



GREENBOW'S MESSAGES

Greenbow organised a cycling day at Phoenix Park last Sunday, 11th April. The weather was beautiful and everyone enjoyed cycling around Phoenix Park. We will be organising a cycling/walking day, with BBQ, at Phoenix Park in May. We would like to see more Deaf LGBT members come along.

Greenbow will arrange many events and activities for April, May and June.

Events for the June bank holiday weekend will include bowling followed by beers at a beer garden in Bray and a visit to the Titanic museum in Citywest.

Deafoward will present an information meeting in June, followed by Deafab Café.

Please watch out for more details in the upcoming posters and newsletters.

DUBLIN FILM CLUB

**In association with the Dublin Gay
Theatre Festival**

PRESENTS...

GENET ON FILM

Outhouse, Sunday 9 May 2010

FREE SCREENING

(Suggested donation: 5 euro)

DOUBLE-BILL:

FILM 1: *UN CHANT D'AMOUR/SONG OF LOVE*

France, 1950. B&W. Silent. 26 min.

Written and directed by Jean Genet.

French with English Subtitles

FILM 2: *THE MAIDS*

USA, 1975. English. 100 min.

Dir. Christopher Miles. Script: Robert Enders, from the play by Jean Genet.

Their webpage:

<https://sites.google.com/site/filmclubdublin>

Their email:

filmclub@gmail.com

Preview clip of their first season:

<https://sites.google.com/site/filmclubdublin/programme-season-one>

Facebook

<http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=368192080094>

UPCOMING EVENTS

Greenbow Social Night

Date: Saturday, 24th April 2010

Venue: Pantibar, Capel St, Dublin 1

Time: 9pm

Cycling/Walking with BBQ

Date: Sunday, 2nd May 2010

Venue: Phoenix Park, Dublin 7

Time: 12pm

Admission fee for BBQ: €5

(Please meet us at the gate of Phoenix Park. Bring your own bike or hire one at the bicycle shop near the gate. Bring your own drinks. If you are interested to join, please contact Greenbow by 30th April 2010.)

June Bank Holiday Weekend

Bowling and Beer Garden

Date: Saturday, 5th June 2010

Venue: Bray Town, Co Dublin

Time: 2pm

Visit to Titanic Museum

Sunday, 6th June 2010

**Venue: Citywest Events Centre,
Citywest Hotel, Saggart, Co Dublin**

Time: 2pm

www.titanicdublin.com

Deafoward Information Meeting and Deafab Cafe

Date: Saturday, 19th June 2010

Venue: Outhouse, Capel St, Dublin 1

Time: 2pm

The Deafoward Information Meeting will be hosted by John Fennell, who will be providing information about access to, and awareness of, public services.

Tea/coffee/cakes will be provided!



World Gay News

Famous Singer Ricky Martin Confirms He is Gay

Singer Ricky Martin has told his fans he is gay, describing himself as a "fortunate homosexual man". In a statement posted via Twitter in both Spanish and English, and later confirmed with his representative, Martin added: "I am very blessed to be who I am."

For many, the announcement came as no surprise; the Livin' La Vida Loca singer's sexuality has been speculated about for years. But the Puerto Rican star, who got his big break as a child in the teenage group Menudo, never directly addressed it and was usually seen at events with beautiful women on his arm. But Martin, 38, said he decided to reveal the truth after working on his memoirs helped him realise that he had to be true to himself and not keep any more secrets.

"From the moment I wrote the first phrase I was sure the book was the tool that was going to help me free myself from things I was carrying within me for a long time. Things that were too heavy for me to keep inside," he said. "Writing this account of my life, I got very close to my truth. And this is something worth celebrating." Martin said one of the reasons he kept his homosexuality hidden was because he was told by some that it would hurt his career. Martin, who has two sons born to a surrogate mother in 2008, said he could not continue to hide his sexuality now that he was a father. "Enough is enough. This has to change," he said

Source: www.herald.ie

Vatican Says Pope Not Involved in Cover-up Accusations

Vatican officials have refuted claims that the Pope was involved in a cover-up of the child abuse scandal, saying that the allegations are part of a "hate campaign" against him.

Two senior cardinals suggested on Tuesday that the claims were revenge for Pope Benedict's opposition to gay marriage and abortion, AP reports.

Spanish Cardinal Julian Herranz, head of the disciplinary commission for Holy See officials, said on Vatican Radio: "The pope defends life and the family, based on marriage between a man and a woman, in a world in which powerful lobbies would like to impose a completely different [agenda]."

Meanwhile, dean of the College of Cardinals, Angelo Sodano, told Vatican newspaper L'Osservatore Romana: "The pope embodies moral truths that aren't accepted, and so, the shortcomings and errors of priests are used as weapons against the church."

Source: www.pinknews.com

LGBT Awareness Week 9th to 18th April 2010

Belongto launched its advocacy campaign, Stand Up! at the LGBT Awareness Week at the National Performance Arts School in Upper Sherriff Street on Thursday, 8th April. It was hosted by Anna Nolan, a former presenter of The Afternoon Show. This launch is campaign to promote awareness to stop the bullying and homophobia toward young LGBT people in Ireland.

Also there was a statement from Colin Farrell about his older gay brother, Eamon Farrell, who was bully at school for many years. Read Colin Farrell's statement below:

"The beatings and taunting were very frequent for Eamon and a constant part of his school years. I didn't understand at that time the concept of 'difference'. Intolerance is not genetically encoded - it is taught. It is learned at home. It is learned in the classrooms and it is learned anywhere else we gather as a group. But it is usually learned early and added onto from there.

My brother was so forceful in standing up for who he was, and for the good that he knew was inside of him. But the saddest truth is that not all children survive bullying. It is a potentially fatal societal illness and must be respected and not feared. Respected and dealt with as a very real problem and as an adversary of a potentially harmonious world, that should have no place for bullies or bullying."

More information on the Belong to website:
www.belongto.org

BECOME A MEMBER OF GREENBOW

If you want to become a member of Greenbow, please contact us for a membership form:

Mobile Text: 086-3671375

Email: deafgreenbowlgbt@yahoo.ie