

BOLDFEST 2017 – Bold, Old (er) Lesbians & Dykes
Information & Registration Form
13th ANNUAL BOLDFEST: Thursday August 31 through
Monday evening Sept 4 2017 Coast Plaza Hotel, 1763 Comox
St, Vancouver, BC, Canada www.boldfest.com

BOLDFest: A Lesbian-full weekend of workshops, entertainment, dancing, meals, outdoor activities! Ends with Monday evening concert featuring Heather Bishop!

Conference Timeline

Thursday Aug 31, 7:30 pm through Monday Sept 4, 10 pm

(Note: registration starts Thursday Aug 31, 3:30-6 pm, 2nd Floor; registration continues at 7:30 pm)

KICK OFF THE WEEKEND ON THE WATER!

Wed eve, Aug 30: Take in the popular Pre-conference Harbour Boat Cruise. Come a day early for a memorable and fun evening! See registration form, page 2.

CONFERENCE FEE

\$225-\$400 CA* sliding scale. Please pay what you can afford on this scale. Note: BOLDfest is able to offer this low end of scale thanks to fundraising, sponsors and higher-end registration fees. Thanks to the many who support BOLDfest! ***US residents, this is your opportunity; make the \$ exchange work for you!**

Conference Fee includes: (the following dates and events are subject to change, if necessary)

- Thursday evening: Welcoming Reception: appetizers, cash bar, mixers, Entertainment (TBA)
- Friday through Monday, mornings & afternoons: Stimulating, Educational, Diverse Workshops
- Friday noon: Luncheon on the patio, guest speaker and BOLD Woman of the Year Award
- Friday late afternoon: Gold Zumba Class (a 2015-16 Fave!)
- Friday evening: Entertainment TBA
- Saturday evening: Silent Auction*, appetizers, cash bar, Queer as Funk is back, Vancouver's 8-piece dance band! Funk, Soul and Motown classics
- Sunday during the day: Special Event (TBA)
- Sunday evening, Coast Plaza: Buffet Dinner, followed by concert. Performer TBA
- Monday, daytime: Workshop with Heather Bishop, singer/songwriter, presenter, Order of Canada recipient www.heatherbishop.com
- Monday evening: BOLDfest Finale: Concert with Heather Bishop and accompanist □ **Note: Conference Fee does not include hotel room. (See page 3 for hotel info).** □ *Silent Auction will be held either Saturday or Sunday evening. TBA

EXTRA ACTIVITIES/EXTRA COST These activities are not Included in Conference Fee.

1. Wednesday eve, Aug 30, 7:00 – 10:00 pm. Harbour Boat Cruise! Hors-d'oeuvres, cash bar, stunning coastal scene/ dancing/women! \$55 per person
2. Thurs Evening, Aug 31, 5:30 – 7:00 pm SOLO's Meet n' Mingle. Hosted, in private hotel room, Registered BOLD participants only. Appetizers, wine, non-alcoholic drinks \$15-\$20 sliding scale. On your own? Here's your chance to meet other solo women for a weekend of friends, meetups, fun! Sign up early -20 people maximum. Open to BOLDfest conference attendees only.
3. Sat afternoon, Sept 2. 1:30 pm. Intro to Dragonboating, an invigorating water sport for all ages, facilitated by experienced paddlers! \$20 per person.
4. Sat afternoon, Sept 2, 2:00 – 4:00 pm Women & the Arts: A Stanley Park Historical Walking Tour* with historical interpreter Jolene Cummings. \$20 per person. Sign up early -20 people maximum.

5. Sun Morning, Sept 3, 10:30 am – 12:30 pm Women East of Denman Historical Walking Tour*
 \$20 per person. Sign up early -20 people maximum. *Tour descriptions at www.boldfest.com "Walking Tours"

2 Ways to Pay: 1)Online at <http://www.boldfest.com> + email completed registration form to info@boldfest.com. 2) Snail mail cheque/check + registration to POB 21510, 1424 Commercial Dr, Vancouver BC V5L 5G2. For US checks, get current exchange rate or pay at par with Canadian price. Make cheque/check out to **BOLD**. (see page 2) A \$60 cancellation fee applies to cancellations received up to August 1. No refunds after July 30; registrants are welcome to find a replacement.

2017 BOLD REGISTRATION FORM

PLEASE COMPLETE & RETURN THIS FORM by email or snail mail. If paying by cheque/check, make out to **BOLD** and mail to PO Box 21510, 1424 Commercial Dr, Vancouver BC Canada V5L 5G2 Email to: info@boldfest.com

Name _____

Street Address _____

City, Province/State _____ Postal/Zip Code _____

Phone: home () _____ cell () _____

Email address (print clearly) _____

Contact list: Yes _____ No _____ Include my name & contact info on list (*to be shared only with BOLD participants.*) Name(s) will not be included on contact list if this question is not answered.

PAYMENT. I enclose:

\$_____ Full payment in \$CA on the sliding scale of \$225 - \$400 CA
 (Please pay what you can afford on this scale) or,

\$_____ + _____ Post-dated cheques (last date: Aug 10) Total: \$CA_____

\$_____ Wed evening, Aug 30, 3-hour Harbour Cruise, dancing, appetizers. Details will be sent to registrants close to date. \$55 per person

\$_____ Thurs Aug 31 5:30-7 pm Solos Meet n' Mingle @ hotel. \$15-20 sliding scale

\$_____ Sat Sept 2, 1:30 pm Intro to Dragonboating \$20

\$_____ Sat Sept 2, 2-4 pm Women & the Arts: A Stanley Park Historical Walking Tour \$20

\$_____ Sun Sept 3, 10:30 am-12:30 pm Women East of Denman Historical Walking Tour \$20

\$_____ Donation: Help women attend BOLD.

\$_____ Total enclosed

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

If you need assistance, **we want to hear from you**, no matter where you live in the world. Please determine how much you can pay toward the bottom end of scale (\$225) and what you need to make up the difference. Apply NOW! We'll get back to you by mid-June or sooner. We will help out as much as our funds allow.

I'm applying for financial assistance in the amount of \$_____.

BOOK A ROOM AT THE COAST PLAZA HOTEL

BOLD hotel guests get a special hotel rate which applies 3 days before, during, and 3 days after the conference. Guests get complimentary use of health club, squash courts, swimming pool, whirlpool, sauna, and Downtown shuttle. We encourage BOLD participants to use this beautiful and comfortable gay/animal friendly hotel. You'll love it and, it's so convenient to where the action is! As well, booking at the Coast Plaza helps reduce BOLD costs that in turn help to keep conference fees reasonably priced.

BOLD Rates for Comfort Room: 2 double beds or one queen size. \$175CA + 17.5 hotel taxes for 2 women +\$25 ea. for 3rd & 4th person. Check with hotel for larger suites and ask for BOLD rates.

Guest room rates are based on single/double occupancy. Hotel is 100% non-smoking. Guest room block is available until July 28, 2017 or earlier if the guest room block fills. Extension of this date is determined by room availability. Book your room NOW to be safe.

To book online go to our dedicated website at:

<https://aws.passkey.com/e/49045612> Group

code: **CPS-GFC3796891**

Toll free reservation line: [1-800-663-1144](tel:1-800-663-1144)

1. Go to <https://aws.passkey.com/e/49045612>
Look for "BOLD 13th Annual West Coast Conference"
2. Under room reservation, select date of arrival, # of nights' stay, and hotel (Coast Plaza Hotel & Suites, Vancouver).
3. BOLD'S Group Code, **CPS-GFC379 6891** will show up in appropriate box. Guests are free to make their reservations, using this code, or by mentioning the title of the event (Bold 13th Annual Westcoast Conference).
4. The room rates for the conference should appear. Follow prompts to complete the Reservation. Confirmation will be emailed back immediately.
OR, do one of the following:
 - Write to Coast Plaza Hotel & Suites, 1763 Comox St, Van BC V6G 1P6
 - Call toll-free 1-800-663-1144 (No. America only) or locally at 604-682-6278. Quote group code or group name. International calls at +800.800.2278
 - Email plazares@coasthotels.com. A major credit card is required to book online. View rooms at www.coastalhotels.com

Looking for a hotel roommate(s) to keep costs down? If you want to share a hotel room with 1,2, 3 others, email info@boldfest.com. We will put all women who request roommates in touch with one another. However, please know we are **not** responsible for finding roommates.

Transportation from: Vancouver Int'l Airport to **the Coast Plaza Hotel, current rates.**

- Canada Line – (rail) one way, **\$9.00**
- <http://www.vancouver-travel-tips.com/vancouver-airport-skytrain.html>
- Get off at Vancouver Centre (Granville & Georgia Streets). Take cab to hotel (\$10+) or take #5 bus on Robson @ Burrard St - a 5 block walk from Vancouver Centre station
- Taxi from airport: \$35-\$40; takes about 20-25 minutes, depending on traffic.

ALERT: Passengers now required to have valid passport when flying in/out of Canada. When driving across the border it's best to have a passport, a NEXUS pass or an enhanced driver's license. Check with your local authorities first to be sure!!

Questions? Contact Pat at 604-253-7189 or info@boldfest.com