



FORGE Forward 2007 Conference

MARCH 29—APRIL 1, 2007

MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN
(FOUR POINTS SHERATON—AIRPORT)

FULL DAY INTENSIVE—FRIDAY, MARCH 30, 2007

OTHER PRE-CONFERENCE INTENSIVES

Thursday Intensives:

Supporting Gender-Variant Children, Youth and Their Families

HIV Prevention/Safer Sex for FTMs+ and Mental Health Providers

Survivor Centered Advocacy for Trans Survivors of Violence

Creative Spirituality for the Third Gender Tribe

Other Friday Intensives:

Building Anti-Racist Organizations, Coalitions and Movements

Understanding the FTM Experience: 101 for Providers

All This and Cute Shoes Too: Femme Beyond Binaries

Breaking Isolation, Building Community: A Gathering for Disabled and Deaf Trans People and Our Allies

BEYOND THE BINARY: LANGUAGE, LONGING, AND LEGITIMACY

- This Intensive will be an exploration of participants' experiences with the language they use to talk about their gender experience, the longings in their lives, and their search and successes in finding legitimacy.
- Language is a powerful force in our lives. Finding the language that accurately describes our gender experiences can be difficult.
- Longing is a natural part of life. Giving voice to those longings can be a compelling way to find the means to fulfill them.
- Legitimacy is something many of us strive for in our families, in our communities, and in the world-at-large.
- Sharing experiences of striving for and achieving legitimacy can help empower others to take risks to find their own. Come to this Intensive and share, learn, be heard, and leave feeling empowered.



HEATHER DAVIES

Heather Davies, LMSW, is a therapist, artist, and writer who combines her love of artistry and creativity with the transformative process to help others move forward along their individual healing paths. Heather currently works as a therapist and community outreach trainer for a GLBTQ-focused community counseling center in Austin, TX. She received her Master's degree in Social Work from the

University of Texas at Austin and her Bachelor's degree in Aerospace Engineering from the United States Naval Academy.



SHANE WHALLEY

Shane Whalley, LMSW, has spent the last 10 years as a GLBT activist and educator. Ze received hir Master's in Social Work from The University of Texas at Austin. Currently, Shane is a therapist working with the GLBT population and a Lecturer at the School of Social Work at UT, where ze was recently named Adjunct Lecturer of the Year. Hir passion is to make space for those who live

in the "gender gray." Ze is currently located in Austin, Texas.

Register Today!

MORE INFORMATION ON THE BACK →

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ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

Early birds are welcome at a pre-opening presentation by renowned writer, poet, and trans-activist Minnie Bruce Pratt (dinner optional) before the official conference kicks off the evening of Friday, March 30. From then through Sunday evening, hundreds of trans-masculine individuals and SOFFAs (Significant Others, Friends, Family, and Allies) will, for one low price, enjoy:

- More than 75 concurrent workshops
- Keynote addresses by leading transgender and SOFFA activists and innovative thinkers, including:
 - Eli Clare
 - Jay Sennett
 - Dean Spade
 - Susan Stryker
 - Willy Wilkinson
- Provocative entertainment by:
 - S. Bear Bergman
 - Imani Henry
 - Coyote Grace
- Dozens of socializing and networking opportunities
- An exhibit hall packed full of vendors and organizations
- Consultations with respected surgeons
- 12-step recovery meetings
- Childcare (pre-registrants only)
- ASL and accessibility services (pre-registrants only)
- Singles events
- and much, much more!

STILL WANT MORE?

We still have more! Add-ons include:

- “From the Medical Gaze to Sublime Mutations: The Ethics of Re-viewing Nonstandard Body Images,” presentation by Ben Singer (Thursday evening, March 29; dinner optional)
- Minnie Bruce Pratt (Friday evening, March 30; dinner optional)
- Breaking Isolation, Building Community: A Gathering for Disabled and Deaf Trans People and Our Allies
- Fast Food for Power Networkers: boxed lunch options (Saturday and Sunday)
- T-shirts featuring the great Conference logo developed by Wolfgang Beilschmidt

HOW YOU CAN HELP

There are many ways you can help make this Conference accessible to as large a segment of our community as possible:

Attend the Conference!

Share information about the Conference with those who might be benefit!

Join together and share rides and housing to minimize costs! Be a vendor. Share your services, products, and information with Conference attendees!

Advertise in the program book!

Donate directly to enable low income people to attend, or to help underwrite sign language interpretation, childcare, speaker honorariums and travel expenses, and much more!

HOTEL

The Four Points Sheraton
4747 South Howell Avenue Milwaukee, WI
414 - 481-8000

The FORGE Forward Conference rate is \$105.00 per room (up to 4 individuals). To receive this rate, register at our special website by February 26, 2007
www.starwoodmeeting.com/Book/forge

Registration Rates	Early	Regular	Door*
Thursday Pre-Conference Intensives	\$115	\$130	\$165
Friday Pre-Conference Intensives	\$115	\$130	\$165
Full Conference (Friday night through Sunday)	\$125	\$140	\$155

* “Door” price in effect from March 1, 2007

Yes! I’m interested in knowing more about the FORGE Forward 2007 Conference, especially about...

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| <input type="checkbox"/> distributing informational materials | <input type="checkbox"/> making financial donation | <input type="checkbox"/> vending in the exhibit hall |
| <input type="checkbox"/> advertising in the program book | <input type="checkbox"/> childcare options | <input type="checkbox"/> accessibility concerns |

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