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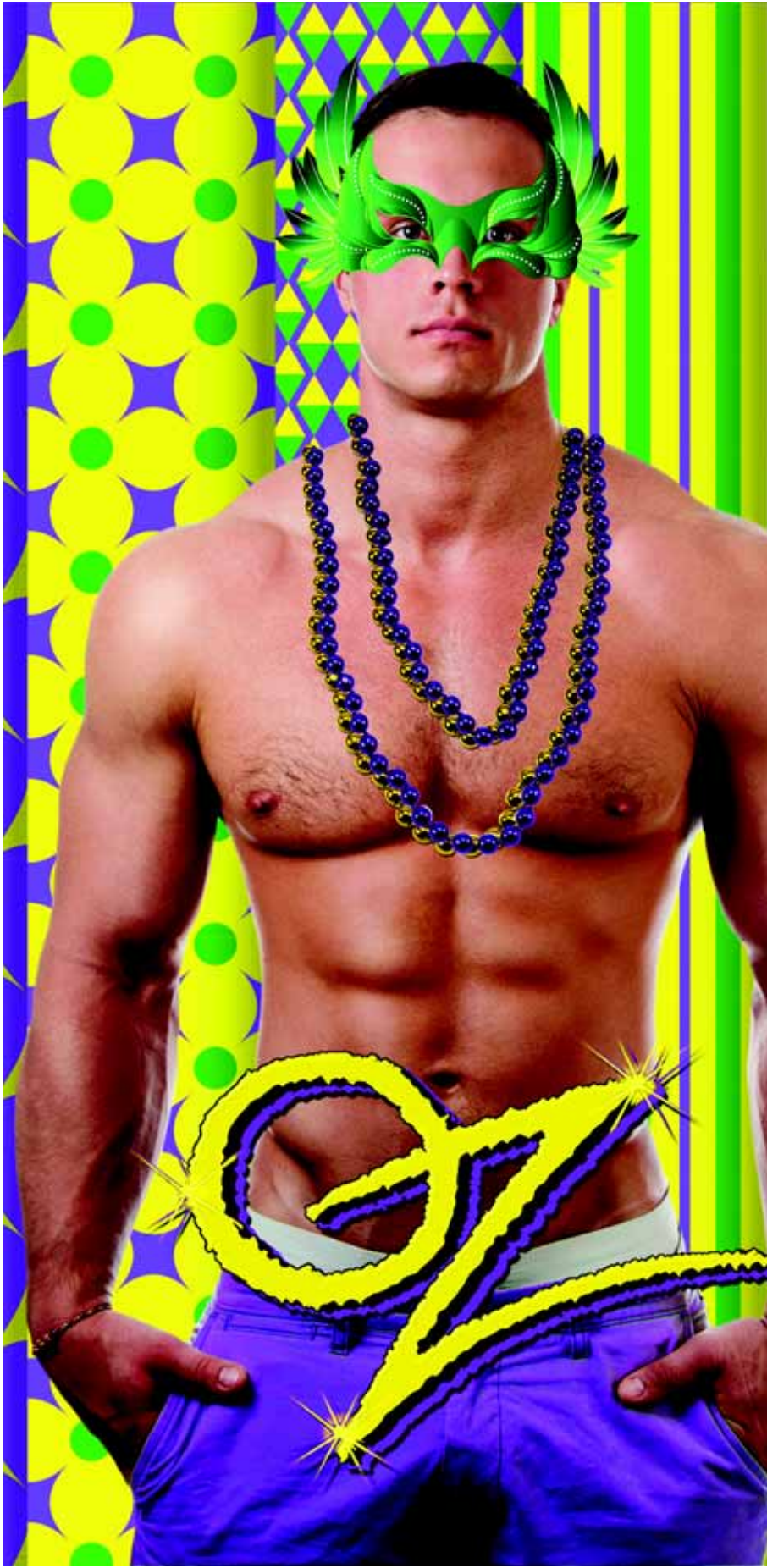
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Your Official Gay Mardi Gras Guide

Welcome to your 2015 Official Gay Mardi Gras Guide. **Ambush Magazine** is chock full of anything and everything available to tickle your Carnival fantasies! All star DJs, international and national drag divas, ultimate costume contests, hot male strippers, events, krewes, balls, sweetheart couples, food, shopping, and services are all at your fingertips. Enjoy your adventure!!!

Celebrating this 66th Gay Mardi Gras (www.GayMardiGras.com), these are some of the celebrations you don't want to miss include:

Friday, February 13

~7pm, Krewe of Narcissus Bal Masque One, New Orleans Healing Center, New Orleans

~9pm-12midnight, Friday Night Before Mardi Gras Extravaganza XVI: Puttin' on the Glitz, The Cannery, New Orleans

~9pm-2am, Lords of Leather presents Night of the Black Mask Beer Bust, Phoenix/Eagle, Elysian Fields @ N. Rampart, New Orleans

Saturday, February 14

~9pm, Krewe of Arminius Bal Masque XLVII, Frederick J. Sigur Civic Center, New Orleans

Sunday, February 15

~8pm, Lords of Leather Bal Masque XXXII, Alario Center, Westwego

MARDIGRAS (Fat Tuesday), February 17

~12noon, 51st Annual Bourbon Street Awards, sponsored by Oz & **Ambush Mag**, Corner of St. Ann at 800 Bourbon St.

~2pm - 28th Annual Official Gay Mardi Gras Bead Toss led by King Cake Queen XXII of Gay Mardi Gras Aubrey Synclaire as "Queen of the Opera" celebrating "Vienna: Beautiful, Gay & Gemuthlich (Cozy)," Ambush Mansion Balcony, 828 Bourbon St.

King Cake Queen Issues Official Proclamation

The King Cake Queen of Gay Mardi Gras XXII Aubrey Synclaire has issued the Official Proclamation for Gay Mardi

Gras 2015. Reigning as "Queen of the Opera" the edict reads, "Her royal Majesty sends greetings and announces with pleasure her invitation for all to gather from near and far and join in the many celebrations under the Rainbow Banner of Gay Mardi Gras leading up to the 28th Gay Mardi Gras Bead Toss February 17, 2pm, at the Ambush Palace, 828 Bourbon Street."



KCQ XXII Aubrey Synclaire
(Photo by Larry Graham)

Join the festivities in the streets as the Krewe of Queenateenas, led by KCQ XXII Aubrey Synclaire, tosses thousands of beads for the revelers below.

Oz & Ambush Mag host 51st Annual Bourbon Street Awards starring Bianca Del Rio, \$3,000 in Cash Prizes

The 51st Annual Bourbon Street Awards show, the ultimate costume contest, is set for Mardi Gras day,



Bianca Del Rio @ Oz
(Photo by Hubert S Monkeys)

February 17, 2015 at 12noon. Oz New Orleans (www.ozneworleans.com), as well as **Ambush Mag** brings us this fantastic contest.

Celebrity emcees will feature the talents of RuPaul's Drag Race Season 6 winner Bianca Del Rio and Oz's own Blanche Debris. This year the Bourbon Street Awards will present a special performance by Atlantic recording artist Katy Tiz live.

Award category prizes are worth a total of \$3,000! Categories include: Best Drag, Best Leather, Best Group and Best of Show with 1st, 2nd and 3rd places in each category. First place in each category wins \$500 cash. The Best Overall Costume, the grandest award of all, garners a whopping \$1,000 cash prize. Contestant registration begins at 10am at the rear of the stage near the Ambush Mansion.

In 2009, for the first time in 23 years, the contest actually took place back on Bourbon Street. Since 2002, Oz New Orleans has presented the contest on St. Ann at Bourbon. 2009 saw the contest outside Oz on Bourbon Street down from **Ambush** headquarters at 828 Bourbon. The awards were previously held outside of Cafe Lafitte in Exile on Bourbon until 1985 when it was moved to the corner of Burgundy and St. Ann outside of Rawhide in 1986.

The parade of costumes will originate down Bourbon at Dumaine passing both Cafe Lafitte in Exile and Clover Grill, the original site of the awards, heading past **Ambush** headquarters towards Oz at 800 Bourbon. (www.gaymardigras.com/bbb.htm)

The 51st Annual Bourbon Street Awards will be "The Best Free Show of Mardi Gras." It is followed at 2pm by the 28th Official Gay Mardi Gras Bead Toss at the Ambush Mansion.

Lords of Leather Bal Masque XXXII Features Bianca Del Rio

Rupaul's Drag Race Season 6 winner Bianca del Rio will co-host the Lords of Leather's Bal Masque XXXII on Sunday night, February 15 at the John A. Alario Event Center in Westwego. Sharing the microphone will be Mobile, Alabama TV personality Darwin Singleton. The theme for this year's production is "That's Entertain-

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ment!" You won't want to miss the show as Bianca and Darwin tell it like it is and the Lords present a spectacular lineup of costumes along with musical and dance numbers. Doors open at 7pm and the tableau will start at 8pm. Both balcony seating (general admission) for \$20 and limited table seating are available for purchase by visiting <http://www.eventbrite.com/e/bal->

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