

News and Letters Committees invites you to a panel discussion on:

How Do We Defend Equality?

Prompted by California's anti-gay Proposition 8, passed in November 2008 to ban same-sex marriage, many Queer activists joined together to plan a National Equality March for October 11, 2009, the 30th anniversary of the 1st national march on Washington, D.C., for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Rights. The march has one demand: "Equal protection in all matters governed by civil law in all 50 states.



- What do we hope to gain by marching on Washington?
- Should one of our demands be legal marriage between same-sex people? Or is legal marriage an oppressive capitalist institution that should be abolished?
- What kind of demands will help create the kind of society where everyone experiences freedom?

Speakers:

Darrell Gordon, Queer activist, local organizer for the 1987 National March and National Steering Committee delegate to the 1993 March

Elise Barclay, activist and "Queer Notes" columnist for *News & Letters*

followed by free and open discussion

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