Equality to End AIDS This Saturday in DC

October 7, 2009 By Shawn Decker

This Saturday my band, Synthetic Division, will be kicking off the Equality to End AIDS Rally/Vigil in Washington DC. All the pertinent information is below- but basically this is a call to action that is coordinated with the Equality March on Sunday. The hope is to inspire the next generation of HIV/AIDS activists and educators.

I'll let Cleve Jones, the founder of the NAMES Project AIDS Memorial Quilt, explain it:

"*The weekend is about achieving full equality for LGBT Americans. We need to use that political power to remind the country that the AIDS epidemic continues. A great many young people will attend the march; we need them to continue the fight against HIV/AIDS*."

We're playing two songs, so if you arrive late you will miss the Division as the kids call us, but don't sweat it- there will be many positoid and positoid-friendly performers and speakers all evening. For a great cause. One I can't wait to be a part of.

Hope to see you there!

Positively Yours,
Shawn

PS... the event needs volunteers, so if you're in the DC area and can help out, they'd love to hear from you. Contact Christine at the email below.

PSS... info overload, but today is the last day to vote for Ethan Zohn. Voting ends at 5 pm, and he is 1% point behind... let's show what the HIV/AIDS community can do- if he wins, he's donating the winnings (once again!) to HIV/AIDS prevention and cancer research.

THE EQUALITY TO END AIDS

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What: Equality To End AIDS HIV/AIDS Rally and Vigil at National Equality March

Where: The Ellipse (by the White House)

17th Street NW & Constitution Avenue NW

Washington, DC

When: October 10, 5:30 to 8:30pm

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As tens of thousands of LGBT Americans and their allies converge on Washington next month to march for equal rights, they also will remind the nation and the LGBT community that the AIDS epidemic is not over as well as remember the more than half a million Americans who have died from the disease.

The Equality To End AIDS rally and vigil will take place Saturday, October 10, the day before the massive Equality March. Equality To End AIDS will be held from 5:30 to 8:30 pm on the Ellipse, in front of the White House, and feature an inspiring roster of speakers and performers (mostly HIV+), culminating in a candlelight vigil.

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