

# **Bibliography of Transgender Documentaries**

## **Introduction**

Below are 52 documentaries, which include two movies, due to their pertinence to the subject. Most are available through normal interlibrary loan channels, however, some are not yet available at all and are only being shown as first run specials on channels such as Logo, BBC America, and Showtime. For more information on any or all of these you may contact Gypsey Teague, Gender liaison librarian, at [gteague@clermson.edu](mailto:gteague@clermson.edu).

## **100% Woman; The Story of Michelle Dumaresq**

This is the story of Michelle Dumaresq, Canada's first professional transsexual BMX bike racer and the reactions of her country and competitors when she starts competing as a girl. Michelle is a post operative transsexual, however, in a competitive field of BMX racing being a transwoman is neither accepted nor welcomed by many of her competitors.

Format: DVD  
Length: 60 min  
Year: 2004, Reissued in 2005  
Language: English  
Publisher: Films for the Humanities & Sciences  
LC: HQ77.8.D86  
OCLC Accession #: 61255634

## **Adventures in the Gender Trade**

This video centers around Kate Bornstein's play; "Hidden: a gender". This is a humorous approach to gender, both men's' and women's' and plays on the fears and hopes of the transsexual woman. Bornstein is a true genius of the stage.

Format: DVD  
Length: 40 min  
Year: 1993  
Language: English  
Publisher: Filmmakers Library, inc and Green Dragon Productions  
LC: HQ77.8  
DEWEY: 305.3  
OCLC Accession #: 31361376

## **Almost Myself: Reflections on Mending & Transcending Gender**

Tom Murray interviews transsexuals from one coast to the other in an attempt to show how diverse the community is. From Judy in South Dakota to Holly in North Carolina to Marci in Colorado the stories are personal and soul stirring. This is a video that offers a number of

points of view about a decision that affects more and more individuals yearly. Through the video Judy is interviewed from the position of a post operative male to female transsexual to his return to being male and homosexual.

Format: DVD  
Length: 82 min  
Year: 2007  
Language: English  
Publisher: T Joe Murray Videos  
LC:  
OCLC Accession #: 123014196

### **The Believers**

This is the story of the Transcendence Gospel Choir at the San Francisco United Church of Christ. It is a humorous, poignant, touching story of transwomen and transmen who wanted to sing but couldn't, as one director said, "carry a note in a bucket". However, through perseverance, practice, and a will to succeed these individuals began a group and then they became a choir. This is their story, as told by their families, their friends, and their co singers.

Format: VHS  
Length: 114 min  
Year: 1987  
Language: English  
Publisher: HBO Videos  
LC: PN1997  
Dewey: 791.433  
OCLC Accession #: 27926840

### **The Blank Point: What is Transsexualism?**

This video is from a Chinese woman's point of view and through her eyes in San Francisco, and unknown to her that her own country had already performed reassignment surgery in Beijing. Xiao-Yen Wang examines the transsexual from the male to female and the female to male points of view. With interviews the author begins to understand the community and through her understanding the viewer gets a better perspective of those she is interviewing.

Format: VHS  
Length: 57 min, 33 sec  
Year: 1990  
Language: English  
Publisher: Beijing-San Francisco Film Group  
NLM: WM 611  
OCLC Accession #: 32395277

## **A Boy Named Sue**

Sue was born and raised a girl. Over the six years that Julie Wyman followed her she slowly became Theo, the boy she always knew she was. This is a step by step documentary that starts early in the transition process and goes through all the stages to the ultimate conclusion. The camera follows Sue as she begins to get hormone therapy. There are interviews with her girl friends, who remains with her after she becomes Theo. The viewer is there when Theo has his breasts removed, and through to the time when he graduates from his training program as a medical technician. Finally it is there as the people involved watch the final draft of the documentary and the now ex girlfriend is interviewed on why she and Theo broke up. This is an excellent look into what it takes to become male if one is born female.

Format: VHS  
Length: 57 min  
Year: 2000  
Language: English  
Publisher: Women Make Movies  
LC: HQ77.8  
Dewey: 305.3  
OCLC Accession #: 47814370

## **Breasts: A Documentary**

This documentary is an interview with 22 women, who between themselves have 41 breasts. Some are very young, some are very old, some are black, white, Hispanic, thin, fat, and one is a transsexual. The comments that these women have about their breasts are indicative of most women in all strata of society. Puberty, mammograms, cancer, implants, reductions, and breast feeding are all topics of discussion and the women are open and honest about their thoughts and emotions. Combined with these discussions are vintage clips of naked women with breasts as portrayed in past decades.

Format: VHS  
Length: 50 min  
Year: 1997  
Language: English  
Publisher: First Run/Icarus Films  
LC: GT498.B47  
Dewey: 305.4  
OCLC Accession #: 38209747

## **...But Words DO Hurt: stories from GLBTT youth**

This is a Canadian documentary produced in Alberta and contains actual GLBTT (gay, lesbian, bi-sexual, transgender or transsexual) individuals in their own roles. The frank discussions center around how words, not necessarily deeds, make a difference in growing up 'different' in a culture that is only now accepting diversity. The script of the presentation is

provided, along with an excellent bibliography and reference list of where to go if you need or want more information.

Format: DVD  
Length: 30 min  
Year: 2005  
Language: English  
Publisher: Alberta Civil Liberties Research Centre  
LC: HQ76.27.Y68 B88  
OCLC Accession #: 62127150

### **Colonel Jin Xing: China's Most Emblematic Transsexual**

A story of Communist China's more famous, and controversial, choreographer, born male, and elevated to the rank of Colonel in the Peoples Army is now a world famous dancer and troupe director. This is her story from a Korean/Chinese grammar school to a position of power and influence in what was once a closed and brutal military.

Format: VHS  
Length: 52 min  
Year: 2001  
Language: English  
Publisher: Filmmakers Library, Inc.  
LC#: HQ77.8.J56  
OCLC Accession #: 54075322

### **Creature**

This is the story of Stacy Dean, who known as 'Hollywood' became a fixture of the Santa Monica night scene. Born and raised in East Bend, North Carolina, the story goes back and forth from her parents' home, still in the hills of NC, to the bright lights of Hollywood. Possibly as a backlash from a depressed household, the two sides finally come to a tenuous peace after a drastic and remarkable recreation. This video looks at one way the transgender community finds itself and interacts with the other communities in the city.

Format: VHS  
Length: 76 min  
Year: 2000  
Language: English  
Publisher: Seventh Art Releasing  
OCLC Accession #: 54016970

### **The Crossdresser and the Transsexual: The World of Gender**

This is a documentary with two therapists: Ari Kane and Steve Keller. Through a series of discussions and video portrayals of the situations the crossdresser is compared to the transsexual. As a video made in the early part of the 1990s there is a historic approach to this for those that are dealing with the transsexual counselor and client in 2007.

Format: VHS  
Length: 60 min  
Year: 1994  
Language: English  
Publisher: Horizon Institute  
LC: HQ77  
OCLC Accession #: 34148746

### **Cruel and Unusual**

When pre operative transsexuals go to prison the system refuses, in a majority of cases, to accept the gender identity of the inmate. Therefore they are placed with those other inmates that closest match their physical sex. This video investigates the situation within the walls of today's prison system when a patient with Gender Identity Disorder is incarcerated. It often times leads to abuse, rape, and suicide to the transsexual. These are the stories of those most affected and those that help them.

Format: DVD  
Length: 65 min  
Year: 2006  
Language: English  
Publisher: Outcast Films  
LC: HQ77.9  
OCLC Accession #: 175249883

### **Different for Girls**

A British movie about two male friends from secondary school who later meet when one is a woman. Through a series of adventures they realize that their friendship has always been and now has become love. Highlight of the movie is the final 5 minutes.

Format: DVD  
Length: 101 min  
Year: 1998  
Language: English  
Publisher: Fox Lorber Home Video  
LC: PN1995.9.T69  
Dewey: 791.4372  
OCLC Accession #: 39522109

## **The Gender Puzzle**

This is an excellent documentary on how gender is often times ambiguous and set prior to birth. Many of the individuals in this film are intersexed, and with the commentary from their parents and medical providers, the individuals are shown how they are dealing with this often times misunderstood and discriminated against condition.

Format: DVD  
Length: 45 min  
Year: 2006  
Language: English  
Publisher: Films for the Humanities and Science  
LC: QP81.5  
OCLC Accession #: 70215611

## **Gendernauts**

This video is an interview by Monika Treut with some of the more famous of the transsexuals in San Francisco. Interviewing Sandy Stone, Max Valerio, and Texas Tomboy she shows the diversity of being trans in a world that is no longer binary. Some of the images are benign, some are disturbing, but they are all designed to create thought provocation.

Format: DVD  
Length: 84 min  
Year: 1999/2006  
Language: English  
Publisher: First Run Features  
LC: HQ77.7  
Dewey: 305.3  
NLM: WM 611  
OCLC Accession #: 63202020

## **Georgie Girl**

In 1999 Georgina Beyer was voted into the House of Parliament in New Zealand. This was a number of firsts for New Zealand and the world, for, she was a Maori, a former sex worker, and a transsexual. This video is the story of how Georgina started as a young man and became one of the driving forces in New Zealand government.

Format: VHS  
Length: 53 min  
Year: 2003  
Language: English  
Publisher: Occasional Productions, Ltd.

LC: HQ77.8.B49  
Dewey: 305.9066  
OCLC Accession #: 52770380

### **Girl Inside**

Madison grew up male and picked on. As a small boy she was often called gay, fag, and wimp. It wasn't until she went to a youth trans group that she realized there were other like her and her journey began. This documentary covers three years of her transformation from nervous young girl to the woman she always was. It also introduces the viewers to an extraordinary 80 year old grandmother who has worked with her new granddaughter to bring out the woman within her. The two of them give a touching account of what it's like to be trans but not alone.

Format: DVD  
Length: 70 min  
Year: 2007  
Language: English  
Publisher: Women Make Movies  
LC: HQ77.9  
OCLC Accession #: 190791378

### **Glen or Glenda**

This is not a documentary; however, I include this because this movie is a historic snapshot of what society thought of transsexuals and transgenders in the 1950s. Ed Wood created this as a vehicle to keep Bela Lugosi working during a time when no one wanted him. However, Wood also was a crossdresser, often times showing up on set in wigs and cashmere sweaters. Through the bad acting and use of stock footage from other films as filler the video gives an understanding, at least up to the end, of crossdressing, and what the medical profession believed at the time.

Format: VHS  
Length: 63 min  
Year: 1953  
Language: English  
Publisher: Rhino Home Video  
LC: PN1997;  
Dewey: 791.43  
OCLC Accession #: 3253220

### **Hermaphrodites Speak**

This is an exceptional documentary of the first group meeting of hermaphrodites in the United States. The treatment that many of these individuals received by supposedly learned and caring medical practitioners is shocking. Rather than leave them as they found them they took it upon themselves to change the patients without asking anyone first. The damage that these

people suffered because of this is brought to the audience in a stark and personal manner. Although more than ten years old this is still a very good and viable source of information on the hermaphrodite.

Format: VHS  
Length: 33 min  
Year: 1996  
Language: English  
Publisher: Intersex Society of North America  
LC: RC883  
Dewey: 616.694  
NLM: HF3135; WJ 712  
OCLC Accession #: 37290631

### **Homo Promo**

This is a compilation of trailers for gay, lesbian, and transgender films between 1956 and 1976. With TG films such as I Changed my Sex, Myra Breckinridge, and The Christine Jorgenson Story, this video is historically significant in the scope of who acted in GLBT films through the decades. There is also a bonus 1965 short film called Queens at Heart, about 4 transsexuals in New York, who are interviewed by a psychiatrist. This is an interesting pre Stonewall view of what it's like being transgender before there were any real laws or rights for transsexuals.

Format: VHS  
Length: 60 min  
Year: 1990  
Language: English  
Publisher: Frameline  
LC: PN1995.9.H55  
Dewey: 791.436  
OCLC Accession #: 31237310

### **In the Wrong Body**

This is the story of four transsexuals; two male to females and two female to male. Jake, the FtM, is a 16 year old high school student. Taylor is a junior at Clemson University and is a MtF female, Angelika Torres, a male to female New Yorker, and finally Alex, a female to male at UVA . With interviews from these four young people, their parents, and transsexual specialists, this special gives a good presentation of what it's like to grow up knowing you are transgender and can't understand what to do about it. There are no copies of this special in the library catalog databases. It must be either watched through the MSNBC website or when it airs on television.

Format: DVD  
Length: 60 min



Year: 2007  
Language: English  
Publisher: MSNBC

### **Investigative Report: A&E Transgenders**

This is one of the first, well produced, documentaries on the transgender phenomenon. Bill Curtis does a good job portraying the lives of both male to female and female to male transsexuals. One of the individuals is Nancy Nangeroni from Cambridge an early activist in the Transexual Menace movement. Other individuals interviewed show what it is like to be told you are wrong and evil on a daily basis by those that are supposed to both love you and support you.

Format: VHS  
Length: 50 min  
Year: 1998  
Language: English  
Publisher: A&E  
LC: HQ77.9  
Dewey: 305.9066  
OCLC Accession #: 43774342

### **Jareena: Portrait of Hijda**

The hijda are a third sex in India. Filmed in the northern Indian city of Bangalore, the documentary follows a male who graduated from a technical college as a programmer, served in the military, and then became a hijda, living in a Hammam. Often resorting to prostitution or begging, the hijda number in the tens of thousands in India. This is a behind the scenes look at what it takes and what it takes away.

Format: VHS  
Length: 25 min  
Year: 1990  
Language: English  
Publisher: Third World Newsreel  
LC: HQ77.7  
OCLC Accession #: 27635566

### **Just Call Me Kade**

This video follows Kate Collins from age 14 until she becomes Kade Collins, a boy at age 16. With interviews from his parents, now separated, and his older sister, as well as friends and supporters this is a good look at what it takes to transition in high school. As a very young FtM Kade has unique situations; the peer pressures in school, social changes, and what those around him think, but the film shows that with understanding parents and supportive medical practitioners transition is possible at this early time.

Format: VHS  
Length: 26 min  
Year: 2001  
Language: English  
Publisher: Frameline Distribution  
LC: HQ77.8.C65  
Dewey: 306.76  
OCLC Accession #: 51793566

### **Kantaras v. Kantaras: Transsexual Dad on Trial**

This is a video made from the Court TV show. It is the case of Michael, born Margo, Kantaras and his wife in a custody battle for their two children, one adopted and one conceived by artificial means. The court case is presented from beginning to conclusion, with detailed expert witnesses and heated questioning from both sides. The wife in this case comes across as a mean, spiteful, petty individual. She is portrayed as ill informed about the medical procedures of FtMs. Her attorney is just as poorly informed and almost comical in her adamant refusal that Michael is legally male without a penis. In comparison to her position, Michael's witnesses are professional medical personnel, trained specialists, with articulate and specific answers to all questions. At the end of the proceedings Michael was granted full rights to his children and custody was continued to be equally shared.

Format: VHS  
Length: 45 min  
Year: 2004  
Language: English  
Publisher: National Center for Lesbian Rights  
LC: KF4754.5.A545  
OCLC Accession #: 56124001

### **LGBT Counseling**

This is a stages set of counseling sessions dealing with lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender counseling issues. The two counselors deal with a transsexual youth client in one scenario, and although it's staged the suicidal situation is pertinent to today's issues with trans youth. Recommended for more counselors than humanities research but there is something for every discipline in the video.

Format: VHS  
Length: 77 min  
Year: 2001  
Language: English  
Publisher: Microtraining Associates  
LC: HV1426  
OCLC Accession #: 45009464

## **M2F: A Journey in Gender Identity**

This Australian documentary profiles a number of prominent transsexuals on the continent. Those interviewed are Julie Peters, Georgina Beyer, Sarah Perry, Catherine Reeves, and a number of others and shows that gender starts at a very early age and is not learned or unlearned. With additional footage by spouses, specialists, and advocates this is a good example of how the Australians have dealt with this topic, since a number of their prominent politicians and scientists are members of the transsexual community.

Format: VHS  
Length: 120 min  
Year: 2003  
Language: English  
Publisher: Pangaea Films  
OCLC Accession #: 61354361

## **Matt Kailey: A Conversation**

Matt Kailey is a female to male transsexual. Through a short but in depth conversation he talks about transitioning from a very beautiful woman to a handsome man. This is more of an autobiographical discussion with the camera of how it was during transition and some of the issues that 'he' had to learn as a man, that men know from an early age, such as changing a flat tire and things 'she' went through growing up such as when she was a high school girl wanting to be like the other girls and be blonde. The comments are from the heart and the format is broken into smaller segments of growing up, worries, the gift, and the circle.

Format: VHS  
Length: 19 min, 21 sec  
Year: 2004  
Language: English  
Publisher: Fanlight Productions  
LC: HQ77.8.K34  
NLM: WM 611  
OCLC Accession #: 54863915

## **Middle Sexes: Redefining he and she**

This documentary discusses the dangers of blurring the lines between male and female. The patients and transsexuals interviewed show that there are many more points on the gender continuum than just male and female. With frank discussions from those who had their gender changed at birth, those that are still in grammar school, and across the world to India and the Hijda, gender is investigated as to when does gender and orientation begin. This documentary is

more scientific in approach to the issues of gender than many of the biographical films and because of this it is more in the vein of a documentary and less like a reality show.

Format: DVD  
Length: 75 min  
Year: 2006  
Language: English  
Publisher: Home Box Office Documentary Films  
OCLC Accession #: 73175712

### **More than Skin Deep**

Gypsy Teague is the only male to female transsexual faculty member at a state university in South Carolina. As the Branch Head of the Gunnin Architecture Library and a member of the teaching faculty of the Women's Studies concentration she has brought a unique perspective to the student and faculty bodies. In September of 2005 Ms. Teague gave the first of a series of lectures to the university sponsored by the Clemson Gay Straight Alliance and the Administration of the university.

The topic of this lecture is an introduction to transgenders. Through personal experiences and computer graphics Ms. Teague explains the difference between transsexuals, transvestites, crossdressers, and shemales. She takes the viewer through the stages of transition, the perceptions of sexual orientation, and finally the process and cost; both physically and financially, of the procedures.

This is the only existing recording of this too often misunderstood subject from an insiders' point of view.

Format: DVD  
Length: 57 min, 33 sec  
Year: 2005  
Language: English  
Publisher: Gunnin Architecture Library, Clemson University  
LC: HQ77.9  
OCLC Accession #: 181372746

### **My Mums Used To Be Men**

Louise is a normal 12 year old British girl. She has two loving parents, one her biological, and one that was once in a relationship with her parent but is now living there as a supportive best friend. The only difference between this family and all the others in Britain is that Louise's two mums used to be men. This documentary centers around Louise as she tries deals with what the British tabloids called the 'weirdest family in England'. Hear what she thinks about having two loving parents, who are both post operative transsexuals, and how Sara, who used to be her dad Bryan, deals with raising a normal little girl in an abnormal situation.

Format: DVD

Length: 60 min  
Year: 2005  
Language: English  
Publisher: Logo

### **Myth of Father**

Paul Hill is a director and the son of a transsexual. This is the story, as told by Paul, about his father and how, now as Jodie, the family is coming to terms with her and she is coming to terms with her family and herself as a woman. The family is honest, blunt, and at times brutal, but eventually they have come to understand the new woman in the family and how she is now happier and more productive, without losing many of the traits that made her Bruce.

Format: VHS  
Length: 52 min  
Year: 2003  
Language: English  
Publisher: Frameline  
LC: HQ77.8H55  
OCLC Accession #: 54898785

### **No Dumb Question**

This is an interesting video from the standpoint of those interviewed. 'Uncle Bill' is becoming 'Aunt Barbara'. This is the story of how Barbara's brother, sister-in-law, and their 3 young daughters learn what it's like for Barbara and what it means to have an uncle become an aunt. Chelsea, age 11, Olivia, age 9, and Abby, age 6, give their impressions of what it means to them and to their uncle, to become a woman. The honesty that their parents use in discussing this with the children shows that to face the issues openly and accurately is the best way to deal with transsexualism when children are involved.

Format: VHS  
Length: 24 min  
Year: 2001  
Language: English  
Publisher: Epiphany Productions  
LC: HQ77.9  
Dewey: 305.9066  
NLM: 2007 AV-0172; WM 611  
OCLC Accession #: 50863469

## **P(l)ain Truth**

This is a short, but very graphic documentary of one woman's transformation into a man. The images used to convey the two sides to this individual are decidedly adult in nature. The nudity is part of the message and this is one person's way of showing how they went from a very attractive woman to a very masculine man.

Format: DVD  
Length: 15 min  
Year: 2003  
Language: Swedish  
Publisher: Crystal Eye  
LC: PN1995.9.E96  
OCLC Accession #: 55142204

## **Red Without Blue**

What happens when twin boys can't stay that way? This is the story of Mark and Alex, identical twin boys, however, Mark is transsexual. How does someone's closest friend deal with the fact that their mirror image is now the other gender? During this filming Claire, who was Mark, is now in New York and Alex is now in San Francisco. This is also an interesting approach to transition since the twins were raised Christian Scientists, so now Alex is gay, Claire is transsexual, and their mother is in a platonic relationship with another woman.

Format: DVD  
Length: 77 min  
Year: 2007  
Language: English  
Publisher: Cinema Libre Studios  
LC: HQ77.9  
Dewey: 306.76/8  
OCLC Accession #: 173283257

## **Shinjuku Boys**

This is a Japanese documentary about three girls in Tokyo working at the New Marilyn Club who although not all on hormones, all feel that they are better off either being or being perceived as men. Many of the individuals in this documentary work in the bars as male prostitutes called Onnabe. This is their story of how they got to where they are, why they are there, and how they balance their physical with their gender and orientation. The discussions are frank and often times hard to follow. The bar that the 'boys' work at cater to single women and groups, and similar to the drag bars, these bars don't try to hide the fact that the Onnabe are women, but don't advertise the fact either.

Format: VHS

Length: 53 min  
Year: 1996  
Language: Japanese with English subtitles  
Publisher: Frameline  
LC: HQ77  
OCLC Accession #: 38248670

### **Southern Comfort**

Robert Eads is a female to male transsexual. He has borne two children as a woman before transitioning. He is in love with a male to female transsexual and they lived happily in a trailer in the backwoods of Toccoa Georgia. Robert has now passed away with ovarian cancer; a disease that could have been cured if he had not been transsexual and if he had been able to find a doctor that would treat him. This is the story of the last few months of his life and how he dealt with knowing he was going to die.

Format: DVD  
Length: 90 min  
Year: 2003  
Language: English  
Publisher: New Video Group  
LC: HQ1075  
DEWEY: 306.76/8; 920.930676/8  
OCLC Accession #: 51857336

### **Teen Transsexual**

This is the story of Richard Parker, a 16 year old British boy from the north of England. He is convinced that he is transsexual, and with the assistance of his mother and friends he begins a two year plus journey to become Lucy Parker. The video starts with Richard at 16 explaining his rationale and how he has known from an early age of his incongruence of self identity and physical form. The documentary ends just after Lucy's 18<sup>th</sup> birthday after her name change and breast augmentation.

This is a good look into the mind of a very young transsexual and how the British system deals with the situation in a slightly different, and more accepting manner, than the United States medical system. Using interviews with her family and friends the viewer gets a glimpse of the torment and anguish of a young girl trapped in a body that is both foreign and repugnant to her. There are no copies of this in library catalogs or databases. You may either view this from the BBC America website or on television when it airs.

Format: DVD  
Length: 60 minutes  
Year: 2007  
Language: English  
Publisher: British Broadcasting

## **Transamazon**

Born Joseph Nolan Ryan in Newfields, New Hampshire, Joelle Ruby Ryan is now an activist, academician, and published poet. This documentary is her rant on being transgender and how she arrived at the realization that she was not transsexual, rather she was an anthropological transgender; one who observes the roles of gender around her and is now dealing with the questions of being somewhere in the middle. Joelle's down and dirty discussion of being trans runs the gamut from total acceptance to hate crimes and violence against the community.

Format: DVD

Length: 41 min, 8 sec

Year: 2003

Language: English

Publisher: University of New Hampshire

LC: HQ77.95.U6

OCLC Accession #: 54850224

## **Transamerican Love Story**

Calpernia Addams, author, actress, activist, transsexual, and now a reality show star. Well maybe a star, but at least a headliner in her own series. This is a reality dating series about Calpernia Addams, made famous for her involvement in the murder at Fort Campbell of her boyfriend by another soldier in the 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Division. Now almost ten years later she is looking for true love on Logo. The comedian Alec Mapa hosts this show where Cally starts with eight willing bachelors and whittles them down to her choice. It is as exciting as any other dating reality show and unless you have an urge to watch Ms Addams go through her phases of how to pick a man you can do better on this list. However the inclusion of a pre operative female to male in the cast of hopefuls makes it groundbreaking if nothing else.

Length: 9 episodes, 60 min each

Year: 2008

Language: English

Publisher: Logo

## **Transgender Pride**

In 1995 Dallas Denny, an early pioneer in the transsexual movement and counselor, gave a very informal lecture to a small group of transgenders at Bubula's, at 183 Commercial Street at the beginning of the West End of Provincetown, Massachusetts, at the tip of Cape Cod. Little is known of the background of this lecture and when I asked Dallas about where and when she gave the talk, she said she didn't know there was even a video of the talk made and she had no idea where it was given. The only way I was able to find the location was a cross reference of



the sign behind Dallas that said Bubula's and her reference to Provincetown. This is a TG 101 lecture but it gives a good historical context of how the movement progressed, often at small coffee shops and meeting halls, instead of the large venues and multi media events of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century.

Format: VHS  
Length: 30 min  
Year: 1995  
Language: English  
Publisher: Outreach Institute for Gender Studies  
OCLC Accession #: 45854776

### **Transgeneration**

This is the ground breaking Showtime series that follows four college students; two MtFs and two FtMs through their transition and concludes with a year after reunion. The four students: Gabbie a sophomore MtF at Colorado State, Lucas a FtM neuroscience major at Smith College, TJ a Fulbright Graduate student at Michigan state is a FtM, and Raci a freshman at California State University, Los Angeles. The scenes are at times graphic, raw, and honest. This is a must see for anyone thinking of transitioning.

Format: DVD  
Length: 2 Discs, 4 hrs, 32 min  
Year: 2005  
Language: English  
Publisher: New Video  
LC: HQ77.7  
Dewey 306.76/80973  
OCLC Accession #: 65212316

### **Transparent**

What happens when you are born female, have children, and then transition to male? This documentary interviews 19 transsexual parents, all female to male, on how they handled that specific situation. With first person interviews and candid responses to the camera the parents discuss how they deal with the questions from their children, their peers, and society in general. This is one of the few documentaries that cover this subject with such a wide demographic of individuals. Without resorting to shock tactics the video gives an unbiased view into the lives of families as they redefine themselves in a heteronormative world.

Format: DVD  
Length: 61 min  
Year: 2004  
Language: English  
Publisher: Frameline,  
OCLC Accession #: 70104664

## **Transsexual Menace**

This is the history and update of a group of transgenders and transsexuals who have taken the name Transsexual Menace. In 1995 the group went to Washington to lobby with representatives for legal rights that are being denied the transsexual community. The video also discusses the largest transgender conference in the country; Southern Comfort Conference in Atlanta. Through interviews with transgenders and transsexuals the plight and situation of the community is examined and documented. The interviewers talk to both the male to female and female to male transsexuals at the conference and examine their specific issues and needs within the larger heterosexual, genetic population, such as how many of the girls become adult entertainers, strippers, or prostitutes.

Format: VHS

Length: 78 min

Year: 1996

Language: English

Publisher: Video Data Bank

OCLC Accession #: 38506855

## **A Transsexual's Journey**

This is an autobiographical documentary about Katherine Cohen who was born Bruce Cohen in Massachusetts in 1953. Now living in Montreal she is discussing with the interviewer her intentions of pursuing gender reassignment surgery and how she came to that conclusion in her life. The film follows Katherine from prior to her surgery through the actual operation. The views given by her are consistent with those of other male to female transsexuals undergoing a congruence of self identity and biology. This video, however, uses a different metaphor for Katherine's transition. Beginning with her sketching of Michelangelo's David through the video the sketch changes from a full frontal male to a full frontal female. This is an apt way to show how Katherine has metamorphed.

Format: VHS

Length: 44 min

Year: 1995

Language: English

Publisher: Cinema Guild,

OCLC Accession #: 35812893

## **Transvestism and Transsexualism**

This is an educational lecture series presentation hosted by Drs. Michael Carrera and Milton M. Berger. They are interviewing Dr. Leah Schaefer, who is presented as an expert of transsexualism and transvestism. Although this is a dated piece the adherence to the discussion of the Harry Benjamin Standards of Care gives an early glimpse into what was being thought and

practiced at the turn of the 1980s. This lecture does not resort to shock examples; merely it stays within the medical verbiage of the time. One of the drawbacks of this video is that it is in the ¾” format which is not supported by many libraries or universities at this time. I h

Format: U Media ¾” Cassette  
Length: 60 min  
Year: 1979  
Language: English  
Publisher: Health and Education Multimedia  
NLM: WM 610.3  
OCLC Accession #: 6658680

### **Trantasia**

This is a documentary of the first every most beautiful transsexual beauty contest. The filming is at times awkward; however, for the most part it’s a good look at behind the scenes of a contest, barring the contestants, that is like any other. Some of the women are kind, some are bitchy, some are over the top, and some are just plain folks. The viewer is left to make his or her own decisions as to motivation, outcome, and what beauty really is in the eyes of the beholder.

Format: DVD  
Length: 88 mins  
Year: 2007  
Language: English  
Publisher: TLA Releasing  
LC: HQ77.9  
Dewey: 306.76/8  
OCLC Accession #: 180299351

### **Venus boyz**

Most of us are aware of Drag Queens but few are aware that there is an equal and growing number of females who are performing male roles under the term Drag King. This DVD takes an in-depth look at this phenomenon and those that are part of it. Filmed in both London and New York City the camera follows a number of performers through their day to day and night to night routines and shows how, even though there is an ocean separating them, their lives and dreams are not that different.

Format: DVD  
Length: 103 min  
Year: 2001  
Language: English  
Publisher: First Run Features  
LC: HQ77.9  
Dewey: 306.76/8

OCLC Accession #: 54962270

### **Venus of Mars**

This is the story of a band, fronted by a non operative male to female transgender, but not a transsexual. Steve is a married man, but has taken hormones, has natural breasts, and easily passes as a woman. However, married to an female English professor, living in Minnesota, playing in a very heavy metal band, and accompanied by a number of crossdressers and transgender musicians, she travels the upper mid west playing to both accepting crowds and groups that would just as soon beat her and kill her as meet her and hear her. Known as Venus, Steve makes no qualms about being both male and female. She is as she looks, and this is the story of their band, their lives, and their hopes for the future.

Format: DVD

Length: 105 min

Year: 2004

Language: English

Publisher: Emily Goldberg

LC: HQ77.8

OCLC Accession #: 57369457

### **Voice and Communication Therapy for the Transgender/Transsexual Client**

This CD and accompanying manual takes the transgender through a number of exercises designed to more feminize their voice. Discussing pitch, tone, inflection, and syntax the authors give an excellent resource for altering the clients manner of speaking to more approximate that of a woman's.

Format: CD w/manual

Length: N/A

Year: Not available

Language: English

Publisher: Plural Publications

OCLC Accession #: 180102291

### **We Are Transgenders**

At a wedding, a 'Fake Ladies Tour' to a resort spa, and public meetings the transvestites of Japan meet and discuss their interest in crossdressing, why they do it, and how they are trying to fit into a binary system of male/female in a country still bound by divisions. Having to use the men's baths at the spa is a good example of how the two gender model no longer fits in a multi gender society. The film also gives an in-depth look at how Japanese men handle the fact that their private space has been invaded by crossdressers, and true to the culture, none of them react with anything but stoicism. Through skits and panel discussions these women show that being transgender in Japan is the same as being transgender anywhere else.

Format: VHS  
Length: 44 min  
Year: 1995  
Language: Japanese with English subtitles  
Publisher: Cinema Guild,  
OCLC Accession #: 35812893

**You Don't Know Dick: courageous hearts of transsexual men**

This is the story of six men, born women, who have found their real selves and their self identities. In detailed discussions these men talk about their families, their children and wives, their childhood, and their overwhelming understanding that they have always been men. Much of this documentary is black and white, using the photos from their past, interspersed with commentary about growing up in the wrong body and finally doing something about it.

Format: VHS  
Length: 58 min  
Year: 1997  
Language: English  
Publisher: Northern Light  
LC: HQ77.7  
Dewey: 305.9/066  
OCLC Accession #: 37901716