



Greg R. Baird Reviews:

“Greg Baird is an extraordinarily dynamic speaker who engages audiences on a variety of urgent LGBTQ issues including bullying, the importance of sports inclusion, and the impact of mentorship for students. Greg was our keynote speaker at the Learn, Play, Be: Symposium on K12 Sports Inclusion and Bullying at Eastern Michigan University in March of 2015. His address should be heard by every teacher, as it is extremely important to be educated about vulnerable populations. He is professional, dependable and absolutely flexible. He is a must-have for your school.” - **Nina Brennan, Eastern Michigan University**

“Greg's lecture helped reveal to me some of the struggles that adolescents and college students face in America, whether they are different because of whom they choose to love, the friends they choose to have, the subjects they study, or the way they look. Even though I too have experienced the effects of prejudice in my life, I have found it is easy to become complacent in my world view and to gloss over prejudice that affects other human beings daily. Greg's presentation reminded me that it is important to remember the stories of our friends, of ourselves, and of others who have experienced similar hatred and rejection and to remember that hatred, and to combat it with love for ourselves and for those around us, regardless of their color, creed, national origin or sexual orientation.” -**Lillian Tourney, Rotary Foundation**

“Greg was engaged with the audience from beginning to end and provided great insight on how to form communities to move beyond bias. Would love to have him back again on campus.” – **Chesay Colson, Minnesota State Community and Technical College- Moorhead**

“This was an informational event along with being emotional for most of the audience members. I think that Mr. Baird did an excellent job not only providing information but also relating his experience to the topic.” – **Christopher Wicker, North Central Michigan College**

“The Athletics director said you were “great,” and all feedback on your lecture was positive. I thought it was an energetic address on bullying, diversity, the LGBTQ community and acceptance based on both experience and research. It not only held the attention of a diverse audience, but more importantly educated our students and student-athletes alike. I thought it was well worth the legwork, which you and Bass-Schuler Entertainment made extremely easy through consistent, open communication. I'd recommend Greg Baird to any student affairs practitioners looking to educate on the topics of anti-bullying and LGBTQ awareness.” – **Ryan McCarthy, Sports Information Director, Lesley University**

“Greg’s lecture last night was extraordinary. The message that Greg delivered was poignant and timely in light of the recent events across our nation. Greg was very engaging through telling his story and connecting to the audience, finding time to connect to the students and community members, both gay and straight. Greg’s delivery of the lecture was more a conversation amongst friends than an authoritative approach. We had nearly 200 people in attendance with a great mix of students, staff/faculty, and community.” – **Scott Powell , North Central Michigan College**

“Greg Baird’s entertaining and moving talk powerfully affected both the gay and heterosexual audience at Morehead State University. Using his own coming out story, Greg models what it looks like to be self-actualized in a gay identity, as well as stressed the importance of being an ally. Our ALLYance students were particularly excited that Greg visited with them for three hours after his talk. A generous, gifted, and funny speaker with a social justice message, I highly recommend bringing Greg Baird to your campus!” – **Bernadette Barton, Morehead State University**