

2010 Out & Equal Workplace Summit

October 5–8 in Los Angeles



Closing Plenary

Friday, October 8

1:00 – 3:00pm



Chely Wright

Out & Equal is pleased to announce that famed country music star Chely Wright will join the lineup of incredible speakers at the 2010 Out & Equal Workplace Summit. Wright - who launched her music career nearly two decades ago - made headlines in May when she came out as a lesbian,

becoming the first major country music star to live her life openly.

"Chely has been a role model for millions of people since her musical debut and she is now a positive example of someone who chose to be true to themselves by living openly," said Out & Equal Founding Executive Director Selisse Berry. "We are honored to have her speaking at the Summit."

Wright's debut album, *Woman in the Moon*, was released in 1994 and attracted rave reviews from country music critics, earning her a Top New Female Vocalist Award from the Academy of Country Music. She has released six additional studio albums, with hits including "Single White Female," "Shut Up and Drive" and "Jezebel."

In May, when she came out, she released her book "Like Me," a highly praised autobiography in which she tells the story of her personal journey of living in the closet and eventually deciding to live her life honestly.