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TRADITION: A Look Back to Move Forward

Welcome to LOS ANGELES LEATHER PRIDE 2013! We have worked hard to present a jam-packed week of hot events to spotlight the incredibly dynamic leather scene here in the Los Angeles area. Whether it's a traditional motorcycle run, a strict dress code formal uniform reception, crazy leather clowns on roller skates or bears on the prowl, there is something for everyone, so get out and enjoy!

The week reaches its climax with the Mr. LA LEATHER Contest, held again this year at CIRCUS DISCO. After a year of feeder contests, now it's time to pick the hot man to represent LA at IML! At the contest, don't miss the love goddess herself, JUDY TENUTA and stick around for MEAT RACK OFF THE HOOK as well as an exhibit of classic leather memorabilia. Then on Sunday, we travel down to Long Beach for Sunday Victory Brunch and SOUTHLAND HONORS.

Whether you are a local or a visitor, help us salute the many organizations and businesses, both past and present, that have contributed to the legendary LA leather community. And check out our world famous bars, our fantastic sponsors and our friends at the TOM OF FINLAND FOUNDATION.

We are especially proud that this year we have pledged to contribute the proceeds of the week to five deserving charities: PROJECT ANGEL FOOD, BEING ALIVE, LOS ANGELES GAY AND LESBIAN CENTER, the ONE NATIONAL GAY AND LESBIAN ARCHIVES and the SHARON ST. CYR FUND.

Lastly, I can't do enough to express my thanks for the incredibly hard work of dozens of committee members, dedicated volunteers, sponsors, feeder contest producers, and countless others. This year's festivities are produced by the LOS ANGELES LEATHER PRIDE COMMITTEE on behalf of the LA LEATHER COALITION, INC.

Welcome!

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We are proud to announce that the LALC Board of Directors has selected the following worthy organizations to receive the net proceeds from LOS ANGELES LEATHER PRIDE 2013:

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Project Angel Food's mission is to nourish the body and spirit of men, women and children affected by HIV/AIDS, cancer and other life-threatening illnesses. From our kitchen, Project Angel Food staff and volunteers cook and deliver free and nutritious meals prepared with love. We act out of a sense of urgency because hunger and illness do not wait.

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To Robert and Koby for the use of the wonderful patio at Pistons for the first Southland Honors victory brunch; to Layne for the wonderful menu; to Sharp and the men of the Tom of Finland Foundation for opening up TOM House for our VIP Reception and sharing their goodies at the Leather Hall of History; to Tory for another great job at the VIP reception; to Jamie at ONE Archive, Kevin at Being Alive and Wes at Project Angel Food for helping us to give back to the community; to Leo and Riley for creating a classic motorcycle ride to start off the week in style; to Michael Lara for inviting us to the Bullet for the Kick-Off event; to Charlie for letting us turn the Eagle LA back bar into the infamous One Way for an incredible photo shoot; to Jay for devotion beyond the call of duty; to Hunter, Justin and John for sharing the vision and producing another fantastic Meat Rack evening; to the Langlitz family for their incredible generosity for our Grand Prize Raffle; to Caitlin and John at Box Office Tickets for their support; to Rene for the tireless assistance in getting this program booklet to the printers; to the men of Bears LA, the Regiment of the Black and Tans, California B & B, Avatar, and Payasos LA for helping create hot, fun events reflecting the true spirit and diversity of our LA scene; to all the incredible sponsors, clubs and businesses who made it possible; to the dozens of volunteers who made it happen; to the LA Leather Pride Committee who devoted the better part of the last year to the effort and to our partners who encouraged us; to the Board of the Los Angeles Leather Coalition who had the courage and faith to entrust it all to us to actually produce; and lastly to all the members and supporters of the Los Angeles leather community, whether with us in person or in spirit for whom we dedicate LOS ANGELES LEATHER PRIDE 2013.



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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

FRI 16 MAR 2013

9:00pm: Tom's Angels**

The LA Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence salute the Tom of Finland Foundation.

@ Eagle LA

SAT MAR 16 2013

9:00pm: Probed (the Black Party)**

An LA Leather Pre-Party sponsored by and benefitting Long Beach Aids Foundation.

@ Pistons Bar, Long Beach

SUN 17 MAR 2013

12:00pm – 3:00pm: Hell on Wheels

Pt I – The Ride* hosted by Payasos LA

3:00pm – 8:00pm: Official LA Leather

Pride Kick Off Beer Bust* at The Bullet hosted by Avatar (b,c)

MON 18 MAR 2013

7:30pm: Stories in Leather**

On World Story Telling Day, Mr. LA Leather Bear Carl Dove sponsors a story sharing event @ Bullet Bar

9:00pm: SPANK! The Dark Side of

Karaoke**: Leather Pride Edition with your host Mr. Long Beach Leather 2010 Alex Kitay, @ Bullet Bar

TUE 19 MAR 2013

7:00pm: The Art of Drummer

Magazine**: Antebellum Hollywood and the Leather Archives & Museum Touring Exhibition. (discount for LA Leather Pride Package holders)

WED 20 MAR 2013

8:00pm – 11:00pm: Hell on Wheels Pt II – Roller Skating Fetish Party* hosted by Payasos LA @ Moonlight Rollerway (b,c)

5:00 pm- 7:00 pm: VIP reception @

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THU 21 MAR 2013

8:00 – 11:00pm – Prowl & Growl*

The official LA Leather Meet & Greet hosted by Bears LA @ Micky's West Hollywood* (b,c)

FRI 22 MAR 2013

7:00pm – 10:00pm – The Assembly

Uniform Reception* hosted by CA B&B Corps, The Regiment of the Black & Tans, & BLUF @ Rough Trade (c)

9:00pm – 1:30am – Cigar Social**

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SAT 23 MAR 2013

7:00pm – Mr. Los Angeles Leather

2013* @ Circus Disco* (b,c)

9:30 pm – Meat Rack – Off the Hook*

@ Circus Disco (Mr. LA Leather Contest attendees can stay for Meat Rack – Off the Hook at no extra charge)

SUN MAR 24 2013

11:30am – Mr. LA Leather Victory

Brunch* fully catered sumptuous brunch @ Pistons Bar, Long Beach (b,c)

2:00pm – The 10th Annual Southland

Honors Awards* at Pistons Bar, Long Beach (b,c)

4:00pm – Pistons Beer Bust**

The LA Leather Pride Closing Day fun continues

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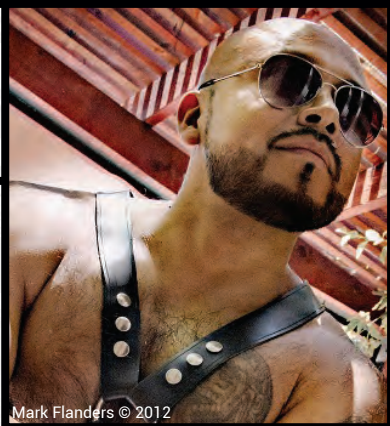
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A WORD FROM MARLON MORALES



Mr. Los Angeles Leather 2012

Words can't describe the extraordinary experience this year has been. I've traveled, made new friends, I am a better man, a better judge of character and I now play like the pros. I enjoyed this title. I took my smile and my furry ass and just gave the best of myself. I had tremendous fun in this sash. I did exactly what I set out to do, learn more about myself and leather, enrich our diversity, reinvigorate our community, produce some fun activities, support my brother title holders in their events, and become a better leader and volunteer in a fun, playful way. I found a sense of respect and value for my talent, and not just my sexuality but the right mix of sexy demeanor and raw passion to get things done. I've found the beginning of my leather family.

A fine group of men stood with me. A heartfelt appreciation to my mighty 2012 class: Shad Cruz, Andre Chambers, Neal Kenji Christensen, Tom Trafalet, Zac Rigo, Dave Faunce, and Tigger. I am happy to have made so many new brothers through IML. Thank you to the entire California contingent to IML and most especially Jessie Vaniel who showed compassion in some of my most challenging moments. I gained much strength and inspiration from his passion which have inspired me to live out my title long after this night. Together, we've kept the bond between San Francisco and Los Angeles strong.

I could not have done this without the men of the Regiment of the Black and Tans and The LA Band of Brothers. I also want to thank everyone at the Eagle LA for being my "home bar" and all the leather bars in LA who extended a warm welcome to me. Leo, Esteban and Ponce hold a very special place in my heart as they care for that handful of Payasos who are also leathersmen and the future leather men to come out of that club.

I have to say, I've shown my ass many times in my life, but I've never shown it among a better class of men. A year ago I said "you just haven't seen what I'm capable of yet" and to some extent you still haven't because I still have much more to do.

Thank you for being here for this part of my journey.

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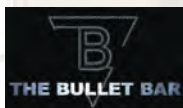
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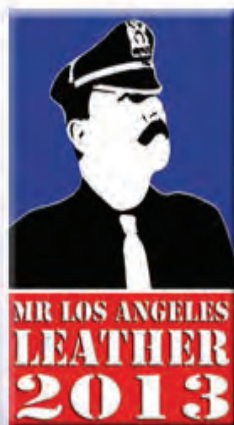
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Event of the Year

- DomCon LA
- Tom's Club
- Palm Springs Leather Pride
- The Assembly (2012)
- LA Fetish Pride
- Firehouse Chili Cookoff (The Regiment & Eagle LA)

Organization of the Year

- Bears LA
- LA Band of Brothers
- LOBOC MC
- Satyrs MC
- Threshold
- Tom of Finland Foundation

Person of the Year

- Riley Black
- Steve Ganzell
- Marlon Morales
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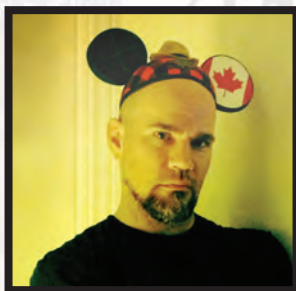


Don Mike

Don Mike began his leather journey back in 1999 when he first stepped foot off of a plane from Pittsburgh, PA. Since then he's been in the LA Boys of Leather, LA Pups, Avatar (the one with the perverts and not giant smurfs) and in 2010 he was Mr. Sister Leather. He is the current President of the LA Band of Brothers and has recently been granted Sainthood by the Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence and given the name St. Bernard of the Consecrated Canines. Along with his trusty pup, Niko, he is plotting world domination, which won't be much different than it is now except that things will be a little more fun and there will be snacks.

Jasun Mark

Jasun Mark is the disastrous result of what happens when you take a perfectly nice Canadian boy, allow Don Mike to take him to the Eagle and warp his fragile little mind. Jasun's day jobs include directing movies for Titanmen, blogging for GayDailyHot and removing his photograph from the walls of Post Offices across the country. In his spare time, he rides his motorcycle and listens to abrasive music. He's been married to his husband for 2 years, has 3 dogs and still manages to wear out the knees of leather pants at the rate of four per year. Since this is Los Angeles, he's probably sexted many of you pictures of his private parts. We promise to get someone more respectable next year.



Judy Tenuta Featured Contest Entertainment

Judy Tenuta is the most famous person who has ever lived...and if you don't believe it, just ask her. She has appeared in "The Vagina Monologues", "Menopause the Musical" and her own stand-up specials on Showtime, HBO and Lifetime. Judy is a Grammy nominee for her comedy CD's, "Attention Butt-Pirates", "Lesbetarians!" and "In Goddess We Trust".

A strong advocate for gays, children and women's issues, the fun-loving feminist preaches that all women should be worshipped as "Love Goddesses!" The "Aphrodite of the Accordion" has made guest appearances on "The View", "Late Show with David Letterman" and "Comics Unleashed".

This recently ordained minister converts her audiences to her signature religion, "Judyism" in her outrageous stand-up routine. She has appeared on General Hospital and has also produced and starred in her own film, "Desperation Boulevard" and costars with Bruce Villanch in the indie film, "Sister Mary". Judy just completed 2 independent films: "Going Down in LALA Land" and "Gibsonberg"..... so watch out, Meryl Streep!

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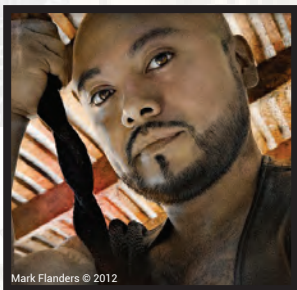


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Marlon Morales

Marlon realized at a very young age that he was not only gay, but also hardwired to push his limits and explore life deeply. He believes leathermen meet face-to-face, crotch-to-crotch and heart-to-heart, and as a result we live out a raw honesty that is vitally needed in our increasingly self-absorbed and alienated world.

To help Latino men overcome shame and guilt, he created "Me Asusta Pero Me Gusta," a Spanish language BDSM workshop for SELA, VOCES, and LUCES which are grassroots LGBT organizations in Hollywood and South East LA. He is helping increase diversity with culture and passion – elements of what "Latin-Leather" adds to the Leather Community.

On March 24, 2012, he won the Mr. LA Leather title and went on to place 4th at IML. His concurrent title was Mr. Regiment Leather 2012. During his title year, he focused on celebrating our own leather families and traditions. He is also known as Payaso Cipotin, a founding member of Payasos-LA. He is a member of the LA Band of Brothers and is a friend of Avatar LA and The Regiment of the Black and Tans.

At Liberty Hill – LA's public foundation for Change, Not Chaity – he raises funds to improve racial equity and economic opportunity for the most vulnerable in Los Angeles. He migrated to the U.S. from El Salvador and currently lives in Silverlake.



Jessie Vanciel

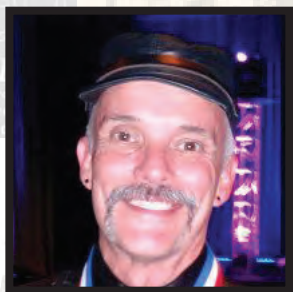
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Jessie Vanciel has known he was kinky from a tender age of 16. Since then he has played with all sorts of labels within the community from submissive, boy, to top, Daddy and Sir. He played and volunteered behind the scene for years before finding a home at the SF Citadel. There he was encouraged to explore different fetishes, kinks, and relationships to bringing his everyday skills into organizing and producing events, hosting a newbie munch, and helping with educational events at the Citadel. August Knight encouraged him to explore different groups and to step outside his comfort zone.

After competing in Mr. San Francisco Leather in 2011 and coming first runner up, he joined the SF Bay Area Leather Alliance helping with Leather Alley, working with multiple clubs for different events. In 2012 he competed again as Mr. San Francisco Leather and won. He has held Black Saturday Events at the Powerhouse every month this year, raising money for many local events and groups: LDG Fetish Faire, Dykes on Bikes, SF girls of Leather, Northern California Sir/Boy, RMSF Tenacious, just to name a few.

His fundraising has also helped support Making the Connection – a for gay men hands on educational program. He is one of the Mr. Friendly Bay Area Team which helps fight the stigma of HIV in our community. Jessie is currently the Vice President of the Leather Alliance and organizer of the SF Citadel Open Play Team, and Newbie Munch. If you need a place to call home or want to volunteer ask him about current opportunities. He loves his Leather Life and all it has to offer.

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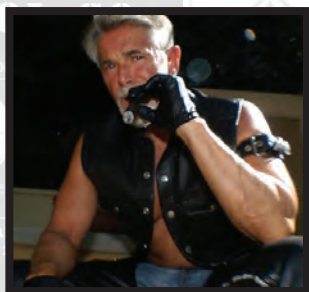
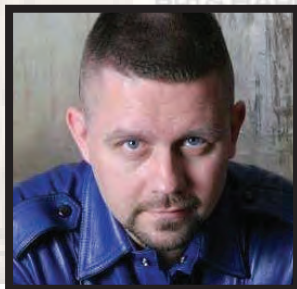


Stephen Blackwell

Stephen is very honored to be a judge at Mr. Los Angeles Leather 2013 this year, as it is the 10 year anniversary of his title. Stephen competed at International Mr. Leather in 2003 as Mr. Los Angeles Leather and won the title as 2nd runner up. Stephen was also a judge at IML last year, and at Mr. Palm Springs Leather 2 years ago, where he now resides. Stephen is a bartender at Spurline Video Lounge in Palm Springs, and a personal trainer at WorkOUT Gym Palm Springs. He is also an actor and has performed in numerous shows in Palm Springs including "Legally Blonde" playing the role of Kyle the UPS guy. While in L.A. he was very involved with the leather community serving on the LALC board, and was one of the founding members of the LA Boys of Leather. In Palm Springs, Stephen has mentored several men who have competed in the Mr. Palm Springs Leather contest. Stephen wishes all the men competing in Mr. Los Angeles Leather 2013, the best of luck.

Bob Johnson

Current president of the Michigan Band of Brothers. Held the title of Mr Los Angeles Leather 2006 and is also the last to hold the title of Gauntlet II Mr Leather in 2006 and was the LALC person of the year in 2007. Currently resides in Royal Oak, Michigan with his partner of three years, Jim Coleman.

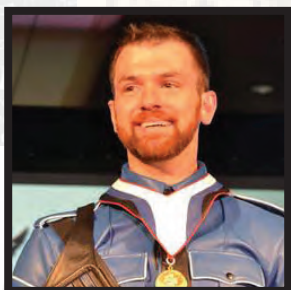


Mr. Dawson

Mr. Dawson has been active in the Leather Community for over 20 years. He was selected as International Mr. Drummer in 1989 and has been in demand as an MC, speaker, demonstrator and judge since that time. He was the keynote speaker for Leather Leadership Six and has presented at various leather events including Thunder in the Mountains, South Plains Leather, Southeast Leatherfest and Tribal Fire. He was awarded "2006 Mentor of the Year" by the Los Angeles Leather Coalition and was given the "Leatherman's Heart Award" at the 2007 Southwest Leather Conference. Most recently he was the featured speaker at the Mr. Leatherman Toronto speaker's series and was interviewed for an internet blog series.

Mr. Dawson is the past facilitator of the Orange Coast Leather Assembly and a member of AVATAR Los Angeles. He feels that it is up to each of us to educate those new to the scene. He aligns himself with Old Guard ideals and thanks those that have gone before him for his training.

MR. LA LEATHER 2013 JUDGES



Woody Woodruff

Woody Woodruff was born on a small farm in northern Michigan. He now resides in Waterford, Michigan where he lives with his partners, SIR Papa Bear (Current Great Lakes Leather SIR), and Bootblack Pup Itus.

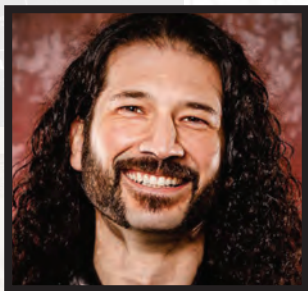
Woody has been a member of the leather community ever since that fateful night where he went astray from the farm, and happened upon an establishment known as the Ramrod, Ft Lauderdale; life has never been quite the same since. Woody is an accomplished vocalist and has used his talents to benefit the community by organizing and performing charity cabaret events at venues around the state and country. Proceeds from his efforts have benefitted the Mr. Friendly Campaign, AmFar, Ruth Ellis, HRC and many other local and national organizations, including "Beautiful", an organization encouraging individuals to simply be themselves; and is a founding member of the Michigan Band of Brothers. Where as he personally chooses these organizations as his benefactors, his main focus is to simply encourage people to find their own passion or "sound" as he calls it, and then to do something about it.

In 2012 Woody was the first representative from Michigan to win International Mr. Leather.

Garry is the Executive Director of the Long Beach Aids Foundation, and is also the current Vice President of the Satyrs Motorcycle Club - the groundbreaking club founded in 1954. Garry is a documentary filmmaker, and is currently working on a project about the Satyrs called The Long Road Forward. Garry has a long connection with the Los Angeles Leather Community, and is partnered to Jeff Wacha - Mr. LA Leather 2000. Garry is an active board member of Avatar Club Los Angeles, and was a co-chair of the Leather Leadership Conference Organizing Committee when it was held in Los Angeles.



Garry Bowie



Shad Cruz-Alternate Judge

Shad is Mr. SoCal Leather 2012 and was First Runner-up for Mr. Los Angeles Leather 2012.

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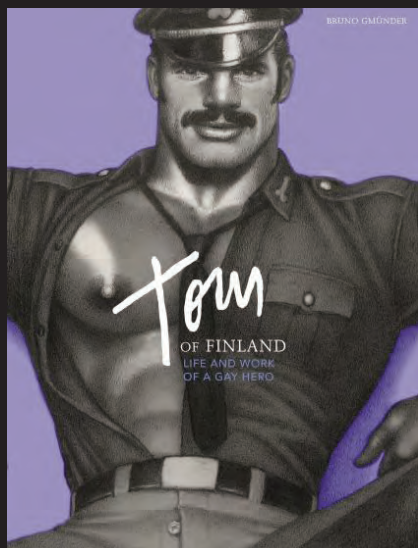
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