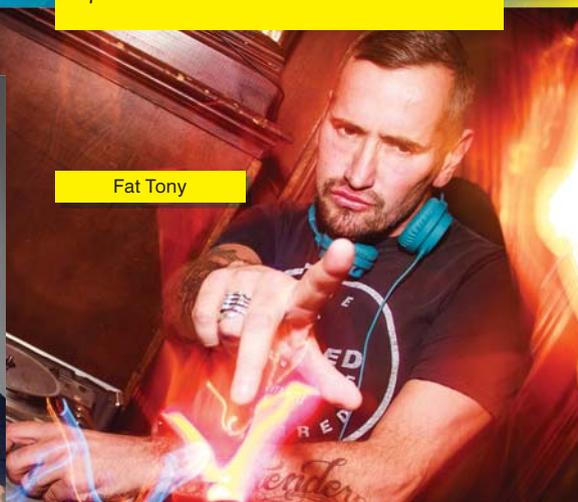
## 02/08/14: GAY GIRLS AFTER PARTY

It's the pinnacle in any lesbian's social calendar (and it certainly beats watching re-runs of The L Word); taking over two rooms at The Concorde, there will be a plethora of female talent (and we're not just talking about the DJs) for this one - with hundreds of lush ladies, there's a chance you'll be dripping like a faulty dishwasher. **Sandra D, Amy B, Lady Lola, Missy B, Poppy** and **Izzy Trixx** and just a few of the DJs!

Concorde 2, Maderia Drive, Brighton, BN2 1EN. 10.30pm-5am. £6.50-£10 advance, MOTD.



Hifi Sean



Fat Tony

## 03/08/14: BEYOND PRIDE AFTERHOURS

Not ready to go home yet? We certainly won't be. That makes Beyond the perfect after party for bitches who are too pretty to need beauty sleep. An amazing line-up ensures this to be a great way to finish the night. **Paul Heron, Fat Tony** and **Maze&Masters** are on hand for your aural pleasure, and while you might not expect to have stamina post-park... we're sure you won't be able to refrain from dancing well into Sunday!

Digital, 187-193 King's Road, Brighton, BN1 1NB. 4am-late. £15 advance.

## 03/08/14: WILD FRUIT OFFICIAL CLOSING PARTY

They rocked Preston Park, they took over Audio and now Wild Fruit are coming back for one final fling! Brighton's superclub Pryzm will be taken over with flamboyant décor, surprise PAs and sexy go-gos! They're pulling out all the stops on the music front too, with **Lee Harris, Maze&Masters, Jeffrey Hinton, Sandra D, Missy B, Rocket** and **Lady Loa** all on the decks! Now that's how you send out a weekend, are we right?

Pryzm, West Street, Brighton, BN1 2RE. 10.30pm-late. £7/£10.



Lee Harris



Paul Heron



Tickets available now from [www.brighton-pride.org](http://www.brighton-pride.org)



# Brighton & Hove Pride Festival

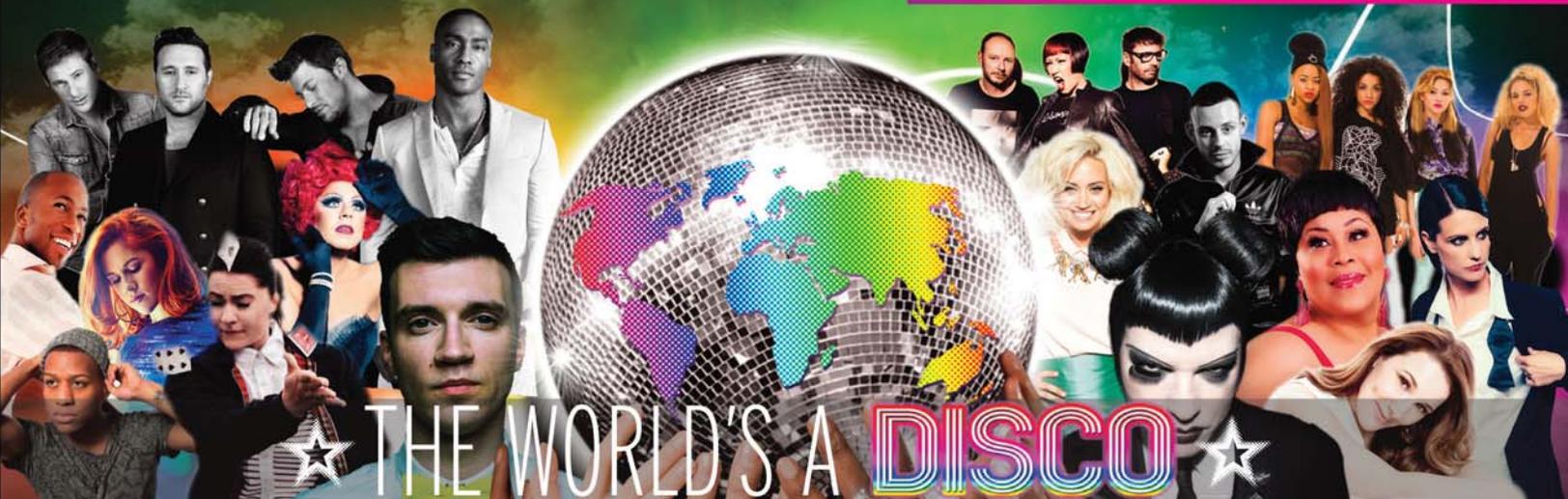
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# G-A-Y

Nicole Scherzinger @  
G-A-Y  
12/07/14  
Heaven, under the  
Arches, Villiers Street,  
Charing Cross, WC2N  
6NG

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**YAF BROWN**  
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**WHENEVER MISS SCHERZINGER** swings by Heaven for another Saturday night rendezvous with the boys, you know it's going to be something to write home about. Or in QX, even; and Nicole's stage turns (not to mention spins, squats, lunges and twerks) certainly could fill a book.

With the Pussycat-Doll-gone-solo and X Factor judge on a promotion streak with her latest release, the contagiously catchy, utterly-Pop powerhouse 'Your Love'; Nicole pulled no punches - a knock out with her outfit alone, somewhat of a 'Street Siren' in a see-through crop top, sequined hot pants, fishnets and Nike trainers with gold trinkets. Aided by her cut, denim-clad backing dancers, Scherzinger led a performance punctuated by high octane hair whips, bum flicks, high kicks and low dips; eliciting an atmosphere of utter frenzy from the super-charged crowd heaving on the club's main floor. Making sure to capture the moment on her iPad, the songstress rallied the boys behind her for what may have been London's biggest group selfie that night - before accepting her bouquet from Jeremy Joseph amidst a booming mass of cheers. It was well deserved too; she certainly infused last Saturday with more than a little X Factor!



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# DISH

DISH  
12/07/14  
East Bloc, 217 City Road,  
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WORDS BY  
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**MARK STOREY**



**IF YOU THOUGHT** the sunny weather of last Saturday afternoon was sizzling, then you didn't catch Dish majestically take over the summer's night at East Bloc – where the atmosphere was only matched by the hotness of the beats and boys.

True, we're no stranger to Shoreditch's favourite gay basement bunker club, but this

was an exceptional night by any standards. Packed from wall to wall in every room, it appeared that the great, glittering and gleefully wicked of London's East End had descended down those famous steps to get in on the party. Tom Stephan and Borja Peña were the master chefs in the main room, keeping the dance floor twisted on their recipes for dancing and devilry, QBoy and Cathal tantalised the side room to boiling point, and Ray Noir presided over the Tap Ass room with the most piquant of *haute musique*. Dish proves once again why it's firmly established itself as one of gay London's favourite and most popular nights.



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**TOM REDKID**  
PHOTOS BY  
**MARK STOREY**

**BARCODE KICKED** up the dirt Saturday and had us rollin in it like the disco piggies we are at Dirty Disko, their monthly Squat House party. Mgr. Michal and his crew kept it filthy for the packed house of hot squatters getting their knees dirty to DJs Steven Artiss, Norbert, Mista Pierre and Alex Georgiou's Nu Disco mix of



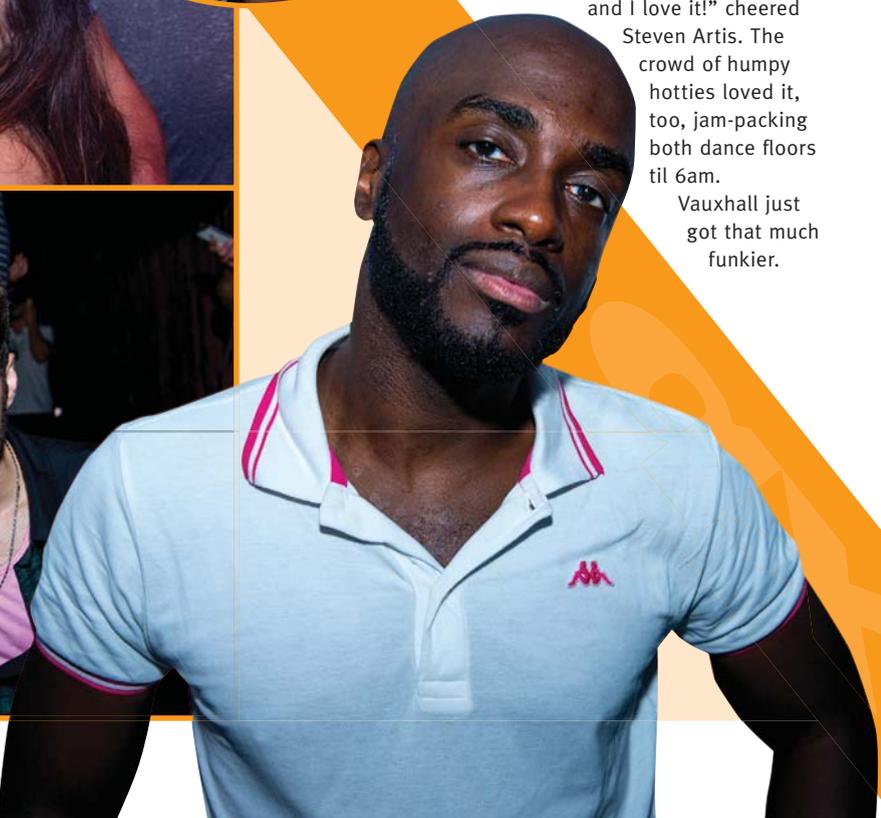
funky house and techno layered with uplifting vocals. The front bar spun decadent Nu-Disco with hi-energy house and trippin vocals that had us dancing all the way to the main room where the dirty disco got downright grungy with throbbing basslines and hungry drums giving us danceloads of guilty pleasure.



One cowboy shakin the dust off his disco boots was Steven, a student from Bristol, who came to Barcode for the first time. "The music and the crowd are great. This place is so much fun, the people and staff are so friendly and made me feel so comfortable. I'm so glad I came here."



"We're bringing a bit of East End underground grunge to Vauxhall and I love it!" cheered Steven Artis. The crowd of humpy hotties loved it, too, jam-packing both dance floors til 6am. Vauxhall just got that much funkier.



Sat 26th July 10pm-4am

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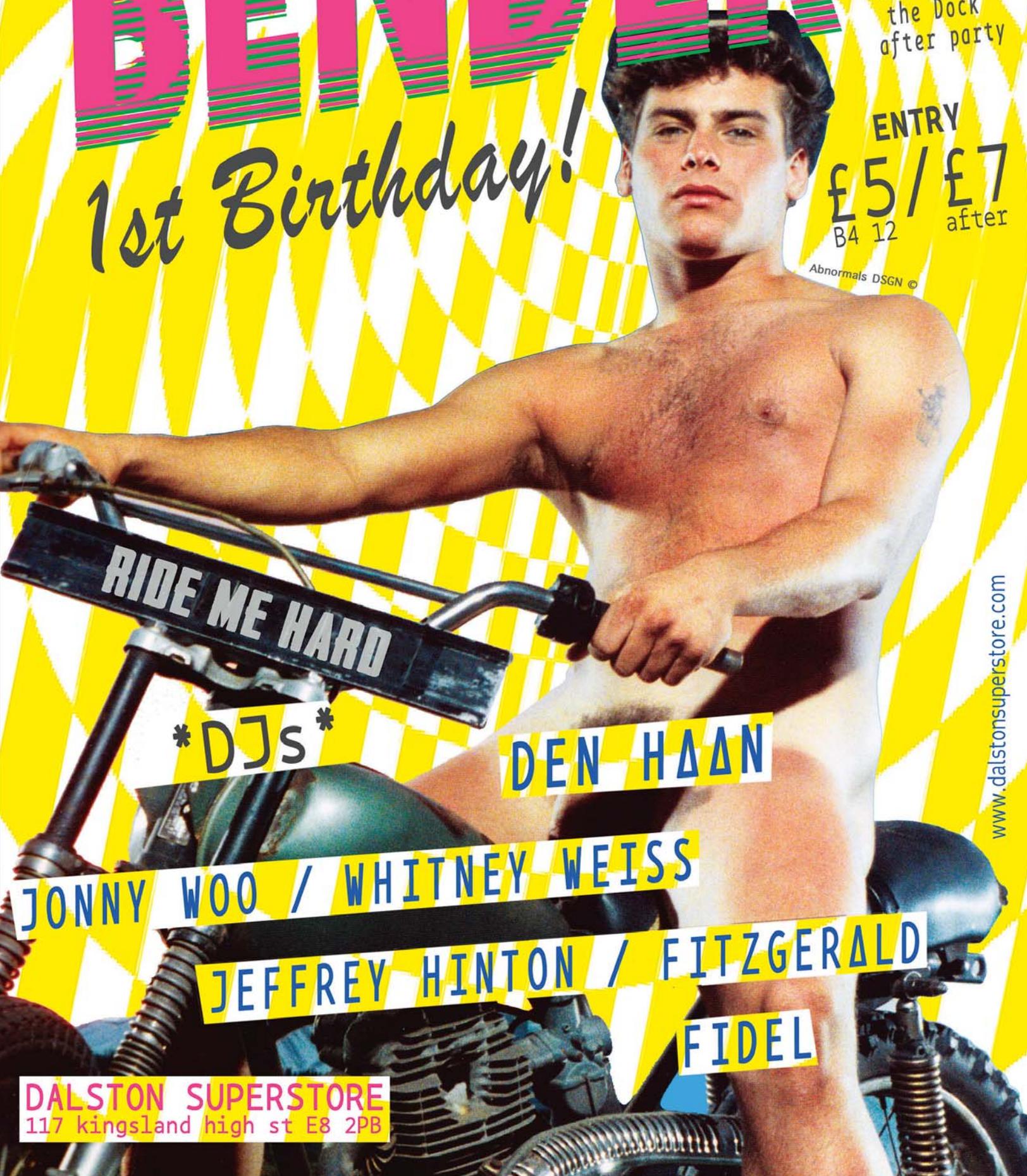


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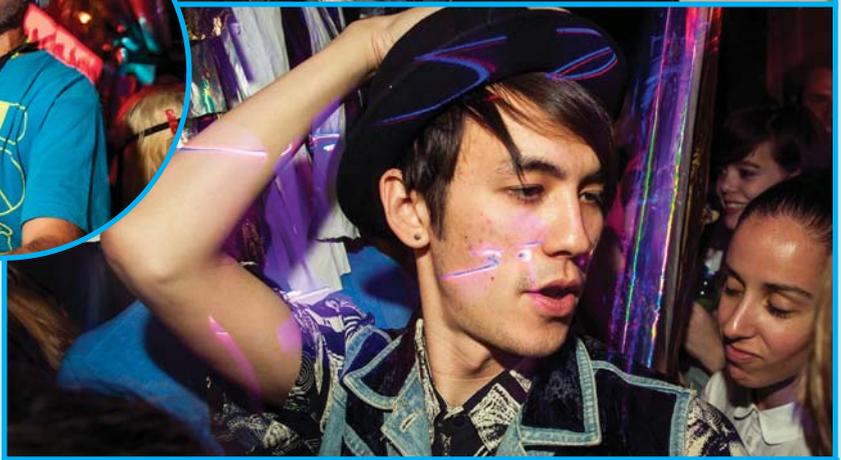
**CHERYL**  
12/07/14

Dalston Superstore  
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E8 2PB

WORDS BY  
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**QX CLUB NEWS** hit London's fabulous Eastside as Brooklyn four-piece collective Cheryl launched an all-out art-attack at Dalston Superstore last Saturday. Rockin' the Kingsland Road block for basement-blastin' DJ sounds and a whole lot more, a creative crush of a get-together saw the NYCers transforming the capital's hipster

HQ into a carnivalesque fantasy of collaborative art, metallic decor and impromptu installations that had QX Club News puzzling over the whole darn thing's deeper meaning into the small hours. Highlights included the likes of legendary Larry Tee, DJ Nick and Father Figures ripping it up with low-slung beats downstairs as a chaotic crowd got tangled in a glittering forest of silver and gold streamers on the dancefloor. Upstairs, a cast of Cheryl extras busted kiddies party creations, bedecked in crowns and dressed as playing cards, as Whitney Weiss and DJ Traviesa slammed down a giddy soundtrack of ironic tunes from Stevie Nicks to Madonna that had the frantic assembly squealing in delight. Meanwhile, there was plenty of action out front with the proceedings spilling into the summer evening air as the fun and frolics continued through 'til late. Check out the Dalston Superstore delights this Saturday as Little Gay Brother raises the roof for a stormin' Lovebox After Party!



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# HANDSOME

HANDSOME  
21/06/14

East Bloc, 217 City Road,  
Shoreditch, EC1V 1JN

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**EAST BLOC KICKED** off summer proper with Martyn Fitzgerald's Handsome featuring Terry Farley, Dave Kendrick and Fidel sexing up the main room as Mistamaker and Sugarbear did double dirty duty in the RnB back shack.

Junior Boy's Own Farley followed by Kendrick spun deep house techno-soul, righteous vocals

soaring against technified synth. Multi-layered grooves notched up higher and higher that had the ravers twisting more shapes than the Keith Haring murals glowing neon neath the sweaty fluorescent pink black walls.

"It epitomizes freedom of expression!" gleamed Jules, Dave Kendrick's bestie of 20 years. Fidel slapped up fresh-vibe grinds before we bopped into Mistamaker and Sugarbear's backroom funkatorium that had our hands, feet and hair in the air all night.

Dropdead gorgeous DJ Nita Aviance swung by to announced the upcoming release of the Carry Nation compilation. Superstars Mateo and that glorious peacock Fifi LaTrue were on hand to "make Handsome-- beautiful." Well done!

**Handsome returns to East Bloc on Saturday 19th July.**



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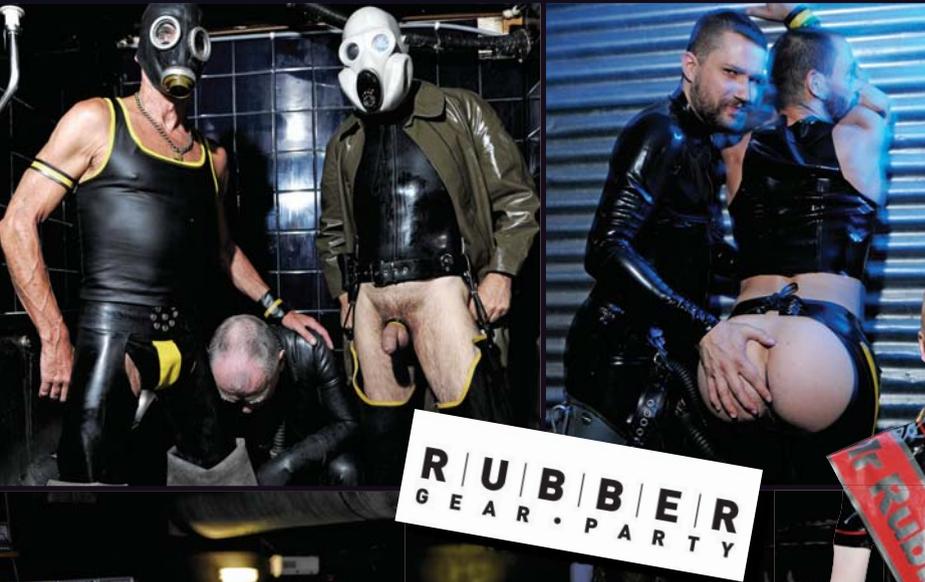
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FETISH WEEK  
LONDON 2014



SPORTS  
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GEAR PARTY



**NOW FIRMLY ESTABLISHED** on the international pig party circuit, last week **Fetish Week London** made their 5th outing the best ever. There were events catering for every conceivable kink and perversion in venues right across the city from the East End to Vauxhall, and the QX Piggies were at them all - yes really!

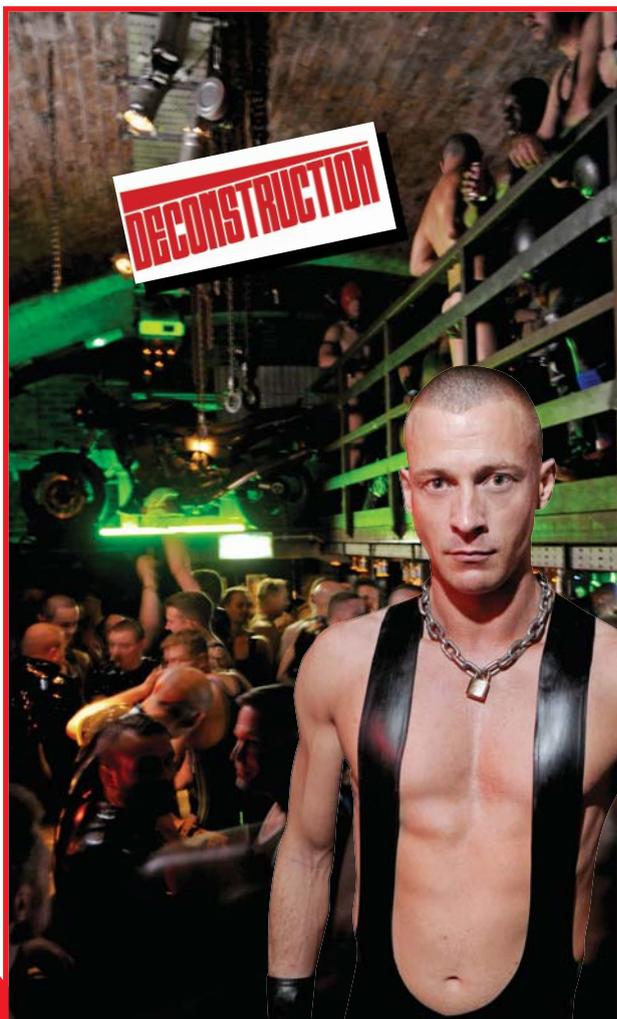
We were well and truly ready for the **Sports Cruise** party at the Hoist on Thursday. From Lycra-clad wrestlers to swimmers in Speedos, foxy fanatics, boxer boys and even a trio of Spider-Men, the Hoist was stuffed to the rafters with grunting, sweating 'sports' activities. The 'pool' over in arch 2 saw many water sport activities, the majority not on the ASA approved list I suspect, but all entered into with gusto and enthusiasm from pros and amateurs alike.

We always knew that Saturday was going to be full on, and it kicked off in fine 18-hole style at the **Skinhead** party at the Eagle. It was a glorious day and the garden area was packed with skins of all persuasions from classic denim and Fred Perry to rubber and leather skins with Rangers and Doc Martins *de rigueur*. The BBQ was on fire, drinks flowed and DJ Wes played the perfect accompaniment of Ska and club classics.

Sunday is usually the day of rest, but for Fetish Week London it is anything but that with two of its biggest parties. **Rubber Gear** at Union featured a huge back room converted into a sling and sex-furniture camo net maze. In the front room, Gordon John played a horny sleazy mix to grind to in an atmosphere heavy with the smell of latex and sweat.

Finally, for the hardcore FWL survivors, the official closing party **Deconstruction** at the Hoist was a melange of every party through the week with all fetishes welcome. There was an array of harnesses, Lycra, latex, jocks, Bluf leather, bleachers, aprons and even a rubber bunny who thoroughly lived up to his reputation. To some, the fetish scene might appear a scary and daunting place but actually I can honestly say they are the nicest and friendliest bunch of guys you could ever hope to meet. We also noticed a much larger contingent of younger guys this year, with the puppy scene really taking off.

Fetish Week London was exceptional and is testament to the hard work and preparation from the Recon team and staff that worked the nights. We are already counting down to FWL2015...



**FULL FETISH**  
12/07/14  
The Coronet, 28 New  
Kent Road, Elephant &  
Castle, SE1 6TJ

WORDS BY  
**CHRIS JOHN**  
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**CHRIS JEPSON**

**A LEGION OF** fetish freaks converged on Elephant and Castle for the highlight of Fetish Week London as Full Fetish rocked a staggering main event blowout at The Coronet last Saturday. Attracting a rampant crowd of horny homos from far and wide, a sleazy smorgasbord of twisted delights saw the monumental mass running amok for a steamy spectacular, well and truly sealing London's position in the premier league of international fetish capitals alongside Berlin, New York and San Francisco. A veritable pleasure palace of dirty delights included two rampaging dancefloors featuring the likes of Spencer Reed, M Carranco, Jack Chang and Per QX in the main arena, plus DJ Zaman channelling a distinctly Café Del Mar vibe in the Recon VIP room that had us stomping in our boots through 'til the dawn. Meanwhile, there was barely room to swing a cat 'o' nine tails in the Folsom Street alley outside as all manner of fetish lovers crammed into the RoB London and Expectations playrooms for sizzling CP shenanigans, Olympian grade watersports and a host of other antics we daren't even mention. Elsewhere, QX Club News pursued a hot hunk dressed as the Duracell bunny around the cruise maze before diving back into the dancefloor oblivion as the mammoth gathering continued through 'til super late!





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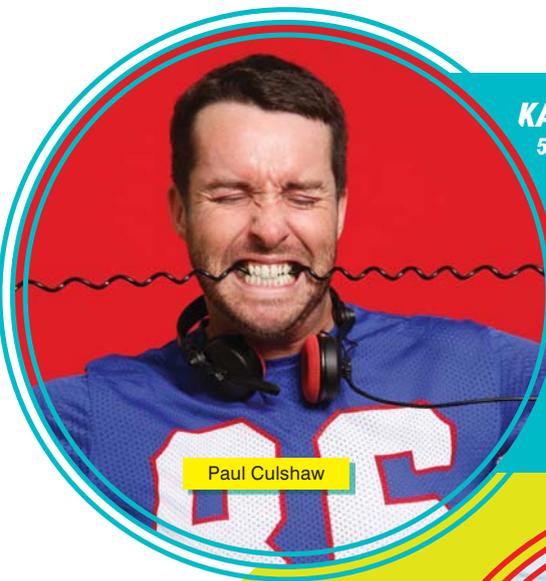
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Paul Culshaw

## KAZBAR

50 Clapham High Street, SW4 7UL

Thursday 17th sees funky house with DJ **Paul Culshaw** in Clapham's beat-bopping Kazbar, whilst Friday 18th is devoted to 'We Love the 90s' with DJ **Pierre Parnis** and **Ms. Nervenzellen**. On Saturday 19th you'll find **Rich B** back again, and polish off the weekend with DJ **Eduardo Herrera** giving you disco music, 70s, 80s, 90s, nu-disco and deep house.

## THE TWO BREWERS

114 Clapham High Street, SW4 7UJ

Thursday 17th July sees **Son of a Tutu** on the famous Two Brewers pub, with entry free before 10pm and £3 after. Join **Crystal D'Canter** and **Kelly Mild** for some high jinks and endless fun on Friday 18th with entry free before 10pm again, and £6 after, whilst Saturday 19th sees current foul-mothed Queen of the cabaret scene **Baga Chipz** taking centre stage – entry free before 10pm, £7 after. Then round off the weekend with **The Power of 3** on Sunday 20th, free before 8pm, £4 after.



Son of a Tutu



Topping & Butch

## WEST 5

56 Pope's Lane, Ealing, W5 4NB

Join West 5, one of the premier cabaret bars of the West and beyond, for an extravagant and flamboyant weekend of top-notch entertainment. On Friday 18th you can find the renowned **Buffalo Girls**, of 'Drag Queens of London' fame, giving it their all vocally on the boards. Whilst not to be outdone, their Saturday (19th) night has **Topping & Butch** giving you some their best comedic entertainment. And take it down a pace, should you so wish, with **Chill Sundays** on Sunday 20th.

## TED'S PLACE

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This week at Fulham's finest Ted's Place why not check out their infamous **TV/TS Party Night** on a Thursday, or the **Men's Cruise Dark Room** on a Friday. Sundays see their **Chillout TV/TS/Gay** take over the labyrinthine halls, whilst you can also now enjoy the **Sportswear/Cruise** on a Monday or Tuesday's **Underwear/Naked** party. But don't rock up on a Wednesday or Saturday as they're closed!



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### KU BAR PUT THE FUN

in football on Saturday as hosts with mosts, the fantabulous Neiko and the lovely Samantha, threw a World Cup party Soho style, bringing all the humpy footy fans and we who luv them together for a sexy knees-up.

Upstairs in the Ku lounge they knocked back the champers as the ground swelled with all man-ner of Soho's hottest and trendiest.

Down in the Ku cave danceteria DJ Peter aka Prince Persona flicked his gorgeous blond locks as easily as he flicked our switches with his delightful sex-pop.

Immaculately spif, Neiko was about to jet off to Indonesia to add the final touches to his upcoming fashion line, "Neiko". "We're launching here with a proper catwalk couture show!" he beamed proudly. "It's part of a whole new upgrade from spirits to service, so stay tuned!"

Plus, in a Freaky Friday switch, "We're planning a 'Comptons v. Ku Bar' customer swap where we'll have our regs go to Comptons and we'll admit all of Comptons' customers after they close. It's (owner) Gary's idea to better connect the clubs to create a better sense of community."



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# Sweet Sixteen!



Adore Delano

## West 5 Is Born...

In **July 1998** the Spice Girls were at Number 1 in the charts with 'Viva Forever' (my favourite song of theirs, in case you're at all interested), Dana International had just claimed an historic win for Israel at the Eurovision Song Contest in Birmingham, and I imagine many of us were dancing our tits off to Steps routines at the old Astoria (I know I was). Over in Ealing, however, a new baby bar was being born; from the ashes of a – wait for it – defunct 'kiwi rock bar' called The Flying Piano came West 5. With just two weeks turn around, the new owner and manager worked hard to transform it into a sparkling new cabaret venue. The spectacular opening night saw **Topping and Butch** as the first act to christen its stage.

## A Star In The Making...

Long before her status as a cabaret star rocketed (winning Drag Idol 2013), the very first place that **Martha D'Arthur** popped her drag cherry was at West 5 – initially being coaxed into co-hosting karaoke with Jackie Union in **2008**, before bagging her own weekly residency which was snappily titled: Martha's Midweek Madness Big Money Bingo.

Martha told me: 'I took over hosting duties of the bingo nights when Miss Jason went off to do panto in December 2011. It was always a fun night with my farting Bingo ball machine, and the charity round was always a laugh. The regulars built up quite the catalogue of dirty bingo calls and we even had a couple of bingo songs. Those nights still remain very special to me.'



Martha D'Arthur

Jackie Union

## The First Party...

Also in **2008**, to celebrate the venue's tenth anniversary, the first birthday party took place. Over a dozen acts such as Rose Garden, Sandra, Julie Paid and Topping and Butch heralded in a new traditional annual event.

## A New Era...

Returning in a different guise, formerly DJ Paxo (apparently he liked stuffing young chickens), **Daniel Wood** took over the day-to-day managing of the bar in **December 2011**.

He told me: "It's been great to see that the owners have invested heavily into the venue, giving it a much more cosy feeling for the weekdays plus a brilliant new lighting rig for the weekends. The events that have stood out for me include: The Help for Hero's Fund Raiser in July 2013; performances from Tight Fit, Hazell Dean, Sandra and Rose Garden and the fabulous Cheeky Girls, to name but a few."

## Asifa Arrives...

In **2012**, after her success in Drag Idol, **Asifa Lahore** was approached by West 5 to set up a monthly Bollywood-themed club night. Disco Rani was born in September of that year and opened with a massive Bombay bang. Its main objective was to cater to West London's large gay community, bringing all-comers together under one roof. A night where you'll regularly see sexy gaysians grinding up against regular West 5 studs. Two years on and Disco Rani's beat is as strong as ever.

Asifa told me: "Every Disco Rani has a different theme. Our Asian wedding themed



Daniel Wood

Asifa Lahore

parties are always the most popular. A particular highlight for me is when we first did a wedding theme and all our non-Asian regulars were decked out in glorious Bollywood outfits. It felt like the Maharaja's court had come to party in West 5."

## The King of all Years...

**2014** has been West 5's year so far, most notably for it's hosting of the Drag Idol Semi-Final (for the first time), which was a huge success, and for also winning the competition (again for the first time) with drag king LoUis CYfer. As well as this, **Vanitty Von Glow's** piano bar nights have gone from strength to strength, and new midweek quizmaster **Mary Mac** is a hit with the punters. So what does the immediate future hold? A lot more success by the looks of it. The return of Shinky Shonky with Boogaloo Stu, Trannyshack with

Dusty O, and appearances from Drag Race favourites Adore Delano and Sharon Needles, as well as weekly performances from some of the biggest names on the UK cabaret scene.

**West 5's 16th Birthday Party is on Saturday 26th July at West 5 (56 Pope's Lane, Ealing, W5 4NB), hosted by Lola Lasagne and Sandra.**



Lola Lasagne

Sandra & The Cheeky Girls



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# OF SAINTS AND GO-GO BOYS...

Joseph Mercier's Panic Lab theatre company has built up quite a reputation for exciting, innovative dramatic work over the past five years. We speak to them about their new production 'Of Saints and Go-Go Boys', inspired in large part by the work of gay French writer, vagabond and thief **Jean Genet**.

**Tell us a bit about yourself.**

I work in cross-discipline – dance, theatre – performance art, but I'm particularly interested in queer, feminist work that sits at the boundaries. Working with limits: limits of the body, limits of acceptability, limits of politics. With *Of Saints*, shock and provocation is definitely included. **And where are you from originally?**

Canada, near Calgary.

**What got you into theatre and brought you to England specifically?**

I got into theatre by forcing my sisters to do plays with me in the barn, which they hated and I loved. I've always had a really rich fantasy life and I guess it's the realisation that it enables me to play out fantasies. And now these fantasies are deeply political, which I find exciting. And I came to England to do my *Masters* in directing at the Central School of Speech and Drama.

**And when did you set up Panic Lab?**

My co-performance maker Clara and I set it up about 5 years ago. We came together just as

performance makers really and were interested in particular type of body-based performances.

We've done work on wrestling and fighting, as well. We were thinking of work in sacrifice and violence, sacrificing ourselves to the spectacle.

**What was the impetus of putting together *Of Saints and Go-Go Boys*?**

A couple of impetuses: firstly I just love Jean Genet, I have a bit of an obsession with him. *Of Saints* is inspired by *Our Lady of the Flowers*. And a scene in *Miracle of the Rose*, where they hold him down and spit in his mouth, was hugely influential for my thinking about submission and ideas about abjection. And there's this weird lineage of the 'Divine' character, from Genet's *Divine* to John Waters' 'Divine'. In ours *Divine* is super-tragic, she narrates her own death, and she's quite delicate. I think also what interested me about *Our Lady of the Flowers* was this idea of a queer family, and they're really cruel to each other but kind of loving, and there's this idea of being outsiders. I found this an important part of queer culture, and I loved how

fatalistic and self-destructive they are, and how unapologetic they are for that.

**How does your reading of Genet become pertinent to gay male culture in 2014?**

I was reading a lot of really annoying articles about how bad gay men were and the drug scene, the risky sex scene, the party scene in London and how out of control it had got. And it struck me that there was a real lack of agency or sense of subjectivity in these narratives.

I found the writing itself disturbing in its assumptions about parties' subjectivity, and a real refusal to think about alternative ways of being, and a real denial of pleasure.

We can't talk about those types of subcultures without addressing pleasure, and Genet writes about self-destruction and hedonism and the pursuit of pleasure. He treats it as sacred, that's his recipe for sainthood. And then I started thinking about the Catholic saints, because of Genet, how they're idolised for what is essentially destructive behaviour; they have a fucked-up but different relationship to pleasure in their martyrdom.

**Saint Sebastian?**

Totally. We've got a scene that's all about Saint Sebastian. I wanted the piece to be challenging but really pleasurable aesthetically. We've taken a lot of care with it.

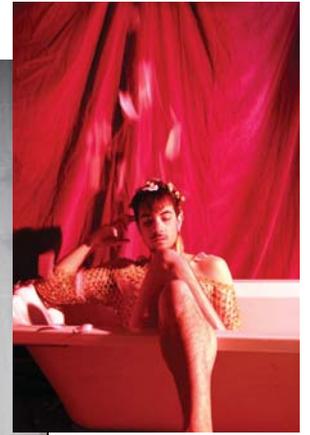
**With these queer family**

“That single, brief moment of eternity, that was a queer family, that then disappeared into Sunday morning”

**body constructs you were talking about, do you see a lot of these in the modern gay male community of London?**

I don't know. I hang out a lot with older gay men who have the most amazing stories about queer families. I'm kind of unabashedly nostalgic about gay culture. I tried partying for the first time this year, and it's not really my thing, I don't do it very often. But I was at one of these chill-outs and everyone was off their face, and I was struck by how this kind of relationship with time had shifted; suddenly time had become an eternity.

I looked around but there was actually so much care and affection, and I know it was totally drug-induced, but I don't know why that's more or less meaningful than something else. That single, brief moment of eternity, that was a queer family, that then disappeared into Sunday morning.



*Of Saints and Go-Go Boys* will be playing on Thursday 17th (8pm), Friday 18th (6pm & 8pm) and Saturday 19th (6pm & 8pm), at the Toynee Studios, 28 Commercial Street, E1 6AB.

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**SCREEN TEST**  
BY JACK LEGER

**IN THE WORKS**

Beefy wrestler John Cena will be the antagonist opposite Tina Fey and Amy Poehler in their house-party comedy **THE NEST**. And Mark Wahlberg is lined up to play the rebuilt Steve Austin in a movie version of 70s TV classic **THE SIX MILLION DOLLAR MAN**.



**FILM OF THE WEEK**

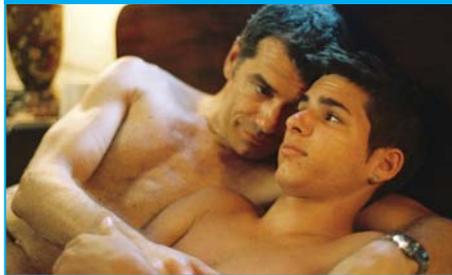


**I AM DIVINE** (15) This snappy, warm documentary traces the life of iconic cross-dressing actor Divine (aka Glen Milstead). Packed with riotous backstage stories about Pink Flamingoes,

Female Trouble and Hairspray, it includes revealing interviews with Divine himself plus collaborators like John Waters, Ricki Lake and closeted 1950s movie heartthrob Tab Hunter, who had a love scene with Divine in *Lust In The Dust*. A seriously fabulous film: don't miss it.



**DVD OF THE WEEK**



**THE LAST MATCH** (18) From Cuba, this sporty gay drama tackles huge issues with honesty as it tells the story of a lively teen (Milton Garcia) who falls for his buddy (Reinier Diaz)

on a local football team. Intriguingly, the film portrays Havana society as thoroughly macho but unbothered by gay sexuality. So even if the plot becomes a bit melodramatic, this sexy, sweaty film is also moving and often exhilarating. (TLA)



**GRAB BAG**

Shep Gordon is the **SUPERMENSCH** in a remarkably involving documentary about a seriously nice man who produces movies and manages musicians as he builds an unusual family around him. • And from the Philippines, **NORTE, THE END OF HISTORY** is a meandering but pungent four-hour epic drama about crime and punishment. Vivid and unforgettable.



**LUSTY ALIEN**

You can now get your hands on the astonishing thriller **UNDER THE SKIN** (on Elevation DVD). Virtually wordless, it stars Scarlett Johansson as an alien seducing and possibly devouring men across Scotland. Artful and unforgettable.

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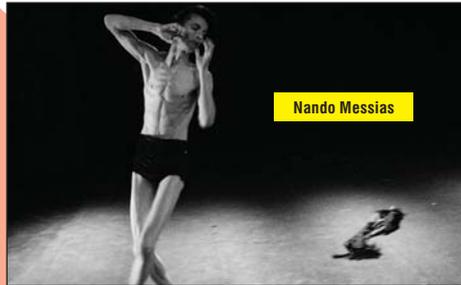
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Nando Messias

We like to mix it up at Revoltage Towers, and performance artist **Nando Messias** has done something extraordinary... **The Sissy's Progress** is a self penned cathartic piece in response to his own experience of a homophobic attack. He was beaten up yards from Toynbee Studio's (28 Commercial Street, Shoreditch, E1 6AB) where he will be performing on Thursday 17th July at 7pm. Turning it around, Messias reveals a spectacle of 'hyperflamboyance', and engages us, the audience, with the dangers of city life via his own unique form of expression.  
www.nandomessias.com

At Vogue Fabrics (66 Stoke Newington Road, Dalston, N16 7XB) this weekend there's no point in going home, because on Friday 18th **Shoes** encourages us to trot into the night with a 'glam, beats and glitter' theme. On Saturday 19th it's **Vogue Fabrics '90 - A Year In Dance Music** with **Neil Prince** and **David Oh** taking a trip back in time with the year that shaped a decade. Vogue Fabrics starts at 10pm and goes on 'til 3am.

Over at The Eagle (349 Kennington Lane, Vauxhall, SE11 5QY) on Saturday 19th **Carpet Burn presents - We Are Divine** the ultimate 'I Am Divine' The Movie after party. Hosted by **John Sizzle**, there's a Divine drag-off with a cash prize of £500 for the best Divine look. A performance from the **Amy Grimehouse Divine Dancers**, Divine hits all night long from **Simon Kilner** and **Little John**. It's Divine-tastic! www.eaglelondon.com



John Sizzle

I can't go on about **Summer Rites 'Out On The Docks'** enough on Saturday July 26th from midday 'til 11pm. There's so much going on we can't cram everything into one paragraph... Go to www.summerritesevents.com for more info, obvs. But for now the all-star cast is beyond. Over 30 clubs and a myriad of performers from **Hazell Dean** to **Sinitta**.



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From **Sink The Pink** to **Trannyshack**. From **Hot Boy Dancing Spot** to **Gutterslut** will make this a day to remember, and it's all taking place at undercover venue Tobacco Dock, 50 Porters Walk, E1W 2SF.

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BY PATRICK CASH



**RUDI DOUGLAS - 'HE WON'T SWIM IN MY OCEAN'**

**WE FIRST** encountered Rudi Douglas performing at the exciting art/fashion event 'Vogue Goes Rogue' last weekend in Hackney. The Irish singer-songwriter sang two songs in his set, the first of which was an 'a cappella' ballad, touched with poignancy and displaying the depth and emotional range of his impressive voice. In a line-up that included well-known East End talents such as Bishi and Jonny Woo – both scintillating themselves – on the bill, Douglas easily held the crowd of

fashionistas attentive by virtue of his natural talent and charismatic performance.

Those particularly attuned to pop culture may recognize Douglas from The X Factor 2006, where he appeared twice in one season as a disarmingly cute 19-year-old getting through by the skin of his teeth on his second audition. However, fast-forward eight years and a quick Google of Douglas' recent own-written work reveals a maturity and visceral power to its construction. 'He Won't Swim In My Ocean', the first track for which he's made a video, begins like an old folk ballad with just the smoothness of the vocals leading the listener in, until a twist of anger turns the pace at 'fuck his heart, let him feel this / fuck your heart, I won't bleed for you'.

Overall, the song is musically a work of gentle beauty, and lyrically encapsulates the

heartache of a gay breakup or hurt of unrequited affection, far more realistically than any mass-produced Beyoncé track that's 'heavy on the piano'. Neat plays with familiar language add to the overall effect: 'I feel his arms around him'. It's also refreshing to hear a gay male solo artist use the explicit pronoun 'he' rather than the more commercially accessible but generalised 'you'. In the imaginative video directed by Ed Duffield, Douglas is seen going about his daily routine holding a bunch of balloons, a nice metaphor on the pressure to always remain upbeat in social situations when all may not be quite the same inside.

His next video will be for the equally accessible 'Burning In Your Bed', currently making waves as an audio on Soundcloud. We're looking forward to it.

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## THURSDAY 17TH JULY

### CLUBS & EVENTS

**G-A-Y Porn Idol with special guest judge Bianca del Rio** at Heaven, Villiers Street, WC2N 6NG.

11pm-4am. Discount wristbands from G-A-Y Bar. The biggest amateur strip contest in town is back! Win £100 on the night and maybe £1,000 in the Final. Plus, hot pop spun across the venue. To be a contestant text 07789 553 868 or email [info@g-a-y.co.uk](mailto:info@g-a-y.co.uk). TONIGHT: Special guest judge from RuPaul's Drag Race, Bianca del Rio.

**Thirsty at Manbar**, 79 Charing Cross Road, Soho, WC2H 0NE. 10pm-3.30am. Free. The off-Soho bar keeps the night going 'til late with Gaydio's Phil Marriott's commercial dance anthem onslaught.

**Ku Klub** at Ku Bar Lisle Street, Leicester Square, WC2. 6pm-3am. FREE. The legendary Tasty Tim and guests spin the pop sounds and floor fillers.

**Ted's TV/TS Night** at Ted's Place, 305a North End Road. 7pm-2am. £5. The night for fellas in frocks and their admirers.

**Dirty Disko** at Barcode, 69 Albert Embankment, Vauxhall, SE1 7TP. 10pm-5am. £5. DJs Alex Georgiou and Steven Artis and friends play the dirty disco sounds at Vauxhall industrial Barcode club spot.

**G-A-Y Late** at 5 Goslett Yard, off Charing Cross Road, WC2. 11pm-3am. Hot pop sounds get played out across the club, drink specials, cute guys and an almost unrivalled highly electric atmosphere. Open 7 days.

**Thursgays** at East Bloc, 217 City Road, Shoreditch, EC1V 1JN. 10.30pm-late. Midnight Yeast Cabaret deliver a performance by Oozing Gloop, Lewis Burton and Rodent Decay with tunes by resident DJs playing pop, dance, R'n'B, disco and electro.

**Room Service** at Miabella, 12-13 Greek Street, Soho, W1D 4DJ. 10pm-3am. Don't you dare miss this fiercely social, sexy club spot, playing edgy and upfront house. Expect hot gogo eye candy and hosted by fab scene faces. Get snapped by the legendary resident papper!

**Cruise Control** at Eagle London, 349 Kennington Lane, Vauxhall, SE11 5QY. 9pm-late. £6 entry, includes first drink and coat check. Cruise spaces to explore with darker, deeper beats to play to.

### BARS & CABARET

**Quiz Night** at The Roebuck, 84 Ashmole Street, SW8 1NE. 8pm onwards. £1 entry. Cash prizes to be won at The Roebuck for their awesome Quiz Night.

**Two Brewers**, 114 Clapham High Street, SW4 7UJ. Bar open 4pm-2am. FREE b4 10pm, £3 after. Popular South London cabaret/club spot. TONIGHT: Cabaret from Son of a Tutu.

**Kazbar** at 50 Clapham High Street, SW4 7UL. 4pm-3am. Free. Funky Clapham bar with stylish swish. TONIGHT: Funky, deep house from DJ Paul Culshaw.

**Gossip** at West 5, Pope's Lane, South Ealing, W5 4NB. Open from 8pm. FREE. Ealing's hugely popular club, bar and cabaret spot.

**Backing The Stars** at Halfway 2 Heaven, 7 Duncannon Street, Charing Cross, WC2N 4JF. Long running popular central London cabaret pub with Kevin Walsh.

**VS** at Circa, 62 Frith Street, Soho, W1. 4pm-4am. Munroe Bergdorf and Adam Turner get you warmed up for Room Service with some unrivalled Thursday night hotness!

**Vanity Von Glow's Cocktails** in The Shufflewick Bar at The Black Cap, 171 Camden High Street, NW1 7JY. The popular Camden cabaret, pub and club hosts a new night of drag and drink. With special guest Silver Summers.

**Molly Moggs** at 2 Old Compton Street, Soho, W1D 4TA. FREE. Insanely sociable cosy bar. Jeff Kristian entertains (8.30pm).

**Rupert Street** at 50 Rupert Street, Soho, W1D 6DR. From 8pm. Weekly dance session at the popular Soho bar.

**Comptons of Soho** at 51-53 Old Compton Street, Soho, W1D 6HN. 12pm-midnight. One of Soho's best loved traditional gay pubs, always busy and always friendly and always fun.

## FRIDAY 18TH JULY

### CLUBS & EVENTS

**Nancy's + Say Yes** at Dalston Superstore, 117 Kingsland High St, E8 2PB. 9pm-4am. Free b4 11pm/£5 after. Weekly night of regular resident DJs spinnin' up a storm of top deck disco house and hot tracks to shack out to. TONIGHT: Rory Phillips and Nadia Ksaiba are back in the basement as Will Viper and Elliot Brown play mutant pop and disco upstairs.

**A:M Censored with Rude Boyz** at Protocol, South Lambeth Road, SW8 1RT. 10pm-11am. £12. The original Friday night/Saturday morning club that continues to light up the weekend ahead of the rest churns out the turbocharged house sounds. TONIGHT: Rude Boyz, Fire's little bad boy club, returns with a sexy Friday night session with a men's only playground, £250 amateur strip contest hosted by Glendora and X-rated area.

**Fitladz** at Barcode, 69 Albert Embankment, Vauxhall, SE1 7TP. 10pm-8am. £8 members, £10 guests. The club session for horny lads with hot grooves from the DJs and an extended cruise space.

**Super Electric Party Machine** at East Bloc, 217-219 City Road, EC1V 1JN. 10pm-6am. Free before 12am with flyer, £5 before 12am with free drink, £8 before 1am with free drink, £10 after. Freshest, hottest talent playing the best new music with DJ Larry Tee and guests at this hot-ass East London basement club spot.

**Shoes** at Vogue Fabrics, 66 Stoke Newington Road, Dalston, N16 7XB. 10pm-3am. £3 b4 12/£5 after. It's time to get your fill of glam, beats and glitter. JVP, Bamboo and Twang play house, bass and techno.

**Yes** at The Joiners Arms, 116-118 Hackney Road, E2 7QL. 11.30pm-4am. FREE b4 11pm/£5 after. Packing them into the East London dance and drink spot every Friday.

**Hot Fuzz** at RVT, 372 Kennington Lane, Vauxhall, SE11 5HY. 9pm-2am. £5. The electro dance party for beardy boys and friends.

**Bump** at Rise, 1 Leicester Square, Soho, WC2H 7NA. 10pm-3am. £10 (£6 concs). ID required for entry. Towering over central London with views across the city. Commercial house sounds from DJs Gretta Gargola, and Arnaldo Novais play the tunes. Hosted by Chrissy Darling.

**G-A-Y Camp Attack** at Heaven, Villiers Street, WC2N 6NG. 11pm-4am. FREE with wristband from G-A-Y Bar. Main Floor plays 70s, 80s, 90s, 00 & 01, Star Bar is 02 to present day, videos in the Pop Room. Musical theme sing-along in the Departure Lounge.

**Ku Klub** at Ku Bar Lisle Street at 30 Lisle Street, Leicester Square, WC2. 10pm-3am. FREE b4 11pm, £5 after. Pop perfection and hot floor fillers as Ku's hot 3 spin the tunes in its downstairs basement club spot.

**Spunk** at Manbar, 79 Charing Cross Road, Soho, WC2H 0NE. 10pm-3am. Free b4 11pm. Start the weekend with a bang. Commercial dance remixes from DJs Amos, Rob C and Brent Nicholls.

**G-A-Y Late** at 5 Goslett Yard, off Charing Cross Road, WC2. 7.30pm-3am. Hot pop sounds, drink specials, cute guys and a pop perfect atmosphere.

**Tonker** at Eagle London, 349 Kennington Lane, Vauxhall, SE11 5QY. 9pm-3am. Big bear bar boozing, cruise and tunes has disco, house & soul, then sexier vibes to the early hours for hot daddies, bears, cubs and their admirers.

### BARS & CABARET

**I Am Divine** at the ICA, The Mall, SW1Y 5AH. 8.15pm. £12 from [www.ica.org.uk](http://www.ica.org.uk). Peccadillo Pictures and QX present a screening of 'I Am Divine' with drag terrorism and divine bingo from Meth and Ruby Wednesday, plus an after party in the ICA Bar.

**ARTqueen** at The Green Carnation, 4-5 Greek Street, Soho, W1D 4DD. 10pm-3am. #5 b4 11pm/£27 after, £3 in big arty look. The crazy, arty club experience! Pop-up performance from Bourgeoisie, Meth and Fagulous, with installation by Lady Tena and live art from Charlie Taylor. Slim Chance spins the sounds.

**West 5** at South Ealing, Pope's Lane, W5 4NB. The popular West London club, bar and cabaret spot, with added Piano Lounge fun. TONIGHT: Cabaret from the Buffalo Girls.

**The Two Brewers** at 114 Clapham High Street, SW4 7UJ. 5pm-4am. Entry free before 10pm, £6 after. South London's legendary club, bar and cabaret spot. TONIGHT: Cabaret from Crystal D'Canter and Kelly Mild.

**Kazbar** at 50 Clapham High Street, SW4 7UL. 4pm-3am. Free. Funky Clapham bar with stylish swish. TONIGHT: We Love the 90s! Hits from the last decade of the 20th century spun out.

**The Victoria** at 186 Hoe Street, Walthamstow, E17. Open 'til 3am. Lively East End pub features karaoke every Friday!

**Rupert Street** at 50 Rupert Street, Soho, W1D 6DR. Open 'til 1am. Soho's sexy bar is ready to shine again with weekly DJ sets to get you in the weekend mood! TONIGHT: DJ Alessandro.

**Comptons of Soho** at 51-53 Old Compton Street, Soho, W1D 6HN.

12pm-2am. The grand dame of Soho. TONIGHT: DJ Matt Bogard.

**The Black Cap** at 171 Camden High Street, NW1 7JY. 10pm-3am. The north London cabaret club and bar that all the scene legends have appeared at.

**Sauna Bar** at 29 Endell Street, Covent Garden, WC2H 9BA. 11.30am-2am. £16. £5 off entry with QX advert. The only licensed gay sauna in the West End, open 'til super late every weekend.

**Camp As Hits** at The City of Quebec, 12 Old Quebec Street, Marble Arch, W1H 7AF. 10pm-3am. Venerable institution of the gay scene rocks out some pop classics for an evening of fun.

**The Bridge** at 8 Voltaire Road, Clapham, SW4 6DH. Clapham's newest addition to the gay scene. DJ Kurt plays the tunes.

**Ku Bar Soho**, 25 Frith Street, WC1D 5LB. Open 'til 3am. Ku Bar's little brother stretches across two floors for that perfect Soho warm-up drinking session and a little dance with downstairs DJs.

**The Edge** at 11 Soho Square, Soho, W1D 3QE. 12noon-3am. FREE b4 10.30pm. Four floors of fun! Top tunes from the DJs spinning top 40, pop, funky house and more.

**Discipline** at Circa, 62 Frith Street, Soho, W1D 3JN. 4pm-1am. Soho's intimate but packed-out bar/club spot watches Munroe Bergdorf and friends werg the floor!

**Central Station** at 37 Wharfedale Road, Kings Cross, N1 9SD. Open 'til 4am. FREE entry. Cabaret and DJs 'til late. TONIGHT: DJ Ian James.

**Molly Moggs** at 2 Old Compton Street, Soho, W1D 4TA. FREE. Soho's most intimate cabaret bar.

**The Roebuck** at 84 Ashmole Street, SW8 1NE. 6-11pm. Happy hour all night at this enticing new gay friendly venue in the Oval area where you can

meet local lads and sexy drinkers.

**Friday Night Live with Myra Dubois** at Halfway 2 Heaven, 7 Duncannon Street, Charing Cross, WC2N 4JF.

9pm-3am. The central London cabaret hot spot.

**New Bloomsbury Set** at 76 Marchmont Street, Bloomsbury, WC1N 1AG.

4pm-11.30pm. Open seven days a week for the more social gays around the Kings Cross/Bloomsbury area and those after a refreshing new experience. London's only 21+ bar!

## SATURDAY 19TH JULY

### CLUBS & EVENTS

**G-A-Y presents Cher Lloyd** at Heaven, Villiers Street, WC2N 6NG. 10pm-5am. FREE wristbands available from G-A-Y Bar. The palace of pop and quite possibly the world's most famous gay club packs out this cavernous venue. TONIGHT: Cher Lloyd, former X Factor Siren and USA superstar, returns to the stage. See page 4.

**Little Gay Brother** at Dalston Superstore, 117 Kingsland High Street, E8 2PB. 9pm-3am. FREE b4 10pm/£7 after. After their Lovebox sesh, the crew decamp at DS! Stewart Who?, Jeffrey Hinton and James Phillips join Will Bond, Guy Williams and Chris Camplin vs Frank.co for a colossal night of party vibes.

**Handsome** at East Bloc, 217 City Road, Shoreditch, EC1V 1JN. 10.30pm-6am. £5 before 12am/£10 after. Uplifting house sounds for a crowd that are dedicated to quality tunes. DJs Fidel, Dave Kendrick, Fitzgerald, Mark-Ashley Dupé and Mistamaker play the hot, throbbing, pounding deep tunes.

**Carpet Burn presents We Are Divine** at The Eagle London, 349 Kennington Lane, Vauxhall, SE11 5QY. 9pm-3am.

Free before 10pm, £5 after, FREE with your ticket from I Am Divine film screening (see page Friday, above).

There's no secret that Eagle loves Divine and to celebrate the release of documentary I Am Divine Eagle are offering £500 cash to the best Divine inspired look, dancing to Simon Kilner and Little John, FREE BBQ and more! See page 6.

**Barcode** at 69 Albert Embankment, Vauxhall, SE1 7TP. 10pm-very late. £6 from midnight, £10 after midnight. Clubbing until the late hours at Vauxhalls industrial looking bar/club spot that pulls in an insanely sociable crowd.

**XXL 'Bear'** at Pulse, 1 Invicta Plaza, South Bank, SE1 9UF. 8pm-8am. £8 members, £15 guests. £5 after 4am. Four huge arenas, a mega cruise space and chill space. Plus, big tunes from resident DJs Christian M, Alex Logan, Joe Egg, Andy Almighty and Stewart Styles. TONIGHT: Celebrating the soul of XXL with a 'Bear' theme.

**Pornceptual: Celebrity Porn** at Resistance Gallery, 265 Poyser Street, Bethnal Green, E2 9RF. 10pm-late. Normal clothes £10, half naked/celebrity £7, naked £4. From celeb sex tapes to leaked smartphone snaps, celebs have us porn obsessed. Celebrating the works of art from Kim Kardashian to Pamela Anderson. Celeb sex tapes screened, cock wall of fame and dance music by Da'Quonda Foda Sol and Eric Phillips, Julian Smith and more.

**Vogue Fabrics '90** at Vogue Fabrics, 66 Stoke Newington Road, Dalston, N16 7XB. 10pm-3am. £3 b4 12/£5 after, FREE if you were born in 1990. Neil Prince and David Oh take a trip back to the dance sounds of 1990 playing the greatest house hits of the year in the basement hot box.

**The Joiners Arms** at 116-118 Hackney Road, E2 7QL. 10pm-6am. FREE b4 11.30pm/£5 after. The original East London club spot with smashing DJs and a whole heap of hot dudes and queer friends.

**SuperMartXé - Superman** (afterhours) at Area, 67-69 Albert Embankment, Vauxhall, SE1 7TP. Super advance £10, MOTD. The Spanish club monster returns to London to bring that Ibiza flavour to the UK once more. Guest DJ Leo Blanco plays the big beats with Steve Pitron and co representing the UK side.

**Ku Klub** at Ku Bar Lisle Street at 30 Lisle Street, Leicester Square, WC2. 10pm-3am. FREE b4 11pm, £5 after. £3 with wristband/membership. The party continues in Ku's basement club with hot pop and floor fillers from the DJs.

**Hombre** at Manbar, 79 Charing Cross Road, Soho, WC2H 0NE. 10pm-3am. Free b4 11pm/£3 after. Weekly pre-party for Beyond afterhours with tunes by Gretta Gargola and Beyond's resident guest DJs.

**G-A-Y Late** at 5 Goslett Yard, off Charing Cross Road, WC2. 11pm-3am. Hot pop sounds, drink specials, cute guys and a pop perfect atmosphere.

**Duckie** at RVT, 372 Kennington Lane, Vauxhall, SE11 5HY. 9pm-2am. £6. Alternative London club/entertainment night. Hosted by Amy Lamé, with music by Readers Wives.

**Sweatbox Foam Party** at 1-2 Ramilies Street, Soho, W1F 7LN. 24 hours. £16. Unwind and release some tension after a stressful week with the all the fun of the foam at Sweatbox's original weekly party.

**Beyond** (afterhours) at Fire, South Lambeth Road, Vauxhall, SW8 1RT. 4.30am (Sunday morning)-late. £10 advance tickets available. The crazy club



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**Saunabar** at 29 Endell Street, Covent Garden, WC2H 9BA. 11.30am-2am. £16. £5 off entry with QX advert. Unwind after a night of clubbing at the only licensed gay sauna in the West End.

**The Yard** at 57 Rupert Street, Soho, W1D 7PL. Open till 12am. FREE. Renowned as one of Soho's most unique and popular destination venues, with terrific outdoor space.

**Circa** at 62 Frith Street, Soho, W1D 3JN. 4pm-1am. Soho's intimate but packed-out bar/club spot with the most amazing DJ booth in town!

**The Black Cap** at 171 Camden High Street, NW1 7JY. 10pm-3am. Party rocking Camden gay pub with regular entertainment/cabaret and a club.

**Ku Bar** at Ku Bar Lisle Street, Chinatown, WC2H 7BA. 6pm-3am. One of London's hottest gay bars and clubs, with the hottest boys both behind the bar and in front of it, stretching over three floors.

**Comptons of Soho** at 51-53 Old Compton Street, Soho, W1D 6HN. 2pm-late. The grand dame of Soho pulling in a more blokey crowd. TONIGHT: DJ Tasty Tim.

**Ku Bar Soho** at 25 Frith Street, WC1D 5LB. 12 midday-3am. Ku Bar's little brother stretches across three floors for that perfect Soho warm-up drinking session and a cheeky dance with downstairs DJs.

**Saturday Market + Bears Downstairs** at Halfway 2 Heaven, 7 Duncannon St, WC2N 4JF. Open 'til 3am. Cabaret fun times from Rose Garden at 5pm. Bears go down with the gruff guys and Justin Swift.

**Rupert Street** at 50 Rupert Street, Soho, W1D 6DR. Open 'til 1am. Kick Saturday night off with sounds from the hottest DJs at this lively Soho bar. TONIGHT: DJ Little Rob.

**Kazbar** at 50 Clapham High Street, SW4 7UL. 4pm-3am. Free entry. Funky Clapham bar with stylish swish. TONIGHT: DJ Rich B plays.

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**Pick N Mix** at The City of Quebec, 12 Old Quebec Street, Marble Arch, W1H 7AF. Top tunes and late night fun at the legendary gay boozier near Marble Arch.

**Central Station** at 37 Wharfedale Road, Kings Cross, N1 9SD. Open 'til 4am. FREE b4 10pm. Cabaret then DJs 'til late. TONIGHT: Cabaret from Davina Sparkle, hosted by Jason Price.

**The Two Brewers** at 114 Clapham High Street, SW4 7UJ. 5pm-4am. FREE b4 10pm, £7 after. Cabaret and clubbing 'til late at the famous venue. TONIGHT: Cabaret from Baga Chipz.

**The Victoria** at 186 Hoe Street, Walthamstow, E17. Open 'til 3am. Free b4 9.30pm, £5 after. Lively East End pub that turns extra flamboyant on the weekends.

**The Bridge** at 8 Voltaire Road, Clapham, SW4 6DH. Open from 1pm-late. Clapham's newest addition to the gay scene. DJ Spirko spins tunes.

**The Roebuck** at 84 Ashmole Street, SW8 1NE. New gay venue in the Oval area. Worship the weekend with Bar-Buck-Q's in the secluded garden.

**G-A-Y Bar** at 30 Old Compton Street, Soho, W1D 4UR. Midday-Midnight. FREE. Soho's palace of pop with the hottest videos screened out across the venue, great drinks deals and discount entry wristbands for G-A-Y @ Heaven.

**The Old Ship** at 17 Barnes Street, Limehouse, E14 7NW. 8pm-late. Local gay bar in East London's Limehouse.

**Molly Moggs** at 2 Old Compton Street, Soho, W1D 4TA. FREE. Soho's most intimate cabaret bar.

**White Swan**, 556 Commercial Road, Limehouse, E14 7JD. 9pm-3am. Legendary East End gay pub with a wild atmosphere, sexy lads and entertainment on the stage.

### SUNDAY 20TH JULY

### CLUBS & EVENTS

**Sing Out!** at Hackney Empire, 291 Mare Street, E8 1EJ. 5pm. £12 from 020 8985 2424 and hackneyempire.co.uk. Sing, hum or clap along as the ACM Gospel Choir and London's newest LGBT choir, The Fourth Choir, perform.

**T Club** at Dalston Superstore, 117 Kingsland High Street, E8 2PB.

9pm-2.30am. FREE. Stav B's queer dance party for trans\*, drag kings and queens and everyone in-between.

**Ku Klub** at Ku Bar Lisle Street at 30 Lisle Street, Leicester Square, WC2. 10pm-3am. The party continues in Ku's basement club with hot pop and floor fillers from the DJ Lady Lloyd.

**Sundays at the RVT** at RVT, 372 Kennington Lane, SE11 5HY. 2pm-midnight. £6. The afternoon/evening clubbing session slot playing huge dance anthems and commercial house. Plus, multi-media entertainment from Charlie Hides TV at 5.30pm.

**Horse Meat Disco** at Eagle London, 349 Kennington Lane, Vauxhall, SE11 5QY. 8pm-3am. £6. The HMD gymkhana continues to shake Vauxhall down every week. Residents spin super-disco sounds with weekly guests.

**SPQR** at The Joiners Arms, 116-118 Hackney Road, E2 7QL. 10pm-late. FREE b4 11pm/£6 after. DJ Romano plays the sounds out for the Sunday crowd at the bustling Joiners.

**Later** at Fire, 39 Parry Street, SW8 1RT. Midday - very late. £8 ad/concession/flyer/NUS card, £10 OTD. Continue Beyond vibes into Sunday afternoon as Later funks it up.

**Orange** at Fire, South Lambeth Road, Vauxhall, SW8 1RT. 11pm-10am. £12. The weekend ends here with funky-up house sounds from the resident disc jocks.

**G-A-Y Late** at 5 Goslett Yard, off Charing Cross Road, WC2. 11pm-3am. Hot pop sounds get played out across the club, drink specials, cute guys and an almost unrivalled highly electric atmosphere.

### BARS & CABARET

**Molly Moggs** at 2 Old Compton Street, Soho, W1D 4TA. From 2pm. FREE. Dame Julie Paid entertains the guests at this intimate Soho boozier.

**The City of Quebec** at 12 Old Quebec Street, Marble Arch, W1H 7AF. Legendary gay boozier near Marble Arch features weekly cabaret.

**The Old Ship** at 17 Barnes Street, Limehouse, E14 7NW. 8pm-midnight. Cabaret: 8.45pm. Free. Local gay bar in East London's Limehouse. TONIGHT: Cabaret from Titti la Camp.

**Halfway 2 Heaven** at 7 Duncannon Street, Charing Cross, WC2N 4JF. Open 'til 11pm. Long running popular Central London cabaret pub. DJ David Robson from 3.30pm with CK, followed by An Evening With Mrs Moore and Tanya Hyde. Plus, Halfway Karmasutra with Connie Lingus.

**Kazbar** at 50 Clapham High Street, SW4 7UL. 4pm-12am. Free entry. Funky Clapham bar with stylish swish. TONIGHT: Flow with DJ Eduardo Herrera.

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**Comptons of Soho** at 51-53 Old Compton Street, Soho, W1D 6HN. 12pm-12am. The grand dame of Soho pulling in a more blokey crowd.

**Love#Hangover** at Circa, 62 Frith Street, Soho, W1D 3JN. 10pm-1am. Jonathan Bestley brings amazing beats and a little sparkle to the heart of Soho to end the weekend on.

**The Two Brewers** at 114 Clapham High Street, SW4 7UJ. 4pm-2am. FREE b4 8pm, £3 after. South London's legendary cabaret, club and pub. TONIGHT: Triple cabaret with The Power of 3!

**West 5** at Pope's Lane, South Ealing, W5 4NB. Open from 7pm. FREE. West London's giant club/bar/cabaret home. Happy hour all night.

**The Edge** at 11 Soho Square, Soho, W1D 3QE. 3pm-11.30pm. Soho's multi-floored gay wonder, which every gay man of London needs to visit at least once!

**The Roebuck** at 84 Ashmole Street, SW8 1NE. New gay venue in the Oval area. Worship the weekend with Bar-Buck-Q's in the secluded garden.

**The Black Cap** at 171 Camden High Street, NW1 7JY. 7pm-late. £5. The long-running cabaret, club and pub nestled in the heart of Camden.

## MONDAY 21ST JULY

### CLUBS & EVENTS

**Hard-Up Mondays** at Sweatbox, 1-2 Ramilies Street, Soho, W1F 7LN. 24 hours. Under 25s FREE all day, £16 others. Finding Mondays hard to handle? Relieve the pressure with this discounted day for under 25s (ID required) at Soho's only gay sauna.

**Cruise Control** at Eagle London, 349 Kennington Lane, Vauxhall, SE11 5QY. 9pm-late. £6 entry, includes first drink and coat check. Cruise spaces to explore with darker, deeper beats to play to.

**Cub Club** at Manbar, 79 Charing Cross Road, Soho, WC2H 0NE. 9pm-3am. Free. Top DJs, happy sounds, all-star-cabaret, hot'n'hairy gogos and drinks specials!

**Popcorn - Voodoo** at Heaven, Villiers Street, WC2N 6NG. 11pm-5.30am. £4 b4 1am, £5 after, £8 after 2am. FREE with wristbands from G-A-Y Bar b4 1am. Massive mixed mash-up with four rooms of top sounds, from upfront, progressive house to chart hits, via R&B tuneage. Perfect polysexual party to start the week as you mean to go on. TONIGHT: It's Voodoo time with a special PA by Luciana!

**Ku Klub** at Ku Bar Lisle Street, 30 Lisle Street, WC2. 10pm-3am. FREE. DJs play the weekend out on a wave of hot pop.

**G-A-Y Late** at 5 Goslett Yard, of Charing Cross Road, WC2. 11pm-3am. Late night dancing spot for pure-pop enthusiasts doing the funky chickens.

**Desire** (afterhours) at Union, 66 Albert Embankment, Vauxhall, SE1 7TP. 1am (Tuesday morning)-11am. 10 hour marathon of two rooms of house music, progressive/deep/tech, featuring club favourites Alan K and Steven Geller.

### BARS & CABARET

**So You Think You Can Sing!** at Kazbar, 50 Clapham High Street, SW4 7UL. Showtime 7pm. Donovan presents a night of song and fun with pianist sensation Eric Robinson at Clapham's friendly, funky gay bar.

**The Old Ship** at 17 Barnes Street, Limehouse, E14 7NW. Local gay bar in East London's Limehouse.

**Rupert Street** at 50 Rupert Street, Soho, W1D 6DR. The trendy Soho drinking spot celebrates with 2-4-1 classic cocktails all day!

**Molly Moggs** at 2 Old Compton Street, Soho, W1D 4TA. FREE. Entertaining Soho since 1731! Soho's most intimate bar. Jeff Kristian entertains (8.30pm).

**Man Health** at Manbar, 79 Charing Cross Road, Soho, WC2H 0NE. 5pm-8.30pm. FREE. Sexual Health Clinic 56 Dean Street provide this free and confidential HIV and sexual health testing clinic.

**The Edge** at 11 Soho Square, Soho, W1D 3QE. 3pm-1am. Soho's multi-floored gay wonder with a late closing time of 1am for Bank Holiday, with DJs Chris Brogan, Kayth David and Brent Nicholls on the decks.

**Comptons of Soho** at 51-53 Old Compton Street, Soho, W1D 6HN. 12pm-11.30pm. The real queen of Soho. Bar £2.50 on popular drinks from 5pm.

**Stevie T's Karaoke** at Halfway 2 Heaven, 7 Duncannon St. WC2. 7.30pm. Stevie T gets the pub going with this karaoke weekly.

**Two Brewers** at 114 Clapham High Street, SW4 7UJ. The landmark south London cabaret, bar and club. TONIGHT: Mrs Moore's weekly cabaret session.

**Karaoke** at The City of Quebec, 12 Old Quebec Street, Marble Arch, W1H 7AF. Steve Tee hosts the singing fun at the famous gay boozier in Marble Arch.

## TUESDAY 22ND JULY

### CLUBS & EVENTS

**Cruise Control** at Eagle London, 349 Kennington Lane, Vauxhall, SE11 5QY. 9pm-late. £6 entry, includes first drink and coat check. Cruise spaces

to explore with darker, deeper beats to play to.

**G-A-Y Late** at 5 Goslett Yard, off Charing Cross Road, WC2. 11pm-3am.

The weekend begins early or finishes late to a melodious mix of classic chart pop and current hits.

**Insomnia** (after-hours) at Union, 66 Albert Embankment, Vauxhall, SE1 7TP. 1am (Wednesday morning) -9am.

It's all about the music, cutting edge underground pure raw house, headlined by Smokin' Ace, Steven Geller and Bruno Nouer.

### BARS & CABARET

**Cookie Monstar** at Molly Moggs, 2 Old Compton Street, Soho, W1D 4TA. 8.30pm. FREE. Song and sinful fun from Cookie.

**Rags to Bitches** at The Roebuck, 84 Ashmole Street, Oval, SW8 1NE. 7.30pm-9.30pm. £5. Learn to sew, repair or recycle your fave clothes. Tutor led stitch & bitch club.

**Industry** at Circa, 62 Frith Street, Soho, W1D 3JN. Open 'til 1am. Delicious Sam DMS lays on a smorgasbord of R'n'B classics, chart toppers and deep house grooves at Sohos' snazzy drinkery.

**See You Next Tuesday** at Halfway 2 Heaven, 7 Duncannon Street, Charing Cross, WC2N 4JF. From 8pm. Bette Rinse hosts the Tuesday night revelry at the Central London cabaret hotspot.

**Tiffany Wells Double Thrill** at The City of Quebec, 12 Old Quebec Street, Marble Arch, W1H 7AF. The legendary gay pub in the heart of London. Tiffany Wells presents two shows at 9pm and 10pm.

**Spotlight** at Manbar, 79 Charing Cross Road, Soho, WC2H 0NE. 9pm-3am. Free b4 11pm. Showcasing talent, from singers to burlesque, via artists and comedians and fire eaters. Hosted by Topsy Redfern. Produced by Duncan Day.

**Karaoke** at Two Brewers, 114 Clapham High Street, SW4 7UJ. 5pm-2am. £3 b4 10pm, £4 after. Sing-along the mid-week blues with Kevin Walsh.

## WEDNESDAY 23RD JULY

### CLUBS & EVENTS

**Spoken Word London: Anti-Hate** at Vogue Fabrics, 66 Stoke Newington Road, Dalston, N16 7XB. 7.30pm-10.30ish. Free entry. For the first anniversary of Spoken Word London having run at Vogue Fabrics, they're holding an 'Anti-Hate' theme with both featured readers and an open-mic.

**Cruise Control** at Eagle, 349 Kennington Lane, Vauxhall, SE11 5QY. 9pm-late. £6 entry, includes first drink and coat check. Cruise spaces

to explore with darker, deeper beats to play to.

**Record Box** at Manbar, 79 Charing Cross Road, Soho, WC2H 0NE.

10pm-3am. Free b4 11pm. Hifi Sean presents an eclectic mix of music from his vast collection, from rare B-sides to other special gems from disco, nu wave, indie, northern soul and more.

**Foam Party** at Sweatbox, 1-2 Ramilies Street, Soho, W1F 7LN. 24 hours. £16. If you can't make the weekend wet fun, why not head down tonight? Relieve the midweek stress! The foam flies at 7, 8 and 9pm.

**Misfits** at East Bloc, 217-219 City Road, EC1V 1JN. 10pm-3.30am. FREE b4 11pm/£5 after. Midweek urban glamour as R'n'B scene star Mark-Ashley Dupé presents his ghetto fabulous in the infamous basement of debauchery. With DJs Jeffrey Hinton and Nasty McQuaid.

**CLiCK** at Union, 66 Albert Embankment, Vauxhall, SE1 7TP. 11pm-4am £5 w. QX ad, £8 others. Urban polysexual party playing R'n'B, hip-hop, bashment, Afrobeats, funky, old skool, garage and house in Room 1. Meanwhile, it's pure house music over in Room 2.

**Ku Klub** at Ku Bar Lisle Street, 30 Lisle Street, WC2. 10pm-3am. FREE. The party continues 'til late in the Ku basement.

**XXL** at Pulse, 1 Invicta Plaza, South Bank, SE1 9UF. 9pm-3am. Members free, others £3. Midweek, dance, booze and cruise at the world famous club for hunks, chunks, bears and admirers.

### BARS & CABARET

**Wednesday Naughties** at Central Station, 37 Wharfedale Road, Kings Cross N1 9SD. 10pm. FREE. Dirty cabaret from Sandra to spice up your Wednesday.

**Two Brewers** at 114 Clapham High Street, SW4 7UJ. FREE b4 10pm, £3 after. South London's famous bar/club.

**The Old Ship** at 17 Barnes Street, Limehouse, E14 7NW. Quiz from 9.30pm. Local gay bar in East London's Limehouse.

**Detained** at Circa, 62 Frith Street, Soho, W1D 3JN. Open 'til 1am. Circa goes all-out with the dance, pop and R'n'B remixes every Wednesday. DJs Attack Attack Attack, Kingsley, Munroe Bergdorf and Kris Di Angelis on rotation.

**Come Mime With Me** at Halfway 2 Heaven, 7 Duncannon Street, Charing Cross, WC2N 4JF. From 9pm. Mitzi Macintosh delivers the sing-along classics at the popular cabaret den.

**Mary Mac's Mastermind** at West 5, Pope's Lane, South Ealing, W5 4NB. Open from 8pm. FREE. Mary Mac presents her inimitable quiz.

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The Bunker Bar, 217 City Road, Shoreditch, EC1V 1JN. 7-11pm. £6 entry, no membership.

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Ewer Street Car Park, Southwark, SE1 0NR. 10pm-6am.



## Your Dirrrty Diary

### THURSDAY 17TH JULY

**The Underground Club**, 37 Wharfdale Road, Kings Cross, NI. PANTS (1-6pm) Underwear fun. SPANKZ (6pm-10pm) CP night for rougher, tougher play. Followed by COME TO DADDY (10pm-2am). **Vault: Cruise/Stripped** at 139b-143 Whitfield Street, WIT 5EN. DAY CRUISE (1-7pm. £6). STRIPPED (7pm-1am. £7). Free drink, cloakroom and re-entry. Get nude and rude. Strictly naked, except footwear.

**Cruise Control** at Eagle London, 349 Kennington Lane, Vauxhall, SE11 5QY. 9pm-late. £6 entry, includes first drink and coat check. Cruise spaces to explore with darker, deeper beats to play to.

### FRIDAY 18TH JULY

**CumUnion** at SE5 Dungeon, 156 Wells Way, Camberwell, SE5 7SY. 10pm-late. £10 advance, £15 OTD. Get on your knees and play! Boots, kinky, jock, naked or fetish. Hosted by porn stud Darius Ferdynand **Vault: Cruise** at 139b-143 Whitfield Street, WIT 5EN. DAY CRUISE (1-7pm. £6). NIGHT CRUISE (7pm-1am. £7). Free drink, cloakroom and re-entry. Horny cruise spot minute's from the West End.

**The Underground Club** at Central Station, 37 Wharfdale Road, Kings Cross, NI. XXX Club (7pm-midnight) Monthly night for those that like to fuck and be filmed. Leave with the DVD! Then PAUNCHY (midnight-4am) The club for big

bellied men and those that admire them.

**Fitladz** at Barcode, 69 Albert Embankment, Vauxhall, SE1 7TP. 9pm-9am. £8 members, £10 guests. Get sexy at this cruise/club sesh! Horny lads, hot grooves, plus extended cruise space.

### SATURDAY 19TH JULY

**Pleasuredrome** at Arch 124 Cornwall Road, Waterloo SE1 8XE. Open 24/7. £15, £12 under 25 with ID. FREE towel.

Cruise all day and night with plenty of rooms to play. Licensed bar.

**Bar Berlin** at The Hoist, 47c South Lambeth Road, Vauxhall, SW8 IRH. 10pm-late. Leather, rubber, skin, uniform and industrial cruise night.

**SBN Afterdark** at The Hoist, 47c South Lambeth Road, Vauxhall, SW8. 10pm-late. The world's biggest men-only naked party. Donkey Dick on the loose! XXX-rated shows.

**Sweatbox Foam Party** at 1-2 Ramilies Street, Soho, W1F 7LN. 24 hours. £16. Foam from 10pm. All the fun of the foam at Sweatbox's original weekly party.

**The Underground Club** at Central Station, 37 Wharfdale Road, Kings Cross, NI. PANTS (1-6pm, £4) Best undies for the boys. COLLARED (7pm-midnight) Friendly BDSM night.

**Vault: Cruise** at 139b-143 Whitfield Street, WIT 5EN. DAY CRUISE (1pm-7pm. £6) NIGHT CRUISE (7pm-1am. £7). Free drink, cloakroom, re-entry. Dark corners, catch a dirty movie, indulge your carnal side.

### SUNDAY 20TH JULY

**Vault: Underwear/Cruise** at 139b-143 Whitfield Street, WIT 5EN. UNDERWEAR (1-7pm. £6). CRUISE (7pm-1am. £7). Free drink, cloakroom and re-entry. Just pants b4 7pm, then cruise 'til late.

**The Hoist** at Arches 47b & 47c, South Lambeth Road, Vauxhall, SW8

IRH. S.B.N. (2pm-9pm. £12) Naked cruise club. ATHLETE (6pm-9.30pm. £10) Cruise sports party. Sports gear/underwear only.

**S.O.P.** at The Underground Club, Central Station, 37 Wharfdale Road, Kings Cross, NI. 1pm-midnight. £7. Yellow fun for waterworks fans.

**Chill Out** at Ted's Place, 305a North End Road. 7pm-2am. £3 b4 10pm, £5 after. Mixed/gay crowd of cruisey guys.

**Pleasuredrome** at Arch 124 Cornwall Road, Waterloo SE1 8XE. Open 24/7. £15, £12 under 25 with ID. FREE towel. Cruise day and night, plenty of rooms to play. Licensed bar.

**Buff** at MA1 Backstreet, Wentworth Mews, Mile End, E3 4UA. 6pm-10pm. £8 members, £9 guests. Horny, naked cruise party. Dark rooms, smoking terrace, full bar.

### MONDAY 21ST JULY

**Sportswear/Cruise** at Ted's Place, 305a North End Rd, W14. 7pm-midnight. £3. Football shorts freaks, Speedo lovers, basketball tops (and bottoms), rugby buggers and trackie sluts unite!

**Vault: Cruise/Stripped** at Vault, 139b-143 Whitfield Street, WIT 5EN. CRUISE (1-7pm. £6). STRIPPED (7pm-1am. £7). Free drink, cloakroom and re-entry. Horny cruise session first before naked time (except footwear).

**The Underground Club** at Central Station, 37 Wharfdale Road, Kings Cross, NI. PANTS (1-6pm) BUTT NAKED (6pm-10pm) Strip down and get off with like-minded guys. HARD CRUZ (10pm-1am, free entry) Hard cruising for horny guz.

**Hard-Up Mondays** at Sweatbox, 1-2 Ramilies Street, Soho, W1F 7LN. 24 hours. Under 25s FREE all day, £16 others. Finding Mondays hard to handle? Get a load

off. Free for under 25s (ID required) at Soho's only gay sauna. Plus, free HIV testing and Hep vaccinations by the 56 Dean Street boys (5-9pm).

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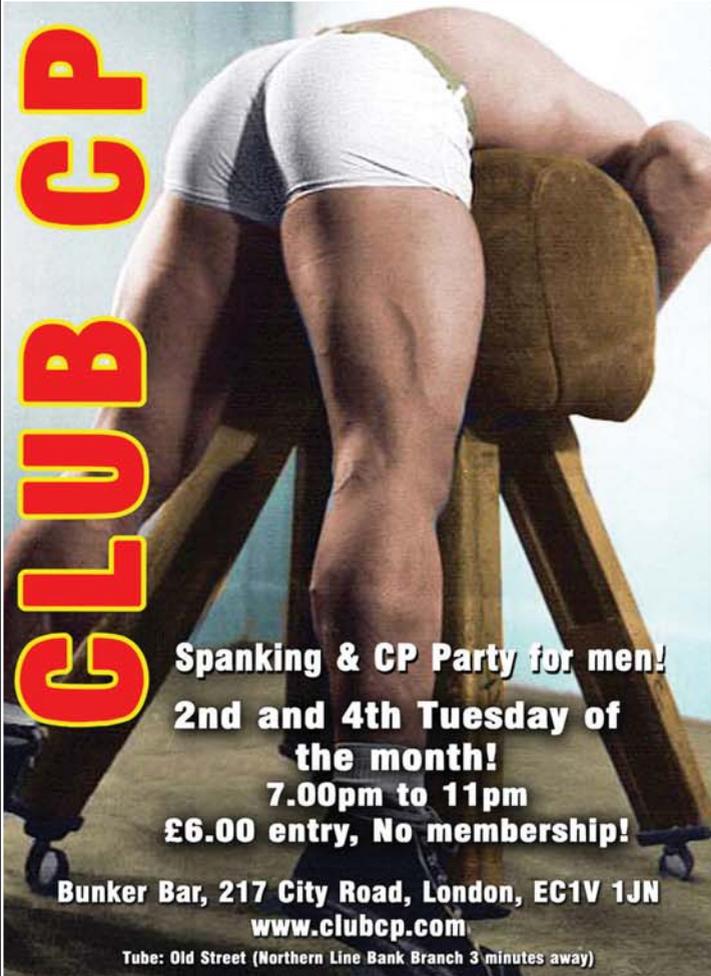
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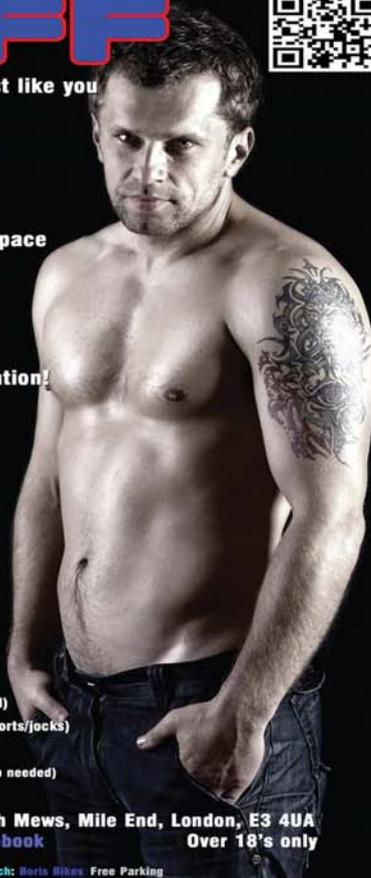
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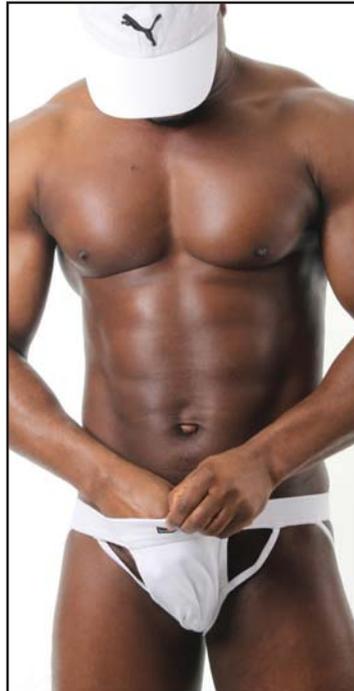
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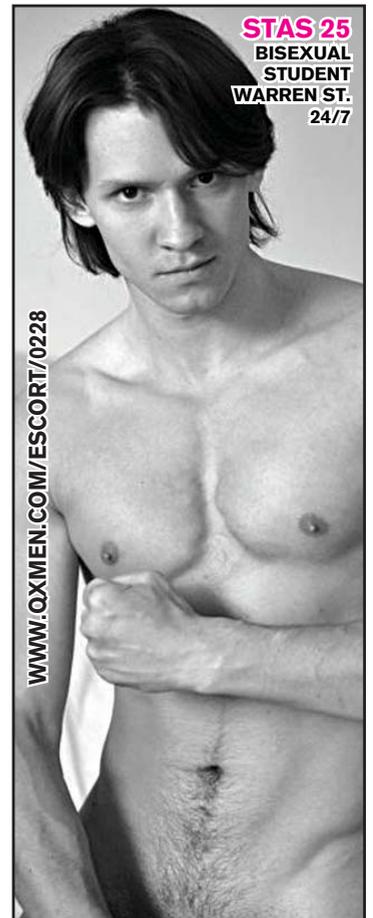
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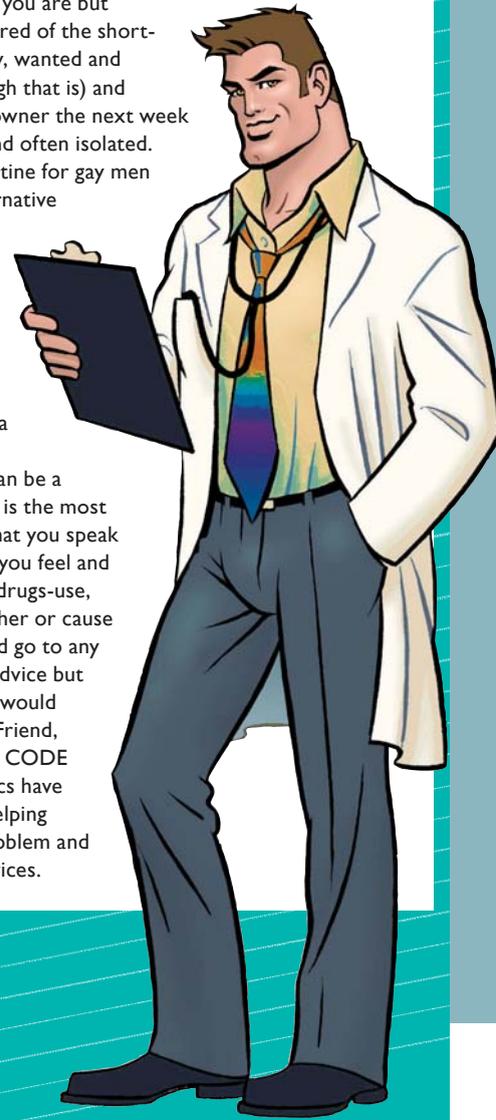
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So you wonder if you have a chemsex problem? Well try answering a few of these questions: Do you feel you are in control of your chem use? When did you last have sober sex? Can you have (and enjoy) sober sex as frequently/easily as you can chemsex? Have you passed out from GBL more than a few times? Do you feel horny and sexy without drugs? When did you last have a relationship (if you desire one)? Do you remember or care about your shags? What's your social life like outside your chemsex life? Have you missed days at work/college/family events due to chems?

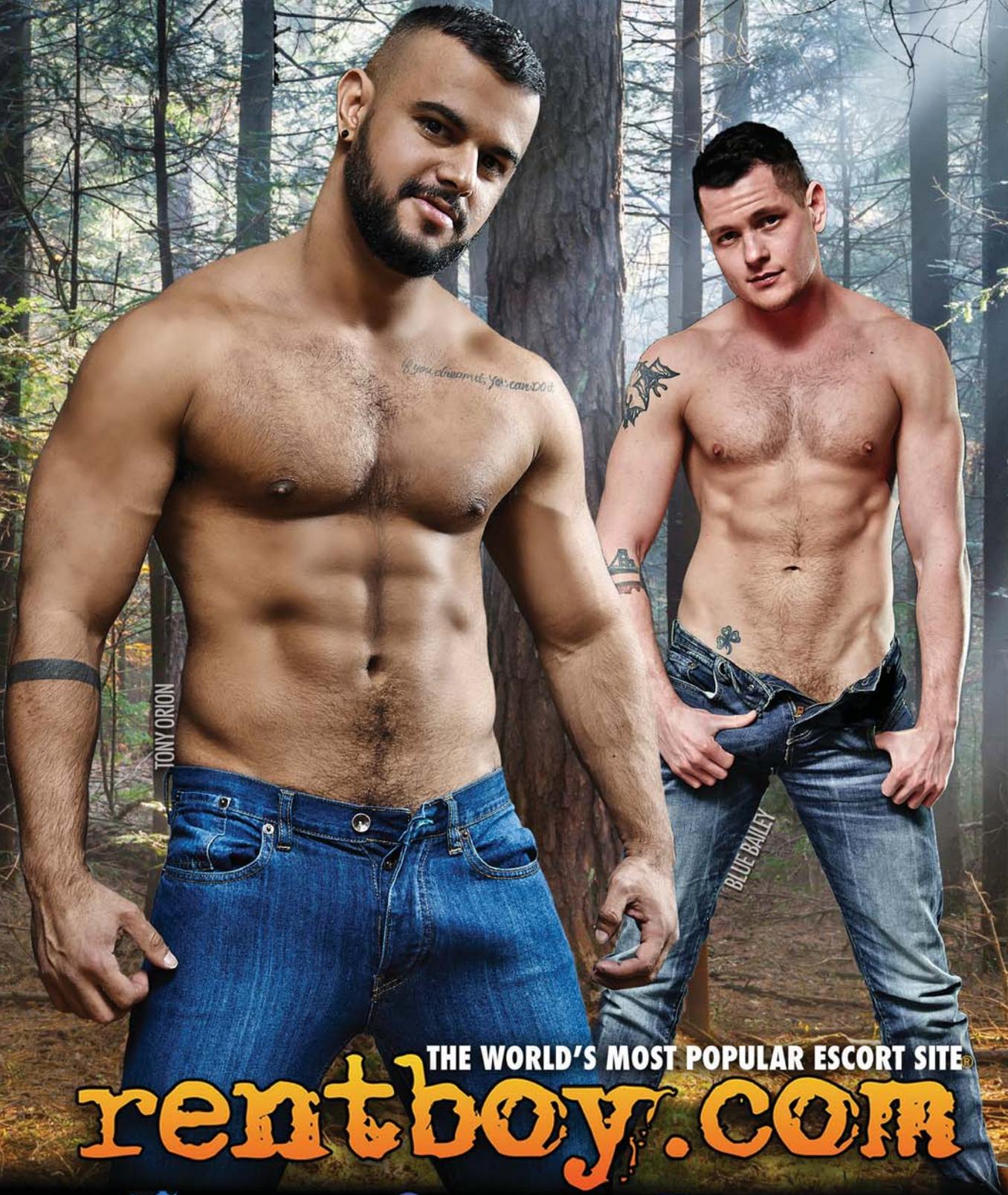
From your letter, and if some of your answers to the questions above worry you, then it would seem likely that you do have a developing chemsex problem and more importantly that you may want to try an alternative to your current lifestyle.

You don't say how old you are but maybe you are getting tired of the short-lived rush of feeling sexy, wanted and valuable (whilst being high that is) and then dealing with the downer the next week where you feel alone, and often isolated. Casual sex is just so routine for gay men that considering an alternative can seem like you are really going against what's expected of you as a gay man. Perhaps you're saying you are ready for a stab at a relationship that lasts at least more than a weekend.

But making a change can be a challenge. The first step is the most important. I'd suggest that you speak to someone about how you feel and about the scale of your drugs-use, before you sink any further or cause yourself harm. You could go to any sexual health clinic for advice but perhaps the best places would be Antidote at London Friend, 56 Dean Street, and the CODE Clinic. These three clinics have the most expertise in helping guys with a chemsex problem and have simple walk-in services.



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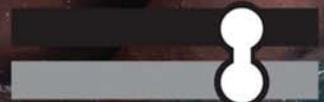
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