

THE LUNATIC FRINGE

Newsletter of the EXILES
SAN FRANCISCO

November Program:

Hands-On Introduction to Play Piercing



Friday, November 21, 2014

Center for Sex & Culture

1349 Mission St (between 9th & 10th), San Francisco

Doors open: 7:30 pm, Program: 8-10:30 pm

\$4 for members, \$10 for non-members

That's right, **hands on!**

Needles are a primal way to connect at a very deep level. There can be pain.. or not. There can be blood... or not. There can be submission... or not. But there's always a shared journey. First we'll talk, discussing motivations, goals, negotiation, safety, techniques, and creative ways to decorate, escalate, and satiate. Then needles will be available for supervised class participation. Bring a partner, or pair up in the class.

This class is targeted at those who don't have a lot of experience with needles. It's your chance to understand why we play with needles, and to give it a try yourself. If you're scared of needles, this is the perfect way to face and overcome those fears, and see what's hot about needles.

About our presenter: Marilyn has been active in the BDSM community since 1985. She is a sadist, a bitch, a mistress, and a control freak. She is a fat femme top who likes to play very hard, and has a special affection for slut masochists. She'll also bottom on occasion for very special very bad tops. She loves to teach, and adores public speaking...anything to have control over a roomful of people! She has presented at Black Rose, Ladyfest, Leather Traditions, Venus' Playground, IMsL, LLC, LLW, NWLC, Butch Voices, and the Exiles. She has been an Exiles officer for many years.

Program Meeting Information:

- All women (and those whose gender self-identification is other than male) over 18 are welcome.
- Members \$4; non-members \$10. Please have membership card or ID ready to speed entry.
- ASL interpretation is available on request. Please contact Lou at mzconductor@gmail.com at least three days in advance if you need an ASL interpreter, and one will be provided.
- Visit our website at www.theexiles.org for more information.

Staying Sharp- Knife Play for Everyone – October’s Program Review

October’s program delivered on all the hype of being a HOT program. The presenter, Karen (Estrella) shared her wealth of knowledge about knife play and presented four very hot demos on techniques for incorporating knife play into your scenes. Karen brought her twenty-five years of BDSM experience to the presentation including many years of knife play.

The demos included: cutting someone out of saran wrap and clothing; spanking followed by poking with a knife and drawing blood; rope bondage, white lining and vaginal penetration using a knife; and an interrogation scene that included various forms of knife play including heating the knife, white lining, slapping with a very large knife and scratching with a knife after application of a taser.

Between demos, Karen covered several areas about knives and knife play including basic safety and care of the knives including the different materials that knives can be made of, cleaning, sharpening and the different types of knives. She also covered safety for the top and bottom, especially when blood is present, negotiating knife play, and after care for both tops and bottoms. The audience also contributed to the shared information by offering their knife play experiences and comments.

This program drew a large crowd, about 50 people, including various levels of experience from newbies to very experienced. The program ran very long but not many attendees left.

Thanks to all who made the program possible including those who were the willing demo participants.

MS. SF Leather Contest

The MS. SF Leather contest was great fun! The MCs, Miranda and Miss Bethie Bee, were a riot and kept the contest moving along. Congratulations to Little Bad Daddy, the new titleholder (and Exiles member), and to Sailor the First Runner Up. Also congratulations and thanks to our very own Val Langmuir for doing an awesome job representing our community as MS. SF Leather 2013. Val deserves all of our thanks. But don’t say goodbye so fast, you never know when Val might show up for another contest! A big thanks to everyone who made the contest a huge success!



Val just didn't want to give up her sash!



Marilyn and Rio doing their part: Auditor and Tally



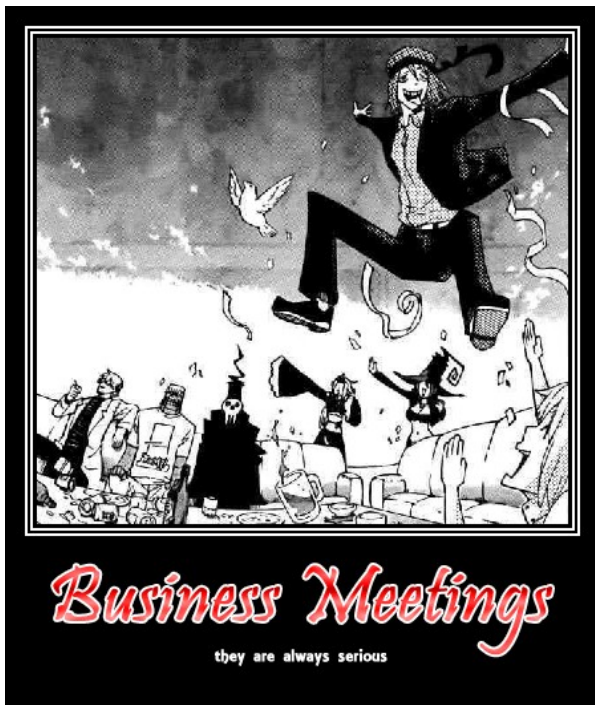
Little Bad Daddy, MS. SF Leather 2015, and Sailor, First Runner Up

The Exiles is Continuing Our Monthly Munch in the East Bay!

Come join us on the first Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m., at Rudy's Can't Fail Café at 1805 Telegraph Ave. in Oakland, next to the Fox Theatre. Rudy's serves appetizers and dinner and has a full bar. Look for us at the tables on the right when you first walk in. We welcome all women and anyone over 18 whose gender self-identification is other than male. You do not have to be an Exiles member to attend. Come spend some quality time with us!

The next munch will be Wednesday, November 5th. – We hope to see you there!!

Exiles Business Meetings



If you want show your support and have a say in how your club is run, please come to the business meetings! These are held on the first Sunday of each month from 5--7 p.m., alternating between the East Bay and SF. All members are welcome to participate.

The next meeting will be on Sunday, December 7th in the East Bay. Check the website for the location. Hope to see you there!

Minutes from past meetings

- [August](#)
- [September](#)
- [October](#)

Policy changes voted on at the business meeting

How the Exiles is run is described in two documents: the Articles, which define the basics of our organization, and the Policies, which describe the nitty-gritty of how we do things. Changes to the Articles require a vote of the membership – look for that in March. Changes to the Policies can be done at business meetings. First, the change is proposed and seconded, then it is published in the Fringe, then it is discussed and voted on at the next business meeting.

The following Policy changes were approved at the last business meeting:

- Program entry for members has been changed from \$4 to \$5. This will become effective after the first of the year.
- Free business ads are allowed in the Fringe for members. (Free personal ads are already allowed.) The ads must be for the member's business.
- Any proposals to the Exiles for programs or other things need to be in writing.
- We request 72-hour advance notice for providing ASL interpretation at meetings.
- The Steering Committee will meet once every calendar year. (The Policies used to dictate that this be in September.)

The full Articles and Policies can be found on the Exiles website. They will be updated soon to reflect the above changes.