

8th Annual Trans Equity Summit Program

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Accessibility, COVID Safety, and Other Day-Of Support

COVID Expectations:

If you are attending in-person, masks are required (regardless of vaccination status). Rooms will be arranged to encourage physical distancing. If you have been feeling sick or have been exposed to COVID, please do not attend in person. We are not serving food, or holding programming during meal times, for COVID safety, and the café located onsite will not be serving food. However, you are welcome to bring your own food, or buy something local during breaks in programming, and eat it somewhere outside of our main programming locations. There is café seating in the MIA lobby and seating in the courtyard between the two wings of the building.

Accessibility Information and Quiet Room:

There will be a quiet room, sponsored by Autism Society of Minnesota, available throughout the in-person Summit programming. We are using the Minneapolis Institute of Art's "Respite Room" as a quiet room; it is marked on all MIA maps and volunteers can direct you there. For general information about accessibility at the Summit, please view the accessibility link at <https://minneapolismn.gov/transequitysummit>.

Access Support During the Summit:

If you have any questions, please reach out to an Access Lead on Slack (a volunteer can help you join our Slack if you haven't!) or email SummitAccessibility@gmail.com. The email is checked by our Disability and Accessibility team – two trans disabled people – and you are also welcome to reach out with any questions you have about resources, disability, or opportunities to connect.

Other Support During the Summit:

Please feel free to reach out to our Participant Support volunteers (in person or over Slack) for emotional support and conflict resolution, and our Help Desk/Tech Support volunteers with any general questions. We will be monitoring Slack and the TransEquitySummit@minneapolismn.gov email throughout both days.

Childcare:

We are not able to offer childcare, however, there is an unsupervised child-friendly space in the MIA designed for older children to hang out and read. Feel free to make us of it as you wish.

Programming Links and Details

To access virtual programming, open the virtual program insert you were emailed and click on the title of the session – all titles are also Zoom links, and the line below includes call-in information. If you can't find your virtual program, reach out to TransEquitySummit@minneapolismn.gov. To access the virtual career and resource fair, create a profile at <https://metroregioninteractive.easyvirtuallfair.com/> and you will be emailed a link to join the fair. If you need closed captioning and plan to video call tablers during the fair, we recommend making your own Zoom link to call tablers as we can't promise that they will have captioning turned on in their Zoom settings. You can visit the Info Desk in our virtual fair for support.

More detailed descriptions of our workshops, holistic healing and aesthetics offerings, and career and resource fair tablers are below. There are a few tablers listed in here that are not in the main program, so please take a look at this for the most up-to-date list.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 3rd, 3 – 5 PM

Opening Keynote and Performances

Emcee: Quinn Villagomez, aka Shimmer

Blessing and Land Acknowledgement: Reva D’Nova

Welcome: Minneapolis City Council Vice President Andrea Jenkins

Keynote: Erica Woodland, LCSW

Holistic Healing and Aesthetics Offerings

3 – 3:55 PM (virtual, group):

Yoga Nidra, with Serita Colette

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4:05 – 5 PM (virtual, group)

Gender Gear with Smitten Kitten, with Chandler Daily

Personalized guidance in choosing and using the range of trans-affirming products available from The Smitten Kitten and elsewhere, including gender expression gear and sexual health products. This session centers trans and gender questioning people, and will include frank and loving conversation about trans bodies, sexuality, and pleasure.

Chandler is a white, transsexual gay man enlivened by t4t desire, compassion, and love. He's a staff sex educator with the Smitten Kitten, a sex positive store in Minneapolis dedicated to make sexuality and pleasure education, tools, and resources accessible, affordable, and easy to shop for.

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Craniosacral bodywork, with cheré suzette bergeron, in Friends Community Room

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Massage Therapy, with Nomi Badboy, in Friends Community Room

Clothed massage sessions to bring relaxation and ease.

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Healing meditations and divination via channeling and tarot, with Sterling Miller, in Wells Fargo Community Room

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Workshops (virtual)

7 – 7:55 PM:

Creating Safer and More Affirming Spaces for Trans Youth in K-12 Schools, by Jabari Lyles, Elliot Finn, Kai Johnson, and Tori Westenberg

Schools are often unsafe, hostile environments for transgender and nonbinary students. In the past five years alone, we've seen record numbers of anti-trans education policy which threaten the wellbeing of thousands of young people across the country. While there are national organizations focused on this work, there are also many local efforts working on improving outcomes for trans youth in school. This session will provide an overview of the landscape for trans youth in school, both the threats and opportunities, for educators and education stakeholders to consider. The panel will feature local youth researchers Elliot Finn, Kai Johnson, and Tori Westenberg from OutFront, in conversation with Jabari Lyles, an educator and consultant dedicated to LGBTQ inclusion in K-12 schools.

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

Our hope in facilitating this virtual space is that we can introduce ourselves and our concerns to one another as we discover community driven solutions. We are here to listen and support one another to facilitate conversations. Our goal is that this conversation will continue after this workshop and that you will find community here.

8:05 – 9 PM:

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

Colonizing includes the erasure of history. So in this session, we will decolonize our perspectives and understandings of history, spirituality, and academia. We will un-model the orientalist lens and understand how to reclaim the colonial narratives imposed on Muslims, South Asians, and LGBTQ+ people. These are

essential to reclaiming our joy and our communities, and informing our paths to social change.

This session will center historically Muslim identities. We will examine some verses of the Quran that have been used under colonial and punitive lenses to justify homophobia, and add history and context to those interpretations. This context is an important consideration in the creation of laws and norms under Islamic jurisprudence, and will be key to transforming our understanding of Islam. This will be followed by a Q&A and a Discussion.

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Career and Resource Fair (in person – Target Wing Reception Room and Atrium)

Career Fair:

Avivo

Black Visions: We are a Black-led, Queer and Trans centering organization whose mission is to organize powerful, connected Black communities and dismantle systems of violence.

City of Minneapolis Human Resources: City of Minneapolis employees serve our residents, businesses and visitors every day. Some employees engage with the community. Other employees are behind the scenes or under our streets. No matter their role, each employee is key to making Minneapolis vibrant and livable. Our large workforce includes a wide range of roles. Every employee has an opportunity to build a rewarding career.

HECUA (Higher Education Consortium for Urban Affairs): HECUA provides experiential off-campus study programs for undergraduate students rooted about social justice.

Macalester College: Macalester is committed to being a preeminent liberal arts college with an educational program known for its high standards for scholarship and its special emphasis on internationalism, multiculturalism, and service to society.

NoMO Minnesota: A Nonsectarian Marriage Officiant in Minnesota who only accepts what she can eat, read, or wear as payment for her services. These services include helping other Minnesota Residents become Ordained.

Project for Pride in Living (PPL): PPL builds the hope, assets, and self-reliance of individuals and families who have lower incomes by providing transformative affordable housing and career readiness services.

Radisson Hotel Group Americas: At Radisson Hotel Group Americas, we believe that people are our number one asset. As one of the world's largest hotel

companies, we're always looking for dynamic, dedicated individuals to join our growing team. If you share our ambition to create memorable guest experiences, we'd love to welcome you aboard—find your dream position today!

REEF Technology

Renewal by Andersen: Andersen Corp/Renewal by Andersen is a Minnesota based manufacturing organization that is focused on high quality products, customer experience, and supporting a diverse and inclusive workplace.

Rise, Incorporated: Rise, Incorporated is large nonprofit agency that provides person-centered employment services and day programs for people with developmental disabilities, people with mental illness, people who are Deaf, and others. We're looking to hire and develop diverse team members, and offer competitive wages and benefits, opportunities for growth, and an inclusive work culture.

The Aliveness Project: The Aliveness Project, helping people living with HIV live healthy self directed lives.

The Ordway Center for the Performing Arts: Recognized as one of the U.S.'s leading not-for-profit performing arts centers, the Ordway is home to a wide variety of performances that encompass the finest in Broadway musical theater, music, dance, and vocal artists in its Music Theater and Concert Hall.

Two Bettys Green Cleaning: You can feel great about working at Two Bettys! Why? We pay you a living wage and benefits AND we only use eco-friendly and non-toxic cleaners. We're woman-owned and run, and we're fierce advocates of environmental, economic, and social justice.

Xcel Energy: At Xcel Energy, we're more than an energy company. We're reinventing how we power communities. Redefining how we care for customers. Reaffirming our commitment to the planet. We're committed to leading with equity and inclusion.

Resource Fair:

Annex Teen Clinic: The Annex Teen Clinic helps young people take charge of their sexual health.

Avenues for Youth: ConneQT is a host home program that provides LGBTQI+ youth culturally responsive housing within their community of choice. In ConneQT, youth choose which community member they live with and those community members provide housing and food.

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Mundahl Law PLLC: Mundahl Law is dedicated to providing compassionate family law services to the LGBTQ+ community.

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NorthPoint Health and Wellness Center: NorthPoint Health & Wellness Center is a multi-specialty medical, dental, and behavioral health and human service agency serving over 30,000 residents in North Minneapolis.

Park Nicollet Gender Services: At HealthPartners and Park Nicollet Clinics, we provide gender-affirming care, across all ages, that focuses on your individual goals and health.

PFund Foundation: PFund Foundation is the upper Midwest LGBTQ community foundation that invests in community through scholarships and grants.

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Queer Science: We are a group of queer scientists, future scientists, and STEM professionals passionate about helping LGBTQ+ youth explore and develop their interest in STEM and envision possibilities for themselves beyond what they learn in the classroom. We recognize that science can never be wholly “objective,” and we seek out ways to embrace and bring visibility to our individual identities.

QUEERSPACE Collective: QUEERSPACE collective creates space for LGBTQ+ youth to feel safe and empowered to be their true selves. We do this through intergenerational mentorship connecting LGBTQ+ youth and LGBTQ+ adults.

RECLAIM: RECLAIM works to increase mental health support for queer and trans youth so they may reclaim their lives from oppression in all its forms.

ShOUT: Minnesota's Trans & Gender Diverse Voices: shOUT is an all-trans & nonbinary choir rooted in healing & resistance.

Stonewall Sports Minneapolis: LGBTQ+ community based sports league that creates fun and inclusive environment through recreational sports and social activities.

SWOP Mpls: We advocate for the rights of people in the Sex Trade.

Telling Queer History: Telling Queer History connects LGBTQ+ people across generations and identities through storytelling gatherings.

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The Bridge for Youth: The Bridge for Youth provides runaway and homeless youth with safe shelter, assists in the prevention and resolution of family conflicts, and reunifies families whenever possible.

The UpTake: The UpTake harnesses community journalism for social and racial justice.

TIGERRS (Trans, Intersex, Gender Expansive Revolutionary Resources and Services): TIGERRS is a volunteer-run organization whose mission is to fill critical gaps by delivering quality, robust, and consistent direct services to transgender, intersex, and gender-expansive people in the Twin Cities.

Transforming Families, MN: We are a support org for trans and non-binary youth and their families.

Washburn Center for Children: Mental health touches us all. At Washburn Center, we're committed to nurturing every child and family's well-being and full potential through transformative mental healthcare. We are continuously learning and evolving. What we do is grounded in compassion and hope. Join our team as we serve more than 3,600 children and approximately 10,800 family members each year through school, home and clinic-based mental health services.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 4th, 3 -5 PM

Workshops (virtual)

3 – 3:55 PM:

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

The Civic Engagement Summit presentation will break down methods of civic participation for Minneapolis residents. Topics covered will include: wards and city council members, the upcoming municipal election on November 2nd, ranked choice voting, and ways to feel more empowered as a constituent and how you can get more involved. A Q&A will follow, featuring CM Cunningham.

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

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Career and Resource Fair (virtual)

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Anoka-Ramsey Community College & Anoka Technical College

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Black Visions: We are a Black-led, Queer and Trans centering organization whose mission is to organize powerful, connected Black communities and dismantle systems of violence.

CenterPoint Energy: Natural Gas Utility serving homes and businesses in Mpls for over 150 years.

Chowgirls Catering: Chowgirls Catering is a women-owned Minneapolis catering company crafting experiences with respect for people and the planet.

City of Minneapolis Human Resources: City of Minneapolis employees serve our residents, businesses and visitors every day. Some employees engage with the community. Other employees are behind the scenes or under our streets. No matter their role, each employee is key to making Minneapolis vibrant and livable. Our large workforce includes a wide range of roles. Every employee has an opportunity to build a rewarding career.

Comcast: Comcast Corporation is a global media and technology company that connects people to moments that matter.

Family Tree Clinic: Family Tree is a community clinic that provides sexual health & reproductive services, transgender hormone care, and sexual health education.

Hennepin County: The mission of Hennepin County is to enhance the health, safety and quality of life of our residents and communities in a respectful, efficient and fiscally responsible way.

Macalester College: Macalester is committed to being a preeminent liberal arts college with an educational program known for its high standards for scholarship and its special emphasis on internationalism, multiculturalism, and service to society.

NoMO Minnesota: A Nonsectarian Marriage Officiant in Minnesota who only accepts what she can eat, read, or wear as payment for her services. These services include helping other Minnesota Residents become Ordained.

Pride Institute: Pride Institute is the first and leading provider of LGBTQ-specific treatment for substance use disorder and addiction.

Project for Pride in Living (PPL): PPL builds the hope, assets, and self-reliance of individuals and families who have lower incomes by providing transformative affordable housing and career readiness services.

Rainbow Health: Rainbow Health provides comprehensive health services for people who experience injustice at the intersection of health status and identity.

Renewal by Andersen: Andersen Corp/Renewal by Andersen is a Minnesota based manufacturing organization that is focused on high quality products, customer experience, and supporting a diverse and inclusive workplace.

Rise, Incorporated: Rise, Incorporated is large nonprofit agency that provides person-centered employment services and day programs for people with developmental disabilities, people with mental illness, people who are Deaf, and others. We're looking to hire and develop diverse team members, and offer competitive wages and benefits, opportunities for growth, and an inclusive work culture.

ServeMinnesota: ServeMinnesota is a catalyst for positive social impact, working with AmeriCorps and community partners to address critical needs in Minnesota and share our proven practices nationally.

SEWA-AIFW (Asian Indian Family Wellness): SEWA-AIFW is committed to bring total wellness in South Asian communities in diaspora. South Asian Queer League

SAQL is exclusively servicing South Asian Queers, Trans, GNC & LGBTQ+ identifying people.

Seward Coop: We are a values driven cooperative grocer located in the heart of south Minneapolis.

Software for Good: Software for Good's experienced team of engineers, designers, and strategists creates custom software for organizations working toward positive environmental and social change.

The Bridge for Youth: The Bridge for Youth provides runaway and homeless youth with safe shelter, assists in the prevention and resolution of family conflicts, and reunifies families whenever possible.

The Ordway Center for the Performing Arts: Recognized as one of the U.S.'s leading not-for-profit performing arts centers, the Ordway is home to a wide variety of performances that encompass the finest in Broadway musical theater, music, dance, and vocal artists in its Music Theater and Concert Hall.

The UpTake: The UpTake harnesses community journalism for social and racial justice.

UCare: UCare is a not-for-profit health provider that services Minnesota and part of Western Wisconsin. Powered by the hardest working people in the industry, we de-complicate, advocate and always go the extra mile to help our members. We are committed to serving our members, our communities, our business partners and our employees from a foundation built on these values: Integrity, Community, Quality, Flexibility and Respect.

Xcel Energy: At Xcel Energy, we're more than an energy company. We're reinventing how we power communities. Redefining how we care for customers. Reaffirming our commitment to the planet. We're committed to leading with equity and inclusion.

Resource Fair:

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Asian American Organizing Project: AAOP practices gender and reproductive justice by centering the most marginalized/impacted by patriarchy, transphobia, and homophobia. Asian American femmes/womxn, queer and trans people, folks w/ disability and youth of color are at the forefront of our work.

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[City of St. Louis Park](#): Dynamic first tier suburb of Minneapolis, local government with 50,000 residents and nearly 300 employees.

Community Coaching Collective

[Congresswoman Ilhan Omar](#): Congresswoman Omar can assist with delayed tax returns, stimulus payments, passport expedites, immigration issues, and more.

[Disability Hub MN](#): Disability Hub MN is a free statewide resource network that helps people with disabilities solve problems, navigate the system and plan for the future.

[Family Tree Clinic](#): Family Tree is a community clinic that provides sexual health & reproductive services, transgender hormone care, and sexual health education.

[Gender Justice](#): Gender Justice is a nonprofit legal and policy advocacy organization dedicated to advancing gender equity through the law by dismantling barriers and expanding protections so that all people can thrive regardless of their gender, gender expression, or sexual orientation.

[Mundahl Law PLLC](#): Mundahl Law is dedicated to providing compassionate family law services to the LGBTQ+ community.

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[Park Nicollet Gender Services](#): At HealthPartners and Park Nicollet Clinics, we provide gender-affirming care, across all ages, that focuses on your individual goals and health.

[PFund Foundation](#): PFund Foundation is the upper Midwest LGBTQ community foundation that invests in community through scholarships and grants.

[Planned Parenthood North Central States](#): We are a reproductive and sexual healthcare organization . Our mission is to provide, promote, and protect reproductive and sexual health through high quality care, education and advocacy.

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Queer Science: We are a group of queer scientists, future scientists, and STEM professionals passionate about helping LGBTQ+ youth explore and develop their interest in STEM and envision possibilities for themselves beyond what they learn in the classroom. We recognize that science can never be wholly “objective,” and we seek out ways to embrace and bring visibility to our individual identities.

QUEERSPACE Collective: QUEERSPACE collective creates space for LGBTQ+ youth to feel safe and empowered to be their true selves. We do this through intergenerational mentorship connecting LGBTQ+ youth and LGBTQ+ adults.

Rainbow Health: Rainbow Health provides comprehensive health services for people who experience injustice at the intersection of health status and identity.

RECLAIM: RECLAIM works to increase mental health support for queer and trans youth so they may reclaim their lives from oppression in all its forms.

Sam Sharpe: I am a transgender and intersex biologist interested in sharing resources and discussing topics surrounding sex and gender diversity from a biological perspective.

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Telling Queer History: Telling Queer History connects LGBTQ+ people across generations and identities through storytelling gatherings.

The Advocates for Human Rights: Working locally and globally to fight injustice, restore peace, save lives, and build the human rights movement.

The Arc Minnesota: The Arc Minnesota promotes and protects the human rights of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. People with disabilities and their families trust The Arc for information, assistance, education, and public policy leadership.

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TIGERRS (Trans, Intersex, Gender Expansive Revolutionary Resources and Services): TIGERRS is a volunteer-run organization whose mission is to fill critical gaps by delivering quality, robust, and consistent direct services to transgender, intersex, and gender-expansive people in the Twin Cities.

Transforming Generations: Transforming Generations is a queer justice organization committed to building a world where gender equity is the norm and violence is not accepted.

Transgender Equity Council: The Transgender Equity Council advises the City of Minneapolis on issues important to transgender and gender-nonconforming residents.

Twin Cities Quorum: We are an organization of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer+ and LGBT-allied businesses, corporations, nonprofits and professionals focused on building a strong business community in Minnesota.

Washburn Center for Children: Mental health touches us all. At Washburn Center, we're committed to nurturing every child and family's well-being and full potential through transformative mental healthcare. We are continuously learning and evolving. What we do is grounded in compassion and hope. Join our team as we serve more than 3,600 children and approximately 10,800 family members each year through school, home and clinic-based mental health services.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 4th, 7 – 9 PM

Closing Panel and Performances

Emcee and Panel Moderator: Quinn Villagomez, aka Shimmer

Panel: Erin Sharkey, Ms. July 23rd, G. Nic Rider, and Nomi Badboy

Closing Remarks: Minneapolis City Council Member Phillipe Cunningham