

QUEERUPTION INFOZINE:

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MAKE MASTER PAGES FOR  
PRODUCING YOUR OWN  
INFOZINES.

INSTRUCTIONS FOLLOW.

This is a zine made of two double-sided 8.5 x 11" pages. Here's how to assemble it:

First double-sided page: xerox on both sides so that if you hold up the page to the light looking at "queer infozine" in the bottom right corner, the page with white birds and "fierce" lines up with it on the other side. Fold into four so that it makes a little booklet with "queer infozine" on the cover and the cop on the back page.

Second double-sided page: xerox on both sides so that if you hold the page up to the light looking at the banner on page 5 with "queer mutiny" on it, the top left corner of the "Queeruption VI" centerfold (the beginning of the Queeruption banner) lines up with it on the other side. Fold into four so that it makes a little booklet with page 4 ("GROW") on the cover and page 7 (scissors) on the back page.

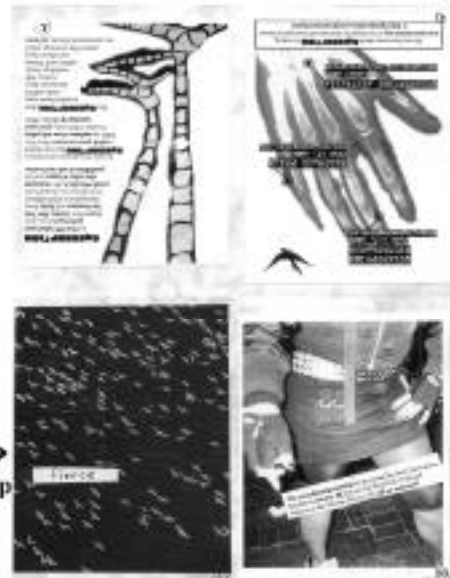
Nest the second booklet into the first. Cut the first (outer) booklet along folds at top and bottom so the pages can open, but not all the way to the middle so they still hold together.

Yay! You have a zine!

First double-sided page:  
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Second double-sided page:  
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The infotone was put together by Alben and Hulseus, January 2004. Most images are from street art, flyers, and zines found in San Francisco's Mission District. Many thanks to all the artists -- those we know and those we don't. This zine is antipatent. Please distribute free and wide.



The first **QUEERUPTION** happened in the Spring of 1998, when about a hundred queers spent a weekend together in a squatted building in South London. The goal of the organizers was to make a politically inspiring and educational gathering that was open to all, and was about us all taking initiative, creating and participating, instead of just consuming, a lifestyle sold to us.

Since then, **QUEERUPTION** gatherings have happened in New York, San Francisco, London again, and Berlin. In London and Berlin, Queeruption took place in a single location where everyone who wanted to could live together communally.

In San Francisco and New York, the gathering was spread throughout the city space, with events, meals, and accommodation in different locations. In London it was possible to squat a building, use it for one week, and then exit, leaving it once again an anonymous, unused space.

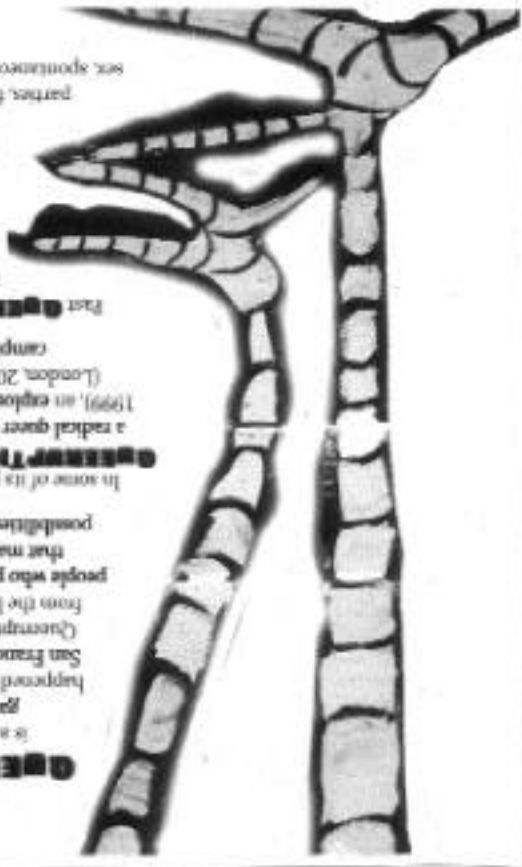
In New York and San Francisco, queeruptors were welcomed into a variety of venues, including warehouse collectives, clubs, art galleries, infoshops, an alternative college campus, and individual homes. In Berlin, the political crackdown on squatting made it impossible to house everyone together centrally, so the gathering was held outside of the city on squatted land.

**QUEERUP TION** is a free DIY radical queer gathering that has so far happened in London, New York, San Francisco and Berlin. Every Queerup tion is a little different from the last one, shaped by the people who plan it, the community that makes it happen, and the possibilities of each new location.

In some of its previous incarnations, **QUEERUP TION** has been dubbed a radical queer encounter (New York 1999), an explosion of sex and politics (London, 2002), and a great queer camping trip (Berlin, 2003).

Last **QUEERUP TION** has included shared vegan meals, political discussions, direct actions, skills workshops, hands, spoken word, drumming and cabaret, dance parties, film screenings, radical sex, spontaneous parties, and more.

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You can learn more about **QUEERUP TION** by visiting [www.queerup.tion.org](http://www.queerup.tion.org) or by joining the International Queerup tion listerv at <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/queerup.tion>



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The next planning meeting for upcoming Bay Area Queerup tion benefits is January 19, 7pm at City Blend Cafe (16th and Valencia in the Mission District, SF). All are welcome!!

**QUEERUPTIONS** are active and support each other in a wide variety of political projects, including **Black Laundry** (queers against the Israeli occupation), **Gayten-LGBT** (queer safety, visibility, and solidarity in Serbia), **Anarchist People of Color** (building a revolutionary anarchist people of color movement), **Queer Mating and Gay Shame** (creating queer alternatives to political apathy and cultural conservatism), **Indymedia** (international, community-based alternative media), **Paper Tiger TV** (challenging and exposing corporate control of mainstream media), **Women on Waves** (providing safe, legal abortions in countries where it's illegal), **PISSR** (trans rights campaign to legalize unisex public bathrooms), the **Noborder Network** (opposing border fascism in the EU), **Disarm DSEI** (protesting Europe's largest annual arms fair), and numerous campaigns against the propagation of state terrorism, economic globalization and wars without end.



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[www.gayshames.org](http://www.gayshames.org)

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[www.legalvoices.org/apoc](http://www.legalvoices.org/apoc)

[www.womenonwaves.org/index\\_eng.html](http://www.womenonwaves.org/index_eng.html)

[www.blacklaundry.org](http://www.blacklaundry.org)

[www.noborder.org](http://www.noborder.org)

[www.papertiger.org](http://www.papertiger.org)

[www.dseil.org](http://www.dseil.org)

[www.gay-serbia.com/gayten\\_light](http://www.gay-serbia.com/gayten_light)

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OUR HOME**

**QUEERUPTION** is a DIY event in that every person who attends is ideally a participant, whether that means cooking, performing, making a workshop, doing first aid, planning a political action, or helping to clean up when the party's over.

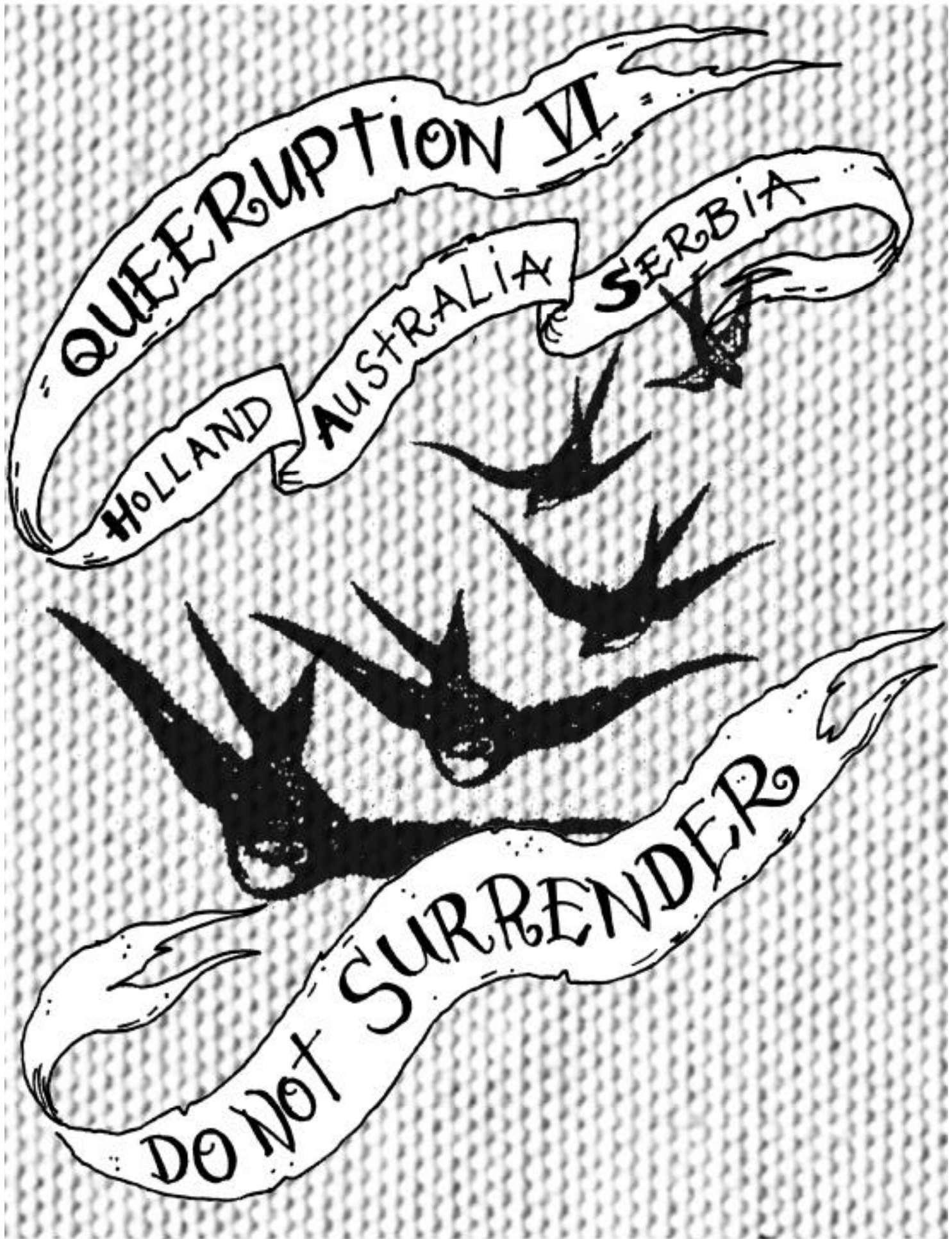
**QUEERUPTION** gatherings are free and donation based. No one who organizes, performs, screens a film, or makes a flyer for the gathering is paid, and no one is turned away from any event or accommodation for lack of funds. As much as possible, space, meals, materials and equipment are acquired by donation and innovation – but some aspects of the gathering inevitably cost money.

The next **QUEERUPTION** is planned for Holland, June 1 to 7 2004, followed by one in Australia in early 2005. A related queer gathering is also being planned for Serbia in July of 2004. The money raised by the Bay Area Queerruption benefits will help provide the space, meals, materials, and equipment for these gatherings. Money will also go toward a travel fund for queers from non-EU (i.e., economically sanctioned) Eastern European countries.



**GROW**

While some gatherings have been more communal and others more spread out, some held in the city and others rural, the overall effect is one of building radical queer community both within the local scene and internationally. Ongoing discussions within the community include topics of race, class, and cultural exclusivity, ablation, gender binarism/transphobia, and the reproduction of oppressive sexual norms within radical communities. These topics are of central concern for many of us in our personal lives as well as in the political sphere, and they also coe up within the context of **QUEERUPTION** itself. As a community, in an evolving way, we are grappling with these issues.



QUEERUPTION VI

HOLLAND

AUSTRALIA

SERBIA

DO NOT SURRENDER