Fantasia Fair '95

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Dearest Sister.

The time for Fantasia Fair is almost here and you are in for the time of your life!!! We know that for some of you, this will be the first time that you have been out in a public setting. For others this will just be another step on the journey of exploring your alternate persona. In any case, do not allow your self to become apprehensive; Fantasia Fair in Provincetown, is without a doubt, one of the safest and warmest environments for our community. I was in fear before coming out to my first event (This Fair) just nine years ago. Now I can assure you, there is no place better than Fantasia Fair to step out, as, not only are the attendees great, but the whole town welcomes us! I cried when I left after that first week; I could have stayed forever. And now I'll go back forever!

You will have an opportunity to meet and be welcomed by, staff members and attendees both at the Welcoming Buffet, Sunday evening, and again at coffee Monday morning. At that time, we have a special "Stepping Out Program" (See brochure) for our first timers. It is important for you to try to be at those events. If we can, we will try to pair you up with a "Big Sister" who can help you and share their experiences from their first time.

Niela Miller, one of our professionals, and Cindy Pearlman, an experienced regular attendee, will be coordinating the "Stepping Out" program. They, along with the House Mothers and other staff members, will be available to assist you in any way they can. Niela and Cindy will try to establish daily informal get togethers to see how things are going.

If you are concerned with your appearance, we have "make up" specialists, Mavis and Crystal, who will be doing free seminars on all aspects of feminine presentation and are available for "make overs" for a small fee, making you as beautiful as you want to be. Jim Bridges (of Hollywood) will be joining us on Tuesday, and will also be thrilled to help you with a "make over".

If you feel you need more serious time to have a one-on-one with a professional counselor, most of our professionals can be scheduled for sessions. If you just need someone to talk to, you'll find most experienced participants will be all to pleased to just sit and share with you. Fantasia Fair is a place to have fun and a place to grow; but most of all, a place to be who you want to be, and we want to help you make this happen.

With caring love,

Alison Laing

FF '95 Coordinator

p.s. The Significant Others group extends a special invitation to all spouses and SOs to join them, Monday morning for coffee at the Flagship.