

PARTICIPATE!

the Newsletter of the Gay Games



Welcome to the April 2022 Edition of Participate!

Join us for Gay Games 11 in Hong Kong, November 3-11, 2023!

Joanie Evans, Co-President



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Greetings Everyone

We're in the busiest time for the FGG, in a non Gay Games year...

This year, 2022, is 40th years since the 1st Gay Games was held in SF in 1982. Please look out for news on our 40th Anniversary celebrations. The Board will be having their Mid Year Meeting in May in SF and hope to have a starting event there. We are urging you all to hold your own celebration of this event. Please let us know what you're doing and we can post it on our socials.

We are excited to announce that the License Agreement has been signed with Valencia and they have been doing very well on their arrangements for 2026. You can visit them at their [Website](#).

Also, we're currently running 3 Steering Committees that are supporting each of our host cities, to ensure we continue to provide the best international LGBTQ+ sporting and cultural event to the world.

As promised, we had a Town Hall Meeting on the 3rd April 2022 March to update the General Assembly on our plans regarding our Co-hosted event for next year with Hong Kong and Guadalajara. Many Thanks to those who made it, but for those of you who missed it, the link to the recording will be available soon. If you have any further questions you can still contact us at townhall@gaygames.net

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Two 40th Anniversary Pins Now On Sale! Order Yours Today!

Just in time for 2022 and the 40th Anniversary of the first Gay Games, two exciting new collectible pins are now available for sale. Help kickoff the 40th Anniversary celebrations; buy yours now at gaygames.org/store (or click on the “Store” link at the top of the Gay Games website).

To preview these exciting collectible offerings, check out [THIS VIDEO](#).

40TH ANNIVERSARY “PIN PUZZLE” SET

This is 12 pins in one elegant gift box. These pins represent each of the editions of the Gay Games. They cleverly form a “Pin Puzzle” in the shape of the Federation of Gay Games logo. Inside the beautiful gold ribbon box, you’ll find a printed card telling the design story behind this limited edition offering.

The individual pins can be removed and worn or displayed however you like. Or, you can showcase them as they come in the gold ribbon box. Each pin measures between 1-½” and 2”.

Only 500 of these “Pin Puzzles” have been produced and each set is individually numbered. The price is USD 50 each plus shipping.





40TH ANNIVERSARY TRADING PIN

This is a small version of the large “Pin Puzzle,” featuring all the historic Gay Games logos arranged in the shape of the FGG logo. This is a substantial pin, measuring 2”, in solid brass with gold trim, and two pin posts to support its weight. It truly is the perfect gift for any Gay Games participant, especially if they collect pins. Order a supply for trading while in Hong Kong at Gay Games 11.

At the online store, you can purchase individual pins or bundles of 5 or 10 pins.

- Single Pin = USD 10 plus shipping
- Pack of 5 Pins = USD 45 plus shipping
- Pack of 10 Pins = USD 90 plus shipping

ALL PURCHASES BENEFIT THE FGG

The net proceeds from all pin sales will be used to further the global mission of the Federation of Gay Games, in the spirit of founder Dr. Tom Waddell.

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