



MARCH 4 MSI HOSTS

FOUNDER OF BLAZING SWORD ERIN PALETTE!

Maryland Shall Issue is continuing its grassroots outreach efforts to all communities by hosting Erin Palette as a keynote speaker at MSI's March quarterly meeting at the Elks' Lodge in Edgewater MD. Ms. Palette is the founder of Operation Blazing Sword - a national program that coordinates firearms safety and marksmanship training for members of the LGBTQ community.

Mark Pennak, Maryland Shall Issue President

We at Maryland Shall Issue embrace the right of all Maryland law-abiding citizens to own firearms and defensive tools, such as stun-guns and Tasers. Many of our MSI members are also nationally-certified firearms instructors. We fully support the efforts of Blazing Sword in offering and providing training to members of the LGBTQ community.
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Erin Palette, Blazing Sword Founder

The LGBTQ community has been reluctant to embrace the Second Amendment for a number of reasons. However, after the Orlando's Pulse Nightclub terror attack, more members of the LGBTQ community are coming to realize that we are our own first responders and are ultimately responsible for our own personal defense. Although law enforcement does their best, the fact remains that when seconds count, the police are minutes away.

My charity, Operation Blazing Sword, facilitates nationwide firearm education using LGBTQ-friendly instructors who will teach anyone the basics of firearm safety, operation and ownership for no cost and without judgement regarding age, color, gender, sexual orientation, biology, or manner of dress.

MSI's invitation to us was unexpected but very welcome. We must all seek unity in the realization that self-defense is a right that everyone possesses.
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