

## Gay Choral Festival

New York's Lincoln Center will be the site of the first North American gay choral festival, to be held September 8-11, 1983.

"Come Out and Sing Together!" (a.k.a. COAST) is the name of the festival, and participants will come from members of the Gay and Lesbian Association of Choruses (GALA Choruses). More than 1000 singers from the U.S. and Canada are expected to attend.

The COAST Festival will feature three concerts at Alice Tully Hall where individual choruses will be spotlighted. All participants will join one of the massed mixed or men's choruses during the final evening's performance at Avery Fisher Hall. The Fisher concert will premiere some works specially commissioned for the festival.

Choruses planning to sing in the three Alice Tully concerts include the Chicago Gay Men's Chorus, the Denver Gay Men's Chorus, the Montrose Chorale of Houston, the Gay Men's Chorus of Los Angeles, the New Orleans Gay Men's Chorus, the Stonewall Chorale of New York, the Seattle Men's Chorus, the Gay Men's Chorus of Washington, D.C.

Joining these groups in the massed choruses will be individual participants from choruses in Atlanta, Boston, Columbus (OH), Detroit, Madison (WI), Portland (OR), San Francisco, and Vancouver.

"One of the most exciting of these fundraising events is the Gay Men's Chorus of Los Angeles' benefit concert on April 19," said Charles Carson, festival chairperson.

"The evening is titled 'Coast to COAST,' and it's going to be at the Dorothy Chandler Pavillion with guest appearances by Bernadette Peters, Bonnie Franklin, and Robert Preston."

Tickets for the New York festival will go on sale in June, and prices will range from \$8 to \$35.

Further information can be obtained from:

COAST  
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## Gay Health Conference

Between 300 and 600 registrants from across the country are expected to converge in Denver for the Fifth National Lesbian/Gay Health Conference June 9-12.

The theme of the conference is "Health Pioneering in the '80s" and will offer over forty workshops and seminars addressing all aspects of lesbian and gay health. Special interest topics to be presented include sexually transmitted disease services, alcoholism services, holistic health and lesbian/feminist health issues.

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The conference will include the Second National Forum on Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome, June 9 and 10. The Forum will bring together AIDS Care providers and decision makers and will focus on the medical, psychological, social and political aspects of AIDS.

Highlighting the conference will be several guest speakers addressing a variety of health issues. These speakers include Virginia Apuzzo, Executive Director of the National Gay Task Force, and Karen Clark, a Minneapolis legislator, who will speak on "Health as a Political Issue." In addition, Bernice Goodman will speak on "Confronting Racism, Sexism and Homophobia."

General admission to the conference is \$50 with special discounts to students, senior citizens and those who stay at the conference hotel. For further registration information, contact conference coordinators Dan Pfeffer (714-494-0293) or Fran Miller (415-653-3724) or write:

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