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KQED CELEBRATES LESBIAN GAY BISEXUAL TRANSGENDER PRIDE MONTH IN JUNE
-- Three Local Hero Awards Presented at Ceremony on June 11 --
-- LGBT-related programming on KQED all month long --

San Francisco, California, June 2, 2008-- This June, KQED proudly celebrates the culture, history, and political and artistic expressions of the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender experience in the United States. This month-long commemoration includes special programming and an event honoring outstanding local leaders who have given their time, creativity, and passion to the LGBT community.

The special evening of recognition, hosted by KQED Public Broadcasting and Kaiser Permanente, takes place on Wednesday, June 11 at the KQED Broadcasting Center from 6 to 8:00 p.m. There will be live entertainment, a tour of KQED Broadcast Studios and an awards ceremony. The three honorees have been chosen based upon their commitment and contributions to their local communities and the Bay Area community at large.

The 2008 LGBT honorees are: Dr. Marcy Adelman (openhouse), Tita Aida (Asian & Pacific Islander Wellness Center), and David Cameron Strachan (Intersex Community Volunteer Activist).

KQED will feature over 40 television and radio programs that focus on LGBT themes and issues throughout the month of June. Highlights include:

- **Queen Rock Montreal** This special was recorded at the Montreal Forum in November 1981 – the first show was exactly 10 years to the day before Freddy Mercury's death. The band performs "We Will Rock You," "Pressure," and other hits.
Airs Wednesday, June 4 at 9:00 pm on KQED Public Television 9 and KQED HD.
- **Freedom Files: Freedom to Marry: Same-Sex Couples** As California courts overrule a ban on same-sex marriages, this timely episode features three couples who are part of a lawsuit in Maryland seeking to overturn state law that bars lesbians and gay men from marriage.
Airs Saturday, June 7 at 4:00pm on KQED World 9.3 / Comcast 190.
- **Rufus! Rufus! Rufus! Does Judy! Judy! Judy!** Singer Rufus Wainwright sets out to accomplish an unusual and audacious musical feat - to replicate, live on stage, Judy Garland's 1961 album "Judy at Carnegie Hall."
Airs Thursday, June 12 at 10:00 pm on KQED Public Television 9.
- **Spark** Profiles of Django Reinhardt, Sean Dorsey and Kerry Laitala include a visit with choreographer Sean Dorsey, who is carving out new space for transgender and queer artists in modern dance.
Airs Wednesday, June 18 at 7:30pm on KQED Public Television 9 and KQED HD.

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Program listings and descriptions for June can be found in the KQED Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender Pride Month Guide, which also lists Bay Area resources pertaining to the LGBT community. Look online at www.kqed.org/pride. For more information on digital channels and schedules, please check www.kqed.org/dtv.

KQED Education Network will also present a free professional development workshop for 6-12th grade teachers on June 10.

Tuesday, June 10, 2008, 5:30pm - 8:00pm

SF LGBT Community Center, 1800 Market Street, San Francisco

Bay Area Mosaic, in partnership with Ally Action, presents the film *Anyone and Everyone*, which tells the stories of nine families from diverse backgrounds sharing intimate accounts of how their children revealed that they are gay. A panel discussion follows the screening, and [refreshments](#) will be provided for all attendees. Presented by KQED Education Network, PFLAG, The Family Acceptance Project, San Francisco LGBT Center, and The Center for Lesbian and Gay Studies in Religion and Ministry.

RSVP by calling 415-553-2310 or emailing CommunityEngagement@kqed.org.

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