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Out and About . compiled by Q-Notes staff

Events and happenings across the Carolinas

May 16 • Charlotte 'Off Color'

The Gay Men's Chorus of Charlotte presents their concert, "Off Color." It's an edgy, slightly R-rated tour of some of the most hysterical songs from "Avenue Q," "When Pigs Fly" in "Naked Boys Singing," and a host of others! Grand Central, 1000 Central Ave. 7:04 p.m. \$10 advance/\$12 at the door. www.gmccharlotte.org.

May 16 • Greensboro Dining for Friends

Get together with your friends to host a fundraising party for Triad Health Project. Then join the whole community at the Greensboro Coliseum for a gala dessert finale! 336-275-1654.

www.triadhealthproject.com/events/dfp.php

May 16 • Winston-Salem Adult Prom

Church of the Holy Spirit Fellowship presents its Somewhere Over The Rainbow LGBT Prom. Ticket price includes dinner. Music by DJ Nicole. The event is co-sponsored by Interweave and the Unitarian-Universalist Fellowship of Winston-Salem. 4055 Robinhood Rd. 8 p.m. \$15 individual/\$25 couple advance. Tickets can be purchased at www.chsfn.org or by calling 336-575-6205.

May 17 • Charlotte Family picnic

Equal Families, a group of LGBT parents and children, will host a picnic for LGBT-led families. Meet other parents and let your children make new friends in an LGBT- and family-friendly environment. Meets third Sunday of every month. Independence Park, 300 Hawthorne Rd. 1 p.m. Free. equalfamilies@carolina.rr.com.

May 23 • Myrtle Beach SC Pride Tour

Join Mr. and Miss SC Pride 2008 Jinx Kelly and Kiki DeVille for the Pride Tour stop at Time Out in Myrtle Beach. Proceeds benefit SC Pride 2009. Time Out, 520 8th Ave. N. 11 p.m. 843-448-1180. www.scpride.org.

May 28 • Charlotte Queer on their Feet

A night of standup and improv comedy featuring Jennie McNulty and Vickie Show, featured on MTV's LOGO Network, Comedy Central's "Premium Blend" and NBC. Hartigan's, 601 S. Cedar St. 7:30 p.m. \$20 at brownpapertickets.com.

May 30 • Asheville Queer on the Feet

See May 28 for description. First Congregational UCC, 20 Oak St. \$20 at brownpapertickets.com.

May 31 • Charlotte Artist showcase

Redfish Entertainment Group presents the Still Blazin Fundraiser Banquet and Artist Showcase. The event's proceeds benefit the Still Blazin Gospel Hip Hop

Radio Show and tuition for students at With These Hands Mix Academy. Tickets are \$10 in advance and \$12 at the door. Funktions Art and Event Center, 612 W. Morehead St. 6 p.m. For more information contact Charles at 704-964-1015 or 813-217-2274.

June 9 • Raleigh PAC Reception

EqualityNC hosts their 2009 PAC Challenge Reception on the 23rd floor of the RBC Plaza in downtown Raleigh, raising funds for the groups political action committee and supporting LGBT-friendly and progressive candidates for state and legislative offices. Join the group for great food and drinks with special guests N.C. House Speaker Joe Hackney, Rep. Rick Glazier and Sen. Julia Boseman. More information, including event location, admission and sponsorship opportunities, visit EqualityNC's website.

June 10-14 • Wilmington Wilmington Pride

OutWilmington presents Wilmington Pride 2009, featuring a movie night, member social, day festival and tea dance. Special live performance by RuPaul at Wilmington Pride Festival on June 13. www.outwilmington.com.

June 12-14 • Boone High Country Pride

Recently rebranded, Boone hosts its annual High Country Pride, featuring a day festival and other events. For more information, visit www.boonepride.org.

June 18-21 • Columbia Black Pride

Featuring Mr. and Miss Pride pageants, welcome reception, Black LGBT film fest and town hall, HIV/AIDS awareness events and community expo. www.southcarolinablackpride.com.

June 18 • Columbia 'Rocky Horror'

Trustus Theatre presents a special SC Pride stage performance of "Rocky Horror Picture Show." Proceeds benefit the Harriet Hancock Community Center. Trustus Theatre, 520 Lady St. 7:30 p.m. \$40 in advance. shop.scpride.org.

June 19 • Charlotte Grab the Mic!

Sing Out! Youth Chorus, the Gay Men's Chorus of Charlotte, Time Out Youth and Charlotte Coalition for Social Justice present "Grab the Mic!," a LGBT-friendly talent competition for youth ages 15-21. Unitarian Universalist Church of Charlotte, 234 N. Sharon Amity Rd. www.gmccharlotte.org.

June 20 • Charlotte Invincible Summer

One Voice Chorus presents their concert, "Invincible Summer," celebrating heroes of all types and featuring a welcome reception and silent auction. Booth

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Triad Pride — May 27-31

Join Alternative Resources of the Triad as they present the third annual Triad Pride, including several kick-off parties around the area, a day-long festival, comedy show, family picnic and more.

For more information and a complete schedule visit www.triadpride.org.

Check out www.q-notes.com/pride for information on upcoming Prides throughout the Carolinas.

Don't Miss This

Celebrating women in the arts, benefiting women in the community! FemmeFest will feature national, regional and local female songwriters, visual artists, writers, musicians and filmmakers. Proceeds from the event will benefit the ECO Center for Women at the Center for Community Transitions, NoDa Arts District, N. Davidson St. and 36th St. 5:30 p.m.-1 a.m. \$15 in advance at www.charlottefemmfest.org.

