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Serving the Greater LGBT Communities of Cambridge, Guelph and Kitchener-Waterloo, Ontario Canada

June 9-15th, 2003

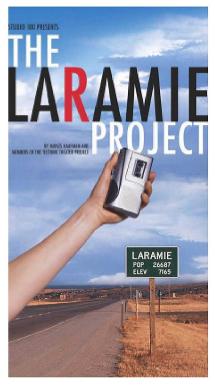
# The Laramie Project is Coming to Waterloo

On Wednesday March 5th, a special benefit performance of Moises Kaufman's groundbreaking play, The Laramie Project, will open at the University of Waterloo Theatre of the Arts. Funds raised at this performance will be used to mount a major exhibition of The Canadian AIDS Memorial Quilt during the week of tri-Pride 2003, June 9-15<sup>th</sup>. Studio 180 - featuring a cast almost entirely made up of UW Alumni - will be bringing its Toronto production of The Laramie Project to Waterloo for a single performance only.

The Laramie Project exploded onto the theatrical scene in 2000, playing to rave reviews and enthusiastic audiences in New York. Time Magazine called it "one of the ten best plays of the year."

Shortly after the brutal murder of Matthew Shephard, The Tectonic Theatre Project traveled to the scene and over a year and a half, compiled more than 200 interviews with residents of Laramie. Wyoming. Instead of a direct reenactment of the murder, the cast of eight actors portrays more than 50 Laramie residents as they come to terms with the crime and the resulting media focus on their hometown. The Laramie Project adopts this galvanizing event as a microcosm in which to explore homophobia, capital punishment, religious bias, media scrutiny, class distinctions and tolerance.

The AIDS Commmittee of Cambridge, Kitchener and Waterloo Area (ACCKWA) and tri-Pride 2003 are co-sponsoring the June display of the AIDS Quilt. In order to aid them in this important goal, Studio 180 has designated their



Waterloo Opening as a Special Benefit Performance. All tickets purchased for this event will include an invitation to a post-performance reception with cast and crew. Revenue raised that evening will be directly applied towards the costs involved in hosting the display of The Canadian AIDS Memorial Quilt.

The Canadian AIDS Memorial Quilt is made up of more than 500 3ft by 6ft panels, created in memory of someone whom has died of AIDS-related causes. The sheer size of the Quilt panels stand as powerful symbols of personal loss as well as the enormity of the AIDS pandemic. The June Exhibit will feature selected panels that celebrate and pay tribute to the many Canadians lost to AIDS. The AIDS Quilt is managed by *The NAMES Project Canada*.

"The Laramie Project" has had an extended life. This season alone there will be nine professional productions in the United States, one in England and 17 in Germany. And between January 2002 and June 2003, some 440 productions by American high schools." The New York Times

#### A Post-Reception

Join us for the the post-performance reception with the cast and crew at Rushes, located at The Waterloo Inn Conference Centre. The reception will feature entertainment by Bruce Dow and offer a chance to meet the cast and crew.

The Laramie Project
A benefit performance by Studio 180
University of Waterloo Theatre of the Arts
March 5<sup>th</sup>, 8:00pm

Tickets: \$12.00

Call the Box Office at (519) 888-4908 or tickets are also available at Mostly Organic Juice Bar, Muses Café and through GLOBAL.

#### For more information:

Studio 180 www.studio180.ca
The Canadian AIDS Memorial Quilt www.quilt.ca
tri-Pride 2003 www.rainbow.on.ca
ACCKWA www.acckwa.com

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# 2003tri-Price THEVELAUNCHPARTY

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### March 8: "Dorothy's Best" Invitational No-Tap Tournament



"The only Gay/Gay Positive Bowling League in the Tri-City Area" Come on out for a day of fun and help support the Canadian Cancer Society Breast Cancer and the AIDS Committee of Cambridge, Kitchener Waterloo & Area (ACCKWA).

The "Dorothy's Best" Invitational No-Tap Tournament is brought to you by the Friends of Dorothy Bowling League. The Tournament will be held at the Brunswick Frederick Lanes, located at 385 Frederick Street in Kitchener. Registration & Social from 12:00-1:00 pm, and Bowling begins at 1:15 pm.

The cost is just \$30.00 per bowler (pre-registered); or \$35.00 at the door. Price includes 2 bowling games, shoe rental, banquet and prizes.

K-W Friends of Dorothy is the only gay and gay-positive bowling league in the tri-cities area. Anyone and everyone is welcome to join. Put on your bowling shoes and come on out!!

Proceeds from the event will be forwarded to local and national charities. Registration Deadline: Saturday March 8, 2003

Registration will also be accepted directly at Brunswick Frederick Lanes. Call them at (519) 576-1160 and mention Dorothy's

For More Information.call:

Paul Curzon (519) 579 Diane Kilby (519) 744



K-W Friends of Dorothy Bowling League friendsofdorothy\_kw@hotmail.com

## The 9th Annual Chairs for Charity ACCKWA Auction—Online!

ACCKWA will host the 9th Annual Chairs for Charity & Art Auction Online beginning in March of 2003.

Artists follow the symbolism and theme that chairs may be associated with practicality, comfort and support, which are fundamental to ACCKWA's services to the community. Other artwork of photography, painting, sketches, sculptures and more will also be

auctioned, to promote the wide variety of artistic talents of the people in Waterloo Region.

#### We're going digital!

This year, Chairs is being conducted online! Help us to make this the best year for Chairs every by visiting our web site in the month of March.

ACCKWA is the AIDS Committee of Cambridge, Kitchener-Waterloo and Area, providing services and advocacy to HIV/ AIDS affected persons in our community.

For additional information about this event or for information about other services, please contact ACCKWA's Co-ordinator of Volunteer Services:

(519) 570-3687 contact@acckwa.com www.acckwa.com "In 2002, Chairs for Charity raised more than ever to support local HIV/AIDS awareness programs"





Mostly Organic Juice Bar was buzzing with excitement for "Cliterature"- an evening of free expression celebrating woman's sexuality in an open, comfortable setting (organized and hosted by our favorite pre-school teacher/Drag King, Shelley Secrett). The night was a wonderful eclectic mix of events that ranged from erotic readings to live music by Heather McLean.

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To start the evening, Dianne Kilby read three of her own original pieces, with Shelley herself following with a reading from "Boys like Her." Martha Crealock graced the small stage with a dialogue from "The Vagina Monologues" which she has performed at the Waterloo Stage.

Nairne Holtz read an original story entitled "Most Valuable Player" – a very entertaining tale of basketball and locker room romance. Lauren's reading style and story had the entire room hanging on every sentence.

Dianne Roedding and Cheryl Otolko brought down the house with their song "The 12 STI'S of Christmas." The bubbly duo had the whole room singing with a lot of wellplaced laughter to the informative yet humorous lyrics.
On behalf of Tri-Pride, I would like to thank everyone who came out to "Cliterature" as well as all the women that shared their talents with us, including Mary-Jane Webster, Tamara Shoop, Cait Glasson, Kate Thompson-Adlers, Jennifer Corbett and Katharine Mills.

Special thanks goes to Kathy and Della from Mostly Organic.

Congratulations must go to Shelley! Your hard work and inspiration made "Cliterature" a great success. We look forward to the next brainstorm you have!

Tracey Boughey, Co-Chair tri-Pride 2003

# Win an Easter Basket

Congratulations to Shirley Lee from Stratford, who won our Xmas Basket, valued at more than \$250!

There's another opportunity for you to win big. tri-Pride will be having an Easter Basket draw, with enough goodies to make you one happy little Easter Bunny!

To purchase tickets, \$3 per ticket, \$5 for two tickets, please contact tri-Pride at (519) 584

All proceeds from the Draws go to tri-Pride 2003 events.

# Rackin' 'Em Up at the First tri-Pride Billiards Tourney



Sunday March 2nd, 2:30pm The Masters Club Corner of Manitou & Fairway, in Kitchener

Entry fee \$10.00, Pre-Registration recommended. Register at www. rainbow.on.ca, or by calling (519) 584

### Up and coming community events

#### The Rainbow Chorus Dance

Fri March 14th, CAW Hall, 611 Silvercreek Pkwy, Guelph Admission \$5.00. Doors open at 9:00pm.

#### Boyz & Boys & Girls & Grrls Night

Sat March 1, University of Waterloo Grad House Admission \$2.00. This is an all ages event. 9:00pm.

Let us know about your upcoming community events!

### A Night to Remember: The Pride Prom, January 2003

Ever wondered what it would have been like if you could have taken the one you really wanted to your Prom?

Well, we can't all be Marc Hall, but that's exactly what motivated a number of visionaries affiliated with GLOW on January 30, 2003, at the Walper Terrace Hotel Crystal Ballroom in Kitchener.

Dubbed 'The Pride Prom,' the evening was designed to take participants back

to that single enchanted evening of their youth, with a twist.

A free and open environment was created, where guests could enjoy the Prom Night they never had. And the idea was a success. Some 100 guests ate, drank and danced the night away in formal wear with a flare for chic that evening, daring to recapture those formative moments which might never have been.

Special thanks must go to the organizers of the event and their many supporters, including GLOW, GLOBAL/QWL, The Walper Terrace Hotel, and many more. Thanks to all those who participated and made the Prim Prom such a success.

All proceeds from the event went to local charities and community groups, including tri-Pride 2003.





Tri-Pride Community Assocation Inc. is a not-for-profit organization serving the greater GLBT communities of Cambridge, Guelph and Kitchener-Waterloo, Ontario Canada. The Organization's mandate is to provide a venue for Pride annual events in our community.

Pride Pages aims to be a resource for the GLBT community with information about local organizations, social groups and upcoming events.

Pride Pages encourages submissions for organizational information, local events, and related articles. Pride Pages reserves the discretion to refuse publication of opinion or any material which may be deemed unsuitable. Pride Pages is a free publication periodical of tri-Pride.

Send us submissions to Pride Pages at www.rainbow.on.ca/ppsubmit.htm or please send your valued submissions to info@rainbow.on.ca

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#### COMMUNITY CALENDAR

#### tri-Pride Committee

Meetings every second Monday, 6:30-9:00pm, 150 Frederick Street, Rm 217. Meetings are open to the public. Come and have your say. For dates, please call (519) 584

#### Gay & Bi Fathers Support Group of Waterloo Wellington

Meetings every 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month at 7:30pm in Guelph. For details call Jon (519) 823- or Dave (519) 821-

#### Poets on the Run, hosted by James P. McAuliffe.

Every Tuesday at 8:00pm, Mostly Organic Juice Bar Café, 119 King Street West, Kitchener.

#### **GLOW Discussion Group**

Wednesdays at 7:00pm at the University of Waterloo. A social follows at 8:30pm in the UW Grad House. 519) 884-4569 or visit www.glow.uwaterloo.ca

#### Rainbow Youth Group

Open discussion group for GLBT youth ages 16 to 25. Every Wednesday from 7:00-9:00pm. Call (519) 570-3687 for information.

#### **Pink Coffee House**

Wednesdays 9:00 to 11:00pm at Muses Café, 10 King Street East, Kitchener.

#### **GLOBAL Gathering**

Wilfrid Laurier University's organization for students, alumni and faculty. GLOBAL gathers every second Thursday. For meeting times, locations and more, email global@wlu.ca

#### K-W Friends of Dorothy 10 Pin Cosmic Bowling League

Every Sunday at 3:00pm at the Frederick Brunswick Lanes, 385 Frederick Street, Kitchener. For more information contact Jason Boyko at (519) 578or email friendsofdorothy kw@hotmail.com

#### COMMUNITY Contact INFORMATION

- ACCWKA AIDS Committee of Cambridge and Kitchener-Waterloo Area (519) 570-3687
- ACGWC AIDS Committee of Guelph and Wellington County (519) 763-2255
- GLOBAL (Gays, Lesbians Or Bisexuals At Laurier), QWL (Queer Women at Laurier) (519) 884-7337
- GLOW (Gays and Lesbians of Waterloo) Info Line (519) 884-4569
- KW Friends of Dorothy Bowling League (519) 576-
- Lesbian Gay Bi Youth Line (800) 268-YOUTH toll free
- The Outline/GQE (Guelph Queer Equality)/HOWL (Hanging Out With Lesbians) (519) 836-4550
- PFLAG-GKW (Parents and friends of Lesbians And Gays) (519) 742-
- Rainbow Chorus of Waterloo-Wellington County (519) 584-
- The Rainbow Parenting Network (519) 743-
- tri-Pride Community Association (519) 5844
- WOODS (Women Out Opening Doors Socially) (519) 822-



If you know of a community group or regular event which should be listed here, please let us know about it. info@rainbow.on.ca