

COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

SERVING WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA'S LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL AND TRANSGENDERED COMMUNITY

NC PRIDE MARCH JUNE 9-11TH FESTIVAL, WORKSHOPS, DANCES AND PICNICS



Official March and Festival, Duke University East Campus, Durham, 1 -5 p.m.

Multiple events and activities are scheduled for North Carolina Pride 2000, a celebration of gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender people, and allies, which will take place in Durham Friday, June 9th - Sunday, June 10th. In addition to dances, workshops and other events planned by specific organizations, the official NC Pride 2000 March and Festival will take place on Saturday, June 10th, on Duke's East Campus, from 1-5, complete with local celebrities, games,

speakers, entertainers and a voter drive.

This year's event marks the 15th consecutive year of Pride celebrations in North Carolina (the first Pride event was held in Durham in 1981, followed by the first of the annual celebrations in 1985, also in Durham). To mark this anniversary of Pride celebrations in North Carolina, the event will carry the theme "It's Time: Come Out for Pride." This theme was chosen to reflect the fact that despite many social, political and economic gains that have been made by individuals and institutions in various LGBT

communities throughout North Carolina, much work still needs to be done to gain full civil rights. Accomplishments and victories will also be celebrated by promoting unity and visibility among lesbians, gay men, bisexual and transgendered people, promoting a positive image through programs and activities that foster an awareness of past struggles, and recognizing the LGBT community as an important and talented sector of this diverse state.

Detailed information about the events scheduled for Pride, vendor and march

applications, the history of Pride, and other materials are available on the NC Pride 2000 web site: <http://lgbt-staff.duke.edu/ncpride2000.html> or <http://go.to/ncpride>. NC Pride 2000 Calendar of Events

Friday, June 9th, 7 p.m., *Our House: A Very Real Documentary About Kids Of Gay And Lesbian Parents*, Produced & Directed by: Meema Spadola, Center for Documentary Studies (Sponsors: The Independent Television Service (ITVS) and Equality

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