

SUMMARY

Marketing, advertising, and communications professional for 20 years. More recently, full-time advocate for transgender youth. Experienced writer and public speaker. Extensive media experience, with interviews for TV, radio, newspapers and magazines. Offers parenting resources through trans-parenting.com and transgender cultural competency training through genderinc.com

GUEST LECTURES & INVITED PRESENTATIONS

2016

Hope House Transitional Housing | Blue Springs, MO
American Unity Fund, Republican PAC | New York, NY
University of Kansas School of Law | Lawrence, KS
Johnson County Community College | Overland Park, KS
Jackson County Community Mental Health Foundation | Kansas City, MO

2015

Consulate of Mexico | Kansas City, MO
Pembroke Hill Schools | Kansas City, MO
University of Kansas | Lawrence, KS
Queen's College | Ontario, Canada
University of Missouri | Kansas City, MO
University of Kansas Medicine | Kansas City, MO

2014

Johnson County Community College | Overland Park, KS

PANELS

2016

Raising Gender Expansive Youth: Clinical & Personal Realities | WPATH Symposium, Amsterdam, Holland
WPATH Transgender Health: Best Practices in Medical and Mental Health Care | Springfield, MO
Trans Athletes: The New Frontier of Sports | SXSW, Austin, TX
White House/Health & Human Services LGBT Health Forum | Kansas City, MO

2015

White House/Health & Human Services Regional Summit | St. Louis, MO
Western Missouri University | Warrensburg, MO
Trans Health & Education Alliance | Atlanta, GA

2014

Missouri Western State University | St. Joseph, MO
University of Kansas School of Law | Lawrence, KS
University of Kansas School of Medicine | Kansas City, MO

CONFERENCES & WORKSHOPS

2016

Gender Odyssey — Dealing with Rejection by Family
 Having Difficult Conversations
 Christian Parents of Transgender Children
 Public Activism: Ways to Advocate and Lobby in Support of Trans Youth
Philadelphia Trans Health Conference — Having Difficult Conversations

2015

The Reformation Project — Christian Parents of LGBTQ Children
Trans Kansas Conference — Dealing with Rejection by Family
 Christian Parents of LGBTQ Children
Trans Health & Education Alliance — Public Activism: Ways to Advocate in Support of Trans Youth

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

2016

Gender Odyssey | Seattle, WA
Keynote, Trans Health & Education Alliance | Atlanta, GA
Human Rights Campaign Regional Meeting | Cleveland, OH
Keynote, Planned Parenthood Great Plains Regional Conference | Kansas City, MO

2015

OASIS Transgender Outreach | Houston, TX
Human Rights Campaign National Convention | Washington, D.C.
Human Rights Campaign Regional Convention | St. Louis, MO
Trevor Project's Trevor LIVE | New York, NY
Trans Health & Education Alliance | Atlanta, GA
HRC's Corporate Equality Index Awards | New York, NY
Time to THRIVE | Portland, OR

2014

PFLAG National Conference | Washington, D.C.
Listen To Your Mother Show | Kansas City, MO

MEDIA

2016

Al Jazeera English TV segment on Department of Education's support of trans students
NPR Morning Edition | Washington, D.C.
BBC Radio 4 | United Kingdom
Proto Magazine, Massachusetts General Hospital, a TIME Inc publication | New York, NY
Think Olga: Women Leaders Project | Sao Paulo, Brazil

2015

Parents Magazine: *Raising a Transgender Child*
KCUR: *Kansas City Parents Find Struggle, Satisfaction In Raising Transgender Children*
LifeNews TV, Russia
BuzzFeed News: *Advice for America From Parents Who Support Their Transgender Kids*
Press Association Magazines, UK
Religion News: *Let the Churches Say Amen to Ban LGBT Conversion Therapy*
Parents Magazine: *You'd Love Your Transgender Child...Right?*
GLAAD All Access

2014

GLOBO TV | Sao Paulo, Brazil
Huffington Post Live
KSHB: *Growing Up Transgender* | Kansas City, MO
Kansas City Star | Kansas City, MO

AWARDS & RECOGNITION

2016

NEA GLBT Caucus Role Model Award
LGBT Families honored at the White House Easter Egg Roll

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

2016

PFLAG Kansas City Chapter President
Fundraising for the Transgender House with PlantingPeace.org
Kansas City TGNC Summit Planning Committee
KC LGBTQ Youth Provider Consortium
KC Coalition Against Hate Violence
“I Am Jazz” Community Book Reading Project

2015

PFLAG Kansas City Chapter President
Transgender Day of Remembrance Planning Committee
Moving Forward: A Day of Trans Resilience Planning Committee
Kansas City PRIDE Alliance Planning Committee
Co-Creator “We the People” Petition Against Conversion Therapy for LGBT Youth (Leelah’s Law)

2014

PFLAG Kansas City Chapter President
Co-Creator Change.org Petition Against Conversion Therapy for LGBT Youth (Leelah’s Law)
Transgender Day of Remembrance Planning Committee

WORK EXPERIENCE

Owner

Gender Inc, Kansas City, MO | November 2015 – present

Cultural competency training for transgender inclusivity within schools, medical offices and other businesses or organizations. Training is available for staff, students of every grade level, and for parent education. We assist with writing inclusive policies and can facilitate community meetings.

Owner

Online Marketing Company | January 2010 – September 2015

Director of Marketing

Professional Sports Team | June 2008 – November 2009

Director of Creative Services

Bank | March 2005 – June 2008

Creative Director

Telecommunications Company | December 2002 – March 2005

Senior Graphic Designer / Art Director

Marketing Company | June 2001 – December 2002

Graphic Designer

Architecture and Design Firm | January 1996 – June 2001

EDUCATION

Bachelors Degree in Journalism | Advertising Specialty
Minor in Art and Design
State University | December 1995