

**JOIN US THURSDAY, MARCH 20, 2014**



Stamford Coalition for Respect and UConn Stamford SPECTRUM  
are hosting a public forum:

## ***Coming Out...to OPEN ARMS!***

*A celebration of acceptance, health, and well-being  
of our Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgendered  
& Questioning Youth and their Families*

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Please join us for this exciting panel discussion

Featuring Keynote Presenter:

Mr. Akil Patterson – *Special Advisor to Athletics, University of Maryland*

Rev. Ted Smith – *National LGBT Historian and Activist*

Ms. Fleurette King – *Executive Director, UConn Rainbow Center*

Mrs. Julia Wade – *Parent and Stamford Board of Education Member*

Ms. Becky Lotstein – *Westhill High School Alumnus*

Panel facilitated by Mr. Dan Woog, *Author of School's OUT:  
The Impact of Gay and Lesbian Issues on America's Schools*

**Thursday, March 20, 2014 7:00-9:00 p.m.**  
**at**

**UConn Stamford Auditorium, 1 University Place, Stamford, CT**

Students, parents, families, clergy, professionals,  
community members seeking to foster understanding and respect for  
our LGBTQ adolescents are especially invited.

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*Childcare will be provided by ROSCCO*

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