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(ART)

KNIT PICKS

Artists showcase innovative works of yarn

Knitting takes on a whole new meaning at today's opening of the **Radical Lace & Subversive Knitting** exhibit, which features a collection of elaborate and unorthodox works made with fiber materials. The intricate designs were created by 27 artists from seven countries, and include Yoshiki Hishinuma's three-dimensional free-form sculptures (some are wearable), Cat Mazza's *Knifoscope Testimonies* (videos about people fighting the textile industry's sweatshops), and Althea Merback's silk gloves, tiny enough for a squirrel. *Through June 17, Museum of Arts and Design, 40 West 53rd Street, 212-956-3535, \$7-\$9, free for children under 12* ANGELA KISHMAN

(LGBT)

CAT FIGHT

Slippin' and collidin' lesbian-style

Sorry, fellas, this all-night party is strictly for the ladies. Half-naked lesbians and female-to-male transgenders oil up and throw

down at **The Women's Turkish Oil Wrestling** competition. Contenders include Kinchee Pussy Fury!, Little Brown Fucking Machine Powered on Rice, and Suplex Aguilera with Buffers The Tool and Twinkie Twat slicking them up before diving into the ring. The winners score bragging rights and a shitload of phone numbers. *At 11, DUMBA, 57 Jay Street, Brooklyn, myspace.com/turkish_oil_wrestling, \$15* KESHA FRANKLIN

(TALK)

JUNGLE FEVER

An Amazon vine inspires psychedelic experiences

It's nice to know that there are still some bona fide freaks left in the world. Tonight, during **The Ayahuasca Monologues: Tales of the Spirit Vine**, five journeymen recount psychedelic experiences inspired by a "sacred brew of the Amazon," which shamans have used for centuries to heal illness, contact spirits, gain mystical insights, and explore "magical" worlds. Your guides are Daniel Pinchbeck, author of *Breaking Open the Head: Psychedelics and Contem-*

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porary Shamanism 2012: The Return of Quetzalcoatl; Jamey Waxman, an advice columnist for *Playgirl*; ethnobotanist Nat Bletter; ayahuasca

guardian Bill Kennedy; and Jonathan Phillips, founder of the NYC Gnostics. *At 7:30, Eyebeam, 540 West 21st Street, 917-825-3562, \$10* KIM SWERS