



**COMING TOGETHER:
A WOMEN'S SEXUALITY CONFERENCE
OCTOBER 4, 5 & 6, 1985
TORONTO, ONTARIO**

WELCOME

Welcome to ***Coming Together: A Women's Sexuality Conference***. This weekend brings together bisexual, heterosexual and lesbian women who represent diverse economic, occupational and cultural situations. Not only do we come from all over Ontario, but from Newfoundland, British Columbia and points in between. The conference will be a time for exploration and affirmation of our sexuality in the context of our feminism. We will be challenged by exposure to the wide range of ideas and experiences of women with differing lifestyles and points of view, and will have the opportunity to reconfirm our commitment to solidarity and sisterhood. May each of us leave on Sunday night feeling strengthened, energized and supported by our ***Coming Together***.

CONFERENCE ORGANIZATION

Coming Together: A Women's Sexuality Conference was planned and organized by Natalie Zlodre and Maggi Redmonds for Side by Side - a Toronto-based, non-profit, feminist resource group. Side by Side's aims are to promote interest in and knowledge of the Canadian women's movement and culture, and to provide forums for the discussion of feminist issues.

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SCHEDULE

FRIDAY

6 to 7:45 pm
8 to 9:30 pm

Registration
Is There Sex After Feminism?, *Susan G. Cole*

LOCATION: TRINITY-ST. PAUL'S 427 BLOOR ST. W.

SATURDAY

8:30 am to 9:30 am
9:30 am to 11:00 am
11:15 am to 12:45 pm

Registration
Doing It Right! Who Defines Our Sexuality?, *Connie Clement*

Workshops

1. The Formation of Sexual Desire, *Varda Burstyn* (CANCELLED:See Conference Notes)
2. Bisexual Women: Do We Really Exist?, *Deborah Gregory*
3. Coming Out As Lesbians, *O. Lockie & J. Rogers*
4. The Sexual Evolution of Women: Advanced Class, *Rosemary Cozens*
5. Raising Sexually Healthy Children, *Vicki Kelman*
6. Body Image and Sexuality, *Arlene Anisman*
7. No Wonder We Drink! Women's Sexuality and Addiction, *Jane Clarke & Kathy O'Connell*
8. Exploring Our Sexuality through Ritual, *Janice Canning*
9. Towards a Feminist Expression(ism) of Sexuality, *Dot Tuer*

1 pm to 2 pm

LUNCH BREAK (Videotapes on sexuality selected by Lisa Steele will be shown.)

2 pm to 3 pm

Sex Oppression, Redefinition and Celebration: Uppity Women Unite! *JoAnn Loulan*

3:15 pm to 4:45 pm

Workshops

10. Power/Play: Whose Tune Do You Dance To Anyway? *Judith Weisman*
11. Bisexuality: Another Closet, *Madeleine Byrnes & Riça Night*
12. Dykes with Tykes, *Amy Gottlieb & Nomi Wall*
13. Patriarchal Power in the Bedroom: Who's on Top? *Mercedes Steedman*
14. The Peaches and the Pits: The Promise and Frustration of Erotic Writing, *Gay Bell & Susan G. Cole*
15. Differently Abled Women Speak About their Sexuality, *Joanne Doucette & Pat Israel*
16. Teen Sex: What's in it for the Women?, *Lyba Spring*
17. Talking Sex Outside "Polite Society", *Wendy Wildfong*
18. Ecstasy Unlimited: The Interpenetrations of Sex and Capital, *Lisa Steele*

9 pm to 1 am

Coming Together: The Dance

LOCATION: O.I.S.E., 252 BLOOR ST. W.

Room

2nd Floor
Auditorium

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The Party Centre
167 Church St.

SUNDAY

10:30 am to 12 pm

Panel Discussion: Future Visions: Where Do We Go From Here?,
Connie Clement, Susan G. Cole, JoAnn Loulan, Mercedes Steedman

1:15 pm to 2:45 pm

Workshops

19. Healing Our Lesbian Sexual Lives, *JoAnn Loulan*
20. Commitment, Caring and Contradictions: Being Feminist and Heterosexual, *Dinah Forbes*
21. Monogamy & Non-Monogamy Dilemmas & Priorities, *Deborah Gregory*
22. Exploring Periods of Celibacy, *Connie Clement*
23. A Feminist Critique of Sex Therapy, *Mercedes Steedman & Pat Tobin*
24. Sensual Massage, *Dana Janssen*
25. My Pleasure-Our Pleasure: A Workshop on Intimacy, *Susan Aaron & Madeleine Byrnes*
26. Humour, Sexuality and Power, *Mickey Mehal Wischnewski*
27. Sexual Acts

3 pm to 4:30 pm

Workshops

28. Eroticism, Power, Equality, *Mariana Valverde*
29. Hanging On and Letting Go, *Gretchen Grinnell*
30. The Child Sexual Abuse Continuum: Is Any Woman Exempt?, *Vicki Kelman*
31. Anger In Intimate Relationships, *Janice Ristock*
32. Religious Guilt and Sexuality, *JSigrid Armistead*
33. Strange Bedfellows: Lesbian and Heterosexual Feminists Working (and Sleeping?) Together, *Maggi Redmonds and Karen Wendling*

4:30 pm to 5 pm

Wrap-Up

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SEXUAL ACTS

10 PERFORMANCE PIECES
ON
♀'S SEXUALITY

1:15 - 2:45

- Amanda Hale & Linda Chartrand.
- Shawna Dempsey
- Taylor Green
- Janine Fuller

3:00 - 4:30

- Diana Meredith & Gay Bell
- Alma Subasic
- Joanie Berutski
- Gwendolyn
- Svetlana Zylina

SUNDAY OCT. 6th OISE AUDITORIUM

PERFORMANCES WILL BE HELD IN TWO SERIES
DISCUSSION WILL FOLLOW EACH SERIES