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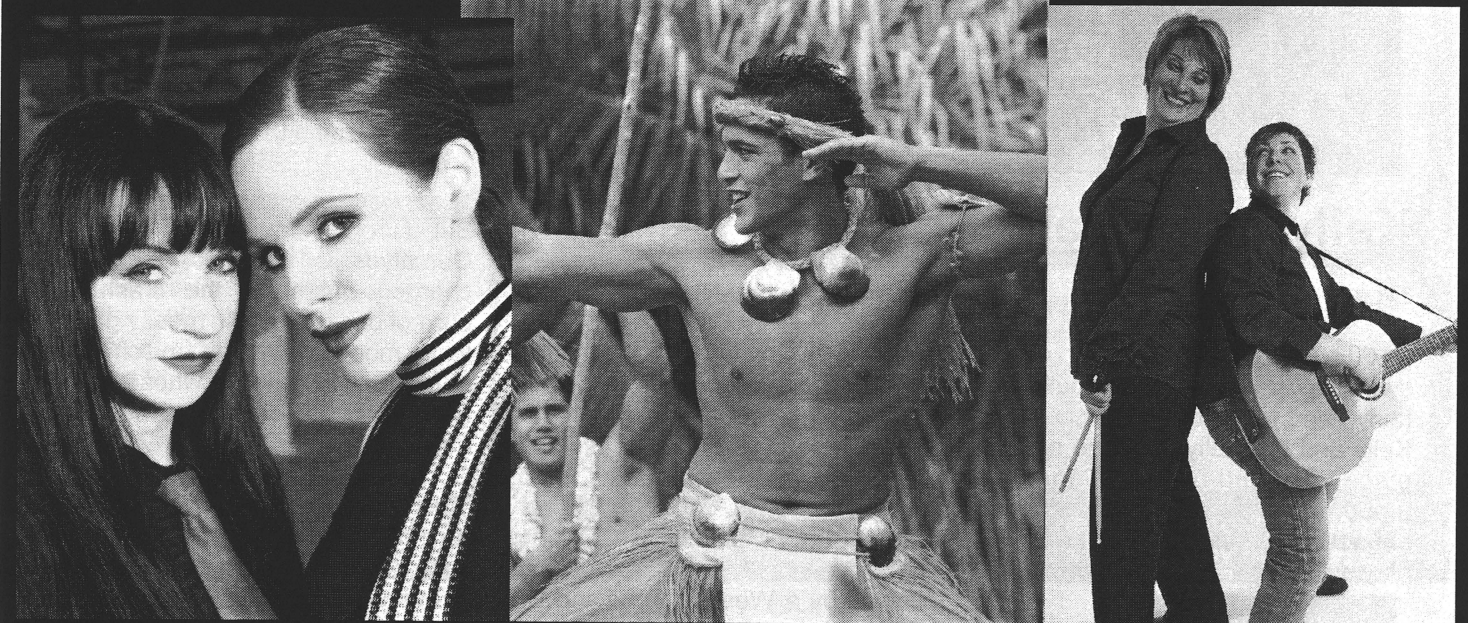
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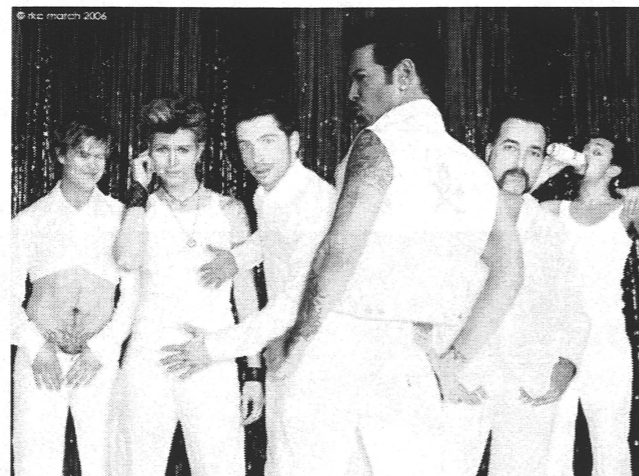
## What's Happening at *tri-Pride*?



Photo: Dave Popplow

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## Kelly & the Kellygirls

Type of Label: Indie

HIGH-ENERGY, ska-tinged swinging showstoppers could be fairly used to describe the sound of Kelly and the Kellygirls. The seven-piece Toronto-based Canadian group encompasses many different sounds but are usually found playing swing venues in Toronto.

A sexy spectacle of glam, swing, ska, and theatrics. Kelly Clipperton, lead singer and founder of the Kellygirls, lights up the stage with a great energy; and his raucous but soft pitched voice contrasts with the bouncy band which includes a horn section.

Highly entertaining, fashionably versatile and always amusing, R.Kelly Clipperton and his band Kelly and the Kellygirls unleashed the the black and blue bawdy burlesque of their sophomore album *We love you, but not as Much as we love Ourselves* in May 2006, a follow-up to 2004's 'swing swing'. The band completed a 27 date Canadian tour in the fall of 2006, followed by a Western Tour and UK Tour in the summer of 2007 with amazing reviews and audiences across the board.

Clipperton - though no stranger to the cycle of smug self-absorption - takes care (unlike so many) to look beyond the mirror. *We Love You,*

*But Not As Much As We Love Ourselves* is a manic, theatrically charged paean to the crash and burn of desire in all its messy glory. In a modern twist of mischievous revelry, Clipperton, whose voice fiendishly croaks somewhere between Peter Murphy and Tim Curry, at times channels Ian Dury in sheer sweat-soaked bluster if not precise sonic gusto: the band create both a joyous and painful rumble, its subversive, ska-tinged swinging showstoppers soaring sky-high one second, only to wallow in the gutter with bitter bravado the next.

<http://www.kellyclipperton.com/>  
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## Miss Drew, MC

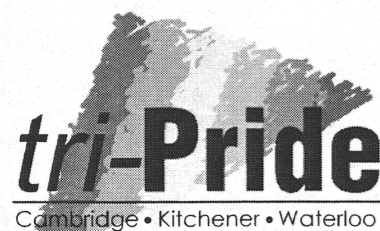
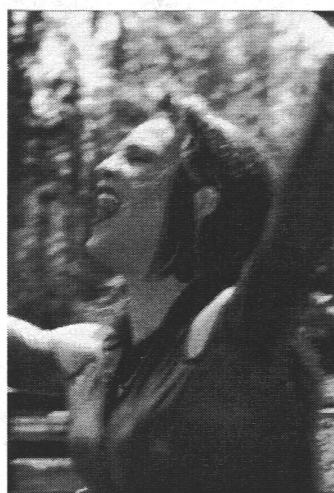
Once a novice...NOW A QUEEN.

Miss Drew A.K.A. Bradley has been showing the fans of Kitchener that he is more than just "a boy in a dress."

Trying to capture his dreams, Miss Drew is the founder and cast member of the infamous show "All that Glitters is Gold" each Thursday at Club Renaissance.

With his own sense of style and creativity, Miss Drew has given some of drag's most magical moments on and off stage.

A grand thank-you to Miss Drew as he MC's the tri-Pride stage show for 2008.



info@tri-Pride.ca

www.tri-Pride.ca

## Mark your calendar for 2008 tri-Pride Events!

**Monday May 26**  
**Flag Raising Ceremonies**  
 Various locations  
 Check [www.tri-Pride.ca](http://www.tri-Pride.ca) for updated details...

**Thursday, May 29**  
**Miss tri-Pride Pageant**  
 10:00 pm – 1:00 am  
 Club Renaissance  
 24 Charles St. W, Kitchener  
 Applications at [www.tri-pride.ca](http://www.tri-pride.ca)

**Sunday, June 1**  
**tri-Pride Outdoor Festival**  
 12:00 pm – 7:00 pm  
 This is family-friendly event, with a BBQ, Licensed Area, Kids Area, Vendors Market, and Silent Auction. And featuring fantastic performers like **CHARLENA RUSSELL, KELLY & THE KELLYGIRLS, KATE & MOXY, S&M, the OTE'A TANE HAWAIIAN MALE DANCERS, MISS DREW & CREW** and more!

**Tuesday, May 27**  
**Gloriously Free Film Screening**  
 7:00 – 9:00 pm  
 Kitchener City Hall, Heritage Rm  
 200 King St. W., Kitchener  
 Attendance is FREE!

**Friday, May 30**  
**GLOW Columbia Lake Bonfire**  
 Sundown  
 Columbia Lake, Waterloo  
 Bring your own beverages and roast-ables!!

**Wednesday, May 28**  
**5th Annual Lesbo Bingo!**  
 7:00 – 9:00 pm  
 YukYuks Comedy Club  
 1 King St. W., Kitchener  
 \$10 per person  
 Email [smsecrett@yahoo.com](mailto:smsecrett@yahoo.com) to reserve your seat!

**Saturday, May 31**  
**Club Ren tri-Pride Party**  
 10:00 pm – 1:00 am  
 Club Renaissance  
 24 Charles St. W, Kitchener  
 \$3 cover after 10:00 pm

**Sunday, June 1**  
**Shed a Light on AIDS Walk**  
 7:00pm start from Victoria Park, end at ACCKWA offices  
 Pick up your pledge form now!  
 Visit [www.acckwa.com](http://www.acckwa.com)

**CORRECTION:** in April Pride Pages, we published information about a KW Friends of Dorothy No-tap Tournament - sorry for the error, folks and to Friends of Dorothy - but there's no Tourney that day!

## Charlena Russell

Type of Label: Indie

A powerhouse vocalist and adept multi-instrumentalist, Charlena Russell uses her musical training to create fiery, soulful blues-rock and haunting, personal electronica.

Famed for her do-it-yourself ethic, she is constantly involved in community projects and has been performing and promoting shows for the last six years. Charlena uses her music to address various social, spiritual and political issues she feels need attention.

If that's not enough she recently spearheaded her own independent quarterly zine *Fox Rock Ex-Press* which has only begun to stir the grey matter of fans and critics alike. Charlena spent the summer of 2007

traveling Thailand, Laos, Vietnam and Cambodia mostly freestyle backpacking until the last three weeks of her trip which she spent volunteering with orphans across Cambodia and Thailand.

Her experience was beautiful, heart wrenching and life altering. Charlena now resides in Owen Sound and is beginning plans to record and produce her second album.

Never one to rest, Charlena is performing and organizing benefit shows to raise money for the orphans that have now planted themselves in her heart. You can find out more about her benefit shows and future performances at [www.myspace.com/charlenarussell](http://www.myspace.com/charlenarussell)

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<http://www.myspace.com/charlenarussell>



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**S & M**

Type of Label: Indie

"We're bringing music back." So say Sarah Casselman and Mary Fyvie on the impetus to create S & M, an entertaining and multi-talented cover duo, who are working hard to make sure the classics, both old and new, are alive and well.



Their repertoire boasts hundreds of hit songs, selected from the past six decades, covering all genres of music- pop, rock, alternative, Motown, folk, R & B, blues, county- you name it, S & M leave no sonic stone unturned. Their expert musicianship seamlessly blends old and new favourites together: The Beatles, Elvis, The Tragically Hip, CCR, Ray Charles, Justin Timberlake, Marvin Gaye, Neil Young, Cindy Lauper, Johnny Cash, ABBA, Van Morrison, Madonna, Michael Jackson, Bob Dylan, Kenny Rogers...and countless others! S & M take pride in offering something for everyone, making sure your night is a success!

S & M turn heads with their electrifying showmanship, diverse set lists, and professional

performances. Both women share lead vocals and are experts with harmonies. Mary skillfully wields an electric, acoustic, and 12 string guitar, and Sarah keeps the beat alive with an engaging variety of percussion.

This dynamic duo is available to perform at all functions and venues: bars, pubs, clubs, parties, restaurants, weddings, corporate functions, hotels, festivals, concerts- the list is endless!

Prior to joining sonic forces, Sarah

and Mary have been making their own respective dents in the entertainment industry. A devoted DIY'er for over a decade, Mary has been writing and playing her own furious brand of lovesick rock 'n' roll soul to adoring crowds. She earned top billing on the Air Canada stage for the 2001 Toronto Pride Festival, and in a 2002 Kitchener/Waterloo Record reader's poll, Mary was named Best Female Artist, a feat made even more impressive by her lack of any official release.

[www.myspace.com/sarahandmaryband](http://www.myspace.com/sarahandmaryband)

**Kate & Moxy**

Type of Label: Indie

Singer, songwriter Kate Channer, and drummer Monica "Moxy" Miatello (formerly of the Strap-Ons), come together to create musical entertainment lying in the genres between Melissa Etheridge and White Stripes. Newly formed, but



already having a repertoire of over 35 songs including both covers and originals, Kate & Moxy are ready for any type of stage from large to small, and intimate to concert settings.

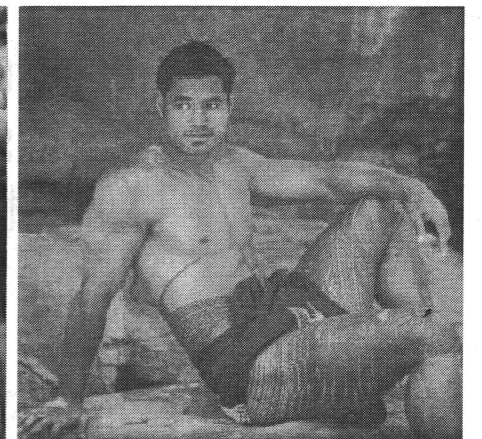
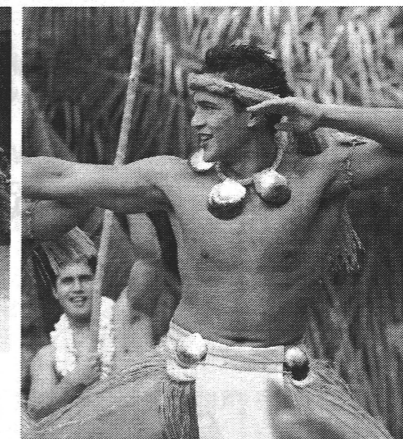
Audiences enjoy singing along with Kate's uniquely powerful vocal renderings while dancing to her melodic guitar styling, all driven by Moxy's solid foundation of drum grooves.

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**OTE'A TANE**  
(oteh-ah tah-neh) ...

Literally means a group dance that is performed with unity (ote'a) by men (tane). In unity, Ote'a Tane seeks to preserve and illustrate the beautiful culture of Tahiti and Hawaii that is rarely experienced here in Canada through dance.

Organized as a not for profit troupe of male dancers specializing in performing the Tahitian ori and the Hawaiian hula in the ancient style makes Ote'a Tane very rare even in Polynesia. Ote'a Tane is the only one of its kind in Ontario and probably Canada as a whole. Since 2004, Ote'a Tane has mesmerized and inspired audiences of all ages and from diverse cultural backgrounds to appreciate the beauty of ancient Polynesia through dances performed exclusively by men, just as it was in ancient

Polynesia - in the spirit of Ote'a Tane.

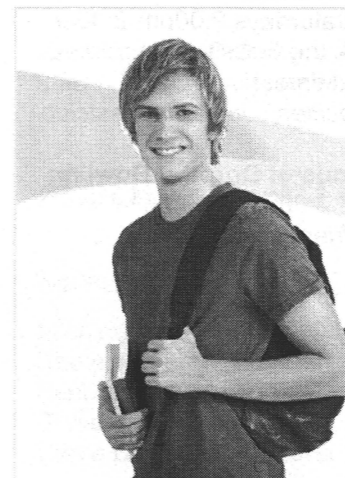
Ote'a Tane is an all male Polynesian group, specializing in the Tahitian ote'a and hula kahiko (ancient hula). The group's mission is best summarized by the Lesbian & Gay Community Appeal Foundation when they described their cultural initiative as:

"Ote'a Tane engages gay men from the community in learning and performing traditional Polynesian and Hawaiian dance. Through our performances Ote'a Tane provides the opportunity to break down barriers and challenge stereotypes while providing a social outlet and support."

Ote'a Tane is "an all-male, all-gay hula group," says choreographer

Ramon Lara. "We perform authentic traditional hula." But where's the coconut bras and grass skirts? "That's exactly the stereotype we're trying to change!" he laughs. "In ancient Hawaii, it was the guys who performed the real hula movements, which are very athletic." Back then, Lara says, "there was no stigmatization of different sexual relationships...Hawaiians didn't question how nature expressed itself."

Performing Sundays at the Wellesley Community Centre, Ote'a Tane "reaches out to other communities," says Lara. "The basic pose is straight back, bent knees, pride and strength, which is our message, really. Pride and courage."

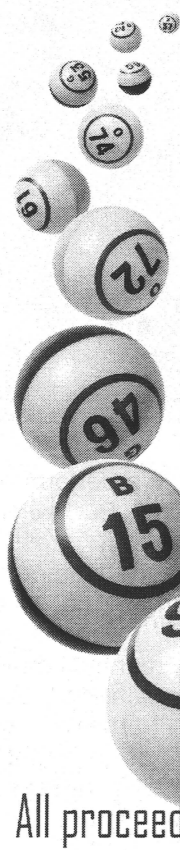


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- Volunteer June 1
- BBQ
- Set up/Tear Down
- Vendor Market
- Stage help
- Kid's Area
- Security
- Much More

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Wednesday May 28th, 7:00-9:00pm  
 Yuk Yuks Comedy Club  
 1 King Street West, Kitchener, lower level  
 \$10 per person

Email [smsecrett@yahoo.com](mailto:smsecrett@yahoo.com)  
 to reserve your seat!

the **5<sup>th</sup> annual**  
**Lesbo Bingo!**

All proceeds to tri-Pride

**LOCAL EVENTS**

**5th Annual Lesbo Bingo**  
 Yuk Yuks Comedy Club  
 May 28, 7:00-9:00pm  
[www.tri-Pride.ca](http://www.tri-Pride.ca)

*New! Inaugural event*  
**Bi Ways of Life Support Group**  
 Monday, May 12  
 6:30 to 8:00 p.m  
 KW Counselling,  
 480 Charles St. E., Kitchener

**ONGOING EVENTS**

**LGBTQ Youth Group**  
 Wednesdays, 7:00-9:00pm  
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[www.acckwa.com](http://www.acckwa.com)

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[www.ok2bme.ca/events.html](http://www.ok2bme.ca/events.html)

**GLOW Discussion Group**  
 Check website for listings  
[www.glow.uwaterloo.ca](http://www.glow.uwaterloo.ca)

**The Laurier Rainbow Centre**  
 Contact for time/date/details.  
[www.mylaurier.ca/rainbow](http://www.mylaurier.ca/rainbow)

**Lesbian Moms and Tots**  
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 Wednesday to Sunday  
 9:00pm-3:00am  
[www.clubrenaissance.com](http://www.clubrenaissance.com)



**The Robin's Nest**  
 Usually Saturdays 9:00pm-2:00am,  
 but check the website for updated  
 dates and times!  
[www.geocities.com/robinsnestclub](http://www.geocities.com/robinsnestclub)

**KW Friends of Dorothy Bowling**  
 Sundays, 3:00pm-5:00pm  
[www.kwfriendsofdorothy.ca](http://www.kwfriendsofdorothy.ca)

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**e-LIPSE Electronic Lesbian Information Postings and Social Events** [www.e-lipse.com](http://www.e-lipse.com)

**First Unitarian Congregation of Waterloo**  
[www.waterloo.unitarians.ca](http://www.waterloo.unitarians.ca)

**The Gay Bisexual Fathers Peer Support Group of Waterloo-Wellington**  
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**WLU Rainbow Centre**  
[www.mylaurier.ca/rainbow](http://www.mylaurier.ca/rainbow)

**GLOW Student Group**  
[www.glow.uwaterloo.ca](http://www.glow.uwaterloo.ca)

**Grand River Rainbow Community Centre**  
[www.grandriverrainbow.ca](http://www.grandriverrainbow.ca)

**Guelph Pride**  
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**HOWL Hanging Out With Lesbians**  
[howlgroup@hotmail.com](mailto:howlgroup@hotmail.com)

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**Ontario Gay & Lesbian Chamber of Commerce**  
[www.oglcoc.ca](http://www.oglcoc.ca)

**OK2BMe Youth Group**  
[www.kwcounselling.com/lgbtq](http://www.kwcounselling.com/lgbtq)

**OOTS Out On The Shelf**  
[www.ouontheshelf.ca](http://www.ouontheshelf.ca)

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[www.pflag.ca](http://www.pflag.ca)

**Rainbow Chorus of Waterloo-Wellington County**  
[www.rainbowchorusww.com](http://www.rainbowchorusww.com)

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**Region of Waterloo Public Health**  
[www.region.waterloo.on.ca](http://www.region.waterloo.on.ca)

**Southern Ontario Gay and Lesbian Association of Doctors**  
[www.soglad.ca](http://www.soglad.ca)

**SQY Supporting Queer Youth**  
[sqy-changenow@bellnet.ca](mailto:sqy-changenow@bellnet.ca)

**Torchlight Gender Support**  
[home.golden.net/~kcr/tgs](http://home.golden.net/~kcr/tgs)

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[www.wcswr.org](http://www.wcswr.org)

**WOODS Women Out Of Doors Socially**  
[woodswimmin@yahoo.ca](mailto:woodswimmin@yahoo.ca)

**WPIRG The Waterloo Public Interest Research Group**  
[www.wpirg.org](http://www.wpirg.org)

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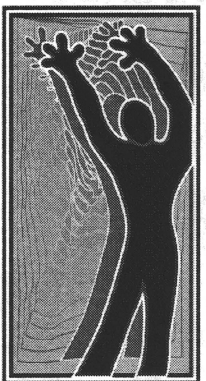
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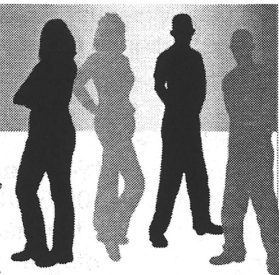
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