Celebrating Gay Spirit Visions

A CONVOCATION OF GAY MEN TO EXPLORE AND CREATE THEIR SPIRITUAL DESTINY ON AN AWAKENING PLANET



Why We Are Gathering

In our sanctuaries we see and affirm the beauty in one another. When we gather we always marvel at who we are; always more than we thought possible. Let us come together to once again share a spirit of communion and celebrate our diversity.

The earth cries out for the active love and participation of all of its inhabitants. As gay men our time of exile is over. It is time for us to come out and offer our wisdom. As heirs of a shamanic tradition, we possess the sensitivity and energy for an essential role in the transformation of the planet.

Individually we are coming to acknowledge the gifts, talents, and power which enable our particular contribution. Let us convene to further discover and nurture this potential. Let us gather to construct a light-bearing, collective consciousness from our individual experience and insight.

We deserve to share more fully who we are to ourselves, and to our parent society. Let us claim personal dominion and express ourselves freely. Let us love one another unencumbered and believe in the union of our sexuality and spirituality. Let us experience the vortex of our collective dreaming.



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Registration Form

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The Conference Committee
c/o Michael Head
99 Beech Glen Rd.

Mars Hill, NC 28754

What



A two-day conference with keynote speakers, workshops, and sharing circles has been organized. Visionaries, mentors, and elders have been invited to present ideas, lead discussions, and inspire thought. We seek the synergy of active participants who will unfold new understanding and soulsharing. Let us work with intention and emotion to create a new paradigm.



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This conference has been created by and for adult gay men.

Does your heart soar when you read these dreams and ambitions? Do you yearn for the next step in our collective self-discovery? Are you excited by networking with brothers of spirit? Do you enjoy the spontaneous celebrations when faeries gather? If a voice within urges you to participate, please come.

A light inside our beings draws us together. Now is the time to harvest our mentors, sages, and adepts to be; a time to honor the elder wisdom and cast visions and collaborations of what can be.



Presenters



Harry Hay: "Where We Have Been and Where We Are Now"

Harry comes as an acknowledged modern-day "Father of Gay Liberation". He founded the Mattachine Society in the early '50's; the first politically successful organization of Gays. Harry remains committed to the exploration of Gay consciousness and spirituality.

Franklin Abbott: "History, Integrity and Transformation"

Franklin is a psychotherapist with a private practice in Atlanta, Georgia. He is the editor of New Men, New Minds: Breaking Male Traditions, and Men and Intimacy: Personal Accounts Exploring the Dilemmas of Modern Male Sexuality, both published by The Crossing Press.

Andrew Hamer: "Roots of Our Culture in the Gay Tribes of the Ice Ages"

Andrew is a writer, artist and musician. Part of his work is to walk with us back into a memory of prehistory so that we can honor our power and visions; not only for ourselves, but for everyone on the planet.



Workshops

Franklin Abbott: "Sunday Healing Circle"
Chuck Akerland: "Tantric Erotic Massage"

Chuck will explain techniques for moving erotic energy through the body by use of massage and conscious breathing.

John Burnside and Harry Hay: "Sex Magic"

Steven Greer: "Androgeny and the Evolution of Consciousness"

> "In this workshop we will explore the unique advantage which Gay people, as the natural expression of androgeny, have in the evolution of higher states of consciousness."

Crazy Owl: "Civilization Is the Disease, or Who Is and Who Is Not a Shaman"

Andrew Ramer: "Healing Our Ancestors and Blessing Our Heirs Ritual"

John R. Stowe: "Flowers, Devas and You. Establishing a Personal Connection with Nature"

*Additional workshops to be announced at the conference

When



The Conference will begin at 4:30 p.m. on Friday, November 2, 1990. Harry Hay will give the first address at 8:00 p.m. You are welcome to arrive any time during the day or evening Friday. The Conference will close at the noon meal Sunday, November 4, 1990.

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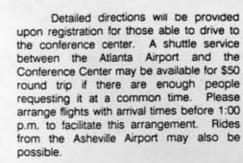
The conference will take place at The Mountain, a retreat and conference center in Western North Carolina near the town of Highlands. This beautiful mountain-top camp provides heated cabins for six to eight men. Meals with a vegetarian option will also be provided.

What to Bring



Warm clothing, rain gear, and a flashlight will be helpful. Sheets, blankets, and towels will be provided by the conference center. No pets are allowed.

How to Get There



The registration forms also request information on ride-sharing opportunities which will be passed along to those who request it. We hope this assistance will help, but please understand that each registrant is individually responsible for his own transportation to and from the conference.

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Registration forms are attached to this brochure. The registration form should be returned with full payment to:

The Mountain
Highlands Camp and Conference Center
841 Highway 106
Highlands, NC 28741

The total cost is \$142.50 per person which pays for two nights, six meals, and the program. Visa and Master Card are accepted. If you can afford to donate an extra amount, it will be used to pay for others who require assistance. If there are funds in excess of scholarship requirements and conference expenses, the money will be kept in an account for future conferences.

Scholarships to attend will be available as donations allow. The registration fees are necessary to cover the conference costs. If you require scholarship assistance to attend, please send your registration form with as much partial payment as possible to:

The Conference Committee c/o Michael Head 99 Beech Glen Rd. Mars Hill, NC 28754

When your registration has been processed, you will receive a confirmation notice. This conference is limited to 125 participants, which is the maximum capacity of the facility. Please register as soon as possible to reserve your place.

Contact



For questions regarding fully paid registrations and the conference center, call:

The Mountain (704) 526-5838

For questions regarding scholarship registrations, call:

Michael or Peter (704) 689-5515

For questions involving the conference program, call:

Ron (704) 252-0643 Raven (404) 658-9251

For questions involving vending opportunities at the conference, call:

Randy (404) 627-2707

For quesitons involving ride-sharing opportunities, please call:

Greg or Steve (704) 274-5671

Please copy this brochure and registration form as needed.

