



FORGE Lead Conference Organizers' Credentials

FORGE: A national education and advocacy organization supporting FTM+s and SOFFAs

In addition to being workshop presenters or keynoters at dozens of national professional and transgender conferences, Michael Munson and Loree Cook-Daniels have been, between them, primary staff organizers or key organizing committee members for more than 30 national and local conferences, including:

- ⇒ **1996 – 2002 True Spirit Conference** (annual, national FTM+/SOFFA conference) (200-750 attendees)
 - Board of director member (5 years)
 - Programming director (including keynotes, medical presentations, and entertainment) (4 years)
 - Webmaster (4 years)
 - Organizing committee members (6 years)
 - Program Book editor
 - Special populations outreach and liaison (multiple audiences and years)

- ⇒ **2002 Wisconsin Dementia and Aggressive or Abusive Behavior Summit** (invitation only; 50 attendees)
 - Contracted organizing staff
 - Researchers, interviewers, writers: Discussion paper and final report
 - Summit facilitator and recorder/scribe

- ⇒ **Transgender Aging Intensive** (30 attendees)
 - Organizing staff and presenters

- ⇒ **2001 National Policy Summit on Elder Abuse** (invitation only; > 100 attendees)
 - Contracted organizing staff
 - Chief onsite staff
 - Final report writers

- ⇒ **Various other conference organizing roles** (selected)
 - Forward Motion: FTM Conference of the Americas (1999; assistant program director)
 - National LGBT Aging conferences (multiple; advisory board member)
 - Fall Harvest Conference (1999; co-chair, programming consultant, hotel liaison)
 - IML Convention (1992 – 2000; various roles including registrar, fundraising coordinator, volunteer coordinator)
 - Southern Comfort Conference (1997 – 1999; programming committee member)