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Thomas Orlina's journey in entertainment epitomizes passion and authenticity. With his debut live performance in Las Vegas, he showcases a blend of artistry and personal expression, reflecting his dedication through rigorous preparation, fashion, and advocacy, particularly within the AAPI and LGBTQIA+ communities.

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AFAN AIDS Walk is this weekend, and get ready for the HRC Las Vegas Gala happening May 11th at Paris Las Vegas.



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April 2024

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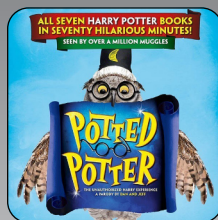
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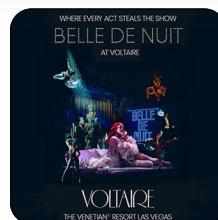
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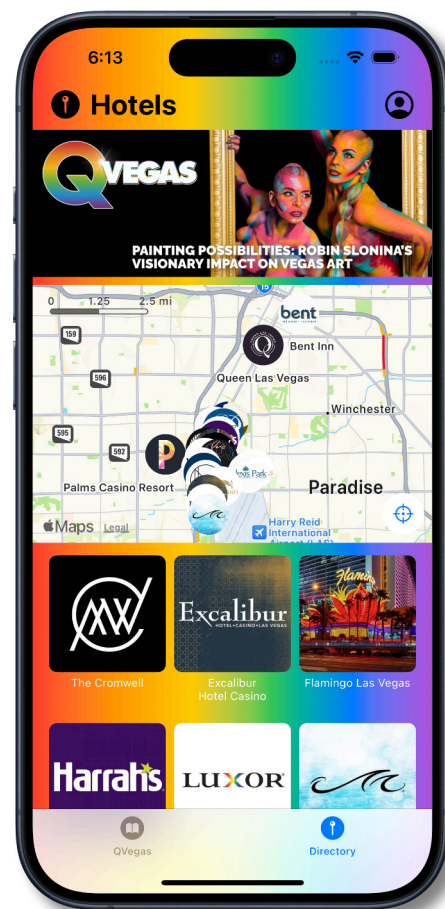
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This election season, the QVegas website will host a comprehensive and insightful webpage dedicated to the 2024 elections for the state of Nevada, offering a treasure trove of information tailored to the LGBTQ+ community.



This page aims to serve as a one-stop destination for voters seeking clarity on the electoral process, key dates, candidate profiles, and important issues at stake within the state. Emphasizing inclusivity and accessibility, it will provide resources on voter registration, polling locations, and methods to vote, ensuring every voice in the community is heard.

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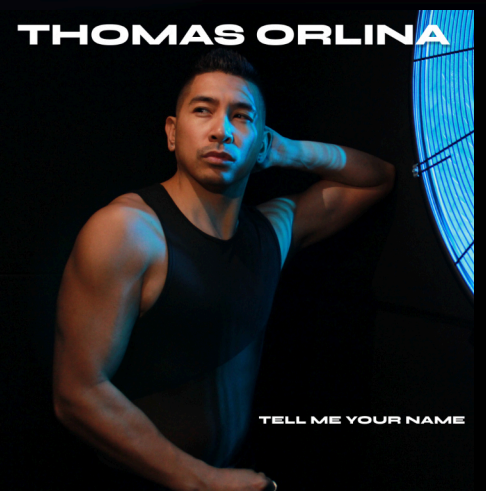


Photo: Ayinde Hamilton

Thomas Orlina's single **Tell Me Your Name** is available on all streaming platforms

Thomas performs live at Gipsy Nightclub on Saturday, May 4th.



Thomas Orlina's Debut in Las Vegas

A Journey of Authenticity and Artistic Passion

Thomas Orlina's narrative is not just one of personal triumph and artistic fervor but a resonant example of how authenticity, creativity, and a deep-rooted passion for entertainment can shape a career that transcends the ordinary. As he stands on the brink of his live performance debut in the entertainment capital of the world, Las Vegas, at the Gypsy Nightclub, Orlina embodies the dreams and aspirations of many. Yet, his story is uniquely his own—a tapestry woven with threads of dedication, innovation, and a compelling drive to share his inner world with the audience.

Early Inspirations and the Draw to Entertainment

Thomas Orlina's journey into the heart of the entertainment industry was catalyzed by an early love for creativity. From the tender moments spent brainstorming with his team to the countless hours dedicated to honing his craft in the studio, Orlina's foundational motivation has been to manifest his visions into reality. "I can't wait to just share everything that I have in my head with everybody," he says, reflecting a profound desire to connect and communicate through his art.

Orlina's narrative is punctuated by pivotal moments and influences that shaped his path. The vibrant city of Las Vegas, with its electrifying atmosphere and rich history of hosting some of the greatest entertainers of all time, has played a significant role in his development as an artist. Orlina's fascination with the city began in childhood, an enchantment that has only grown with time. "Vegas is home to some of the greatest entertainers in the world," he remarks, acknowledging the impact of such an iconic backdrop on his aspirations and creative expressions.

The Road to Vegas: Preparation and Anticipation

The anticipation surrounding Orlina's debut

performance in Las Vegas is palpable. His preparation is meticulous, involving rigorous rehearsals with dancers and careful curation of the setlist, underscoring his dedication to delivering an unforgettable experience. "It's definitely a dream come true," Orlina shares, his excitement evident as he contemplates the culmination of years of hard work and passion on a stage that has witnessed the rise of numerous legends.

Orlina's approach to his craft is characterized by a deep appreciation for collaboration and the synergetic power of creative minds coming together. His experience working with Zachariah, a renowned photographer tasked with capturing Orlina's essence for the Q Vegas cover shoot, highlights this aspect of his work ethic. Orlina praises Zachariah's talent and the honor of being part of such a creative process, signaling his belief in the transformative potential of collaborative artistic endeavors.

Fashion as a Medium of Expression

For Thomas Orlina, fashion is more than just attire—it's an extension of his personality and an integral component of his artistic expression. Collaborating with Brad Everett Young and showcasing the vibrant outfits from the Dream Loud Official organization, Orlina leverages fashion as a dynamic tool for storytelling and identity formation. "Fashion for me is just what makes me feel alive," he states, elucidating on the role of fashion in navigating the realms of public image and personal exploration.

Orlina's engagement with fashion reflects his broader approach to art and entertainment: one that is inclusive, exploratory, and deeply personal. Through his choices in apparel and style, he communicates not just aesthetic preferences but also a commitment to embracing and showcasing a multitude of characters and narratives, further enriching

the tapestry of his public persona.

Advocacy and Representation

A distinctive aspect of Thomas Orlina's journey is his conscious commitment to advocacy and representation, particularly within the Asian American Pacific Islander (AAPI) and LGBTQIA+ communities. Orlina is vocal about the importance of using his platform to challenge misconceptions, promote equality, and celebrate the diversity inherent in these communities. His efforts to dispel narratives that marginalize or misunderstand the AAPI and LGBTQIA+ experiences underscore his role not just as an entertainer but as a change-maker and ally.

Orlina's dedication to advocacy is mirrored in his musical inspirations, which include a diverse array of artists such as Justin Bieber, Britney Spears, Lady Gaga, and Paris Hilton. This eclectic mix not only informs his unique pop-EDM sound but also reflects his appreciation for the transformative power of music as a medium for social commentary and community building.

The Path Forward: New Ventures and Aspirations

Looking ahead, Thomas Orlina is poised to embark on a series of new ventures that promise to further solidify his position within the entertainment industry. With new music releases on the horizon, including the eagerly awaited single "Tell Me Your Name," Orlina continues to push the boundaries of his artistry. The forthcoming music video, along with a documentary and additional video projects, represents the next chapter in Orlina's creative journey—a journey characterized by collaboration, innovation, and a steadfast commitment to sharing his vision with the world.

As Orlina reflects on his career trajectory and the adventures that lie ahead, his gratitude for the opportunities



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ACLU
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LAS VEGAS PRIME TIMERS
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lucoflv.com

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MAMA DRAGONS
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ngra.com

THE PRIDE TREE
thepridetree.lv.com

SILVER STATE EQUALITY
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BAR & NIGHTCLUB GUIDE



VENUE OF THE WEEK



Fun Hog Ranch is a celebrated LGBTQ-friendly bar that epitomizes the spirit of diversity and community. This welcoming establishment is a beloved gathering place for locals and visitors alike, offering a rich tapestry of events and an inclusive atmosphere where everyone can find a sense of belonging.

At the core of the Fun Hog Ranch experience is "Sunday Funday," a hallmark event that invites patrons to relax and enjoy the company of friends in a vibrant setting. The day also features the "Levi & Leather Social," a unique gathering that encourages guests to express themselves through their attire, fostering a sense of unity and camaraderie among the Men of Leather and those who appreciate the culture.

As the week unfolds, the Fun Hog Ranch continues to be a beacon of activity and enjoyment. "Mojito & Mule Mondays" usher in the week with a refreshing vibe, offering an array of flavorful options for guests looking to unwind after a busy day. Following closely, the energy remains high with "Tuesdays," where the bar becomes a lively hotspot for socializing and relaxation.

The momentum carries into midweek with "Hump Day, Wednesday," an event designed to break up the week and inject a dose of fun with a selection of popular beverages, creating the perfect backdrop for making new friends or catching up with old ones.

Beyond these specific events, the Fun Hog Ranch is committed to fostering a welcoming, inclusive environment where the essence of community is always in the air. This establishment is not just about the events it hosts; it's a space where laughter fills the air, friendships are forged, and memories are made. The bar's casual yet festive atmosphere, coupled with its dedication to serving the LGBTQ community and allies, makes it a unique destination in Las Vegas.

The Fun Hog Ranch's approach to inclusivity, combined with its vibrant schedule of activities, ensures that it remains a cherished venue for anyone looking to enjoy a good time in a laid-back setting. Its status as a cash-only bar with an accessible ATM on-premise underscores its user-friendly ethos, making every visit convenient and hassle-free. Whether you're a Las Vegas local or just passing through, the Fun Hog Ranch welcomes you to join in the festivities and become part of their extended family.



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