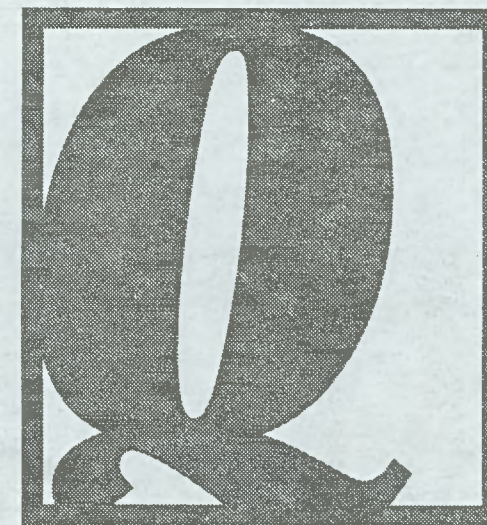


When I fall in love...

Thru Dec. 17 • Durham
Edith Can Shoot

Two teenage boys begin to fall in love in Manbites Dog's new show, "Edith Can Shoot Things and Hit Them," a regional premiere that takes a frank and funny look at the way kids cope with a sometimes hostile adult world. All but abandoned in the American heartland, these kids struggle to create a makeshift family. And when the outside world barges in, the only things that can protect them are love, loyalty, and marksmanship. A hilarious, heartbreaking, and gently subversive story of real family values. Manbites Dog Theater, 703 Foster St. \$17/ Fridays-Saturdays. \$12/weeknights. \$2 senior discount. \$5/students. 919-682-3343. manbitesdogtheater.com/384/.



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Dec. 10 • Charlotte

Twirl to the World

JustTwirl's annual holiday party featuring New York City's DJ David Marc and benefiting Crisis Assistance Ministry and the U.S. Marine Corps' Toys for Tots. Sponsored by Charlotte Pocket Rocket and CBM Design. Visulite Theatre, 1615 Elizabeth Ave. 9 p.m. \$5/with new, unwrapped toy. \$15/without toy. justtwirl.com.

Dec. 10 • Charlotte

Cookie swap

The LGBT Community Center of Charlotte hosts a Christmas cookie and brownie swap. LGBT Community Center of Charlotte, 820 Hamilton St., Suite B11. 1 p.m. Free. 704-333-0144. gaycharlotte.com.

Dec. 10 • Winston-Salem

Ever Green

Triad Pride Men's Chorus presents an encore performance of their annual holiday show, "Ever Green," in celebration of winter greenery, lasting youth and life and hope through music. Wait Chapel, Wait Chapel, Wake Forest University, 1834 Wake Forest Rd. 8 p.m. \$10/advance. \$15/door. 336-589-6267. triadpridemenschorus.org.

Dec. 10 • Durham

Ye Merry Gentlemen

The Triangle Gay Men's Chorus presents a festive musical sleigh ride brimming with seasonal cheer, lush harmonies and holiday classics.

Eno River Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, 4907 Garrett Rd. 8 p.m. Free. tgmchorus.org.

Dec. 11 • Raleigh

Ye Merry Gentlemen

Triangle Gay Men's Chorus presents a matinee performance of their holiday concert. St. Mark's Episcopal Church, 1725 North New Hope Rd. 3 p.m. Free. tgmchorus.org.

Dec. 12 • Charlotte

All American Goddess

Scorpio hosts the Miss NC All American Goddess and NC All American Goddess At Large pageant with Kelexis Davenport and Tiffany Storm. A fundraiser will be held to benefit Toys for Tots. Attendees are encouraged to bring a new, unwrapped toy for donation. Scorpio, 2301 Freedom Dr. 9 p.m. 704-373-9124. northcarolinaaag@yahoo.com. thescorpio.com.

Dec. 14 • Charlotte

Messiah

The Charlotte Symphony and Oratorio Singers of Charlotte perform the annual holiday classic, Handel's "Messiah." Belk Theater, 130 N. Tryon St. 7:30 p.m. \$24-\$58. 704-372-1000. blumenthalarts.org.

Dec. 16 • Charlotte

Holiday Barn Dance

Southern Country Charlotte holds their monthly barn dance with a special holiday theme. All members get in free. Guests pay

\$3 at the door. Hartigan's Pub, 601 S. Cedar St. 10 p.m. hartigans.com. southerncountrycharlotte.com.

Dec. 16 • Lake Wylie

Rainbow In Christmas Party

Join Nicole Paige Brooks, Jamie Monroe, Big Shirli Stevens and Roxy C. Moorecox for this special Rainbow In Christmas party. Rainbow In, 4376 Charlotte Hwy. 8 p.m. 803-831-0093. therainbowin.com.

Dec. 16 • Charlotte

Architecture + Film

The Charlotte chapter of the American Institute of Architects and the Bechtler Museum of Modern Art present their Architecture + Film series. The museum and organization will screen the French film "Koolhaas Houselife." Bechtler Museum of Modern Art, 420 S. Tryon St. 6 p.m. \$15. 704-353-9200. info@bechtler.org. bechtler.org.

Dec. 16-17 • Chapel Hill

A New World Christmas

Voices, one of the Triangle's oldest and most distinguished choral groups, will warm up the holidays with Latin American melodies spanning from the Caribbean Islands to the Andes Mountains. Special guests include tenor Timothy Sparks from UNC's music department, classical guitarist Joseph Pecoraro from UNC School of the Arts, and

Creekside Chorus, a children's choir. Hill Hall, 145 E. Cameron Ave. Dec. 16, 8 p.m. Dec. 17, 3 p.m. \$18/adults. \$6/students. voiceschapelhill.org.

Dec. 17 • Charlotte

Sleepers, Wake!

Join Charlotte Pride Band for a holiday event unlike any other when storytelling, art and music combine for "Sleepers, Wake!", the second part of the bands 2011-12 "The Journey Home" season! Park Road Baptist Church, 3900 Park Rd. 7 p.m. \$10. 704-299-8384. charlotteprideband.org.

Dec. 17 • Raleigh

Holiday Potluck

Bring a dish and join the LGBT Center of Raleigh for a holiday potluck dinner celebrating Christmas, Hannukah and Kwanzaa. Contact Paul Hammer at phammer001@att.net with information on the dish you will bring. LGBT Center of Raleigh, 411 Hillsborough St. 7 p.m. Free. 919-832-4484. info@lgbtcenterofraleigh.com. lgbtcenterofraleigh.com.

Dec. 17 • Charlotte

Men of Petra's III

Petra's amateur drag competition continues in its third season. Sixteen contestants are accepted in the contest, with a first-place prize of \$500. Petra's, 1919 Commonwealth Ave. 10 p.m. petraspianobar.com.

Dec. 18 • Charlotte

LezView Live

The women of "LezView," Charlotte's local lesbian talk show, tape live at the LGBT Community Center of Charlotte. This show's topics: Would you date outside your race? Guest book author James Tanner ("My Girl Got a Girlfriend"). 820 Hamilton St., Suite B11. 5-9 p.m. \$10 donation benefiting LezView and the LGBT Center. 980-428-9172. gaycharlotte.com.

Dec. 18 • Raleigh

Drag Brunch

Crape Myrtle Festival hosts a drag brunch with entertainers Purina Chow, Stephanie Scott, Ebony Summers and Alexandra Vittz. The Mint, 219 Fayetteville St. Noon. \$10 (does not include meals or drinks). To make reservations call 919-821-0011. themintrestaurant.com. crapemyrtlefest.org.

Dec. 20 • Charlotte

Support group

OASIS (Offering Affirming, Safe, Inclusive Space) is a new social and support group for gay, bisexual and questioning men held at the LGBT Community Center of Charlotte, 820 Hamilton St., Suite B11. 6:30 p.m. Free. gaycharlotte.com.

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