



# **CREATE**

a global community

an International  
Gathering of  
**Radical Faeries,  
Friends and  
Allies**

**With a Global Symposium on  
Queer Culture Around the World**

**August 8 through August 17, 2017 | Featherstone Castle | Northumberland, England**



**We call to Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Intersex and Queer People: healers, shamans, visionaries, storytellers, truth-tellers, artists and activists to join hands and hearts to celebrate and explore who we are as a global queer conscious community!**

The world is changing rapidly. We are more globally interconnected than ever before in the history of humankind. Despite our technological progress, our social and political situation is challenging in many corners of the world. How will our international family of queer people step up and claim our freedom and security and human rights, our meaningful and valuable place in society?

We'll meet in a romantic English castle for a nine-day gathering of Radical Faeries and activists from around the world to celebrate our virtues as a people and explore the state of LGBTIQ+ liberation and wellness.



Featherstone Castle, Northumberland, England

## Queer people of every culture on the planet joining together!

Let us consider and articulate the gifts we possess and the crucial role we play in contributing to all cultures around the globe. Where are we respected and honored? Where and why are we misunderstood and oppressed? What strategies can we create to connect our queer spirits and form a worldwide network of loving companions? What support would we appreciate and what support can we offer to each other?

Through sharing our stories and celebrating our strengths, let's co-create a planetary wave of love and consciousness and recognition for all LGBTIQ+ people. **Come and add your voice!**

## Who are the Faeries?

Faeries have been gathering and creating heart-centered community for over 30 years. We use the word Faerie to highlight the sacred link between our sexuality, nature, spirituality and realms of consciousness. We explore the roots of who we are as same-sex loving and/or gender non-conforming people and the unique perspective on life that we offer as a mirror to society. We meet to deepen connections with each other and the earth and to celebrate the emergence of queer people as storytellers, rite preservers, ceremonial leaders, soul healers, community builders and transformation agents for the whole world.

## The Creation of an International Global Gathering will allow us to:

- Join together in sacred community at Featherstone Castle, Northumberland, UK.
  - Honor our ancestors, our histories and our contributions in every age and every culture.
  - Celebrate our cultural heritages by sharing food, music and performance, heart circle and ceremony.
  - Participate in a symposium exploring queer culture, rights, health and history. (See suggested symposium topics on the website).
- [www.albionfaeries.org.uk/global-gathering-2017/](http://www.albionfaeries.org.uk/global-gathering-2017/)  
[gatheringglobal@gmail.com](mailto:gatheringglobal@gmail.com)
- Rest, renew and have fun with other committed cultural change agents.
  - Foster the growth of a worldwide network of LGBTIQ+ activists.
  - Cost is 250-500 pounds per person, sliding scale based on ability to pay.
  - Includes indoor accommodation or camping and all meals.
  - No one will be turned away for lack of funds and everyone is asked to be as generous as possible. Donations to this co-created gathering are deeply appreciated.
  - Additional support may be available for those from overseas who need travel grants or housing assistance. Support for others based on need may be available.
  - You must be registered to participate.
  - Accommodations and support for those with special needs if possible.



According to Wikipedia, 96 countries signed a 2011 United Nations declaration supporting LGBTIQ+ rights while 54 signed a 2008 statement opposing them. 44 countries have expressed neither official support nor opposition. Same-sex relations are illegal in 74 countries and punishable by death in 13.

Very few nations recognize Transgender rights - most punish or obstruct gender fluidity.

### DATES:

Tuesday-August 8th –  
Thursday August 17th 2017

### LOCATION:

Featherstone Castle,  
Northumberland, England

### FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACTS AND REGISTRATION:

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