

Special Invitation

NESsT, CenterLink, and the Institute for Philanthropy cordially invite you to the public launch of the new book

end of the rainbow

Increasing the sustainability of LGBT organizations through social enterprise

Please join us for a presentation by and discussion with author Lee Davis of NESsT along with perspectives from Carla Sutherland of the Arcus Foundation and Craig Wiley of GLCCB.

Thursday, September 17, 2009 from 6:00 - 7:30 pm

at

The Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual & Transgender Community Center
208 West 13th Street, New York, NY 10011
(between 7th & 8th Avenues)

Directions at: www.gaycenter.org/contactus

Please **RSVP** by September 14th to Lee Davis at ldavis@nesst.org



"End of the Rainbow powerfully explores how social enterprises can strengthen LGBT organizations. It's a must-read for any community organizer or supporter looking to make a meaningful, ongoing difference."

- Ambassador Michael Guest, Council for Global Equality

About *End of the Rainbow*

End of the Rainbow introduces social enterprise as an opportunity for some LGBT organizations to contribute to their financial sustainability and increase their social impact. The book explores the growing interest in LGBT social enterprise worldwide and the myriad of social enterprise models LGBT organizations are undertaking. *End of the Rainbow* also explores the lessons learned by LGBT organizations – and the challenges they face – in managing social enterprises. Finally, it recommends ways in which donors and social investors can foster LGBT social enterprise. www.nesst.org/endoftherainbow

Agenda

6:15 Welcome

Carla Sutherland, Arcus Foundation

6:20 Challenges & Opportunities for LGBT Social Enterprise

Lee Davis, Co-Founder & CEO, NESsT

6:50 LGBT Social Enterprise in Practice

Craig Wiley, Executive Director, Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender Community Center of Baltimore (GLCCB) and Board Member, CenterLink

7:00 Discussion

Wine & Cheese

About NESsT

NESsT works to solve critical social problems in emerging market countries by developing and supporting social enterprises. The NESsT Venture Fund provides financing and mentoring to social enterprises in 10 countries in Central Europe & Latin America. www.nesst.org

About CenterLink

CenterLink: The Community of LGBT Centers exists to support the development of strong, sustainable LGBT community centers and to build a unified center movement. www.lgbtcenters.org

About the Institute for Philanthropy

The Institute for Philanthropy is one of the world's leading organisations providing international donor education. We work closely with a global network of almost 200 wealthy families, and partner with companies, trusts, foundations and schools. www.instituteforphilanthropy.org



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