# The New/letter of SAGE of South Florida September 2023

# SAGE CELEBRATES 29 YEARS



Please join us as SAGE celebrates its 29<sup>th</sup> anniversary at the sophisticated Anthony's Clam House & Grill on Sunday, September 24, 2023, for Cocktails at 12:30pm and Dinner at 1:00pm. See the enclosed flyer and reservation form for more details. Seating is limited, and reservations are filling up fast, so please respond quickly. You don't want to miss this incredible event!

SAGE of South Florida was founded in 1994 by a group of dedicated women and men determined to establish a viable organization that would serve the needs of the senior LGBTQ community of Broward and Palm Beach counties. Our stated mission has always been to enrich lives by "sponsoring social alternatives providing personal interaction, offering educational opportunities to deal with the special needs of aging, and promoting contact with the isolated and homebound persons of our community." Twenty-nine years later, SAGE continues to thrive as the premier provider of social and educational programs for the mature LGBTQ population of South Florida.

We commemorate our anniversary by offering our sincere appreciation for the vitality, enthusiasm, and dedication of all our members, past and present. We honor your unwavering support of SAGE of South Florida and its mission of serving our community during these past 29 years.



#### SAGE BIRTHDAYS FOR THIS MONTH

The SAGE Board would like to acknowledge the following members whose birthdays are this month as well as any other member whose birthday that we don't have.

If, when you renewed your membership or became a new member you did not give us your birthday, you may call the office and leave the information at 954.634.7219 or e-mail us @ sagesofl@gmail.com.

GINO BRANDIMARTE Sep-01 BRUCE WATTS Sep-01 DAVID GRIPP Sep-01 SUE CHARRON SER BOB ADAMS Sep-02 JANE KREINBERG SER JERRY ZYGMUNT Sep-02 THOMAS MCGRAW SER GERRY O'SHEA Sep-04 RAQUEL WHITE SER TERRY WILLIAMS Sep-04 CHARLES (CHIP) WINEY SER	irthday
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#### 10 Year Anniversaries

JOAN FRIMMER

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If you have had an anniversary with SAGE for either 5, 10, 15 or 20 years and you have not received your pin, please call the SAGE office (954.634.7219) to pick it up.

#### **SAGE OF SOUTH FLORIDA**

#### **BOARD MEMBERS AT LARGE**

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THE ROUND TABLE

Paul McNamara

This Co-Ed group, sponsored jointly with The Fort Lauderdale Prime Gentlemen, typically meets at the Pride Center and simultaneously online using the Zoom plat-

form to discuss contemporary topics and ideas from 2:30-3:30PM on the **fourth Monday** of each month. Sessions have a moderator who presents a brief background on the discussion topic chosen for the session. The session scheduled for **September 25, 2023** is **Two** Remarkably Different Countries: Singapore and Malaysia, presented by John Lloyd: After World War II the Malaysian Peninsula was a single backward rural country, but in the early 1960s Singapore broke away from Malaysia. John's presentation will explore how governmental decisions have caused the two countries to develop differently. He'll discuss how Singapore is now an international economic powerhouse, while Malaysia has remained a struggling rural country. **HELP NEEDED:** Although the group continues to thrive since its first meeting in 2016, the future success of the

group is dependent upon more members being willing

to assume leadership roles or deliver presentations. If

you are interested in contributing in these capacities,

please contact me via email at: polmac@aol.com.



#### SAGE Women's Lunch

Kathy Macchio

Every 2nd Wednesday of the month, the women of SAGE meet at the Chow Time Grill and Buffet, 6997 West Commercial

Boulevard, Tamarac, Florida, 33319, at 12:00 Noon. Here they meet, greet, eat, and converse on current happenings. No reservations are required. Contact Kathy at kmbadabing@gmail for more information.

#### SAGE CO-ED DROP-IN

Michael Gagne & Kathy Macchio

Ladies of SAGE, may we have your
ATTENTION PLEASE! Come to the Co-Ed
Drop-In. Kathy and Michael are your hosts,
every **Thursday at 3:00pm. Join the fun on Zoom!** It's
all user-generated content — Participants bring topics,
stories, and concerns to share or discuss. Check us out.
Schmooze, kibitz, see some of your old friends and make
some new ones. Check your emails from SAGE for the
weekly announcement and link to the meeting.

#### NOTES FROM THE MEN'S DROP-IN

**Jefy Gaines** 

It's September and I continue to appreciate air conditioning. Summer continues in South Florida. The month is mostly a Virgo Sun, which means we will be more



efficient, organized, and in control. And, be sure to check out our Wednesday Drop-In. SAGE/Prime Gentlemen Men's Hybrid Drop-In meets every Wednesday, 1:00pm to 2:00pm: In person at the Pride Center, Room 204, and via Zoom. Doors open at 12:45pm for a little extra "schmoozing." All are welcome. We officially start at 1:00pm, first with announcements and then some sharing about what's going on in our lives: movies, dinners, family, and feelings. We close with a little kibitzing and sharing some jokes. Sometimes comical, sometimes not so much. Moaning is permitted, but it's always good-spirited fun. So, come join us in person or on Zoom! Any questions can be emailed to Jefy at jefgain@aol.com, write "SAGE of South Florida" in the subject line.

#### SAGE ON THE BORDER/ ALTERNATIVES (SOBA)

Jean Arthurton

This Co-Ed discussion group meets **LIVE and IN PERSON** every Monday at 11:00am at the Volen Center, 1515 W. Palmetto Park Road, Boca Raton, subject to COVID safety precautions and requirements.

Watch your email for the weekly eblast announcement. Everyone is welcome. No reservations are required.

#### SAGE NIGHT OUT

Ed Slough

Join us on WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27th, when SAGE is having an informal dinner at Tropics Grille, 2000 Wilton Drive, Wilton Manors. Drinks and cocktails will be from 5:00pm to 5:30pm, with "Happy Hour" prices



at the bar, and dinner at 5:30pm. Tropics has offered SAGE

all dinners at half-price on Wednesday for **SAGE** and our guests only to make the evening less crowded and to provide better service than is possible on their normal half-price Mondays. You need not be a SAGE member to attend. All are



welcome, including our friends from Prime Gentlemen. You can check out their menu at: https://tropicsgrillefl.com/menu/.

This is an event for friends to get together and celebrate the ability to socialize in person once again. It should be a good time for all. Please email me to let me know if you plan to attend so I can give Tropics a heads-up. My email is: <a href="mailto:wildhybrid@aol.com">wildhybrid@aol.com</a>. Thanks!

All (including men) are welcome!

# SAGE Meet-Up at Black Rock Bar & Grill













For up-to-date news and information about SAGE, follow us on Facebook: SAGE of South Florida, Inc.

View more photos by visiting the Photo Gallery at our Website: www.sagesofl.org

# SAGE on the Border/Alternatives (SOBA) at the Volen Center



### **SAGE/Prime Gentlemen Monthly Movie at the Pride Center**





### SAGE Lunch & Learn at the Skolnick Center





#### **SOCIAL LITES**

Sal Orlando

I'm still counting down to the end of summer. Three more weeks, hooray! Soon after, the weather starts to cool and, the best part, humidity starts dropping.



This past month we had a fantastic time at Las Vegas Cuban Cuisine on Oakland Park Boulevard on the 24th. The place is so nice and accommodating, the service wonderful, and the dinner delicious. This establishment is family owned and has been open for years. They make SAGE feel so special. What a great venue!

Surprise, Surprise! This month, I have a treat for all of you. We're having two events. First, on **Thursday, September 14th**, after a long hiatus, **SAGE** returns to **Ferdos** on Federal Highway, a fabulous Mediterranean restaurant. We start off with wine and mingling at **5:30PM**, followed by dinner at **6PM**. The place looks so exotic and fun, the Management and Staff couldn't be any nicer, and the food is to die for. Jim and I go there frequently. I adore their chicken kabob platter.

For SAGE's 29th Anniversary Gala on Sunday, September 24th, by popular demand, we are going to Anthony's Clam House and Grill, on Commercial Boulevard, a fabulous Italian Restaurant. What more can I say about Anthony's? It is a favorite by many of our members. I can't get enough of their fried calamari, the best I've ever had. We have frequented it many, many, times. There will be cocktails and mingling at 12:30PM (served at Happy Hour pricing, just for SAGE members, at table only), followed by a meal you won't soon forget. The Cash Bar includes \$10 bottomless Mimosas & Bloody Mary's. You'll never forgive yourself if you miss this one.

Save the Date: Next month, we return to non-other than The Ambry for Oktoberfest on Tuesday, October 24th, for cocktails and conversation at 5:30PM, followed by dinner at 6PM.

As you all know, member pricing for our events is partially subsidized by **SAGE**, and will continue to do so. But, in lieu of the current out-of- control inflation, venues are forced to raise their prices considerably, some as much as 1/3 more.

Fortunately, **SAGE** recently and most graciously received a very generous donation to be used to subsidize **SAGE's** monthly events, Therefore, member pricing which began May 2023 subsidies will be more substantial allowing us to partially offset the inflationary spikes occurring at this time. As always, it's not fair to our members, that nonmembers should be partially subsidized also. Therefore, nonmember pricing will reflect the total cost paid to the venue by **SAGE**, plus entertainment and other expenses, if any, for each event.

**Please Note:** There is a reason for **SAGE** to have a reservation cut-off date and time for each event. Therefore, no reservations will be accepted after such time.

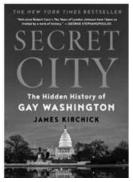
Those of you who would like to sit together at one of our events, please arrive early and at the same time, or wait for one another before checking in, so your party will be able to sit at the same table.

As always, for ongoing activities, consult your **SAGE** Calendar for meeting times and places.

Ciao for now!

#### SAGE BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

In **Secret City** by **James Kirchick**, prepare to embark on a mesmerizing journey through the enigmatic world of gay subculture in Washington, D.C. Unfolding across 654 pages, this enthralling tale takes readers on a wild ride, a veritable Agatha Christie-style whodunit, where we ask: How did so many promising men in government meet untimely, violent ends?



From John C. Montgomery, the Princeton graduate and Finnish desk chief at the State Department who was found hanged in the nude from his bathrobe belt, to Roger D. "Denny" Hansen, the champion swimmer at Yale, Rhodes scholar, National Security Council appointee, and professor who met a tragic end in a friend's garage, the book uncovers a series of shocking suicides. Then there's Lester C. Hunt, the Army Reserve major turned senator from Wyoming, who was shot in the head in his own office while seated on a leather swivel chair. And that's just by page 226!

Kirchick delves into the dark history of a time when society shunned alternative desires, linking them to the "contagious sexual aberrancy" of the Red Menace. He exposes the powerful figures who had a hand in perpetuating discrimination and banishing those who didn't conform. However, amidst the harrowing tales, Kirchick highlights the resilience and adaptability of the gay community, which honed unique skills like espionage and high-level advising.

The pages of **Secret City** teem with anecdotes and revelations, drawn meticulously from F.B.I. files, interviews, and press clippings. As you flip through, you'll witness scathing indictments of the persecutors, some of whom were secretly grappling with their own desires.

The book's journey through the presidencies from Franklin D. Roosevelt to Bill Clinton reveals not only vital historical material but also intriguing trivia. For instance, who knew that "no comment" was credited to Sumner Welles, F.D.R.'s former under-secretary of state, who was ousted for trying to buy oral sex from two Pullman porters? Kirchick unveils an intriguing world where even political gossip and antics had an air of glamour and innuendo.

The Kennedy and Reagan years take center stage, with charismatic leaders tied to Hollywood and surrounded by gay courtiers. Kirchick peels back the layers of this fascinating era, even uncovering poignant moments like President Reagan's solemn statement after Rock Hudson's death from AIDS.

Secret City also serves as a Baedeker, guiding us through significant locations and landmarks that were pivotal in the history of gay Washington. But it doesn't shy away from its limitations, largely focusing on the experiences of white male members of the community.

As you immerse yourself in this luxurious and slow-rolling Cadillac of a book, you'll find it best savored at the violet hour with a snifter of brandy, surrounded by the nostalgic charm of a wood-paneled library. The rich tapestry of midcentury best-sellers mentioned will transport you to another time, when the likes of Gore Vidal and Allen Drury make appearances.

While Kirchick might seem to lose steam toward the end of the book as the gay rights movement advances, *Secret City* remains a rewarding epic of a dark age, where the complexities and shadows of history are explored in riveting detail.

Given the book's length, the first portion — Roosevelt through Kennedy - will be discussed in September and the second portion — LBJ through Clinton - will be discussed in October. Please consider joining the SAGE Book Group on Saturday, September 9, 2023, at the Stonewall Library, 1300 E. Sunrise Blvd., Ft. Lauderdale from 11AM to 12 Noon — no reservation is required for this event.

#### FRIENDLY SUPPORT PROGRAM

We'd like to think we are not merely fair-weather friends, but people who really care about our SAGE family. If you know of any SAGE member who is sick, in the hospital, or would appreciate a friendly call or a note of cheer, please contact:

Michael Vita - 786.586.4286

#### SAGE MEMBERS IN NEED

If you are a Senior, or a Care Giver, who needs information or referral services regarding assistance with Activities of Daily Living, please contact the ADRC (Aging and Disability Resource Center), part of the Area Agency on Aging:

In Broward County – 954.745.9779 In Palm Beach County – 561.684.5885

Website: adrcbroward.org Website: aaapbtc.org

#### BEREAVEMENT GROUP

After the funeral, grieving gets intense and lonely. Free LGBT Bereavement Group helps to manage the waves and tsunamis of grief. For days, time, and location contact:

Rev. Dr. Anne Atwell – 954.462.2004x208 <u>Anne@sunshinecathederal.net</u>

#### SAGE EMERGENCY FUND

The SAGE Emergency Fund was established to assist LGBTQ Seniors (55 years or older) who have experienced unexpected financial hardship. Households with incomes below the federal poverty level are eligible to apply for a one-time grant (up to \$1,000.00) of financial assistance for medical needs, rent/mortgage payment, utility charges, or transportation costs. The Fund is administered by the SunServe Senior Services Department. For more information, contact **SunServe at 954.764.5150.** 

#### **Friendly Visitor Program**



We refuse to be invisible

SAGE USA is collaborating with Sunshine Cathedral to establish a Friendly visitor program for LGBTQ+ older adults. The program links a volunteer with an LGBTQ+ older adult who would benefit from additional meaningful connections in their lives. The volunteer visits the participant weekly for 1-2

hours and speaks to the participant by phone between visits. If you or someone you know is interested in volunteering, participating, or seeking more information, contact **Mitchell Zahn, Program Coordinator**, at **646.568.9354** or by email at mzahn@sageusa.org.

#### **SAGE LUNCH & LEARN**

Lunch and Learn is held the **first Saturday of the month, 12:30pm**, at the Herb Skolnick Community Center. **RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED. Please see the enclosed flyer for more information.** 



#### **SAGE Health Tips**



Gene Majka, APRN

Welcome. If you have a topic, comment or questions, please send an email to sagesofl@gmail.com.

#### To P or Not to P...

Urinary incontinence becomes a serious problem for seniors. Research has shown that 25% of seniors will have short-term or long-term problems with incontinence. The financial cost in the United States is over 20 BILLON dollars.

Seniors' incontinence is associated with many interacting factors including chronic conditions such as diabetes and Parkinson's. Anyone dealing with a stroke, cognitive impairment, aging urinary tracts, urinary infections, cancer, prostate enlargement, weak pelvic floor muscles, menopause, and mobility impairment may be susceptible. Other causes are prescription drugs (heart and blood pressure medications) and OTC medications (antihistamines, decongestants, antacids), caffeine (including chocolate and tea), alcohol, and constipation.

#### **Four Types of Incontinence**

- 1. *Stress incontinence* is present in 35% of seniors and common in women. This is involuntary leakage due to increased bladder pressure from sneezing, laughing coughing, or heavy lifting.
- 2. Urge incontinence affects 60-70% of seniors. This is leakage of large amounts when the toilet is not available in time.
- 3. *Overflow incontinence* occurs in 10-15% of seniors. A bladder obstruction may cause the release of urine without warning.
- 4. *Functional incontinence* occurs for 25% of seniors who are primarily in institutions. Cognitive issues, mobility issues, poor vision, and hearing, may interfere with the ability to reach the toilet.

#### **Diagnosis**

Patient history and physical examination are required to determine the type of incontinence. Laboratory tests may be ordered. A daily bladder diary may be required, documenting fluid intake, bathroom trips, and instances of incontinence. Special testing may be ordered to evaluate bladder function.

**Treatment** 

- Lifestyle changes such as fluid intake monitoring, regular toilet schedule, and healthy diet.
- Medications can be prescribed for an overactive bladder.
- Pelvic Floor exercises (Kegel) to strengthen those muscles.
- Catheterization for overflow incontinence.
- Surgical intervention for underlying problems.

#### Prevention

- Maintain a Healthy Lifestyle: Exercise (that word again); eat a recommended balanced diet; and get adequate hydra tion.
- Avoid Bladder irritants: Try to limit caffeine and spicy foods.
- Kegel exercises:

For Men: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AAs0LWXASDs

For Women: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v9TzFy69Nac

Awareness and prompt intervention: At the first sign of any urinary symptoms contact your PCP, ASAP.

There is no need for embarrassment about incontinence. Speak freely, honestly, and EARLY about your symptoms to your Primary Care Practitioner (PCP). Most cases of incontinence can be cured, treated, or managed.

#### **References and Resources:**

Seniors and Aging - Bladder Control Problems (Incontinence)

https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/healthy-living/your-health/medical-information/seniors-aging-bladder-control-problems-incontinence.html

Urinary Incontinence in the Elderly: https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC2925344/

Prevalence of incontinence among older Americans: https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/data/series/sr\_03/sr03\_036.pdf

National Association for Continence (NAFC): www.nafc.org
The Simon Foundation for Continence: www.simonfoundation.org

Urology Care Foundation: www.urologyhealth.org

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC): www.cdc.gov/continence

SAGE cares because YOU care about your health.
Please always seek advice from your physician/nurse practitioner (HP's).
Thank you to my Editor, Larry Dishman of Allen, TX.

#### SAGE of South Florida

### **Lunch & Learn**

September 2, 2023, at 12:30pm

# HERB SKOLNICK COMMUNITY CENTER 800 SW 36<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE, POMPANO BEACH, FL RESERVATIONS REQUIRED

*MEMBERS* - \$15.00 *GUESTS* - \$20.00

EVERYONE PAYS AT THE DOOR DOORS OPEN AT 12:15PM

Reservations MUST be made by 12:30PM on THURSDAY, AUGUST 31, 2023, BY SENDING AN EMAIL TO: sagesofl@gmail.com OR BY CALLING: 954.634.7219

A speaker from AARP (American Association of Retired Persons) will make a presentation.



If you arrive early, make yourself comfortable in the lobby and meet with other SAGE members and guests.

#### September Menu

**Dinner Rolls** 

Caesar Salad

**Roast Beef with Gravy** 

Mashed Potatoes

Vegetable Medley

Chocolate Cake

Catering By:





#### SAGE Celebrates its 29th Anniversary at Anthony's Clam House & Grill

2861 East Commercial Blvd. Ft. Lauderdale – 954-595-2104

Sunday September 24, 2023 at 12:30pm for Cocktails - 1:00pm Dinner

Cash Bar Includes \$10 Bottomless Mimosas & Bloody Mary's served at table only

Appetizer - Served Family Style with fresh Italian Bread & Butter Fried Calamari — Bruschetta — Caesar Salad

**Entrée: (Choice of One)** 

- 1) Chicken Parm Lightly breaded, topped with Marinara Sauce, melted cheese & served with Spaghetti
- 2) <u>Eggplant Rollatini</u> Served over Spaghetti
- 3) Fettuccine Alfredo Served with Shrimp
- 4) Penne Alla Vodka

Dessert: (Choice of One) Mini Cannoli or Mini Fruit Bowl All Dinners include Coffee, Tea or Iced Tea (At Table Only)

PRICING: \$25 @ Members & \$35 @ Non-members

(Member pricing partially subsidized by SAGE)

Reservations Close 1pm Wednesday September 20, 2023
No Reservations WILL BE accepted after this Date & Time

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Sage at Anthony's Clam House & Grill September 24, 2023

\_\_\_Members @\$25 \_\_\_Non-Members @\$35 Phone\_\_\_\_\_

Name\_\_\_\_\_ Entrée Choice\_\_\_\_
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Mail form and payment to:

SAGE at PO Box 70516, Oakland Park, FL 33307

For Credit Card Reservations - Call SAGE Message Line at 954-634-7219 - SAGE Sponsored Activity

#### SAGE DINNER AT FERDOS GRILL



4300 North Federal Highway Ft. Lauderdale 33308 954-492-5552

# Thursday September 14, 2023 - 5:30pm Mixer (Wine Bar Only) & 6pm Dinner Please Note that Seating is Limited to 25 Persons

#### **MENU**

#### **First Course**

Pita with Olive Oil

#### **ENTRÉE (Choice of One)**

- 1) Shish Tawook (Chicken Kabob) 1 skewer, rice, steamed vegetables onion/parsley mix/Garlic Sauce on the side
- 2) Shish Kafta (Chopped Beef Kabob) 1 skewer, rice, steamed vegetables onion/parsley mix/Garlic Sauce on the side
  - 3) Shish Kabob (Beef Kabob) 1 skewer, rice, steamed vegetables onion/parsley mix/Garlic Sauce on the side
  - 4) Shrimp Kabob with rice, salad and humus

#### Dessert – Lebanese Cake

Iced Tea included with your meal

PRICING: \$14 @ Members & \$21 @ Non-members Reservations Close 1:00pm Monday September 11, 2023

(A portion of Member Cost Subsidized by SAGE of South Florida)

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Entrée

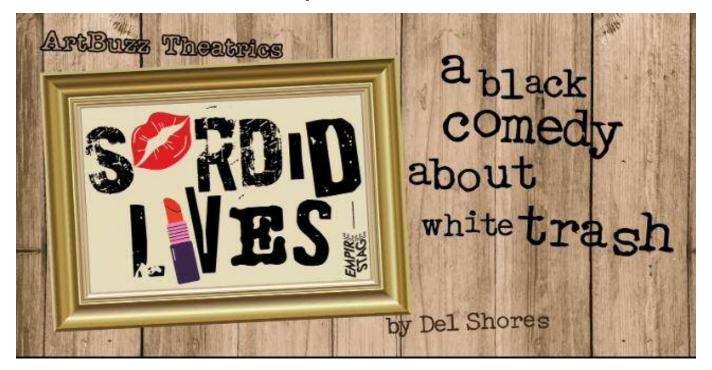
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# Join SAGE of South Florida

on

Sunday, October 1, 2023 at 5:00pm

for a performance of



The author of *Daddy's Dyin'* (*Who's Got the Will?*) brings you a comedy that was nominated for over 30 awards during its long run in Los Angeles. When Peggy, a good Chrisitan woman, hits her head on the sink and bleeds to death after tripping over her lover's wooden legs in a motel room, chaos erupts in Winters, Texas.

Sordid Lives was originally produced by Del Shores in association with Jeff Murray and Nicolette Chaffey for Theatre/Theater in Hollywood, California on May 11, 1996, featuring Leslie Jordan as "Brother Boy."



Empire Stage Theater 1140 North Flagler Drive Fort Lauderdale, FL 33304



**TICKETS: \$20.00** 

CALL 954.634.7219 BY WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2023 TO PURCHASE TICKETS.

# THE SAGE / PRIME GENTLEMEN MOVIE

Jim is a seventeen-year-old boxer in a small town. He is a golden boy, preparing for a fight that will elevate him to an early professional status. All bets are on his climb to success. But his father, Stan, is a demanding coach, and a notorious alcoholic. In the town, Stan is treated like a joke, but he has given everything to see his son gain professional status and escape the brutality of his small world. As Jim begins to rethink why he is figh 2ng his life tagles with Whetu, a razortongued, gay, indigenous boy who spends his days in an old shack down by the beach. With his dog Moimoi, he cobbles together a fragile glamour, and dreams of leaving town to become a musician. As Jim stumbles towards discovering what it really is to be a gay man, he is forced to see that strength has little to do with heroism.



The instant connec ②on bet weent heset wo young menis captured in this fill mandit conveys Ji m's combina ②on of existe ment and terror when heredizes this bnd could evolve easily into a romance. **Punch** realizes that when it's two guys in the ring — as sparring partners or as roman ②c partners—outside forces can take them down for the count. The s flling ho mophobia of s mall-town New Zealand permeates this hear ②et drama **Punch** is a tough, moving, and confident piece of filmmaking.



Pretty Boy is an award-winning coming of age story of a young bullied teen, Sean, struggling with his sexuality and the hardships of high school. After his father finds some ques ②onable magazines in his room this devout Chris ②an will go to any lengths to get his son to find the light and 'perform' the way a man should. Sean is taken to a motel for his 18th birthday by his father and given a pros ②tute He must sleep with her to "fix" his ques ②onable ho mosexuality. Obviously, the pros ②tute is onto himfrom the beginning, and winds-up

being a mentor. While Dad is in the parking lot wai ②ngi nt he ca, Sean and the hooker devel op at ouch ng rela ②ors h p*Pretty Boy* is a short film about confidence, finding an inner strength, acceptance, and being who you are meant to be.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023 1:30PM *at the* PRIDE CENTER FREE POPCORN and SODA