

most emotionally intense and the funniest piece I have ever made. There is something about the urgency of the material that brings all this out. The humor comes up in the show just as it does in life as a way of dealing with the stress of the situation. I know that many gay people really don't realize that if you fall in love with someone from another country you have no ability to include that person in your life under US law. Any heterosexual person can fall in love with someone of the opposite sex, marry him or her and make them a citizen. Unless their partner blew up a bridge in Bolivia or something, all heterosexual marriages are given immigration rights. On the other hand, NO gay person may have the same special right that straight people take for granted. I think it's a very tangible way that we can see how unfairly US culture treats our committed relationships. Ultimately *Glory Box* is a hyper-romantic love story and audiences, straight and gay, relate to the show in that way. We Americans are so soppy and sentimental—it's one of the things that might save us! This very human, funny and moving story about the deep capacity of lesbian and gay people to love one another without ANY help or encouragement from our

society strikes a chord with folks. I am glad it both hits the funny bone and pulls those heartstrings!

#### WHAT ABOUT PEOPLE WHO SAY WHY SHOULD WE FIGHT TO HAVE THIS HETEROSEXUAL INSTITUTION?

I always felt that way in the past, I would say to myself "I don't want to support a corrupt bourgeois institution etc" Well, I understand that point of view, but it really rings hollow when you are facing your lover being deported, or can't get into the hospital to see your partner, or the immediate family takes away the house you left your partner because your will was not acknowledged. The General Accounting Office in DC just released a list of 1049 special rights and privileges that straight people get when they get married. I don't want anybody to get feel like they have to get married, on the other hand I want every dyke and fag who wants to marry their partner to be able to and have the same equal right of relationship that straight people have. Otherwise, we are just letting them fuck us over. The radical right has decided to fight us on this. Californians voted to pass the Knight Initiative in the March 2000 election

which said that only marriages between one man and one woman will be acknowledged in the State of California. Unless we just want to throw in the towel and let psychos like Pete Knight walk all over us, we have to fight back. What some people would like to forget is that marriage has been very fluid in our history and has made a steady move toward greater equality. I try to remind people that 140

years ago during slavery, African-Americans were not allowed to marry. Thanks to the decades of hard work by the women's movement we no longer see marriage as a man's ownership over a woman — we view it as a partnership. That wasn't the case a hundred years ago and it is a huge change. Until 1967, it was illegal in many states for men and women of different races to marry! Alabama had laws making it illegal for

straight people of different races to marry until November, 2000!

Changes in how we define marriage have been one of the ways that America marks its slow progress towards more civil rights. Lesbian and gay Americans will not really be full citizens until the outrageous inequity that denies validity to our relationships is remedied.

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