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SYMPOSIUM
NOVEMBER 29, 10:30AM



**QUEENS
MEMORY**



**THE FUTURE
AMERICAN
RETROSPECTIVE**



THIS EVENT WAS MADE POSSIBLE THROUGH THE GENEROUS SUPPORT OF THE NEW YORK CITY COUNCIL SPEAKER COREY JOHNSON AND COUNCIL MEMBER DANIEL DROMM (DISTRICT 25)

Keynote Speaker:



Pauline Park (paulinepark.com) is chair of the New York Association for Gender Rights Advocacy (NYAGRA) (transgenderrights.org), which she co-founded in 1998, and president of the board of directors of Queens Pride House (queenspridehouse.org), which she co-founded in 1997. She led the campaign for passage of the transgender rights law enacted by the New York City Council in 2002. In January 2012, Park participated in the first US LGBTQ delegation to Palestine, a seven-day tour of the West Bank and Israel that included meetings with LGBT- and non-LGBT Palestinians and Israelis.

She did her B.A. in philosophy at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, her M.Sc. in European Studies at the London School of Economics and her Ph.D. in political science at the University of Illinois at Urbana. In 2005, Park became the first openly transgendered grand marshal of the New York City Pride March. In 2015, she was invited to keynote the Queer Korea Festival/Seoul Pride Parade, the largest event in the history of the LGBT community of Korea up until that time, drawing a crowd estimated at more 35,000. In October 2012, Park was one of 54 individuals named to a list of “The Most Influential LGBT Asian Icons” by the Huffington Post. In November 2012, she was named to a list of “50 Transgender Icons” for Transgender Day of Remembrance 2012.

Panelists:

LGBTQ Activism panel

Lakshman Kalasapudi, former board member of the South Asian Lesbian and Gay Association
Aiden Jay Kaplan, Pride for Youth
Adrian Ogle, Lambda Legal
JR Cehonski, Queens LGBT Center
Neal Stone, Queens Pride Lions Club
Melissa Sklarz, Activist and former co-chair of the Empire State Pride Agenda

Transgender and Gender Fluidity panel

Bianey Garcia, Make the Road New York
Tabytha Gonzalez, Transgender Legal Defense and Education Fund
AJ Mattioli, Filmmaker and activist
Jimena Lucero, Activist and Poet
Sasha Braun, Activist and Artist

Schedule:

***All events will take place in the 3H atrium @ York College, Jamaica NY
Event open to all York College courses and the Public***

10:30-12pm

Activism VR Panel Discussion

12:00-1:30pm

Lunch served + Keynote: Pauline Park, Chair, New York Association for Gender Rights Advocacy

2-3:30pm

Transgender Rights Gender Fluidity VR Panel Discussion