
BOSTON PRIDE NEWSLETTER Vol. 2 No. 6 - June 2007

Dear Friends of Pride,

HAPPY PRIDE WEEK!!!

The wait has ended - Pride Week 2007 is officially underway! The festivities commenced with the ceremonial raising of the Pride Flag on City Hall Plaza on Friday, June 1. The crowd heard welcoming remarks from city and Pride officials, as well as spirited calls-to-action from your 2007 marshals. Saturday's Pride Day at Faneuil Hall was a huge success, complete with a "Paws for Pride" dog show and tons of live performances. But we're just getting started! Pride Week goes until Sunday, June 10, and between now and then there are more events, venues, and opportunities to show your Pride than you can shake a gay stick at! Be sure to check out our online calendar at www.bostonpride.org/multicalendar.php for all the details and latest info. We're so glad it's finally here - all that's left to do is celebrate! Whether that means volunteering, marching in the parade, hanging out at the festival, dancing all day at the block parties, or all of the above, the thing to remember is that this is your week - come out and enjoy!

Please feel free to forward this newsletter to other LGBT community members and our allies. You can access this and past newsletters at <http://www.bostonpride.org/newsletter.php>. If you have any questions or comments, please contact us at info@bostonpride.org or on the PrideLine at 617-262-9405.

Thanks,
The Boston Pride Committee

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- 1 - Kings & Queens Bowling Party

C'mon, let's bowl! Monday night at Kings Lanes in the Back Bay, we're doing Pride the old fashioned way with a night of bowling, billiards, music, and prizes. Hosted by Kings, the Boston Phoenix, and the Boston Pride Committee, there's a \$10 suggested donation at the door (to benefit Boston Pride) and tons of fun inside! It's all going down on Monday, June 4 at 6:30pm at Kings Lanes at 10 Scotia Street in Boston. For more info, check out www.backbaykings.com.

2 - Black & White at District Lounge

A special Pride celebration! Check out Black & White at District Lounge starting at 8pm on Tuesday, June 5! Drink, dine and dance with No Cover - just come as you are! It's all going down at 180 Lincoln Street in Boston.

3- Jason & deMarco at Club Cafe

In advance of their performance at the Boston Pride Festival on Saturday, musical sensation Jason and deMarco will do an exclusive set - including their hit single, "What Love Is" - at Club Café on Friday, June 8 at 9:30pm! This is a one-time deal and sure to be an amazing performance!

4- Pride Idol FINALS!

On Wednesday, June 6th, from 7-10pm at the Back Bay Grand, 180 Berkeley St. in Boston, see the best and brightest from the Pride Idol auditions battle for the glamour and glory of being crowned Pride Idol 2007! This can't-miss event is sure to have you on the edge of your seat!!

5- Military Ball Change of Venue

The Military Ball has changed locations, and will now take place at Avalon, 15 Landsdowne St., Boston, on Saturday, June 9 from 10pm-2am. The Military Ball will be a night to remember - costumes, Pride, and dancing! One of NYC's hottest DJ's, Billy Carroll, will hold down what's sure to be a sold-out event - don't miss out!

This will make a first-ever GLBT double-header for Avalon, which will host the Pride Closing Party the next night - Sunday, June 11! Featuring DJ Chris Cox, you best join us for the official party to celebrate another successful Pride!

6- Festival Entertainment Lineup Online

Get ready to party! We've booked the hottest acts around to perform on stage at the 2007 Pride Festival, Saturday, June 9 at City Hall Plaza starting at 1pm! Billie Myers, the Pierces, and Jason & deMarco are just a few of the performers on stage at Pride! See the entire list on our web site, www.bostonpride.org under the "Entertainment" tab. Click the performer's thumbnail photo for their bio and links!

Boston Pride is proud to announce that the 2007 Festival at City Hall Plaza will include a family area. Hosted by the Human Rights Campaign (HRC), the family area will be free to the public and will feature face painting, carnival games, a moonwalk, and balloon twisting. It will be open from 12-5pm on Saturday, June 9, at City Hall Plaza.

7 - Tracy Young to Perform at Stuart St. Block Party

World-famous DJ and Miami sensation Tracy Young has been booked to perform live on stage at the 2007 Stuart Street Block Party on Sunday, June 10th! Boston Pride is completely excited to have this world-class musical dynamo on stage for the second year running. Tracy plays all your club favorites and knows how to keep the party moving!! Also performing is Boston's own DJ JST.

The Block Party is on the corner of Stuart and Arlington St. in the Back Bay, and runs from 12noon to 8pm. All ages are welcome, but you must be 21 to drink! \$10 at the door. We'll see you there!

8- Huntington Theatre Presents: Present Laughter with Victor Garber

Pride Night at "Present Laughter" starring Victor Garber! Thursday, June 7 at 8 p.m., to be followed by a post-show party with the cast!

In celebration of Pride Week, the Huntington Theatre Company welcomes the GLBT community to a special performance of the hilarious Noel Coward comedy "Present Laughter," starring stage and screen icon Victor Garber!

Special Pride rate: \$55. Includes orchestra or mezzanine seating plus complimentary post-show reception with the cast, including beer, wine, soft drinks, and dessert (normal price without reception, \$65).

Pride rate available by using the discount code 1491. Offer available by phone (617 266-0800), online (<http://www.huntingtontheatre.org>), or in-person (264 Huntington Avenue or 527 Tremont Street).

9- Special Thanks to Zipcar

Boston Pride would like to thank Zipcar for generously donating the use of several of their cars during Pride Week! This will prove a tremendous help with logistics, and represents their commitment to fostering community through sharing. Thank you! For more information about Zipcar, check out their web site at www.zipcar.com.

10- Dates for Pride Week 2007

The 2007 Boston Pride Week will run from Friday, June 1, 2007 through Sunday, June 10, 2007. Finals for the Pride Idol Contest will be held on Wednesday, June 6, 2007; the Parade and Festival will be on Saturday, June 9, 2007; and the Jamaica Plain Women's Block Party and the Stuart Street Block Party will be on Sunday, June 10, 2007.

11- About Boston Pride

The Boston Pride Committee is an all-volunteer, non-profit organization registered in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Members of the Committee include:

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"The Boston Pride Committee, Inc., serving the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender (LGBT) and ally community, works to enhance the visibility of Boston's LGBT community through a week of events each June, in conjunction with year long activities, to promote LGBT awareness, dignity, and understanding."

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