Trans & Ally Symposium 2019: Voices and Visibility

Request for Proposals

Providers Day: Friday, April 26, 2019--directed towards professionals working within the transgender community, as well as those desiring more advanced workshops concerning clinical knowledge, best practices, and trans-specific cultural competency.

General Symposium: Saturday and Sunday, April 28-29, 2019--directed towards members of the transgender and gender nonconforming community, family and friends, and allies. Topics can span any subject that is relevant to the mission of TransOhio.

Previously accepted workshops encouraged to resubmit; however, preference will be given to novel ideas, unique experiences, and new faces.

All workshops will take place at The Student Union at The Ohio State University in Columbus, Ohio

RETURN TO:
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IMPORTANT DATES:
RFPs open: January 5, 2019
RFPs close: February, 28, 2019
Symposium: April 26-28, 2019

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Introduction & Background

TransOhio is now accepting proposals for the 11th Annual Trans & Ally Symposium, to be held in Columbus, Ohio, from Friday, April 26 through Sunday, April 28, 2019. This is an all-ages event, though workshops may be restricted in attendance according to the wishes of the Presenter and the discretion of the TransOhio Board of Directors.

The TransOhio Transgender & Ally Symposium began as a one day event in 2008, attended by approximately 80 people. Now in its 11th year, the Symposium has since grown to be a three-day conference with over 300 participants, 75+ workshops, and various continuing education credits for qualifying professionals (on Providers Day only). This year’s theme is “Voices and Visibility.”

Our goals with this year’s Symposium is to:

1. Provide community;
2. Discuss legal barriers to full equality;
3. Discuss medical concerns related to physical transition;
4. Learn about various personal identities and how they intersect;
5. Review past advocacy efforts and formulate plans for future activism;
6. Reflect on societal and personal relationship shifts;
7. Share lived experiences;
8. Provide a space for cisgender allies to learn and grow;
9. Evaluate the needs of the Ohio transgender and gender nonconforming communities; and
10. Amplify voices of marginalized identities.
Submission Guidelines & Requirements

1. First and foremost, we consider all proposals to be from qualified individuals with sufficient experience or knowledge required to present on the topic chosen. You do not need to be an “expert,” and there is no minimum level of education required.

2. No prior experience speaking at a conference is required.

3. Proposals that have been previously accepted to the TransOhio Symposium, as well as those that have been accepted to other conferences, are welcome.

4. Proposals may be for a workshop, presentation/lecture, panel discussion, round table discussion, open group discussion, performance, or interactive experience.

5. Please provide all relevant information about your proposal below. If necessary, you may use additional pages.

6. Proposals must be received prior to Thursday, February 28, 2019, to be seriously considered. Those received after that time will be reviewed in order of receipt based on space availability.

7. Submission of a Proposal is understood to be a commitment to attend and present at the 11th Annual Trans & Ally Symposium, if selected.

8. TransOhio strives to work with Presenters to accommodate schedules, but the final Symposium schedule is subject to change without notice. All selected Presenters must be present at the Symposium 1 hour before their scheduled workshop.

9. Presenters will receive complimentary admission to the entire 11th Annual Trans & Ally Symposium, including meals. Presenters understand that they are responsible for their own travel and accommodations.

10. Failure to attend and present as scheduled will result in a $60.00 fine, the equivalent of 1 admissions ticket for the General Symposium sold at the door. Additionally, absent good cause shown, Presenters who fail to present may be barred from presenting at future TransOhio events.
Your Workshop Description

1. Name(s):
2. Email Address(s):
3. Best Phone Number for contact:
4. Title of Workshop:

5. Brief description of the workshop (3-5 sentences):

6. Target audience for this workshop (note if closed access desired):

7. Is this workshop for Providers Day, involving continuing education credits (Circle one)  Yes    No
   (Note: If submitting for Providers Day, please attach a summary of the key concepts or learning points of the workshop/ objectives to be met by same as well as a copy of your resume or CV- BOTH REQUIRED) The program will be submitted for various accreditation for CEU’s with several organizations.

8. If to be presented on Providers Day, do you also wish to also present this workshop at General Symposium? (Circle one)  Yes    No

9. If desiring to present during General Symposium, please note any preference on days:  (Circle one)  Sat    Sun    Either is fine
10. A/V available includes hookup to LED projector, LED projector, and any flip charts and markers needed in each room. You must bring your own computer, if you are using a PowerPoint presentation. Internet access is available throughout the facility. (Please note that the facility has had issues with hookups to some Apple or Mac products in past. It is recommended that you also bring a copy of any presentation on a flash drive as well as e-mailing a copy to yourself, in case you must use TransOhio’s emergency laptop)

Are there any other special A/V needs? Please list:

11. Have you presented this same workshop, or one substantially similar, previously, including conferences besides TransOhio?
   (Circle one) Yes    No    An adaptation

12. Have you presented at a TransOhio event before:

13. Have you previously attended the TransOhio Trans & Ally Symposium?

14. How did you hear about the 11th Annual Trans & Ally Symposium?

15. Why do you feel most qualified to present this workshop?

Please note any special needs or specific restrictions on time of presentation:

If you are submitting more than one workshop, please rank your preference each specific workshop proposal in order of preference (1, 2, 3, etc.)

Ranking for this workshop proposal, if applicable: