

COCO LaCHINE TO BE CROWNED EMPRESS VII OF NEW YORK AT THE NIGHT OF A THOUSAND GOWNS.



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Coco LaChine aka Charles Ching is known for his active involvement in the gay and lesbian community. Coco and the Imperial Court have made countless appearances at community fundraising events. Coco was the first runner-up in Miss New York City, 1990, a member of Asian and Friends of New York, a volunteer as well as a board member of the Gay Games IV (New York in 94) since 1990, a volunteer since 1984, chair of the Center Garden Party, and is presently serving as a board member for the Gay and Lesbian Community Services Center. Coco is co-chair for the Night of a Thousand Gowns and currently is President of the Imperial Court of New York. The Imperial Court of New York is not just a group of men who look good in gowns and tiaras, they are proud, concerned, and contributing members of our community. The Imperial Court has raised over 100,000 dollars at many community events, most notably the Night of A Thousand Gowns. Empress VI Saleen will celebrate a successful reign and the coronation of Coco LaChine as the Celestial Dragon Empress of New York is well deserved and we at Private Lives are proud of the triumphs of the Imperial Court and Coco LaChine aka Charles Ching.

belong). We're going hunting. Let's see what trophies we can bag for you. **SHELLY SCHUSTEROFF** a lounge act?? Oh God.

FLASH! STOP THE PRESS! We've just heard from **GEORGE WILSON** at the **Islanders'** who just this minute announced exclusively to D. Isidore a joining of forces with the national chain **Empress Travel**. You all know our Islanders' Club has been in existence serving our community for 30 years; and in addition to the events and parties, and Fire Island buses, has offered swell travel services to "our crowd." Seems Empress Travel woke up, smelled the coffee, and realized there is a need for qay travel. So we

hear in early March, launched by a BIG party; **THE ISLANDERS' CLUB AT EMPRESS TRAVEL**, as it will be called will move to major digs smack dab right in the heart of Sheridan Square! Mr. George added that with the expanded buying power, the Islanders' Club will be able to offer wild and wonderful deals like, we hear, a Vegas thingy to be called, **"Four Queens 3 Nights 99 Dollars"** (Don't even think of asking us about that one!) And we were assured that the Fire Island buses, and all parties and events, including the theatre nights and the July Fourth Riverboat, will certainly still happen. Make sure we get an invite to the launch party, Wilson!



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