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### Ambush Readers Will Choose Their Favorites in 22nd Gay Appreciation Awards, Voting Ballot On-Line June 9-15

t's time for the Gulf South readership of Ambush Mag to once again choose their favorites in the 22nd annual Gay Appreciation Awards. Public voting is done on-

line in an effort to get the most accurate results. Only one ballot will be accepted from each person. Filters are in place to delete duplicate ballots. Voting runs Tuesday, June 9 through Monday, June 15 at AmbushMag.COM/GAA (click on Voting Ballot).

The awards thanks those in the Gay Lesbian Bisexual Transgender community who are many times not recognized for the outstanding services and efforts they perform. These individuals and businesses have made the GLBT community into the viable, successful and powerful community it is today across the Gulf South.

The top 5 finalists in each category will appear in Ambush Issue 13 due out on June 23. GAA Board members are not eligible for awards. The award category winners, those receiving the most public votes, will be announced at the 22nd Gay Appreciation Awards Gala at Oz, 800 Bourbon Street, New Orleans, Saturday, July 11. Beginning at 8pm sharp, door admission \$10 will begin at 7pm. All proceeds from the event will benefit the William Fanning Foundation, better known as Buzzy's Boys & Girls. VIP tables with four seats run \$125 and seating is limited. Please contact Rip Naquin-Delain at 504.522.8049 for table reservations.

Public award voting categories include: Circuit Party/Event of the Year, Hair Salon of the Year, Gay Carnival Ball of the Year, Neighborhood Bar of the Year, Buzzy Fanning AIDS Award, Bitch of the Year, Show Bar of the Year, Donnie Jay Performing Arts Award, Restaurant/Deli of the Year, Dance Bar of the Year, Bartender of the Year, DJ of the Year, Leather Bar of the Year, GLBT Business of the Year, Leather Person of the Year, Transgender of the Year, Lesbian of the Year, Gay Man of the Year, and Entertainer of the Year.

In addition to the various public voting awards, the Board will present the Lifetime Achievement Award, the Cheridon Comedy Award in memory of the late Sonny C. Cleveland, and the Fly Fashion Glamour Award in memory of Ms. Fly. The Marsha Delain Award of Excellence (the Drag Ambassador Award) will be presented by Marsha Naquin-Delain.

The Board of Directors includes Lisa Beaumann, Teryl-Lynn Foxx, Rip and Marsha Naquin-Delain and Toni J.P. Pizanie.

Ambush is proud to sponsor the Gay Appreciation Awards each year. For more info, visit AmbushMag.COM/GAA.

#### International Pop Music Icon Kristine W Releases Her Fourth Full-Length Album, The Power of Music June 16

ew York - Kristine W's highly anticipated fourth full-length studio album, The Power of Music, will be available on i-Tunes, Masterbeat.com and in retail stores nationwide on June 16. The CD has already proven its power on the dance scene with its first four single releases - Walk Away, The Boss, Never, and Love is the Look - landing the #1 spot on the Billboard Hot Dance Club Play List. Be Alright, Kristine's next single from the album, was released commercially and to terrestrial, satellite and internet mainstream radio.

"Making The Power of Music was truly a labor of love," explained Kristine W from her home in Las Vegas. She describes the album as a journey through a kaleidoscope of musical styles - dance, pop, R&B and rock - that capture the rollercoaster of emotions people are feeling during this turbulent time in history. "With the financial crisis hitting every country and political instability reaching all time highs, I wanted to write and sing songs that expressed how people are feeling and encouraged optimism.'

In Be Alright, Kristine sings: "When hard times bring us to our knees, we stand in the shadow of blind faith and we say 'Hey, it's going to be alright.'" The message is of hope triumphing over difficulty, a theme she also explores in We Will Meet Again and the album's title track, The Power of Music.

#### 4th of July, GAA Top 5 Edition due out Tuesday, June 23 **DEADLINE: Tuesday, June 16** inside

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**Never** preaches inner strength and joy while Groove's Inside explains how a person's attitude dictates how they view life and ultimately, how they live it. Kristine sings, "This is your life, get up and live it, you know the clock won't wait, leave your cares behind, because the groove's inside your mind."

The 16-track album features some of the music industry's most influential players including Grammy-nominated producers Love To Infinity UK (Madonna, Whitney Houston, Celine Dion, Will Smith), Grammy Award winning producer Hex Hector (Donna Summer, Patti LaBelle, Diana Ross, Mariah Carey, Shakira), guitar legend George Lynch (of Dokken and Lynch Mob), and a performance by the world renown rapper, Big Daddy Kane, who lends his talents to the album's title track.

Hailing from Washington State, Kristine W is a fourth generation musician. She has sold over 300,000 albums and singles in the USA and her songs have been licensed to over 150 compilation CDs.

In the late 1990s. Kristine Whit the top of the national dance music charts for the first with the now classic Feel What You Want. Her most recent single, Love is the Look. released this January, is her thirteenth #1. With it, Kristine edged out Whitney Houston to claim fifth place among artists with multiple #1s on the Billboard Hot Dance Club Play List. Madonna tops the chart with 39 #1s. followed by Janet Jackson with 18. Donna Summer is third with 15, followed by Mariah Carey with 14, and then Kristine W with 13. Houston now ranks in 6th place, behind Kristine W, with 12 #1s.

Kristine W is consistently touring to promote her latest projects. Her upcoming tour will take her to New York, St. Louis, Orlando, San Diego, Seattle, Minneapolis, Des Moines, and Salt Lake City.

You can pre-order The Power of Music in New Orleans at Skully'z Recordz, 907 Bourbon Street.

### Satyricon Presents Opening Night of Valley of the Dolls

he Mystic Krewe of Satyricon will present, as a benefit for the krewe, the opening night of Running With Scissors' newest comedy, Valley of the Dolls, at Le Chat Noir, 715 St. Charles Ave., on Friday, June 12, at 8pm. Tickets for this performance only are \$25, and may be obtained by calling 504.525.4498. For all other performances, please call Le Chat Noir at 504.581.5812.

Valley of the Dolls is written by the company, loosely based on the movie of the same name, and directed by Richard Read. It features Brian Peterson, Dorian Rush, Lisa Picone, Bob Edes, Jr., Brad Caldwell, Jack Long and Dwayne Sepcich. The show continues its run Friday. Saturday and Sunday through July 5.

### Vieux to Do, Three Festivals in One, June 13-14

three distinct celebrations - the Creole Tomato Festival, the Louisiana Seafood Festival and the Louisiana Cajun Zydeco Festival – is a rollicking feast for ears, eyes and taste buds.

Music fans can two-step to musicians from Acadiana and New Orleans such as Steve Riley & the Mamou Playboys, and Sunpie & the Louisiana Sunspots.

Food lovers can choose from a groaning board of shrimp, fish, crab, oysters and crawfish dishes whipped up by celebrity chefs such as Paul Prudhomme and Mike Murray and also witness the great chefs of Louisiana demonstrating their signature dishes including world famous tomatoes and shrimp.

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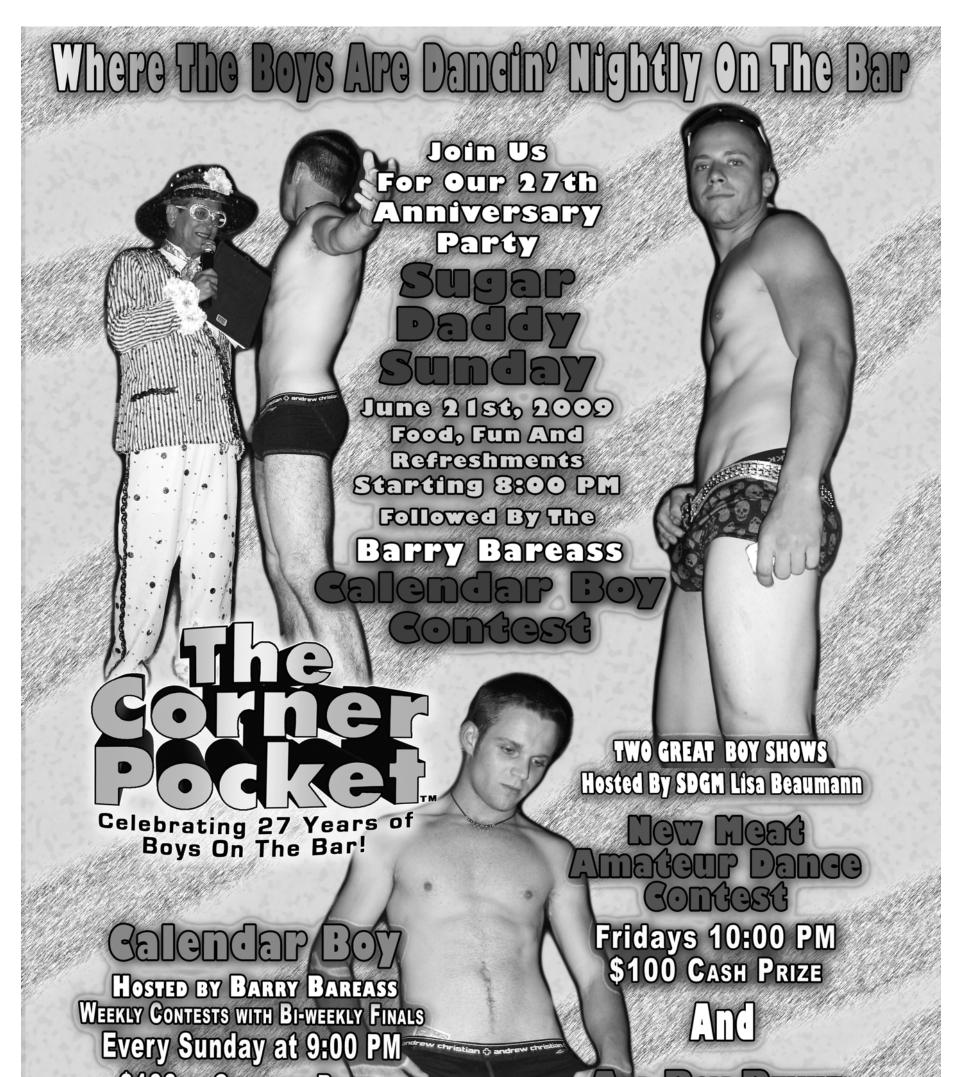
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