



PRESENTING I.F.G.E.'s Seventh Annual

**'COMING TOGETHER -
WORKING TOGETHER'
CONVENTION**

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

March 14th - 21st, 1993

SPONSOR:

**The International Foundation for
Gender Education**

P.O. Box 367, Wayland, MA 01778

HOSTS:

**The Renaissance Education
Association, Inc.**

P.O. Box 552, King of Prussia, PA 19406

Hi-lights & Activities

Social & Outside Activities

There will be parties, receptions, nights out, days out, see the sights. Renaissance is hard at work planning fun things to do to make your trip to Philadelphia a memorable one.

Trinity Awards

Each year the IFGE Awards Committee seeks out six of our community's *heroes*, people who have performed extraordinary acts of love and courage, and presents them with *Trinities*. Each *Trinity* is a beautifully burnished steel statuette, and is presented to the recipients in a wonderful, emotion-packed ceremony on Wednesday evening. It is an event not to be missed.

The VPLifetime Service Award

The *Virginia Prince Award* is our community's highest award. It is given to one extraordinary member of our community to honor her or his accomplishments and years of dedication. The award is presented during an evening-long program on Saturday. It is the crowning event of the *Coming Together* convention.

Free Public Seminars

As part of its public education program, the IFGE Educational Resources Committee is sponsoring two free educational seminars for the general public. The seminars will be held on Tuesday and on Friday.

1993 Coming Together - Working Together Convention PROGRAMS

NEWCOMER PROGRAMS

We need newcomers. The future of our community depends on it. In fact, one of the reasons the convention exists is to bring new people into the family of leaders and workers, and to help them not only become technically competent leaders, but happy and comfortable human beings. Therefore, we make a point of making sure newcomers feel welcome. Also, we will have no less than eight seminars specifically designed for newcomers.

LEADERSHIP PROGRAMS

These programs are designed to help current and future leaders of local and regional support groups develop the skills they need to organize, plan, and conduct the business of our community at the local and the regional level.

FEMALE PARTNERS' PROGRAMS

A special two-day program dealing entirely with wife's and female partners' issues will be conducted Friday and Saturday.

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

At every convention we have special programs designed to teach us, to enlighten us, and to help us to learn more about ourselves. This convention is no different.

BUSINESS PROGRAMS

Work, work, work! After all, this is a working convention. Everyone is invited, expected even, to take an active interest in our community.

TRANSSEXUAL PROGRAMS

A special three-day program dealing entirely with transsexual issues will be conducted Thursday, Friday, and Saturday.

FEMALE-TO-MALE PROGRAMS

A special two-day program dealing entirely with FtM crossdressers and transsexuals issues will be conducted Friday and Saturday.

A Detailed Program Schedule for
Philadelphia '93
The 7th Annual
Coming-Together-Working Together Convention
is enclosed

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**THE INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION
FOR GENDER EDUCATION**

P.O. Box 367, Wayland, MA 01778
(617) 894-8340

I.F.G.E. is a non-profit educational and service organization designed to serve as an effective communications medium, outreach device, and networking facility for the entire TV/TS Community and those affected by that Community.

Host:

**The RENAISSANCE EDUCATION
ASSOCIATION, INC.**

P.O. Box 552, King of Prussia,
PA 19406 (215) 630-1437

Renaissance is a non-profit support group for the gender community at large.

**PHILADELPHIA HILTON
& TOWERS**



**A Warm Welcome in the
Heart of Philadelphia!**

This year's home away from home is located in the hub of Philadelphia's Center City. The city's rich history and cultural centers are all within walking distance. Elegant shopping, fine dining, and good times all await us in the cradle of Liberty!

**THE PHILADELPHIA HILTON
& TOWERS**

Contemporary style combines with traditional Hilton warmth and hospitality. With it's extensive array of services and space THE HILTON is perfectly suited to our needs. From ample meeting space and guest rooms, to swimming, racquetball, exercise and tanning lounges, THE HILTON should help us make this convention the Best ever!

IMPORTANT! The room rates, be they single or double occupancy are \$85.00/night. To receive our special rate you must call the Hilton directly. DO NOT use the Hilton '800' number or you will not get the discount.

PHILADELPHIA HILTON & Towers
(formerly The Hershey Hotel)
BROAD STREET AT LOCUST
(in the heart of Center City)
Philadelphia, PA 19107
(215) 893-1600

CONVENTION REGISTRATION FEES:

Full Convention (more than 3 days) :
Individuals - \$250.00 Couples - \$420.00
Any Three Days :
Individuals - \$225.00 Couples - \$335.00
Any Two Days :
Individuals - \$160.00 No special Couple Rate

If PAID IN FULL by:	% Deducted From Fees
October 1, 1992	15%
January 1, 1993	10%
March 1, 1993	5%
REFUND POLICY:	
prior to 1/2/93	100%
prior to 2/27/93	50%
after 2/27/93	0%

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Registration Form

"Coming Together - Working Together" Convention

March 1993

Name (for ID Badge): _____

Name (for couple's 2nd ID): _____

Organization Affiliation: _____

Send Mail to: Name _____

Address _____

Telephone: () _____

(For IFGE Use) Confirmation Sent

Paid In Full

Registering On: _____ Arriving On: 3/ / 93

_____ / _____ Departing On: 3/ / 93

About Convention Costs

Registration fees:

The "Coming Together" Convention is a professionally coordinated event. The fees are set as reasonably as possible in order not to create a financial burden on anyone wishing to attend, yet maintain a quality event year after year. Net proceeds, if any, will be applied towards future conventions and the development of IFGE educational programs.

Registration fees include:

The coordination of the event itself, the Trinity Award Buffet on Wednesday, the Banquet on Saturday, Sunday's Wind-Down Brunch, reduced fees for Keynote Speakers' luncheons, and a substantial discount for accommodations.

Registration fees do not include:

Hotel accommodations (except for the discount), meals (except for those noted above), and the special outside activities sponsored by the host organizations.

Discounts are available for:

Timely Payment as per schedule below:

If PAID IN FULL By:	Deduct From Registration Fees
October 1, 1992	15%
January 1, 1993	10%
March 1, 1993	5%

IFGE SUPPORTERS & BENEFACTORS are entitled to an additional 10% discount from registration fees.

Please Check:

Full Registration
(more than 3 days)

Individuals - \$250

Couples - \$420

3-Day Registration
(any 3 days)

Individuals - \$225

Couples - \$335

2-Day Registration
(Friday and Saturday Only)

Individuals - \$160
(No special couple rate)

1-Day Registration
(per person)

Tuesday - \$55

Wednesday - \$95

Thursday - \$85

Friday - \$85

Saturday - \$95

Sunday - \$55

Banquet

Per person - \$50
(Included if registered Sat.)

Your Cost:

Amount checked: \$ _____

Less Discounts for:

Timely Payment - \$ _____

Supporter/Benefactor - \$ _____

(see explanation for amounts)

Total Registration Fee: \$

Keynote Luncheons:

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

___ Total No. X \$15 ea. = + \$ _____

Total Cost (Fee + luncheons): \$

Payment Enclosed: \$

(a \$100 minimum deposit is required)

Make check or M.O. payable in U.S. funds to: **"Coming Together"**

Refund Policy:

Requested	Amount
Prior to 1/2/93	100%
1/2/92 - 3/1/93	50%
After 3/1/93	0%

If paying via VISA or Mastercard there is a 6% service charge, please supply:

Acct. No. _____

Expiration Date _____

Signature (X) _____

Please send completed registration form to "Coming Together", P.O. Box 367, Wayland, MA 01778 USA

1993 Coming Together - Working Together Schedule

Unless otherwise stated, the programs are included in your registration fee.

REGISTRATION ROOM / IFGE BOOKSTORE (Aria B Room, 3rd Fl): The registration room will become accessible on Sunday, 3/14. However, registration will not formally begin until Monday, 3/15. Unless otherwise posted, the registration room and IFGE bookstore will be open according to the following schedule:

Monday, 3/15: 9 am to 9 pm. Tuesday, 3/16: 9 am to 9 pm.
 Wednesday, 3/17: 9 am to 6 pm. Thursday, 3/18: 9 am to 9 pm.
 Friday, 3/19: 9 am to 9 pm. Saturday, 3/20: 9 am to 6 pm.
 (Registration for all convention functions end 6 pm.)
 Sunday, 3/21: Bookstore will remain open until 1 pm.

FRIDAY, 3/12 through MONDAY, 3/15

This is tourist time. Check in early, check out the town. A bulletin board with sign-up sheets for things to do will be available when the registration room opens on Sunday.

Monday, 9 - : Registration & IFGE Bookstore [Aria B Room] Opens
 Refer to the above schedule.

TUESDAY, 3/16

9-: Registration, coordination, set-up, preliminary panic.

9-12: IFGE Board of Directors Meeting

1-3: Convention staff meeting

1-3:30: IFGE Board of Directors Meeting

4-5:30: (workshop) Building Our Community From Within

7-9: Free Educational Seminar for the General Public

8-12: Participant's Reception

WEDNESDAY, 3/17

10-12: IFGE Report To Community

12-2: Lunch & Keynote Speaker

2-3:30: Community Initial Organization & Work Sessions

4-5:30: Open Forum & Discussion

7-12: 3rd Annual Trinity Awards Night

THURSDAY, 3/18

ALL DAY: Transsexual Issues Conference, 1st Day

9-9:50: (workshop) Developing Support Group Programs

10-10:50: (workshop) Special Events: What to do & how to do it

10-10:50: (seminar) Religion and the Transgender Community

11-12:30: (Panel Discussion) Open or Focused Support Groups

12:30-2: Lunch & Announcements

2-2:50: (seminar) A History Of Crossdressing

3-3:50: (Panel Discussion) Emerging From Secrecy

4-4:50: (seminar) Legal Rights

7-: Party, party, party!

FRIDAY 3/19

8-12: IFGE Board of Directors Meeting

ALL DAY: Transsexual Issues Conference, 2nd Day

ALL DAY: Female-To-Male Issues Conference, 1st Day

ALL DAY: Wives & Female Partners Conference, 1st Day

9-9:50: (workshop) Financing Your Support Group

10-10:50: (workshop) Newsletters; Editing & Graphics

10-10:50: (seminar) Fantasies & The Crossdresser

11-12:30: (panel discussion) Effective Partner's Support Groups
 Ellen Summers, Chairman

12:30-2: Lunch & Announcements

2-2:50: (seminar) Crossdressing And You As A Person

3-3:50: (seminar) Hair Removal, A to Z

4-4:50: (seminar) Hormones

7-: (fund raiser) Casino Night

SATURDAY 3/20

ALL DAY: Transsexual Issues Conference, 3rd Day

ALL DAY: Female-To-Male Issues Conference, 2nd Day

ALL DAY: Wives & Female Partners Conference, 2nd Day

9-9:50: (workshop) Public Speaking: Organizing Your Thoughts & Subject

10-10:50: (workshop) Public Speaking: Effective Delivery Techniques

10-10:50: (seminar) Transformations; A Photo Essay On Crossdressers

11-12:30: (workshop) Public speaking: Going Into The Classroom

11-12:30: (workshop) Lessons Of The Native American Shaman

12:30-2: Lunch & Announcements

2-5: Professional Program

2-2:50: (panel discussion) Telling Your Partner

3-3:50: (panel discussion) Crossdressing And The Family; Children & Parents

4-4:50: (panel discussion) Living as A Woman; The Dream & The Reality

7-8: Reception and Cocktail Party

8-12: Formal Banquet & 7th Annual 'VP Award' Presentation

SUNDAY 3/21

8:30-10: Non-Denominational Religious Service

10-1: Wind-Down Brunch

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Social Programs — Tier III
IFGE “Coming Together”
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Sunday, March 14: Sunday for High Society

This event begins with a morning visit to the Philadelphia Museum of Art (FREE), followed by a 12:30 PM Brunch in the Swan Room at the exclusive Four Seasons Hotel (\$27.50 plus tip & tax). This will be followed by a concert in the city (cost and location TBD). The brunch requires reservations and is limited in attendance to 12 people.

Monday, March 15: Atlantic City Casino Trip & An Evening at La Cage

Board the bus late Monday afternoon/ early evening in Center City, Philadelphia to Atlantic City - \$12.50 (refunded in quarters and certificates on arrival at the casino). Optional attendance at Bally's *An Evening At La Cage* is \$16.00. Reboard busses after midnight to return to Philadelphia. The bus ride is approximately 90 minutes.

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Tuesday, March 16: Tour of Historic Philadelphia

Assemble in hotel lobby at 2 PM and walk two blocks to board a "trolley" to historic areas in Philadelphia. Visit Independence Hall, the Liberty Bell, Benjamin Franklin's Printing Shop and Post Office, Visitor Center and more! 4:00 - 5:00 PM board trollies to return to hotel. Minimal expense.

Wednesday, March 17: Wives' Tour and Lunch

Wives' tour and off-premises lunch. Transportation to be provided. Estimated cost is \$20.00 for Dutch-Treat lunch and entrance fees. Advanced reservations are required.

Thursday, March 18: Night on the Town

Gather in hotel lobby at 7:00 PM and walk (no more than three blocks) or ride to your choice of eight different restaurants. (Transportation to be provided.) Estimated dinner-cost ranges from \$15.00 to \$30.00 plus drinks. Menus and sign-up sheets will be available from Tuesday until Thursday afternoon. After dinner, we will all meet at a local club for socializing, cocktails and dancing.

Friday, March 16: Chéz Renaissance Casino

Begin with a reception (cash bar) in the "Casino" Lobby at 8:00 PM. The Casino opens at 9:00 PM for Roulette, Black Jack, Bingo, and more. The Ladies of Renaissance are at your service. Your \$10.00 donation to *Make A Wish*, a Foundation dedicated to providing a special treat for terminally ill children, buys you 100 **Monas** with which you can try your luck. Your winnings can be used to bid on special prizes.

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