

8th annual minneapolis trans equity summit

3-5 p.m. and 7-9 p.m.
Sunday, October 3 - Monday, October 4
Minneapolis Institute of Art
2400 Third Ave. S., Minneapolis

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AGENDA

SUNDAY

- 3 - 5 p.m. **VIRTUAL: Welcome, Opening Keynote, and Performances**
- 3 - 5 p.m. **VIRTUAL AND IN PERSON: Holistic Healing and Aesthetics Offerings**
Emcee: Quinn Villagomez, aka Shimmer
Blessing and Land Acknowledgement: Reva D’Nova
Welcome: Minneapolis City Council Vice President Andrea Jenkins
Keynote: Erica Woodland, LCSW
- 7 - 9 p.m. **VIRTUAL: Workshops, Holistic Healing and Aesthetics Offerings**
- 7 - 9 p.m. **IN PERSON: Career and Resource Fair, Holistic Healing and Aesthetics Offerings**

MONDAY

- 3 - 5 p.m. **VIRTUAL: Career and Resource Fair, Workshops, and Holistic Healing and Aesthetics Offerings**
- 3 - 5 p.m. **IN PERSON: Holistic Healing and Aesthetics Offerings**
- 7 - 9 p.m. **VIRTUAL: Closing Panel and Performance**
Panel: Erin Sharkey, Ms. July 23rd, G. Nic Rider, and Nomi Badboy, moderated by Quinn Villagomez, aka Shimmer
Closing Remarks: Minneapolis City Council Member Phillipe Cunningham

About the Summit

This work officially began March 2014 when the Minneapolis Transgender Issues Work Group was formed through action of the City Council and mayor. The work group convened thereafter to examine transgender disparities and other issues, engage the broader community, and make policy recommendations for City government designed to improve the lives of transgender residents of Minneapolis.

Since 2014 the Minneapolis Transgender Issues Work Group has hosted the Minneapolis Trans Equity Summit: an annual gathering that supports trans and gender non-conforming residents in connecting to resources, learning, and each other.

On May 27, 2016, the Minneapolis City Council adopted a resolution supporting continued efforts to further transgender equity within the city, and on Feb. 10, 2017, adopted a resolution establishing the Transgender Equity Council to serve as an advisory board to City government and the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board on matters of importance to the transgender, gender non-conforming, and non-binary community. The first appointments to the council were made April 28, 2017. To learn more about the Transgender Equity Council, visit <https://lims.minneapolismn.gov/Boards/tec>. Contact RaceEquity@minneapolismn.gov if you are interested in applying for a seat on the TEC.

About the emcee and panel moderator

Quinn Villagomez, AKA Shimmer, is a broadcast journalist, LGBT media personality, host and MC. Villagomez co-hosts RARE on KFAI Radio's Fresh Fruit, the longest running LGBT radio program in the nation. She is a proud Transgender Latina woman who loves entertainment and media. She also is the creator of two highly successfully fashion shows - A Prince Inspired Fashion Show - The Purple Ones & designICON and has hosted several events in the Twin Cities. Shimmer is also a social justice activist for transgender and LGBT rights.



About the keynote presenter: Erica Woodland

Erica Woodland is a black queer/genderqueer facilitator, consultant and healing justice practitioner born and raised in Baltimore, MD. He is also a Licensed Clinical Social Worker committed to working at the intersections of movements for racial, gender, economic, trans and queer justice and liberation. For the past 18 years, Erica has worked as a community organizer, case manager, therapist, life coach, facilitator, trainer, social worker, program director, researcher and clinical supervisor with youth, people of color and LGBTQ people from Baltimore to Oakland, CA where he currently resides. He has done extensive work in prisons, jails, group homes, psychiatric facilities, schools, non-profit organizations, community-based clinics and grassroots groups giving him a wide range of experience to draw from in his practice. From 2012-2016, Erica served as the Field Building Director for the Brown Boi Project, a national gender justice organization transforming the way communities of color experience gender. He has a private practice in the San Francisco Bay Area, where he provides psychotherapy and clinical supervision. In 2017, Erica was awarded the Ford Public Voices Fellowship and had his work featured in Role Reboot, Yoga International, and Truthout. Also, in 2017, Erica was awarded the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Culture of Health Leaders Fellowship.

PROGRAMMING

ABOUT THE PANELISTS

Erin Sharkey is a writer, arts and abolition organizer, cultural worker, and film producer based in Minneapolis. She has an MFA in Creative Writing from Hamline University, and is the co-founder, with Junauda Petrus, of an experimental arts collective called Free Black Dirt. She is editing, *A Darker Wilderness*, a forthcoming anthology of Black nature writing for Milkweed Editions (2023). In 2021, Erin was awarded the Black Seed Fellowship from Black Visions and the Headwaters Foundation. Erin teaches with Minnesota Prison Writers Workshop.

Ms. July 23rd is the founder and owner of Goddess Electrolysis, the Cities' first trans owned permanent hair removal business. A 12 year Minneapolitan, July has worked with numerous local orgs as a muralist, poet, youth worker, and activist since 2009. She helped shape the Summit's Healing and Aesthetic Justice spaces in 2019 and 2020. Still in its first year, Goddess Electrolysis is demonstrating the importance of trans people getting to work with trans providers as we seek out gender affirming services. She hopes to inspire other trans and non-binary people to move into roles that serve their gender-diverse siblings! Her 48 oz. Nalgene has a sticker of a flask that reads "Cis Tears."

G. Nic Rider, Ph.D. (they/them) is an Assistant Professor, a Licensed Psychologist, and the Transgender Health Services Coordinator at the Institute for Sexual and Gender Health. Dr. Rider is also the Associate Director for Research at the National Center for Gender Spectrum Health. Their research broadly focuses on improving healthcare for and exploring resilience among marginalized communities, with a focus on queer and transgender communities (particularly queer and transgender BIPOC). Dr. Rider has professional interests in the areas of intersections of identity, discrimination and microaggressions, healing justice, and social justice advocacy. They serve as the Co-Chair for the Asian American Psychological Association's Division on LGBTQQ and participate on committees advocating for queer and trans individuals globally. Dr. Rider received a doctorate in Counseling Psychology from Howard University in Washington, D.C.

Nomi Badboy began to develop an affinity for hairstyling in her hometown of Minneapolis, MN. At an early age, she knew hair was going to be her life's work. Eager to enter the hair industry, Nomi received advanced training at The Aveda Institute Minneapolis, graduating with her license in both Cosmetology and Massage Therapy to pursue her dreams. Nomi's career has led her to style hair for the runways of New York Fashion Week, Soul Train Music Awards, A-List stars for Super Bowl LII, and to work as an ambassador and stylist for Intelligent Nutrients Salon. With her tranquil and unpretentious demeanor, Nomi Badboy has proven herself as an industry standard. She is a Master Hairstylist with classic yet seamless skills who never gives less than her best. Nomi is also a model for her community as someone who has been in recovery for nine years, and who has redirected her career to be a foster mother to her sister's four children.

WORKSHOPS - For workshop descriptions, please see the attached Program Insert

Sunday, October 3

7 – 7:55 p.m.

Creating Safer Schools for Trans and GNC Students, by Jabari Lyles

Disability All Ears: The Disability Justice Social Space, by Rubin Hardin and Mix Lucianna Wolfstone

8:05 – 9 p.m.

Asian, Queer, and Holy: Reclaiming Our Spirits, by Ameera Khan and Mubina Qureshi

Monday, October 4

3 – 3:55 p.m.

Civic Engagement, by Transgender Equity Council members Billie Kurek and Hunta Williams

4:05 – 5 p.m.

Secular Gender Magic: Reframing gender affirmation milestones as ritual and celebration, by Nathalie Crowley

PERFORMERS

Danelle, Hildie, Ms Geneva, DJ Jamez, DJ Jamon, Mahogany Blue, Mikko Blaze, Rehema Don Diva, Serenity Watkins and her house Escada, Shimmer, and Tre DaMarc, with film clips by Ben Kreibach and Atlas Oggun Phoenix

HOLISTIC HEALING AND AESTHETICS OFFERINGS - For bios and workshop/modality descriptions, please see the attached Program Insert.

CAREER AND RESOURCE FAIR TABLERS - For organization descriptions, please see the attached Program Insert.

Sunday, October 3, 7 – 9 p.m., in-person

Annex Teen Clinic – Resource Fair

Avenues for Youth – Resource Fair

Avivo – Career Fair

Black Visions – Career and Resource Fair

City of Minneapolis Human Resources – Career Fair

Comcast - Career Fair

Congresswoman Ilhan Omar – Resource Fair

Family Tree Clinic – Career and Resource Fair

HECUA – Career Fair

Macalester College – Career Fair

Mundahl Law PLLC – Resource Fair

NoMO Minnesota – Career and Resource Fair

NorthPoint Health and Wellness Center – Resource Fair

Park Nicollet Gender Services – Resource Fair

PFund Foundation – Resource Fair

Project for Pride in Living (PPL) - Career and Resource Fair

Queer Science – Resource Fair

QUEERSPACE Collective – Resource Fair

Radisson Hotel Group Americas – Career Fair

Renewal by Andersen – Career Fair

RECLAIM - Career and Resource Fair

SEWA-AIFW (Asian Indian Family Wellness) - Career and Resource Fair

ShOUT: Minnesota's Trans & Gender Diverse Voices – Resource Fair

Stonewall Sports Minneapolis – Resource Fair

The Aliveness Project - Career and Resource Fair

SWOP Mpls – Resource Fair
The Ordway Center for the Performing Arts – Career Fair
The UpTake – Resource Fair
Transforming Families, MN – Resource Fair
Two Bettys Green Cleaning – Career Fair
Washburn Center for Children – Resource Fair
Xcel Energy – Career Fair

Monday, October 4, 3 - 5 p.m., virtual

Accenture – Career Fair
Anoka-Ramsey Community College & Anoka Technical College – Career and Resource Fair
Avivo – Career and Resource Fair
Black Visions – Career and Resource Fair
CenterPoint Energy - Career Fair
Chowgirls Catering – Career Fair
City of Minneapolis Human Resources – Career Fair
City of St. Louis Park – Resource Fair
Community Coaching Collective – Resource Fair
Congresswoman Ilhan Omar – Resource Fair
Disability Hub MN - Resource Fair
Family Tree Clinic – Career and Resource Fair
Gender Justice – Resource Fair
HECUA – Career Fair
Macalester College – Career Fair
Mundahl Law PLLC – Resource Fair
NoMO Minnesota - Career and Resource Fair
Park Nicollet Gender Services - Resource Fair
PFund Foundation – Resource Fair
Planned Parenthood North Central States – Resource Fair
Pride Institute – Career Fair
Project for Pride in Living (PPL) - Career and Resource Fair
Queer Science – Resource Fair
QUEERSPACE Collective – Resource Fair
Rainbow Health – Career and Resource Fair
RECLAIM - Career and Resource Fair
Renewal by Andersen – Career Fair
Sam Sharpe – Resource Fair
ServeMinnesota - Career Fair
Seward Coop – Career Fair
Software for Good – Career Fair
Telling Queer History – Resource Fair
The Advocates for Human Rights – Resource Fair
The Arc Minnesota – Career Fair
The Ordway Center for the Performing Arts – Career Fair
The UpTake – Career Fair
Transforming Generations – Resource Fair
Transgender Equity Council - Resource Fair
UCare – Career Fair
Washburn Center for Children – Resource Fair
Xcel Energy – Career Fair

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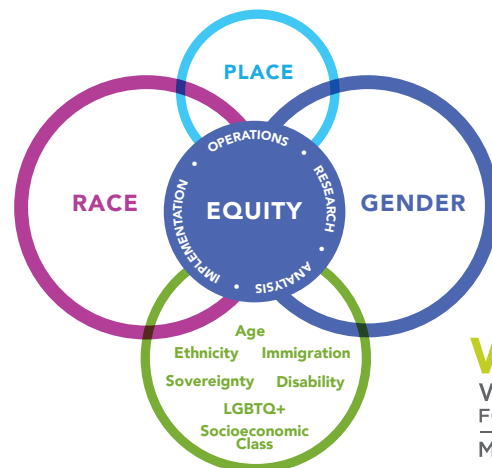
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