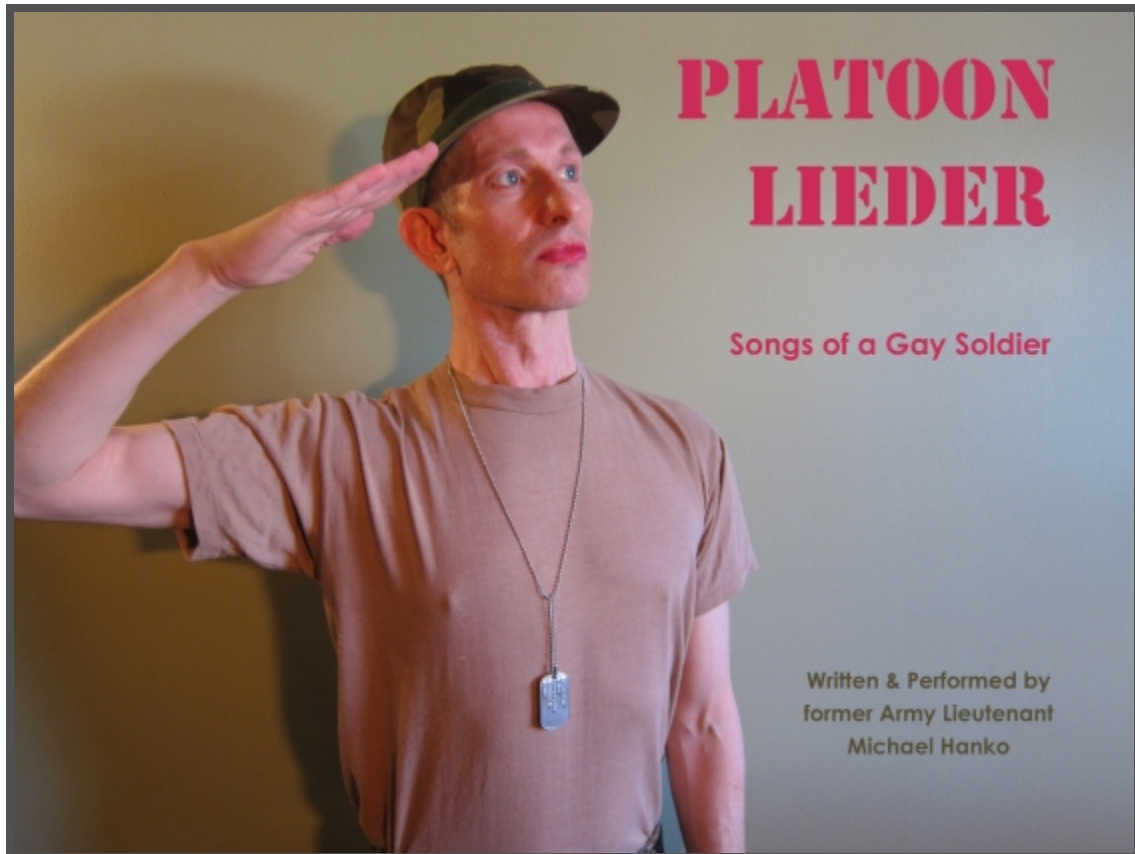


Michael Hanko is performing a brand new show in February 2013.

Presenting



Save the Dates:

**Sunday, February 10, 2013 @ 4:00 pm
(Harlem - limited seating)**

**Wednesday, February 13, 2013 @ 9:30
pm (Greenwich Village)**

Hi, friends!

I'm back on track with my new show. (My mother's health has stabilized, I'm thrilled to report.) This mailing is simply to announce the performance dates ... there will be further notices going out in January and February with more information.

Platoon Lieder: Songs of a Gay Soldier is going to have its premiere in February. Directed

by Stephanie Fittro, I'll be performing the show along with my accomplished pianist, Byron Sean, in two venues: the Duplex Cabaret Theatre in Greenwich Village and Byron's lovely apartment in Harlem. We hope you can make it to one of these performances!

The new show — an intriguing fusion of cabaret performance and classical vocal recital — explores my life as a gay lieutenant in the U.S. Army before Don't-Ask-Don't-Tell. I've written original English lyrics to a dozen classical German lieder (art songs) to help tell my survival story, which is tender, angry, and at times, quite funny. (Please be aware that the show contains adult material.)

After seeing this show, you will have answers to burning questions like

- What? Michael was in the ARMY???!?!!
- Um, why?
- What was Lieutenant Hanko's most degrading moment?
- What was most fun about being gay in an organization that demonized homosexuality and systematically prosecuted gay and lesbian members?
- Is it possible to survive in a hostile culture without becoming an alcoholic sex maniac?

Byron's apartment is at 60 West 126th Street, just a block from the 2/3 subway station at 125th Street. The performance here will be followed by a wine and cheese reception. Because of limited space, pre-registration is required (more info in the next mailing — but you can let me know now if you'd like to be on the list).

The Duplex is at 61 Christopher Street @ Seventh Avenue South. Click [here](#) to go to the reservations calendar or call (212) 255-5438. For this performance there is a \$15 cover charge + 2-drink minimum.

Best wishes for the end of 2012,
Michael (The artist formerly known as First Lieutenant Hanko)

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