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20th GAA Gala Holds Many Surprises; Raises \$3,167 for Buzzy's Boys & Girls

The 20th annual Gay Appreciation Awards Gala, hosted at the Marigny Theatre in New Orleans July 8th held many surprises for the packed house. The winners in each category, voted on by the Gulf South readership of **Ambush Mag**, were announced at the gala which raised a total of \$3,167 for the William Fanning Foundation, aka Buzzy's Boys & Girls.

The evening was dedicated to Marcy Marcell, founder of the Gay Appreciation Awards and the recipient of the 20th Lifetime Achievement Award for her outstanding dedication to the GLBT community. The GAA Board of Directors including Lisa Beaumann, Teryl-Lynn Foxx, Toni Pizanie and Rip and Marsha Naquin-Delain presented Marcell with the highest award of the evening at the end of the gala.

The winners chosen by **Ambush** readers on-line in early June include:

Circuit Party/Event of the Year - Hal-loween/New Orleans,
Hair Salon of the Year - Salon D'Malta,
Gay Carnival (Mardi Gras) Ball of the Year - Mystic Krewe of Satyricon,
Neighborhood Bar of the Year - Cow-pokes,
Buzzy Fanning AIDS Award - Tony Leggio,
Bitch of the Year - Tony Leggio,
Show Bar of the Year - Cowpokes,
Performing Arts Award - New Orleans Gay Men's Chorus,
Restaurant/Deli of the Year - Quarter-master: The Nellie Deli,
Dance Bar of the Year - Oz,
Bartender of the Year - Stephen Murrell/Cowpokes,
DJ of the Year - Tim Pflueger/Oz,
Leather Bar of the Year - Phoenix,
GLBT Business of the Year - Queen Fashions,
Leather Person of the Year - Danny Starnes,
Transgender of the Year - Rusty LaRoux,
Lesbian of the Year - Marty Curtin,
Gay Man of the Year - Tony Leggio, and
Entertainer of the Year - Princesse Stephaney.

The Board of Directors announced their selection of the winners of the following awards. The Cheridon Comedy Award, in memory of Sonny Cheridon Cleveland went to Rona Conners; the Fly Fashion Glamour Award in memory of Miss Fly went to Mercedes Ellis Loreal; and the Fly Fashion Victim Award in memory of Miss Fly went to Electra City.

Marsha Naquin-Delain presented her Marsha Delain Award of Excellence, the "Drag Ambassador" award to reigning Miss Gay Louisiana America, Savanna DeLorean.

Entertainment was incredible with outstanding production numbers presented by four of the Top 5 Show Bar of the Year Finalists including Bourbon Pub/Parade, Oz, Starlight By The Park, and Cowpokes. Marcy Marcell dedicated her production as GAA Founder to her late daughter Tonisha "TT" Thompson. One of last year's Entertainers of the Year Donnie Jay also did an outstanding production with T. Paul Dodson. The Board of Directors would like to thank each star in the productions for providing such top notch entertainment donating all of their stage performance tips to Buzzy's Boys & Girls.

The Board would also like to extend a special thanks to all of the VIP Table holders and the general public who came out and supported the event.

VIP Table sales brought in \$2,000 which included \$100 from Roy Smith, \$200 from Starlight, \$100 from Glenn & Jack, \$100 from Marty Curtin & Koo Gaffney, \$200 from Phoenix, \$100 from Cowpokes, \$100 from Pat Skelly & Sylvia Frank, \$100 from Eric Evans, \$100 from Opal Masters & Darwin Reed, \$100 from Tony Leggio, \$100 from Splash Baton Rouge, \$100 from Marigny Manor House, \$100 from Toby Lefort, \$100 from Steve & Jack, \$100 from Quartermaster: The Nellie Deli, \$200 from Mina Hernandez, and \$100 from Stewart Butler.

Winaford Green donated \$100 to the nights proceedings as well. In a special tribute to the late Robin Malta, the GAA Board donated \$100 to the proceeds in memory of Robin.

The door raised \$650 while stage performance tips brought in \$317.

For additional information on the GAA visit AmbushMag.COM/GAA.

Reel Identities Film Festival July 20-22

New Orleans - REEL IDENTITIES is proud to announce its exciting lineup for New Orleans fourth lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender film festival. The full film schedule can be viewed at <http://reelidentities.org/2007/schedule/>.

After a festival that exceeded expectations in 2005, Reel Identities went on hiatus in 2006 due to Hurricane Katrina, and instead held individual screenings and curated the film portion of the DecaFest gay arts festival in August. Three days of programming will be held in the space used by Zeitgeist Multi-Disciplinary Arts Center at Tulane University's School of Architecture, Richardson Memorial Building, second floor.

Opening night features include **A Four-Letter Word**, a romantic comedy by director Casper Andreas in which main character Luke ultimately realizes that being true to one's self may be the best way to deal with the many complications of a four-letter word called love.

Also on opening night will be **Itty Bitty Titty Committee**, a new comedy by Jamie Babbit, who directed **But I'm a Cheerleader**. In **Itty Bitty**, Anna, who lives at home and works in a plastic surgeon's office, falls in with a haphazard group of dyke activists in a classic girl-becomes-woman tale. Daniela Sea (**the L Word**), Jenny Shimizu and Guinivere Turner star.

The festival will offer nine two-hour programs over the three-day weekend. Tickets will be \$7.50 per screening, with a discount pass for five screenings available for \$30, and an all-access festival pass available for \$50. (Passes must be presented at the box office for tickets for individual screenings and do not guarantee admission, which is on a first-come, first-serve basis.) Tickets and passes will be available at the door for cash only. Box office opens an hour before first program of each day.

Tickets and passes are also available on the website until 11:59pm the night preceding a program. Using the event ticketing service EventBrite, filmgoers can charge advance tickets via the Paypal electronic payment system. Tickets purchased on-line will be available for pick-up at Will Call at the venue the night of the program. Passes purchased on-line will be available for pick-up at Will Call for the duration of the Festival. There will be no refund for unused portions of either Festival Pass. Fortickets, visit: <http://reelidentities.org/2007/tickets/>.

Presented by the Lesbian and Gay Community Center of New Orleans, Reel Identities is sponsored by Zeitgeist Multi-Disciplinary Arts Center, Here! television, and Ariel Montage, and is supported in part by a grant from the Louisiana Division of the Arts, Office of Cultural Development, Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism, in cooperation with the Louisiana State Arts Council, administered by the Arts Council of New Orleans.

AIDS Awareness Training set for July 21

NO/AIDS Task Force is conducting an AIDS Awareness & Volunteer Training workshop on July 21 in New Orleans. The workshop will be held at NO/AIDS main office at 2601 Tulane Ave., suite 500 from 8am to 5pm.

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1st annual Ferry Night July 28, 5pm until midnight

New Orleans - Friends of the Ferry is inviting locals and tourists alike to celebrate the extension of the Canal St./Algiers Ferry hours from 8:45pm. to midnight. Fairy-dressers (and ferry-dressers) can enjoy discounts at French Quarter, Central Business District & Algiers Point cafes & bars when they blast across the river & take the last boat home.

1st annual Ferry Night, New Orleans' newest festival is sponsored by Friends of the Ferry on Saturday, July 28 from 5pm until midnight. The grass-roots nonprofit that has battled the LADOTD's Crescent City Connection Division for nearly two years to restore the ferry hours to its pre-

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