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Celebrating Our 45th Year!

Fantasia Fair is a week-long transgender event held every October in the resort town of Provincetown, Massachusetts. The Fair attracts people from the entire range of the gender-diverse community: crossdressers, transsexuals, intersex individuals, MTFs, FTMs, anyone who considers themselves gender variant and their significant others and allies, and professionals with an interest in the community.

Started in 1975, Fantasia Fair is the oldest and longest-running gathering of transgender persons for mutual education, support, collaboration, and socializing. Fantasia Fair offers general and specific programs, as well as evening events designed to develop the whole individual.

For more information about Fantasia Fair, including registration, pricing, refund policy, and scholarships, please visit the Fantasia Fair website at www.fanfair.info. You can also join us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/groups/fantasiafair.



About Provincetown

You now find yourself in one of the oldest communities in the United States, and for more than 100 years one of America's premier vacation spots. It's well worth spending time to explore both the town, with its fine restaurants, boutiques, and art galleries, and the many majestic natural features of the Upper Cape.

The Pilgrims, fleeing religious persecution in Holland, arrived in the New World in 1620. Before they landed at Plymouth Rock, the Pilgrims stopped here in Provincetown and signed the Mayflower Compact in Provincetown Harbor. In the land that would eventually become Provincetown, they found a wooded area, with large natural dunes along the shore, but water was scarce, so they moved on to the more fertile environs across the bay in Plymouth. Today, their Provincetown landing is commemorated with a small park.

Provincetown became a port of call for seafarers and fishermen during the 1600s, and the carousing, drinking, gambling, and smuggling caused the Puritanical to nickname the area Helltown. As more and more settlers arrived, settlements became established along the Cape. Provincetown was itself incorporated as a town in 1727.

Whaling became the principal business of the town, and after New Bedford and Nantucket, Provincetown was one of the great whaling ports of the country: by 1870, it was the wealthiest town in Massachusetts, a fact attested to by the many great late-19th century buildings that dot the landscape. As whaling activity expanded, captains took to replenishing their crews in the Cape Verdes and Azores, bringing to Provincetown Portuguese seamen who, by 1900, would come to dominate the town.

Descendants of Portuguese whalers still abound, operating businesses and fishing boats. Portuguese kale soup (try it!) is a staple in many of the town's restaurants.

Provincetown has a rich and famous history in the arts. Artists began coming to the end of the Cape in the 1870s and they still come today. More than 100 years ago,



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Charles Hawthorne opened The Cape Cod School of Arts. Students' easels on the beaches have attracted crowds of onlookers since the opening days of the 20th century. Today, the best viewing of new and classic American art is in the many galleries around town. When you're out shopping or strolling down Commercial Street, take some time to experience the rich art and history in the galleries.

Some of America's premier artists and writers have made their summer homes in Provincetown. Eugene O'Neill wrote many of his early works here; they were performed at a small theater on the wharf. Jackson Pollack, Tennessee Williams, and Jack Kerouac spent summers writing here. Henry David Thoreau and Edna St. Vincent Millay spent time here as well.

Today the city is known primarily as a resort, popular with all sorts of people, but appealing especially to gay men, lesbians, and trans folks. There is much to see and do. From McMillan's Wharf or the deck at Crowne Pointe, you can see across the bay to the mainland and the curve of Cape Cod to the south. Climb the Pilgrim Monument tower and you'll be treated to a stunning view of the entire peninsula! To the north, you'll see the Cape Cod National Seashore, with its magnificent dunes, beaches, and salt forest, just a short drive or bike ride from town. Hiking, biking, bird watching, and ocean swimming (if it's still warm enough!) are all available during Fantasia Fair, with easy access through the National Seashore.

Put on your hiking shoes or rent a bike and follow the trails through the dunes, or take a motorized dunes tour—or perhaps you'd rather go whale watching. There are lots of shops all along Commercial Street and the end-of-season shopping is fantastic. Enjoy the many galleries. Take in a play or enjoy a piano bar. Pamper yourself in one of the many spas.

Whatever you do, enjoy your stay in Provincetown!

Learn about Fantasia Fair's history!



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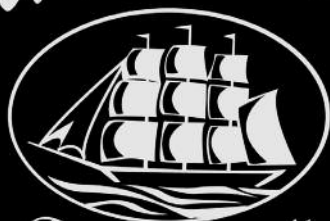
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Greetings . . .

For 45 years, longer than any other event of its kind, people have come to their first Fantasia Fair searching for something. For me, it seems like yesterday, I was headed to Provincetown for the first time. I had heard of the event years earlier, but the realities of attending seemed overwhelming. This year was different but no less complicated. In the midst of personal upheaval of everything in my life and my family's, at the recommendation of a friend, I was headed to the Fair, in search of myself.



It was a seasonably warm day when I arrived at a rented house on Court Street which I was sharing with that same friend. I was a total deer in the headlights, full of anxiety and fear. I didn't know what to expect. I was afraid I would be laughed at. I didn't even know where I was as I got lost on the way to Boatslip—which is hardly surprising, because that's how I roll. I eventually did find my way, and from that first moment of conversing with the office staff, I knew I was in the right place.

From attending the workshops, the keynotes, the meals and events, the one thing I didn't expect was meeting so many wonderful people. To my surprise, my fear of people began to subside. Roomers was an important part of that experience. I have good friendships now with people I met there.

By my third day at the Fair, I found what I was after. I took a walk that day and sat in the shadows of the Pilgrim Monument and said to myself for the first time, "This is who I am."

The last day of the Fair was very difficult, I cried inconsolably because I realized it was time for me to come out of the shadows.

Whether you are attending your first Fair or your 23rd, Welcome! You are in the right place. I hope you find something at this Fair that you'll remember for a lifetime. If you do, don't be surprised; that's what the Fair does! Welcome to Fantasia Fair 2019! I am so glad you are here!

Dee Grace LaValle

Fair Director

Welcome . . .

On behalf of the entire planning committee, we are delighted to welcome you to Provincetown and Fantasia Fair 2019.

This book is intended to be a resource of pertinent information for you to get the most out of your Fair experience. It contains topics presented at orientation, descriptions about each workshop and event, biographies of presenters, accommodations, a map of Provincetown, contact numbers, helpful advice, and other useful information. Throughout the book there are QR codes and website addresses that link you to greater detail or to the latest information available, including the most up-to-date schedule.

As an extension to this guidebook, please refer to the *FanFair Gazette* newspaper, which is distributed daily at each of the lunch venues and the Fair office. The *Gazette* includes information about upcoming events, the next day's menus, and the current schedule, plus a whole lot more, in print form.

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For our first-time Fairgoers, do consider some of the programs we have designed just for you. On any given day the Fair will have upwards of 18 hours of programming, so do consider pacing yourself and don't forget you are on vacation!

We hope you enjoy every bit of your Fantasia Fair experience. If you ever have a question or concern, please don't hesitate to reach out to any one of us on the planning committee.

Enjoy the Fair!

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Getting Started

If this is your first Fantasia Fair, you may be a bit uncertain about what to do and where to go when you arrive in Provincetown. Fortunately, there is little to be nervous about. Here are some suggestions.

You'll want to plan to arrive at your inn early Sunday afternoon to unload, unpack, and unwind. Sometime between 1:00 and 5:00 pm, make your way to the **Boatslip Resort Hotel**, located at 161 Commercial Street. Here you can check in, pick up your registration packet, get your badge and tickets for the week's activities, and get acquainted with other Fairgoers. If you arrive after 5:00, don't be too concerned about checking in—you'll have an opportunity to do so on Monday.



Look through your registration packet. It will contain a welcome letter from the organizing committee with a listing of contact numbers, the first daily issue of the special in-town edition of *The FanFair Gazette* newspaper, the schedule for the week, your 2019 Fantasia Fair charm/pin and pen, and a swag bag.

You should take a few minutes to read the newspaper, as it will include the definitive next day's schedule reflecting changes in the program. We will publish a new edition daily during Fair week. You can pick it up at the Fair Office, at lunches, and at evening events. Also familiarize yourself with the *Participant's Guide*, as it contains information about programs, presenters, events, another map, and how to stay connected. We make the guide small enough to fit nicely in a handbag or breast pocket, so you can keep it with you for the entire week. *(Continued on page 13)*

Fantasia Fair Business Office

The Fantasia Fair Business Office is located in the lobby of The Boatslip Resort, at 161 Commercial Street.

You can leave a message at the Fair office using **508-246-7762**.

The office will be open Sunday from **1:00 pm - 5:00 pm**
and Monday: **11:45 am - 1:00 pm** and **3:00 pm - 5:00 pm**
and Tuesday thru Friday from: **9:30 am - 11:30 am** and **3:00 pm - 5:00 pm**
and Saturday: **9:30 am - 11:30 am**



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If you arrive early enough in the afternoon, you might wish to take a stroll down Commercial Street to do some shopping or grab a quick bite to eat. Don't worry about getting lost—Provincetown isn't very big, and you'll have that map of the town.

Once you are settled, head over around 6:00 pm to the Pilgrim House, 336 Commercial Street, for the Welcome Reception. Here you'll meet fellow Fairgoers and members of the planning committee.

On Monday morning at 8:30 am head to the Crown & Anchor, 247 Commercial Street, for the Orientation Brunch. At Orientation you'll be given the tools necessary to get the most out of your Fantasia Fair experience. More information on the Orientation Brunch can be found on Page 35, later in this guide.

Lunch and Dinner Selections

You will need to select which restaurants you want for lunches and dinner choices for the banquets. Hopefully, you have already made your lunch and dinner choices online. If you haven't, you'll need to select which restaurants you want for lunches and dinner choices. ***We ask you to eat at each restaurant at least once over the course of the week.***

Special Needs

For those with special dietary needs, we'll do our best to accommodate you, so long as you let us know. Please let us know as soon as possible so we can contact the restaurants, or feel free to do it yourself.

Access for the physically disabled can be a problem in Provincetown. Many of the structures were built long ago, and steep stairs, small rooms, and tight spaces are common. If you have trouble getting around, let us know and we'll see what we can do to help.

Arriving Late?

If you arrive after the office is closed for the day, don't worry. Go to any event and ask to speak to the Fair staff. You can still participate.

Be sure to stop by the Fair office the next day to check in and get your registration packet.

Inn-Formation

When you arrive in Provincetown, your hosts are the innkeepers and apartment managers of the inn where you are staying. Your hosts have come to know us and enjoy us, and each year they look forward to the return of Fantasia Fair. They have always treated us well, and they deserve the same.

In most cases, the innkeepers have invested their life savings in your inn to make it a personal showpiece and competitive in a community where quality is an important criterion. Treat the inn as you would your own home, because it is your host's home.

We encourage you to stop by and look at the inns which advertise in this book or are listed on the Recommended Inns page on our website. Some attendees like to stay at a different inn every year, and the innkeepers will be happy to show you around their properties for future reference.

Show Your Appreciation

If you enjoy your stay at an inn, make sure to mention that to your innkeepers and their staff. Everyone likes to know they are appreciated.

A great way to show your appreciation is to leave a tip. It's traditional in Provincetown to tip the folks who clean your room. You'll likely find an envelope and your attendant's card. A good rule of thumb for tipping is about \$3 – 5 per day, left upon departure.

Take the time to get to know the staff at your inn. You will quickly find they are great people. They know Provincetown, and they can help make your stay even more enjoyable.

One of the best ways of showing the innkeepers how much you enjoyed your stay is to book there again. For the best selection, book early.

Special Discounts at Inns

Many inns offer a special discount for registered Fairgoers who stay for the full seven days. Be sure to ask about any discounts they may offer. Please note that Fantasia Fair begins on a Sunday, so if you decide to come to town a day or two early, these discounts may not apply and you may be subject to a higher rate for these extra days.

Recommended Inns

Over the years, Fair attendees have tended to prefer certain inns. When an attendee recommends one of these inns to us, we spread the word. We also contact the inn to arrange special rates or packages to encourage more Fair attendees to patronize them.

These recommended inns are listed on our website along with any discounts they offer Fairgoers. Please keep in mind that the rates quoted on the website are for the week of the Fair only, unless otherwise noted.



The fact that an inn is on our website means other Fairgoers have found these inns fun, pleasant, clean, and supportive of the trans community. Other inns will also welcome you, and we do not mean to suggest otherwise. If you stay at an inn not listed on our website and you can recommend it, please let us know.

Remember, you register for the Fair directly through us, but must arrange for your own accommodations. Many inns offer a special discount for registered Fairgoers. When contacting the inns, make sure to mention you will be in town for Fantasia Fair and ask what discounts they offer for Fairgoers. The discount should apply to the published seasonal rate for late October. We post information on discounts on our website.



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Registration and Checking In

We offer significant discounts for early registration, so most Fantasia Fair attendees register well in advance through the Fair's website. We also offer registration on site. Just make your way to the Fair office at the Boatslip Resort at 161 Commercial Street during posted hours and we'll be happy to sign you up. If you're new to Provincetown, the map near the end of this book will help you find the Boatslip and our other locations.

The Check-In Process

If you registered early, you'll still need to stop by the office to pick up your name badge, meal and event tickets, and other goodies (this book, a map of Provincetown, a 2019 charm and pen, and the first issue of our daily *FanFair Gazette* newsletter). Look through your packet, and please, make sure your tickets are all in order. You'll leave the office knowing you're good to go for what may well be the most fabulous week of your life.



Sunday check-in begins at 1:00 pm and ends at 5:00 pm. It's a busy time, as most Fairgoers, newly arrived in Provincetown, stash their luggage at their inns and head for the Boatslip. Don't worry about your state of dress at check in, or for that matter, any time during the week. We'll be happy to see you regardless of how you present yourself.

If you miss check-in, don't worry; the office will be open between 9:30 and 11:30 am Tuesday through Saturday mornings and from 3:00 to 5:00 pm Monday through Friday. The office will also be open immediately after the Monday Orientation Brunch until 1:00 pm. If you've not yet registered or checked in and an event is scheduled, it's okay; just show up and tell us who you are.

Please note—the office is staffed by volunteers, and occasionally someone oversleeps. If no one is around, we apologize. If it's important, contact Fair Director Dee LaValle at 508-246-7762 and she'll do her best to help you.

Please be sure to check your tickets before you leave the office, since errors can occur.

Tickets

Your name badge will get you into workshops and some events, but the tickets you were given at check-in are required for meals, banquets, and major events like the Common Threads show and the Follies talent show.

Be sure to keep your tickets safe, and be sure to bring them with you to events. Many Fairgoers keep their tickets in the plastic lanyards that hold their name badge. Some Fairgoers, not wanting to risk losing their tickets, put the day's tickets in the holder every morning.

You'll be asked for your ticket at meals and ticketed events. Be sure to produce the right ticket! Tickets are plainly labeled and color coded by event to help you keep track of them.

Ticket Policies

We don't require much of you at Fantasia Fair, but we've learned that to keep our costs down, we must be strict about tickets. Tickets are required for all meals and special events.

Please understand—planning an event with so many moving parts is tricky. We have meals at seven different establishments and use as many as four restaurants on any given day. We negotiate meal prices and numbers with multiple restaurants long before the Fair starts and must give their managers a head count several days in advance so they can order and receive the food our Fairgoers will be eating. We must meet minimum seating requirements for each restaurateur or we pay full price for uneaten meals. Without policies for tickets, things can easily spiral out of control—and have in the past. Therefore, we ask for your cooperation with the following policies.



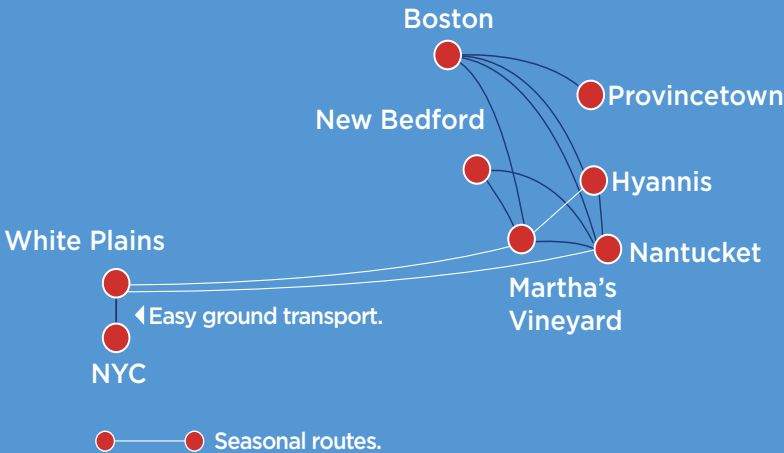
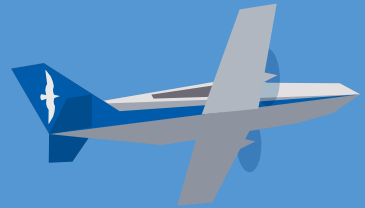
- **You must produce your ticket.** If you don't have a ticket, you will be required to either go get it or pay the cost of the event listed below. Don't fret, though. At any time, you can take your ticket and the receipt for your payment to the office for an immediate refund. This is the case for all lunches, banquets and evening meals, and ticketed events.
- **You can buy tickets for others.** You can purchase extra tickets for lunches, banquets, and special events, but keep in mind—maximum occupancy laws limit attendance, and tickets might not be available for some events. Please stop by the office as soon as possible to purchase meal, dinner/dance and Pioneer Award Banquet tickets (the longer you wait, the bigger the chance of the event selling out). Tickets to the Follies and Fashion Show are available at the door.
- **Tickets to the Saturday banquet are not available to non-Fairgoers.** We have a very small number of tickets; these go first to current Fairgoers and second to those who are Fair alumni at the sole discretion of the Fair Director, to whom all requests should be directed no later than Thursday afternoon.
- **Lunch tickets are specific to individual restaurants.** You must produce a ticket for that restaurant on that day, or you will be required to pay for your meal. This is nonrefundable.
- **You can exchange lunch tickets beforehand.** You might decide you would like to go to a different restaurant, or perhaps your friends will be at one restaurant and you are scheduled at another. In either case, just go to the office beforehand with your ticket. If space is available, we'll be happy to trade lunch tickets with you.
- **Please turn in your unused tickets.** If you will be skipping a meal or an event—if you don't feel well, or if you have other plans, or if you are called back home early, please stop by the office and turn in your tickets. Otherwise, the Fair will pay for your uneaten meal. Untouched plates of course drive up our cost and ultimately the price of registration, so please turn in the tickets you won't be using.
- **You may not give your meals tickets to another person.** This applies to lunches, banquets, receptions, and the Monday night dinner dance. Your name is preprinted on your tickets and all tickets are non-transferrable.
- **Ticket pricing for 2019:** Lunches/brunches - \$25, dinner/dance - \$45, Pioneer Award Banquet - \$75, Common Threads Show - \$10, Follies - \$25, Saturday Banquet - \$75.

We're sorry to inconvenience you, but the above policies are necessary in order to control our costs while balancing the capacity of our venues. Your cooperation helps us reduce expenses by minimizing the number of empty plates we pay for and ultimately lowers registration costs. Thank you so much for helping us.

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The FanFair Gazette

The primary source for daily Fair information is the *FanFair Gazette*. It will contain news and notes from the day before and preview evening events. There will be a write-up on the keynote speakers of the day, and a listing of upcoming menus. There is weather and almanac information, which will be handy if you are planning to catch a sunrise. Be sure to check out



the most important item, the updated daily schedule found on the back, which will be the latest and current schedule. The *Gazette* will be available daily at the lunch locations and at the Fair office.

Texting Service

For late-breaking information or last minute schedule changes which sometime happen after the *Gazette* goes to press, subscribe to our secure texting service. It operates very much like a restaurant reservation system when you receive a text about your table being ready. It's not a group chat. No phone numbers are shared, even with us. It's easy to subscribe and it's available exclusively for Fairgoers. You can opt out at any time, and the service is compatible with all cellphones. The service will be deactivated at the end of the Fair.

Instructions to subscribe will be included in your registration materials at check-in, or ask at the Fair office.

Phone/Email

At the back of this guide is a page of phone numbers and contact information to get you an answer or help with an issue. Please note: the planning committee will respond to your enquiry, usually within a few hours. If it's an emergency, contact Fair Director Dee LaValle at 508-246-7762 and she'll do her best to help you.

Video & Photo Policy

Your privacy is your own. No one may take a photo or video of you without your permission. If you feel uncomfortable having your image recorded, please speak up and wear a No Photos button. Please wear your button at all times. These buttons are free and available at the Fair Office. Participants may photograph Fantasia Fair activities for their own purposes, provided the persons being photographed have given their consent. ***Please be especially considerate of partners/spouses, who are easily identifiable.*** It is wise and considerate to ask first.



Fantasia Fair reserves the right to prohibit anyone from making recordings at private Fantasia Fair activities. Also, we advise participants that the Fair has no authority to control activity in public areas, such as on the streets of Provincetown or at events open to the public, like the Common Threads Show, Follies, and Keynotes. If you participate in any of these, you should assume your image will be recorded and published. If you are attending one of these events in the audience, be sure to sit away from the stage and please wear your No Photos button if you are camera shy! ***If you see a camera pointed at you and you don't like it, say something.***

Media representatives must obtain written permission from the Fair Director to video or take photographs at any function. In addition, media representatives must obtain written releases from any participant photographed or interviewed. This applies to any participant who is acting as an agent or reporter for any media or proprietary publication. The Fair Director must give permission to send photos to publications.

Each year, Fantasia Fair arranges a professional photographer for the week. There is no additional cost to attendees for this service. All photographs will be available via an e-mail link to a secure folder after the conclusion of the Fair. All videos/pictures recorded may be used for publicity purposes, but the Fair will first seek permission from the people in the image. If you submit a video or photograph to us, be sure to provide permissions, or we will not be able to use the images.

Secure Photographs

We are pleased to introduce a new service for those who have identified themselves by wearing a No Photos button. This option will provide a way for a photo-restricted individual to have a professional photograph taken and delivered to them in a secure manner. It's an option that will be available only at the strict discretion of the photographer and only if a badge with a No Photos button attached is presented. One must make a request directly to the photographer for a secure photograph. Upon acknowledgement, the photographer's storage media will be swapped or a different camera will be used in order to keep the images separate from the non-secure pool. Prior to any photos being taken, a picture will be taken of the name badge with the No Photos button attached.

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If anyone gets out of line, they'll know it, we'll know it, and the other attendees will know it. If someone is offending or bothering you or is behaving in an inappropriate fashion, talk to anyone on the Fair organizing committee and they will address the situation.

Recognition of Our Differences

Fantasia Fair is a place to celebrate the diversity within our community. Please recognize each of us is on our own journey and may live a life different from yours. Not everyone wants to be a woman or a man in the same way, and some of us don't want to be either. We may identify as crossdressers or as transsexuals or as non-binary individuals, or we may choose not to accept any particular label. We may live our lives with a singular gender expression or with different expressions for different audiences, and we may be at Fantasia Fair to try out a new expression. ***Please be respectful of people's choices of names and pronouns***, which will usually be on their name badges. When in doubt, just ask!

Please also be mindful that many of us have struggled with the world forcing its own definition of who we are. Coming to Fantasia Fair might require every ounce of confidence one has, so please be wary of making unflattering or lighthearted comments.

Fantasia Fair strives to welcome people of all gender identities and all sexual orientations. Please recognize that not everyone is out and not everyone wants to go full time. Some of us have a very real need for privacy and guard it zealously. ***Please respect the privacy of others, especially that of first-timers and the SOs. If you are curious about a person's identity or appearance or sexuality, ASK FIRST if it's okay to ask them questions. If they say no or appear uncomfortable, don't go further.***



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Welcome, Significant Ones!

45 years! There have been major changes and minor tweaks. Since the early days there have been workshops and support for SOs. That tradition continues.

We gather each morning for coffee (or tea, if you prefer) at the Crown & Anchor, Room 201 (up the stairs or use the elevator). Get to know each other, share experiences, swap advice, and learn how to get the most out of the Fair. These daily morning gatherings are for Cis Significant Ones only. (Our partners have their own morning gathering.) Cis SOs meet for lunch on Monday at the Lobster Pot. (It's a Dutch Treat lunch.)

We have workshops just for SOs, for our partners only, and for couples only. These workshops are moderated by energetic, well-qualified experts who have years of experience working with transgender or crossdressing people and their SOs. Check out the other workshops too.

There's a dinner dance for all Fair attendees on Monday night. Meet your friends at lunch, workshops and keynotes. Hang out with other couples. Stroll down Commercial Street with another SO. Gather a group and go to dinner. (Make a reservation.) Let's check out the new Common Threads Show, Open Mic Night, and the Follies together.

The Fair is a relaxed, safe space to connect with other SOs. It's liberating to roam the streets of Provincetown where locals welcome us.

Some of us are out at home, some are not. This is a place where we all be our true selves. No wonder some of us call PTown our home away from home.

We've all joined a club we never imagined. We love a trans person or a crossdresser. Many have said Fantasia Fair was a turning point for their relationship. You are not alone on this journey. Fantasia Fair is a place to learn, to meet friends, to find common ground, acceptance, and FUN.

Jolie LaValle

2019 SO Coordinator

Volunteer!

Fantasia Fair is planned and executed by unpaid volunteers. It requires many people to produce our little seven-day event. You'll see how many at the Saturday banquet, when we ask everyone who played a role in making Fantasia Fair 2019 happen to stand.

The Fair's primary volunteers are members of the Fantasia Fair Planning Committee. The members of the committee—which ranges from as few as three to as many as six people, depending upon who shows up—work all year long to make the Fair happen.

The committee works hard, but it would be impossible to produce the Fair without the effort of other volunteers. Every year, attendees step up to do jobs big and small: taking the day's proceeds to the bank, distributing daily newsletters, taking tickets at lunches and evening events, being mentors for first-timers, running the morning meet and greets, introducing speakers, wrangling A/V equipment, MCing the Fashion Show and Fantasia Fair Follies, staffing 306A Commercial Street—our spot to relax and mingle after hours. Those are just a few things attendees do for the Fair!



Interacting with your peers and townspeople is a big part of your Fair. Volunteering is a great way to make friends, gain confidence, and contribute to the well-being of Fantasia Fair.

The wonderful **Emily Sheldon** is our Volunteer Wrangler, with assistance this year from **Karen Jandro**. Emily has been attending the Fair for many years, and Karen is hot on her heels. Please e-mail or talk to Emily or Karen when you see them at the Fair to ask what you can do to help. They need you, and the Fair needs you!

Emily will be at the Fair Office for registration and will hold a brief organizing meeting for volunteers immediately following the orientation brunch on the Monday of the Fair (at the same location). Please attend to find out how you can help out during the week.

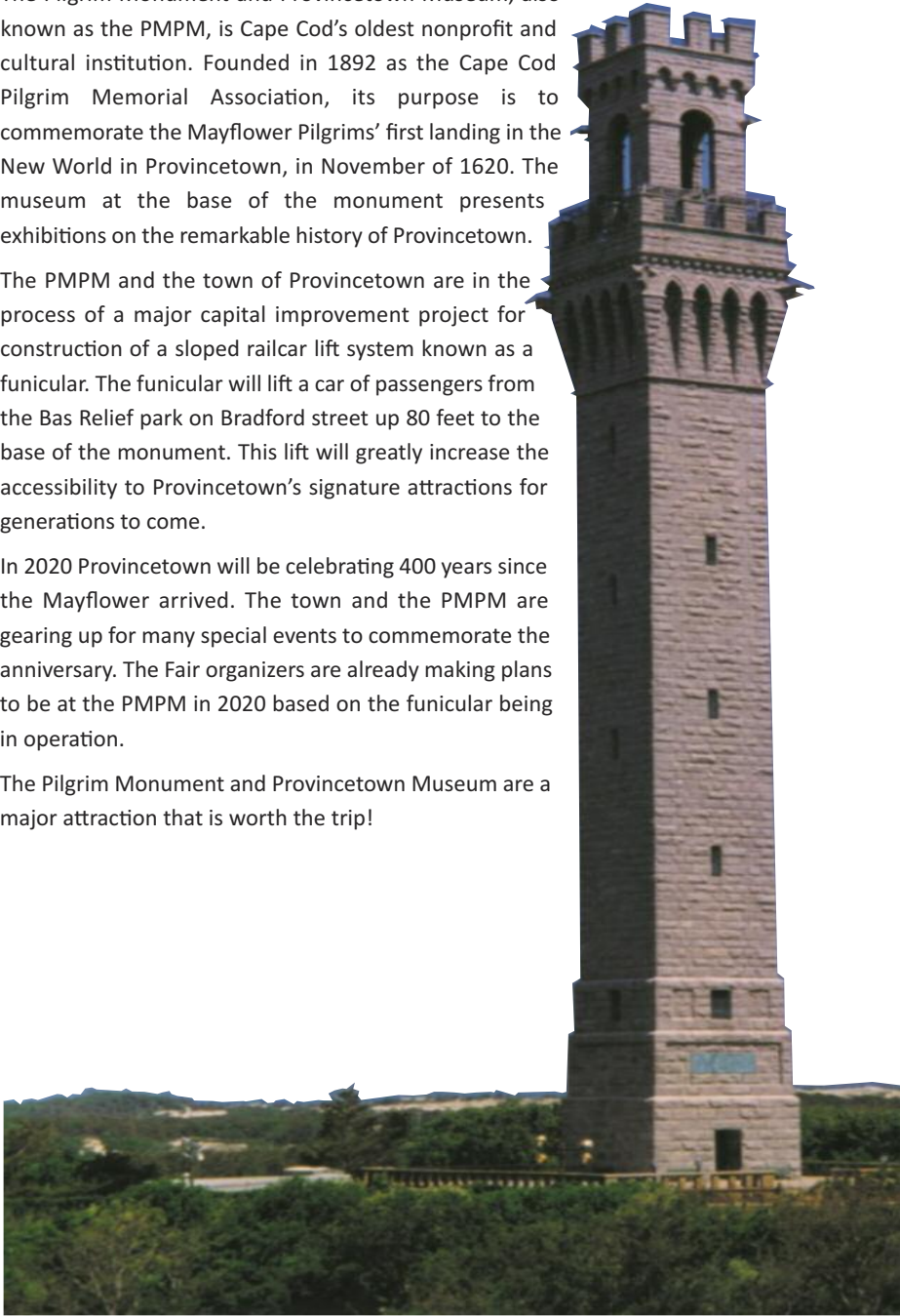
The Pilgrim Monument and Provincetown Museum

The Pilgrim Monument and Provincetown Museum, also known as the PMPM, is Cape Cod's oldest nonprofit and cultural institution. Founded in 1892 as the Cape Cod Pilgrim Memorial Association, its purpose is to commemorate the Mayflower Pilgrims' first landing in the New World in Provincetown, in November of 1620. The museum at the base of the monument presents exhibitions on the remarkable history of Provincetown.

The PMPM and the town of Provincetown are in the process of a major capital improvement project for construction of a sloped railcar lift system known as a funicular. The funicular will lift a car of passengers from the Bas Relief park on Bradford street up 80 feet to the base of the monument. This lift will greatly increase the accessibility to Provincetown's signature attractions for generations to come.

In 2020 Provincetown will be celebrating 400 years since the Mayflower arrived. The town and the PMPM are gearing up for many special events to commemorate the anniversary. The Fair organizers are already making plans to be at the PMPM in 2020 based on the funicular being in operation.

The Pilgrim Monument and Provincetown Museum are a major attraction that is worth the trip!



FEATURE STORY: *Stonewall at 50*

June 28, 2019 was the 50th anniversary of the Stonewall Rebellion, an event that marked a turning point in lesbian and gay history—and in our own history.

At the time, homosexuality was criminalized in the United States, and most gay men and lesbians lived in fear and stealth less they be discovered and arrested, fired from their jobs, and cast out of their homes and communities. Transgender people were subject to harassment and arrest when even sighted by the police. Aside from small gatherings in private residences, bars like the Stonewall Inn were about the only place LGBT people could congregate. These bars were frequently raided by the police, and customers—and especially customers who were visibly gender-variant—were arrested and hauled away in paddy wagons.



The Stonewall Inn was a seedy Mafia-owned bar on Christopher Street in the West Village in Manhattan. The bar was home to the most stigmatized and marginalized people in the city—feminine men, butch lesbians, drag queens, homeless youth, sex workers, and people today known as transgender.

The Genovese crime family had an arrangement with New York police, who came by once a week to pick up an envelope stuffed with cash. Nevertheless, the police raided the bar about once a month. Usually, the owners of the bar were tipped off. On the night of June 28th the warning came in, but wasn't forwarded.

At 1:30 in the morning, the ensuing police raid went awry. More than 200 patrons were forced to line up and produce identification. Customers dressed as women refused to go to the bathroom with female officers for a genital check, and other customers refused to produce IDs. Customers not arrested were released, but instead of scurrying away as usual, stood outside the bar and taunted the police, who were waiting for the paddy wagons to arrive. The crowd grew to perhaps 900 people. When an arrested butch woman called out to the crowd, "Why don't you guys do something?" all hell broke loose. Rioting ensued, and lasted for days.

The Stonewall Riots marked a turning point in LGBT history. Existing “homophile” organizations were replaced by more militant groups, and, one year after the outbreak of the riots, the first Pride March was held.

Transgender people were front and center at the Stonewall Rebellion, but it didn't take long before elements of the newly militant gay rights community moved to exclude us.

Meet a Stonewall witness. David Bermudez will be at Provincetown's new LGBT Welcome Center at 368 Commercial Street. For a discussion of lesbian and gay trans exclusion in the immediate post-Stonewall period, attend Dallas Denny's workshop of that name. Consult the schedule for day and time of each workshop.





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Brunches, Lunches, and Other Included Meals

When you come to Fantasia Fair, you eat well. Of course, holding the event in Provincetown means you'll have access to the many top-notch restaurants that help make Cape Cod a favorite tourism destination.

In addition to the food provided at the Welcome Reception, the Welcome! Dinner/Dance, the Pioneer Awards Banquet, and the Gala Awards Banquet, your registration includes either a lunch or a brunch every day. We make arrangements with several highly-regarded establishments so you can choose where you want to eat each day.

When you register, you select the restaurants at which you wish to have lunches and your meal choice for the Gala Awards Banquet; you pick up your meal tickets when you check in at the registration desk.

We can't stress this enough: **Each participant needs to bring the proper tickets to each event and to each lunch.** If you arrive at a lunch or another event and you do not have your ticket with you, you can still attend the function, but you'll be asked to pay for a new ticket. Afterward, you can get a full refund if you bring both the missing ticket and your receipt to the Fair Office. This policy covers all lunches, dinners, and special events where tickets are given out or sold.



If you change your mind about where you want to eat lunch, simply go to the Fair Office to exchange your tickets. We will accommodate you if space is available. If you aren't going use a ticket for any meal or any event, please consider returning it to the Fair Office. All proceeds from returned tickets benefit the scholarship fund. The Fair pays each restaurant an amount for each ticket distributed, whether it is used or not. If your plans change, please stop by the Fair office.



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Orientation Brunch



Monday morning is the annual orientation brunch. The brunch portion will begin at 8:30 am in the restaurant at the Crown & Anchor, located at 247 Commercial Street. The orientation portion will begin around 10:00 am in the adjacent Cabaret room. Here you'll get information about

what is going on during the week and learn about the features in this year's Fair. You will also be introduced to key Fair personnel. As the name implies, orientation will give you the direction you need to get the most out of Fantasia Fair. Come hungry, as there will be plenty of hot food. At the end of the presentation, stick around to help us fill volunteer needs for the week, and if you're a first-timer to be matched with a mentor—if you already haven't been.



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Welcome! Dinner/Dance

Celebrate the first full day of Fantasia Fair with the organizing committee and your new friends. You are cordially invited on Monday, October 21st to a dinner, followed by dancing or just socializing, if you wish. The dinner portion of the evening will be a ticketed event, and dress will be casual and comfortable. This special event will take place at The Pilgrim House, 336 Commercial Street, beginning with a cocktail hour at 5:30 pm, upstairs in their newly remodeled Sea Dragon Lounge.



At 6:30 pm, head downstairs, where you’ll be greeted with light festive music as you enter the banquet hall. The buffet will be immediately available for your dining pleasure.

As dinner winds down, the dance floor will heat up as **DJ Emerson** spins contemporary and timeless tunes and takes your requests. It’ll be a hopping night at the Pilgrim, and we will see you on the dance floor!



Transgender Pioneer Award Banquet

Hallow-Thanksgiving Theme



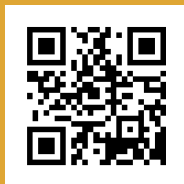
Crown & Anchor
247 Commercial Street, Provincetown
Tuesday, October 22, 2019
6:30 – 10:00 pm



Since 2002, the Transgender Pioneer Award has honored trans leaders once a year at Fantasia Fair. It is a lifetime achievement award to those who have sacrificed their careers, their families, and their fortunes to change the world so trans people could begin to come together in safety and comfort. Without them, we would not be here; we would be at home, hiding in our closets. We meet to honor their work and thank them for all they have done for us and to give them back a little in return for their decades of work on our behalf.

The award, presented by the board of directors of Transgender Education Association, is given at a banquet on Tuesday night. We meet at the historic Crown & Anchor, 247 Commercial Street. The Cabaret Room will feature items for a silent auction. Fair staff will be selling tickets for some great items. Tickets will be drawn during dinner. Proceeds from the auction will apply 100% to the scholarship fund for the 2020 Fantasia Fair.

After hors d'oeuvres and cocktails, the award ceremony will be held in the Paramount Room. Afterward, we will convene in the Crown's restaurant for a repast of a traditional Thanksgiving feast. The theme for the night is Hallow-Thanksgiving. Halloween costume is requested but not required. Last year, transgender pioneer Aaron H. Devor received the award. This year, we will present the Transgender Pioneer Award to Dr. Marisa Richmond, who is featured on the following page.



*View the previous
Pioneer Award
recipients*

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Dr. Marisa Richmond, Transgender Pioneer



Marisa Richmond, a Nashville-based transgender rights advocate and professor of history and Women's and Gender Studies at Middle Tennessee State University, has been chosen as the recipient of Transgender Education Association's Transgender Pioneer Award for 2019.

Marisa is one those hard-working and selfless people. She has been active since the early 90s. In 1992 she co-founded the Tennessee Vals support group, which is still in existence. She served on the board until 2003. She also served as board member of the International Foundation for Gender Education (2000-2002) and as board chair of the American Educational Gender Information Service. She served on the board of directors of the National Transgender Advocacy Coalition from 2003-2007 and the National Center for Transgender Equality from 2008-2014.

Most of Marisa's work has been on the local front and with the Democratic Party. She served on the Board of the Davidson County Democratic Women and as President in 2013, and four times on the Davidson County (TN) Democratic Executive Committee. In 2016 she was appointed to the Metro Human Relations Committee by Nashville Mayor Megan Barry, becoming the state's first transgender person appointed to a local government board or commission. She served many years as President and Lobbyist of the Tennessee Transgender Political Coalition, where she lobbied at state and federal levels and introduced and sometimes succeeded in passing bills to guarantee trans rights.

Marisa is a member of the Transgender Task Force of the Tennessee Department of Health and the only openly transgender member of the Democratic National Committee. In 2008 she became the first black trans delegate from any state. She was also a delegate to the Democratic National Convention and in 2018 was a Podium Officer. As a DNC member, she is an automatic delegate to the 2020 convention and Ex-Officio Member of the Board of the Tennessee Federation of Democratic Women.

Marisa is a nationally-known speaker on transgender issues. Often she works quietly behind the scenes, and she gets the job done!

Late Nights at Roomers

Roomers is a place set aside exclusively for Fair attendees to socialize, share some snacks and laughs!

Did you know Fantasia Fair has a tradition of informal late-night gatherings? Fairgoers meet after the conclusion of scheduled activities and talk and laugh and play music until the early hours. It's been said the late-night activities are the heart and soul of the Fair!

Once upon a time the center of late night activities was Andy Turocy's Roomers. In honor of Andy's many years of support and kindness to Fantasia Fair, we refer to our late night gathering spot as Roomers.

Roomers is a spacious apartment at 306A Commercial Street. Its location lends itself to leisurely chats, television watching, music, and refreshments. It has a full kitchen, a dining area, a big living room, and a deck. The hostess at Roomers (306A) is transwoman extraordinaire Sibil Greiner. Sibil has been a regular Fair attendee for the past several years. Sibil attended her first Fair with her transgender son Nick. Sibil has been an active volunteer during her Fair experience, and you're also likely to see her performing in the nightly shows.

Feel free to stop by Roomers any night from Tuesday through Saturday, and bring a musical instrument if you wish. The action starts at 10 pm and goes until 1 am, with attendance growing as the evening progresses. Expect to see Fair organizers and staff, first-timers, seasoned Fairgoers, and the person with whom you just had lunch! The entrance is on the side of the building. Just turn down the alley and you'll see it. Go up the stairs and you'll see the apartment; it's to your right. There's no need to knock; just open the door and walk in. If it's after 1 am and the door is locked, the activities at Roomers are finished for the night. Refreshments are provided by the Fair, but please bring your own alcohol. If you should

like to make a donation toward snacks, there will be a tip jar on the dining table.

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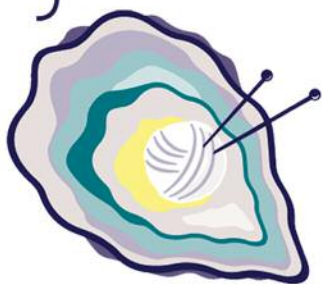


Learn about the history of Roomers!

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The Common Threads Fashion Show

Wednesday, October 23, 2019

8:00 PM

Crown & Anchor, Paramount Room
247 Commercial Street

Hosts: **Cody Suzuki** and **Nick Greiner**



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THE FANTASIA FAIR COMMON THREADS Fashion SHOW!
weaves the voices of our common threads
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"Where in time?"

It's only the wearer who knows it well!

Using fact and/or fiction,
our JOURNEY IN TIME includes anything
from a past era,
to today in the present,
to our creating the future!

THE FANTASIA FAIR COMMON THREADS
Fashion SHOW is where the tales of our
fabrics can truly weave, imagine, and unwind.

Surely your attire will fit somewhere along
our JOURNEY IN TIME!



To conclude our show,
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6 WORDS

invites all to the stage
who wish to share,
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what FANTASIA FAIR
sincerely means to you!



Yes, it's true!

Our Common Threads Show is two shows in one!

JOURNEY IN TIME and 6 WORDS. Sign up for one and/or both!

As always, FANTASIA FAIR COMMON THREADS Fashion SHOW and 6 WORDS
is open to all Fair attendees, presenters, and partners.

With heartfelt thanks, these events are made possible only by the genuine true
beauty, love, talents, and friendships from our very own community.

Let's together truly make this a time to remember!

See you on the runway!

Cody & Nick.



FEATURE STORY: *Ariadne Kane*



Ariadne Kane, Ed.D. is a self-identified androgyne and has been at the forefront of transgender activism for many years. As Executive Director of the nonprofit Human Outreach and Achievement Institute (later renamed the Outreach Institute for Gender Studies), Ari made early public appearances on television like the Phil Donahue Show, reaching thousands of crossdressers and transsexuals who responded when Outreach's address was shown on screen. Ari was involved in Boston's first trans groups, restructuring the Boston Gamma chapter of the Society for the Second Self, and co-founding the Tiffany Club and Cherrystones groups. In 1975, three members of the Cherrystones (Ari was one of them) conceived, funded, and organized the first Fantasia Fair.

The Outreach Institute, which Ari founded in 1975, was enormously influential in educating medical and mental health professionals and others:

Through the Institute, Kane has been tireless in efforts to educate mental health professionals. Kane has given informative seminars at the annual meetings of the Society for the Scientific Study of Sexuality, the Association for Humanistic Psychology, the American Society for Criminal Justice Professionals, the American Society of Sociology, and the American Association of Sex Educators, Counselors, and Therapists. In 1978, 1979, and 1980 the Institute organized international conferences focused exclusively on the social, medical, and legal aspects of transgender behavior. Kane has presented on transgender issues in classrooms at the undergraduate and graduate levels in the departments of nursing, medicine, criminal justice, psychology, and sociology at Harvard, Boston University, and elsewhere. Kane also contributed when the Harry Benjamin Standards of Care for Transsexuals were first written in 1978.

—*Wikipedia*, Ariadne Kane, citing information from Ari's website

Outreach's *Journal of Gender Studies* was influential and a darn good read, and The New Woman Conference brought post-operative transsexual woman together for the first time to compare experiences. Later, Ari and others, including David Prok, developed the *Gender Attitude Reassessment Program* and taught it to professionals around the U.S.

In the early 2000s, Ari earned the Doctor of Education degree at San Francisco's Institute for the Advanced Study of Human Sexuality. In 2006, with co-editor Vern Bullough, Ari produced the text *Crossing Sexual Boundaries: Transgender Journeys, Uncharted Paths* (Prometheus Press).

Ari was intensively involved with Fantasia Fair from its inception in 1975 through the early years of this century. Ari brought it from the "we're having this thing in Provincetown, but we have no idea what it is going to be" to a mature and comprehensive 10-day-long conference that has been a model for other transgender events.

We are happy to have Ari here at Fantasia Fair 2019—our 45th event.

Ariadne Kane is a transgender treasure who knows more about Fantasia Fair and early trans communities than anybody else. Say hello and have a chat with Ari!

Fantasia Fair 45th Anniversary Celebration

On Thursday afternoon, everyone is cordially invited to attend Fantasia Fair's 45th Anniversary Celebration. The afternoon's programming will focus largely on why we are here and celebrate that we are. Come and hear the voices of the founders and contributors who shaped the Fair through the years, at the same time defining their own lives. Listed below are the special events planned for this special day, as we recognize the 45th Anniversary of Fantasia Fair. All events will take place at the Crown & Anchor.

The Legacy of the First Fantasia Fair – Panel Discussion

At 1:30 pm, join us for a lively recollection of anecdotes and stories from the Fair's founding and early days. The panel members will also discuss how their Fantasia Fair experience influenced their lives as activists in the community. There will be ample time at the end for your questions. Scheduled panel members: **Ariadne Kane, Sandra Mesics, Niela Miller, Mariette Pathy Allen, and Dallas Denny**. The panel will be moderated by **Miqqi Alicia Gilbert**.

Fantasia Fair: 45 years of Musings

At 3:00 pm, Fantasia Fair contributors over the years will share their experiences and the impact the Fair has had on them. A lot has happened in the friendly confines of Provincetown since 1975. Come and hear quick stories, anecdotes, and possibly share a laugh as we take a glimpse at the Fair's storied past. Hosted by **Karen Marie Jandro** and **Dee LaValle**

Fantasia Fair 45th Anniversary Celebration

At 4:30 pm, gather around as we toast 45 years of Fantasia Fair and its annual celebration of gender diversity. There will be lots of cake and a champagne toast. (ginger ale will be available as well).

Fantasia Fair 45 years Shark Plunge

At 5:30 pm, join us for the unique activity of a polar plunge into the ocean. There will be plenty of towels provided, and lots of encouragement.



Thursday Night on the Town

Overwhelmed by the many activities at Fantasia Fair? No worries! The organizers have set aside a block of time just for you. After the sun sets on Thursday, you'll be free to get outside, mingle with the public, and experience Provincetown. We can do this because the people of Provincetown know us, understand us, and welcome us. Thursday Night on the Town is the perfect time to get together with friends or share intimate moments with your partner or spouse. Consider some of the following for your night on the town:

- Check this program book for restaurants that advertise with the Fair and enjoy some of Provincetown's best meals.
- From 8:00 pm – 10:00 pm, join *Cody Suzuki* and *Kristi Chiasson* for the Open Mic Night in the Paramount Room at the Crown & Anchor. A cash bar will be available.
- Explore the town's many pubs, clubs, and bars.
- Stop by Roomers at 306A Commercial Street to wind down your evening.



Photo by Dan McKeon

Open Mic Event



Thursday, October 24, 2019

8:00 PM

Crown & Anchor, Paramount Room
247 Commercial Street

Hosted by: **Cody Suzuki and Kristi Chiasson**

Listen friends and you shall hear!

The genuine voices of trans*, allies and gender queer people coming live from the Paramount Room on Thursday night.



That's right, step right up to our open mic! One is by voice and two is by song as we open with vocal expressions, followed by musical acts, and close out with a sing-a-long! We are open to all genders and genres! Bring along your poems, instruments, stories, songs, words, lyrics, stand-up routines, strums, or just bring along your listening ear! That's right! Fantasia Fair's one and only Open Mic is moving to the Paramount Room from 8-10 pm! There will also be a cash bar. This event is open to the public and will be a great opportunity for you to get comfortable with the stage and mic before the Follies on Friday night! Come early and reserve your spot!

We are proud to announce

Sephora's Classes for Confidence

at Fantasia Fair
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Thursday, October 24th and Friday, October 25th

Sephora created these classes especially for transgender and nonbinary people and their allies to learn about techniques and products to fit and empower your beauty. All sessions are taught by trans-sensitive instructors.

Through the cooperation of Sephora Corporate, Sephora of Cape Cod, and Fantasia Fair, we are pleased to be able to offer these classes exclusively to Fair attendees, keynoters, presenters, and partners. Below you will find the class descriptions. Please consult the online or printed schedule for class times and location.



Pre-registration for these classes will be through the same online registration system that you used to select your meals or at the Fair Office, prior to Thursday October 24th. You will be able to pre-register for a single session. Walk-ins will be accommodated, but only if space is available, and will be on a first-come, first-serve basis. Space is limited per session.

Class Descriptions

Basic Foundation Application and Contouring. This will include the best techniques on how to apply foundation and get the finished results you are looking for. We will conclude this class with contouring and blush looks to complete the look.

Everyday Eye Look. This class will cover the correct placement of shadow and liner to enhance, shape, and define your eyes.

Each class attendee will leave with a lovely bag full of goodies and take-home swag, plus a huge boost of self-confidence!!!





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Fantasia Fair Follies

Friday, October 25, 2019

8:00 PM

**Crown & Anchor, Paramount Room
247 Commercial Street**

MCs: Rhonda Williams and Nick Greiner

People flock from across Cape Cod to see the Fantasia Fair Follies at the Crown & Anchor on Friday, our most popular annual event. Professionally produced with expert lighting and sound, the Fabulous Follies features some of our community's most talented members. If you're not performing, you'll want to arrive early to grab a good seat. The Follies show is always a sellout!



If you've ever dreamed of getting on stage, or if you're already a skilled or a professional performer, the Follies offers you a chance to shine in front of more than 200 people. Break out your guitar, sing a song, recite a dramatic monologue, or just pretend you're Katy Perry or Beyoncé and lip-sync! If you're uncertain or nervous about performing, don't be! The audience is always warm and welcoming. The Follies' director and her wonderful backstage coaches will help calm your nerves. Don't miss the chance to show the world your inner diva! Just step up on stage and be a star! Please remember to sign up early; there is only enough time for about 18 or so performers. Sign-up is Monday afternoon at the Boatslip; check the schedule to be sure.



The Follies is held in the Crown & Anchor's Paramount Theater, 247 Commercial St., across the street from Town Hall in the heart of Provincetown. There is also an after-the-follies buffet and dance at Club Purgatory, 11 Carver Street, in the basement of Gifford House. Our thanks to Earl Kendal, Purgatory's manager and promoter, for single-handedly starting and maintaining this great tradition! Other bars and restaurants, including the Crown & Anchor's Wave Video Bar, are available before, during and after the Follies for cocktails to properly celebrate the evening.



Besides being a fun evening, the Follies is also a charitable fundraising event. Ticket sales and tips given to the performers are donated to charity. In past years, Fan Fair has contributed to the town's library, the Provincetown Police Department, an AIDS support group, a local hospice facility, soup kitchen and senior services group. One year we purchased a



life-saving defibrillator for the Fire Department. Since the Follies began, the show has helped us raise more than \$50,000 for deserving organizations that serve the people of Provincetown and Cape Cod.



Fantasia Fair Gala Awards Banquet

We wind up the Fair with our Fantasia Fair Gala Awards Banquet on Saturday night. There, we present awards to the deserving and say our goodbyes to old and new friends. We console ourselves by remembering the next Fair is only a year away, and we begin counting down the days. You'll want to wear your finest regalia for this event. We'll see some of our friends at brunch the next morning, but we'll miss those who leave early by car or plane, so we make sure we get our hugs and we do our best to wipe away our tears. Until next year!

Congeniality, Most Helpful, and Fantasia Fair awards are presented by the previous year's recipient(s). The awards are listed in the order presented and we will also present a check to the charity for the money raised the night prior at the Fantasia Fair Follies.

Fantasia Fair Lifetime Achievement Award

Presented by **Dallas Denny**

This award goes to an individual who has demonstrated longstanding service and support to Fantasia Fair, its attendees, and our community at large. Unlike our other awards, it is not given every year.

Friend of the Fair Award

Presented by **Dee LaValle**

This award goes to an individual, service, or business from the larger community who has demonstrated longstanding service, and support to Fantasia Fair and its attendees. Unlike our other awards, it is not given every year.

The Brenda Viola Most Helpful Award

Presented by **Jolie LaValle**

This award is given to the person who gives most unstintingly of their time and energy in service to Fantasia Fair and its attendees. The award is named for long-time Fair attendee and volunteer Brenda Viola. Brenda served on the planning committee and did the daily Fair newsletters for many years. Brenda was always willing to chip in and do her share and more, always with a smile on her face. The awardee is chosen by the Fantasia Fair Planning Committee.

The Alison Laing Congeniality Award

Presented by **Arden Ruttan** and **Rhonda Williams**

The *Alison Laing Congeniality Award* is chosen by secret ballot from all participants attending the Fair. The award goes to the participant who was the most open, outgoing, easy to talk with, and friendly, and who gave a sparkle to the group. This award is named after Alison Laing, who with her wife Dottie played a huge role in Fantasia Fair during the 1980s and 1990s. Both are beloved by the Fair. They were both outgoing and friendly, but Alison went out of her way to make people feel comfortable with themselves, here at the Fair and elsewhere. She received the Congeniality Award in 1986 and the Fantasia Fair Award in 1992. She was, among other things, an author, a founder of the nonprofit Renaissance Education Association, and past Executive Director of the International Foundation for Gender Education. Many of Alison's photographs can be found at the Digital Transgender Archive. Their publication there caused a minor sensation when they first appeared.

Fantasia Fair Award

Presented by **Kimmie Eng** and **Cody Suzuki**

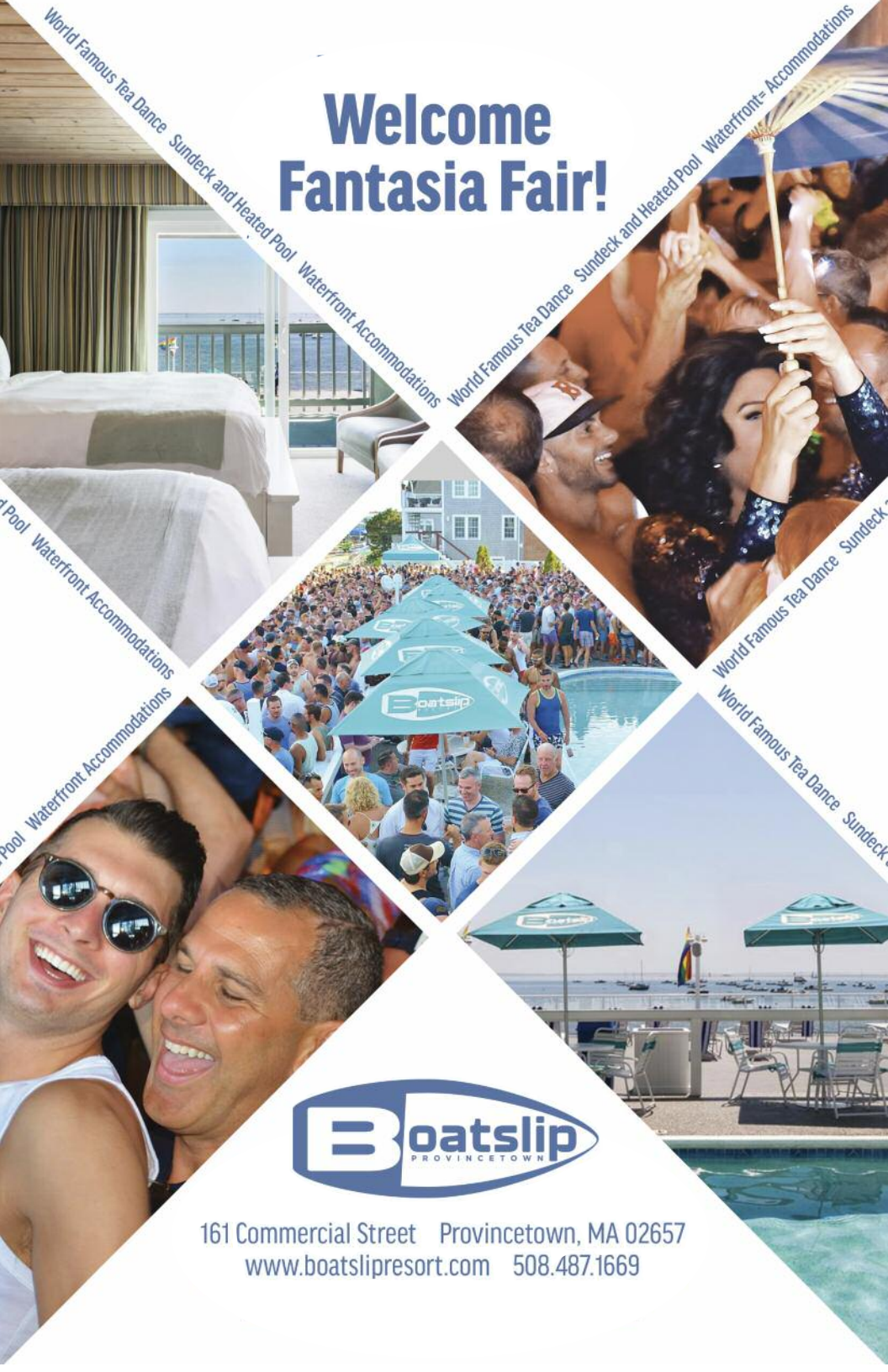
The Fantasia Fair Award is our highest and most prestigious honor. It goes to the individual or individuals who best embody the spirit of Fantasia Fair by active participation and service over several Fairs. They exemplify the best qualities of a Fantasia Fair participant and stand as a sincere example of the Fair's ideals of love, support, and community. The honoree is selected by past Fantasia Fair Award recipients, who meet for lunch on Wednesday of the Fair. When white smoke comes out of the chimney of Fanizzi's Restaurant By the Sea, everyone knows the recipient has been chosen.



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Professionals Donate Their Time

The Fair would not be the Fair without its professionals. Psychologist Maureen Osborne and Licensed Clinical Social Worker Carole MacKenzie work throughout the week with partners of trans people and trans people themselves. Dr. Carolyn Wolf-Gould, MD runs a writing workshop, a space for exploring the written word as a way to build community with one another during the Fair, and Dan McKeon takes professional photographs. Attendees with experience in a variety of services provide their assistance as well.



Dr. Maureen Osborne, PhD



Carole MacKenzie, LCSW



Dan McKeon



Dr. Carolyn Wolfe-Gould, MD



Schedule

	<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>
<u>9:00am</u>	<i>Orientation Brunch</i>	Meet & Greets	Meet & Greets
<u>10:00am</u>	<i>Orientation</i>	Workshops	Workshops
<u>11:45am</u>		<i>Lunch</i>	<i>Lunch</i>
<u>1:30pm</u>	Keynote	Keynote	Keynote
<u>3:00pm</u>	Workshops	Workshops	Workshops
<u>4:45pm</u>		Mini Workshops	Mini Workshops
<u>Evening Event</u>	<i>Welcome! Dinner/ Dance</i>	<i>Pioneer Award Banquet & Auction</i>	<i>Common Threads Show</i>
<u>Late Night</u>		Roomers	Roomers

**View the current
schedule with all the
latest updates**



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At a Glance

45th Anniversary
Celebration!!!

	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>	<u>Saturday</u>	<u>Sunday</u>
	Meet & Greet	Meet & Greet	Meet & Greet	Farewell Brunch
	Workshops	Workshops	Workshops	
	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	
Special Anniversary Events All Afternoon!!!	Panel	Keynote	Keynote	
	Workshops 	Workshops	Workshops	
	Mini Workshops 	Mini Workshops		
	 OPEN MIC NIGHT	 Fantasia Fair 45 th Anniversary	Gala Awards Banquet	
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Descriptions of Workshop and Events

2019 Keynotes

(Listed by Day)

Monday

The Philosophy of Crossdressing and Gender through the years!

Professor Miqqi Alicia Gilbert

Miqqi is an author, a long-time contributor to Fantasia Fair, and a former director. Come and hear Miqqi describe the evolution of being an activist in the international transgender community and the revolution of gender expression through the years.

Tuesday

Building Community Over the Years

Marisa Richmond, Ph.D.

Marisa has seen the transgender community evolve over the past 30 years. She has worked with many people while wearing different hats. Since 1992, she has taken on leadership roles to help this evolution and build communities along the way. Marisa will recount how she did this from the beginning, when she became the first Board Chair of the Tennessee Vals, and then in 1996, becoming Board Chair of AEGIS (American Educational Gender Information Service), her first position in national leadership. Marisa will inspire us to continue to build this community as we move forward despite the many continuing obstacles.

Wednesday

Fantasia Fair: A 45-Year Walk from the Shadows of Misunderstanding to the Warm Sunlight of Liberation

Sandra Mesics, RN, MSN, CNM, HonDSc

Fantasia Fair No. 1 in 1975 fundamentally changed the direction of the fledgling transgender community. Ariadne Kane blazed a new path that changed the language we used, the way we interacted and became an inclusive community, the way we viewed ourselves and the way society at large viewed us. This pivotal week in October 1975 not only changed the community, it transformed my personal journey. We will look back at where we came from as we also look toward the future.

Thursday

The Legacy of the First Fantasia Fair Panel Discussion

Ariadne Kane, Sandra Mesics, Dallas Denny, Niela Miller, Mariette Pathy Allen

Join our panel for a lively conversation about the birth of THE longest running transgender event currently in the world today! The panel will tell us anecdotes and stories from the Fair's early days, plus share how their Fantasia Fair experience influenced their lives as activists in the community. There will be ample time at the end for questions. The panel will be moderated by Miqqi Alicia Gilbert.

Friday

Tales of the Early Fantasia Fairs!

Ariadne Kane

Fantasia Fair is the Western world's longest-running transgender event, a venerable grandparent of other conferences. However, at its start in 1975 there was no blueprint to follow and no one was exactly sure just what it would turn out to be. It very nearly didn't happen.

Ariadne Kane, one of three founders and throughout the first twenty and more years of Fantasia Fair the chief cook and bottle washer, is here to regale you with tales of the first years of the Fair. Some are happy, some are sad. All are true. Prepare to be amazed.

Saturday

Transgender Partnerships; Then and Now at Fanfair and beyond!

Niela Miller, M.S. Ed/Communications

Niela Miller is a retired counselor who in private practice worked with numerous people, spouses, and families touched by the trans-experience. Come and hear Niela share stories and writings from her book, *COUNSELING IN GENDERLAND*, the first book published that helped train professionals to prepare for working with transpeople and their families. Niela pioneered working with spouses, something that had never been done before. Come and hear her describe this work and her efforts with couples and those wanting to be one half of a couple. Niela will interact with the audience and describe the importance of good communication in partnerships that work and what that actually means. There will be plenty of time left at the end for questions from the audience.

2019 Workshops & Events

(Listed Alphabetically by Event Title)

Workshop:

A Shared Journey of Transition and Love: Surviving Transition Together

Deborah R. Fabian, MD and Leslie Hilburn Fabian, MSW

The Fabians will discuss how transition emerged as the only possible solution to Deborah's recurring distress. They will explain how Leslie reached this conclusion, then encouraged her mate to pursue happiness, despite uncertainty about what this would mean for their marriage. The couple will shed light on the workings of their relationship, the handling of their early cross-dressing challenges, the ways in which they built and enhanced their marriage through two decades, and, finally, the ramifications of a transition at age 62.

Workshop:

A Stitch in Time: Introduction to Simple Garment Saves

Jewels Johnson

Interactive hands-on learning about saving garments and possibly saving the day! In this session you will learn how to do simple garment repairs. Learn how to thread a needle quickly and how to tie the correct knot. You'll learn how to replace a missing hook & eye, button, or snap. Plus, you will learn how to hand stitch a small seam "pop" about an inch or two long. Other quick fixes and garment saves will be discussed, such as safety pins and Hollywood tape. There will be plenty of time for questions and answers. Please! No wardrobe malfunctions here.

Workshop:

A Stonewall Witness

David Velasco Bermudez

The LGBTQ community would look very different today without the actions 50 years ago of the brave individuals at Stonewall Inn. One of these individuals was Cape Cod resident David Bermudez. David will be at the Provincetown LGBTQ Welcome Center to describe the experience as history was beginning to unfold. It all started at Stonewall; come and hear the voice of a man who was there.

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*Workshop:***Aging While Trans: Health and Wellness for Trans Seniors*****Sandra Mesics, RN, MSN, CNM, HonDSc***

Like the general population in the United States, the transgender population is graying. Is the aging experience of trans individuals different from cisgender people? How can we modify our lifestyle and healthcare practices to enjoy a productive, healthy old age? What are the special concerns of transgender individuals related to aging? What are we particularly at risk for? What can we do to mitigate risks? What resources are available to us? We will attempt to explore these factors in this presentation.

*Workshop:***Book Presentation: *My Husband's a Woman Now: A Shared Journey of Transition and Love******Leslie Hilburn Fabian, MSW***

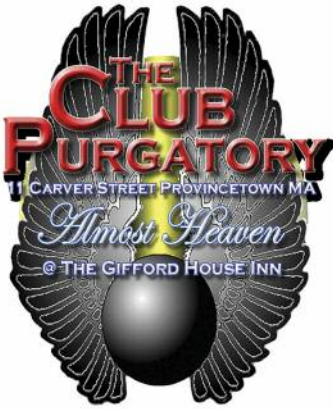
Leslie will talk about what prompted her to tell her husband to investigate transitioning. She will explore the paradox of being heterosexual, yet wanting her mate's happiness, despite the sacrifices it required of her. She'll expound upon her own difficulties and struggle in watching her male spouse of twenty years morph into a woman. Ms. Fabian will read excerpts from her book, *My Husband's a Woman Now: A Shared Journey of Transition and Love*; she will also sign copies of her book purchased during the talk.

*Workshop:***Catholics in the Closet*****Alice T.***

Transgender Catholics are susceptible to being in two closets and marginalized in both worlds. We usually can't disclose being trans to other Catholics and we also can't tell other transpeople that we're Catholic--particularly while clergy sex abuse issue and transphobic statements from the church continue. Despite this, our voice can help and is needed to liberate the wider community from a variety of crucifixions. This meditation's focus is St. Martin Luther King's statement: "I refuse to accept the cynical notion that nation after nation must spiral down a militaristic stairway into the hell of thermonuclear destruction." From this perspective, it is seen that societal laws against men wearing panties and supporting the flat earth theory, slavery, and killing adulterers are temporary.

COMMON Conversations!***Jolie and Dee LaValle***

Come and join us for a pre-event social prior to the premier of our new show, Common Threads! We will share in some good conversation plus some awesome sweets. Our hospitality suite Roomers at 306A Commercial St. will be opening up early and we can all walk down in plenty of time for the start of the show. The title says it all: COMMON Conversations. Now isn't that a beautiful thing?



**Something
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**Fantasia Fair
Schedule of Events**

SATURDAY - DANCE PARTY

SUNDAY - FANTASY & FETISH PARTY

MONDAY - LATIN FEVER

TUESDAY - KARAOKE

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WEDNESDAY - BACK TO THE 80'S DANCE

THURSDAY - KARAOKE

FRIDAY - ALL REQUEST DANCE PARTY

LATE NIGHT BUFFET @ 10PM

SATURDAY - "LAST CHANCE-LAST DANCE" PARTY

DOORS OPEN AT 9 PM NIGHTLY

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COMMON THREADS Fashion SHOW & 6 WORDS!

Cody Suzuki and Nick Greiner

Join us for our new COMMON THREADS Fashion SHOW! Bringing together a show of fashion to the authentic story the outfit speaks about ourselves. FANTASIA FAIR COMMON THREADS Fashion SHOW is where the tales of our fabrics can truly weave. To conclude our show, an added bonus, yes, it's true! Our COMMON THREADS Show is two shows in one. 6 WORDS invites all to the stage who wish to share, using only 6 WORDS, what FANTASIA FAIR sincerely means to you! Participation is open to all Fairgoers. Sign up Monday afternoon in the Fair office at The Boatslip or email your 6 WORDS to nick@fantasiafair.org. For more information, please see the FANTASIA FAIR COMMON THREADS on page 41 earlier in this guide.

Dancing at Club Purgatory

After the Follies, come party at Club Purgatory at 9 Carver Street, in the basement—it's "Almost Heaven." This after party will double as an optional costume party. Earl Kendal will have a sumptuous banquet laid out for all you witches and princesses and pirates, yaaaarrr!

Workshop:

Demystifying Transgender through proud history, simply biology and a story of resiliency
Allyson Hale

This workshop will acquaint participants with transgender history, the biology that makes questions of gender more complex than the binary system of traditional social norms, and the importance of owning one's life as a transgender person.

Workshop:

Fantasia Fair 45th Anniversary Musings!!!
Karen Jandro and Dee LaValle

Fantasia Fair contributors over the years share their many experiences and quite possibly tell few funny stories along the way. A lot has happened in the friendly confines of Provincetown over the 45 years. Come and hear the stories and possibly share a laugh as we take a glimpse into the Fair's storied past and the people who have contributed to its success for all of us. A reception and a Polar Plunge will follow, (see below).

Fantasia Fair 45th Anniversary Celebration Reception
Dee LaValle

Gather around as we toast 45 years of Fantasia Fair and its annual celebration of gender diversity. There will be lots of cake and a champagne toast. (Ginger ale will be available as well). A Polar Plunge will follow.

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Fantasia Fair 45th Anniversary Shark Swim

Karolyn Wolf-Gould with other brave and hardy souls

Join us at the back of the Paramount Room for this unique activity of a polar plunge into the ocean. There will be plenty of towels provided and lots of encouragement. (Swimsuits are required)

Workshop:

Fantasia Fair Chorus

KayeCee Kennedy, Music Director

Building community, confidence, and fun through the language of music while learning basic music skills that can be used throughout your life. These mini sessions will be offered daily for you to exercise your voice with musical expression. Come to one, two, or all five sessions. For those interested, the chorus will perform in the Fantasia Fair Follies on Friday night.

Fantasia Fair Follies

Rhonda Williams and Nick Greiner

Come see some of the community's brightest new talents, both professional and amateur, in this charity fund-raising cabaret and talent show. For more information, please see the Follies section earlier in this guide on page 49.

Farewell Brunch

Come as you are to the farewell brunch at Pilgrim House, where you'll be treated to a good meal before you head home. The restaurant will open up at 7:30 am for those who want to get an early start on their journey home. The brunch is long enough so attendees can pop in and out as is convenient as they prepare to leave Provincetown. Prepare for hugs from your new friends if you're a first-timer, and from new and old friends if you're a returning Fairgoer. If you need to leave very early and can't make it, so long until next year!

Workshop:

Fight, Flight, or Put on your Party Dress

Representative Gerri Cannon

Just when the world was looking better for transgender people, the rug has been pulled out from beneath our feet by people in Washington who don't know or care about who we are. What can we do to reverse these changes and improve life for all of us. Confidentiality, family, and work may dictate how we can be actively and publicly involved. Gerri will share some of the challenges she faced as she became a public figure and how her experiences may help attendees find ways to get involved in a way that fits their own lives. Come join in the discussion to share your ideas and experiences.

First Annual Fantasia Fair Shark Dip

Ellen Phillips and Carolyn Wolfe-Gould, Shark Dip Coordinators

Join the Popular Girls first thing in the morning for a refreshing dip in Provincetown Harbor. There is nothing, we mean NOTHING, like an early jump into a bracing body of salt water to start the day well. For those of you with sensitive skin or distrust of our silver friends, the Great Whites, we offer the Boatslip pool as an alternative dipping venue. Meet us every morning, Monday through Saturday, at 7 AM by the pool at the Boatslip. All dippers are counted daily, automatically become member of the Popular Girls, and will be publicly recognized for their bravery and exuberance. See you bright and early! Oh, dippers, assume all risks and harpoons will not be provided, sorry. Please bring extra shark repellent to share.

Gala Awards Banquet

Dee LaValle

The annual Fantasia Fair Gala Awards Banquet is the highlight of the week! Show off your finest threads in this black-tie affair and congratulate this year's award recipients. For more information about the event and a listing of award categories, please see the Gala Awards Banquet section earlier in this guide on page 52. See the photo of awardees from FanFair 2018 on page 113. For a complete list of previous awardees, please visit our website www.fanfair.info/awards.

Workshop:

Getting Out and About in New York City & elsewhere

Jan Brown

Jan has managed to get out and about all over with several friends who also talk about their experiences and what things to keep in mind. The emphasis will be on places she's been and what she's done in New York City, New York State, Florida, and elsewhere. Attendees are encouraged to ask questions and share for a good relevant discussion.

Workshop:

GIRL TALK: An Open Discussion About the Societal Norms Of Living as a Woman

Heather Leigh

A group discussion mediated by cisgender trans advocate, Heather Leigh, where we talk and demystify the written and unwritten rules of societal norms as they relate to women, from clothing, sitting, eating, walking, mannerism, and even bathrooms.

Group Photo

Dan McKeon

Please join us for a group photo! There are two dates scheduled for this, with the second being the rain date. See the photo from FanFair 2018 on page 112.

Workshop:

It Ain't Me, Babe—or Maybe It Is (Cis partners only)

Maureen Osborne, PhD

This workshop will focus on the journey of the non-transgender member of the relationship. It will shift the conversation to their needs and challenges.

Focus Questions:

What does being the partner of a transgender person mean about you? How has it changed you? What have you learned? What are the losses and what are the gains? How does this fact fit into the larger frame of your individual life story? How do you feel as a cis partner in cis and trans spaces? How do you see the future?

Workshop:

Knit with Flare

Ryan "Flare" Cook

Whether you are new to knitting or a seasoned professional, come to PÜRL for an afternoon of knitting, conversations, and discussions! Please bring your own projects or discover something you want to work on in the shop! If you are a new knitter, there will be an inexpensive starter kit that will get you going on your first project. There will be light refreshments!

Workshop: (This session will be offered twice, please choose one)

Learning to Define Your Own Terms, Speak Your Mind, and Negotiate with Your Partner Around Transgender Expression and/or Transition

(Couples in Attendance Only)

Maureen Osborne, PhD

Whatever the state or stage of your relationship, there are special challenges in a cis/trans relationship that require self-examination, fearless and mutually respectful dialogue, and negotiation. We will look at some principles and strategies that should ease the way.

Focus questions:

How do you handle conflict in your relationship? Does one person give in more often? Do you speak your mind, or are you easily silenced? How do you ask for what you need? Do you know what you need? Can you slow things down or say no without risking hurt or alienation? Is one partner better with words than the other? Do you feel that one person has more power, and if so, why?

Workshop:

Living Happily as a Single Person

Niela Miller, M.S. Education/Communications

The state of happiness is internal, not dependent on a partner or external circumstances. It is possible to strengthen your ability to create a beautiful life with contentment whether or not it has romantic love in it. Come and learn about how to improve your communication while claiming vulnerability as a strength, not a weakness, so intimacy is possible in whatever form it takes.

*Workshop:***Lost in the Pink Fog***Liz Winter*

You finally made it to Provincetown, and Fantasia Fair was the most fabulous experience of your life. You're pumped up, full of new self-confidence, and unable to think about anything but expressing yourself in your preferred gender role. Back at home, the world seems drab and you chafe at having to hide part of yourself from your family, friends, and co-workers. You want to burst forth, heedless of consequences, and proclaim yourself to the world, and you think you just might. Congratulations. You're in the Pink Fog. The Pink Fog (Blue Fog for FTMs, and we suppose Lavender Fog for nonbinary folks) is the state of euphoria we experience when we take our gender expression to a new level. It's a dangerous time to make decisions, and yet a time when we most want to. Come talk about the Pink Fog with your peers and get suggestions on how to find your way out of it. *Highly recommended for first timers.*

Lunch

Five lunches and two brunches are included with your full-week registration. These meals are in various restaurants, all within easy walking distance from the center of town. When you check in at the office to get your registration packet, you'll receive a sheet of tickets for the restaurants you pre-selected at registration. You'll need these tickets when you arrive for lunch or brunch. Tickets are good only for the date and location printed on them.

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Workshop:

Measure Twice, Order Once!

Jewels Johnson

An interactive hands-on workshop on learning how to take correct body measurements for the purpose of purchasing garments online or in a store that will be close to your actual size regardless what the tag says. Paring up in twos, each attendee will take each others' measurements and record them for comparison to size charts listed on garment websites. How to select between sizes and various styles vs body type will be covered. Pens, paper, and tape measures will be provided. Each participant will leave with these and a dated record of their own measurements. Don't worry! What happens in the workshop stays in the workshop!

Workshop:

Meet Your Fellow Couples: Telling (or Updating) Our Unique Love Stories

(Couples in Attendance Only)

Maureen Osborne, PhD, and Carole MacKenzie, LCSW

In this workshop for couples only, we will give ourselves the time and space to meet fellow travelers and tell our stories in a safe and supportive environment. Intended for first-timers as well as couples who have been coming to FanFair for years.

Focus Questions:

How long have you been together? How did you meet? When and how did you hear about your partner's transgender nature? How are you both handling that now? Do you have children? If so, tell us about them. Who among your family and friends know about the transgender part of your relationship? How has that been? What is the best thing about your relationship? The most difficult?

Meet Your First Fair Mentor!

Tina Simmons and Jolie LaValle

If you are interested in getting the most out of your First Fair experience, having a mentor could make all the difference. If you haven't met your mentor, or are interested in one, stop by right after Orientation for a brief chat and we will point one out to you.

Night Out on the Town!

Part of what makes Fantasia Fair special is it takes place in Provincetown. Few places are as accepting and affirming as our host city, and here you will be safe, respected, and honored, whatever your gender presentation. Fairgoers are encouraged to explore the restaurants, bars, and dance clubs of Provincetown. As you plan your dinner reservations for your nights out at the Fair, please try to support our advertisers, who have supported the Fair in this *Participant's Guide* and on our website. When making your choices, please be sure to tell the wait staff and manager you saw their ad in the Fantasia Fair guide. There are a variety of fine restaurants to choose from in all cuisines and price ranges, all within walking distance or, for those wearing sky-high stilettos, a short cab ride from the center of town.

Open Mic Night

Cody Suzuki and Kristi Chiasson

Listen friends, and you shall hear the genuine voices of trans*, allies and gender queer people coming live from the Paramount Room on Thursday night. That's right, step right up to our open mic! One is by voice and two is by song as we open with vocal expressions, followed by musical acts, and close out with a sing-a-long! We are open to all genders and genres! Bring along your poems, instruments, stories, songs, words, lyrics, stand-up routines, strums, or just bring along your listening ear! That's right! Fantasia Fair's one and only Open Mic is moving to the Paramount Room from 8-10 pm! There will be a cash bar. This event is open to the public and will be a great opportunity for you to get comfortable with the stage and mic before the Follies on Friday night! Come early and reserve your spot!

Workshop:

Photographing Fantasia Fair from the '80s on.

Mariette Pathy Allen

This presentation offers images of a wide range of people within the transgender spectrum. It will include individual portraits as well as political and social activities. Mariette will present images and stories, both entertaining and moving. You will probably be amazed by the changes in attitude that have evolved over time for gender nonconformists as well as for the cis world. The purpose of this presentation is to offer a historical view based on her lived experience. Through her artistry, Mariette honors the humor, intelligence, courage, and determination of the people who have passed through Provincetown.

Pioneer Award Banquet & Auction

Dee LaValle and Dallas Denny

Every year, Transgender Education Association honors transgender leaders—those who have sacrificed their careers, their families, their fortunes to change the world so transgender people could begin to come together in safety and comfort. Without them, we would not be here; we would be at home, hiding in our closets. We meet to honor their work and thank them for all they have done for us and to give them back a little in return for their decades of work on our behalf. This year, we are recognizing Marisa Richmond, PhD. See the Transgender Pioneer Award Banquet section on page 37 for more about the evening and more about Dr. Richmond.



*Workshop:***Princesses and Unicorns: Moving Comfortably Beyond Gender Stereotypes***Heather Verdui and Dallas Denny*

Everybody explores who they are and who they can be, and transpeople are no exception. In fact, we're particularly challenged! Our limiting beliefs, reluctance to move beyond our comfort zones, and lack of experience in our target genders can be impediments. Eventually we mature in our expressions, moving beyond stereotypes and our initial beliefs about who we are and what we will be like. This discussion will explore ways to help you on your personal journey.

*Workshop:***Reclaiming Emotional and Physical Intimacy: Is it Possible? (Cis partners only)***Maureen Osborne, PhD.*

A loss of intimacy is the most often reported casualty of a relationship in which one partner comes out as trans. We will explore the many reasons for this and will dig into practical strategies for reclaiming emotional closeness and sexual expression against the daunting headwinds of trust damage and perceived changes in sexual orientation.

Focus Questions:

What changes in sexual and/or emotional intimacy have you experienced in relation to one partner coming out as trans? How have they affected you individually and as a couple? What do you need in order to rework the underpinnings of intimacy in your relationship? What about you and/or your partner gets in the way? What are you willing to willing to try to change these patterns? Can you have satisfactory emotional intimacy even if sexual intimacy is not part of your relationship?

*Workshop:***Reclaiming Emotional and Physical Intimacy: Is it Possible? (All trans people in a relationship are invited)***Carole MacKenzie, LCSW*

A loss of intimacy is the most often reported casualty of a relationship in which one partner comes out as trans. We will explore the many reasons for this and will dig into practical strategies for reclaiming emotional closeness and sexual expression against the daunting headwinds of trust damage and perceived changes in sexual orientation.

Focus Questions:

What changes in sexual and/or emotional intimacy have you experienced in relation to one partner coming out as trans? How have they affected you individually and as a couple? What do you need in order to rework the underpinnings of intimacy in your relationship? What about you and/or your partner gets in the way? What are you willing to willing to try to change these patterns? Can you have satisfactory emotional intimacy even if sexual intimacy is not part of your relationship?



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Workshop:

Reclaiming your authentic identity: Reflections from a 77 year old femme trans girl
Michelle Allison, LMFT

This workshop will explore how the presenter managed to uncover and reclaim a lost gender identity after wandering about in the psychological wilderness for 73+ years. Using personal narrative, the language of psychotherapy, and feminist and transgender theory, Michelle will describe how the arc of a person's life span influences their gender identity. And most importantly, how to use your gender variance as a source of personal agency and empowerment. Since the details really do matter, the following useful themes will be considered:

- the role of the mental health professional in trans care: and what is gender dysphoria, anyway?
- barriers to gender expression among older adults: spouses and children, work career;
- the physical limitations of older bodies: the possibilities and limits of expression
- the emotional dynamics of long term, highly closeted experience: casting off shame
- responding positively to your newly minted role as a marginalized person: intersectionality

Finally, how does the trans experience open up new ways of understanding the meaning of the gendered self: the trans mission to the broader cis world.



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Workshop: (offered Thursday and Friday with sessions throughout the day)

Sephora, Classes for Confidence

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Sign up for these classes will be done during the selection process, when you will also select your restaurants and events. See page 48 for more information.

Significant Others—Get Acquainted Lunch (Dutch Treat)

Jolie LaValle

If you are the cisgender significant other of a transgender or nonbinary person attending the Fair, you are cordially invited to join the other SOs for a dutch-treat lunch. Get to know each other, share experiences, swap advice, and hear how to get the most out of the Fair. You'll discover that we share a lot in common! You can meet us at the Lobster Pot or walk down as a group after Orientation concludes. (For cisgender partners only).

Significant Others—Daily Meet and Greet Gathering

Jolie LaValle

This is a relaxed, safe space to connect with other SOs who are attending the Fair. Come share a coffee, ask questions, and figure out how to get the most out of your time at Fantasia Fair. These daily gatherings are recommended for all SOs. (For cisgender partners only).

Significant Others—Goodbye Circle

Jolie LaValle

A look back at the week and a chance to trade contact information, plus get a lot of hugs! (For cisgender partners only).

Workshop:

Stand By Me: Being Trans in a Committed Relationship with a Cisgender Partner (All trans people in a relationship are invited)

Carole MacKenzie, LCSW

This workshop will focus on the trans member of a relationship and the challenges they have faced in trying to balance their needs for gender expression/transition with the needs of their cisgender partner to catch up with the new context this presents for them.

Focus Questions:

How did you come out to your spouse as trans? Was it a long-anticipated relational ripple or an unexpected tsunami? If you are still together, how are you dealing with the day-to-day dilemmas of balancing your needs against your partner's? How do you manage the problem of your changing needs, i.e., the moving target issue? If your relationship did not survive, what were the reasons, as you see them? How does this reality fit into the larger frame of your individual life history? How do you see the future?

Sunday Worship Service

Fantasia Fair attendees have been worshipping at Provincetown's UU Meeting House for more than 40 years. Join together in fellowship with your friends and PTown natives for contemplation and worship.

TAVA – Calling all Transgender Military Veterans!

Angela Brightfeather Sheedy

ALL transgender U.S. military (and U.S. allies) – Active, National Guard, Reserve, Retired, or honorably discharged – are welcome to attend (we'll take your word for your veteran status, no DD Form 214 required) this reception. Fantasia Fair registration is NOT required to attend this special reception in honor of all those who have served our country in uniform. There will be a very short patriotic ceremony to open the reception and a moment of silence to remember those who made the ultimate sacrifice, followed by informal discussion and camaraderie with your sister and brother service members. Light refreshments and snacks will be provided.

Workshop:

The Creative Process- Theme: Identity and Expression

Niela Miller, M.S. Education/Communications

In this workshop, we will be making art, writing songs and poems, sharing anecdotes (written or spoken), and playing with movement, in short, encouraging the use of unique experiences as material for creative processes and products. Art materials will be provided. Participants should bring writing tools.

Trans attendees—Daily Meet and Greet Gathering

Cody Suzuki and Tina Simmons

This is a relaxed, safe space to come to connect with others who are attending the Fair. Come share a coffee and talk about how to get the most out of your time at Fantasia Fair. It's a great way to start your day. If you have questions, our facilitators will be able to point you in the right direction. All are welcomed and encouraged to attend, especially first-timers.

Workshop:

Trans Exclusion by Lesbians and Gay Men in the Immediate Post-Stonewall Period

Dallas Denny

Trans people were front and center at the Stonewall Inn on July 28, 1969. In fact, we were the touchpoint for the riots, as police singled them out for arrest and incarceration when they raided the inn that night. We were active in the Christopher Street March, the first Pride event, and thoroughly integrated in gay and lesbian organizations and events at all levels.

Not long after Stonewall, however, elements in the gay and lesbian community began excluding and deplatforming us, and it wasn't pretty.

*Workshop:***Transgender Civil Rights Protections and Engaging Law Enforcement*****Assistant Attorney General Sara Colb and Officer Emmett Catanese***

Assistant Attorney General Sara Colb will present an overview of the work of the civil rights division of the Massachusetts Attorney General's Office with an emphasis on transgender rights – both from a broader policy perspective and on specific cases to address incidents of gender identity discrimination. She will also speak specifically about the Attorney General's Office's work combatting hate crimes, and the tools law enforcement has at its disposal, both criminally and civilly, to address acts of hate. Provincetown Police Civil Rights Officer Emmett Catanese and Colb will talk about their joint work in this space, and more broadly about the need to identify and report these incidents so that they can be charged appropriately, and so that law enforcement has all the information it needs to pursue those responsible to the full extent that the law permits.

*Workshop:***Transcribe and Transform: A Writing Workshop*****Carolyn Wolf-Gould, MD***

The process of writing in a group can have deep and lasting value, both as a way to find voice for one's experience and to create a caring community. This workshop uses brief writing exercises as a means to connect to one another and to explore our experiences from the unique perspective each individual brings. Participants will be asked to respond in writing to a series of diverse prompts and then further asked (but not required!) to share their writing with others in the group. You don't need to be a professional writer—we ignore grammar, spelling, and punctuation. We ask only that you come with a willingness to put words on a page, and possibly share them. Through the writing, we hope to get to know one another more fully and also ponder the impact of identifying as trans or of knowing someone who is trans in a safe, nurturing environment. All members of the trans community and their allies (SOs, extended family, friends, advocates, providers, etc.) are welcome for one day or every day!

Learning objectives:

- Participants will practice writing short stream of consciousness pieces based on a series of prompts.
- Participants will ignore principles of grammar, spelling and punctuation.
- Participants may share their writing with others in the group in a safe, structured fashion.

Volunteer Planning

Emily Sheldon and Karen Jandro

If you want to get the most out of your Fantasia Fair experience, then get involved! Find out about opportunities to volunteer throughout the week in this brief get-together.

Walking Tour

Sgt. Carrie Lopes, (Retired)

Experience the sites of Provincetown in this fun and informative tour that focuses on the history, art, and architecture of this seaside community. Your guide, Carrie is recently retired from the Provincetown Police Department, where she was responsible for touring the new recruits around town as part of their orientation. Today you will be the new recruits!. Come, so Carrie will lead you through the fabulous streets and quaint hidden alleyways, and you'll discover stories about the town. Tour time is 1.5 hours. Please wear your comfortable walking shoes!

Welcome! Dinner/Dance

DJ Emerson

We celebrate the first full day of the Fair with a good old fashion dinner/dance. No need to get all gussied up; it's a casual affair, featuring happy hour in the lounge, a scrumptious meal with dessert, followed by DJ Emerson spinning tunes. Kick off the week on the dance floor!

Welcome Orientation Brunch

Dee LaValle

In this late morning get-together, you'll have a chance to mingle with your new friends and find out what you can expect during the week. We'll point out who is responsible for what, where to get the latest information, and talk about the various happenings of the week. We will explain this year's programs and features in detail.

Welcome Reception

Planning Committee

After a long day of travel, relax with your old friends and meet your new friends at the Pilgrim House, 336 Commercial Street. Come dressed formally, come dressed casually, come dressed as a guy, or come dressed as a girl, or your gender-nonconforming self—Just come by Pilgrim House on Sunday from 6-8 pm and enjoy yourself!

Workshop: (This session will be offered twice, please choose one)

What Do We Do About Trust? (Couples in Attendance Only)

Carole MacKenzie, LCSW

Some breach of trust is almost always present in a relationship where there is a trans partner, no matter at what point the truth was revealed. In this session, we will talk about the meanings we have for trust and its importance in any relationship. We will also explore ways that broken trust can be repaired and protected going forward.

Focus questions:

What do you mean when you say that you can't trust your partner? How does it make you feel? What agreements did you make that feel as if they've been violated? Are there mitigating factors? Is intentionality important? Can you discern and communicate what you need from your partner in order to feel safe again in your relationship? Is there any part of your reaction to perceived trust violations that has its roots in your own family and relationship history? Is there anything that YOU do that makes it less likely for your partner to treat you in a trustworthy way? What kinds of behaviors and statements make you more and less likely to trust your partner?

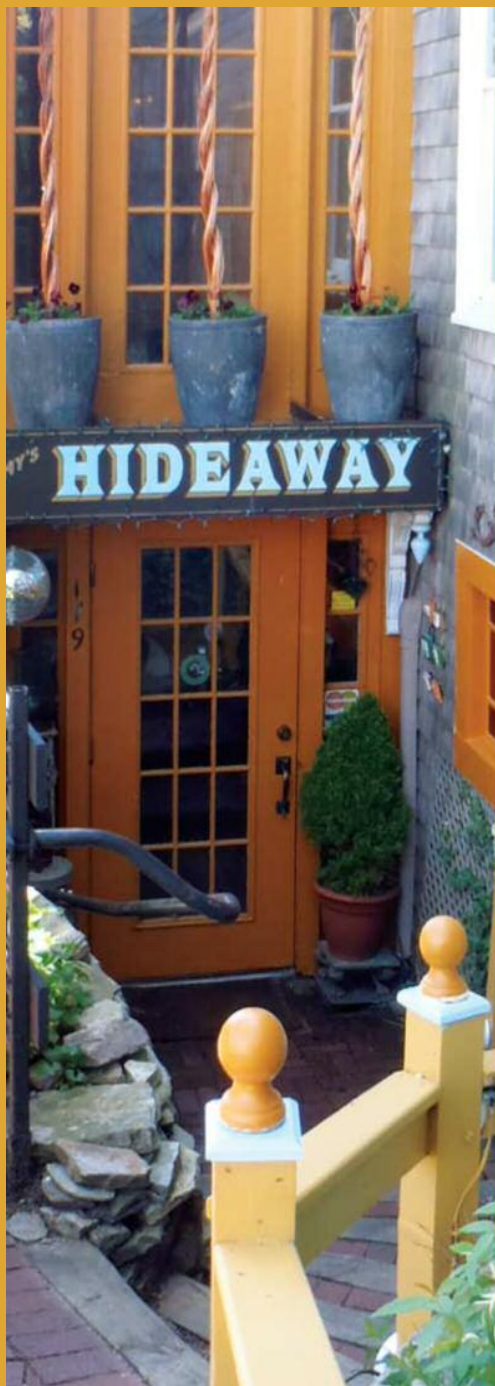
Workshop:

What to Expect After Gender Affirmation Surgery?

Shannon Whittington, RN MSN

In this interactive and energetic presentation, Shannon describes the challenges of coming home with new or different body parts. Designed for health care professionals in general, but also applicable to any person who is considering gender affirming surgery, this presentation covers the basics of what to expect once surgery is completed. Shannon provides the challenges and possible complications but also the triumphs of a successful surgical intervention. The audience will leave with a clear understanding of reasonable clinical expectations of gender affirmation surgery.





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Mains

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Herbed Lemon and Sage Rubbed in a Roasted Shallot Au Jus
Served over Mashed Potatoes and Asparagus

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Pan Seared with White Wine, Lemon, Parsley and Capers
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*Workshop:***Wrap-up and Integration of the Week's Learning Experiences***(Couples in Attendance Only)****Maureen Osborne, PhD and Carole MacKenzie, LCSW***

In this final session, your leaders will gather together and reflect on all the wisdom we have generated as a group of intrepid pioneers navigating new frontiers of gender relationships. Each couple will have an opportunity to share what they have learned and what they hope to accomplish going forward in their relationship.

*Workshop:***Your Ideas for the Future of FanFair*****Dee LaValle***

To continue to prosper, the Fair must grow and evolve along with its participants. This session is dedicated to hearing your thoughts concerning the Fair, what works, and what might be improved. We also will be distributing a list of specific jobs that may be of interest if you wish to get involved. There is no need to volunteer for anything at this session, but please do come and share your thoughts.



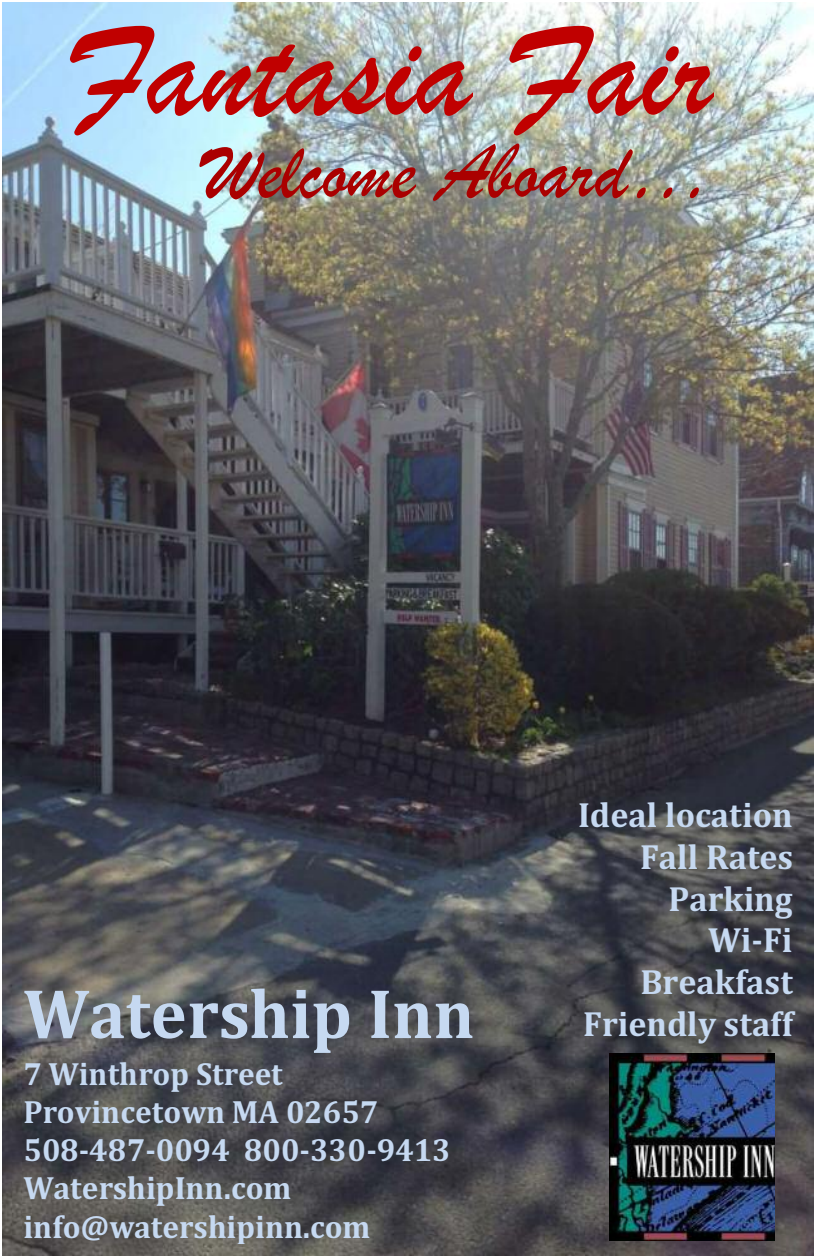
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Presenter Biographies

Every year, Fantasia Fair attracts some of the finest and most knowledgeable people in and out of the transgender community. Below are descriptions of our staff and presenters. We encourage you to get to know these people and to attend as many of their presentations as you can.

Many of the presenters who come to Fantasia Fair make their professional services available during Fair week. Please feel free to ask the presenters, what, if any, additional services or private consultations they may be providing during the week.

Most importantly, please make sure to let our presenters know just how appreciative you are that they have come to share their knowledge and experience with us all.

2019 Presenter Biographies

(Listed Alphabetically)

Michelle Allison

Michelle Allison is a fully out transgender woman (she, her hers) and a CT Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist. She earned a BA from Amherst College (1964) and an MA from the University of Connecticut (1988). She maintains a full-time psychotherapy private practice in Storrs, CT. About one third of her clients are gender variant (trans, non-binary) or other queer folks. She works with adults, couples, and adolescents. She was married for 30 years and has two grown children, ages 29 and 24. Earlier in her life, she was a banjo maker and ran a small musical instrument business (the 'Allison banjo' lives on!). She is also an artist, making sculptural wooden vessels using a wood lathe, and has exhibited at high-end art and craft shows for about ten years. In addition to working as a gender therapist, Michelle's clinical interests are also focused her cis clients: their attachment and identity issues. She also uses her dually gendered perspective to work with cis couples, and to rescue cis men from the suffocating impact of patriarchy and the problematic legacy of male socialization. Michelle's message to all her clients is: "...appearances notwithstanding, I'm really just like you!"



David Velasco Bermudez

David, the son of a Spanish Pentecostal minister and Puerto Rican mother, was born in New York City and raised in the Bronx. As a boy, he always loved singing. He grew up in a family of music. His mother was a radio singer in the 1940s. As a young adult, David performed in many off Broadway plays as well as in productions and private performances in Puerto Rico, Florida, California, and Cape Cod. David attributes his love of music and the diverseness of the music industry to his ability to find himself as a gay man. As David has said, "Music is the language that everyone understands."



David was a participant at the 1969 Stonewall rebellion in New York City's Greenwich Village. The revolt in the bar spilled out into the street and became the riot and spark that ignited the modern gay rights movement. From that day, David has been an activist promoting LGBT rights. He continues to speak at colleges, middle schools, churches and private groups.

This June on the 50th anniversary of the Stonewall rebellion, Dave and Bob, his spouse, will celebrate 45 years together. David is the first Stonewall Veteran to be married in a same gender marriage. Dave and Bob were married at their home on Cape Cod in 2004.

Jan Brown

Jan is actively involved in the transgender community in New York and Florida (where she snowbirds). Jan co-founded her local TG support group, Mid-Hudson Valley Transgender Association in 2000 and gets out in her various communities (for retail therapy, dining out, and visiting places of interest). She has presented at various TG events, including Fantasia Fair, IFGE, Southern Comfort, Be-All, First Event, Liberty and Empire), and was part of the Fantasia Fair organizing committee for several years, focusing on programming and advertising.



Representative Gerri Cannon

Gerri was elected to the New Hampshire House of Representatives in 2018 and represents the city of Somersworth and the town of Rollinsford. She sits on the house Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs Committee. Gerri is a transgender advocate and a member of the NH Conference of UCC Churches, Open and Affirming Concerns Committee. Gerri lives in Somersworth, and was elected to the city's school board in 2017.



Gerri is a spokesperson for transgender equality. She has been discussing transgender topics for Speak Out Boston, PFLAG NH, Freedom NH, and with the NH State Legislature for over 15 years. She worked for the combined companies of Digital, Compaq, and Hewlett-Packard for more than 30 years in a variety of engineering and marketing roles. She is a master carpenter and drove tractor-trailers cross country.

Officer Emmett Catanese

Officer Catanese has been a police officer with the Town of Provincetown for more than seven years. He began his career as a summer police officer in 2012 and was then hired full time. He graduated from both the Reserve/Intermittent Police Academy and Full-Time Police Academy at the top of his class, winning the Brian Daley Academic Award twice. Officer Catanese earned a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science, and after graduation worked for seven years with the Transportation Security Administration. In 2017 he was appointed the Civil Rights Officer for the Provincetown Police Department, where he serves as a patrol officer. He enjoys traveling to experience new landscapes, cultures, and food. He is an out transman.





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Assistant Attorney General Sara Colb

Sara Colb is an Assistant Attorney General in the Civil Rights Division of the Massachusetts Attorney General's Office. On behalf of the Commonwealth, she advocates for those who have been discriminated against in housing, public accommodations, employment, and other contexts. Ms. Colb has worked on a broad array of civil rights matters having both a local and broader national impact. For example, in 2018 Ms. Colb led a multistate effort, co-writing amicus briefs on behalf of 20 states opposing the Trump administration's transgender military ban. In 2017, Ms. Colb investigated and negotiated a six-figure settlement on behalf of a transgender woman in a sex and gender identity discrimination employment case against Dell/EMC. In 2018, Ms. Colb was awarded the 2018 Access to Justice Award for Prosecutor by the Massachusetts Bar Association, and in 2015 she received the "Top Women of Law" award from Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly.



Dallas Denny

Dallas Denny is a writer, editor, and long-time trans activist. She founded the nonprofit American Educational Gender Information Service in 1990 and edited its historic flagship journal *Chrysalis* throughout the decade. She was editor of *Transgender Tapestry Journal* from 2000-2008. She has produced a half dozen books and countless booklets, pamphlets, journals and magazine articles, as well book chapters. She has been involved in the planning and execution of Fantasia Fair since 1991. Dallas's writing can be found on her website at www.dallasdenny.com. She will have copies of her new novel *Chance Down the Mountain* for sale at Fantasia Fair.



Dallas is a member of the Fantasia Fair 2019 Planning Committee and Chair of the TEA Board of Directors

DJ Emerson

A little bit about myself: I'm a DJ, chef, and traveler from Truro who works locally in clubs, at special events, and weddings during the summer and shoulder seasons. In the off season I am traveling, seeking out special food, and playing destination events throughout the U.S. and abroad. My tastes in music are as diverse as the crowds I play for, and I am renowned for my ability to read a crowd and select just the right musical mix for each different event. Cheers!



Temperance DuWitt

As the 2015 Fantasia Fair Miss Congeniality and 2017's co-Miss Fantasia Fair, 2019 will be Temperance's seventh Fantasia Fair. She is honored and privileged to be the Fair's Registrar! A native Washingtonian, Temperance studied music at the University of Maryland, College Park, Peabody Conservatory in Baltimore, Maryland, and studied Computer Science from the ITT Technical Institute. She resides in Milton, DE, but frequently travels to and from the Washington, D.C. area. Temperance's taste in attire could best be classified as eclectic, as on more than one occasion, she has been observed dashing around Provincetown in some type of remarkable regalia. Her favorite type of dress is Victorian Gothic, particularly the magnificent and opulent ball gowns of the era; she is also partial to the Civil War-era dresses.



Temperance is a member of the Fantasia Fair 2019 Planning Committee.

Deborah R. Fabian, MD and Leslie Hilburn Fabian, MSW

Deb and Leslie are an orthopedic surgeon and retired social worker and author, respectively. They've been married for 27 years, 20 as David and Leslie, 7+ as Deborah and Leslie. Though cross-dressing was always a part of their lives together, the couple never expected David to become Deborah full-time. But the kids grew up and Leslie could no longer watch her husband suffer. In 2009, the transition adventure began, with Deb emerging full-time in 2011. In 2010, Leslie had begun writing about her own transition as her husband morphed. This resulted in her book *My Husband's a Woman Now*. The Fabians have frequently shared their story, in their desire to educate and increase understanding and compassion for trans people. They currently live in Gallup, New Mexico, where Dr. Fabian works at the Indian Medical Center and Leslie volunteers in numerous ways. They have six grown children and three grandchildren.



Leslie Hilburn Fabian, MSW

Leslie Fabian is a retired clinical social worker and author. In 1991, she married Dr. David Fabian, in full awareness and total support of his cross-dressing. She had raised two children alone and had a background in sales. In 1996, Leslie obtained her Master's degree in Social Work from Boston College, then began work as a psychotherapist. From 2009 to 2011, Ms. Fabian supported her husband's transition, also finding a profound need for solitude. Writing about the experience helped her deal with what she considered her own transition. Eventually, Leslie realized that her desire to remain with her mate superseded the many concerns she had for their future as a trans couple. Her book, published in 2014, is a testament to her love for Deborah and an expose of her struggle to reconcile the profound changes in her life and marriage. Leslie lives in Gallup, New Mexico.



Ryan "Flare" Cook

Hi! I am Flare, or Ryan, if you must. I am a fairy who finally found my fairy name a few years ago! I started knitting about 20 years ago in Los Angeles. I moved full time to Provincetown six years ago with my husband and two dogs. I am so happy to be in a great town with great energy and amazing people.



Miqqi Alicia Gilbert, Ph.D.

Miqqi Alicia Gilbert (aka Michael A. Gilbert) is Full Emeritus Professor of Philosophy at York University, Toronto, Canada. Miqqi Alicia has published scholarly articles in Gender Theory including an essay in *Hypatia* in 2009, "*Defeating Bigenderism.*" S/he is a life-long cross-dresser and an activist in the transgender community. Miqqi Alicia has made a point of being out in public and has appeared in numerous newspapers and magazines in Canada and the U.S. She has also done numerous interviews on radio and television. S/he has been the book review editor and regular columnist for *Transgender Tapestry*, a recipient in 2007 of an IFGE Trinity Award, and Director of Fantasia Fair for 8 years. S/he has presented workshops at numerous trans events including Fantasia Fair, Southern Comfort, Esprit, IFGE and First Event. Hir website is <http://gilbert.info.yorku.ca/>. Hir latest book, *Arguing with People*, was published by Broadview Press in the spring of 2014.



Miqqi is a member of the TEA Board of Directors.

Nick Greiner

This will be Nick's third Fantasia Fair; he attended his first Fair with his trans parent, Sibil. Nick was inspired by the organizers and fellow attendees and extremely honored to receive the Mr. Congeniality Award. He lives in Philadelphia where he is an out transman involved in his local LGBT community including co-facilitating an open trans* group. He and his mom, Sibil, share their story in workshops and talks to promote visibility. He served proudly in the U.S. Coast Guard under Don't Ask Don't Tell and vowed to never hide again after he was honorably discharged.



Sibil Greiner

Sibil Mae attended her first FF in 2016. Like a phoenix, she has risen from the ashes of alcoholism and personal tragedy to transition and live authentically. Sibil, along with her son Nick, have done parent/child transition workshops and more recently college talks before a class of future Occupational Therapists. You will find her to be an outgoing social butterfly who will welcome you with open arms and an open heart. As a recovering alcoholic, she is in service to help people with their addictions and to help others recognize their own potential in living an authentic life.



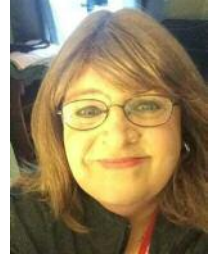
Allyson Hale

Through personal tragedy and traumatic events, Allyson gained a new perspective and insight regarding human responses, interactions and reasoning as to why we do and say what we do. With this new knowledge of herself and her expertise with molding and shaping individuals both physically and mentally, she hopes to help others open the door to explore this knowledge with themselves and others. 2015 was the start of her own awakening into the individual she needs to be; a translator of simple human decency. Allyson currently works for the Massachusetts Department of Corrections, Souza Baranowski Correctional Center, and serves in the Army Reserves/National Guard (18 years of service). She holds the rank of Sergeant First Class (E-7) and position of Battalion Staff NCO. She has 30 years of Japanese Jujitsu training and a BA in sociology from Framingham State University.



Karen Jandro

Karen will be participating in her 8th Fantasia Fair in 2019. She has told many how she was blessed when Fantasia Fair awarded her a scholarship in 2012. She has been a volunteer every year since. Karen has been recognized for her dedication to the Fair three times, being named Most Helpful in 2015, Most Congenial in 2016, and Fantasia Fair Award winner in 2017. She is self-employed as an entrepreneur in Western Massachusetts, enjoys amateur photography and is a lifelong motorcycle enthusiast. A long-time mentor, Karen is starting her 22nd year in October 2019 with an International Drug Demand Reduction Program. She holds an MBA Degree from Western New England College in Springfield, MA, and has an Honorable Discharge from the United States Marine Corps.



Karen is a member of the TEA Board of Directors.

Jewels Johnson

Jewels comes from decades of experience in the bridal alterations field, self-taught starting at age five with the desire for more Barbie outfits. She has spent a lifetime learning new skills and perfecting her craft. Accomplished at age 14, she created many of her own school clothes. By age 16 she landed a job at a bridal shop. Over the years people often asked her to make their wedding attire, so in 1995 she started her own business of custom alterations on wedding and special occasion gowns and dresses. A stint at JCP as a custom decorator brought new knowledge of draperies and window treatments. Around 2007, Jewels stumbled onto the Tiffany Club of New England and by 2008 was a member. She learned about Spandex and Lycra while creating prototypes for the late John Warrener. She has published several articles and poems and has been featured in *The Suffield Observer* and *The Hartford Magazine*.



Ariadne Kane

Ariadne Kane, Ed.D. is a self-identified androgyne and has been at the forefront of transgender activism for many years. As Executive Director of the nonprofit Outreach Institute (later renamed the Outreach Institute for Gender Studies), she made early public appearances on television shows like the Phil Donahue Show, reaching thousands of crossdressers and transsexuals who responded when Outreach's address was shown on screen. Ari was involved in Boston's first trans groups, restructuring the Boston Gamma chapter of the Society for the Second Self, and co-founding the Tiffany Club and Cherrystones groups. In 1975, three members of the Cherrystones (Ari was one of them) conceived, funded, and organized the first Fantasia Fair. *See the Feature story on Ari earlier on page 44.*



KayeCee Kennedy, Music Director

Master of Music in vocal performance and choral conducting. More than 40 years of experience. Church musician, choral, orchestra, keyboard, theater experience, on stage and music director for musicals at local community theaters, active in professional organizations and soloist and chorus member for decades. Recently retired.



Dee LaValle

Dee LaValle grew up in Massachusetts and has been a regular Fair attendee since she began her transition almost five years ago. Dee works for an international multimedia corporation as a manufacturing Engineer/Operations Scheduler for the Northeast region. In her career she has held senior leadership positions in Management, Operations, Procurement, Distribution/Logistics, Sales, and Marketing. Her skills include team building, project management, statistical analysis, Six Sigma, and Lean manufacturing.



Dee is the Fantasia Fair Director.



Jolie LaValle

You can call me Jaye or Jolie. As far as I know, no relation to Angelina. My loving spouse Dee and I have been married for 26 years. She came out to me in 2015. I was born and raised in Massachusetts, graduated from Wellesley College, now working in the financial services industry. Dee and I have one daughter in her first year of college with her sights set on law school. Her goal is to become a human rights attorney. Our son is 14, finally playing high school football. His dream? Playing for the NFL. We have a black cat who runs laps around the house and a dog who is determined to protect us from all who enter his domain. Call us the LaValle family with a capital V.



Jolie is a member of the Fantasia Fair 2019 Planning Committee.

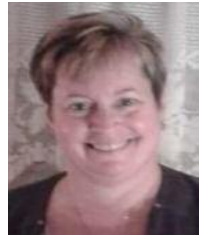
Heather Leigh

Heather Leigh is an active member in the community, as a trans ally and advocate for over 10 years. She hosts a monthly transgender get together in New Haven, CT. DIVA Social just celebrated its 4th year this past July. Heather is also this year's social event chair for *First Event*, taking place in Boston.



Sgt. Carrie Lopes (Retired)

Carrie Lopes retired in May 2018 after 34 years of service with the Provincetown Police Department. She served as a patrol sergeant for 16 years and was the Civil Rights Officer and LGBT Liaison Officer with FanFair for 21 years. She also handled Domestic Violence, Elder Affairs, and Sex Offender Management for the department and served as a training officer for both full-time and seasonal personnel. Carrie is enjoying retirement with her family, getting projects completed (finally), traveling, and looking forward to continuing her relationship with the Fair.



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Carole MacKenzie, LCSW, AASECT

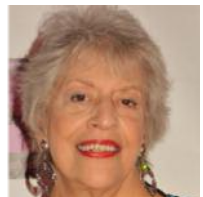
Carole MacKenzie is a licensed clinical social worker in private practice in Hartford, CT. She focuses on service to the LGBTQI community and has for many years, working with trans and queer clients, gender-creative children, their families and allies. She is an AASECT-certified sex therapist and supervisor. Carole, together with her little dog Virginia Woof, teaches Human Sexual Behavior in the psychology department at the University of Hartford, CT and is a member of Hartford PFLAG, and WPATH.

**Dan McKeon**

Dan comes from upstate New York, where he shot his first photos with a black-and-white Polaroid Swinger camera back in 1967. Influenced by his Uncle Frank and his Aunt Mary, the family photographers, Dan spent much of his childhood making sure family events were memorialized on film. He moved to Provincetown in 2009, following retirement from his 35-year career with the New York State Office of Mental Health. In 2011 he became the Event Photographer for the Provincetown Business Guild and has worked with *Provincetown Magazine* since 2012. In 2011, he was Production Photographer for the independent film, *Bear City 2*, the majority of which was filmed in Provincetown. His work has appeared on MSNBC and on NBC's Today Show, and he has been awarded first prizes in several local photography contests. Additionally, Dan started a wedding photography business in 2012 and has expanded into real estate photography as well. He donates his services to local charitable organizations, including the AIDS Support Group of Cape Cod and Helping Our Women. He also is the Event Photographer for the Pilgrim Monument, Crown & Anchor, and the Boatslip Resort plus he's a featured photographer for Cape Air's in-flight magazine, *Bird's Eye View*.

**Niela Miller, M.S. Education/Communications**

Niela combines a background in Gestalt and Jungian therapies with arts processes and educational programs. She pioneered the development of Fantasia Fair's couples and Significant Other programs. She wrote the first book for counselors of transgender people, *Counseling in Genderland*. Niela was the 2018 recipient of the Fantasia Fair Lifetime Achievement Award last year.



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Sandra Mesics, RN, MSN, CNM, HonDSc

Sandy Mesics covered the first Fantasia Fair in 1975 as a reporter. She was then the publisher of a myriad of publications aimed at the emerging transgender community, reaching more than 10,000 readers nationally. She also wrote for *Empathy Press*, *Drag Magazine*, *The Transsexual Voice*, *Nugget Magazine*, and most recently, *Transgender Studies Quarterly*. An early trans organizer, Sandy was the Philadelphia Director of the Transsexual Action Organization. During the AIDS crisis, Sandy became a registered nurse, and eventually a certified nurse-midwife. For the past 15 years, she has been the Director of St. Luke's School of Nursing, the oldest nursing school in the U.S. She was recently the recipient of an honorary Doctor of Science Degree from the University of the Sciences for her pioneering work in LGBT rights, contributions to women's health and nursing education. Sandy and her spouse Sara were among the first same-gender couples to marry in Pennsylvania.

***Maureen Osborne, Ph.D***

Dr. Maureen Osborne is a licensed psychologist who has specialized in gender identity issues for more than 27 years. She received her Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology from the University of Missouri-St. Louis in 1984 and is a longtime member of the World Professional Association for Transgender Health. After retiring from her suburban Philadelphia practice in 2015, she now maintains a small practice in Orleans, MA, where she works with transgender adults, adolescents, couples, and family members, helping them to maintain and rework important relational ties in the midst of changes in gender awareness and expression. Dr. Osborne leads a monthly online video support group for cisgender partners of trans persons. She also offers clinical supervision and online second opinion evaluations for individuals seeking gender-confirming surgeries. She has given numerous presentations at community organizations and gender conferences for the last 20 years. Dr. Osborne appeared in the award-winning film, *Trans* as well as the documentary *Just Gender*. This is her 11th year facilitating the couple and partner track at Fantasia Fair. In 2015, she was honored with the Friend of the Fair award.



Mariette Pathy Allen

Mariette has been an active participant in the gender variant culture since 1978. She is the author of four books: *Transformations: Crossdressers and Those Who Love Them* (1989), *The Gender Frontier* (2004), *TransCuba* (2014), and *Transcendents: Spirit Mediums in Burma and Thailand* (2017). Mariette has made slide presentations and has had art exhibitions internationally.



Ellen Phillips

Ellen spent the first half of her life trying to deny, question, and figure out her true self. She came to realize her destiny and began living life as a transgender woman. After the 2016 election, Ellen wanted to do more to help advocate and educate others about issues affecting the transgender community. It was through this work that helped her to understand, accept, and love herself. Her life's goal now is to be a resource for others who are questioning their own gender identity and to help them reach a personal understanding of themselves and self-acceptance. Ellen is a frustrated creative geek who is working in a non-creative field. She earned a B.A. in communications and certifications in computer networking and web design. She enjoys watching classic movies, history, reading, listening to music, and spending time with her amazing cat. Ellen is most proud of being a founding member and Media Coordinator for the Otsego Pride Alliance.



Marisa Richmond

Dr. Marisa Richmond currently teaches history and women's and gender studies at Middle Tennessee State University. She is also a member of the Metro Human Relations Commission in Nashville, of the Transgender Task Force of the Tennessee Department of Health, and the only openly transgender member of the Democratic National Committee. Previously, she served many years as the President and Lobbyist for the Tennessee Transgender Political Coalition.



She is a prolific author and speaker on transgender rights, and has served on many boards at the local, state, and national levels. She has been recognized for her work with many awards. Marisa has three degrees, all in U.S. History. Her A.B. is from Harvard University, her M.A. from the University of California, Berkeley, and her Ph.D. is from George Washington University.

Arden Ruttan

Arden grew up with five sisters on a 300-acre farm outside a small town in central Ontario. She learned about hard work at a very young age. She met her spouse nearly 51 years ago and they started an electrical contracting business. After struggling with gender identity issues her whole life, she eventually joined support groups and later became an organizer of their monthly dinners. Arden greatly expanded the monthly outings outside of the local area. She has slowly become comfortable enough with herself to regularly travel between the U.S. and her home in Canada. Arden is a licensed electrical contractor, a musician, and a golf instructor. She has an active and fulfilling life now that she is out. Arden attends as many transgender events as she can. Her greatest hope is to help make it easier for someone else to come out or just be themselves.

**Angela Brightfeather Sheedy**

Angela is a dedicated activist in all facets of transgender rights and freedoms. She came out in the 1960s and in 1980 founded the first trans support group in Upstate NY; it was called EON (Expressing Our Nature). She also served as editor of its newsletter, *Mother of Ideas*, and established a yearly celebration in upstate New York. Angela has presented at major colleges and universities discussing transgender lives and politics. She led the fight to include transgender voices in Syracuse and Onondaga County legislation, which affected their lives and freedoms.



She was voted Director of the newly-formed Congress of Transgender Organizations at the first International Foundation for Gender Education convention in 1985 and served on the Board of Directors for the National Transgender Activist Coalition. She was Chairperson of the Activist Committee. A 2007 recipient of the Trinity Award from IFGE, she co-founded Transgender American Veterans Association and established the first Transgender Veteran's March to the Wall; Angela also organized the first memorial wreath dedicated at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in Arlington National Cemetery, the first one ever placed by any transgender organization. She is a progressive thinker inspired from being a practicing shaman to transgender people. One of Angela's favorite sayings is: "Despite what some people think, God just keeps on making transgender people every day."

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Emily Sheldon

Having attended just about every Fair since the late 1980s, Emily Sheldon is well-known within the Fantasia Fair family. Not only has Emily been an active participant, she has given back to the Fair in many ways in both official and unofficial capacities. Emily has helped backstage at the Follies, taken tickets at Fair events, been the Fair's No. 1 cheerleader, and so much more. Emily's contributions have been recognized a number of times, including awards for Ms. Most Helpful (1989), Ms. Congeniality (1998), and Ms. Fantasia Fair (2004). This year she continues her long-time role as volunteer coordinator for Fantasia Fair. See Emily if you would like to help the Fair.



Tina Simmons

Tina is first and foremost a parent, grandparent, and parent of her her beloved dog, Mr. T, and is totally in love with her spouse, Chris. She has taught undergraduate and graduate computer science courses in the past, but now works as a software engineer. She loves playing the guitar (badly), ukulele (not as badly), singing, walking, hiking, the beach, listening to music, and the Oxford comma. She is not an out or transitioning transwoman, but she is taking more steps every day to find her authentic self. "I'm looking forward to helping out at the Fair again this year, seeing old friends, and making new ones!"



Melina Stevens

Melina Stevens was a writer and editor for 25 years, including 18 years as a daily newspaper reporter with the *South Florida Sun-Sentinel*. Her first transgender event was Lake Erie Gala in Erie, Pa. Even though she lived in Fort Lauderdale, she became the gala's co-chairwoman and played a key role in helping it grow from a small gathering to more than 100 girls. She did stand-up comedy for 10 years and spends her free time acting in community theater and writing plays. She once saw her entire life's philosophy succinctly stated on a bookstore magnet she now wishes she had bought: "I like being Ken. I just want to wear Barbie's clothes."



Cody Suzuki

“Ask not what your Gender can do for you—Ask what you can do for your Gender.” Hailing from Massachusetts, Cody Suzuki is a local MA/RI trans queer non-conforming spoken word artist. With passions in poetry, play, lyric and story writing, his original works are educational, most in verse, and often humorous, delivering gender accepting messages to audiences of all ages. Supporting the trans* and non-conforming community everywhere, his wish is to educate, enlighten, and entertain with the same breath! A long time Fantasia Fair attendee and performer, Cody's current projects include opening for the URI play *Trans Views* touring production, RI Pride Trans & Queer Slam, Southcoast Equality Pride, First Event, hosting workshops, spoken engagements, impromptu reads, or anywhere there's an open mic! You are welcome to join Cody and Nick Greiner on the stage Wednesday night at the Common Threads Fashion Show, hear his words Thursday night at the Open Mic & Poetry Night, then see him perform Friday night at the Follies!



Alice T.

Alice considers herself a garden variety transwoman. She has been to a bunch of Fairs; her first was in 1989 but she left after the first day because she was so scared. She returned for good in 2012, has participated in several Fantasia Fair Follies and in 2017 first offered this workshop. She's a social worker with a strong interest and background in religion, which for her includes social activism. She was published in *Trans Bodies, Trans Selves*.



She is convinced that the Roman Catholic Church is 90% anachronistic and the part that's not selling bingo or some such. However, she sees an important part of that anachronism is looking 10,000 years into the future—to a time when we will have learned peace. The problem of the Middle East will be resolved, and people will wonder how we came so close to destroying time (not to mention the planet earth...).

Heather Verdui

Heather has worked in the past as a professional musician, performer, producer, and performance coach.



Shannon Whittington, RN MSN

Shannon Whittington, RN MSN, is the Clinical Director of the Gender Affirmation Program at the Visiting Nurse Service of New York (VNDNY), where she educates and advises clinicians in care of the post-operative gender affirming patient. Since March 2016 VNSNY has successfully convalesced more than 300 patients who have undergone this life changing surgery. VNSNY is recognized as the industry leader in home care of the transgender patient.



Shannon is the recipient of the Quality and Innovation Award from the Home Care Association of New York for her work in transgender health. She is committed to educating healthcare professionals across the country and is also a published author. Shannon is a member of the John Maxwell team of professional speakers and has spoken at DOH, NY Conference on Transgender Health and Mt. Sinai live surgical conference among other community organizations.

Rhonda Williams

Rhonda was born a talker and has parlayed that talent into a large variety of talking gigs, culminating in being co-host and emcee of the Fabulous Fantasia Fair Follies! She is a proudly outspoken advocate for the trans community, and never turns down an opportunity to ...er... educate her fellow humans on how to support society's trans members. Rhonda is excited to be part of the Follies again this year and hopes she doesn't fall down on stage or leave her skirt tucked into her pantyhose like that one other time.



Rhonda is a member of the Fantasia Fair 2019 Planning Committee.





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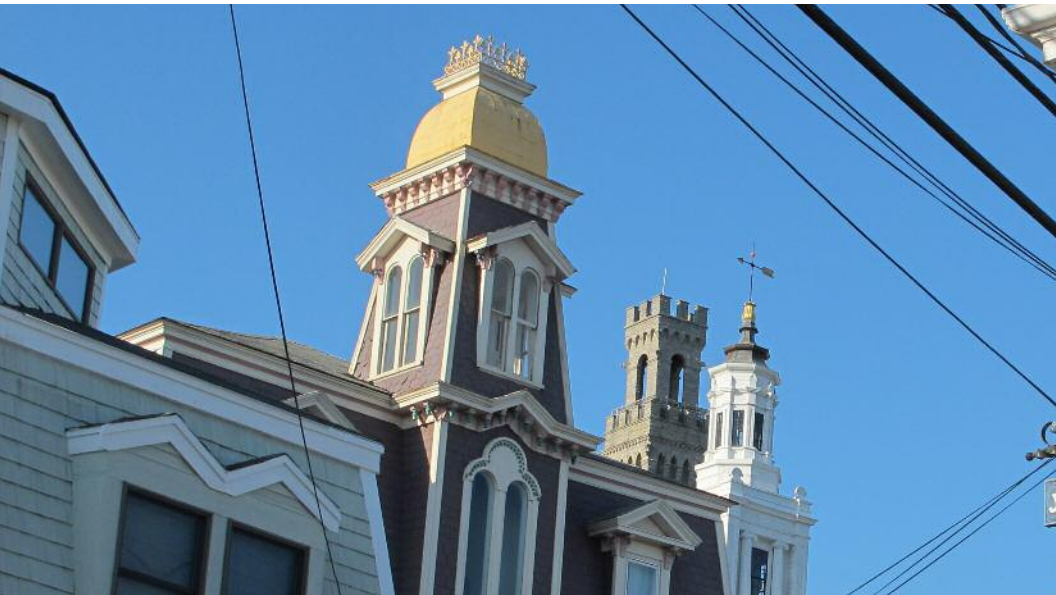
Liz Winter

Liz Winter is a long time Fair attendee who has been happy to be able to facilitate the Pink Fog workshop for the last four years. Perhaps best known for sleeping in after late nights and her odd sense of humor, Liz holds a Master's degree in Social Work and is an LICSW. She has done extensive work with child protective services, domestic violence and sexual abuse victims, and group work in her professional career.

Liz is a member of the TEA Board of Directors.

***Carolyn Wolf-Gould, MD***

Carolyn Wolf-Gould attended Hamilton College and the Yale University School of Medicine. She has been a family physician in Oneonta, NY since 1994, practicing transgender medicine as part of general primary care since 2007. She is the founder of The Gender Wellness Center at Susquehanna Family Practice, a center that has been growing rapidly to meet the needs of patients in upstate, NY. She and her team of providers are the recipients of a Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Clinical Scholars Grant from 2016–2019 to create a rural based Center of Excellence in Transgender Health for upstate, NY.





Meet the Fantasia Fair Organizing Committee

The Fair's primary volunteers are members of the Fantasia Fair Planning Committee. This group works year-round to produce this week-long event. In fact, by the time you read this they will have already been well underway in planning next year's Fair. Each member of this year's committee is passionate about this event, because of how much each one of their lives changed from their first Fair experiences.



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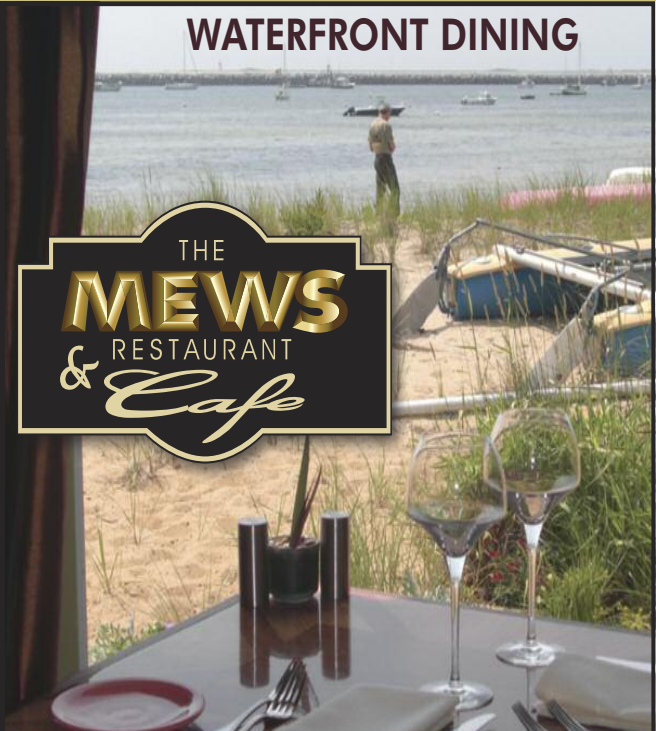
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Transgender Education Association

From 2002-2018, Fantasia Fair was produced by the nonprofit Real Life Experiences. This year, the Fair is being run by Transgender Education Association, a nonprofit created for that express purpose.

TEA was incorporated last year in the State of Massachusetts, and has been granted 501(c)(3) nonprofit status by the Internal Revenue Service. That means cash donations can be deducted under IRS rules. Massachusetts has granted TEA charitable status, which means the organization is exempt from sales and some other taxes. Both the 501(c)(3) and Massachusetts tax-exempt status will reduce operating costs for the Fair, which will eventually be reflected in lower registration rates. After this year's Fair, director **Dee LaValle** will begin to approach national corporations about sponsorships.

The board of directors of TEA consists of **Dallas Denny** (Chair), **Kerri Reeder** (Treasurer), **Miqi Alicia Gilbert** (Clerk), **Karen Jandro** (Massachusetts agent), and **Liz Winter**. As Fair Director, Dee LaValle is an ex-officio member. We will be adding at least one board member this year. We hope to fill that seat with someone with legal expertise. If that's you, please let one of us know!

Real Life Experiences will continue to exist as a source of financial support for the Fair.



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Transgender Education Association and Fantasia Fair would like to acknowledge and thank all those whose generosity helped make Fantasia Fair possible or have made significant contributions to the Fantasia Fair scholarship fund:

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We ask that you please take note while at the Pioneer Award banquet of those individuals who have generously donated goods and services to our fundraising raffles. There are always last minute submissions made after this guide goes to print. Although we are not able to include these individuals and businesses in the above list, we still wish to express our gratitude.

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Fantasia Fair #45 would not have been possible without the contributions of many. We offer our deepest thanks to those who shared their talents and expertise to help make this year's Fair the very best ever:

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Our keynoters, **Miqqi Alicia Gilbert**, **Marisa Richmond**, **Sandra Mesics**, **Ariadne Kane**, and **Niela Miller**

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Rhonda Williams and **Nick Greiner** for wrangling the *Follies*, with assistance from **Arden Ruttan**

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Cody Suzuki and **Kristi Chiasson** for leading our *Thursday Open Mic night*

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Our most profound gratitude goes to the Fantasia Fair Planning Committee for 2019. In alphabetical order they are **Dallas Denny**, **Dee LaValle**, **Jolie LaValle**, **Rhonda Williams**, and **Temperance DuWitt**. They worked hard every day throughout the year to make FanFair 2019 the success that it is!

Our deepest thanks goes to you, the Fairgoers who support this life defining event.

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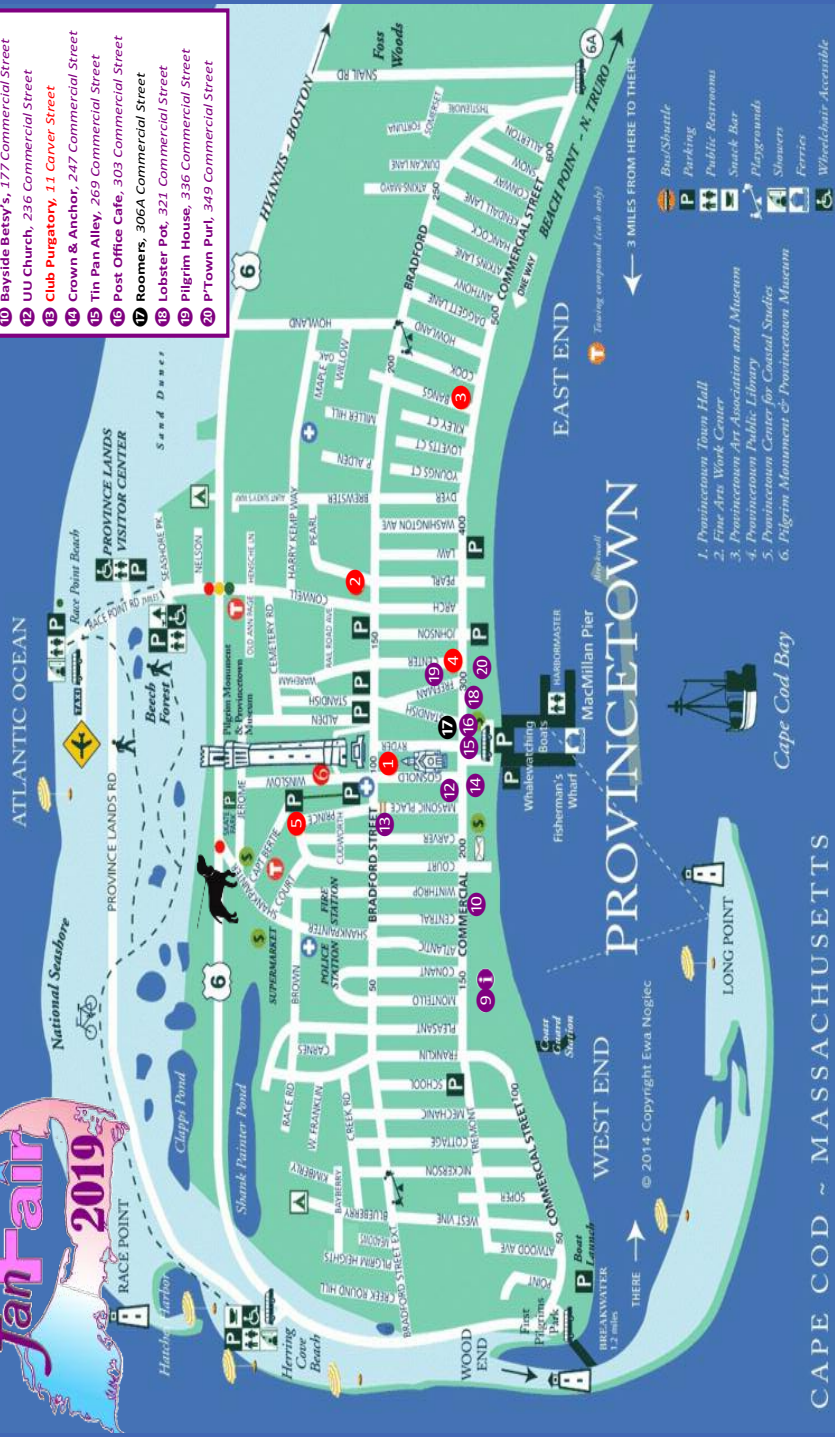
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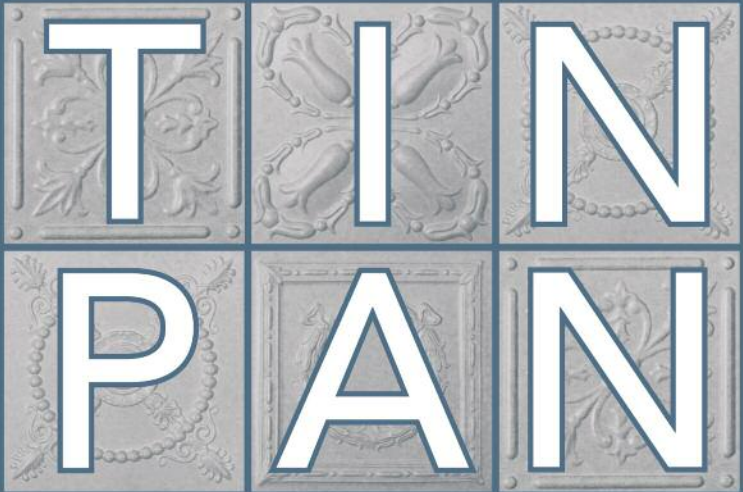


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