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An exhibition of PIONEERING VOICES: Portraits of Transgender People, a touring photo-text display created by the award-winning Family Diversity Projects of Amherst, Massachusetts is scheduled to be featured at <insert event information>.

PIONEERING VOICES, with photographs by Jack Pierson and Gigi Kaeser and Interviews Edited by Peggy Gillespie and Jack Pierson, introduces people who identify as transgender or gender queer, and their partners and children. Through first-person interviews and color photographs, this exhibit seeks to challenge damaging myths and stereotypes about transgender people, and to educate viewers about this often marginalized group of people and the challenges they face.

PIONEERING VOICES travels nationwide to schools (K-12), colleges, public libraries, workplaces, houses of worship, seminaries, conferences, museums, and communities nationwide. This exhibit is a valuable catalyst for bullying prevention and anti-bias education for young people and adults.

Family Diversity Projects (FDP) is a non-profit educational organization founded by exhibit creators, Peggy Gillespie (interviewer/editor) and Gigi Kaeser (photographer). They have created seven photo-text exhibits (three of which have been published in book form including LOVE MAKES A FAMILY: Portraits of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender People and their Families) to help eliminate prejudice, stereotyping, and harassment of people discriminated against due to race, national origin, sexual orientation, religion, gender, class, and disability. The mission of FDP is to propel forward a world where all people and family structures are recognized, valued and fully supported.

Internet browsers can view images, interviews, and other information about PIONEERING VOICES and Family Diversity Projects at [www.familydiv.org](http://www.familydiv.org)

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