Intersections of genders & sexualities

National Queer Arts Festival showcases queer dance-makers

by Joe Landini

Fresh Meat 2006 presents The Fifth Anniversary Transgender & Queer Performance Festival (June 15-17 at ODC Theater): Wow, hard to believe it’s already been five years since this ground-breaking tribe of transgendered and queer artists first raised the roof at ODC. This year it’s a conglomerate of modern-day vaudeville led by transgendered author Kate Bornstein, who has written a new piece to help celebrate the anniversary. The program is definitely all-star, including MC Veronica Combs (liquidFIRE), Harlem Shake Burlesque, contemporary choreographer Sean Dorsey (Fresh Meat artistic director), rapper JenRO, Juba Kalmka (Deep Dickollective), hip hop MC Katastrophe, hip hop dancers Sisterz of the Underground and local tranny-rock icon Shawn Virago. These shows will sell out, and Fresh Meat has added a late-night show on Saturday.

Miguel Chernus-Goldstein of Fresh Meat.