

Emory LGBT News

Weekly news and information from the Office of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Life

Stay up to date on all events and opportunities in our office, on campus, in the community, and around the country!



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From the Office of LGBT Life

The 2010 Pride Awards are in ONE WEEK!! That's right, on March 2, 2010 the Office of LGBT Life, Studies in Sexualities, President's Commission on Sexuality, Gender Diversity and Queer Equality, and GALA will celebrate the accomplishments of the LGBT community at Emory. **HAVE YOU REGISTERED?** It is as easy as sending a message to lgbt@emory.edu.

**PRIDE AWARDS
MARCH 2, 2010
6:30 PM**

Special performance by AHANA, Emory's multicultural a capella group.

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News in Higher Education

The Transgender Athlete

By Pat Griffin and Helen Carroll

“I was really worried about coming out as transgender to anyone else because I knew there weren’t any policies. I was so afraid that my school would ban me from my sport and that was the only thing I had at the time. I finally decided to come out my senior year of college because I was going down a slippery slope and I didn’t think I could pull myself out if I didn’t come out.” --A transgender former college athlete

Many transgender athletes relate similar experiences that make their participation on college teams painful and frustrating: An athlete is called “she/he” and “it” by opposing players during a game. An athlete stops playing sports in college because it becomes too uncomfortable to use the locker room. An athlete has to change clothes in a utility closet separate from the rest of the team. An athlete quits the team because it becomes too painful to keep reminding coaches and teammates about the athlete’s preferred pronouns... To keep reading [click here](#).



Office of LGBT Life

Pride Awards

Tuesday, March 2 at 6:30pm
Miller-Ward Alumni House

Come together with faculty, students, staff, alumni, friends and family to celebrate a year of pride. Awards and honors to be presented include the Studies in Sexualities' Essay Contest Award; GALA Leadership Award; President's Commission on Sexuality, Gender Diversity and Queer Equality's Chesnut LGBT Person of the Year; and Lavender Diplomas for graduating students.

Light refreshments will be served and a dessert reception will immediately follow the awards ceremony!

RSVP to lgbt@emory.edu by 2/26.

Emory Queer Health Advocacy League (EQHAL)- Journal Club

2nd Thursday and 4th Wed of every month at 12pm
Office of LGBT Life (236E DUC)

EQHAL will be holding bimonthly journal club meetings to discuss issues faced by member of the LGBTQ community in accessing health care services. Journal article for discussion will be announced via email prior to meetings. Upcoming meeting dates: Feb 24, Mar 18, Mar 24

Reading for February 24th-Social Justice and Social Determinants of Health: Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgendered, Intersexed, and Queer Youth in Canada - Journal of Child and Adolescent Psychiatric Nursing, Feb 2010

Contact: Ian Spain gspain@emory.edu

Trans-Forming Emory

Tuesdays at 7pm
Office of LGBT Life (246E DUC)

On Feb 23 at 7 pm we will screen the short documentary film "Toilet Training, ["http://srlp.org/films/toilettraining,](http://srlp.org/films/toilettraining) and have a discussion about bathroom access and gender-segregated spaces at Emory and beyond. And there will be PIZZA, too!!! So, please join us and bring your friends!

Trans-Forming Emory is on facebook, too:

<http://www.facebook.com/event.php?eid=295859677513#!/group.php?gid=179327742373>

Emory Pride Spring Meetings

Wednesdays at 7pm
101C Callaway

Coming up this week:

Bring a friend to Pride and join the conversation about advocacy on campus!

***SAVE THE DATE! - OUT at Work Panel**
Wed Mar 31 7pm Location TBD

Safe Space Training Sessions

The Office of LGBT Life has announced four open training session dates for the new Safe Space curriculum this spring semester.

Sessions available are Feb 24 (1:30 – 5:00 p.m.), Mar 23 and 30 (Noon-2:00 p.m., split session, you must attend both dates) and Apr 22 (1:30-5:00 p.m.).

To register for a session, visit www.lgbt.emory.edu. You may sign up online for a general session or request training for your office, department or group for a session that meets your scheduling needs.



Michael Shutt, Director of LGBT Life, with students at the Creating Change Conference in Dallas, Tx earlier this month.

“At Creating Change, I learned to better appreciate everyone’s situation, and I learned that everyone has a story to share.”

-Bassel Rabah '11C

Events at Emory

Film Screening: Byron Hurt's "Hip-Hop Beyond Beats and Rhyme"

*Tues Feb 23 6:00pm
Harland Cinema*

"Hip-hop is a man's game...but does it have to be? A self-described 'hip-hop head' takes an in-depth look at masculinity and manhood in rap and hip-hop, where creative genius collides with misogyny, violence and homophobia, exposing the complex intersections of culture and commerce. Thoughtful insight from intelligent, divergent voices, including Mos Def, Fat Joe, Chuck D, Jadakiss and Russell Simmons." – Independent Lens

For more info, contact Aline Jesus Rafi at arafi@emory.edu.

Body Acceptance Week 2010 Events

Feb 22-26th

Candlelight Vigil

Tues 7-8pm White Hall 208

Celebrate Your Body Carnival

Wed 4-6pm DUC Coke Commons

Mind, Body, Positive Panel

Thurs 5:30-6:30pm White Hall 208

For more info contact Jane Yang jyang01@emory.edu, or Carol Kelly carol.kelly@emory.edu.

MORE Mentor Recruitment

MORE (Multicultural Outreach and Resources at Emory) Program is recruiting students to serve as Mentors for the Fall 2010 Semester. MORE's mentoring program supports underrepresented first-year students' transition into college.

Applications due Feb 16th at 3pm

For MORE information visit:

www.emory.edu/MULTICULTURAL/MORE

"For the Bible Tells Me So" Screening

Mar 17 7-9pm Common Grounds (in Canon Chapel)

The film explores the intersection between Christianity and homosexuality in U.S. and how the religious right has used its interpretation of the Bible to stigmatize the gay community.

Conferences

The Summit 2010

Sat, Apr 10 9:00am

The Summit consists of students, faculty, staff, and student organization advisers all coming together for the common goal of learning and networking while being a member of the LGBT community. The Summit features diverse LGBT speakers and round table discussions focusing on how to improve campus climate.

Bisexual Empowerment Conference: A Uniting, Supportive Experience (BECAUSE)

Apr 16-18 Hamline University, St. Paul, MN

The **BECAUSE** Conference is the premier weekend event in the Midwest for bisexuals, queers, non-mono-sexual, bi-curious, questioning, and all others, regardless of sexual or gender identity. This conference is open to **everyone!**

This year conference attendees will find an exciting and packed weekend of social and educational programming, including keynote speaker Amy André. Amy is a writer, activist and current Executive Director of San Francisco Pride who will be speaking about health in the bisexual community. In addition to workshops on Saturday, there will be a conference wide panel titled **It's Time: Perspectives on Bisexuality Past, Present and Future**. The panel will be comprised of current and past bisexual activists and allies from across the Nation discussing bisexuality, the bisexual identity and the bisexual movement. Also, on Saturday evening we will have our annual Drag Show/Cabaret event.

Conference registration now live at www.becauseconference.org

2010 Southern Reproductive Justice Leadership Institute (RLJI)

Mar 19-21 Durham, NC

Choice USA is looking for students in the South who are interested in issues of sexual and reproductive health to apply for RLJI, an all expenses paid weekend long training that takes an in-depth look at issues affecting our reproductive freedom- and connects those issues to the broader social justice movement.

For more information:

<http://www.amplifyyourvoice.org/u/Folayemi/2010/2/1/2010-Southern-Reproductive-Justice-Leadership-Institute>

Priority deadline is Feb 15, but if you are interested after this date please contact fagbede@choiceusa.org ASAP!

Second International Conference on Hate Studies

This conference will convene leading academics from multiple disciplines from around the world, law enforcement personnel, journalists, educators, representatives from governmental and non-governmental organizations, human rights experts, community organizers, activists, and others to discuss hatred from multiple perspectives.

The conference will be held from April 6-9. The theme this year is *Interdisciplinary Approaches to Understanding the Nature of Hate, Crafting Models for Combating Hatred and Implications for Practice*.

Please visit the web site

<http://guweb2.gonzaga.edu/againsthate/Conference2011.htm> or go to the [call for papers](#) for more details.

Job & Internship Opportunities

TCP-SIRE Summer Research Partner Program

The Transforming Community Project in partnership with the SIRE Summer Research Partner Program at Emory College will provide an opportunity for students to research the history of race at Emory. A summer stipend and on-campus housing (if desired) are provided for Emory College students to work as a research assistant on a faculty project in the arts, humanities, and social sciences. Spots are reserved for students interested on working with the TCP project.

Potential applicants must attend a 30 min interest interview on **Mon Feb 22** between 11am and 1pm, **Fri Feb 26** between 10:30am and 12:30 pm, or **Mon Mar 1** between 10:30am and 12:30pm

Send a brief letter of interest to TCP at tcp@learnlink.emory.edu by Mon, Mar 1 with subject heading: "TCP-SIRE Summer 2010"

General application available at

<http://college.emory.edu/current/achievement/research/SIRE/summer/partnerprogram.html> and is due my Wed, Mar 10.

R. Scott Hitt Foundation LGBT Internships

The R. Scott Hitt Foundation provides grant funding for college and post-graduate students to receive compensation for skill-building internships in pro-LGBT 501(C) non-profit organizations. They are currently accepting application for 2010 internship grants.

Additional information is available at:
www.scotthittfoundation.org or contact directly at scotthittfoundation@gmail.com.

Study Abroad

“Queer Thailand” Academic Course Abroad

TEAN is pleased to announce the launch of a new specialized program in LGBTQ studies for the summer 2010 term. “Queer Thailand” is a 3-6 credit program that emphasizes Southeast Asian studies, culture, society and sexual identity within a modern, national context. The program is run in partnership with Payap University in Chiang Mai.

Program offers field excursions and interactions with Thai LGBTQ students. Courses are taught in English and by Payap University faculty. Students live in on-campus housing.

Open to ALL disciplines! Application deadline is April 15.
Visit <http://www.educationabroadnetwork.org/?id=165> for more information!

Surveys & Research

Consortium of Higher Education- APA DSM5 Revisions Input

The APA (American Psychological Association) is seeking input for their revisions to the Diagnostics and Statistics Manual-5. Revisions are being considered in the following sections on gender: Gender Identity Disorder in Adolescents or Adults, Gender Identity Disorder in Children, and Gender Identity Disorder Not Otherwise Specified. Please weigh in and provide your opinions!

Here is a link about the proposed revisions:
<http://www.dsm5.org/ProposedRevisions/Pages/Default.aspx>.

Participants needed for Doctoral Dissertation

A doctoral candidate from the Counselor Education Program at the University of Florida is seeking participants. The purpose of the study is to better understand African American gay men’s experiences of traumatic stress in their identity development process. Participants must be 18 years or older to participate.

The survey will take approximately 30 mins to complete.

If you have any questions about this study, or would like to be informed of its findings, please contact me, Richmond Wynn, at rwynn@ufl.edu.

Follow this link to complete the survey:
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/DZSEW3Q>.