

Imperial Queens of New York

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Entertainment Note:
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Imperial Queen ALLYSON
ANN ALLANTE is featured
in the upcoming film --
"STONEWALL: THE MOVIE"

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Dear BENJAMIN:

The IMPERIAL QUEENS OF NEW YORK & LONG ISLAND (and NEW JERSEY) is a matter of legend in the Gay community and far beyond.

Since TERRY BOGGIS left THE GAY CENTER and you became the Director of Communications, we have received no communication from your office. The purpose of this correspondence, therefore, is to arrange a meeting to discuss such and plan accordingly.

Upon information and belief, the IMPERIAL QUEENS is the longest-living organization in the New York Gay community. Please see the enclosed "NEW YORK GAY HISTORY #101" which has been presented through research from the INTERNATIONAL GAY & LESBIAN ARCHIVE, among other credible sources for accuracy.

IQNY has been very and successfully supportive and involved with THE CENTER since prior to its inception. We actually raised funds for there to be a "CENTER" back in 1983. You will also see a reprint of when we spoke at THE CENTER's "Orientation Program". We are always represented at THE CENTER's "Annual Garden Party". Our monthly meetings, as you must know, are at, where else, THE CENTER.

The knowledgeable CENTER STAFF, particularly, Mr. BURNS, Dr. WARREN, Mr. WOODWORTH, Mr. WICKHAM, Ms. BOYCE, Mr. SIMPSON, Mr. CHIN, Mr. REYNOSO, Rev. ROSE and so many others would be helpful in providing additional info to you should it be required.

Although we do not have a member who is on the Board of THE CENTER, we should not be at a disadvantage as has been the case on occasion in the past. However, the current CENTER STAFF seems sincere to avoid that wrong pitfall. We are not affiliated with any other group other than the GREATER NEW YORK GENDER ALLIANCE, of which I am an elected officer.

We look forward to a Gay response from you. Imperially Yours,



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