

# out and about

## May 12 – May 25

### ▼ Saturday May 12

**BENT**, Martin Sherman's blistering play about the persecution of homosexuals in a Nazi concentration camp, is presented by Raleigh Ensemble Players Theatre Company at Artspace in downtown Raleigh. Show time is 8:00 pm. General admission tickets are \$15; seniors \$12; students with ID \$7. For more information or to reserve tickets, call 919-832-9607 or visit [www.realtheater.org](http://www.realtheater.org).

**NC DANCE THEATRE** presents its Spring Program at 8:00 pm in the Belk Theater of the North Carolina Blumenthal Performing Arts Center, 130 N. Tryon St., Charlotte. The show will take audiences on a trip to the Old West, Paris and Spain through the choreography of George Balanchine, Nacho Duato and NCDT Executive/Artistic Director Jean-Pierre Bonnefoux. Tickets are \$17 - \$50. For more information or to purchase tickets, call the PAC

box office at 704-372-1000 or visit [www.ncdance.org](http://www.ncdance.org).

**TRIANGLE FAMILIES KIDS TOGETHER** meets at a municipal park in Cary from 4:00 - 6:00 pm. For further information, call 919-956-9900 or email [trianglefamilies@yahoo.com](mailto:trianglefamilies@yahoo.com).

**FRONTRUNNERS** meet from 9:00 - 11:00 am in Latta Park at the corner of Dilworth Road East and Moorhead Street, Charlotte. For more information, contact Des Kelly at 704-341-0566 or Greg Shackelford at 704-535-1667. Or send e-mail to: [DesKelly@aol.com](mailto:DesKelly@aol.com)

**AFRICAN TRADITIONS**, part of the World Heritage Celebrations presented by the Great Aunt Stella Center, Charlotte begins at 11:00 am with a variety of entertaining and educational activities and continues until 5:00 pm. Cost is \$10 per family, \$5 for adults with children 5 and under free when accompanied by an adult. For information call the Center at 704-944-6000.

### ▼ Sunday, May 13 Mother's Day

**GLBT TENNIS GROUP** serves it up from 1:00 - 3:00 pm at the Park Road Park Tennis

Facility, Charlotte. All skill levels accepted - they'll match up people according to skill level. Normally on courts 1-6, contact Bruce Moyer at [bcabruce@aol.com](mailto:bcabruce@aol.com) or 704-544-9470 for more info. Open to all.

**SOUTHERN COUNTRY CHARLOTTE / QUEEN CITY OUTLAWS** practice from 6:30 - 8:30 pm every Sunday. Formed in 1991, Southern Country Charlotte's mission is to promote country and western music and dancing in the Charlotte gay community. SCC can be seen throughout the southeast promoting country music, country dance, community pride, and raising money for area charities. For more information, call 704 845-6478 or email at [scchtnc@usa.net](mailto:scchtnc@usa.net).

### ▼ Monday, May 14

**ONE VOICE CHORUS** rehearses weekly from 7:00 PM-10:00 PM at First United Methodist Church, 8th and Tryon Streets, Charlotte. One Voice is Charlotte's Gay, Lesbian and Gay Affirmative Chorus, currently in its 11th season. For more information call Mike Alexander, Membership Chair at 704-668 - 7168 or visit our website at [www.onevoicechorus.com](http://www.onevoicechorus.com).

**TIME OUT YOUTH** meets from 7:00 - 9:30 pm. Interested gay, lesbian bi, transgender or questioning youth should call 704-344-8335 for location. For more information, visit [www.timeoutyouth.org](http://www.timeoutyouth.org)

### ▼ Tuesday May 15

**QUEERAS FOLKNIGHT** from 8:30 pm-10:30 pm at Liaisons, 316 Rensselaer Ave. For more information, call 704-376-1617.

### ▼ Wednesday, May 16

**CHARLOTTE BUSINESS GUILD WEEKLY SOCIAL** from 5:30 - 7:30 pm at Hartigan's. For more information contact [businessguild@yahoo.com](mailto:businessguild@yahoo.com).

**FAMILY PRIDE COALITION MEETING** from 7:30 - 9:30 pm at MCC Charlotte, 1825 Eastway Drive. A support group for gay & lesbian parents. For more information, contact Brian Neader at 704-895-5611.

**AMITY ALLIES**, a social groups that meets from 8:00 pm-11:00 pm at Caribou Coffee, 1531 East Blvd Charlotte, NC and occurring weekly. "A hospitable alliance of friends and acquaintances gathering socially to foster friendships of integrity and support among the lesbian, gay, bi-sexual, and transgender community." Call 704-362-2635 for more information or visit [home.att.net/~amityallies](http://home.att.net/~amityallies).

**COUNTRY WESTERN DANCE LESSONS BY SOUTHERN COUNTRY CHARLOTTE** from 8:00-11:00 pm at Hartigan's Irish Pub. Free! Come out and learn line dance, two-step & swing and enjoy a fun-filled evening of country music and dance. For more information, contact Southern Country Charlotte at 704-845-6478 or [scc@southerncountrycharlotte.com](mailto:scc@southerncountrycharlotte.com).

### ▼ Thursday, May 17

**NEW LIFE MCC BIBLE STUDY** meets from 7:00 - 9:00 pm at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 1900 The Plaza, Charlotte. For more information, call 704-334-0350.

### ▼ Friday, May 18

**PANTHER LEVI/LEATHER CLUB'S ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION** in Atlanta, GA. The Tradesmen travel to Atlanta for brother club Panther L/LC's Anniversary Celebration.

**HIV/AIDS SUPPORT GROUP** meets from 7:30 pm-9:30 pm at MCC Charlotte, 1825 Eastway Drive, Charlotte. For more information contact, Larry Little 704-531-4982 or Sheri Blackwood 704-335-1441.

### ▼ Saturday, May 19

**BETTER HOMOS & GARDENS** 10:00 am - 7:00 pm OutCharlotte's fourth annual home and garden tour, followed by a garden party. Tours until 5:00 pm; Garden Party 5:00-7:00 pm. For further information contact Dan Kirsch at 704-563-2699 or visit [www.outcharlotte.org](http://www.outcharlotte.org).

### ▼ Sunday, May 20

**MEN'S SPIRITUALITY GROUP** 7:00 pm-8:30 pm at St. Anne's Catholic Church at Park Rd & Hillside and occurring monthly is "A safe place where I can be my authentic self." A ministry of St. Anne's Catholic Church at Park Rd & Hillside on the 2nd floor of the Msgr. Allen Center. Spiritual Director: Fr.

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## Switchboards

For regularly scheduled meetings, contact the individual organizations or the Gay and Lesbian Switchboard in your area:

### North Carolina

Charlotte 704-535-6277  
Greensboro 336-855-8558  
Raleigh 919-821-0055  
Wilmington 910-762-0301  
Winston-Salem 336-748-0031

### South Carolina

Charleston 843-720-8088  
Columbia 803-771-7713

## "Out and About" policy

A listing in "OUT AND ABOUT" provides valuable publicity for your organization's event, and is provided by *Q-Notes* as a community service. Send information concerning your event to *Q-Notes*, PO Box 221841, Charlotte, NC 28222, fax: 704-531-1361, email: [editor@q-notes.com](mailto:editor@q-notes.com).

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**CURBSIDE** by Robert Kirby

**MAN TO MAN** © 01 R. KIRBY

NO ONE COMPLETELY UNDERSTANDS ABOUT WHAT NATHAN AND I DID THE OTHER NIGHT... NOT EVEN ME.

AM I GONNA SEE YOU AGAIN BEFORE I LEAVE?

SURE, BABE.

YOU SEEN MY UNDERWEAR?

KEVIN DISAPPROVES (DUH) BUT HE'S STILL STRANGELY SUPPORTIVE...

AFTER ALL... GIVEN MY HISTORY WITH RAIN, WHO AM I TO JUDGE YOU TWO??

HMM, THAT'S WHAT I'VE BEEN ASKING FOR MONTHS.

...NATURALLY THOUGH, HIS SUPPORT MUST CARRY WITH IT SOME OF HIS PATENTED MOTHER HEN ADVICE.

I KNOW YOU'RE WAITING TO HEAR BACK FROM HIM BEFORE YOU LEAVE.. MAY I SUGGEST YOU LOOK TO THE FUTURE? TOM SEEMS LIKE SUCH A NICE BOY.

HE IS A NICE BOY. LITERALLY. HE'S 22.

LAST NIGHT WAS MY FINAL VISIT WITH LITTLE TOM. I DON'T KNOW WHY I TOLD HIM ABOUT NATHAN, BUT I DID.

OH... EXIT

HUH... WOW.

YOU THINK I'M AN IDIOT.

NO! NO! I DON'T.

EVERYTHING SHOULD SEEM MORE COMPLICATED NOW, BUT SOMEHOW IT DOESN'T.

THE RHODE ISLAND SCHOOL OF DESIGN? THAT'S FANTASTIC! WHEN? WE GOTTA CELEBRATE!

WELL, IT'S NOT UNTIL NEXT YEAR, BUT YEAH, WE SHOULD CELEBRATE!

AT YOUR PLACE.

I DOUBT I'LL BE SEEING NATHAN AGAIN BEFORE I'M GONE ANYWAY. I THINK IT'S WISE TO TAKE YOUR PLEASURE WHERE YOU FIND IT, HOWEVER FLEETING IT MAY BE.

YOU'VE GOT MY EMAIL ADDRESS, RIGHT?

YEAH! AND I'LL WRITE YOU EVERY... TWO MONTHS!

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