

**Workshops
Presentations
Caucuses
Parties
Demos**

The Hotel Ivy

Adjacent to Minneapolis Hilton

Free to Creating
Change registrants
and the general
public



Minneapolis, MN
Friday & Saturday
February 4 & 5, 2011

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

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FRIDAY FEBRUARY 4	These free events all take place at the Hotel Ivy (Beethoven Room) open to the local community and Creating Change 2011 attendees.
10:45 AM – 12:15 PM	A New Paradigm for Equal Rights: Blueprint for a Revolution. Join an organized assault meant to comprehensively dismantle the public’s ignorance of their own true erotic nature by publicly demonstrating the great value of sex and gender freedom of expression on sensual, intellectual, and spiritual frontiers. Moderators: Dan Massey and Alison Gardner
12:30 PM – 1:15 PM	Second Life Demo. Go on a customized “easter egg hunt” in the world of Second Life. Immerse yourself in this provocative world of unrestrained imagination. Watch the fun on our big screen, and bring your own WiFi capable laptop and we will help you experience SL first hand with a one of our lavish pre-designed avatars. Demo continues informally to 2:30, with Q&A. (SL programs for ages 18+ only.) Moderators: Jack Diehl, Khannea Suntzu, and Kim Violet
3:00 PM – 4:30 PM	Sexual Freedom and Human Rights. Global and national sexual freedom issues are indivisible. Whether contemplating Main Street USA or the streets of Kampala, Uganda, lobbyists, advocates, and grassroots organizers use the disparity, discrepancies, and contradictions entwined in treaties, laws, policies, and social practice to enfranchise more stakeholders across disparate movements. Special presentation by Kushaba “Moses” Mworeko. Moderators: Sean Carlson, Andrew Fogle, and Alison Gardner
4:45 PM – 6:15 PM	Exploring Your Sexuality and Gender in Second Life. Humans have long tried to invent new and more exciting sex toys, now making great strides in erotic machines and simulations. Present yourself in Second Life as any sex and gender expression, and any body configuration you can imagine. Interact freely, privately, and safely with tens of thousands of like minds. Bring your WiFi capable laptop and we'll help you get started using one of our pre-loaded avatars. (SL programs for ages 18+ only.) Moderators: Jack Diehl, Khannea Suntzu, and Kim Violet
6:30 PM – 7:30 PM	Sexual Freedom Caucus. Time to meet and strategize with other sexual freedom advocates. Hear about the many fronts in the battle for sexual freedom, and how you can get involved or make connections to strengthen your work.
8:30 PM – 11:00 PM	Meet-And-Greet. Join Team Columbia for an even evening of dialogue and decompression, free drinks, too.
SATURDAY FEBRUARY 5	These free events all take place at the Hotel Ivy (Beethoven Room) open to the local community and Creating Change 2011 attendees.
10:45 AM – 12:15 PM	The New Age of Erotic Freedom: A Conversation with Lorraine Hutchins and Dan Massey. What is driving the new sexual revolution and what it means for you.
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3:00 PM – 4:30 PM	Campaign Planning and Messaging Training. Interested in creating your own campaign for sexual freedom or a related issue? Join us to learn how to develop and execute a strategic and effective campaign using proven methods. Bring your campaign ideas and readiness to learn. Moderators: Sean Carlson and Jay Carmona
4:45 PM – 6:15 PM	Blueprint For A Revolution: A Call To Action. Get involved in creating change by connecting with existing and future sexual freedom campaigns that may relate to or inspire the work you are doing right now. Moderators: Jay Carmona, Alison Gardner, and Dan Massey
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Team Columbia is the power behind www.venusplusx.org, a growing consortium of sexual freedom advocates in the United States and abroad. Together they work to extend equal rights through greater sexual freedom awareness, advocacy, and education, united by a common vision of universal sexual freedom. Here are our Minneapolis presenters.

Sean Carlson is an Organizer and Trombonist from Washington, DC. He began advocacy work with the Obama for America campaign and has worked intensely on LGBT equality since 2008. Sean is the Co-founder of Talk About Equality, an LGBT blog and advocacy organization.

Jay Carmona has worked as a grassroots community organizer, trainer, and strategist since 2000. She has worked with groups such as GetEQUAL, Standing on the Side of Love, and The Ruckus Society.

Jack Diehl has been deeply involved in on-line gaming for over a decade and has closely witnessed the growth of virtual worlds, from multiplayer role playing games into platforms for social interaction and artistic expression. Jack is fascinated by the freedom of speech and sexual behaviors people are creating online and is dedicated to seeing these freedoms protected in Real Life.

Andrew Fogle has worked in sexual freedom advocacy since his recent graduation from American University. He is a contributor to the national alternative queer blog, *TheNewGay*.

Alison Gardner is a founding member and co-director of Columbia. Whether working as a member of the Woodhull Freedom Foundation Advisory Council or hosting congressional fundraisers at her Washington, D.C., home, Alison's experience in education and public relations has equipped her to be a powerful advocate for sexual freedom as a basic human right. She lives with her life partner of 35 years, Dan Massey.

Loraine Hutchins is a feminist, author and speaker, and beloved Washington, DC, Women's and Gender Studies professor. Dr. Hutchins states simply, "This growth is essential to human happiness."

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Dr. Hutchins touches on themes from her forthcoming book, *Sexuality, Religion and the Sacred: Bisexual, Pansexual and Polysexual Perspectives*. She is an editor for the *Journal of Bisexuality*, and co-edited *Bi Any Other Name*, an anthology of real stories of bisexual people's lives.

Dan Massey is a founding member and co-director of Columbia. His independent activism has focused on issues relating to sex and gender expression. Drawing from an extensive background in information theory and computer science, Dan's interest in the erotic frontiers opened up by technology inform his advocacy work. He lives with his life partner of 35 years, Alison Gardner, in Washington, D.C.

Kushaba Moses Mworeko is a gay refugee, social worker, and HIV/AIDS and human rights activist from Uganda, who came to the US last year seeking asylum for fear of incarceration or worse. He continues to be a vocal advocate for HIV-positive and LGBT people, sharing his compelling story with the media, and working with many organizations including Human Rights Campaign, National Gay and Lesbian Task Force, Truth Wins Out, and several grassroots groups.

Khannea Suntzu is a Dutch conceptual artist exploring variants of freedom, cognitive alteration, iconoclasm, lateral thinking, virtual reality, and the future. After a brief but colorful stint in game design, she currently works as a virtual reality design consultant. Khannea now ranks as a leading expert on the intricacies of the virtual online world of "Second Life."

Kim Violet is a young, transgender adventurer from Mexico. She believes in freedom, love, and flow. Second Life provided her with a taste of being able to express her gender identity and sexual desires in a safe digital environment, and gave her insight into how this virtual reality experience can have a beneficial impact on one's real life.



Venus Plus X is a science fiction book about a post-gender future, and is now an apt web address for the work of Washington, DC-based sexual freedom activists, “Team Columbia.” The group draws its inspiration from the figure of Columbia—a transgender icon deeply embedded in the American psyche as the Statue of Freedom atop the U.S. Capitol dome, and the Statue of Liberty, and the venerable Uncle Sam.

Founded in 2010, the non-profit group currently consists of its two founders (and life partners) Dan Massey and Alison Gardner, its half-dozen, decidedly 20-something staff, and a growing roster of sexual freedom advocates in the U.S. and abroad. The enterprise is privately funded and is fully committed to action for change on sensual, intellectual, and super-conscious frontiers of being.

Team Columbia promotes a single, simple ideal: universal sexual freedom. Its supporters believe the elemental and entirely natural love-sexuality connection is supreme in all of human existence. Only universal sexual freedom guarantees protection of individual autonomy and the right to pursue happiness without the interference of governments or religions and regardless of sexual orientation, gender identity, or sexual practice.



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