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SPEAKERS

Jack Valinski, Bruce Reeves



00:02

yeah



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but I wasn't very lucky today was I I wish I wish for dreams to come true your dreams come



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True you get back to you okay there's instant



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instant you're ready? Yes sir



01:58

Now there's one thing I want to make very plain. No, I don't mind is going to be seen with a red nose render



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Bruce Reeves 02:07

well not only does Rudolph fly from Clarys is the tension he excels at it too but how soon that doesn't matter how because he's a little different sound familiar? shunned by everyone except clarities he too moves out on his own



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Are you? Well actually I am a dentist. Dentist. Well I want to be someday right now and just Danelle but I don't need anybody. I'm I'm independent. Yeah, me too. I'm whatever you said. Independent Hey, what are you saying? We both be independent together. You would mind my red? Not if you don't mind me being a dentist. It's a deal.



Bruce Reeves 03:07

And together they start a new family something most every gay and lesbian people have done and they strike out together. And suddenly they come upon



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the official sentry of the island of misfit toys at Jack in the Box for us sentry yes my name is don't count me Jack



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No My name is all wrong.



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No child wants to play with a Charlie in the box. So I had to come in here where's here



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guys



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most wonderful day



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to shout out day



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scooter for Jimmy. Really even Say



05:11

Oh, would you like to be a spotted elephant?



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With square wheels on your Caboose?



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Would you like to be afraid?



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Wonderful, wonderful, wonderful



06:02

we're all misfits to maybe we should stay here for a while. Well, you'd have to get permission from King Moon raiser. Who's he? He rolls here. Every night he searches the entire earth when he finds a misfit toys, one that no little girl or boy loves. He brings it here to live on this island till someone wants it. He's holding Gartner's castle right now.



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Come closer. What do you desire? We're a couple of misfits from Christmas Town. And now we'd like to live here. No, that would not be possible. This island is for toys alone. Audio like that. Even among us fits your MS fetch unlikely things a living creature cannot hide himself on an island. But perhaps being misfit yourselves you might help the toys here. Help them? Yes. When Sunday you return to Christmas Town. Would you tell Santa about our homeless toys? I'm sure he could find the two boys and girls who would be happy with them. A toy is never truly happy until it is loved by a child.



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Friend and if we ever get back, we'll tell Santa sir.



Bruce Reeves 07:25

More misfits. And so society says we are all misfits. But of course we all know how the story goes. Rudolph saves Clarice and Mr. And Mrs. Dondre from the abominable and Hermie removes the Abom doorbells teeth, turning him into a harmless creature who helps to top the

Christmas trees and Christmas Town without even using a stepladder. Isn't it amazing how we all fit in and have our place to play? The fog sets in and Santa fears Christmas must be cancelled when he notices that



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no



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Christmas is not off and you're going to lead my team Yes sir. You went that wonderful nose of yours? My nose sir. From what I see now that'll cut through the murky storm they can dish up what I'm trying to say is rudo with your nose so bright phones you guide by slate tonight



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it will be an honor sir I knew that knows would be useful someday I knew it all wrong



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let's be on our way. Okay, Rudolph power



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the Island of Misfit Toys



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offers leading



Bruce Reeves 09:25

Ah, what a wonderful story. And of course, it has a wonderful for all of us because we are all useful people and gay society and we all do have our place and we all will survive.



Jack Valinski 09:43

Well, that was a real nice piece there, Bruce.

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Bruce Reeves 09:45

Thanks, Jack. I enjoyed doing it.

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Jack Valinski 09:47

Yes, and people don't realize how long it takes to do something like that. We would like to open up the phones at five to six 4000 If you want to relate some of your holiday time stories to us over the air and how you dealt with it. about being gay coming out and surviving with the family or surviving with your new family, or surviving by yourself. It is a difficult time for a lot of people and some people, it's just another party.

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Bruce Reeves 10:12

So for some people, it's just another day, right?

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Jack Valinski 10:17

Yes, exactly. And you're listening to Wilde 'n' Stein is a show for and about the gay and lesbian community. Deborah Bell is not here tonight. She's recovering from surgery and she'll probably be out for a couple more weeks. We will not be here next week because of the Grateful Dead special coming live from our Pacifica station in Berkeley. But we'll be back in two weeks. We're hoping to have Michael Cowan on sometime in January, trying to set up that schedule out appointment. Michael Cowan has just written a book surviving aids and has also been part of the flotations and also put out an album by himself called Purple Heart. So if you would like to call us and discuss your holiday season with us at five to six 4000 You may do so on the air. And we've got another song that we're going to be playing here on KPFT and thanks for listening. Course Nancy griffins from an album called one fair summer evening, my sister bought me this video cassette for Christmas. I don't think she realized that this was recorded Anderson fair. And I really think this is a much better rendition than the a bit Midler one, of course, you'd like heart song better. But we all have our separate thing. And I really think that is a Christmas song if you're going to talk about peace and harmony in the world and talking about things from a distance. But when you get closer it looks it doesn't look quite that nice. We're doing sort of a Christmas show here, or sort of an end of year show. Also, looking back about things that happened this year. This year, just recently, what happened was the sodomy law was overturned. In Austin, there was a write up in the New York Times about that, it seems that a lot of these are groups are going after the state court because after 10 years of Reagan and Bush, the courts have gotten real conservative than the federal courts have. But some courts in the state have the idea of privacy. And that's apparently what happened in Texas here in Austin. Of course, the battle is probably not over, it's probably going to be appealed to the state Supreme Court. But this will be the second time it's been overturned in eight years. The first time was overturned in a federal court in Dallas. And then it was reversed both in the appeals court in New Orleans and then by the Supreme Court basically didn't want to look at it at that time. So right after the Hardwick decision. So that's one of the things that happened this

year. We have a new governor coming in in 1991 looks exciting here it looks certainly couldn't be any worse than what we've got now. But hopefully will look a lot better that she's been very open to game has been people game has been people very much involved in her campaign. Climax he was in charge of the Travis County, part of and Richards campaign. So there are some things to look forward to. Hopefully the weather will get better two weeks. No. Yes, it just seems that we've get that worst weather because it just gets cold enough here and it rains and it freezes. There's some exciting stuff coming up here on KPFT. And let's give this my girlfriend



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Gloria. She says I'm changing. I don't want to go out and get rowdy and drunk all the time now. Ever since this lady she came to our school. She made me stand up and talk. She's an artist. Her name is Isabel Martinez. She's Chicana I never known anybody, a lady, a Chicana and an artist. It really surprised me. A lady, a Chicana and an artist



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as Denise Jarvis Denise Jarvis and Sam havens are featured on Houston writers live Friday at noon on KPFT 90.1 FM. This program is made possible in part by a grant from the Texas committee for the humanities, the state program of the National Endowment for the Humanities. Also this Project is made possible in part by grant from the city of Houston through the Cultural Arts Council.



Jack Valinski 14:34

And that some special programming happens the last Friday of every month, Houston writers live and show that Barbara Edmund puts together and it's very well you don't always get a chance to catch it. Today it was interesting listening to KPFT because Otis was doing some interesting programming. Yes, he does. Talking about the Christmas holiday and of course they were talking about the possibility of going to war and And I think a lot of our listeners are probably skewed the other way of not wanting to go to war or fight over oil or the economy. And it's actually pretty sad what's going on out right now with the economy being so, so bad. All things considered today, just some stories on people actually was morning addition to some stories on people being unemployed. So in the holidays, sort of put another damper on that, because it's like all this pressure to go out and buy stuff. Buy stuff for people. Yes, the materialism of what's going on. And that's not really what the idea of Christmas is supposed to be, if you believe in this, this holiday story. It's supposed to be to bring peace and bring love and joy. And it's really too bad that this isn't the only time of the year that it seems to happen. We always end up fighting amongst ourselves. I mean, in the community, we're always fighting over things. And it's really sad that we're not more in together and working together on things I know, we all come from different backgrounds. And that's one of the beauties of that this community of being gay and lesbian is that we're from all different backgrounds. That's also one of the beauties about living in Montrose in the center part of the city because we're such a mixture of people. And to expand on that that's what this radio station is all about.



Bruce Reeves 16:17

And I was just gonna say, talking about peace and happiness, it's one of those things you really have to believe I know, I've been having discussions of like, with, with people about whether we believe in Santa Claus or not. I'm a firm believer in Santa Claus, because I know this little elf comes to see me every year and kind of helps me forget about all these other things that are going on in the world and, and just take a few minutes for myself to look around and, and experience some internal peace and happiness. Because if we don't have an internally, we can't get it externally. And, you know, it's, I just think what a beautiful place the world would be if we all believed in Santa Claus and took a few minutes every year to find some internal peace and happiness. I

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Jack Valinski 16:59

agree with you. And I'm very guilty of that myself sometimes, in not trying to it's really easy to gossip about people. It's really easy to say things about people. But it's real tough to just say, wait a minute, what's what's the real story here? Why aren't we trying to get together? It's really easy to put somebody else down. It's true. Why don't we try to work together and and that's part of what we're trying to do here on this radio show, is to become more open about things to discuss things not always having to agree with somebody. But listening to everybody's story, listen to all different sides. And you think us as a people, because we've been through this, we've been through this ostracization of our families. I mean, growing up, we didn't have anybody else to share this with. Unlike other minorities, at least, other minorities have their own family to be able to deal with their situation. We for the most part didn't have that our family sort of said, you know, you're strange, you know, they throw it on the street. Sometimes they put you into institutions at times. It's true.

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Bruce Reeves 18:04

Yeah, there's so many different holidays, too, that we celebrate in December. Most of the Christians celebrate Christmas, which we're sort of talking about tonight. The Jews, Jewish people have just finished celebrating Hanukkah. I believe the atheist have probably celebrated the winter solstice and a number of other people have celebrated Winter Solstice. And I'm a firm believer in celebrating them. All. Right, yeah. Don't miss an opportunity to celebrate something. But it's Christmas is it's a state of mind. Yeah, it really is. And it doesn't matter what you believe you can still take some time for yourself tomorrow. I

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Jack Valinski 18:41

remember a few years ago, being in Whole Foods on the 25th of July, and not realizing it was 25th July, and they were playing Christmas music there. And I thought, well, you know, there's the spirit there. And we should try to encourage ourselves to have that spirit all the time. I know it's real difficult. When we know people facing a war, and we don't even know why we're facing the war many of us you know, it's like, are we saving somebody else? We do have a few minutes left if you'd like to call and be on the air at five to six 4000 This is Wildenstein it's a show for and about the game lesbian community. We are the longest running continuous program that supposedly know of and I've been here now nine in a no eight and a half years ain't half years I've been in Houston nine years. Before me it was right Hill. And I think we've got a phone call. Let's see if we can put it on the air KPFT you're on the air I didn't want to talk

to somebody else. Didn't really Christmas at the other show that come Go after hours it's on Saturday night Sunday morning people talk about it sure we can talk while we talk I didn't hear it was about two weeks ago our Christian crowd a Christian we really forgive you for being homosexual invite you back into



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right now outrageous



Jack Valinski 20:51

wells I didn't hear that, for instance for real and dramatic he could do well, you know, sometimes when you're indoctrinated all your life with that you just sometimes have to take a step and say, Hey, that's not right. What's going to be good? But he was, like, contradictory to the Christian belief. How can you be a Christian and claiming that you love me? Right. Okay, well, thank you for calling and have no. That's okay. Well have a nice holiday and Thanks for calling. This is Wilde 'n' Stein to show for in about the gay and lesbian community and we're doing our Christmas special here. Last year, we were on Tuesdays. So we sort of got out of not being having to do a Christmas Day show. Next year, next year, it'll be move up a day. Right? Isn't it that way?



Bruce Reeves 22:09

It'll be our show again. Okay.



Jack Valinski 22:14

So stay tuned and listen to KPFT there's gonna be a lot more programming dealing with the holidays and dealing with what KPFT deals with all the time. What's happening in the world? What's happening in this community? Stay tuned to the other programs that there's after hours, which is on midnight to 4am. Saturday night, Sunday morning and breakthrough. It's on between 809 I guess it is now and 11am Right after the BBC News at 8am with Pokey, and I don't know who's going to be doing Cherry's part, because tourists retire after nine years. She's got a legitimate daytime job, I guess. So she doesn't have to do she can't do this. This programming. It'd be nice to talk to her someday about her years doing the program and her progression. I want to thank you for joining us tonight. Bruce, I want to thank you for coming by and pitching me here. We will not be here next week. Because next week, the Grateful Dead is doing a live concert here on Pacifica radio. And the weekend after that we're trying to get Michael Cowan pinned down to do a live interview over the air. But we're not sure about that at all until until it's confirmed. And usually we have a whole month's worth of shows confirmed but we're a little bit slow this time of the year.



Bruce Reeves 23:30

So we will wish you a Merry Christmas



Jack Valinski 23:33

and Happy New Year. And wish Deborah a speedy recovery indeed. Thank you for joining us and we'll be back in two weeks. And that's another edition of the Wilde 'n' Stein Show. The world's longest in continuous running gay and lesbian radio show the collective we'll be back next Tuesday at 9pm. For further information on what is going on in the community, call the game lesbian switchboard at five to 930 to 11 and at 90.1 on your FM dial. You are listening to Pacifica's community sponsored KPFT Houston