

# ALL IRELAND LESBIAN & GAY MEN CONFERENCE

## Registration

Advance registration and details of accomodation requirements would be appreciated as soon as possible. More details, discussion papers on workshops and excerpts from '82 Conference Report will be sent on registration.



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Address

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Accommodation needed Yes/No

### REGISTRATION FEE

£1.50 unwaged

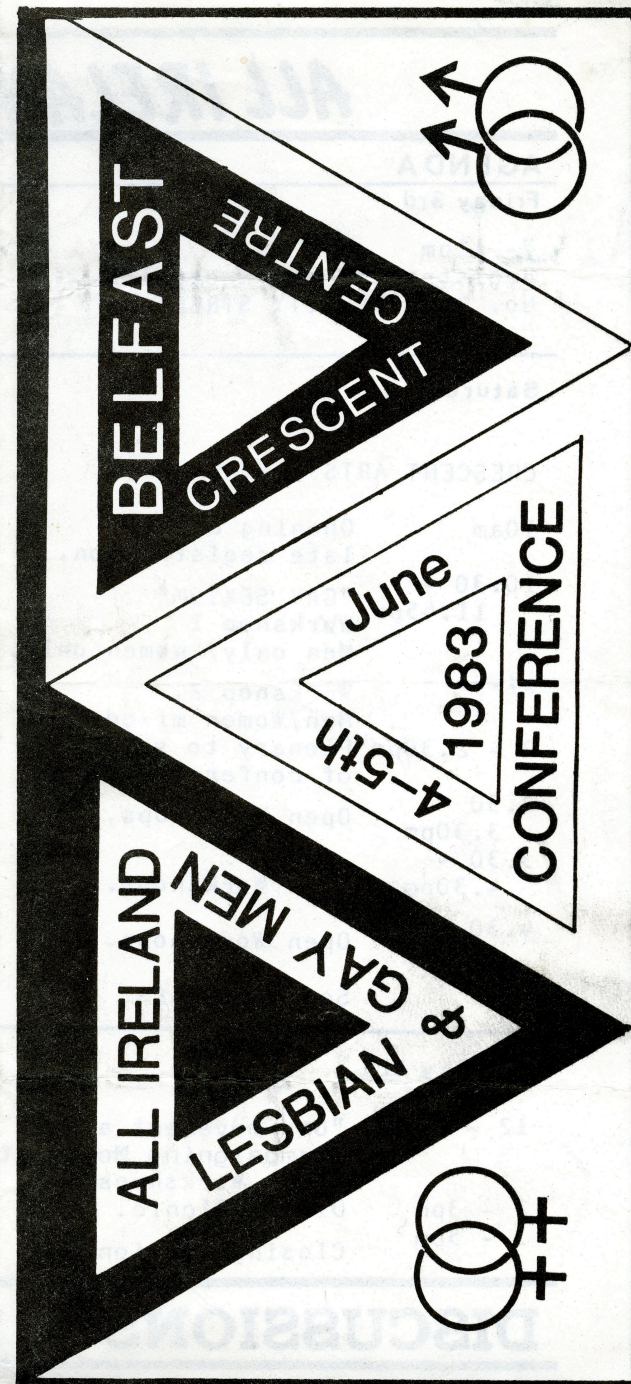
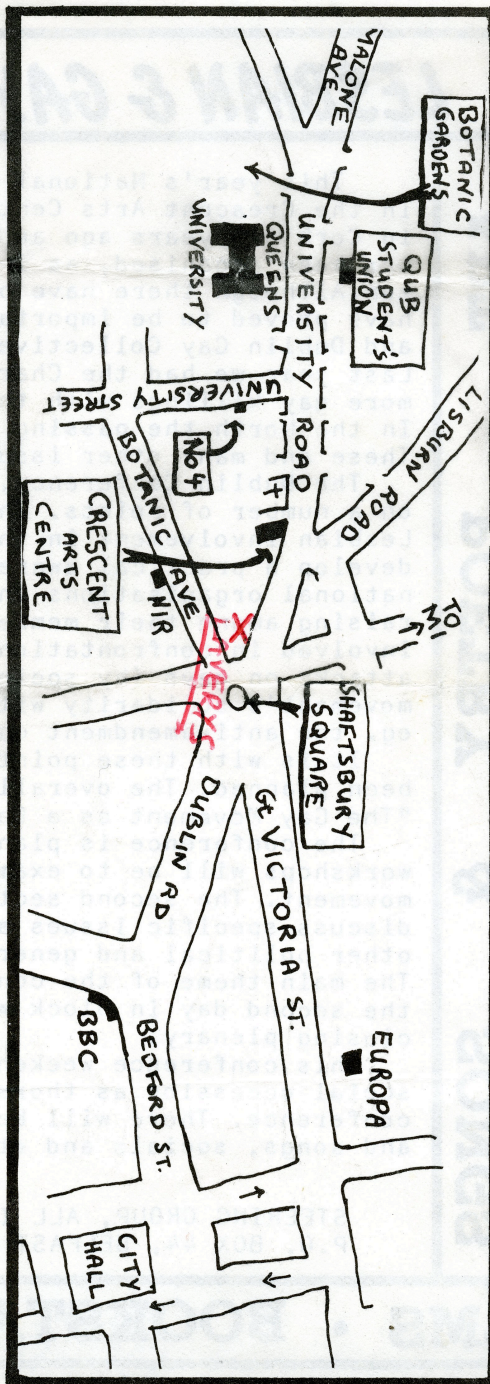
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Sterling or punts

Some facilities for the  
disabled available.

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Crescent Arts Centre 4-5 June





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## AGENDA

### Friday 3rd

7- 11pm  
Registration and Reception.  
No. 4 UNIVERSITY STREET.

### Saturday 4th

#### CRESCENT ARTS CENTRE

10am Opening coffee,  
late registration.  
10.30 - "GAY SEXISM"  
11.45pm Workshop 1  
Men only/ women only.  
11.45 - Workshop 2.  
1pm Men/Women mixed.  
2 - 2.30pm Plenary to set theme  
of conference.  
2.30 - Open Workshops.  
3.30pm  
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4.30pm  
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5.30pm  
8pm Social Events.

### Sunday 5th

12 - 2pm "Gay movement as a  
Campaigning Movement."  
Block Workshops.  
2 - 3pm Dinner/Picnic.  
3 - 5pm Closing Session.

## ART , POETRY & SONGS

This year's National Gay Conference is to be held in Belfast, in the Crescent Arts Centre. The first National Conference was held in Cork two years ago and in Dublin last year. This year's conference has been organised, as in the past, by independent lesbians and gay men. Although there have been only two annual conferences, so far, they have proved to be important forums for discussion and both the Cork and Dublin Gay Collectives have to a large extent 'grown out' of them. Last year we had the Charles Self murder, this year we have had two more gay killings with the resulting controversial court sentences. In the North the passing of the N.I. Order has made little impact. These and many other issues need a forum for discussion.

The Dublin Conference, although by no means conclusive, was agreed on a number of points. These were: 1) The importance of a greater Lesbian involvement in the gay movement, 2) the need for gay men to develop a practical awareness of sexism, 3) the limitations of the national organisations in both public campaigning and consciousness raising among their members, 4) the need for independent groups to be involved in confrontation campaigning against general and specific attacks on gays (by society, the law and the media) 5) the gay movement's solidarity with other progressive groups on wider issues, eg. the anti-amendment campaign.

It is with these points in mind that the Belfast workshops have been planned. The overall theme for this year's conference is to be "The Gay Movement as a Campaigning Movement."

The conference is planned in four main sections. The first set of workshops will be to examine how women and men relate within the gay movement. The second section will be a series of open workshops to discuss specific issues such as violence against gays as well as other political and general issues. (Suggestions welcome.) The main theme of the conference, campaigning, will be discussed on the second day in block workshops leading to the final afternoon closing plenary.

This conference weekend will be, for Belfast, a rare cultural and social occasion as there will be several events associated with the conference. There will be a bookstall, films, videos, local poetry and songs, socials and other events. Further details on registration.

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