

Celebration

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June 17 Thursday

Well done Strap on your bib and grab the A.1 sauce. It's time for a tasty cut of 'Fresh Meat,' artistic director Sean Dorsey's juicy cabaret mignon. This annual Queer Arts Festival favorite is one of San Francisco's most entertaining and eclectic events — made all the cooler because the artists push transgender and queer performance boundaries to the limits. Hip-hopper Marcus Rene Van and spoken word artist Nafis MC a bill that features trans rapper Katastrophe; the Grammy-nominated, all-transgender Transcendence Gospel Choir; hip-hop wonderqueer JenRO; the break-dancing gals of Sisterz of the Underground; and a joint performance by Tina D'Elia and Prado Gomez. Pasties twirl as the Harlem Shake Burlesque and the Diamond Daggers titillate the crowd. This phenomenally queer evening is rounded out by tranny rockers Shawna Virago and the Deadly Nightshades; spoken word artists Julia Serano, Johnny Pratt, Maina Minahal, and Nedjula Baguio; Navarette and Kajiyama's tango dance; Sonya Smith and Christopher Love's aerial maneuvers; and Dorsey's own gender-fluid choreography. *Through Sat/19. 8 p.m., ODC Theater, 3153 17th St., S.F. \$15. (415) 863-9834, www.queerculturalcenter.org.* (Laurie Koh)

Delicious and nutritious: Queer and transgendered cabaret "Fresh Meat" features performances by, from left, Nafis, Sean Dorsey, Johnnie Pratt, and Shawna Virago, among many others. See Thurs/17.



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