

RESOLUTION NUMBER 61
The Sixth Annual QFest St. Louis

WHEREAS, the Sixth Annual QFest St. Louis, presented by Cinema St. Louis and Vital Voice, runs June 6-9 at Webster University's Moore Auditorium; and

WHEREAS, the St. Louis-based LGBTQ film festival, QFest will present an eclectic slate of 19 films, features (five narratives and five documentaries) and nine short subjects; and

WHEREAS, the participating filmmakers represent a wide variety of voices in contemporary queer world cinema; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the film festival is to use the art of contemporary gay cinema to illustrate the diversity of the LGBTQ community and to explore the complexities of living an alternative lifestyle; and

WHEREAS, Highlights of the festival include the St. Louis premieres "I Am Divine," director Jeffrey Schwarz's new documentary about the infamous female impersonator who was director John Waters' muse; and actor/director James Franco's provocative documentary "Interior. Leather Bar," which is a reimagining of some X-rated footage cut from director William Friedkin's 1981 thriller "Cruising." Other high-profile films include the Sundance drama "I Do" with Jamie Lyn Siglar ("The Sopranos") and the hilarious teen coming-out comedy "G.B.F." (i.e., gay best friend) from director Darren Stein ("Jawbreakers"), which premiered at the recent 2013 Tribeca Film Festival and stars Megan Mullally ("Will & Grace"), Michael Willet ("The United States of Tara"), Paul Iacono ("The Hard Times of RJ Berger"), and Natasha Lyonne ("American Pie").

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to recognize the Sixth Annual QFest St. Louis and we further direct the Clerk of this Board to spread a copy of this Resolution across the minutes of these proceedings and to prepare a commemorative copy to the end that it may be presented at a time and place deemed appropriate by the Sponsor.

Introduced on the 7th day of June, 2013 by:

Honorable Shane Cohn, Alderman 25th Ward

Adopted this the 7th day of June, 2013 as attested by:

David W. Sweeney
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

Lewis E. Reed
President, Board of Aldermen