Transgender Spectrum Conference Schedule

Friday, November 6

7:45—8:15 AM  | Registration         Lobby

8:15—8:30 AM  | Welcome             JC Penney Auditorium
Dr. Mark Pope, University of Missouri-St. Louis, College of Education, Chair of the Department of Counseling and Family Studies, Curator's Professor

8:30—9:30 AM  | Keynote              JC Penney Auditorium
“Current Trends in Transgender Equality” | Mara Keisling, National Center for Transgender Equality (NCTE), Washington, D. C.

9:30—10:15 AM  | Plenary              JC Penney Auditorium
“Diagnosing Gender: A Brief Historical Overview” | Amy Cislo, Ph.D., Washington University in St. Louis

10:15—10:30 AM | Break: Snacks                Summit Room

10:30 – 11:15 | Breakout Session               Summit Room
A Discussion with Mara Keisling | Mara Keisling, Executive Director, National Center for Transgender Equality (NCTE), Washington, D. C.

10:30—11:15 AM  | Paper Presentations          Room 202
Health, Vulnerability, and Well-Being
10:30 - “Naming Ourselves: Claiming the Power of Self Articulation” | Ren Wilding, MetroTrans Umbrella Group

10:50 - “Economics, discrimination, and HIV risk behavior among male to female transgender individuals in the US” | Rick Zimmerman, Ph.D., University of Missouri-St. Louis

10:30—11:15 AM  | Workshop Sessions

1. Health, Vulnerability, and Well-Being               Room 403
   “Transgender Spirituality: Everything Broken and Whole” | Rev. Sunshine Wolfe, First Unitarian Church of Alton, Florissant, MO (T)

2. Health, Vulnerability, and Well-Being               Room 402
   “Understanding, Supporting, and Celebrating Trans* and Gender-Expansive Clients” | Kelly Storck, Therapist in Private Practice
4. Health, Vulnerability, and Well-Being
“Nuances in Therapy with Adult Trans* Clients” | Kerri Schafer, Ph.D., Jessica L. Semler, Ph.D., and Erika Patterson, Ph.D., University of Missouri Counseling Center, and Private Practice, Columbia, MO

5. Teaching and Learning
“Pronouns Matter! Navigating Language to Honor Gender” | Christine Dolan, Washington University in St. Louis

5. Teaching and Learning
“ ‘Hearing’ Transgender Identity Emergence: A Practical Workshop for Teachers and Other Professionals from the Public and Private Sectors” | Kate O’Brien, LCSW, Doctoral Candidate, University of Missouri – St. Louis

11:15—11:30 AM | Break

11:30—12:15 PM | Plenary
JC Penney Auditorium
“Personal Narratives: Storytelling” | Sayer Johnson, Jarek Steel, Joss Barton, and Jaimie Heilman, MetroTrans Umbrella Group (T)

12:15—1:15 PM | Lunch
Summit Room

1:15—2:15 PM | Plenary
JC Penney Auditorium

2:15—2:30 PM | Break

2:30—3:15 PM | Closed Roundtable Session
Room 404

2:30—3:15 PM | Roundtable Sessions [see table tents]
Summit Room
1. Children and Families
“The Family Journey” | Patricia Berne, Ph.D., Private Practice, St. Louis, MO

2. Social Support
“Transitioning in Later Life” | Kelly Murphy-Maijer, EDM Inc., St. Peters, MO. (T)

3. Social Support
“Putting the ‘Men’ in Women’s Softball” | Ryan Logan, University of Missouri-St. Louis
2:30—3:15 PM | Paper Presentations

2:30 - Health, Vulnerability, and Well-Being
“Collective Archives of Resistance: Trans* Digital Storytelling on YouTube” | Sarah Ray Rondot, University of Oregon

2:50 - Health, Vulnerability, and Well-Being
“Agency and Social Forces in the Life Course: The Case of Gender Transitions in Later Life” | Vanessa Fabbre, Washington University in St. Louis

2:30—3:15 PM | Workshop Sessions

1. Social Support
“Creating Safe Spiritual Spaces” | Rev. Wes Mullins and Rev. Lillie Brock, Metropolitan Community Church of Greater St. Louis

2. Politics and Policy
“Being Transgender in Missouri.” | ACLU and MTUG

4. Teaching and Learning
“Balancing Gender Identity and Family Through Autobiography” | Kathleen Nigro and Nat Smith, University of Missouri, St. Louis

5. Teaching and Learning
The Year in Review: A Transgender Perspective | Laura Pearce and Brenda Bredemeier, University of Missouri, St. Louis

3:15—3:30 PM | Break: Snacks

3:30—5:45 PM | Movie
“Trans” | Maureen Osborne, Ph.D., Papillon Gender Wellness Center, Doylestown, PA

This award-winning 2012 feature-length documentary profiles the remarkable lives of several different people from on the transgender spectrum. Following the film, one of the participants in the film, Dr. Maureen Osborne, will host a brief Q and A with the audience.

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Saturday, November 7
7:45—8:15 AM  | Registration  JC Penney Lobby

Programming for Children and Teens
Special programming for children (5-12) and teens (13-19) is offered today. Most children’s activities will take place in the Hawthorn Room. Parents, please follow this schedule:
- Morning Drop-off: 8:00  Hawthorn Room
- Lunchtime Pickup: 11:45  JC Penney Auditorium
- Afternoon Drop-off: 1:00  Hawthorn Room
- Afternoon Pickup: 5:00  Hawthorn Room

8:15—8:30 AM  | Welcome  JC Penney Auditorium
Chancellor Thomas George, University of Missouri-St. Louis and Sayer Johnson, Metro Trans Umbrella Group

8:30—9:30 AM  | Keynote  JC Penney Auditorium
“Observations from Two Decades of Active Listening to the Life Stories of Transgender Clients and their Families: A Gender Therapist’s Journey from Reluctant Gatekeeper to Fellow Explorer of the Gender Frontier”  | Maureen Osborne, Ph.D., Papillon Gender Wellness Center, Doylestown, PA

9:30—9:45 AM  | Break

9:45—10:30 AM  | Breakout Session  Summit Room
“Guilt, Shame And Fear: Facing And Challenging External Stigma And Internalized Transphobic Thinking”  | Maureen Osborn, Ph.D., Papillon Gender Wellness Center, Doylestown, PA

9:45—10:30 AM  | Workshop Sessions
1. Children and Families  Room 402
   Transparent: Helping St. Louis Families Meet the Unique Challenges of Raising Gender Diverse Children, PART I  | Shannon Boyette, Janet Solecki, and Flint Boettecher, TransParent, St. Louis, MO

2. Children and Families  Room 404
   “All Genders Celebrated: Programming Strategies to Affirm and Empower Transgender and Genderqueer Youth”  | Ian Ellasante, University of Arizona

3. Children and Families  Room 403
   “Protecting the Rights of Transgender Youth in Foster Care”  | Kathryn Pierce Banks, JD, Legal Services Director, and Kelley McCadden Winkler, JD, Senior Child Advocacy Attorney, Voices for Children
4. Health, Vulnerability, and Well-Being – Closed Session
   “Navigating Ogling Dates & Hook-ups as a Trans Man” [CLOSED SESSION FOR TRANS PEOPLE ONLY] | Rae Larson, Metro Trans Umbrella Group (T)

5. Social Support
   “State of the Trans Umbrella Center” | Sayer Johnson, Jaimie Hielman, Ashton Beck, Jae Scheperd, MetroTrans Umbrella Group (T)

6. Teaching and Learning
   “Non-Binary 101 & Allyship” | Christine Dolan and Ro Kicker, Washington University in St. Louis

10:30—10:45 AM | Break
   Summit Room

10:45—11:45 AM | Plenary Session
   JC Penney Auditorium
   “The TransYouth Project: Understanding Transgender Children’s Development and Mental Health” | Kristina Olson, University of Washington, Seattle, WA

11:45—12:45 PM | Lunch
   Summit Room

12:45—1:30 PM | Roundtable Sessions [see table tents]
   Summit Room
   1. Social Support
      “Trans Geek Movie: Conversation with the Directors.” Sayer Johnson and Kevin McCarthy, MTUG

2. Social Support
   “Expression Spectrum” | Christine Dolan and Ro Kicker, Washington University in St. Louis

12:45—1:30 PM | Paper Presentations
   Room 92
   12:45 - Children and Families
      “Embracing the Chiaroscuro: Theorizing Ambiguity in Trans Youth” | Lauren Baker, St. Louis University, St. Louis, MO

1:00 - Health, Vulnerability, and Well-Being
   “Barriers to Transgender Healthcare in STL” | Cameron Kinker, Washington University in St. Louis

1:15 - Social Support
   “Invisible Injustice: The Violence of ‘Gender Nonconforming’ in the National Transgender Discrimination Survey” | Stephanie Skora, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

12:45—1:30 PM | Workshop Sessions
   Room 404
   1. Children and Families
      “The Book of Eli” | Betty Crafter, Nationwide Children’s Hospital Volunteer
2. **Children and Families**  
Transparent: Helping St. Louis Families Meet the Unique Challenges of Raising Gender Diverse Children, PART II | Rebecca, Shannon Boyette and Flint Boettecher, TransParent, St. Louis, MO

3. **Health, Vulnerability, and Well-Being**  
“Self-Guided Voice Transitioning: The piTch App” | Marie Klopfenstein, J. Colin Crowley, Alexandra Taitt, Josh Zuber, Southern Illinois University, Edwardsville, IL

4. **Health, Vulnerability, and Well-Being**  
“Lost to the System: Tales of Transfolk with Mental Illness” | Capella Marissa Huniwalt, and Ren Wilding, MetroTrans Umbrella Group, Manchester, MO

5. **Health, Vulnerability, and Well-Being**  
“Coming Out in School: A Panel Discussion” | Holly Hick and Kyle Edwards, Seckman High School, St. Louis, MO; Bill Senti and Samantha DeMichielli, Craig Elementary School, St. Louis, MO; Lila Perry, Hillsboro High School, Hillsboro, MO

6. **Health, Vulnerability, and Well-Being**  
“Sexual Assault: Challenges and Coping Within Trans Communities” | Allison Kirschbaum, Allison Warren, and Phil Eiseman, Sexual Assault Research and Education Program, University of Missouri-St. Louis

**1:30—1:45 PM | Break**

1:45—2:30 PM | **Roundtable Sessions [see table tents]**  
**Summit Room**

1. **Children and Families**  
“Transitioning is a Family Experience” | Patricia Berne, Ph.D., Private Practice, St. Louis, MO

2. **Children and Families**  
“Trans Family Voices” | Kim Kreitner, Sharon Johnson, Meg Hensley, Elizabeth Crist-Moore, and Madalyn Mentor, The Family Room

3. **Teaching and Learning**  
“Transitioning in the Workplace: Then and Now.” | Stephanie M. Thurmer, Rebecca Skinner, Ashton Beck, Aiden Liam, and Jaimie Heilman (moderator), St. Louis, MO

4. **Teaching and Learning**  
“Gender is Fluid, So Why Can’t Language Be?” | Jessica Eikmann, PRIZM, St. Louis, MO

1:45—2:30 PM | **Paper Presentations**  
Room 404

1:45 - Social Support  
“Transgender in the Heartland” | Jamie Wagman, Saint Mary’s College
2:05 - Teaching and Learning
“Transgressing Heteronormative Parenting to Support Contemporary Youth” | Henrietta Campbell, Webster University

1:45—2:30 PM | Workshop Sessions
1. Children and Families Room 403
“Transgender Issues in Family Courts” | Holly Yoakum and Laura Halfmann, Legal Services of Eastern Missouri, Inc.

2. Children and Families Room 92
“Raising a Trans Identified Child” | Micah Heumann, University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana.

3. Children and Families Room 94
“The Socially Transitioning Family: Caring for a Gender-Expansive Child” | Kelly Storck, Private Practice Therapist

4. Health, Vulnerability, and Well-Being – Closed Session Room 202
“Sex 101” [CLOSED SESSION FOR TRANS FOLKS 18 AND OLDER] BOX and MetroTrans Umbrella Group (T)

5. Health, Vulnerability, and Well-Being Room 402
“Guilt, Shame and Fear: Facing and Challenging External Stigma and Internalized Transphobic Thinking” | Maureen Osborne, Ph.D., Papillon Gender Wellness Center, Doylestown, PA

6. Health, Vulnerability, and Well-Being Room 204
“Eliminating Transgender Exclusions: What You Need to Know and Tools for Navigating Effective Advocacy” | André Wilson, Jamison Green & Associates, Ann Arbor, MI

7. Teaching and Learning JC Penney Auditorium
“Telling/Sharing Our Trans Stories” Part I | Joan Lipkin, That Uppity Theatre Company (T)

2:30—2:45 PM | Break

2:45—3:30 PM | Roundtable Session Room 404
Health, Vulnerability, and Well-Being
“The Opportunity Costs of Transition” | Laura Pearce and Terri Andrews, University of Missouri-St. Louis
2:45—3:30 PM | Paper Presentations Room 92
2:45 - Policy and Politics
“The Potty is the Hardest Part: Rethinking Gender Segregation and Citizenship” | Adrienne Davis, Washington University in St. Louis

3:05 - Social Support
“Breaking Binarism: An Analysis of the Experience of No-Binary Gender Identified Individuals of Color” | Stephanie Skora, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

2:45—3:30 PM | Workshop Sessions
1. Children and Families Room 402
“Hear Us Out: A Trans Youth Panel Discussion” | Kendan Elliott, Youth in Need, St. Louis, MO

2. Health, Vulnerability, and Well-Being Room 202
“Transgender Rights in Long-Term Care” | Daniel Steward, MSG and Sherrill Wayland, MSW, Metro Trans umbrella Group

3. Social Support Room 403
“Embracing Your Spiritual Self” | Rev. Wes Mullins and Rev. Lillie Brock, Metropolitan Community Church of Greater St. Louis

4. Teaching and Learning JC Penney Auditorium
“Telling/Sharing Our Trans Stories” Part II | Joan Lipkin, That Uppity Theatre Company (T)

5. Teaching and Learning Room 204
“How to Be a Good Ally! 101” | Rae Larson, Metro Trans Umbrella Group (T)

3:30—3:45 PM | Break: Snacks Summit Room

3:45—4:30 PM | Community Meeting JC Penney Auditorium

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