

**RICK GERHARTER**  
**PHOTOGRAPHS COLLECTION**

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26 silver gelatin prints, matted size 16 x 20"

Arranged by date.

Rick Gerharter is a San Francisco based freelance photojournalist who has been documenting the LGBT communities since 1987. His work has appeared in numerous international and national publications, most regularly in the weekly newspaper, the *Bay Area Reporter*. His work is featured in the books: *Out in the Castro: desire, promise, activism* ; *Witness the Love: stories from the heart of the AIDS epidemic* ; *Gay by the Bay* ; and *Out in America: a portrait of gay and lesbian life* ; and appears in numerous other books, videos and publications.

This collection of 26 black and white images selected by the artist documents activities in San Francisco's LGBT community from 1988 through mid-1995. Many were shot on assignment for the *Bay Area Reporter* and capture the intensity and emotion of many facets of queer life, including AIDS activism, celebration, care-giving, sports, and visibility.

- 1    **January 19, 1988** Nancy Walker prepares to get chained to others to block the entrance to the old Federal Building at the AIDS/ARC vigil
- 2    **April 29, 1988** Carol Leigh (Scarlet Harlot), unidentified, Michael Ryan and activists from AIDS Action Pledge protest at Senator Alan Cranston's San Francisco office for his anti-gay Social Security vote
- 3    **January 31, 1989** Stop AIDS Now or Else blocks the Golden Gate Bridge in an AIDS Protest
- 4    **October 6, 1989** Police arrest protesters following an ACT-UP march; the Castro Sweep
- 5    **May 1, 1990** Joshi meditates at the Hartford Street Zen Center
- 6    **June 12, 1990** Timothy Rodrigues and Mike Eaton listen to speakers during public comment at the San Francisco School Board discussion of Project 10, a gay positive program in the schools
- 7    **June 16, 1990** Rocking out during Let It All Hang Out Day in Harvey Milk Plaza
- 8    **July 28, 1990** Andy Ilves and Tom Tymstone kiss during a Queer Nation kiss-in at the Powell Street cable car turnaround

- 9 **August 5, 1990** At the Up Your Alley street fair
- 10 **September 22, 1990** Queer Nation marches against anti-gay violence in the Castro District
- 11 **October 9, 1990** ACT-UP/Golden Gate blocking entrance to San Francisco's old Federal Building, demanding release of ddI, an AIDS drug
- 12 **November 6, 1990** Tom Ammiano celebrates his election to the San Francisco School Board as part of the "Lavender Sweep"
- 13 **January 15, 1991** Protesting Desert Storm, United States war on Iraq at the San Francisco Federal Building
- 14 **May 5, 1991** Spreading the safe-sex message, and condoms, at the Cinco de Mayo Parade
- 15 **June 30, 1991** The annual [San Francisco] Gay and Lesbian Freedom Day Parade
- 16 **March 20, 1992** Protesting opening night of *Basic Instinct* because of its homophobic content
- 17 **April 12, 1992** Nurse Isabel McCoy hugs Rita Rockett as she serves dessert at her monthly brunch in Ward 5A, the AIDS Ward at San Francisco General Hospital
- 18 **April 19, 1992** San Francisco activists stage a kiss-in at Sacramento's Capital Christian Center on Easter, protesting their anti-gay activities
- 19 **February 15, 1993** Van Lynn Floyd (right) kisses an unidentified friend during Bear Rendezvous Weekend activities at the Eagle Bar
- 20 **March 7, 1993** The Rawhide II softball team during opening day activities of the Gay Softball League
- 21 **July 20, 1993** in San Francisco at Federal Building protest against the military's "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" policy
- 22 **August 27, 1993** Transgenders dance at the Mother Lode Bar in the Tenderloin
- 23 **May 22, 1994** Candles left at the [San Francisco] Department of Health following the AIDS Candlelight March
- 24 **June 19, 1994** Dykes on Bikes lead off the annual [San Francisco] Gay and Lesbian Freedom Day Parade
- 25 **February 11, 1995** Gay Asian Pacific Alliance (GAPA) marches in the Chinese New Year's Parade
- 26 **June 18, 1995** Barbara Hughes (center) marches with her son and son-in-law in the PFLAG contingent of the San Francisco Gay and Lesbian Freedom Day Parade