



PRESENTING I.F.G.E.'s *Sixth Annual*

**'COMING TOGETHER -
WORKING TOGETHER'
CONVENTION**

**Houston, Texas
April 6 - 12, 1992**

SPONSOR::

**The International Foundation for
Gender Education**

P.O. Box 367, Wayland, MA 01778

HOSTS:

Gulf Coast Transgender Community

P.O. Box 90335, Houston, TX (713) 780-3553

Tau Chi Chapter - Tri Ess

P.O. Box 1105, Alief, TX 77411-1105

Boulton & Park Society

P.O. Box 169652, San Antonio, TX 78280-3252

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P.O. Box 1021, Arlington, TX 76004-1021

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Hi-lights & Activities

Trinity Awards

Each year the IFGE Awards Committee seeks out six of our community's *heroes*, people who have performed extraordinary acts of love and courage, and presents them with *Trinities*. Each *Trinity* is a beautiful, burnished steel statuette, and is presented to the recipients in a wonderful, emotion-packed ceremony on Wednesday evening. The ceremony is an event not to be missed.

The VP Lifetime Service Award

The *Virginia Prince Lifetime Service Award* is our community's highest award. It is given to one extraordinary member of our community to honor her or his accomplishments and years of dedication. The award is presented during an evening-long program on Saturday evening. It is the crowning event of the *Coming Together* convention.

Social & Outside Activities

All work and no play makes Jack or Jill dull, dull, dull. There will be parties, receptions, nights out, days out, see the sights. The Texas host organizations are hard at work planning fun things to do to make your trip to Houston a memorable one.

Free Public Seminars

As part of its public education program, the IFGE Educational Resources committee is sponsoring two free educational seminars for the general public. The seminars will be held on Tuesday and on Friday.

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NEWCOMER PROGRAMS

We want newcomers. The future of our community depends on it. In fact, one of the reasons the convention exists is to bring new people into the family of leaders and workers, and to help them not only become technically competent leaders, but happy and comfortable human beings. Therefore, we make a point of making sure newcomers feel welcome. Also, we will have no less than eight seminars specifically designed for newcomers. These seminars include *Speaking As A Woman*, *Finding Balance In Your Life*, and many more.

LEADERSHIP PROGRAMS

These programs are designed to help current and future leaders of local and regional support groups develop the skills they need to organize, plan, and conduct the business of our community at the local and the regional level. These programs include *Community Outreach*, *Public Speaking*, *Getting Things Done*, and many more.

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

At every convention we have special programs designed to teach us, to enlighten us, and to help us to learn more about ourselves. This convention is no different. This year's programs include *Lighting and Staging in Photography*, *Gender in Other Cultures - the Native American Berdache*, and more.

BUSINESS PROGRAMS

Work, work, work! After all, this is a working convention. Everyone is invited, expected even, to take an active interest in our community. We will have a session on *Community Building*, an open forum on *Positive Action*, and the ever popular *Action Committees*. These action committees include *Educational Resources*, *Programs*, *Publications*, *Legal*, *Congress of Representatives*, and *Finance*.

TRANSSEXUAL PROGRAMS

A special three-day program dealing entirely with transsexual issues will be conducted Thursday, Friday, and Saturday.

FEMALE PARTNERS' PROGRAMS

A special two-day program dealing entirely with wife's and female partners' issues will be conducted Friday and Saturday.

PROFESSIONAL PROGRAMS

A special two-day program run by mental and medical health professionals for professionals will be conducted Friday and Saturday. The sessions are taught by professionals with a great deal of experience in the field of gender education. It is designed to benefit all helping professionals and is an exciting opportunity for growth and learning. As a welcome participant you will interact with all facets of the community. It will prove to be a social as well as an educational experience.

CEU's offered **Inquire for further details.**



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I.F.G.E. is a non-profit educational and service organization designed to serve as an effective communications medium, outreach device, and networking facility for the entire TV/TS Community and those affected by that Community.

Hosts:

GULF COAST TRANSGENDER COMMUNITY
An Out Reach Organization
P.O. Box 90335, Houston, TX
(713) 780-3553

A social support group for crossdressers, transsexuals and significant others.

TAU CHI CHAPTER - TRI ESS
Society for the Second Self

P.O. Box 1105, Alief, TX 77411-1105

A social support group for heterosexual crossdressers and their significant others.

BOULTON & PARK SOCIETY
P.O. Box 169652, San Antonio, TX 78280-3252

DELTA OMEGA CHAPTER - TRI ESS
P.O. Box 1021, Arlington, TX 76004-1021

WOMEN ASSOCIATED WITH CROSSDRESSERS
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A Slice Of Heaven In Houston !

Our haven for this year's festivities is the very heart of the Lone Star State. We will be virtually surrounded by vendors and establishments where we will be welcome. The saying that they do everything BIG in Texas is no lie, and it will be a pleasure to be part of the pride and the spirit that is Houston.

**THE HILTON SOUTHWEST:
Home On The Range**

Once again we have struck gold in our choice of hotels. Not only is the Hilton perfectly suited to the needs of our convention, but the staff has hosted no less than three other gender community events with boundless hospitality and service.

When you're not caught up in the daily goings-on of the convention, you can relax in the Atrium or tie on a feedbag at the Desert Rose Resteraunt (they say 'some like it hot' and if so, caliente is a speciality). As the evening draws near, the Coyote Lounge beckons. Be prepared for some down home hospitality !!

IMPORTANT! The room rates, be they single or double occupancy are \$59.00/night. To receive our special rate you must call the Hilton directly. DO NOT use the Hilton '800' number or you will not get the discount.

Hilton SouthWest
6780 Southeast Freeway
Houston, TX (713) 977-7911



CONVENTION REGISTRATION FEES:

Full Convention (more than 3 days)
Individuals - \$240.00 Couples - \$400.00
Any Three Days
Individuals - \$200.00 Couples - \$320.00
Any Two Days
Individuals - \$150.00 No special Couple Rate

IF PAID IN FULL by: % Deducted From Fees

October 1, 1991 15%
January 1, 1992 10%
March 1, 1992 5%

REFUND POLICY:

prior to 1/2/92 100%
prior to 3/1/92 50%
after 3/1/92 0%

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Registration Form
“Coming Together – Working Together” Convention
 April 6 thru 12, 1992

Name (for ID Badge): _____
 Name (for couple's 2nd ID): _____
 Organization Affiliation: _____
 Send Mail to: Name _____
 Address _____
 Arrive On: _____
 Depart On: _____ Tel: () _____

(Do not write in this space)

About Convention Costs

Registration fees:

The “Coming Together” Convention is a professionally coordinated event. The fees are set as reasonably as possible in order not to create a financial burden on anyone wishing to attend, yet maintain a quality event year after year. Net proceeds, if any, will be applied towards future conventions and the development of IFGE educational programs.

Registration fees include:

The coordination of the event itself, the Trinity Award Buffet on Wednesday, the Banquet on Saturday, Sunday's Wind-Down Brunch, reduced fees for Keynote Speakers' luncheons, and a substantial discount for accommodations.

Registration fees do not include:

Hotel accommodations (except for the discount), meals (except for those noted above), and the special outside activities sponsored by the host organizations.

Discounts are available for:

Timely Payment as per schedule below:

If PAID IN FULL By:	Deduct From Registration Fees
October 1, 1991	15%
January 1, 1992	10%
March 1, 1992	5%

IFGE Supporting Members (\$100 membership) are entitled to an additional 10% discount from registration fees.

Please Check:

Full Registration
(more than 3 days)

Individuals - \$240
 Couples - \$400

3-Day Registration
(any 3 days)

Individuals - \$220
 Couples - \$305

2-Day Registration
(Friday and Saturday Only)

Individuals - \$150
(No special couple rate)

1-Day Registration
(per person)

Tuesday - \$50
 Wednesday - \$90
 Thursday - \$80
 Friday - \$80
 Saturday - \$90
 Sunday - \$50

Banquet

Per person - \$40
(N/A if registered for Sat.)

Your Cost:

Amount checked: \$ _____

Less Discounts for:
 Timely Payment - \$ _____
 Supporting Member - \$ _____
 (See explanation for amounts)

Total Registration Fee: \$

Keynote Luncheons:

Wednesday
 Thursday
 Friday
 Saturday

___ Total No. Luncheons + \$ _____
 (\$15 per lunch for participants)
 (\$25 each for non-participants)

Total Cost: \$

Payment Enclosed: \$
 (a \$100 minimum deposit is required)

Make check or M.O. payable in U.S. funds to: “Coming Together”

If paying via VISA or Mastercard there is a 6% service charge, please supply:

Acct. No. _____
 Expiration Date _____

Refund Policy:

Requested	Amount
Prior to 1/2/92	100%
1/2/92 - 3/1/92	50%
After 3/1/92	0%

Please send completed registration form to “Coming Together”, P.O. Box 367, Wayland, MA 01778 USA



The ***Coming Together - Working Together*** Convention exists to help build a better world in which to live. Our intention is to bring our people and our friends together so we can learn how to better understand each other's needs and issues, learn how to respect each other's differences, to care about each other, and to work together for the benefit of all. The convention also exists to reach out to the general public, to help them better understand our issues, and to respect us as positive, constructive, and contributing members of society, and as human beings.



Why You Must Come to the *Coming Together*

BUILDING A BETTER WORLD IN WHICH TO LIVE

When you register, you become an important participant in our future. Your attendance is vital to our convention's success.

WHEN YOU ATTEND

You will have the opportunity to meet, learn from, and share insights with the leaders and members of our community from around the world. You will have the chance to learn, and to grow, and to be yourself in an atmosphere of pride, dignity, and joy.

Your attendance is wanted!
Your attendance is needed!
And, you will have fun!!

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