

the
INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION
for
GENDER EDUCATION

announces

SPECIAL PROGRAMS

for
PSYCHIATRISTS,
PSYCHOLOGISTS,
COUNSELORS,
& THERAPISTS

at its 3rd annual

International
"Coming Together" Convention

to be held at
the San Franciscan Hotel
in downtown San Francisco
April 4 - 9, 1989

PROFESSIONAL PROGRAMS
Friday & Saturday
April 7 - 8, 1989

"Coming Together"
P.O. Box 367
Wayland, MA 01778
(617) 894-8340

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REGISTRATION FEES:

(Does not include hotel accommodations, or the Keynote Speakers Luncheons.)

FULL CONVENTION:

\$205.00 per person, \$350.00 per couple (Includes the Wednesday orientation buffet, reduced rates for luncheons, Friday Bay Cruise, Saturday Banquet, Sunday brunch/show, and the IFGE Professional Program for Friday and Saturday.)

3-DAY REGISTRATION:

\$175.00 per person, \$275.00 per couple (See above.)

2-DAY REGISTRATION:

\$125.00 per person (Friday and Saturday only. Includes Bay Cruise, Banquet, reduced rates for luncheons, reduced rates for Outreach's program.)

OUTREACH INSTITUTE SATURDAY PROGRAM:

\$35.00 morning session, non-participant, \$25.00 morning session, convention participant, \$75.00 all-day, non-participant, \$55.00 all-day, convention participant, \$45.00 afternoon session, professionals only.

Make checks or money orders payable to: "Coming Together", P.O. Box 367, Wayland, MA 01778 (617) 894-8340

Visa or MasterCard accepted. We need your account number, expiration date, and the name on the card.

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REGISTRATION:

Send completed registration form to:
"Coming Together", P.O. Box 367, Wayland,
MA 01778

Date: _____

Professional Affiliation: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

PLEASE CHECK:

_____ FULL CONVENTION REGISTRATION

_____ 3-DAY CONVENTION REGISTRATION

_____ 2-DAY CONVENTION REGISTRATION (IFGE Professional Program Friday and Saturday only)

_____ OUTREACH INSTITUTE PROGRAM

_____ Morning session

_____ Afternoon session

_____ Evening session

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED:

\$ _____

Visa/MasterCard # _____

Exp. Date: _____

WHAT IS IFGE?

The 'International Foundation For Gender Education' is a non-profit tax-exempt organization serving the Crossdressing/Transsexual Community, those persons affected by that Community, and those persons serving that Community.

WHAT IS THE 'COMING TOGETHER' CONVENTION?

The "Coming Together" convention is an event sponsored by I.F.G.E. for four groups:

- 1.) The CD/TS Community leaders who wish to work on the affairs of the Community.
- 2.) The members and significant others of the CD/TS Community who wish to have a better understanding of themselves and their relationships.
- 3.) Helping professionals who have gender-conflicted persons as clients, or have an interest in gender related issues.
- 4.) The members of the general public who wish to have a better understanding of transvestism and transsexualism.

WHY SHOULD YOU, THE HELPING PROFESSIONAL, ATTEND THE "COMING TOGETHER" CONVENTION?

It is estimated that between 2-5% of the entire population either cross-dresses or is transsexually inclined. That, plus the people whose lives are touched by cross-dressers or transsexuals, makes up a huge number of people. Sooner or later nearly every helping professional is going to have a gender-conflicted person as a client. It is imperative the helping professional has the knowledge and the tools to do an effective job serving their client.

It is our job to help you, the helping professional, do the best job possible serving our people.

We welcome and openly encourage you to attend the entire "Coming Together" convention. You will have an opportunity to meet the pioneers of the CD/TS Community, and leaders of I.F.G.E. and dozens of local organizations and services. There will be participants from all facets of the Community who, in this "safe" non-clinical setting will be very open in talking to you about their particular situation. You will have the opportunity to meet and learn from leading experts on cross-gender behavior. You will also have the opportunity to meet and share ideas with other professional colleagues.

In addition to the opportunity to meet people, to teach, to learn, and to share ideas, we have scheduled programs of special interest to you on Friday and Saturday, April 7 & 8, 1989.

The Convention will be an exciting and educational experience.

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1.) **YOU MAY ATTEND THE CONVENTION ALL OR IN PART.** (*We have a brochure and complete program schedule and description available to you upon request.*)

2.) **YOU MAY ATTEND THE SPECIAL 2-DAY IFGE PROFESSIONAL PROGRAM SCHEDULED FOR FRIDAY AND SATURDAY.**

3.) **YOU MAY ATTEND THE 1-DAY PROGRAM BEING SPONSORED BY THE OUTREACH INSTITUTE ON SATURDAY.** (*This is an independently sponsored program with separate fees.*)

The "COMING TOGETHER" CONVENTION FEATURES:

- * 7 full days of programs to help you enjoy your visit to San Francisco, including a Bay cruise, tours, and exciting fun-filled nights out on the town.
- * 5 full days of educational programs including "Who Are We - Where Did We Come From - Where Are We Going", "Living Full Time", "Positive Action", "Counseling Techniques", special topic panel discussions on "Transsexualism", "Wives And Significant Others", "Dominance And Submission", and much much more.
- * Special educational and social programs for helping professionals.
- * Top name guest speakers.
- * A formal banquet celebrating our pride and achievements.

(*If you wish a convention brochure, or additional information, contact: 'Coming Together', P.O. Box 367, Wayland, MA 01778 617-894-8340*)

IFGE PROFESSIONAL PROGRAM:

(*Coordinated by Roger E. Peo, PhD, Director of 'Androgyny Unlimited', and Niela Miller, LCSW, president of 'People Systems Potential'*)

Friday, April 7:

Registered professionals will begin with a closed orientation session.

Following this will come a brief slide show, leading into the main session of the morning - a panel presentation by experts in the field, discussing theoretical models and current research.

In the Afternoon the San Francisco Bay cruise will give an opportunity for informal interactions with other conference attendees.

A closed "debriefing" session will then afford opportunity for comment and discussion among the professional group.

Saturday, April 8:

A morning seminar dealing with the subject of "Cross Currents Between Crossdressing and Women's/Men's Lib'.

A morning panel discussion with wives and significant others of cross-dressers.

An afternoon panel discussion with transsexuals.

An afternoon panel discussion on the subject of "Dominance and Submission".

A closed "debriefing" session.

OUTREACH INSTITUTE'S

SATURDAY PROGRAM:

"GENDER ISSUES FOR THE 90s"

(An independent program with separate registration fees sponsored by the Human Outreach and Achievement Institute, Ariadne Kane, Dir.)

An all-day program which will focus on alternative avenues and lifestyles, rather than viewing cross-dressing as an illness to be cured.

The morning symposium (open to all) is designed to provide helping professionals with broadened perspectives on current issues of gender roles and their relationship to society.

The Afternoon program (for professionals only) will offer realistic counseling and therapeutic "tools" that can aid the professional and the client towards clarification of issues, and towards effective coping strategies.

A late-afternoon reception completes the Outreach Institute program.

_____ I do not wish to register at this time, but please keep me informed of future events.

_____ Please send brochures and any additional information on the "Coming Together" convention.

_____ Please send _____ copies of this flier for me to distribute to clients and colleagues.

_____ Please send copies of this flier directly to the following names and addresses (include