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The Hannah Fund helps reach Hannah's goal of making the world better by helping children throughout the world. For more information contact her parents at 859.219.0531

STRAIGHTLACED

HOW GENDER'S GOT US ALL TIED UP

The Kentucky Premiere

Featuring Hannah Landers
honoring her friend
Josh Shipman

with Athena Hacker
and members of the
Dunbar Memorial Garden

State Theatre – Lexington, KY
January 9, 2010



Josh and Hannah - Fall 2006

The Lexington filming of Straightlaced

On a cold day in November 2007 the California documentary company GroundSpark arrived at Dunbar High School's Memorial Garden in Lexington to interview friends of Josh Shipman for their film "Straightlaced."

Hannah Landers, Josh's friend and fellow student, candidly and emotionally spoke of her love for Josh, the reason for the Garden and her dismay at the hardships Josh endured as an openly gay and flamboyant individual. Josh took his own life on October 5, 2006. He was just shy of 16 years old.

In May of 2008, days before Hannah and her mother were to travel to California to continue her interview; Hannah's life was tragically cut short in an automobile accident. Hannah was 17 years old.

With this film we hope to continue their message of love and acceptance, encourage open discussion of gender bias and help others toward a more inclusive, empowering culture.

"Straightlaced" is dedicated to Hannah

"Straightlaced: How gender's got us all tied up"
a GroundSpark Production

Introduction to the film by Travis Myles,
Chairperson, Kentucky Fairness Alliance

Please remain seated after the film concludes as we present "The Making Of Straightlaced," the producers' commentary and documentary dedication to Hannah Landers.

We are grateful for the incredible support and assistance received from our sponsors and to Fred Mills for his generous donation of the use of the theater. Special thanks to Carol Graham for boundless help and encouragement. Love as always to the many young people who made this event possible. Most of all, thanks to Hannah for having the courage to speak out. We will never forget you.