

To promote the success and welfare of individuals, organizations, publications and businesses within our community; especially against threats to their freedom of expression, freedom of the press, rights to free association and right to equal protection under the law.

To welcome women, people of color, transgenders, the deaf, the physically challenged and others who have traditionally been discriminated against or poorly represented within the Leather/BDSM/Fetish community.

To attend, promote and support fundraising for deserving defense funds, projects, and clubs, organizations, and/or charities, which have given direct service to the Leather/BDSM/ Fetish community.

To continue preserving a record of our history, traditions and culture.



## NLA-I National Leather Association International



### Affiliate Membership Brochure

NLA-I is an association of leatherfolk with a common philosophy embodied in our statement of purpose. You will find that we are a diverse group of people from all spectrums of society. Our diversity is our strength. We are a pansexual organization with International Chapters. Please take a few moments, read our statement of purpose and enjoy the many wonderful resources we have on our website. You may find our history of great interest, as we have a rich and varied list of accomplishments in our 20 plus years of existence.

The leather community has been under constant assault and we are motivated to fight for our right to live a safe, sane, and consensual lifestyle. We are proud to role-model the power and pride of all adults who live in the leather lifestyle. NLA-I supports individuals and organized political activism; and we strive to provide visibility and education in order to eradicate misconceptions about our lifestyle.

If you are not a member, we encourage you to join today!

 **Domestic  
Violence  
Project**

**Speaker Resource**

**Ask NLA-I**

**Commercial Discounts** **Group Forums**

**Multiple Projects**

**And much more!**

## HOW CAN YOU BENEFIT WITH A MEMBERSHIP?

- With an Affiliate Membership, you receive one ad in "The LINK", our membership quarterly publication, each year. The ad is free if you provide your own electronically ready ad! Or, for a low one time cost if you provide your information and we make your business's re-usable ad (extra if the ad changes). Further, you have the option to pay for additional ad space/time beyond your allotted ad.
- Your contact data, if you wish, listed in our Annual General Membership Conference program.
- Your contact data/banner, if you wish listed at our web site.
- Vote in elections and propose nominees for offices of the NLA-I Board.
- A year's worth of "The LINK", our publication that reaches an international audience.
- The right to use on your advertising, the statement: "An organization affiliated with the National Leather Association International."
- Submit articles/announcements to "The LINK" editor for publication throughout the year about your organization.
- Are you an organization with a web site? Add a link to NLA-I on your website and receive another yearly ad in "The LINK."
- Receive free international publicity for your events each year.



### Joining the National Leather Association

International is easy and fun. Perhaps the most important advantage is that you will belong to one of the oldest leather organizations that have been building our community since 1986. Your support will go to help provide education, resources, and a place to meet people with similar interests. Membership is an investment in your future and that of our leather and kink communities.

NLA-International members and its local Chapter members support organizations striving to educate people on safe sex, and supporting members of the community with AIDS. NLA-International also staunchly supports Domestic Violence Awareness projects.

NLA-I continues to support the Leather Archives & Museum, an entity that strives to maintain records of the rich history and traditions of the leather lifestyle.

NLA-International is dedicated to the support and education of its members and their communities. We invite you to look around our website, where you will find more information on our projects, people, and the organization.

Applications for membership, documents for starting a local Chapter, and individual membership are located on the NLA-I website at:

<http://www.nla-international.com> on the main page.

Membership is available regardless of whether or not there is a Chapter in your area.

### Do you Qualify?

Are you a not-for-profit organization? Do you agree with NLA-I's statement of purpose? Then it's time to apply!

### What Does it cost?

\$50.00 per year

### NLA-I Statement of Purpose

To maintain our national/international communication, information, education and support network for all members of the Leather/BDSM/Fetish community.

To role model the power and pride of all adults who engage in Safe, Sane and Consensual sexual expression and encourage those who fight for decriminalization of all sexual acts between consenting adults. To support individual and organized political activism, visibility and education in order to eradicate stereotypical beliefs, misconceptions and media misrepresentation about the Leather/BDSM/Fetish family in the community at large.

To continue providing, through publications, educational material and conferences, a forum for the sharing of knowledge, viewpoints and practices of a diverse network of people.