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Welcome to Participate!, the newsletter of the Federation of Gay Games.

We need your help -- please join our scholarship cause of sending artists and athletes to Paris 2018 Gay Games 10 and continuing our mission of promoting equality in, and through, sport and culture.

All scholarship funds received through **December 31, 2016** will be generously matched up to US\$20,000 by Martha Ehrenfeld and Carla McKay. Martha and Carla were married in 2010, won the gold medal in women's B double tennis at the Cologne Gay Games and have been generous donors to the Gay Games for many years.

[CLICK HERE TO HELP SEND ATHLETES AND ARTISTS TO PARIS 2018 GAY GAMES 10](#)

With greatest respect,



Joanie Evans, Female co-president



Sean Fitzgerald, Male co-president

PARIS 2018 GAY GAMES 10

www.Paris2018.com 4 - 12 August

Register NOW before the year-end price increase!



Are you registered for Paris 2018-Gay Games 10?

Now more than ever, we need to reflect on our guiding principles of Participation, Inclusion, and Personal Best™ as we prepare for your Rendezvous with Paris! You have a unique opportunity to take part in any of the 36 sporting events and 14 cultural events offered by Paris 2018, and attend the amazing Opening and Closing Ceremonies.

Paris 2018-Gay Games 10 is open to all - gay or straight, young or not-so-young, athlete or artist, experienced or novice. Join us and take a stand for equality, inclusion, and freedom.

Travel and Accommodation with travel.paris2018.com

You can book your accommodation through our Paris 2018 travel partner, KTS FRANCE, and help Paris 2018 Gay Games 10 to succeed! KTS France has the best offers for Paris 2018 and will arrange everything for you: flights, accommodation, transfers, activities and sightseeing, etc.

Are you part of a team or group? You can book the same hotel for your whole team or group using KTS France and take advantage of the best available prices!



[CLICK HERE to register today!](#)

Rendezvous with Paris in 2018!

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2022 GAY GAMES XI TIMELINE

The Federation of Gay Games announced the 2022 Gay Games XI [host city selection process 3 March](#), followed by the [long list announcement 19 April](#), then the [list of cities continuing the bid process 1 July](#).

Monthly meetings with bidders are currently taking place, and bidders presented overviews of their city and team at the Annual General Assembly, October 2016, in Sydney, Australia. **Final Bid Books were due on 30 November 2016**, and the vote for the host of Gay Games XI from three finalist candidate cities will take place in October 2017 at the FGG Annual General Assembly meeting in Paris, France.

ANNUAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY

For the first time in sixteen years, Sydney hosted the International Annual General Assembly (AGA) of the Federation of Gay Games (FGG) from October 21-24 2016, with nearly 100 delegates from over 20 countries.

A highlight of this event was the **Gala Awards Dinner on 24th**; view the [2016 Legacy Award Winners](#) and other AGA highlights in our Gay Games [Facebook Photo Albums](#).



The "General Assembly" represents the voting members of the FGG, and this assembly meets annually to help advise and direct the Board of Directors, elect officers and vote on important matters such as bylaw updates and prospective Gay Games bid cities. [The next AGA takes place in Paris, France 26 October - 1 November 2017. Learn more at our Facebook Event Page.](#)

EVENTS!

Join us and help the Federation of Gay Games promote Paris 2018 Gay Games 10 at the 10th Annual [Sin City Shootout](#), 12-15 January 2017 in Las Vegas, Nevada, USA! If you plan to attend, [email](#) us and help promote Paris with your respective sport!



The first ever "[LGBT International Powerlifting Championships](#)" are happening 28th, 29th and 30th July 2017 in London.

Up to 60 of the world's strongest Lesbian, Gay, Bi Sexual and Trans athletes are expected to attend from all over the world in what promises to be a very special occasion.

The championships will be hosted by Gay Games Powerlifters Chris Morgan and Dominic Patmore with the assistance of Bethnal Green Weightlifting Club in London. Bethnal Green Weightlifting Club was established in 1926 and is well known for its strong commitment to diversity within the communities it serves. [Check out their Facebook event here.](#)

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Since the first Gay Games in 1982, the Federation of Gay Games has promoted equality in sport and culture and ensured that the Gay Games, the world's largest sports and culture festival open to all, take place every four years under the founding principles of Participation, Inclusion, and Personal Best™.

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