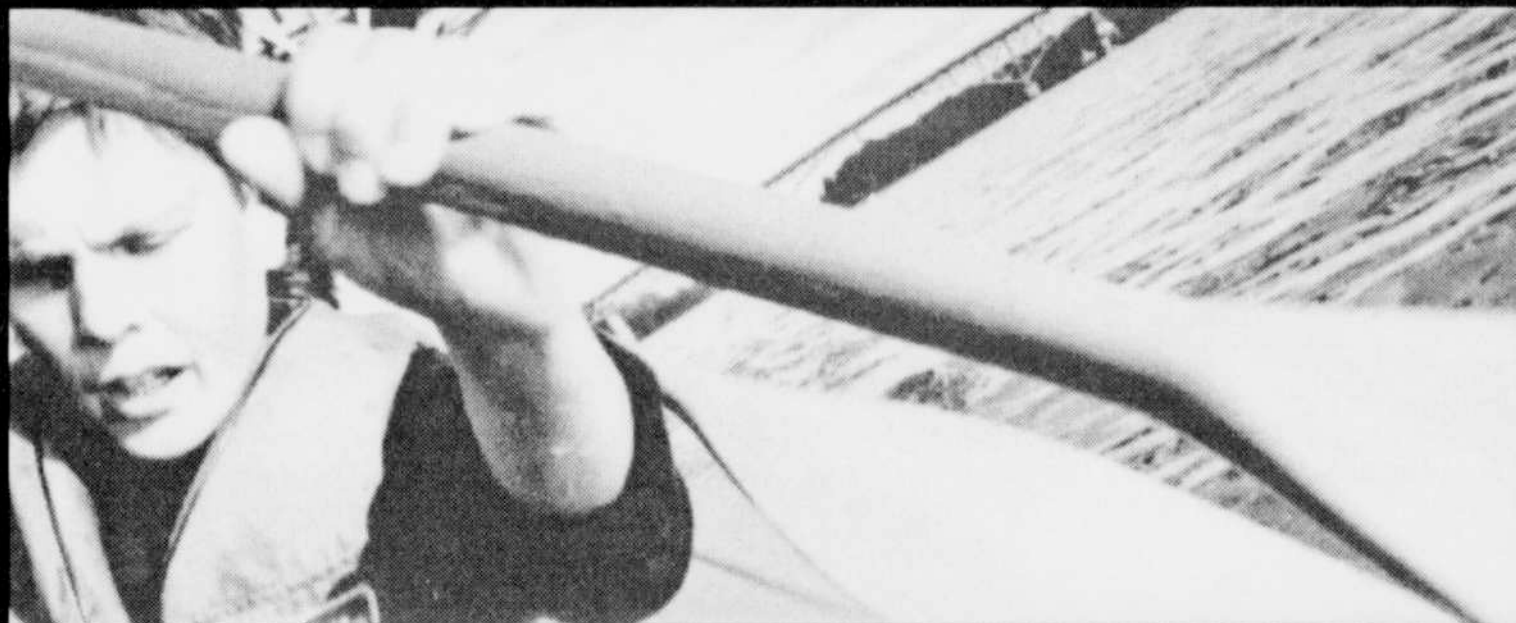


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**T**hrough the Conversations Project, Pride Northwest, producer of Portland's annual Lesbian, Gay, Bi, Trans Pride Celebration, intends to engage our community in dialog to promote understanding, communication, inclusivity, and respect for differences. By coming together in small groups we can create safe spaces to listen to each other, learn from each other, heal our divisions, and help weave a stronger community.

The first round of conversations began in April 1998. It includes four groups, three with the members of the trans community and one with members of Brother to Brother, the African American gay men's group. Conversations include both people who identify as members of the constituency group and people who do not. The goal is to learn more about each other in a context that is non-threatening and guided by ground rules which everyone agrees to follow. More groups will be started as more funding is secured. A public presentation sharing what was learned will be made at the conclusion of the first round of conversations. The current groups are slated to conclude by mid summer. To find out how you can participate in the Conversations Project, call (503) 295-9788.

