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Welcome to Participate!, the newsletter of the Federation of Gay Games.

Be sure to register for [Paris 2018 - Gay Games 10](#) before the 30 June Deadline -- you will join approximately 9,000 artists and athletes from all over the globe changing the world!

Everyone registered for Gay Games 10 receives the following benefits:

- Participation in the Opening and Closing Ceremonies
- Official participation medal
- Free access to the accreditation center in the Gay Games village (in front of Paris City Hall) and most of the sports venues
- Free public transport pass (bus, metro, RER) throughout the Ile-de-France (5 zones) for non-Parisians
- Printed collectible program, welcome bag and promotional offers
- Memories for a lifetime!



See you in Paris for the Opening Ceremony at Stade Jean Bouin on 4 August. Remember, to register and learn more, please visit [www. paris2018.com](http://www.paris2018.com).

With greatest respect,



Joanie Evans, co-president



Sean Fitzgerald, co-president



Make plans today! "Last Minute Fees" continue to 30 June 2018

UPLOAD YOUR MANDATORY CERTIFICATE OF FITNESS AND APTITUDE

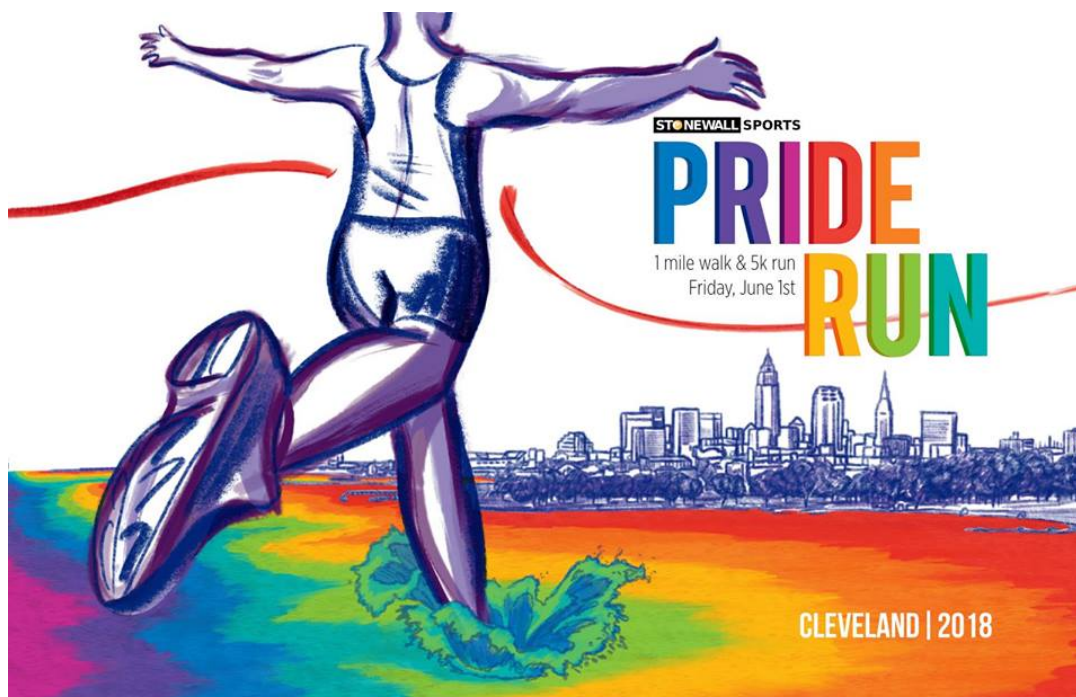
Participation in SPORTS requires a French National Sports License or a Certificate of Fitness Aptitude. It is MANDATORY to upload a copy of your document when you register or before the Games. Certificate templates: [English](#) - [French](#) - [Spanish](#). Once you have your certificate, [upload HERE](#).

BUY YOUR PARIS 2018 MERCHANDISE!

Go shopping at the OFFICIAL WEBSHOP for Paris 2018 products!

PLAN ON YOUR EVENT TICKETS TODAY!

Check out and plan for all your fun while in Paris: sightseeing, cultural and sport event tickets and more! [Check out all the FESTIVITIES HERE!](#)



Celebrate PRIDE month & PRIDE in the CLE weekend at the 2nd annual Stonewall PRIDE Run | 5K run & 1 mile walk, the region's FIRST gender inclusive race with gender non-conforming, male, & female categories.

They are also excited to be the official Gay Games & **International Rainbow Memorial Run** affiliate event. In partnership with organizations around the globe, we'll host the Rainbow Flag as it makes its way to Paris for the 2018 games.

Participants are encouraged to express themselves in their best PRIDE colors! Awards given to top 5 overall runners in gender non-conforming, male & female categories.

Proceeds from the event will go to support the LGBT Community Center of Greater Cleveland.

REGISTER TODAY

The FGG is honored and excited to present our newest Gay Games Ambassador, professional surfing athlete from China: 'A Sam' 许景森 !

A Sam has just "come out" publicly via his Weibo social media account - a first for China! Congratulations to him on his bravery and pioneering action.

The Gay Games Ambassadors are an international group of prominent individuals supporting the goals and principles of the Gay Games. As our first Gay Games Ambassador from Asia, we are very pleased both for A Sam and for our organisation and movement. This visibility of our having a professional



Chinese athlete as a Gay Games Ambassador has the potential to positively impact the lives of hundreds of thousands of LGBT+ people in mainland China, the rest of Asia and across the world.

(Translated from Chinese) "Hello everyone! I am Assen. I will attend the Gay Games in Paris, France, in August this year and serve as an ambassador. Being born into people is the ultimate measure of our inner courage. Yes, I am gay.

We have the right to choose love and be loved. Gender, age, and skin color are not embarrassment. We are all the same and live in the sunshine. Today, I bravely make the most true self, and I regard it as the best gift bestowed upon me. If my courage can bring comfort to those who feel lonely and helpless, and encourage everyone to support equality, then everything I do will make more sense. Thank you friends!"

Upcoming General Assembly Information

The international Federation of Gay Games (FGG) General Assembly (GA) is comprised of Board of Director Members, Full Members, Associate Members, Partners and Honorary Life Members. The GA is the governing body of the FGG and meets at the Annual General Assembly (AGA).

The 2018 AGA takes place in Paris at the conclusion of Gay Games 10 on Sunday, August 12.

The 2019 AGA will take place in Guadalajara, Mexico. Additional information on these two AGAs will be distributed directly to members.

[Click here to learn more about FGG membership](#), and [please email us](#) if you're interested to become a member or an FGG Board Member and help us "Change the World!"



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The Federation of Gay Games mission promotes LGBT equality in and through sport and culture and ensures that the Gay Games, the world's largest sports and culture festival open to all, take place every four years under the founding principles of Participation, Inclusion, and Personal Best™. First held in San Francisco in 1982, subsequent Gay Games are San Francisco (1986), Vancouver (1990), New York (1994), Amsterdam (1998), Sydney (2002), Chicago (2006), Cologne (2010), Cleveland+Akron (2014), Paris (2018) and Hong Kong (2022).

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