

Calendar of Events

April 3, 2025

ORCA: Game Time

Highland Senior Citizen Center

02:30 PM - 04:30 PM MST

FIRST and THIRD Thursday afternoon of every month from 2:30 to 4:30 PM at Highland Senior Center. PLEASE RSVP by clicking on ATTEND, since we will be working with Chris Rogers, the manager at Highland, to get the right-sized room for our game playing enjoyment. We'd like you to RSVP as soon as possible to give Chris enough time to find us the right room.

Attendees will choose the game(s) they want to play at the beginning of each session. Game selection will depend largely on how many people choose to attend. ORCA has a large cabinet reserved at Highland where we store our large and interesting variety of board and card games.

Our collection of board games includes Monopoly, Albuquerque-opoly, Scrabble, Mancala, and several less-well-known others. We do not own a (Mexican) Train Domino Game set.

Card games include Trivial Pursuit (with the cards but without the board) and others of that nature, such as Pop Culture Trivia Game. Other card games are The Game of Things, Quiddler, Novel Beginnings, Headbanz, etc. We don't have ordinary playing cards, so if you want to play a traditional card game, you'll need to bring your own cards.

You're welcome to bring any game of your own to encourage others to play it with you.

Hope to see you with your best game face on!

April 4, 2025

Monthly: Honkey Tonk Country Dance

ABQ Social Club

07:15 PM - 11:45 PM MST

*Country Dancing, even month at ABQ Social Club
Free for Social Club members, \$5 for guests*

April 5, 2025

Christopher Makos "PARTY"

Daniel Cooney Fine Art

1600 Lena Street

Santa Fe, NM 87505

03:00 PM - 05:00 PM MST

Daniel Cooney, 9178439742

dan@danielcooneyfineart.com

CHRISTOPHER MAKOS

PARTY

April 5 – May 24, 2025

Opening Reception: Saturday, April 5: 3-5pm. Christopher Makos will be present and DJ Oona will be spinning the hits. Free and open to the public. Join the PARTY!

Daniel Cooney Fine Art is beyond thrilled to announce our third solo exhibition (our first in Santa Fe) by Christopher Makos titled PARTY. The exhibition features unseen vintage work from the artist's early career. PARTY features a selection of over 40 unique vintage photographs, that celebrate the artist's ethos: daring, climactic and outrageous.

Makos has spent the past five decades in the company of legendary cultural icons, most famously as confidant to Andy Warhol and as a key member of the Factory from 1976-86. His position in this notorious circle gained him access to everyone that was anyone including models, celebrities and underground royalty. The likes of Divine, Steven Tyler, Debbie Harry, Peter Berlin, Richard Gallo, Georgia O'Keeffe and other tantalizing figures mingle on the gallery walls.

Never satisfied as just an observer Makos brazenly includes multiple self-portraits in this exhibition. Young surfer boy Makos can be seen in languid repose with long blonde hair, loyal dog "Snake" at his side, sporting a pair of cowboy boots and nothing else. In another image, the photographer is positioned bare-assed between two mirrors, camera in hand, admiring himself from behind. In a photograph titled Self-Portrait I, 1970s, a nude Makos, seen from the chest down "tucks" exploring his androgynous side in a mirrored hotel room.

Perhaps even more exciting are numerous one of a kind darkroom compositions including double portraits of hustlers, artists, drag queens, nude muscle boys and more. Equally compelling is the original contact sheet from Makos's infamous "Andy in Drag" photoshoot revealing the Father of Pop Art in a curly wig and white bedsheet complete with Makos's mark ups in grease pencil.

Makos is the author of 18 books including White Trash (1977), Warhol/Makos In Context (2007), Christopher Makos Polaroids (2009) and Everything: The Black and White Monograph (2014). His work has been published in Interview, Rolling Stone, House & Garden, Connoisseur, New York Magazine, Esquire, Genre and People. His works have been exhibited at the Brooklyn Museum, the Tate Modern, The Whitney Museum of American Art, The Metropolitan Museum of Art, The National Gallery and The Guggenheim Museum, Bilbao.

Please contact the gallery for more information at 505-416-5452 or dan@danielcooneyfineart.com. A preview PDF is now available. Note our new address: 1600 Lena Street, Suite F5, Santa Fe, NM 87505.

April 5, 2025
- April 6, 2025

Rainbows Festival
10:00 AM - 06:00 PM MST
PHOENIX PRIDE'S

*Rainbow Festival
Pride for Everyone, Always Free.*

Phoenix Pride is the proud producer of the "Arizona's Greatest Street Fair", the Rainbows Festival. The annual Rainbows Festival & Street Fair is a celebration of the diversity of the LGBTQ+ community. The event is located in historic Heritage Square Park in Downtown Phoenix. Each year, the Rainbows Festival draws a crowd of over 25,000 friends, families, and allies. Rainbows Festival is the 2nd largest LGBTQ+ event in the state of Arizona, only 2nd to the Phoenix Pride Festival.

The annual Rainbows Festival is a free event open to the public. We host over 150 exhibitors and sponsors throughout the two-day event and have 2 stages filled with entertainment throughout the weekend.

General Information

*Dates: April 5 – 6, 2025
Heritage Square Park
Festival Hours
10:00am – 6:00pm
FREE ADMISSION*

April 8, 2025

Business Impact/ Government Relations
Alamogordo Center of Commerce Conference Room
1301 N. White Sands Blvd.
Alamogordo, NM 88310

09:00 AM - 10:15 AM MST
Alamogordo Chamber of Commerce, 575-437-6120
payton.estrada@alamogordo.com
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Free and open to the public.

April 9, 2025

NMOBA Monthly Networking Breakfast

Sunnyside Up Breakfast Cafe

6909 Menaul Blvd NE

Albuquerque, NM 87110

08:00 AM - 09:00 AM MST

Nikki,

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April 13, 2025

- June 22, 2025

Support Group on Relationships and Intimacy for LGBTQIA+ BIPOC individuals

Skin By Taylor

4316 Carlisle Blvd NE

Albuquerque, Ne 87107

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM MST

Gabriella Cuaderes, 5052264561

asafespacetoheal@gmail.com

This event is facilitated by a licensed clinical social worker. This is an opportunity to build community and talk about intimacy experiences in a safe and affirming environment.

April 13, 2025

Monthly: LGBTQ+ Ecstatic Dance Medicine

Maple Street Dance Space

12:00 PM - 01:30 PM MST

Second Sundays: LGBTQ+ Dance Medicine

Ecstatic Dance invites participants to embody all parts of themselves and explore free-form movement in the presence of community. There is no instruction, and dancers are invited to stay connected to their inner experience. Contact and dancing with others are optional only if consent is established each time, and it is always okay to decline interaction with other dancers.

No one turned away

Please arrive no later than 12:05 pm for the opening circle.

Some basic agreements for the container:

Refrain from talking

Attend in a sober state

Avoid wearing strong scents (Be clean!)

Be aware and respect the space of fellow dancers

Obtain clear consent each time before making physical contact with another dancer

No shoes in the dance space unless there is a special need

No cell phone use or taking photos/video

April 16, 2025

Wine Up & Talk! NMOBA Evening Mixer

New Mexico Ferments

2506 Washington St NE

Albuquerque, NM 87110

05:30 PM - 07:00 PM MST

Jamey Shelton,

jamey@nmcfo.com

Or, maybe Kombucha Up and Talk

Come unwind and network with other NMOBA members.

NM Ferments sells a variety of beverages - so you'll be able to find something to sip on while catching up with other LGBTQ+ businesses, entrepreneurs, and accomplices.

This event is free, but registration is requested.

April 17, 2025

Monthly: Country Dance Lessons

ABQ Social Club

4021 Central Ave NE

Albuquerque, NM 87108

06:30 PM - 09:00 PM MST

Third Thursdays: Country Dance Lessons at ABQ Social Club

April 17, 2025

Santa Fe: Drag Bingo

OPUNTIA CAFE

1607 Alcala St. Santa Fe

Santa Fe, NM 87501

07:00 PM - 09:00 PM MST

HRA Santa Fe,

Join us for entertainment, fun, and the community at our monthly Drag Bingo at Opuntia.

Admission is \$20 which also gets you 6 bingo cards.

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Thursday, July 20th, 7 – 9 pm @ Opuntia

April 20, 2025

Monthly: Trans Senders
Stoneage Climbing - Midtown
4130 Cutler Ave NE
Albuquerque, NM 87110
06:00 PM - 08:00 PM MST
TransSenders Gathering

Welcome TransSenders! This is a monthly gathering organized after the gym's regular hours specifically for trans and non-binary folk in order to provide a safe space for them to try their hands at climbing. The schedule for this event is being worked on at the moment but the event will take place once a month on Sundays at the Midtown gym, from 6 pm to 8 pm. Please contact Cristina for specifics on this event and to get the date of the next meet.

Trans climbers of all levels and allies are welcome to find community and expand their climbing skills. Beginners are welcome!

Monthly, every 3rd Sunday after regular gym hours
6 pm - 8 pm
Midtown gym
Entry is \$14 and includes gear

If it's your first time with us, please fill out a waiver and we will get you set up with gear and an introductory orientation.

When you arrive, look for the Rainbow Senders' table behind the check in desk with the rainbow rug! There are pronoun pins available and often, a group activity is available if you choose to participate. The leaders of the Rainbow Senders will be available to help you get started if it's your first time and/or be your climbing partner if you wish.

Rainbow Senders

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Fundraiser

Shane Baron-Deutsch, one of our talented members, has created a fun design we are now featuring on some cool apparel! All purchases of items with this design benefit Rainbow Senders and TransSenders!

StoneAge Mid-Town. \$14 includes gear, no one turned away for lack of funds

April 25, 2025

Monthly: Queer Shabbat

Nahalat Shalom

3606 Rio Grande Blvd NW

Albuquerque, NM 87107

06:00 PM - 08:00 PM MST

Queer Shabbat is a monthly ritual space for reflection, connection, grounding in the sacred cycles of Jewish time. This is a space for self-identified Queer Jews and their loved ones to gather. We will be hosting hybrid OUTDOOR IN-PERSON and ZOOM Shabbat. Masks are optional. We will be distanced and outside. Whether you are attending virtually or in person, you're invited to bring: songs, poetry, movement, creative activities, and meditations from your heart. Bring your own (vegetarian) food if you'd like to eat while we chat after the service. Ritual items and challah welcome.

For any questions please contact queershabbatnahalatshalom@gmail.org.

April 25, 2025

Sister Jessica's Bingo Bonanza and Drag Show Extravaganza Unity Spiritual Center

Unity Spiritual Center Albuquerque

9800 Candelaria Rd NE

Albuquerque, NM 87112

06:30 PM - 08:30 PM MST

Michael Eugene Small, 1505269882

ministerassistant@abqunity.org

When

April 25

6:30pm - 8:30pm MDT

Where

Unity Spiritual Center Albuquerque

Sister Jessica's Bingo Bonanza and Drag Show Extravaganza Unity Spiritual Center

Join Unity Spiritual Center of Albuquerque as we Raise the "Fun"ds with Sister Jessica's Bingo Bonanza and Drag Show Extravaganza! All ticket sales and money raised at the event will go directly to Unity!

A Note on Tickets:

General Admission- Gets you a seat at the tables, 4 bingo cards to start with, and a dauber.

Snack Box Ticket- an additional 5.00's gets you the same as general admission adds on a snack box of your choosing.

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June 7, 2025

Albuquerque PrideFest 2025

Downtown Albuquerque

10:00 AM - 06:00 PM MST

Albuquerque PrideFest 2025

Empower, Unite, Fight, Thrive

We're excited to honor the spirit of our vibrant community and bring people together for a day of joy, inclusivity, and celebration. Stay tuned for more details on the location and lineup—this year's event promises to be bigger and better than ever! ? The parade will march down historic Route 66.

June 14, 2025

- June 15, 2025

Pikes Peak Pride Event

Alamo Square Park

215 S Tejon St

Colorado Springs, CO

10:00 AM - 07:00 PM MST

Pikes Peak Pride Event

FREE ADMISSION TO THE FESTIVAL

Saturday, June 14, 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, June 15, 10:00 AM to 7:00 PM

at Alamo Square Park (Pioneer Museum).

June 14, 2025

- June 15, 2025

Dallas Pride

10 am - 10 pm

Dallas Pride 2025

June 14 & 15

Fair Park

June 27, 2025

- June 28, 2025

Navajo Nation Pride

12:00 PM - 08:00 PM MST

NAVAJO NATION PRIDE

JUNE 27 & 28, 2025 - WINDOW ROCK, AZ

In 2025, Navajo Nation Pride believes in the sacred notion of Bidzil, which is the strength that exists in all of us as brave gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, and two-spirit Indigenous people.

June 28, 2025

PRIDE Santa Fe
Santa Fe Plaza
63 Lincoln Ave
Santa Fe, NM 87501

12:00 PM - 08:00 PM MST

PRIDE 2025 Resilience- Stronger Than Ever

June 28, 2025

- June 29, 2025

Denver Pride

12:00 AM - 11:00 PM MST

Denver Pride consists of 3 main events, encompassing the festival, 5K, and parade.

This weekend produces the largest annual fundraiser for The Center and contributes directly to critical services for the local LGBTQ+ community, such as mental health support, programming for our transgender and gender diverse community, youth, older adults, and more.