



You Can Be a Champion

Be a Champion before the 2014 Games begin. The new Games Champion program is looking for volunteers (Games Champions) to be on the front lines to recruit participants in their cities or regions, or a particular sport or cultural event. Learn more about the Games Champions program [here](#) and sign up today.

Participant Spotlight: Bowler Jim Hahn

When Tom Waddell met Jim Hahn in 1982, Tom encouraged him to attend this new thing called the Gay Games. Jim did and has been bowling at every Games. Read more about his Games experience [here](#).



Jim saw this post in the last e-newsletter and sent us his story. Want to share your story about why you're participating in the 2014 Games? [Email us today](#).

Spotlight on Sport: Track and Field

On your mark, get set ... will be the cry heard around the stadium at the University of Akron. **Track-and-field** competitors will be on the field (and track) at this NCAA Division I school. To get all the specifics on track and field, [click here](#). To see where you'll run, throw, jump, etc., visit the University of Akron [here](#).



Catch this Film Festival in April

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The Gay Games is a community partner of the Cleveland International Film Festival, a world-renowned event, happening this April. The Games is a partner of "[Vera 68](#)," a compelling portrait of a Czech Olympic athlete who stood up and paid the price. See the film April 7 or 8 at Tower City Cinema. Click [here](#) for more information.

Spotlight on Cleveland+Akron

West of Cleveland, [Cedar Point](#) amusement park rocks Ohio's north coast and the world with the number of thrilling roller coasters. This summer, it debuts [Gatekeeper](#), the winged roller coaster that breaks the world record, with a 164-foot drop and running 4,164 feet. Check it out and take a virtual ride.



To learn more about what to see and do in Cleveland area, visit www.positivelycleveland.com.

South of Akron, the [National Football Hall of Fame](#) catches fans in Canton. Celebrating its 50th anniversary, the hall of fame is easily visible from Interstate 77 and is



sure to entice any American football fan with its decades of nostalgia and history. In August, the hall inducts its new class with a parade and pro exhibition game.

To learn more about what to see and do in the Akron area, visit www.visitakron-summit.org.

Make Plans for Your Games Visit

Register now to participate in the 2014 Gay Games and save. General registration is \$165 (increases to \$195 later this year). You can start registration here: www.GG9CLE.com/registration.

Event-specific registration can be completed after general registration. Note: You do not have to participate in a specific event to participate in the Games. General registration is open to everyone and includes the ability to march in opening ceremony.

Reserve your hotel room now and ensure a preferred rate and

- [Tennis](#)
- [Track and Field](#)
- [Triathlon](#)
- [Volleyball](#)
- [Water Polo](#)
- [Wrestling](#)

[Gay Games 9 Schedule](#) Upcoming Events

- **March 15-17:** [Drama Queen Classic](#) volleyball, Cincinnati, Ohio
- **April 3-7:** [The Dinah Shore](#) Weekend, Palm Springs, California
- **April 7-8:** "[Vera 68](#)" Cleveland International Film Fest, Cleveland
- **April 8:** [Games Buzz](#) Akron, Ohio
- **April 9:** [Games Buzz](#) Cleveland, Ohio
- **April 11:** [Team D.C.](#) Sports Fest, Washington, D.C.
- **April 11:** [Games Buzz](#), Strongsville, Ohio
- **April 16:** [Games Buzz](#), Bay Village, Ohio
- **April 17:** [Games Buzz](#), Cleveland, Ohio
- **April 20-21:** Chicago [Coady Roundball Classic](#), Chicago
- **April 22:** [Games Buzz](#), Middleburg Heights, Ohio
- **April 24:** [Games Buzz](#), Beachwood, Ohio
- **April 26-28:** [Lake](#)

location. Participants already have begun reserving rooms through the housing link on [our site](#). This is the only way to reserve a room this far in advance of the Games.

Take this Survey ... Please

The Greater Cleveland Sports Commission, a sponsor of the 2014 Gay Games, wants to know more about you and your sports travel. [Complete this confidential survey](#) and help the commission that is helping the Games, and enhancing the Games legacy in the community.

Join the Games Buzz in CLE+AKR

Interested in getting in on the Games? Northeast Ohio residents are invited to attend one of the Games Buzz community meetings in April (schedule under Events Calendar on right) or click [here](#).

The meetings are designed to share what the Gay Games are, what is happening in August 2014 and how Northeast Ohioans can get involved.

Connect to Games

Make certain you have the most recent news and fun from the 2014 Gay Games. Like us on [Facebook](#), circle us on [Google+](#) and follow us on [Twitter](#). Share frequently with your friends too!

On Your Mark ... Get Set ... Games

[Erie Classic](#) NAGVA Volleyball Tournament, Cleveland

- **May 4:** [Team CLE Dodgeball Tournament](#) Cleveland

Share Your Event

Have a sporting, fundraising or other event to share with Gay Games supporters? Email us [here](#). Please send by 15th of month for inclusion in the next e-newsletter (publishes early month.)

Support the Games

The 2014 Gay Games is incorporated as Cleveland Special Events Corp., a U.S. not-for-profit organization. Tax-deductible donations can be made [here](#).

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