## "RISE UP WITH THE SISTERS!"

## SAN FRANCISCO SISTERS OF PERPETUAL INDULGENCE ANNOUNCE 2021 EASTER CELEBRATION ONLINE

The Sister's highly anticipated Easter celebration to be broadcast live on Twitch this year!

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE** -- **San Francisco, California,** March 4, 2021 — The Sisters' annual Easter In The Park will be a virtual celebration, once again partnering with the SF Queer Nightlife Fund and Folsom Street Events. This year's theme "Rise Up With Sisters" hopes to inspire viewers as we emerge from the turmoil and darkness of the past four years. The highlight of the 2-hour event will be the annual Foxy Mary and Hunky Jesus contests. The Sisters invite anyone and everyone in the 50 United States who "feels the Spirit" to submit their holy inspiration for review. A group of highly judgmental Sisters, including Sister Roma and Sister Dana, the event hosts for more than two decades, will peruse the entries and present their favorites live on Twitch.

The celebration will be hosted by RuPaul's Drag Race alum and trans activist Honey Mahogany and Bay Area Activist and Drag King Alex U. Inn. The program will include electrifying performances from some of the city's favorite entertainers, blessings from Sisters around the world, and a very special surprise announcement and auction that is guaranteed to raise spirits and funds for the Sisters' Grant Program.

The live show will broadcast from the newly acquired Folsom Street Events Studio, produced by the team from the SF Queer Nightlife Fund. Tune-in on Twitch (https://www.twitch.tv/sfqueernightlifefund) on Easter Sunday, 04/04, from 1pm to 3pm.

The Sisters' annual free anniversary celebration, "Easter In The Park", historically attracts more than 10,000 revelers to Dolores Park every year. The Hunky Jesus Contest has become one of San Francisco's most anticipated and beloved contests featuring contestants who bring their imaginative and outrageous interpretations of the religious icons to the stage, all vying for the coveted crown.

"We're so lucky to partner with the incredible teams at Folsom Street Events and the Queer Nightlife Fund. I mean, is it really even Easter without Hunky Jesus? The answer is no," says Sister Roma. "Contestants should know that San Francisco audiences are smart, sophisticated, and have a very twisted sense of humor," adds Sister Dana. "You can't just be HUNKY or FOXY to win the title."

Past winners of the Hunky Jesus Contest include "Viva Las Jesus" an Elvis interpreter with a pompadour and jewel encrusted leisure suit who opened his hands to allow a red glitter stigma to flow onto the stage and "Refu-Jesus," a Puerto Rican Jesus who came out and pelted the crowd with rolls of paper towels from the stage. The Sisters hope to see this kind of creativity and brilliance in their online contest.

## **HOW TO JOIN THE CONTESTS:**

For the Foxy Mary/Hunky Jesus contest:

- Send us two photos in good quality and a short bio describing your Foxy Mary/Hunky Jesus personification. Be bold, be creative, be fun! Don't forget to think of a name!

For the Easter Face Mask contest:

- Customize a face mask with an Easter theme and send us two pictures in good quality of you actually wearing the mask. Bonus points if your mask matches an Easter bonnet!

Please send everything via e-mail to: eastercontest@thesisters.org

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