

It's kind of a drag

PEMBROKE, N.C. — The University of North Carolina-Pembroke's 10% Society celebrated its Pride Week Oct. 29-Nov. 1 with a VIBE fashion show, spiritual seminar and a first-ever drag show held as a fundraiser to provide needed monies to carry out 10%'s work over the year ahead. The society "encourages the acceptance of all sexual orientations: gay, lesbian, bisexual and straight."

The drag show offered a glance into the LGBT culture and the show was the first ever in the city, county and on the campus. About 70 people (with a mixture of faculty, staff, students and some community members) were there to satisfy their curiosity. Performers for the drag show were Dana St. James, Amaya and Jasmine Vaughn.

According to an article published in the school's "Around the Campus" and written by Kayloni Wyatt, assistant editor, Amaya said, "We've been to Duke, East Carolina, UNCG, UNC Chapel Hill, and many other schools... It may be a small crowd now, but trust me, in the following years it's going to get bigger."

The seminar was lead by Rev. Micah Royal, a minister originally from Fayetteville, N.C., who helps foster "planting" LGBT-affirming churches statewide.

For more information about the 10% Society, email lwgrds05@yahoo.com.

Dana St. James (below) showed real star power while she twirled her way into the crowd's heart at Pembroke's first-ever drag show.



Amaya (right) is sure "plume" pretty during her performance at Pembroke's 10% Society Pride Week celebration.



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