

# Sponsorship Package



## Spirited Activism NSRAP Annual Fundraising Gala

Saturday, **October 20<sup>th</sup>** @ 6:00 pm  
Marriott Harbourfront

**Cocktails, Silent Auction,  
3-Course Dinner, Live  
Entertainment and Dance**

**Tickets:** \$125/person, \$1,250/table

The **Nova Scotia Rainbow Action Project** works across Nova Scotia as a social, legal and political advocate for LGBTQ communities.



Musical Performance by **Stewart Legere**  
Raymond Taavel Media Award: **Jesiah MacDonald**  
Corporate Stewardship Award: **prideHealth** (program of CDHA & IWK)

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We encourage you to demonstrate your activism by **wearing purple** in honour of **Spirit Day**, showing support for LGBTQ youth who face bullying.

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NOVA SCOTIA RAINBOW ACTION PROJECT

*Equality for All*

## **Nova Scotia Rainbow Action Project (NSRAP) Gala**

**9th Annual Community Heroes Gala: Spirited Activism!**

**Date/Time: Saturday, October 20, 2012 at 6 pm**

**Location: Marriott Harbourfront Hotel, Halifax, NS**

This Gala is the annual celebration of the important work completed by NSRAP, and the event where we celebrate a member of our community with the Rev. Darlene Young Community Hero Award. Rev. Darlene Young was the former pastor of Safe Harbour MCC - whose life of service was an inspiration to many. In commemoration of her activism and spirit, each year at this time NSRAP honours a member of Nova Scotia's Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender (LGBT) Community.

We are proud to welcome the Honourable Darrell Dexter, M.L.A., Premier of Nova Scotia as our keynote speaker. The Premier has three degrees - Bachelor of Education, Bachelor of Laws, and Bachelors of Journalism, and formerly served in the Royal Canadian Navy on the on HMCS Yukon and HMCS Qu'appelle. He started in politics in 1994 when first elected to Dartmouth City Council, but his popularity brought him into provincial politics in 1998, his first election into the Legislative Assembly as the representative for Cole Harbour. The Honourable Darrell Dexter became leader of the Nova Scotia New Democratic Party in 2001 and Premier on June 19, 2009.



Candy Palmater will be reprising her role as our Celebrity Mistress of Ceremonies. She is a self-proclaimed recovered lawyer who turned from the courts to the comedy stage. She is the creator, producer and star of The Candy Show for the APTN network, with its third season starting November 2012. The show is a night time variety program showcasing the talent of the East Coast of Canada. Candy is a big music fan and in her show always brings her musical guests into a replica of her high school bedroom to conduct her very unique interviews.



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## CHAMPION SPONSOR

(\$10,000)

- Title Sponsor
- 2 Seats at Head Table, plus 1 Table of ten seats
- Speaking Rights and Podium Thanks
- Gala Slide Show - Single Slide with Logo
- Website / Program / Posters Handbills - Large Logo
- Tweeting Mentions



## AMBASSADOR SPONSOR

(\$5,000 with 1 table of ten seats, or \$3,500 without table)

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- Gala Slide Show - All Ambassador Sponsors' Logos on Same Slide
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# Who is NSRAP?

The Nova Scotia Rainbow Action Project (NSRAP) is the social and political advocate for the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer (LGBTQ) or Rainbow Community. NSRAP is a strong proponent for legal rights and in principle seeks to promote equity for all sexual orientations and gender identities.

NSRAP completed the Halifax Rainbow Health Project and is currently focused on the health and well-being of LGBT Elders. The organization is also focused on Transgender health issues - including provincial funding medically necessary procedures. NSRAP has participated in numerous human rights cases involving same-sex partnerships, and was instrumental in bringing marriage equality to Nova Scotians. NSRAP also works with media to promote responsible and respectful broadcasting.

## Notable NSRAP events throughout the year:

- **May 17th Rally to celebrate the International Day Against Homophobia & Transphobia**
- **Lecture Series - Lunchtime series and discussions held during Halifax Pride Week**
- **Transgender Day of Remembrance on November 20<sup>th</sup> – a day to memorialize those killed to due to transphobic hate and prejudice.**
- **Supporting social events hosted by The Elderberries– the new social LGBT Elders group**
- **Vigil and Memorial Service for murdered LGBTQ activist Raymond Taavel - organized the vigil and contributed to the memorial service to celebrate the life of our friend and fellow activist.**

## Ongoing initiatives:

- **Providing training for corporations and health care providers on issues relevant to LGBT Employees**
- **Lobbying MPs and MLAs on a variety of Government legislation and policy – such as Trans-health policy and creating a task force to study the effects of Homophobia in the province.**
- **Rainbow Community Centre Committee: This is a new committee formed with the aim of developing a resource centre for the LGBTQ Community in Nova Scotia.**

We believe in working collaboratively throughout the community and with government, business, institutions, and individuals to foster change. We have developed working relationships with many government departments and non-governmental organizations, particularly in the areas of education, human rights, policing, legal/political affairs, health care, faith & religion, and community development.

We trust you share our conviction that this work grounded in social justice, is of great importance and benefit to all citizens of our province. Thank you for considering our request.

