

## Upcoming events

### Gay Men Read Books

Discuss interesting ideas with stimulating guys. Subsidies available for those who need them. Meet biweekly on Thursday evenings. Autumn season's book selection:  
*The Farewell Symphony* by Edmund White  
*-a lad, his lover, a Lord and stiff upper...lips.*

### GMDG

#### *Gay Men's Discussion Group*

Are you interested in joining a group of guys to discuss monthly topics? If this is you then please contact the Men's Wellness Program at 384-2366, or through our website.

Check out the Men's Wellness Program website at:  
[www.avi.org/men](http://www.avi.org/men)

For more information on any of these events please call 384-2366

### fruitFly

#### *the Men's Wellness Program Newsletter*

Join Matt & the gang. Artists, writers, designers, cartoonists, those with degrees in the Photocopy and Stapling Arts & everyone else welcome. Contributions encouraged.

### Dancers For Life

**World AIDS DAY.**  
 December 1, 2000. Canada's top dancers will be delighting Victoria audiences at this gala fundraiser at the Royal Theatre. Find out how you can help make this a fabulous success.

### Volunteers Needed

Volunteers needed for all areas at the HIV/AIDS Centre. For detailed description and other inquiries please contact Tathra Street at 384-2366 or [tathra@avi.org](mailto:tathra@avi.org)

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# COMING

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a forum for  
 all gay & bi  
 guys at all  
 stages of  
 coming out

Thursday  
 October 12

Open Space Gallery

510 Fort Street  
 (between Government & Fort St.)

7:30pm

\$3 by donation  
 For more info call 384-2366  
 or visit us at [www.avi.org/men](http://www.avi.org/men)  
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7:00

Doors open

7:30

Introduction & warm-up

7:40

Coming Out Stories

8:00

Small Group Discussion 1

*"The Basics of Coming Out"*

8:20

Break

8:35

Small Group Discussion 2

*"The Challenges of Coming Out"*

8:55

Small Group Discussion 3

*"The Ongoing Process of Coming Out"*

9:15

Break

9:25

Large Group Discussion

10:00

Door Prize & Evaluation

Tonight's event will be  
signed for the Deaf and  
Hard of Hearing

Great big thanks to: Stacy  
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for hosting, all the  
volunteers, Open Space  
Gallery for the safe and  
warm atmosphere and  
support, Dancers For Life  
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