

LESLIE/LOHMAN HOSTS *PASSION: LESBIAN VISIONS 2009*



B.J. Watkins,
Silver Light Per-
forming *FUCK* at
Leslie/Lohman,
July 14, 2009

"In seven short years and a miniscule budget, Fresh Fruit Festival has established itself as an important cultural event not only for the LGBT community but for the city itself. The Festival celebrates and supports the great talent and diversity of our community. It always seeks to branch out and embrace, cooperate, and partner with community artists, audiences, and cultural communities," says Carol Polcovar, Festival founder

The art exhibition *Passion: Lesbian Visions 2009*, hosted

by the Foundation and curated by the intrepid Heidi Russell, asked the question: "Who occupies post-modern Lesbos?" *Passion* explored the answers of nearly 50 artists working in nearly every media possible, although perhaps not elephant dung. One of the show's purposes was to reflect the viewer's passion with the sumptuous range of images wrought by the creative process.

To top it off, there were two special events: *Passions Ignite: An Evening of Performance Art* on July 14 and *Pas-*

sions in Prose: An Evening of Literary Readings. The exhibition ran from July 10 to 25 and was a testament to the ferment and excitement in the contemporary Lesbian art world.

The following artists participated in the Fresh Fruit Festival's *Passion: Lesbian Visions 2009*:

Prinny Alaví, Jeanine Alfieri, Michele Amatrula, Lillian Binder, Stephanie Bonvissuto, Theresa Brown, Christa Burkner, Cecy Canarte, Yoseli Castillo, Deborah Cherena, Felice Cohen, Maggie Cousins, Julie Crotty, Marge Doherty, Stefanie Dworkin, Ana Ferrer, Judy Francesconi, DRED Gerestant, giegia, Liz Gold, Rainbow Dee, Nora Karara, Joan Katz, Kerry Kehoe, Valerie King, Jill A. Kolodin, Rosita Librede Marulanda, Silver Light, Barbara Madsen, Judith Z. Miller, Lora Morgenstern, Jennifer Pawlitscheck, Carol Polcovar, Ann Post, Janet Restino, Felicia Reyes, Fran Ryan, Rose M. Santos-Cunningham, Caren Jo Shapiro, Gladys Sille, Chaney Sims, Rica Takashima, Fotini Vurgaropoulou, Whisper, Alina Wilczynski, YaliniDream, Heather Young, Ely Rosa Zamora, Lisa Zilker

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