

Equality Forum[®]

The Global GLBT Event

April 27 – May 3, 2009, in Philadelphia

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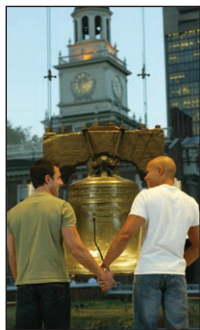


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Join activists and straight allies from across the nation as we demonstrate at Independence Hall and the Liberty Bell — symbols of the American promise of liberty, equality and the pursuit of happiness. Return to the site where the Gay Pioneers launched our movement with protests each Fourth of July from 1965 to 1969. Send a powerful message to congress and the president to stand by their commitment to our civil rights. As **Harvey Milk** said, "All men are created equal. No matter how hard they try, they can never erase those words. That is what America is about."

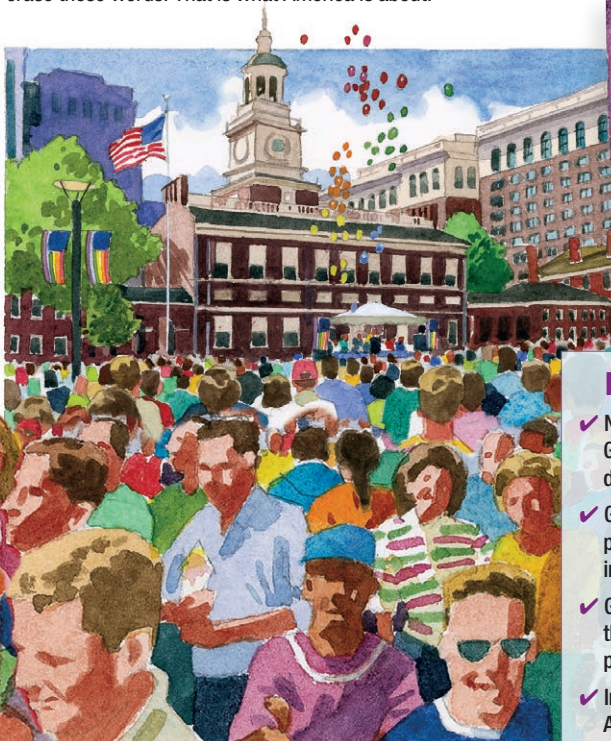


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For more information about Philadelphia hotels and travel arrangements, please visit gophila.com.

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Reasons to Rally

- ✓ No federal protection against GLBT hate crimes or workplace discrimination.
- ✓ Gays and lesbians are prohibited from serving openly in the U.S. military.
- ✓ Gays and lesbians are denied the 1,138 federal marital protections and benefits.
- ✓ In 2008, California, Florida and Arizona joined 26 states that constitutionally prohibit gay and lesbian marriages.

Make History!

Special Events



International Equality Dinner

Saturday, May 2 — The International Equality Dinner at the **National Constitution Center** honors **San Francisco Mayor Gavin Newsom** with the 14th annual *International Role Model Award* and **The New York Times Company** with the 7th annual *International Business Leadership Award*. **Pennsylvania Governor Edward Rendell** is the Honorary Dinner Chair.



10th Annual Art Exhibit

Monday, April 27 to Sunday, May 3 — Equality Forum, in collaboration with **The University of the Arts**, hosts a **Richard Amsel Retrospective** — a free exhibit of the work of Hollywood's preeminent illustrator. Amsel created posters for "**Raiders of the Lost Ark**," "**Hello, Dolly!**" and "**The Sting**," and illustrated **TV Guide** and record album covers.



VIP Kickoff

Monday, April 27 — Join Philadelphia **Mayor Michael Nutter** as Equality Forum presents its annual **Distinguished Service Award** to Pennsylvania **State Representative Dwight Evans**. *Invitation only.*



Sponsored by NBC10.

Film Screening: "Pursuit of Equality"

Friday, May 1 — "**Pursuit of Equality**" is an emotionally charged documentary that examines marriage equality. The film tracks California's historic struggle from the decision by Mayor Gavin Newsom of San Francisco to marry same-sex

couples, to the California Supreme Court decision legalizing same-sex marriage, to Proposition 8 — the state's ballot initiative to constitutionally ban gay marriage. A Q&A session with producer **Geoff Callan** follows the screening. www.pursuitofequality.com

Film Screening: U.S. Premiere "My Happy Family"

Saturday, May 2 — "**My Happy Family**" is a documentary examining the challenges of lesbian parenting in Russia. The film is an open, courageous and, at times, painfully personal story of two women — their fears, dreams and hopes. A Q&A session with producer **Alexandra Sotnikova** follows the screening.



Voices of Equality Concert

Friday, May 1 — Join the **Philadelphia Gay Men's Chorus**, **Anna Crusis Women's Choir** and the **Mendelssohn Club of Philadelphia** for an unprecedented choral event, featuring nearly 300 singers.



- ▼ On February 12, 2004, at Mayor Gavin Newsom's direction, San Francisco became the first U.S. city to grant marriage licenses to same-sex couples.
- ▼ The poster for the film "Hello, Dolly!" was Richard Amsel's first nationally acclaimed work.

Visibility

National Transgender Panel

Monday, April 27 — **Joelle Ruby Ryan**, transgender activist and Ph.D. candidate, **Bowling Green State University**, moderates this discussion with **Benjamin L. Jerner, Esq.**, **Jerner & Palmer P.C.**; **Kathy Padilla**, public relations and communications consultant; and **Ben Singer**, cofounder, **Trans-Health Information Project (TIP)**.

National Racial Panel

Tuesday, April 28 — **Marjorie Hill**, CEO, **Gay Men's Health Crisis (GMHC)**, moderates this panel exploring racial issues and the GLBT community, with **Juanita Diaz-Cotto, Ph.D.**, Professor of Sociology, **Binghamton University**; **Glenn Magpantay**, staff attorney, **Asian American Legal Defense and Education Fund**; and **Alexander Robinson**, CEO, **National Black Justice Coalition**.

National History Panel

Wednesday, April 29 — **Aubrey Sarvis**, Executive Director, **Servicemembers Legal Defense Network (SLDN)**, leads this discussion on the history of the movement to allow openly gay service members in the military, with **Nathaniel Frank**, senior research fellow, **Palm Center, UC Santa Barbara**; **Alex Nicholson**, discharged Army linguist; **Julianne Sohn**, former Public Affairs Officer, **U.S. Marine Corps**; and **Al Steinman**, Rear Admiral and Director of Health and Safety, **U.S. Coast Guard**, retired.

Cutting-Edge Strategies and Real Results

Saturday, May 2 — **Kevin Corcoran**, Managing Partner, **Corcoran & Associates**, leads this panel of

three progressive organizations engaged in innovative approaches to securing GLBT civil rights, with **Patrick Guerriero**, Executive Director, **Gill Action Fund**; **Malcolm Lazin**, Executive Director, **Equality Forum**; and **Brad Sears**, Executive Director, **Williams Institute**.

Collaborative Programs

Saturday, May 2

Bisexuality: A Panel Discussion

Know What the Cops Know: Philadelphia Police LGBT Awareness Training

Interpersonal Relationships with Transgender Youth and Adults

Care and Feeding of Straight Allies: What We Need to Know for Successful Inclusion

A Blueprint for Change



- ▼ Enacted in 1993, the "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" policy authorizes the military to remove openly gay and lesbian service members.
- ▼ The Defense of Marriage Act (DOMA), prohibits federal recognition of and federal benefits and protections for same-sex marriages.

Politics

National Politics Panel

Thursday, April 30 — **Patrick Guerriero**, Executive Director, **Gill Action Fund**, moderates a discussion about opportunities in the Obama administration and in the states to advance GLBT civil rights, with **Rea Carey**, Executive Director, **National Gay and Lesbian Task Force**; **Jon Hoadley**, Executive Director, **National Stonewall Democrats**; and **Richard Tafel**, President, **RLT Strategies**.

National Legal Panel

Friday, May 1 — **Nan Hunter**, Professor, **Georgetown University Law Center**, leads this discussion exploring legal issues and challenges, with **Chris Anders**, Senior Legislative Counsel, **ACLU Washington Legislative Offices**; **Chai Feldblum**, Director, Federal Legislation Clinic, **Georgetown University**

Law Center; and **Tobias Wolff**, Professor, **University of Pennsylvania Law School**. *Presented in collaboration with the Williams Institute.*

GLBT Elected Officials

Saturday, May 2 — **Neil Giuliano**, Executive Director, **GLAAD**, moderates this panel discussion with **Mayor Sam Adams of Portland, Ore.**; **Mayor David Cicilline of Providence, R.I.**; and **Mayor Denise Simmons of Cambridge, Mass.**

Liberty PA/Equality Advocates Pennsylvania Statewide Reception

Saturday, May 2 — Join political activists from across Pennsylvania to network and strategize.

Collaborative Programs

Saturday, May 2

Global Justice or Queer Colonialism

Health Care Reform: What Does It Mean for the LGBT Community?

From the Grassroots to the Halls of Power – Effective Community Organizing



- ▼ In 2008, Jared Polis of Colorado became the first non-incumbent openly gay man elected to Congress.
- ▼ In 2008, Sam Adams was elected mayor of Portland, Ore., making him the first openly gay mayor of one of the 30 largest U.S. cities.

Health & Family

Same-Sex Families

Wednesday, April 29 — **Gail Shister**, Metro reporter, **The Philadelphia Inquirer**, moderates a discussion examining the challenges facing same-sex families, with **Jenn Chrisler**, Executive Director, **Family Equality Council**; **Jamie Marks**, founder, **TheBody.com**; **Nancy Polikoff**, Professor, **American University Washington College of Law**; and **Steven Sokoll, M.D.**, psychiatrist, **University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine**.

12th Annual James Wheeler National Youth Panel

Saturday, May 2 — **Craig Richie**, **Jenkintown High School** senior and the school's first openly gay student body president, leads this discussion of GLBT youth issues, with **Alyssa Hargrove**, **The University of the Arts** freshman; **Alex Morse**, **Brown University** student and **Point Foundation Scholar**; **David Osjerkis**, **Mainland Regional High School** senior and GSA founder; **Sara Puffer**, sophomore and GSA president, **Linn-Mar High School**; and **Justin Roman**, **W.B. Saul High School** senior and GSA captain.

Collaborative Programs

Saturday, May 2

Becoming Parents

Community-Level Interventions for Black and Latino Gay Men

Cancer in the LGBT Community: Advocating for Yourself and Being Proactive

LGBT Youth Suicide and What We Can Do About It

Safe and Healthy Sexual Expression in the LGBT Community

OUTspoken Families: Toughest Questions

Challenges to a Healthy Life: Tobacco, Substance Abuse and Risk Reduction

From PTA to GSA: The Queer Family School Experience



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- ▼ According to the 2000 census, 33% of female same-sex households and 22% of male same-sex households include at least one child under the age of 18.
- ▼ A 2007 GLSEN survey of middle and high school students found that nearly 9 out of 10 LGBT students experienced harassment.

Business Equality

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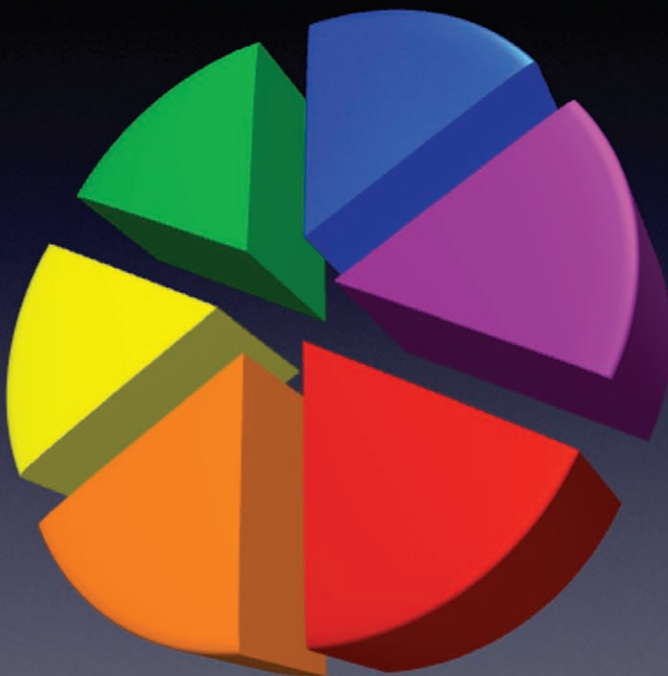
Saturday, May 2 — **Connie Wong**, Managing Director, **CSW Associates, Inc.**, moderates this discussion of the changing GLBT workplace in an ENDA inclusive environment, with **Desiree Dancy**, Vice President, Diversity and Inclusion, **The New York Times**

Company: Nan Hunter, Professor, **Georgetown University Law Center**; **Paula Madison**, Executive Vice President, Diversity, **NBC Universal**; and **Mark Niehaus**, Assurance Partner, **PricewaterhouseCoopers**.

Collaborative Programs

Saturday, May 2

Understanding the LGBT Business Case: Nationally & Globally



- ▼ Of the 2008 FORTUNE 500 companies, 473 (94.6%) protect their employees from discrimination based on sexual orientation.
- ▼ Nineteen states provide employment discrimination protection based on sexual orientation; 11 also provide protection based on gender identity.

Schedule of Events

All Week

10th Annual Art Exhibit Richard Amsel Retrospective

The University of the Arts
Rosenwald-Wolf Gallery
10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
(Wednesdays until 8 p.m.;
Weekends, noon to 5 p.m.)

FREE

Monday, April 27

VIP Kickoff

6 to 7:30 p.m.
Conversation Hall
City Hall
(invitation only)

National Transgender Panel

8 to 9:15 p.m.
Prince Music Theater

FREE

Tuesday, April 28

12th Annual National Religious Colloquy Conversation with Bishop Gene Robinson

7 to 8:15 p.m.
Prince Music Theater

FREE

National Racial Panel

8:30 to 9:45 p.m.
Prince Music Theater

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7 to 8:15 p.m.
Prince Music Theater

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National History Panel

8:30 to 9:45 p.m.
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Spin Cycle: Battle of the D.J.'s

8 p.m. to 1 a.m.
Sisters

Thursday, April 30

National Politics Panel

7 to 8:15 p.m.
Prince Music Theater

FREE

Challenges of the Russian GLBT Community

8:30 to 9:45 p.m.
Prince Music Theater

FREE

Welcome Party

10 p.m. to 2 a.m.
Woody's

Friday, May 1

National Legal Panel

3:30 to 4:45 p.m.
Prince Music Theater

FREE

Happy Hour

6 to 8 p.m.
Tavern on Camac

FREE

Film Screening: "Pursuit of Equality"

7:30 to 9:30 p.m.
Prince Music Theater

Voices of Equality Concert

8 to 10 p.m.
The Church of the
Holy Trinity

Black and White

Emerge Women's Party
9 p.m. to 3 a.m.
Transit

Dancing in the Ascend Lounge

9 p.m. to 2 a.m.
Tavern on Camac

Saturday, May 2

Cutting-Edge Strategies and Real Results

1 to 2:15 p.m.
Prince Music Theater

FREE

12th Annual James Wheeler National Youth Panel

1 to 2:15 p.m.
Prince Music Theater

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Business Equality

2:30 to 3:45 p.m.
Prince Music Theater

FREE

GLBT Elected Officials

2:30 to 3:45 p.m.
Prince Music Theater

FREE

Liberty PA/ Equality Advocates Pennsylvania

Statewide
Reception

5 to 6 p.m.
Woody's

BB"Q"

5 to 8 p.m.
13th Street between
Walnut & Locust

FREE

International Equality Dinner

7 to 10 p.m.
National Constitution
Center

Film Screening: U.S. Premiere "My Happy Family"

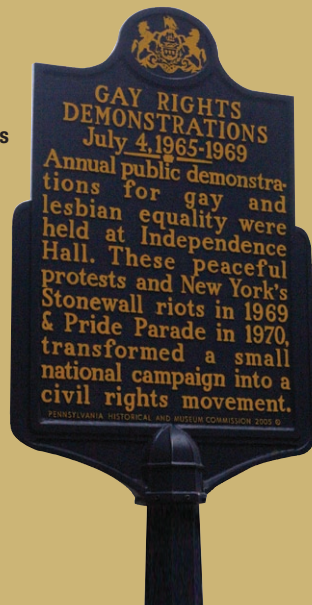
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Prince Music Theater

10th Annual Girl Fever

Hottest Lesbian in the
USA Finals
8:30 p.m. to 2 a.m.
Sisters

Liberation

Main Men's Event
TBA
10 p.m. to 2 a.m.



Sunday, May 3

SundayOUT!

Street Festival

11 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Market Street in
Old City

FREE

Conversation with Volker Beck

1 to 2 p.m.
National Constitution
Center, Kirby Auditorium

FREE

Conversation with Mayor Gavin Newsom of San Francisco

2:15 to 3:15 p.m.
National Constitution
Center, Kirby Auditorium

FREE

National Equality Rally at Independence Hall

3 to 4:30 p.m.
Independence Hall

FREE

5th Annual National Interfaith Service

5 to 6 p.m.
Christ Church
Philadelphia

FREE

SundayOUT! Party

5 to 10 p.m.
Triumph Brewing
Company

Equality Forum Closing Party

10 p.m. to Closing
Pure

Saturday, May 2

Collaborative Programs at Temple University Center City **FREE**

12:30 to 1:45 p.m.

Becoming Parents

Philadelphia Family Pride

Community-Level

**Interventions for Black
and Latino Gay Men**
Gay Men's Health Crisis

Bisexuality: A Panel Discussion

BiUnity of Philadelphia

Global Justice or Queer Colonialism

*Metropolitan Community
Churches, Global Justice
Ministry*

Know What the Cops Know: Philadelphia Police LGBT Awareness Training

*LGBT Liaison to the
Philadelphia Police
Commissioner*

Cancer in the LGBT Community: Advocating for Yourself and Being Proactive

*National LGBT Cancer
Network, Linda Creed
Breast Cancer Foundation,
Gilda's Club Delaware
Valley*

2 to 3:15 p.m.

Interpersonal Relationships with Transgender Youth and Adults

*Women's Therapy Center,
Equality Advocates PA*

Health Care Reform: What Does It Mean for the LGBT Community?

Mazzoni Center

Would Jesus Discriminate? A Campaign to Counter Religious Bigotry

*Imago Dei Metropolitan
Church*

LGBT Youth Suicide and What We Can Do About It

The Trevor Project

Safe and Healthy Sexual Expression in the LGBT Community

Mazzoni Center

OUTSpoken Families: Toughest Questions

Family Equality Council

3:30 to 4:45 p.m.

From the Grassroots to the Halls of Power – Effective Community Organizing

Equality Advocates PA

Challenges to a Healthy Life: Tobacco, Substance Abuse and Risk Reduction

*Mazzoni Center,
Clean Air Council*

From PTA to GSA: The Queer Family School Experience

Mountain Meadow

Understanding the LGBT Business Case: Nationally & Globally Out & Equal Workplace Advocates

Care and Feeding of Straight Allies: What We Need to Know for Successful Inclusion

Straight For Equality

A Blueprint for Change Men of All Colors Together

Other Collaborative Programs

Friday, May 1

Shabbat Service

8 p.m.
Congregation Beth Avayah
Rodeph Shalom
www.bethavayah.org

Saturday, May 2

Youth Fest

All Day
The Attic Youth Center
www.attic-youth.org

Sunday, May 3

Dignity Philadelphia Mass and Couples Blessing

7 p.m.
The Church of St. Luke
and The Epiphany
www.dignityphila.org

Religion & Faith

12th Annual National Religious Colloquy Conversation with Bishop Gene Robinson

Tuesday, April 28 — **Linda Holtzman**, Senior Rabbi, **Mishkan Shalom**, facilitates a conversation with **Bishop Gene Robinson** of the **Diocese of New Hampshire**, the first openly gay Episcopal bishop.

5th Annual National Interfaith Service

Sunday, May 3 — At historic **Christ Church Philadelphia** with representatives from major faiths.

Collaborative Programs

Saturday, May 2

**Would Jesus Discriminate?
A Campaign to Counter Religious Bigotry**

Shabbat Service

**Dignity Philadelphia Mass
and Couples Blessing**



- ▼ In 2008, Bishop Gene Robinson and Mark Andrews, his partner of 20 years, exchanged vows in a civil union ceremony in New Hampshire.
- ▼ The Metropolitan Community Churches is the largest gay denomination, with 300 congregations in 22 countries.

Challenges of the Russian GLBT Community

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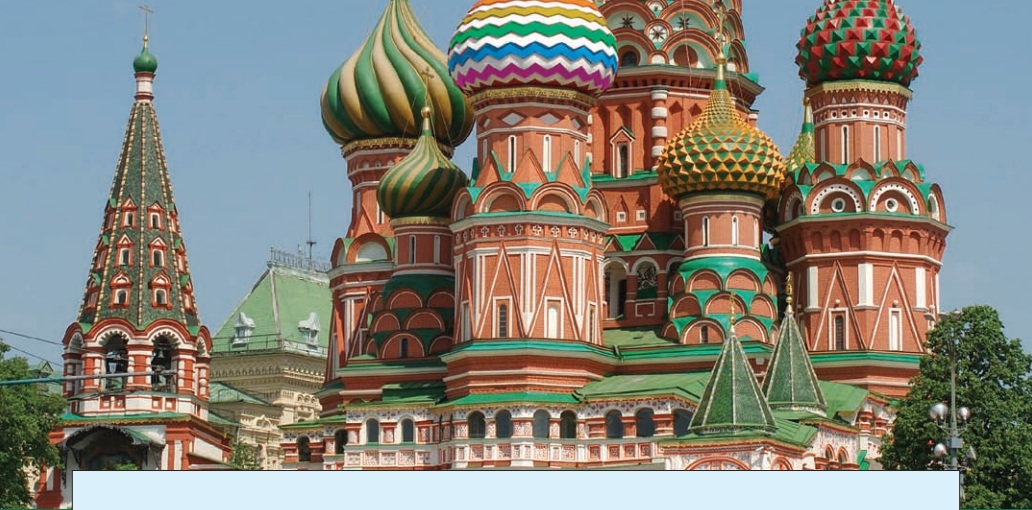
Thursday, April 30 — **Michael Guest**, former **U.S. Ambassador to Romania**, moderates Equality Forum's featured international panel with leading Russian and European activists, including **Volker Beck**, member of the **Bundestag** (German Parliament); **Ruslan Porshnev**, founder and leader of **AntiDogma**, a Russian LGBT online community; **Polina Savchenko**, International Programs Coordinator of **Vykhod** (Coming Out), a St. Petersburg LGBT organization; and **Alexandra Sotnikova**, activist and producer of "My Happy Family."

Film Screening: U.S. Premiere "My Happy Family"

Saturday, May 2 — "**My Happy Family**" is a documentary examining the challenges of lesbian parenting in Russia. The film is an open, courageous and, at times, painfully personal story of two lesbians trying to create a same-sex family in Russia. A Q&A session with producer **Alexandra Sotnikova** follows the screening.

Conversation with Volker Beck

Sunday, May 3 — **John Taylor**, Managing Partner, **Wellspring Advisors, LLC**, facilitates a conversation at the National Constitution Center with **Volker Beck**, the **leading European GLBT activist** and a member of the **Bundestag** (German Parliament).



- ▼ In 2007, at Moscow's Pride, GLBT activists were attacked while police stood by.
- ▼ In 2008, over 100 participants from 28 Russian cities attended the National Conference of Civil Organizations in Support of the LGBT Movement.

SundayOUT!

Sunday, May 3

Old City, Philadelphia's trendy neighborhood, is home to SundayOUT! Loaded with charm, Old City features more than 100 historical sites, art galleries, museums, theaters, shops, restaurants, clubs and cafes.

SundayOUT! Street Festival

SundayOUT! is Pennsylvania's largest annual GLBT street festival with over 120 artisans, food vendors and community organizations.

Conversation with Volker Beck

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Conversation with Gavin Newsom

As mayor of San Francisco, **Gavin Newsom** garnered worldwide attention when, at his direction, San Francisco became the first city in the nation to sanction same-sex marriage. Facilitated by **Marcus Mabry**, International Business Editor, **The New York Times**.

In collaboration with the **National Constitution Center**.

5th Annual National Interfaith Service at historic Christ Church Philadelphia

SundayOUT! Party

Head to **Triumph Brewing Company** for a SundayOUT! celebration.

Equality Forum Closing Party

Equality Forum wraps up the Global GLBT Event with a celebration at **Pure**.

National Equality Rally

AT INDEPENDENCE HALL

Join activists and straight allies from across the nation as we demonstrate at Independence Hall and the Liberty Bell — the site where the Gay Pioneers launched our movement with the first protests in 1965. Send a powerful message to congress and the president to enact legislation to protect our civil rights.

Make History!



- ▼ In 2003, when Gavin Newsom was elected Mayor of San Francisco at age 36, he became the city's youngest mayor in 100 years.
- ▼ Volker Beck, a member of the Bundestag (German Parliament), is the father of the German Registered Partnership Act.

Parties

Wednesday, April 29

Spin Cycle: Battle of the D.J.'s
at **Sisters**.

Thursday, April 30

Welcome Party

Join Equality Forum as we welcome visitors with a bash at **Woody's**.

Friday, May 1

Happy Hour at **Tavern on Camac**.

Black and White

Emerge Women's Party at **Transit**.

Dancing in the Ascend Lounge
at **Tavern on Camac**.

Saturday, May 2

Liberty PA/Equality Advocates Pennsylvania Statewide Reception
at **Woody's**.

BB"Q"

Head to the "gayborhood" for Equality Forum's annual early-evening barbecue. Sponsored by Q102.

10th Annual Girl Fever

The Hottest Lesbian in the USA Finals at **Sisters**.

Liberation

Main Men's Event
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- ▼ Starting in 1993 with 15 regional programs over a weekend, the 17th annual Equality Forum is weeklong with regional, national and international programs.
- ▼ Equality Forum presents the largest annual national and international GLBT civil rights forum.

Who's Involved

Collaborating Organizations

ACLU
AIDS Responsibility Project
American University Washington
College of Law
Anna Crusis Women's Choir
Asian American Legal Defense
and Education Fund
Binghamton University
BiUnity of Philadelphia
Bowling Green State University
Brown University
Bryson Institute
Christ Church Philadelphia
Clean Air Council
Congregation Beth Ahavah
Congregation Rodeph Shalom
Council for Global Equality
Dignity Philadelphia
Equality Advocates PA
Family Equality Council
Gay Men's Health Crisis
Georgetown University Law Center
Gilda's Club Delaware Valley
Gill Action Fund
GLAAD
Greater Philadelphia Tourism
and Marketing Corporation
Imago Dei Metropolitan Church
Liberty PA
Linda Creed Breast Cancer
Foundation



Mazzoni Center
Men of All Colors Together
Mendelssohn Club of Philadelphia
Metropolitan Community Churches
& Global Justice Ministry
Mishkan Shalom
Mountain Meadow
National Black Justice Coalition
National Constitution Center
National Gay and Lesbian
Task Force
National LGBT Cancer Network
National Stonewall Democrats
Old City Civic Association
Out & Equal Workplace Advocates

Philadelphia Convention and
Visitors Bureau
Philadelphia Family Pride
Philadelphia Gay Men's Chorus
Philadelphia Gay Tourism Caucus
Philadelphia Police Department
Prince Music Theater
Russian LGBT Network
Sapphire Fund
Servicemembers Legal
Defense Network
St. Petersburg Lesbian Information
and Cultural Center (Labrys)
Straight for Equality
Temple University
The Attic Youth Center
The Episcopal Diocese of New
Hampshire
The Point Foundation
The Trevor Project
The University of the Arts
The Williams Institute
Unite Here
University of California,
Santa Barbara
University of Pennsylvania
Law School
University of Pennsylvania
School of Medicine
Vykhod (Coming Out)
Wellspring Advisors
Women's Therapy Center

About Equality Forum

Who We Are

Equality Forum is a national and international nonprofit 501(c)(3) GLBT civil rights organization with an educational focus. Headquartered in Philadelphia, Equality Forum began in 1993 with a weekend event featuring regional organizations. Today, Equality Forum presents the largest annual national and international GLBT civil rights forum. In addition to the weeklong Global GLBT Event, Equality Forum produces documentary films, undertakes high-impact initiatives, and spearheads GLBT History Month.

Annual Equality Forum

Held in Philadelphia, the annual Equality Forum features more than 50 programs and events in collaboration with regional, state, national and international nonprofit organizations. Highlights include over 30 panels, an international focus, parties, the International Equality Dinner, SundayOUT! street festival, an art exhibit and more.

www.equalityforum.com

Documentary Films

"JIM IN BOLD"— The leading film about the impact of homophobia on GLBTQ youth. www.jimbold.com

"Gay Pioneers"— About the start of the organized GLBT civil rights movement at Independence Hall. www.gaypioneers.com

"Saint of 9/11"— About the life of Father Mychal Judge, Chaplain of the New York City Fire Department. www.saintof9-11.com

High-Impact Initiatives

FORTUNE 500 Project — Lobbies the nation's largest corporations for sexual orientation discrimination protection. www.equalityforum.com/fortune500

"Project 1138"— Increases public awareness of the 1,138 federal marital protections and benefits denied to same-sex couples. www.project1138.com

GLBT History Month

Each October, GLBT History Month honors 31 Icons, one each day, with a video, bio, bibliography and other resources. www.glbtHistoryMonth.com

Historical Marker

Equality Forum petitioned the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission for the historic marker across from Independence Hall and the Liberty Bell Pavilion. The marker designates the site where the first organized annual gay and lesbian demonstrations took place each Fourth of July from 1965 to 1969.

Governance

Equality Forum is governed by a Board of Directors and guided by a National Board of Governors. Please visit www.equalityforum.com to make a tax-deductible contribution.



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Louis Thomas, Treasurer;
Stephanie Yeung, Vice President;
Kevin Ray, Chair.



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