18th Annual CSU Diversity Symposium

The Office of the Vice President for Diversity at CSU warmly welcomes you to join us at the 18th annual CSU Diversity Symposium, held October 1-5 in the Lory Student Center.

**All sessions are free and open to the public! No registration is necessary**

Inspired by our land-grant heritage, CSU is committed to excellence in inclusion and access and in welcoming, valuing, and affirming all members of our community. The Diversity Symposium provides a forum for us all to engage in this mission. It is a chance to broaden perspectives, talk to experts and celebrate both our similarities and our differences. For more information, visit our [website](#) or contact Alicia Sprague at 970-491-6544 or [alicia.sprague@colostate.edu](mailto:alicia.sprague@colostate.edu)

Click here for digital schedule and Guidebook app

See below for just a few Symposium highlights to look forward to!

**Monday, Oct.1 | Feminist Fight Club at CSU**

It’s been one year since the official launch of the Feminist Fight Club at CSU! Kick off the week with a morning panel, featuring President Tony Frank and others, that highlights how men and supervisors can support the overall impact and success of the FFC at CSU.

*Panel from 9 – 10:30 a.m., LSC Theatre*

**Tuesday, October 2 | CSU Inspire**

Join us for a series of inspiring, "Ignite"-style talks featuring cutting-edge diversity and inclusion research and help yourselves to lunch, on us! Seating is first come first served!

*11:30 a.m.—1 p.m., LSC Theatre*

**Wednesday October 3 | Cornell Brooks**

A graduate of both Head Start and Yale Law School, Cornell Brooks is an ordained minister, civil rights attorney, social justice activist, coalition builder, and writer. During his tenure as president and CEO of the NAACP (2014-17), he led the organization to 11 victories against voter suppression. Brooks brings both a proud personal heritage and a thought-provoking vision to his message of diversity.

*Keynote address from 5:30—7:00 p.m., LSC Theatre*

**Thursday, October 4 | Dr. Susan Faircloth**

Education Track Keynote Address: “Beyond Feathers and Fluff: Teaching About and With American Indians”. Continue discussions for bridging theory to practice, at a reception following the address.

*Keynote & reception from 9 – 11 a.m., LSC Theatre*
Join our RAMily of Safe Zone Trained Individuals!

The Pride Resource Center has been in the process of revamping our Safe Zone curriculum and we are inviting all our campus colleagues to attend a training. If you have attended in the past, you are welcome to come again and/or please encourage colleagues and members of your department to participate in one of the Safe Zone trainings listed below.

Safe Zone Program Objectives

- Reduce homophobia, transphobia, and heterosexism at CSU, thereby making CSU a safer environment for all members of our community across sexual orientations, romantic orientations, gender identities, gender expressions and intersections of identities.
- Create a network committed to ongoing education and advocacy to support LGBTQ communities at CSU.

Available Registration Dates:

Thursday, September 27<sup>th</sup> 2 PM – 5 PM
Wednesday, October 24<sup>th</sup> 9 AM – 12 PM*
Tuesday, November 20<sup>th</sup> 2 PM – 5 PM
Wednesday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> 2 PM – 5 PM
Thursday, January 10<sup>th</sup> 9 AM – 12 PM
Wednesday, January 30<sup>th</sup> 9 AM – 12 PM
Wednesday, February 27<sup>th</sup> 2 PM – 5 PM
Monday, March 11<sup>th</sup> 9 AM – 12 PM
Thursday, March 28<sup>th</sup> 2 PM – 5 PM*
Wednesday, April 24<sup>th</sup> 9 AM – 12 PM

*Open to Students

Click [here](#) to register yourself, or [here](#) to inquire about Safe Zone Training for your entire department!

The Pride Resource Center has a lot going on this Fall, including a 20 year anniversary celebration! Stay informed about this and more by visiting the [website](#) or following on social media!
PALS & EXPLORE

The Asian Pacific American Cultural Center would like to invite students to join our youth mentoring programs PALS (K-3rd grade) and Explore (4th-6th grade). Young students will be paired with CSU students to engage in discussions about Asian American identities in a fun and educational environment.

11 Total sessions, Sunday mornings 10am-12pm October 2018-April 2019

Contact PALS: pals@colostate.edu
Contact Explore: explore@colostate.edu
Asian Pacific American Cultural Center (APACC)
Lory Student Center 333
Colorado State University
(970) 491-6154

Visit www.apacc.colostate.edu for more information.

Stay connected with the APACC on social media!
This workshop is available for partners, family and friends of gender based violence survivors. In this workshop we'll be covering topics from how trauma affects the brain to how you can best support your loved one to how vicarious trauma can impact support systems. This is a 3 hour workshop that will be offered Oct. 17th from 5:30-8:30PM. Registration is required.

A support group for survivors of sexual assault, child sexual abuse, relationship violence, and/or stalking. This group meets on Fridays from 4-4:50pm during the semester. Space is created for students to process their experiences, discuss coping strategies, and learn more about how to manage the impact of trauma. There are no structured topics discussed each week, but themes do often arise during each group session. CSU students of any gender identity or expression who identify as a survivor of interpersonal violence are welcome to attend after a brief consultation with one of our advocates.

This is an 8-week group providing mindfulness skills, movement, and a space for survivors of interpersonal violence to explore the ways trauma manifests in the body. Participants will learn mindfulness techniques to work with anxiety, post-traumatic symptoms, and depression—observing experiences in the body, and noticing them as they change. Each week will include a short practice of yoga, meditation, and/or breath work, as well as time for processing together as a group. The group is free of charge, and will meet on Tuesday’s from 3:30-4:45 during the Fall 2018 semester.

For more info. on any of the support groups above, email wgac@colostate.edu

The WGAC has two podcasts! Click the icons to learn more!
**Upcoming Campus & Community Events!**

**Inclusive Student Support:** Work with students and want to have positive interactions with each one? Join us in this proactive and interactive session. Participants will engage in reflection and discussion around topics of inclusion and explore ways to best be present for all the students we serve. Join us to contribute your thoughts and find new ways to grow.

Facilitated by Ria Vigil from The Office of the VP for Diversity

Click [here](#) to register!

**Multicultural Community Retreat:** Become a steward of cultural competency! The MCR is a joint effort between CSU, Diversity Solutions Group, and the City of Fort Collins to help increase knowledge, mindfulness and effective behaviors across cultural differences in our community. Scholarships are available—please indicate your interest during the registration process.

**Fee:** $50.00 (includes breakfast, snacks, lunch and all materials)

**Registration Deadline:** Monday, October 1st, 2018

Click [here](#) to register!

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Your support of our inclusive excellence initiatives will impact the entire campus. We appreciate your contributions to our programs designed to create the best CSU possible!

Contact Us: Have an idea to be featured in our next newsletter or would like to sign up for the newsletter? Please email Rachel.e.mckinney@colostate.edu