

community compass

Calling Volunteers for SafeSpace

Volunteer for SafeSpace at the fourth annual Phone-A-Thon. On January 23, 26, and 30 from 5pm to 9pm. Help end physical, sexual, emotional, and hate violence in the LGBTQQ community. Volunteers with great phone, administrative, and organization skills are encouraged to join this year's crew. A brief orientation will be held, free dinner will be provided, and small prizes will go out to the top callers of the night! Please contact Connie at connie@safespacevt.org or 802-863-0003.

An Outrighteous Website!

Outright Vermont is proud to announce the launch of its redesigned website at <http://www.outrightvt.org>. The website redesign was supported in part by a Verizon grant in 2005. The new website maintains Outright Vermont's effort to stay connected and available to lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender & questioning or queer youth & their supporters around the state.

We know that young people are the most 'wired' generation and therefore we understand the critical importance of being visible on the web. There is so much misinformation on the web for LGBT/queer youth. We hope that our website will connect youth and their supporters with our services as well as direct

them to additional, accurate resources available online.

The redesigned website was designed by Vermont Design Works, a full-service graphic design, internet marketing, and hosting firm located in the Burlington, Vermont area. For more information about Vermont Design Works, please visit www.vtdesignworks.com.

Arts Grants Guidelines

A program of Creative Capital and supported by the Rockefeller Foundation the Multi-Arts Production Fund (<http://www.map-fund.org/>) supports original new work in all disciplines and traditions of the live performing arts.

Every year, the fund supports up to 42 performance-based works with awards ranging from \$10,000 to \$50,000.

The goal of the fund is to assist artists who are exploring and challenging the dynamics of live performance within our changing society, thus reflecting the culture's innovation and growing diversity. MAP seeks especially to support work that brings insight and vibrant critique to the issue of cultural difference, be that in class, gender, generation, ethnicity, or tradition.

Deadline: February 10, 2006 Applications for MAP support must come from U.S.-based organizations that have current nonprofit federal tax status. In addition, nonprofit artist-services organizations may apply as fiscal sponsors on behalf of unincorporated artists or ensembles. Both the organization and the artists involved in the project must have at least a two-year history of professional activity.

Visit the MAP Fund Web site for complete program information and application guidelines. An online application form is available January 2, 2006.

Completed applications may be sent electronically between February 1 and February 10, 2006. RFP Link: <http://fconline.fdncenter.org/pnd/5002089/mapfund>.

Clergy for Marriage-Equality

It is no secret that conservative and radical religious institutions often leverage their organizational structure and financial resources in attempt to claim moral authority on just about every social issue, including civil marriage. They employ tools of fear and shame to demoralize our families and actively work against marriage equality for same-sex couples.

Because of vocal radical groups, we sometimes do not hear the people of faith who genuinely struggle with the issue of civil marriage equality for same-sex couples. They become lost in the fray, fearing that by

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- Committed **Community** Member - Coordinator of the Vermont Million Mom March and founding board member of the Child Care Fund of Vermont

These times call for Hinda Miller.

Your vote matters!

Bring a fresh perspective and keep dynamic leadership in City Hall by participating in the Democratic Caucus. In the last mayoral caucus, the winner was decided by a five vote margin. Your vote is crucial.

**The Democratic Caucus
Thursday, January 5**

Burlington High School

Voters must be checked in no later than 6:00 pm to participate

For more information go to:
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