

Hello, Cruel Newsletter!

LGBT Groups at Different Stages of Development Require Different Forms of Inspiration, Encouragement and Support



THAT'S EDUTAINMENT! *This is me, Kate Bornstein at the New York Public Library. I travel with a variety of programs on sex & gender, with fees in a reasonable range. I'm sure we can find a program that's just right for your campus and your budget Or, I'll book you up with other queer speakers & performers. We're all trying to do what's best for your campus (while of course making us all fabulously famous & filthy rich.)*

Budgets are tight and getting tighter, especially for LGBT activities. Students who want to bring me to their campus mostly ask first: *how much do you charge?* The answer is: I don't know... Probably a little less than I'd like to get, and a little more than you'd like to spend. But I won't know for sure until I find out more about your school, and what can I best do to contribute there to the growth of sex positivism and gender anarchy. Some schools have made big leaps toward that.

No one's all the way there yet. So what's it like on *your* campus for queer students, staff, and faculty? What sort of rapport do you have with community queer groups... with other sex positive groups? Me, I'd like to help build some coalitions. I've developed a series of talks, performances, and workshops. Some may just be right for your campus *and* your budget. I'll work toward making that happen, because I love doing this stuff. Please, let's talk soon!

— xoxo Kate

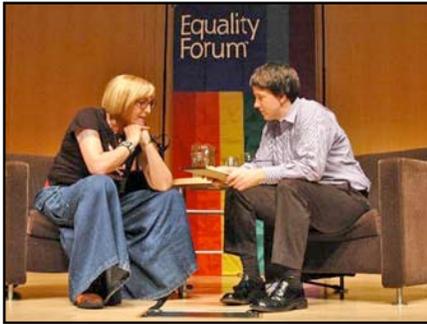
New Workshop!

*Hello, Cruel World:
An Outlaw's Guide to
Survival in the 21st Century*

Sometimes, whatever it is that gives you the most joy, pleasure or relief also gets you into the deepest trouble, especially when you try to explain it to other people. Like when you love someone you're not supposed to love. Or when the way you express yourself makes other people queasy. This is a one to two hour workshop, exploring irreverent alternatives to suffering as a 21st Century outlaw. The easy stuff, as well as the scary stuff. The workshop is based on my shiny new book, *Hello, Cruel World: 101 Alternatives to Suicide for Teens, Freaks, and Other Outlaws*. I've tried this workshop out at LGBT youth conferences for both youth and their parents. So far, everyone's been really positive about it.

[send me an email](#) to receive a copy of the workshop handout and see if this workshop is right for *your* campus!



PERFORMANCES, LECTURES
& WORKSHOPS FOR 06-07

In conversation with Heather Love on stage at Equality Forum '06, Philadelphia

Kate Bornstein: On Men, Women, and the Rest of Us!

This is the piece I'm best known for. It's my interactive, autobiographical signature piece, composed of stand-up, theatrical monologues and slam poetry; and it's most requested for a broad audience, or for the purpose of educating the campus at large about the exploding phenomenon of transgender. I can do both 60 and 90 minute versions of this piece in the unique style I'm calling edutainment.

Keynote Talks & Lectures

I will tailor a talk to the needs of your campus. The three main areas I'm speaking about these days are: *identity*, *desire*, and *power*. Could one of these topics—or some combination of them—work for your campus or conference?

Workshops

I think workshops are for getting some work done. So, I've got workshop topics ranging from *Playing With Gender 101* to *Performing Gender for Stage & Screen*, and the ever popular *Achieving the Gender Free Orgasm!* No, really. Call me, we'll talk.

Workshops generally run 90 to 120 minutes and can be scheduled as part of my visit to your campus.

Classroom Talks

Gender is increasingly understood as a phenomenon tightly linked to age, race, class, religion, and the economy. And of course, gender is impacted by biology, history, spirituality, health and politics. I'm always interested in speaking in different classrooms while I'm visiting a campus; and arranging classroom talks is a great way to increase the number of departments who can sponsor my visit. Who loves ya like I love ya?

Arts Residencies

Another great way to increase sponsorship of my visit to your campus would be to enlist the support of the Theatre and English departments. I'm available to do a workshop or two, or even a 3-day to 10 day arts a residency in writing, play-writing, and performance art.

But wait, there's more!

All of my visits to your campus can include these extras: town hall style meetings, on a group-wide or even campus-wide basis. And I'm glad to have discussions over meals with smaller groups to discuss group-specific issues, or just for a fun discussion. And I'm always eager to participate in any coalition or alliance building. Mostly, I'm interested in building a coalition of people who like sex.

Please [email me today](#), and let's try to schedule a visit to your campus that gets the most done, fits within your budget, and makes me rich and famous beyond my wildest dreams! kiss kiss, Kate

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[kate bornstein's blog for teens, freaks, and other outlaws](#)

be my friend on myspace!:

myspace/stranger_in_paradox

Bio-Notes

Kate Bornstein is an author, playwright performance artist and queer youth advocate. Her latest book is *Hello, Cruel World: 101 Alternatives to Suicide for Teens, Freaks, and Other Outlaws*. Kate's published works include the books *Gender Outlaw: On Men, Women and the Rest of Us*; *My Gender Workbook*; and the cyber-romance-action novel, *Nearly Roadkill* with co-author Caitlin Sullivan. Kate's plays and performance pieces include *Strangers in Paradox*, *Hidden: A Gender*, *The Opposite Sex Is Neither*, and *y2kate: gender virus*.

Kate's books are taught in over 120 colleges and universities around the world; and ze has performed his work live on campuses, in theaters and in performance spaces across the USA, as well as in Canada, Europe, and Australia. Kate lives in New York City with her girlfriend. They don't plan to get married.

