

RAINBOW

LGBT RESOURCE CENTER NEWSLETTER

VOLUME #21 ISSUE #8
For the week beginning Monday, August 28th, 2006

TOP STORY

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Photograph by Yvonne Venegas

From the Director, Shaun, "Not too many UCSD professors admit to having punk rock as a vital element of their identity. However, our own Professor Roberto Tejada does so with pride. 'Being born and raised in LA, my early years were part of the punk explosion,' said professor Tejada, who has now moved on to becoming more of a professional fan, exploring how sexuality and punk identity allowed the margins to challenge definitions. 'When the Dead Kennedy's lead singer came out, the collision between alternative sexuality and alternative music was visible.'

Beyond being a punk fan, Roberto Tejada is an Assistant Professor in the Visual Arts department here at UCSD, and has served on the LGBT Resource Center's Advisory Board for the last two years. As he enters his fourth year on the UCSD campus, Roberto recalls having connected to the UCSD LGBT Resource Center from the earliest moments.

'This is the blessing and burden of being visible: to make links between departments sprawled across campus' commented Roberto as he spoke of how the LGBT Resource Center brings

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'Nothing like this existed at institutions I was at formerly. This is a Center of exchange, and of knowledge, where complexities of the social life of the community can come together.' "

In Our Library:

***Gay Soul* by Mark Thompson**

Gay spirituality and sensibility come to light in these pages of striking portraits and trenchant interviews. Thompson brings out the unique contributions of the esteemed gay men – including Will Roscoe, Joseph Kramer, Harry Hay, James Broughton, Andrew Harvey, Paul Monette, Malcolm Boyd, and Ram Dass – who lead the spiritual life. Thompson elicits vivid musings on such provocative issues as the third gender, S&M, ritual as 'holy fire', and spirituality in the age of Aids. His interviews call out the deepest emotions of each of these vibrant leaders who reveal, as never before, the spirit and the soul of the gay life.

Q-Quote of the Week

"What do you mean, you 'don't believe in homosexuality'? It's not like the Easter Bunny, your belief isn't necessary."

-- Lea Delaria

Weekly Statistics

Summer 2006

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Needs Assessment for LGBTQIA South Asians


If you are a member of the South Asian Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Intersex, Queer, and Questioning community, living in Los Angeles or Orange counties, help by clicking [here](#) to take a needs assessment survey.

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Already have all the information you need? Then join us for our potluck at 12:30pm at the LGBT Resource Center! Everyone who was at Q Camp and Q Fair will be there, and so should YOU! We do need to know what people are bringing to share, so e-mail rainbow@ucsd.edu and let us know your dish. Bring enough for 6-8 people, as we want to really welcome our incoming community!

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Rey Guerrero

Advisory Board Member

Rey Guerrero is the Resident Dean of Eleanor Roosevelt College and UCSD's International House.



He is one of the most long-serving members of the UCSD LGBT Resource Center Advisory Board, first serving on the steering committee before there was even a physical space. Rey has been with UCSD for 14 years, since before the naming of Eleanor Roosevelt, back when it was affectionately called Fifth College.

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Rey has been actively involved in the LGBT community on campus since colleagues he now considers mentors encouraged him into the work, namely Rich Belmontez, Robert Felix and Todd Bowser. He made a commitment to be out at UCSD (for the first time professionally) when he first arrived on campus, and supporting the LGBT community was a way to live that openness.

But, of course, there is more to Rey than LGBT work. Rey has been an avid comic book fan for years. With San Diego hosting the world largest comic convention, Rey is annually able to indulge in the pleasure and marvel of ComiCon and in his words, "satisfy his inner geek."

Rey has been called "an institution" at UCSD. "I hope that more staff and faculty would consider making themselves more accessible and known to the UCSD community, because I think that you don't have to be involved to the hilt. But when students and other staff and faculty know about openly LGBT colleagues, it makes for a better environment for everyone."

Rey is open to being a resource for anyone on campus, and especially on-campus students. And although often plays a behind the scenes role, he has accepted the role as chair-elect for our Advisory Board for next year. Thank Rey, for all that you have done and will do!"

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WHERE: The LGBT Resource Center

RSVP: <http://alumni/events/details.asp?evt=563>

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After receiving nominations from 680 campuses and conducting more than 5,500 online interviews, 100 campuses were selected for the book based on institutional policies, commitment and support, academic life, housing, student life, counseling and health services, campus safety, and recruitment and retention efforts. The list of 100 is broken down in multiple indexes such as region, state, type of institution and size. Individual campus profiles include information on size, tuition, admission application deadlines, gay-affirmative policies, events, LGBT student groups and resources, housing for LGBT students and more.

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-- Openly gay Parti Quebecois Leader **Andre Boisclair**, ahead in the polls to be next premier of Quebec

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On Saturdays we will be open from 10am until 6pm, and on Sundays we will be open from 12 noon until 9pm. Plan to utilize the Center as you study, organize and realize our community at UCSD!

There will be two more days this week where we will be closed for business to finish up our training, including:

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Staff Member Extraordinaire!

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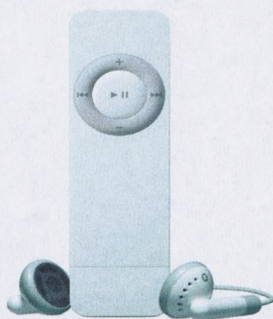


known the new space as the home of our community. This provides Samuel with a unique understanding of the operations of the space, as he has been directly responsible for those processes since our first day we opened for business.

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Thursday, September 21st, 2006 ~ 3pm-5pm at the Hump

Don't be fooled by the construction, the Original Student Center is more vibrant than ever. Come to the Original Student Center Welcome Week Block Party and learn more about the many services and resources that call the Student Center home. Find out about what's new at the Original Student Center, including the Women's Center and LGBT Resource Center. This will be a fun event filled with food, music, and information. All are welcome!

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Along with his work here, Samuel is enrolled in the Community-Based Block Counseling program at San Diego State University. Affectionately called "CBB" this Master's program is a challenging course of study requiring deep introspection and specific learning regarding counseling skills.

On a personal note, Samuel has significantly challenged and changed our community, as he has brought his own unique perspective on our work. I am very proud to work directly with Samuel, and our community is blessed to have such a wonderful, caring person whom we can call "family."

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The Nicole Murray Ramirez LGBT Student Scholarship was established in 1979 by the Imperial Court de San Diego to assist San Diego area students in achieving their educational goals. Many scholarship recipients have gone on to become lawyers, doctors, teachers and prominent business leaders; all with a commitment to give back to the San Diego LGBT community. Named for long-time community activist and City Commissioner Nicole M. Ramirez, the fund is a project of the Imperial Court de San Diego administered by The San Diego LGBT Community Center. Scholarships are for Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender students who have been accepted to or are matriculating at a post-secondary college, university or vocational institution within the State of California. Priority will be given to San Diego County residents.

To apply and get more information on this scholarship visit:
<http://www.thecentersd.org/lgbtstudentscholarship.asp>

Apply for the Chancellor's Undergraduate Diversity Leadership Institute (CUDLI)

Deadline: Tuesday, September 26, 2006

The Campus Community Centers are proud to announce that applications for the 2006-2007 year of the Chancellor's Undergraduate Diversity Leadership Institute (CUDLI) are now available. Participants in the Institute will experience a social change model of leadership development and growth through academic and experiential diversity related activities. Students must be first or second year students with excellent academic credentials and a strong, articulated interest in diversity and social justice issues.

National Consortium of Directors of LGBT Resources in Higher Education, developed the criteria and a questionnaire for nominations to gather feedback from current LGBT students, faculty and staff regarding personal experiences and opinions about their campus.

After receiving nominations from 680 campuses and conducting more than 5,500 online interviews, 100 campuses were selected for the book based on institutional policies, commitment and support, academic life, housing, student life, counseling and health services, campus safety, and recruitment and retention efforts. The list of 100 is broken down in multiple indexes such as region, state, type of institution and size. Individual campus profiles include information on size, tuition, admission application deadlines, gay-affirmative policies, events, LGBT student groups and resources, housing for LGBT students and more.

Q-Quote of the Week

"Heterosexuality isn't normal, it's just common."

-- Dorothy Parker (1893-1967)

Weekly Statistics**Summer 9/4-9/8, 2006**

Students	38
Staff	5
Alumni	1
Guest	2
Faculty	1

Total visitors	47
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Applications are available at <http://community.ucsd.edu/cudli.asp> and are due on Tuesday, September 26, 2006. Please e-mail diversity-institute@ucsd.edu with any questions.

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Organizations

Fluid Sexuality Meetings

Meeting Place: 2nd Floor of the Cross-Cultural Center

This group is an open and intimate discussion regarding bisexual identities/labels, attraction to multiple genders, and the fluid nature of sexual attraction, sexual orientation and sexual identity that many experience in our community. People of all sexual and gender identities are encouraged to attend, listen, and actively participate in this unique forum. Come together and share your experiences or learn from the experiences of others about what fluid identities mean in peoples' lives.

It's respected space and we have our meetings on the 2nd floor of the Cross-Cultural Center.

With that, if you're still interested in participating in this exciting and fun open discussion this coming Fall quarter, please e-mail Peper at distantshadow44@yahoo.com with some available times you can meet during the week. Keep in mind that the meetings usually last one to two hours.

For more information about other queer organizations and meetings, visit: <http://lgbt.ucsd.edu/meetings.shtml>

Umbrella Group Bonfire

Saturday, September 23rd, 7PM

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Campus Community Centers

Have You Ever Wondered?

Tuesday, September 19, 1pm-2:30pm, Cross-Cultural Center Lecture Hall

Have you ever wanted to ask a question, but didn't? Have you ever been curious or wondered about questions such as these: What is the difference between Chicano/a and Mexican?, What is a Yarmulke? Why do Asians fight for Affirmative Action? Come and join us for an interactive discussion about diversity issues.

Cross-Cultural Center Block Party and Open House

Tuesday, September 19, 3-5pm, UCSD Cross-Cultural Center

Don't miss the annual Cross-Cultural Center Block party! A place for you to meet student organizations, campus departments, and new friends. Live DJs and food! Be sure to bring your friends!

General Announcements

Student Office of Human Relations is Hiring

The Student Office of Human Relations have student positions available for the 2006-2007 school year!The following positions are available:

- Graphic Designer
- General Assistant
- Hate/Bias Assistant
- Intergroup Dialogue Assistant
- Director, Social Action Theatre Troupe

Go to <http://sohr.ucsd.edu/student%20employment.htm> to find out more information!

Job Openings in our community

"The Storefront" now hiring

From our own Peper Anan, "There are two positions open at 'The Storefront'. You do not need any degrees or special certifications for either position.:

One position is for "MSM Program Coordinator"(Men Who Have Sex With Men). This position carries the responsibility of taking care of all the needs of your "team", paperwork, outreach, data entry and whatever other duties need to be taken care of in outreach. Basically all the duties of an Assistant Supervisor. The position pays \$11.73 an hour and is

for 25 hours a week, plus any overtime you make, paid vacation time, sick time & medical, dental & vision packages.

The second position is for "MSM Outreach Apprentice" and you will be under the Program Coordinator. This position entails that you do basic street outreach and case management. The position pays \$10.00 an hour and you receive all the same benefits, paid vacations & sick time as the Program Coordinator position.

These positions will be open as of September 15, 2006 and we will be doing interviews now. Please call ahead to schedule.

If you would like to apply for the position...

Contact: Daniel Manson (Supervisor) or Jeffery Evans (Current Program Coordinator)

Office Phones: (619) 325-3527 ext. 214 (Daniel) or 215 (Jeffery)

Email Address: dmanson@sdyics.org

Address: 3427 4th Ave, SD, CA 92103

*When faxing resume please include a cover sheet with the info on what position you are applying for and who the fax is for (Either Daniel Manson or Jeffery Evans)


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LGBT RESOURCE CENTER NEWSLETTER

VOLUME #21 ISSUE #10.5
For the week beginning Monday, September 18th, 2006

Special Q Camp Edition *TOP STORY*

Q Camp is this Wednesday!

Read on for information about...

- Q Camp - If you are a new member of our community!
- Q Fair - If you want to find out ways to be involved!
- The Potluck!- If you want to join in our first community celebration of the year! ALL faculty, staff and students invited!
- The Bonfire - If you want to join us off campus, it's on Saturday! ALL faculty, staff and student invited!
- Q Camp History - If you want to know our past!



Q Camp Announcements

Q Camp - Are YOU Registered?

September 20th, 2006 ~ 9am at the Cross-Cultural Center

Q Camp 2006 is moments away, and now is the time to get involved. If you are new to the UCSD community, then register for Q camp today by clicking [here](#). Q Camp and Q Fair will:

- Acquaint incoming students with the organizations that are LGBTQI specific on campus
- Help students make connections with their fellow students who may be experiencing similar situations as LGBTQI incoming students
- Allow students to get connected with the resources on campus (including the LGBT Resource Center) as well as off campus
- Orient students to the local area in LGBTQI terms
- Give students an opportunity to ask questions about UCSD LGBTQI life
- Introduce students to the academic LGBTQI life at UCSD - including classes focusing on sexual orientation, gender identity, sexuality and gender issues

Register online at <http://lgbt.ucsd.edu/qcamp> Directions to the Cross-Cultural Center are at <http://ccc.ucsd.edu/Contact.html>

Q Fair- All the information you need!

September 20th, 2006 ~ 11am at the Cross-Cultural Center

Q Fair 2006 is on September 20th from 11am to 12:30pm at the UCSD Cross Cultural Center (directions are available at <http://ccc.ucsd.edu/Contact.html>)

Q Camp

A History

Q Camp began in the fall of 2002 with only 13 registrants.



Proclaimed as a huge success by those attending, the event grew primarily by word of mouth in its second year. With the addition of counselors from the UCSD LGBT community who led discussions, the numbers of registrants more than doubled, with 30 participants. In 2004, the campus was canvassed by a core of counselors and volunteers, 46 people registered, and even more attended the event. In 2005, attendance grew even larger.

For the 2006 edition of Q Camp, counselors went through extensive co-training with UCSD's Queer Peer Support Program, and Q Fair was expanded as an opportunity for our entire community, through

Q Fair is a part of Q Camp. Q Camp is UCSD's annual orientation for incoming students who wish to become familiarized with the UCSD LGBT Community.

Q Fair is an opportunity for LGBT groups on campus to participate in Q Camp, coming together to share experiences and resources with the new members of our community. LGBT and Ally focused groups and organizations at UCSD are invited and encouraged to participate in Q Fair, as well as those organizations who are closely affiliated with UCSD's LGBT community, like J-Pride, OASIS, etc. Participants will get the chance to welcome the new students firsthand and provide them with information about the opportunities and resources available to them. A list of the groups who are participating is below.

Q Fair begins with set-up at 11am at the Cross Cultural Center for participating groups to prepare their tables with resources. We all get to mix and mingle with the Q Campers as they find out about all of the things we offer them as a part of the UCSD community. Then, at 12:30pm, we all head over to the LGBT Resource Center for our traditional potluck lunch!

Groups attending Q Fair include:

APSA the Campus Community Centers Grad Student intern BSU Critical Gender Studies CUDLI Delta Lambda Phi Fluid Sexuality J-Pride KP LGBT Resource Center Interns LGBTQIA MEChA OASIS OSHPH Psychological & Counseling Services QPOC Queer By Nature Queering Gender Queers United SAAC the Alliance the QPOC AS Diversity Affairs Office the Center - Volunteer Coordinator/Marriage Equality & Education Coordinator the Chancellor's Advisory Committee on Gender Identity and Sexual Orientation Issues Cross-Cultural Center Gay, Bisexual, and Questioning Men's Group Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Questioning Womyn's Group LGBT Speaker's Bureau Library and LGBT Resources Ombud's Office Queer Peers CARAS Queer Womyn's Coalition Umbrella Group Women's Center/Gender Buffet

Q Camp Potluck

September 20th, 2006 ~ 12:30pm at the LGBT Resource Center

Join us for our annual potluck celebration at 12:30pm at the LGBT Resource Center! Everyone who was at Q Camp and Q Fair will be there, and so should YOU! This is a great time for faculty, staff and students to connect before classes start. We do need to know what people are bringing to share, so e-mail rainbow@ucsd.edu and let us know your dish. Bring enough for 6-8 people, as we want to really welcome our incoming community!

our organizations and campus departments, to connect with Q Campers during an informal resource fair.

Q Camp continues to grow, and has evolved into the quickest and easiest ways for incoming students to connect to the LGBT community.

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Jennifer Kotsky/Guardian

People like Hiromi Gonzalez, who came out Friday, walked through a symbolic closet door at the Rally.

RALLY

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that sense of community from the people watching," Barnard said.

He went on to say that he was "disappointed" that no faculty members spoke, since they could provide role models for the younger participants.

Only one speaker expressed distaste about the activities, telling the crowd it was "not o.k. to like homosexuality."

"I may be a card-carrying homophobic, but it's important to know that you have an alternative,"

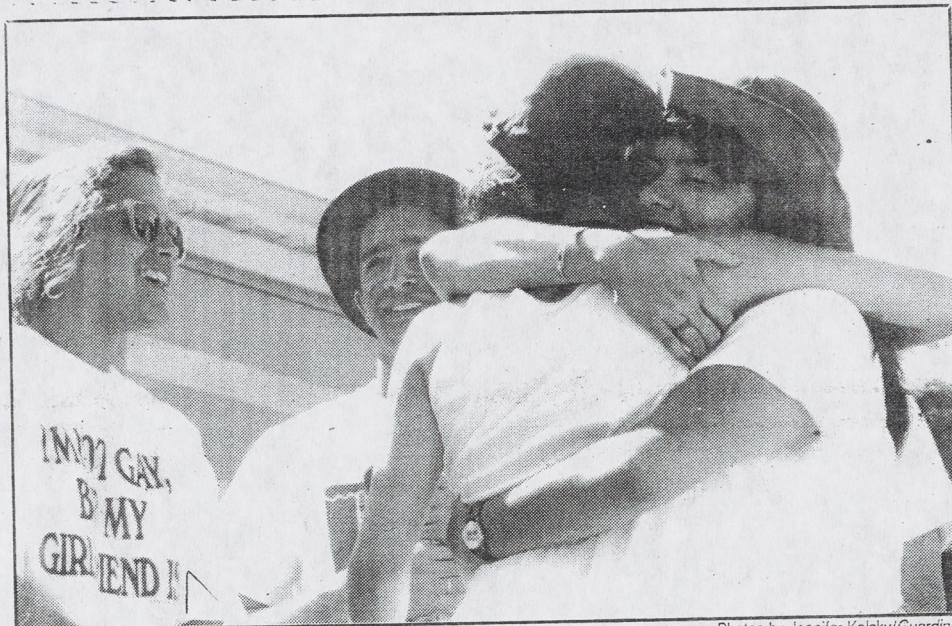
he added. He received almost no support from the spectators.

Speakers also commented on Governor Pete Wilson's veto of bill AB 101, a state bill written to protect homosexuals from job discrimination.

Todd Hauser of the Fifth College

Dean's Office expressed his concern about individuals being fired from jobs because of their homosexuality.

He said he had been fired from a university job elsewhere for that reason and was glad to see a more open community at UCSD.



Photos by Jennifer Kolsky/Guardian

A student named Deborah receives a supportive hug from LGBA co-chair Cheli Mohamed. Consuela Scott and LGBA Publicity Director Daniel Calvi are in the background.

Coming Out of the Closet

■ LGBA holds rally to promote honesty about homosexuality

By **Stephanie Danford**

Guardian Reporter

The Lesbian, Gay & Bisexual Association (LGBA) sponsored a rally for national Coming Out Day at the Price Center Plaza Friday noon.

An open microphone format gave anyone who wished the chance to speak, including several speakers who openly declared their homosexuality for the first time.

LGBA Publicity Director Daniel Calvi said the importance of the rally was in encouraging homosexuals to come out of the closet.

"We would like more people within the organization (LGBA) to come out. We want people to know it is a safe place for people to come out — it's a very supportive environment," Calvi said.

"Coming out is hell," one young man told the crowd. LGBA members and their friends stood to one side, ready to offer their support to speakers. At times, several of them joined students at the microphone who were having a difficult time.

This was a student named Matt's first time coming out in public. "As a freshman, I felt I was the only one who felt this way," he said. "There are other people out there. LGBA is very supportive."

A student name Tara, who had spoken at a previous rally, got up to speak again on Friday.

"LGBA is very strong now," she said. "At



Some people, students like J.P. and Deborah, went together to the microphone for support first, it was LAGO. It was hardly out there at all. It's important that LGBA be visible."

A crowd of about 130 applauded the courage of those coming out on stage. At first those in the crowd who were just there to eat lunch or enjoy the weather didn't seem to pay much attention to the events of the rally. Later, people showed more active support.

Ian Barnard, a graduate student in literature and member of Gays and Lesbians in Literature (GALL), said he thought the rally was a very good idea, both for those involved and for those watching.

"It was good for the people involved to feel

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