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Vagina Monologues fundraising performance for Brisbane

Vagina.....a word that is not often used in polite conversation and more often than not is referred to by some cute, or otherwise, euphemism. But 2011 is the year to discuss this taboo subject and to once again hear the stories of women's experiences with their vagina's right here in Brisbane.

American playwright Eve Ensler wrote the celebrated play, 'The Vagina Monologues', to open up discussion on this important part of the female anatomy. The play basically has several women telling different stories about their experiences with their vaginas. The stories shed light on the full range of women's issues - from childbirth to rape, menstruation to orgasms and discuss empowerment, understanding and respect. Since it was first written, the play has been adapted and added to and now once again is coming to Brisbane on February 25/26.

Every time this play is performed a percentage of profits must go to the charity designated that year to fight violence against women and girls, this year's charity is the Haitian Women's Project. This new performance by local women, both well known and not so well know, along with a few surprise guests, is also a fundraiser by the QAHC Lesbian Health Action Group (LHAG), an unfunded, volunteer group working to improve the health and well being of same sex attracted women in QLD.

"It's an experience every woman should have at least once in your lifetime, an opportunity to celebrate having a vagina and all that goes with it" explained Ricki Menzies, a LHAG representative. "We plan to use any money raised, after donating to the designated charity, to inform lesbian and same sex attracted women in QLD about DV and how to maintain a healthy, happy, same sex relationship."

Tickets can be purchased with a discount from the QAHC website www.qahc.org.au/lesbian or at the door on the night. All ticket holders will also receive a free gift on the night they attend from the Lesbian Health Action Group. Please note this performance includes explicit information and graphic language it is recommended for adult audiences.

To be involved in the performance in what ever capacity, email Ricki on, rmenzies@qahc.org.au or for more information regarding the performances go to www.qahc.org.au/lesbian

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The Queensland Association for Healthy Communities (formerly Queensland AIDS Council) is a community based organisation which promotes the health of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender Queenslanders.