

Registration Form: 2nd International Congress on Sex & Gender Issues

Please reserve _____ registrations for the 2nd Congress at \$80 each (\$100 after June 1, 1997) and _____ tickets for the Saturday evening banquet @ \$37 each. Total amount due: \$ _____
_____ Check _____ Money Order enclosed. I can't attend, so here's a donation: \$ _____

PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE INFO BELOW

Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____
State: _____ Postal Code: _____
Country: _____

return this form to:

Renaissance Education Assoc., Inc.
Congress Registration
987 Old Eagle School Rd, Suite 719
Wayne, PA 19087

Hotel Information

The Park Ridge Hotel is located in King of Prussia (just 30 minutes from Philadelphia) flanked by historic Valley Forge National Park and the equally famous King of Prussia Shopping Mall. The hotel is served by several limousine services (-\$18). Rooms are \$90/single, \$100/double, plus 8% tax. Parking is free. Make your reservation by calling the Park Ridge at 800-337-1801 (610-337-1801) or fax to 610-337-4624 and mention the Congress.

Miscellaneous Information

Registration fees: Before June 1, 1997 – \$80.
After June 1, 1997 – \$100.

Mail the completed Registration Card (see panel to left) to the Renaissance Education Association, Inc., 987 Old Eagle School Rd, Suite 719, Wayne, PA 19087.

Room and meal costs are the responsibility of the registrant. The Renaissance 10th Anniversary Banquet is an extra cost event for Saturday evening – \$37.

For General Information about the Congress, contact JoAnn Roberts, at PO Box 61263, King of Prussia, PA 19406, or call 610-640-9449 (daytime) or email <cngrs2@cdspub.com>.

About Renaissance

The Renaissance Education Association, Inc., is a nonprofit 501[c][3] education organization. It is the largest open membership transgender organization in the U.S. It is also the largest information provider to the transgender community, publishing a 24 page newsletter each month. The general staff of Renaissance are volunteers who work for no compensation.

Donations in any amount are always welcome and assist us in our educational work. Even if you cannot attend, consider sending a donation to help defray the cost of this event.

The Second International Congress On Sex & Gender Issues

June 19 – 22, 1997

The Park Ridge Hotel
King of Prussia, Pa.

(Suburban Philadelphia)



Co-sponsored by The Renaissance Education Association, Inc. and the Human Sexuality Program in the Department of Education at the University of Pennsylvania.

Why Attend This Congress?

Sex and gender are two often confused concepts. Everyone is certain of the definition of sex, but how do you define gender? Look around and you will see many variations of masculinity and femininity, sometimes exhibited by members of the opposite sex. Pop icons like k.d. lang, Ru-Paul, and Dennis Rodman provide new models for gender roles irrespective of anatomical sex. More people are opting to cross the lines of gender and that action creates issues that seek resolution. This conference will examine those issues in some detail and explore avenues of resolution by bringing together researchers, clinical practitioners and transgendered people on a level playing field. This second Congress seeks to recapture the success of the first while providing insight on the state of our understanding about sex and gender.

Schedule

The Congress begins Thursday, June 19th. The Registration Desk will be open from 3:00 PM until 7:00 PM. At 7:00 PM there will be a **Welcome Cocktail Reception**.

The program begins in earnest on Friday morning with a series of one and two hour workshops, followed by a **Plenary Session** with guest speaker **Kate Bornstein**, known for her best selling book *Gender Outlaw* and her play *Hidden: A Gender*.

In the afternoon, there are 4 separate breakout rooms with a variety of programs from which to choose, including several clinical programs.

Friday evening attendees are on their own for dinner. Feel free to visit historic **Valley Forge Park** or the equally famous **King of Prussia Mall**. **The Renaissance Education Assoc.** will host an open house at its offices less than a mile from the hotel.

Saturday morning will begin with another series of one hour workshops, followed by a Plenary session with **Dr. Louis Gooren, Professor of Medicine at the Vrije University of Amsterdam, the Netherlands**. Dr. Gooren is one of the pre-eminent sex researchers in the world. His research team made the recent finding of significant similarities in the brain structures of MtF transsexuals and genetic female.

Saturday afternoon will have a variety of 15, 30 and 60 minute programs in 4 breakout rooms.

On Saturday evening, Renaissance will celebrate its 10th anniversary with a banquet (see below).

Sunday morning will have several hour-long workshops concluding with a **Plenary Session** where **Dr. Stephen Levine** will discuss the upcoming revised **Standards of Care** from the **Harry Benjamin International Gender Dysphoria Association**.

This will conclude the Second Congress.

A Little Celebration

Saturday evening is special as the Renaissance Education Association, Inc. celebrates its 10th anniversary with an extra cost (\$37) banquet and Special Guest, Kate Bornstein. Ms. Bornstein is a former member of Renaissance and served on its first board of directors. Renaissance is proud to have Kate back to share in the celebration.

A Very Special Exhibit

The Second International Congress is pleased to announce it will display *75 Years of the Institute for Sexual Science*, an exhibit produced by **The Magnus-Hirschfeld-Gesellschaft e.V.** This exhibit contains unpublished documents, photographs and texts of Magnus Hirschfeld, the man who coined the word "transvestite." The exhibit is composed of 65 panels in several sections telling of Hirschfeld's theories of sexuality and the effect his theories had on pre-WWII society.

Continuing Education Units

We have applied for 18 CEUs from AASECT, APA and NASW.

Some of the people presenting:

- Niela Miller, author & therapist
- Maureen Osborne, Ph.D., therapist
- Sandra Cole, Ph.D., therapist
- Holly Devor, Ph.D., author & professor
- Randi Ettner, Ed.D., author & therapist
- Alison Laing, Exec. Dir., IFGE
- Ariadne Kane, Exec. Dir., OIGS
- Dallas Denny, Exec. Dir., AEGIS
- Roger Millen, Ph.D., therapist
- Virginia Prince, Ph.D., author
- Phyllis Randolph Frye, attorney & activist
- Jamison Green, activist
- Dr. Louis Gooren, professor & researcher
- Barbara Warren, Ph.D., therapist
- Bob Davis, author & historian

Some of the programs are:

- Counseling Issues and Methods
- University of Michigan Gender Services
- The Future of Transgender Politics
- Patient Autonomy vs. the Benjamin Standards
- Crossdressing and the Traditions of Carnival
- The New Knights – an FtM Concept of Masculine Gender Role Expression
- Transgender Spirituality
- Speaking, Syntax & Style
- History & Significance of *Female Mimics*
- The Transsexual In Europe
- GID: Diagnosis or Moral/Social Judgement