



The Tolerance Education Center together with Metropolitan Community Church of the Coachella Valley are pleased to present A rare pre-Nazi German film & Symposium

**Wednesday, August 25, 2010, 1:30 p.m. and 6 p.m. at the Tolerance Education Center**

**THE FILM:** *Anders als die Andern* (Different from the Others, 1919,) Germany, starring Conrad Veidt, directed by Richard Oswald. It was thought that the Nazis had destroyed every print of this significant, black & white, silent film. In fact *Anders als die Andern* had disappeared from the history of cinematography for over 40 years! A German lgbt activist organization discovered a badly damaged print of the film using still photographs, etc. they were able to reconstruct the film in the form that it will be shown at the Tolerance Education Center. The film offers some rare still photographs of Dr. Magnus Hirschfeld, a Jewish psychiatrist, founder of the Scientific Humanitarian Committee and pioneer in the academic/scientific study of human sexuality in Germany.

Released in 1919, this very well may be the very first full featured film to deal with a more enlightened and scientific view of homosexuality in the world.

**The Symposium:** Following the film (approximately 55 minutes) there will be a brief discussion of the plot and content. A presentation entitled: "The Nazi War Against Homosexuals: Precursor to Genocide!" Through a summary of the chronology of imprisonment and annihilation of hundreds of thousands of German homosexuals, we can see how the Nazis were, in fact, creating a template for the imprisonment and annihilation of Jews, Gypsies, Jehovah Witnesses, handicapped and others.

**PRESENTER:** The Rev. David M. Pelletier, M.Div. Metropolitan Community Church  
Pastor David first began his own study of the holocaust around 1976 when Holocaust studies were being embraced by colleges, university, and seminaries. In 1977, David authored and presented a workshop entitled: "The Gay Holocaust" which was originally presented at the University of Missouri at Columbia, Missouri. The workshop has been offered many times since and serves as the foundation for our symposium.

Everyone is invited to attend this rare and informative educational experience. A reception will follow both the afternoon and evening presentations.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Contact the Tolerance Education Center at 760-328-8252  
Reservations are not required. Limited seating will be awarded on a first-come, first-served basis.

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