

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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Welcome Back!

March is already flying past us! The Pride Awards celebrated the accomplishments of LGBT students, faculty, staff, and alumni on March 2nd. Spring break offered us a time to catch up, relax, and serve our communities last week. It is now March 15th!



As the semester quickly passes us, please keep up-to-date on programs, news, and other information by reading our newsletter. Let us know if you have information you would like to add! Mail us at lgbt@emory.edu.



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★ As seen on TV ★

Look out for our very own Gay Alumnus, **Jordan Pious** ('09B), on the 16th season of the CBS hit reality show "The Amazing Race." He is competing with his brother on the show which premiered on Feb 14, 2010.

Check out the article from the [Emory Wheel](#) and watch for him on Sundays at 8pm on CBS!

News in Higher Education

Transgender Guidelines Stir Controversy

Dylan Riley, The Maine Campus

A draft of guidelines from the Maine Human Rights Commission that would inform schools and colleges of the rights of transgender students in Maine has sparked some debate about possible unintended consequences the guidelines could have on University of Maine athletics.

The guidelines are a clarification of Maine's Human Rights Act. "Sexual Orientation" was added as a protection of the act in 2005, and the guidelines explain in detail how schools and colleges should work with transgender students.

[Click here to keep reading](#)



Office of LGBT Life

Seeking Emory Faculty to Serve on Advisory Committee

The Office of LGBT Life is seeking one or two faculty members to serve its Advisory Committee. The purpose of this Committee is to: (1) provide advice and input on the Office's Director and staff on planning, implementation, and operational aspects of the Office; (2) ensure that the programs and services of the Office are consistent with and inform the missions of Emory University and Emory University's Division of Campus Life; (3) facilitate communication between the University community and the Office; and (4) serve as advocates and ambassadors for the Office's goals and objectives in creating an equitable and inclusive campus environment.

To learn more, [click here](#). Please contact Michael Shutt mshutt@emory.edu for further information.

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. Due to Spring Break the next meeting will be held on **March 18**.

Contact: Ian Spain gspain@emory.edu

Trans-Forming Emory

Tuesdays at 7pm

Trans-Forming Emory is a group for members of the Emory Community that meets to discuss issues of gender and building community for transgender, gender variant, transsexual, genderqueer, gender questioning people and their allies, friends & partners.

This week: Discussion of NAMES, NAMING and PRONOUNS

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

Emory Pride will be hosting an Atlanta-wide Spring Fling (AKA dance) on April 16th and WE NEED YOUR HELP! The co-president of Emory Pride will be serving as executive committee member for the Spring Fling Committee, but it's up to you all to really make this happen! You are invited to the first meeting on the first Tuesday after spring break (March 16) from 2:00PM - 3:00PM in the Office of LGBT Life.

If you are interested in attending the meeting or being a part of the committee **please email Ken Burke and Olivia Wise on LearnLink.**

Coming up:

3/17- The group will be meeting for dinner and then head to a showing of the Vagina Monologues.

3/24- New Officer Elections

3/31 - OUT at Work Panel

6:30pm Location TBD

Evening will begin with refreshments at 6:30pm and the panel will begin at 7pm. More details to come!



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

Presidential Commissions Accepting Applications for Membership

The commissions help achieve equity for underrepresented groups by raising issues of concern and recommending actions. Faculty, staff and students are encouraged to apply.

The President's Commission on Race and Ethnicity (PCORE) serves as a forum for discussing and addressing issues of race and ethnicity. Our initiatives embody our commitment to maintain and nurture a diverse, enlightened and respectful community.

For more information email Stacey Derico at sderico@emory.edu or visit www.pcore.emory.edu.

The President's Commission on Sexuality, Gender Diversity, and Queer Equality (PCSGEQE) advises the president on issues of concern to lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer persons across the university in order to facilitate the development of a community that is equitable and inclusive of all sexual orientations and gender expressions.

For more information and to apply online visit www.pcsqdqu.emory.edu or email Thaddeus.pace@emory.edu.

President's Commission on the Status of Women (PCSW) advises President Wagner about improving the quality of life for all women at the University, thereby strengthening the entire Emory Community. PCSW welcomes men and women to continue our tradition of enriching the community and enhancing our ability to transform society.

For more information email lisa.newbern@emory.edu.

Studies in Sexualities March Events

Mar 17 @ 4pm White Hall 112

Adam Frank lecture "Gertrude Stein, Silvan Tomkins, and the Compositional Aspect of Affect"

Mar 27 @ 9am-6pm Rita Ann Rollins Rm, RSPH

Risky Sex Conference; participants include Larry Bryant, Amy M. Buddie, Kirk Elifson, Andrew Francis, David Malebranche, and more; screenings of Kean O'Brien, "I Can't Feel It Anyway" and, at 8 p.m., Andy Warhol's Lonesome Cowboys (in White Hall 205) introduced by Andy Ditzler.

Mar 31 @ 4pm White Hall 112

Katy Hawkins lecture; "Art Sutra: Sedgwick, Proust, and Creative Mindfulness"

Atlanta Professional Speaker Series at Emory

Fri, Mar 19 5-7pm

Woodruff Health Science Administration Building

As part of a bimonthly speaker series focusing on the impact of healthcare reform on the community as well as advocacy and corporate equality featuring five major recruiting firms, the Rollins School of Public Health is pleased to be hosting Earnst & Young's panel on HRC Corporate Equality Index: Best Practices for Achieving a Perfect Score Under the New Criteria 3.0 Model.

To register, follow this link:

<https://survey.deloitte.com/wsb.dll/2756/APSSS-Healthcare.htm>

"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.

Events in the Community

The Vagina Monologues

Purchase your tickets online for *The Vagina Monologues*.

Feminists in Action will be putting on their annual benefit performance of *The Vagina Monologues* to raise awareness and funds for anti-violence groups. Performances will be held March 15 - 17, in Performing Arts Studio, 1804 North Decatur Road, Burlington Road Building, 2nd floor. Show starts at 8 p.m.; doors open at 7 p.m.

For tickets go to:

<https://npo.networkforgood.org/Donate/Donate.aspx?npoSubscriptionId=1002688&code=V-Day2010>

Job and Internship Opportunities

National Gay and Lesbian Task Force Summer Academy Fellowship

Are you passionate about LGBT rights?

Do you want to make organizing and movement building your career?

Well then the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force Summer Academy Fellowship is for you! This is not an average fellowship — this is a chance to create change AND get paid.

For more information and a full description of the position, [click here](#).

Conferences

Transnationalizing LGBT Studies Conference/Workshop- Save the date!

Sept 23rd -25th, 2010 Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY

We will explore, through keynote lectures, scholarship panels, and pedagogy workshops, questions such as: what new theoretical and political frameworks emerge with the transnational turn in LGBT/Queer Studies? How do transnational perspectives influence what and how we teach LGBT/Queer Studies to university students? In

what ways do we connect with scholars and scholarship from across the globe? What do we want to avoid?

Keynote Speakers:

Martin F. Manalansan IV, Associate Professor of Anthropology and America Studies at the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign

Elizabeth A. Povinelli, Professor of Anthropology and Gender Studies at Columbia University and Director of the Institute for Research on Women and Gender.

Surveys & Research

Graduate Student Interested in Research Participants

Are you a Man who has Sex with Men (MSM)?
You may qualify to participate in an Online Survey!

The University of Illinois at Chicago is conducting a large survey about stressful life events, sex, and coping among gay and bisexual men.

The Survey Takes about 45 minutes.

If you decide to participate: You will receive an iTunes song of your choice and entered to win an iPod Touch!

www.menshealthsurvey.com

This survey is approved by the Institutional review Board of the University of Illinois at Chicago

Email Christine Holland at cholla1@uic.edu with any questions or concerns.

Honors Students Looking for Participants for Online Survey

Students from the Honors Program in the Psychology Department at Loyola Marymount University conducting an online survey study about sexuality among gay and bisexual men and same-sex couples. Those who participate in the study will be entered into a lottery to win one of several prizes including: 2 iPod Nanos and 4 \$50 Visa gift cards.

To participate or learn more about the research, please visit: www.gaysexattitudes.org.