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THE naked body of a transvestite entertainer was found blasted in the back at his home yesterday.

Wayne Kerry Brennan, 35, was known by the stage name Wendy and performed at a Darlinghurst gay bar, Pete's Beat.

The body was found lying face down on the lounge floor of his ground floor flat in Darlinghurst Rd, Kings Cross, by a friend who lives nearby.

Police said it seemed the single shot had been fired at close range into the victim's back.

The murder shocked the gay community, where "Wendy" was well known.

Police said the death did not appear drug-related but were investigating a possible sex killing.

Homicide Squad Det-Sgt Keith Smith said: "We are interviewing several of the victim's friends who may be able to help us."

Detectives found the body under a leopard skin. Initial reports said the gun was believed to be a heavy-calibre weapon.

Members of the gay community said they feared "Wendy" could have been butchered by a sexual contact with a grudge against transvestites.

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