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## CALENDAR



Image courtesy of Touchstone Gallery

Betsy Forster's "After the Storm" is part of her exhibit, "Inspirations" at Touchstone Gallery.

### Today

**Beat City**, a rock and roll lounge party for queer folks and their friends, is tonight from 9 p.m. to 2:30 a.m. upstairs at Chief Ike's Mambo Room (1725 Columbia Rd., N.W.). There is no cover for this event and all attendees must be 21 or older.

**Caliente Grande** is tonight at Apex (1415 22nd St., N.W.) starting at 9 p.m. DJ Michael Brandon will be spinning the Latin dance party in the main hall. There is a \$10 cover charge. Attendees must be 18 to enter, 21 to drink.

**The D.C. Cowboys** host Brodeo tonight at Remingtons (639 Pennsylvania Ave., S.E.) from 10 p.m. to 1 a.m. The party will feature country/western and disco/club music, live performances, giveaways, Jell-o shots and an auction.

**DJ Chord Bezzera** will be at Cobalt (1639 R St., N.W.) tonight at 10 p.m. as part of Club London. There will be free vodka drinks from 11 p.m. to midnight and attendees could win a roundtrip ticket to London.

**Women in Their Twenties**, a social discussion and dinner group, will be meeting tonight from 8 to 9 p.m. at the D.C. Center (1318 U St., N.W.).

**Lace Lounge** (2214 Rhode Island Ave., N.E.) presents Social Climax tonight from 10 p.m. to 3 a.m. There is a \$10 cover all night and free drinks before 11:30 p.m.

### Saturday, Feb. 26

**Burgundy Crescent Volunteers** will be helping Food and Friends with food preparation and packing groceries today from 8 to 10 a.m. For more information, e-mail jonathan@burgundycrescent.org.

**Lincoln Congregational Temple UCC** presents "From Slavery to Freedom: An Historical Musical Perspective" performed by the Community Chorus of Washington today at 3:30 p.m. at Lincoln Congregational Temple (1701 11th St., N.W.).

Every fourth Saturday of the month, **Green Lantern** (1335 Green Court, N.W.) is hosting Jocks vs. Jocks from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. Cover is \$5 if wearing sports attire, \$7 if not. There's a trophy and cash prizes for the winning team.

Shift presents "**Surrender Your. Booty.**" a celebration of its two year anniversary tonight at Cobalt (1639 R St., N.W.) from 10 p.m. to 3 a.m. The party will feature resident DJ MAJR and guest DJs Matt Bailer of Mixtape, Junebullet of She-Rex and Zack Rosen of Homo/Sonic. Brightest Young Things will be there judging pirate costumes and the best dressed will win two tickets to Kylie Minogue at the Patriot Center on April 30.

**DJ Escape** will be at Town (2009 8th St., N.W.) tonight. Music and videos downstairs will be by Wess. Drag show starts at 10:30 p.m. Doors open at 10 p.m. Cover is \$8 before 11 p.m.

and \$12 after. All attendees must be 21 or older.

### Sunday, Feb. 27

**Flip-Out**, D.C.'s LGBT flip cup league, has its weekly games today at 5 p.m. at Cobalt (1639 R St., N.W.). For more information, visit flipoutdc.com.

Lace Lounge presents "**Lyricks and Lace**," an open mic, live entertainment exhibition. Appetizers will be half off and there will be drink specials. The Coolats band will be performing an the show starts at 8 p.m. E-mail dclace@yahoo.com to perform. Visit lacedc.com for more information.

**The Catholic University of America** presents "She Said/She Said" by Rebecca Gingrich-Jones. Tickets range from \$3 to \$15. For more information and to purchase tickets, visit drama.cua.edu/hartke-season.cfm.

**Nellie's** (900 U St., N.W.) is hosting an Oscars watch party today starting at 5 p.m.

**The D.C. Center** presents "Glamour, Glitter and Gold," its sixth annual Oscar celebration from 7 to 11:30 p.m. at Town (2009 8th St., N.W.). Tickets range from \$20 for general admission to \$50 for V.I.P.

### Monday, Feb. 28

**Bears do Yoga** at Green Lantern (1335 Green Court N.W.) tonight at 6:30 p.m. Class lasts

for an hour and serves as an introduction to yoga for people of all different body types and physical abilities. It's taught by Michael Brazell. For more information, visit dcenter.org.

**SAGE Metro D.C.** is having its monthly meeting tonight from 7 to 8 p.m. at the D.C. Center (1318 U St., N.W.).

### Tuesday, March 1

Join **Burgundy Crescent Volunteers** to help pack safer sex kits from 7 to 9 p.m. tonight at FUK!T's new packing location Green Lantern, 1335 Green Ct., N.W.

**Mautner Project** presents SHE Circle, a wellness community by and for African-American lesbian and bisexual women, today from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at Unity Fellowship Church (502 Rhode Island Ave., N.W.). For more information and to RSVP, e-mail rdixon@mautnerproject.org or dmagrini@mautnerproject.org.

"**A Room of Our Own**," an exhibit at Pepco Edison Place Gallery (702 8th St., N.W.) by the f11 Women's Photography Collective opens today. The gallery is open from noon to 4 p.m. The exhibit will be on display through April 1.

### Wednesday, March 2

**The Tom Davaron Social Bridge Club** will meet at 7:30 tonight at the Dignity Center, 721 8th St., S.E., (across from Marine Barracks) for social

bridge. No partner is needed. Visit [lambdabridge.com](http://lambdabridge.com) and click on "Social Bridge in Washington" for more information.

**Bill Briggs and David Mariner** invite executive directors of local LGBT organizations to join them for a local LGBT leader lunch today. The group will meet at the D.C. Center (1318 U St., N.W.) at noon and go to a local restaurant from there.

**Touchstone Gallery** (901 New York Ave., N.W.) has two exhibits opening today: "Inspiration" with paintings by Betsy Forster and "Surfaces" with paintings by Michele Cormier. Forster paints landscapes, particularly uninhabited areas. Cormier "captures the deterioration of urban surfaces over time." The gallery is open from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. and the exhibits will be on display through March 27.

**The D.C. Center** (1318 U St., N.W.) presents a speech by Opening Horizons founders Tony and Christina Vanderveldt on polyamory, open relationships and swinging from 7 to 9 p.m.

### Thursday, March 3

"**Shear Madness**," a comedy whodunit, will be performed at the Kennedy Center Theater Lab (2700 F St., N.W.) at 5 and 8 p.m. "Madness" takes place in present-day Georgetown, in the Shear Madness Hair Styling Salon. Visit [kennedy-center.org](http://kennedy-center.org) for more information and to purchase tickets.