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Gay Appreciation Awards Top 5 Finalists Hail from Austin, Baton Rouge, Houston, New Orleans & Orlando

The Gulf South readership of **Ambush Mag** cast all ballots on-line this year deciding the Top 5 Finalists, and ultimately the winners, of the 20th annual Gay Appreciation Awards (GAA). Finalists hail from Austin and Houston, Texas; New Orleans, Louisiana, and Orlando, Florida.

The GAA Gala will be held in the Marigny Theatre, 1030 Marigny St. in New Orleans on Sun., July 8, beginning promptly at 7pm, an hour earlier this year. The winners in each category will be announced at the gala which benefits the William Fanning Foundation, aka Buzzy's Boys & Girls.

There are some VIP Tables of four for \$100 still left. Please contact Rip Naquin-Delain for table reservations at 504.522.8047 or info@ambushmag.com.

The Board of Directors of the GAA are proud to present the coveted Lifetime Achievement Award to the legendary Marcy Marcell, founder of the Gay Appreciation Awards.

The Top 5 Finalists include:

Circuit Party/Event of the Year - Hal-loween/New Orleans, Gay Easter Parade/ New Orleans, One Mighty Weekend/Orlando, Red Party/New Orleans, Southern Decadence/New Orleans;

Hair Salon of the Year - Bobby Blue, Cleary California Concept, Hair Asylum, Mickey Nolan Salon, Salon d'Malta;

Gay Carnival (Mardi Gras) Ball of the Year - Krewe of Amon Ra, Krewe of Armeinius, Krewe of Mwindo, Lords of Leather, Mystic Krewe of Satyricon;

Neighborhood Bar of the Year - Cowpokes, Cutter's, Friendly Bar, Golden Lantern, Starlight By The Park;

Buzzy Fanning AIDS Award - Austin Baptist Women/Austin, Toby Lefort, Tony Leggio, New Orleans Bear & Bear Trapper Social Club, NO/AIDS Task Force;

Bitch of the Year - Rusty LaRoux, Tony Leggio, Madam Adam, Princesse Stephaney, Kabrina Watson;

Show Bar of the Year - Big Daddy's, Bourbon Pub/Parade, Cowpokes, Oz, Starlight By The Park;

Performing Arts Award - Austin Baptist Women/Austin, New Orleans Gay Men's Chorus, NORD, Running with Scissors, To Do Productions' *Take Me Out*;

Restaurant/Deli of the Year - Clover Grill, Elizabeth's, Mona Lisa, Quartermaster: The Nellie Deli, Verti Mart;

Dance Bar of the Year - Bourbon Pub/Parade, Cowpokes, Oilcan Harry's/Austin, Oz, Splash/Baton Rouge;

Bartender of the Year - Ron Caesear/ Bourbon Pub, Eric Evans/Rawhide, Allen Jones/Oz, Lance Pippin, Stephen Murrell/ Cowpokes;

DJ of the Year - Buddy/Cowpokes, Johnny Love/Cafe Lafitte in Exile, Mary



Marcy Marcell
(photo: Larry Graham)

Pappas/Oz, Tim Pflueger/Oz, Richie Rich/ Cowpokes;

Leather Bar of the Year - Chain Drive/ Austin, Cowpokes, Phoenix, Rawhide 2010, Ripcord/Houston;

GLBT Business of the Year - Alternatives, Queen Fashions, Troy Jowers Realtor, Marigny Manor House, Tapelenders/ Austin;

Leather Person of the Year - Rich Daigle, Jimmy Johnson, CW Stambaugh, Danny Starnes, Mark Steinbauer;

Transgender of the Year - Regina Adams, Vivica Devereaux, Rusty LaRoux, Marcy Marcell, Opal Vanderhurst;

Lesbian of the Year - Marty Curtin, Koo Gaffney, Mina Hernandez, Mary Pappas, Kerry Watson;

Gay Man of the Year - Nathan Brooks, Glenn Fonte, Toby Lefort, Tony Leggio, Lance Pippin;

Entertainer of the Year - Austin Baptist Women/Austin, Lauren Brown, Elizabeth, Opal Masters, Princesse Stephaney.

All Show Bar of the Year Finalists are invited to perform a production number limited to 7 minutes. The GAA Board of Directors is excited to have GAA Founder and Lifetime Achievement Award recipient Marcy Marcell and 2006 Entertainer of the Year Donnie Jay as special guest stars for the 2007 GAA Gala.

The Board of Directors announce the Top 5 Finalists for the Cheridon Comedy Award in memory of Sonny Cheridon Cleveland - Rona Connors, Blanche Debris, Jaded Jade, Princesse Stephaney, Tittie Toulouse;

Fly Fashion Glamour Award in memory of Miss Fly - Jessica Daniels, Mercedes Ellis Loreal, Opal Masters, Rikki Redd, Ava Synclair;

Fly Fashion Victim Award in memory of Miss Fly - Ursuline Burgundy, Electra City, Miss Trailer Park Erica Frost, Miss Mascara Joey, Kabrina Watson.

The winners of those three awards will also be announced at the Gala along with the recipient of the Marsha Delain Award of Excellence presented by Marsha Naquin-Delain.

The Board of Directors includes Lisa Beaumann, Teryl-Lynn Foxx, Toni Pizanie and Rip and Marsha Naquin-Delain. **Ambush Mag** is proud to sponsor the awards each year. For additional information visit **AmbushMag.COM/GAA**.

Amuka Sets Sights On NOLA To Open For New Girl Party, Gay Pride Weekend

Songwriter and vocalist Amuka will be the featured performer for the opening of Flirt at Tomailio's Restaurant, 437 Esplanade Ave., Sat., June 23 at 11pm in New Orleans

Amuka is the stage name used by singer/songwriter Sheila Brody. Originally from Detroit, she was discovered by funk musician George Clinton. Although she has performed as a rock and funk singer, Brody has earned the most success as a dance music vocalist. In 1999 (as Blackwood) she released a best-selling album (Friday Night) and single ("Peace") in Italy before returning to the United States. Teaming with producer/remixer Peter Rauhofer she has released several singles that have charted well on the US Hot Dance Music/Club Play chart. Brody's 2003 song, "Appreciate Me" appeared on the television soundtrack *Queer as Folk: Club Babylon*. In 2006, Brody earned her first number-one US dance hit with the song "I Want More (Cling on to Me)"

Also appearing with Amuka is Flirt event producer, DJ Mary Pappas.

Pappas, a long time fixture in New Orleans house music scene is kicking off the summer with a series of monthly parties geared towards gay and lesbian dance culture. "We plan to dive headfirst into the production side of things. We're currently working on bringing other national acts, as well as local performers to Flirt's stage" say's Pappas.

Teaming up with Pappas is partner, Sonja Lofton, of DeLux Productions, who will feature her multimedia designs with cutting edge sound, lighting, and video imagery.

New Orleans Gay Men's Chorus "Feelin' Groovy: Music of the Sixties"

New Orleans Gay Men's Chorus (NOGMC) takes a retro look at the music and culture of the 1960's with their review "Feelin' Groovy: Music of the Sixties." Befitting NOGMC's nostalgic 25th anniversary season, this sweeping look back at the icons and iconic music of the 60's envelops Motown, folk influences, songs of protest,

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dance and the "glory days" of television. "Feelin' Groovy" is packed with songs from such diverse artists as Joan Baez, the Beatles, Blood, Sweat and Tears, Simon and Garfunkel, Diana Ross and

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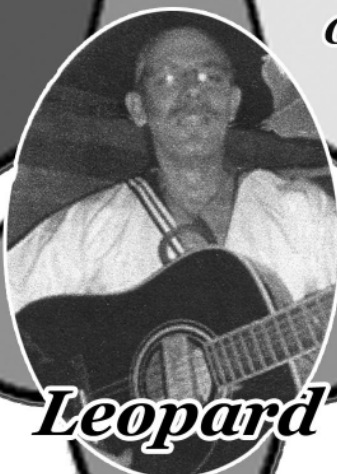
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