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Cornucopia of Queer Films

If you haven't been to Quatrefoil in a while, you will be surprised to see the significant increase in the number of films available for members to check out. The collection of videotapes and DVDs now numbers over 2,500! They're all GLBTQ related, and range from classics like *The Children's Hour* (1961) to recent releases, such as *Brokeback Mountain*.

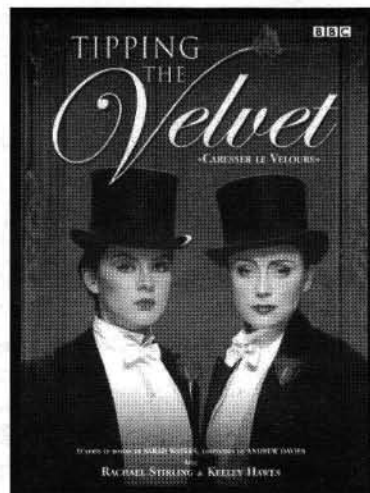
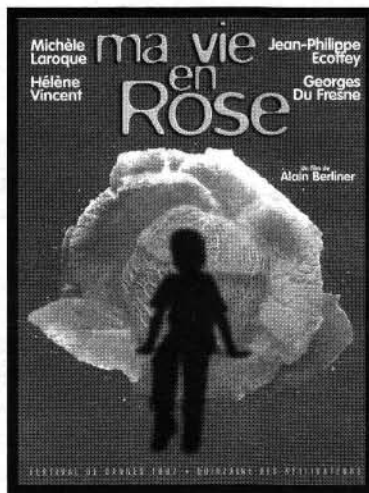
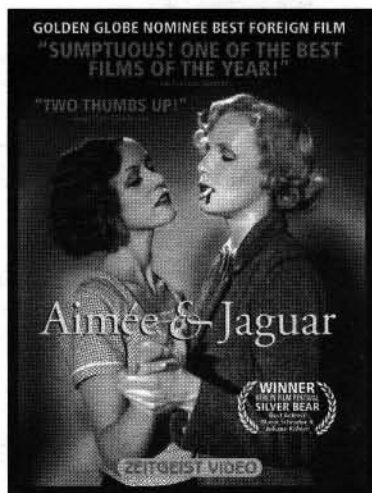
We've recently added many films both from targeted fund raising to purchase DVDs and from DVDs donated by members and friends of the library. The collection includes:

Documentaries such as *Before Stonewall*, *Coming Out Under Fire* (gays in the military), *Freedom to Marry* (same-sex marriage), and *Paris is Burning* (New York City drag balls), *The Times of Harvey Milk*, *In My Shoes* (stories of youth with GLBT parents), etc.

Lesbiana: *My Mother Likes Women*, *Fingersmith*, *November Moon*, *But I'm a Cheerleader*, *Lesbian Grandmothers from Mars*, *Fire, Go Fish*, *Watermelon Woman*, *Lianna*, *Peach*, *Tipping the Velvet*,

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Quatrefoil Library exists to collect, preserve, and share materials and information relevant to gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender and other sexual minority communities.

AIDS Awareness Event

World AIDS Awareness will be marked at Quatrefoil Library by readings from *Never Give Up: Vignettes from Sub-Saharan Africa in the Age of AIDS*. The book by Kevin Winge, director of Open Arms of MN, a meals on wheels program in Minneapolis, is a result of his many trips to South Africa working with the HIV community. Beverages and snacks will be served. The event is free but donations are welcome. Kevin will attend to answer questions about his experiences and the work of Open Arms. Copies of the book will be available. Please join us for *Never Give Up* at 2:00pm Sunday, December 3 at Quatrefoil.



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Tokyo Cowboy, Ultimate Lesbian Short Film Festival, Lost and Delirious, Sugar Sweet, etc.

TV Shows: *Queer as Folk, Six Feet Under, The L Word, OZ, Will & Grace, etc.*

Foreign Films: *Adventures of Felix* (France), *Danny in the Sky* (Canada), *Y Tu Mama Tambien* (Mexico), *Aimee & Jaguar* (Germany), *Campfire* (Belgium), *The Iron Ladies* (Thailand), *Madragora* (Czech Republic), *Yossi & Jagger* (Israel), *Facing Windows* (Italy), *Carandiru* (Brazil), *Arisan* (Indonesia), *Show Me Love* (Sweden), *Man of Ashes* (Tunisia), etc.

Unique Collection for Visually Impaired

Quatrefoil has a small collection of GLBT books available for people who are blind or visually impaired. The collection includes Braille books, audiobooks (in both CD and audiocassette formats), and a few large print books. If you know someone who might be interested in borrowing these books, please let them know about Quatrefoil and this unique collection. Although public libraries have books in these formats, they certainly don't have the GLBT titles that Quatrefoil does!

Wanted: Poster Fairy

Quatrefoil is looking for a creative, discerning individual to select posters to display in the Library. We have a large collection of posters in storage on a variety of themes: movies, authors, historic events, etc. We'd like to bring them out of the closet and onto the Library walls! If you're interested in helping, please contact Kathy either by email (quatrefoilibrary@yahoo.com) or phone (651-641-0969).

Annual Campaign in High Gear

The Annual Campaign is the most important way that your Library raises money to meet operating expenses, buy new materials, and add enhancements. The goal this year is \$20,000 and it is vitally important that this goal be met by our friends and supporters. The budget

is already lean, and with no paid staff, every dollar is spent carefully and with full awareness that this is a community operation serving all GLBT folks.

If you have not sent a response to the Annual Campaign, please do so soon. If your employer matches contributions (and employers love to match gifts to libraries), make sure to enclose the matching gift form. *And, thank you!*

Used Book & Video Sale - December 2

The annual Fall Used Book and Video Sale will be held on Saturday, December 2, from 1:00 - 4:00 pm at the Library. As always, the prices will be low and the selection of GLBT-related items amazing! This sale is a great way to enhance your personal collection, or to find gifts for friends and family.

Volunteer Work Parties a Hit!

Two "work parties" have been held at Quatrefoil, on the third Saturday in September and October. Volunteers have helped with a wide variety of tasks, while enjoying refreshments and socializing with other volunteers - yes, it's okay to talk in the Library! Tasks included sorting donations of books and periodicals, labeling newly cataloged books, and "plasticizing" (putting plastic covers on hardbound books).

Future work parties in 2006 will be from 2:00 to 4:00 pm on November 18 and December 16. Please come and bring a friend!

Transgender Films: *Soldier's Girl, Normal, Transamerica, Boys Don't Cry, I Am My Own Woman, Girls Will Be Girls, Gendernauts, Ma Vie en Rose, Myra Breckinridge, Southern Comfort, Trans Generation, etc.*

Minnesota Films: *This Obedience* (lesbian Lutheran minister), *Toilers and Wayfarers* (New Ulm boy's adventures),



Flowers From the Heartland (bouquets for San Francisco weddings), *Venus of Mars* (trans band "All the Pretty Horses"), *Homo Heights* (Lea DeLaria and

Quentin Crisp in Twin Cities romp), *Josh & Sandi* (local cable TV show), etc.

Plus many, many more that you won't find at Blockbuster or Hollywood Video stores! These films depict our lives with affection, insight, historical perspective, and humor. And then there's the erotic video collection - but that's for another article in a future issue of *The Quatrefoil*!

New at the Library

Here is a small sampling of books and DVDs added to the collection in the past few months:

Everyone's dead but us. Zubro, Mark Richard. New York, NY: St. Martin's Minotaur. 2006. Fiction Z93 .E92 2006.

Sons of the church: the witnessing of gay Catholic men. Stevenson, Thomas B. New York, NY: Harrington Park Press. 2006. BX1795.H66 S74 2006.

The naked & the dressed: 20 years of Versace. Avedon, Richard. New York, NY: Random House. 1998. Quarto TR679 .A94 1998.

Homocore: the loud and raucous rise of queer rock. Ciminelli, David. Los Angeles, CA: Alyson Books. 2005. ML3534 .C54 2005.

Lesbian love and liberation: The yes book of sex. Martin, Del; Lyon, Phyllis. San Francisco, CA: Multi Media Resource Center 1973 ARCHIVE HQ 76 1973.

A jade in Aries. Coe, Tucker. New York, NY: Random House. 1970. ARCHIVE FICTION C672 .J21 1970.

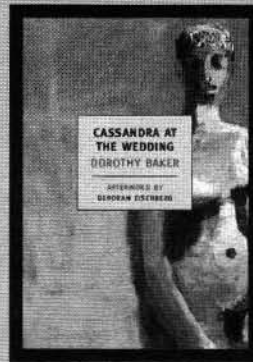
The night watch. Waters, Sarah. New York, NY: Riverhead Books. 2006. Fiction W3315 .N687 2006.

Costa Brava. Bernard, Frits. Amsterdam, Netherlands: Southernwood Press. 1981. Fiction B5183 .C837 1988.

The evolution of darkness: and other stories. Brown, Rebecca. London, England: Brilliance Books. 1984. Fiction B8797 .E92 1984.

Cassandra at the wedding. Baker, Dorothy. Boston, MA: Houghton Mifflin Company, 1962. ARCHIVE FICTION B1263 .C343 1962.

The wounded. Clarkson, Tom. London, England: Brilliance Books. 1953 ARCHIVE FICTION C595 .W938 1953.

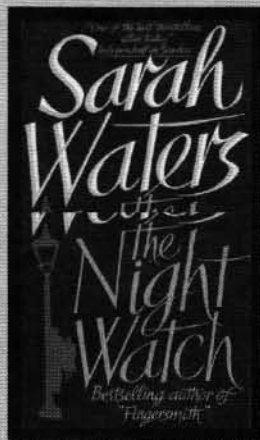


Sleight of deadly hand. Carpenter, Carleton. New York, NY: Black Walnut Books. 1985. Fiction C2952 .S632 1985.

Stations. Blechman, Burt. New York, NY: Random House. 1964. ARCHIVE FICTION B6462 .S797 1964.

Christ and the homosexual: (some observations). Wood, Robert W. New York, NY: Vantage Press. 1960. ARCHIVE HQ76 .W6 1960.

Up all night: adventures in lesbian sex. edited by Rachel Kramer Bussel and Stacy M. Bias. Los Angeles: Alyson Books, 2004. PS648.L47 U6 2004.



New DVDs

Margaret Cho - Assassin. Cho Taussig Production, Inc. 2005.

Ant - America's ready. Goldhil Entertainment. 2006.

Happy endings. Lions Gate Films. 2005.

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