

*Midwest Bisexual Lesbian Gay  
Transgender College Conference  
University of Illinois at Chicago  
February 20 to 22, 1998*

Join us as we welcome *Urvashi Vaid, Leslie Feinberg,* and *Michelangelo Signorile* as our keynote speakers. We are delighted that singer *Melissa Ferrick*, Chicago's own African-American performance ensemble *A Real Read*, and *HomoCore* bands will appear as our entertainers. The conference will feature dozens of workshops, panels, and programs, two dances, a vendor fair, and more. Please reserve these dates now!

This conference has been a regular event in the Midwest for the past half decade. 1998 marks the first time the conference will take place in a major metropolitan area. Due to space constraints, UIC can accommodate a maximum of 1100 registrants. Please register early to avoid disappointment.

With our theme, "*Across the Fruited Plain*," we plan to offer programs and workshops on a wide range of topics of interest of college and university students. We also expect to provide a series of workshops for faculty and staff advisers of campus BLGT student groups. We are actively seeking proposals for our adviser-track and on minority, disability, feminist, and transgender issues. Proposals on coming out, leadership, career/workplace issues, HIV/AIDS and more are welcomed. Our first-round deadline for proposals is 12/15/97.

Proposal forms are available on the web site or call us at 312-413-8619 and we will mail one to you.

**Roommate Service:**

Some registrants will have extra space in their hotel room. We will try to match people up with students who need hotel space via email. Please let us know via the registration form if you need this service.

**Community Housing:**

We expect to have a limited number of spaces in homes of Chicago area residents for conference registrants who cannot afford to stay in a hotel. We cannot guarantee free housing space but we will attempt to meet all requests. If you can provide free housing, please call us at 312-413-8619.

**Mailing list:**

Our mailing list may be rented in the future to raise funds to support future Midwest BLGT College Conferences. An ongoing conference steering committee will determine who is eligible to rent the mailing list. Please indicate on the form if you wish to be included on this list.

**Scholarships:**

We are pleased to be able to offer a limited number of scholarships for registration costs for the conference. We urge high school students to apply and to participate in the conference! Additional scholarships based on financial need are available. Applications will be reviewed on a first-come, first-considered basis, so apply as soon as possible along with your conference registration. The deadline for completed scholarship applications is Dec. 15, 1997. The registration form is available on the web site or by calling 312-413-8619.

**Registration:**

You can complete and detach the registration form in this brochure or register via our web site. We expect to fill all available seats at this conference. *Registration will be cut off at 1100 participants* (due to fire code restrictions). Please complete your registration early to avoid disappointment. Mail your registration form and check/money order/credit card # to:

OGLBC (M/C 369)  
1007 W Harrison 4078 BSB  
Chicago, IL 60607-7140

Please fax registration forms with credit card data to: 312-996-4688. *You are not registered until we receive both your registration form and your payment.*

**Registration**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

(daytime preferred - include area code)

Name of College/University/High School (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

- I am attending the conference and I would like to make an additional donation of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to support the conference's efforts to keep registration fees low.
- I am not able to attend the conference but would like to donate \$\_\_\_\_\_ to support efforts to keep registration fees low and to assist in the important work of the conference.

**Fees:**

- Postmarked by 12/31/97: \$35  
 Postmarked by 2/8/98: \$40  
 At the door \* \$45

Registration forms mailed after February 8, 1997 may not be received in time. Please register at the door or fax us. \*Note: Registration at the door will not be available should we sell out in advance of the conference.

- Enclosed is my check/money order for \$\_\_\_\_\_ payable to "OGLBC"
- Please charge \$\_\_\_\_\_ to Credit Card #:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
 MasterCard     Visa     Discover  
Name as it appears on your card:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Expiration date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_  
(month/year)

Your registration is complete when we receive payment.

(please complete the other side of this form)

**Access:** I need:

- wheelchair access
- an ASL interpreter
- I have other special needs (specify):  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Mailing list:**

- You have my permission to share my name and address for such mailings
- Do not share my name and address

**Roommate Service:**

- I need \_\_\_ roommate(s). Note hotel if known:  
\_\_\_\_\_
- I need to be matched with someone who has space in his/her room

**Community Housing:**

- I need community housing:
  - for Friday, February 20
  - for Saturday February 21
- I will be driving to the conference
- I have allergies to cats and/or dogs
- I need a nonsmoking space

**Program Booklet:**

Our program booklet will include paid advertising from organizations and commercial firms. If you are interested in purchasing an ad or renting space at our vendor fair, contact Jennifer Mueller ([jmueller@uic.edu](mailto:jmueller@uic.edu)) at 312-413-8619.

**The conference is cosponsored by:**

- *PRIDE: Lesbian Gay Bisexual & Transgender People Advocating Diversity*
- *Chancellor's Committee on the Status of Lesbian, Gay & Bisexual Issues*
- *Office of Gay, Lesbian & Bisexual Concerns*
- *Student Activities Funding Committee*
- *Office of the Chancellor*

**Hotel:**

We have a limited number of hotel beds reserved. Make your reservations soon to guarantee your space. Remember to say you are with the MBLGTCC to get the conference rate. Check our web site for more information on these hotels.

*Closest to Campus*

Hyatt at University Village  
625 S. Ashland Ave.  
Chicago, IL 60607  
1-800-233-1234 (reservations) or 312-243-7200  
Rates: \$89 1-2 guests/\$99 3-4 guests

Best Western on Michigan Avenue  
1100 S. Michigan Ave.  
Chicago, IL 60605  
312-922-2900  
Rates: \$89 single/\$99 double

Ramada Congress Hotel  
520 S. Michigan Ave.  
Chicago, IL 60605  
312-427-38 00 or 1-800-715-ROOM(7666)  
Rates: \$99 single/double; \$109 triple; \$119 quad

*Hotels in Lakeview (Boys Town): several miles away.*

Days Inn Lincoln Park-North  
644 W. Diversey Pkwy  
Chicago, IL 60614  
773-525-7010  
Rate: \$70 one to two guests in one double bed;\$90 one to four guests in 2 double beds

City Suites  
933 W. Belmont Ave.  
Chicago, IL 60657  
1-800-CITY 108 or 773-404-3400  
\$89 one guest, \$10/additional guest up to 4/room.

Questions about the conference can be directed to the UIC Office of Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual Concerns at 312- 413-8619, by email to [mblgtcc98@uic.edu](mailto:mblgtcc98@uic.edu), or via the the web: <http://www.uic.edu/depts/quic/mblgtcc>

