LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL, AND TRANSGENDER HERITAGE MONTH 2022
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Dear Friends,

On behalf of the City of Los Angeles, it is my pleasure to join all Angelenos in celebrating Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender (LGBT) Heritage Month. The LGBT community has always been an essential thread in the rich cultural tapestry of Los Angeles, and helped to make our city stronger and more prosperous.

This month, we celebrate the LGBT history that has been made here, like America’s first LGBT civil rights protest that took place at the Black Cat Tavern in Silver Lake. And we celebrate the invaluable contributions that our LGBT brothers and sisters are making every day in our city, in everything from the arts and academia to sports and science.

I hope you will use this calendar and cultural guide, created by our Department of Cultural Affairs (DCA), to learn about the many activities to celebrate this month. I also encourage you to enjoy the remarkable artwork we are showcasing from established and emerging LGBT artists.

I send my best wishes for a memorable celebration and continued success.

Sincerely,

Eric Garcetti
Mayor
City of Los Angeles
Amina AmXn, *FREE 1*, Digital photography, 16" x 20", 2022
Dear Angelenos:

It is my great pleasure to celebrate Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Heritage Month with all of you this year. The City of Los Angeles — home to the second-largest LGBT community in the United States — is recognized around the world for its incredible diversity, vibrancy, and creativity. As a proud member of the LGBT community and the first openly gay citywide elected official in L.A., it is an absolute privilege to live and serve here.

One of my primary objectives as City Controller has been to ensure everyone has a seat at the table in our local government. From creating an LGBT resource map to organizing clothing drives for homeless LGBT youth, and supporting LGBT-owned businesses — I have made it my responsibility and commitment to support all members of our community.

In the 53 years since the Stonewall rebellion, we have made so much progress in our fight for equality across the country — but there is still so much work to be done. We must strive to break down barriers and ensure that everyone has access to equal opportunities, here and everywhere.

Many thanks to the City’s Department of Cultural Affairs for producing this calendar and cultural guide showcasing the work of LGBT artists and highlighting the many incredibly engaging events for this heritage month. During this celebration and throughout the year, I encourage you to learn about LGBT history and celebrate the art and culture that has always been integral to our community.

Sincerely,

Ron Galperin
Los Angeles City Controller
Mary Cheung, *Input Output*, Acrylic paint, 12" x 12", 2020
Dear Friends,

On behalf of the Los Angeles City Council, it is my privilege to invite you to celebrate Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Heritage Month in our great City! People from around the world have made Los Angeles their home, and in the City of Los Angeles we celebrate, respect, and honor each other as Angelenos and all the beautiful backgrounds, including LGBTQ+, that we bring to the table when we interact with one another.

This month, we continue this shared heritage by honoring the achievements of our city’s LGBTQ+ community and acknowledging their meaningful contributions to L.A. In this publication, our Department of Cultural Affairs (DCA) highlights the work of local LGBTQ+ artists who keep our traditions alive and thriving in communities across Los Angeles, and offer new ones for us to consider. To mark this important month, DCA is also providing arts and cultural activities for your enjoyment.

I encourage you to refer to this calendar to find the numerous festivals, musical events, theatrical performances, films, poetry readings, and cultural events taking place.

Together we will celebrate Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Heritage Month and the accomplishments of these community members across Los Angeles.

Sincerely,

Nury Martinez
Los Angeles City Council President
Councilwoman, 6th District
Friends,

Each June, during LGBT Heritage Month, we uplift our LGBTQ+ community in a celebration of Pride.

This year is especially meaningful as we welcome Pride back to its original home in Hollywood and the 13th Council District, where the world’s first Pride Parade was held in 1970. It was in the 13th District, more than fifty years ago, that the modern LGBTQ+ movement was born during the Black Cat protest of February 1967 – two years before New York’s Stonewall Riots.

As we look forward to our first in-person Pride after being unable to gather due to the pandemic, we also reflect on the immense challenges and adversity of these last two years – our collective grief stemming from the loss of innocent Black and transgender lives cut short by unfathomable acts of violence and hate; an unrelenting increase in xenophobic attacks against our AAPI, immigrant, and minority communities; and the profound uncertainties and hardships that resulted from COVID-19.

In spite of these challenges, we have persevered – and we will continue to persevere. In this spirit, this year’s theme for LGBT Heritage Month is “Return to Pride,” which will include the recognition of individuals and organizations who are in the trenches each day, advancing this work: the Midnight Stroll – APAIT; and Christopher Street West and its President, Sharon-Franklin Brown.

We will not stop marching toward a fairer, more just and equitable City. I look forward to returning to Pride, together, this June!

With love, pride, and solidarity,

Mitch O’Farrell
Councilmember, 13th District
Alfreda Lanoix, *Critical Thinker*, Acrylic, 20" x 20", 2022
Dear Friends,

It is with great appreciation for the many people who make the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender community vibrant in Los Angeles that I write to welcome and celebrate LGBT Heritage Month.

For generations, activists and allies have been living proof of how inclusivity can make a city stronger and more vibrant. Los Angeles is a place that accepts everyone, regardless of whom you love. We are a city that stands up to fight for equality for everyone, everywhere. We are a city connected with threads woven with pride.

People from every part of this city work to make this tapestry of diversity and pride even stronger and more exciting. From the emergence of new pride organizations, like DTLA Proud and Venice Pride, to expanded LGBT homeless youth shelter systems, like the LGBT Center, LA’s legacy of championing pride and demanding equality is more alive than it ever has been before.

There is still a lot of work that needs to be done. With rampant economic adversities facing the LGBT community, we need progressive leadership in Los Angeles to continue the march toward equality. I am proud to be a part of this fight, and to stand with you all to celebrate, resist, and march forward.

Thank you for being part of this celebration of our heritage and this call to action for our future.

Regards,

Mike Bonin
Councilmember, 11th District
Dear Friends,

The Department of Cultural Affairs is pleased to present this calendar of events celebrating the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender (LGBT) community thriving in our unique City. In this publication we honor the extraordinary range of LGBT experiences and cultural traditions transforming our society into an exciting, creative metropolis.

Through our unwavering dedication to fostering the well-being of our communities for the greater public good using the healing power of the arts, we continue to demonstrate the collective impact of our ability to respond to challenges that arise with resiliency and reinvention. We have seen our LGBT communities step up to take care of the most vulnerable while demonstrating how to support, serve, and strengthen our City as a whole.

I want to express my appreciation for the work of the members of our Heritage Month Committee, the Mayor’s Office, the Controller’s Office, the Office of the City Attorney, and our City Council Offices for their assistance in recruiting and recognizing the many nonprofit organizations, community groups, arts organizations, artists, and activists whose efforts helped us create this impressive publication full of fun, educational, and exciting events. We are also pleased to showcase a selection of contemporary art produced by our Los Angeles LGBT artists. Their vision pays homage to steps taken in the past towards progress, and looks ahead toward a future assuring equality for all.

Within this guide, I hope you will enjoy fantastic art, experience LGBT synergy, and celebrate a City’s great gay heritage...all contributing to what makes Los Angeles thrive creatively and culturally.

Sincerely,

Daniel Tarica
Interim General Manager
City of Los Angeles Department of Cultural Affairs
At left: Mary Cheung, *Dark Empress*, Digital photography art, 16" x 28", 2022

2022 OFFICIAL EVENTS
LGBTQ+ PRIDE NIGHT WITH THE DODGERS

The Dodgers have again teamed up with their long-time community nonprofit partner LA Pride to host their annual LGBTQ+ Pride Night at Dodger Stadium. This celebration of Los Angeles’ LGBTQ+ community will include drink specials in the pavilion bars, a special recognition of frontline workers from Los Angeles’ LGBTQ+ community, and additional surprise guests featured during pre-game ceremonies. This special event ticket package must be purchased from the website link.

WHEN: June 3, 7:10 p.m.
WHERE: Dodger Stadium
1000 Vin Scully Ave., Los Angeles
COST: Varies, check website for details
SPONSORS: Dodgers, Blue Shield of California
INFO: dodgers.com/LAPride

Jason Soltero, Portal 1, Acrylic and exterior enamel paint on canvas, 114"x 48"x 1.5", 2014

At right: Amina AmXn, FREE 3, Digital photography, 16" x 20", 2019
LA PRIDE IN THE PARK
This is LA Pride’s in-person, festival-style event with a full afternoon and evening of activities, music, vendors and exhibitors’ booths, sponsor activations, and food and drinks. LA State Historic Park is a gorgeous green space in the Chinatown and Elysian Park neighborhoods with a capacity for 25,000 people.

WHEN: June 11, 1:00 - 11:00 p.m.
WHERE: Los Angeles State Historic Park
1245 N. Spring St., Los Angeles
COST: Varies, check website for details
SPONSOR: LA Pride - Christopher Street West Association Inc.
INFO: laprideinthepark.org

52ND ANNUAL LA PRIDE PARADE IN HOLLYWOOD
Come cheer on this iconic LGBTQ+ procession as we take back Hollywood Boulevard. Over 120 contingents of marchers, performers, nonprofits, celebrities, and the businesses that proudly celebrate their LGBTQ+ employees will be on hand to delight and inspire as they walk in the 52nd Annual LA Pride Parade.

WHEN: June 12, Check website for time
WHERE: Hollywood Blvd. & Cahuenga to Highland, south on Highland to Sunset Blvd., east on Sunset to Cahuenga
COST: Free
SPONSOR: LA Pride - Christopher Street West Association Inc.
INFO: lapride.org/la-pride-2022

VALLEY PRIDE FESTIVAL
Valley Pride at Van Nuys Civic Center will celebrate family love and acceptance of the LGBTQIA+ community in the San Fernando Valley. Enjoy live music, food trucks, interactive art, and resources to help support the LGBTQIA+ community and their loved ones.

WHEN: June 18, 9:00 a.m.
WHERE: Van Nuys City Hall
14410 Sylvan St., Van Nuys
COST: Free
SPONSORS: Presented by SFV LGBTQ Community Center, MEND Poverty, and Council District 7
INFO: valleypride2022.com
2022 OFFICIAL EVENTS

SAN FERNANDO VALLEY PRIDE

Celebrate a historic annual event for the LGBTQIA+ community in the San Fernando Valley among 2000+ LGBTQIA+ community members. Our grassroots Pride event will offer networking, live entertainment, art installations, poetry, interactive art making, a healing wellness tent, a drag pageant, a vogue ball, vending opportunities, local food tastings, a youth scholarship, and most importantly community building. We invite you to support our distinctive San Fernando Valley Pride organized by and for LGBTQIA+ people of color who work year-round for our 818 communities.

WHEN:       June 25, 12:00 noon
WHERE:      14665 Roscoe Boulevard, Panorama City
COST:       Free
SPONSORS:   Somos Familia Valle and The Social Impact Center
INFO:       somosfamilialvalle.org/sfv-pride.html
             818.669.2535
Both: Mike D. Salazar, at left: Searching, Gelatin-silver photograph, 9.5” x 9.25”, 2018, at right: Palms and Moon Nocturne 1, Gelatin-silver photograph, 7” x 13”, 2011
LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL, AND TRANSGENDER HERITAGE MONTH

2022 COMMUNITY EVENTS

Live and in-person events are included in this listing in addition to many virtual activities being produced by LA’s arts and cultural community organizations.
JOHN ELGIN WOOLF: MASTER OF THE HOLLYWOOD REGENCY

Architect John Elgin Woolf’s work defined luxury living for Hollywood’s famous. He created glamorous homes for figures including Katharine Hepburn, Judy Garland, Mae West, John Wayne, and others. He became a master of Hollywood Regency style. Take this self-guided architectural trail curated by filmmaker and journalist Matt Tyrnauer.

WHEN: Ongoing Program
WHERE: Online, self-guided walking tour
COST: Free
SPONSOR: City of West Hollywood’s Arts Division as part of the City’s WeHo Pride LGBTQ Arts Festival
INFO: drive.google.com/file/d/1gHL9DLox6Im2IKqmuFEPGhTT53X0YFP/view
2022 COMMUNITY EVENTS

CIRCUS OF BOOKS- VIRTUAL PANEL DISCUSSION
Presented as part of the City of West Hollywood's One City One Pride LGBTQ Arts Festival, a panel discussion about the new documentary, Circus of Books, tells the story behind the well-known West Hollywood store that served as a hub for the gay community for many years.

WHEN: Ongoing Program
WHERE: Streaming
COST: Free
SPONSOR: City of West Hollywood's Arts Division as part of the City's WeHo Pride LGBTQ Arts Festival
INFO: youtube.com/watch?v=ZfloA4S9YDM

SECRET LIVES, STORIES, MUSIC, AND ORIGINAL WRITINGS BY LGBTQ+ SENIORS
Secret Lives explores the stories of the remarkable seniors in the Los Angeles LGBT Center Senior Services program as well as many historical figures who had to keep secrets to maintain their careers, their families, and their place in society.

WHEN: Ongoing Program
WHERE: Streaming
COST: Free
SPONSORS: City of West Hollywood's Arts Division as part of the City's WeHo Pride LGBTQ Arts Festival and NewStages, a program of Oasis Theater Company
INFO: youtube.com/watch?v=EGZ7zv0NH8s

LGBTQ+ HISTORY IN COMICS - A VIRTUAL PANEL WITH COMICS READINGS FROM CREATORS
Join Prism Comics and a diverse, talented group of comics creators as they explore our queer past through comics. The panelists' books span recent and revolutionary American history, the Old West, Black history, the roots of the San Francisco gay movement, and 1930s pre-war Europe.

WHEN: Ongoing Program
WHERE: Streaming
COST: Free
SPONSORS: City of West Hollywood's Arts Division as part of the City's WeHo Pride LGBTQ Arts Festival and Prism Comics
INFO: youtube.com/watch?v=2lIHIKRQTQI
SHAPED BY SYLVESTER: TIKI SPILLS THE TEA

Born in Watts, to a middle-class African American family, Sylvester developed a love of singing in the gospel choir of his church. He left the church when the congregation expressed disapproval of his homosexuality, then found friendship among a group of Black cross-dressers and transgender women who called themselves The Disquotays. Tiki Lofton met Sylvester, then known as Dooni, and that friendship influenced her life. Listen to her tales of growing up Black and trans in LA in the 60s as a part of the Disquotays with a good friend that soon became a disco superstar.

WHEN: Ongoing Program
WHERE: Streaming
COST: Free
SPONSOR: City of West Hollywood’s Arts Division as part of the City’s WeHo Pride LGBTQ Arts Festival
INFO: tinyurl.com/shapedbysylvester
2022 COMMUNITY EVENTS

LAMBDA LITERARY DOES PRIDE
Lambda Literary celebrates Pride with some of our community’s biggest stars in a series of online readings and conversations. Recordings of all events are now available.

WHEN: Ongoing Program
WHERE: Streaming
COST: Free
SPONSOR: Lambda Literary
INFO: youtube.com/user/LambdaLit
DAYS OF RAGE, MULTIMEDIA EXHIBIT ON ACTIVIST POSTERS

Days of Rage is a web exhibition that enlivens historical activist posters through analysis and storytelling. Grounded in the experiences of activists and graphic designers, the exhibition positions LGBTQ+ graphic design as embodied in community realities and histories, producing subjective reflections on the interdependence of design and activism.

WHEN: Ongoing Program
WHERE: Streaming
COST: Free
SPONSOR: ONE Archives Foundation
INFO: daysofrage.onearchives.org

Mike D. Salazar, Fine Dining in COVID Times, Gelatin-silver photograph, 13.5” x 10”, 2020
Enrique Castrejon, *Pandemic Blues*, Collage, archival glue, pigment ink and graphite on paper, 18” x 24”, 2021, Courtesy Bermudez Projects
STUART TIMMONS WEST HOLLYWOOD LGBTQ HISTORY TOUR

Acclaimed author/historian Stuart Timmons was in the process of writing his West Hollywood LGBTQ History Tour as the final in a trio of walking tours when he suffered a debilitating stroke in 2008. The tour remained incomplete until the City of West Hollywood’s Arts Division funded its completion to help finish his research, bringing it to a rousing completion as both a self-guided walking tour and a special in-person event with performance artists as tour guides. In 2021, through a special grant, the tour was recorded as a collection of short films.

WHEN: Ongoing Program
WHERE: Streaming
COST: Free
SPONSOR: City of West Hollywood’s Arts Division as part of the City’s WeHo Pride LGBTQ Arts Festival
INFO: bit.ly/WeHoLGBTQTour

ANDY WARHOL

The Luckman Fine Arts Complex at Cal State LA is proud to present Andy Warhol: Selections from the Luckman Permanent Collection. This exhibition, containing over 70 works, presents an expansive dive into Andy Warhol’s most renowned and prolific periods of creation via Polaroids, gelatin prints, and never-before-exhibited silkscreens.

WHEN: Ongoing Exhibition
Wednesdays - Fridays, 12:00 noon - 5:00 p.m.
WHERE: Luckman Gallery
5151 State University Dr., Los Angeles
COST: Free
SPONSOR: Luckman Fine Arts Complex, Cal State Los Angeles
INFO: luckmanarts.org/gallery/andy-warhol.html
323.343.6600
WEST HOLLYWOOD CITY HALL PRIDE MURAL ‘OUR PRIDE’

*Our Pride* is a mural by artist LaToya Peoples that will be installed on the side of City Hall. The mural features four hands, symbolic of LGBTQ Pride. The first hand, a fist, symbolizing our fight against oppression throughout history as LGBTQ and also as BIPOC queer people. Next, a painter’s hand symbolizing our creativity and openness as a community, then a hand holding a sunflower, a symbol for self-love and seeking light. Finally, a hand in a classic peace sign. The background is a bright sky, symbolic of the progress we have made and have yet to make. Each hand will be painted realistically, in color, representing diverse people.

**WHEN:** May 2022 - May 2023

**WHERE:** West Hollywood City Hall
8300 Santa Monica Blvd., West Hollywood

**COST:** Free

**SPONSOR:** City of West Hollywood’s Art Division as part of the City’s WeHo Pride LGBTQ Arts Festival

**INFO:** [weho.org/community/arts-and-culture/visual-arts/art-on-the-outside/one-pride-city-hall-mural](weho.org/community/arts-and-culture/visual-arts/art-on-the-outside/one-pride-city-hall-mural)
Michael Osborne, I'm For You, Watercolor and acrylic on paper, 18" x 24", 2022
WEHO PRIDE LGBTQ ARTS FESTIVAL

The City of West Hollywood celebrates pride with its WeHo Pride LGBTQ Arts Festival (formerly called the One City One Pride LGBTQ Arts Festival), which runs from Harvey Milk Day (May 22) through the end of June Pride month (June 30). This year’s schedule of programs takes place both online and in-person throughout West Hollywood, and the vast majority are free to attend. Our theme for 2022 is With Liberty, Diversity, Inclusion and Progress for All.

WHEN: May 22 – June 30
WHERE: West Hollywood Park
       647 N. San Vicente Blvd., West Hollywood
COST: Varies
SPONSOR: City of West Hollywood’s Arts Division as part of the City’s WeHo Pride LGBTQ Arts Festival
INFO: pride.weho.org
      323.969.8302

QUEER DIASPORAS: LAVENDER CITY OF DREAMS

Rubén Esparza Projects and QUEER BIENNIAL 2022 are excited to present Queer Diasporas: Lavender City of Dreams, a hybrid virtual and live exhibition accounting for a broader range of voices and equitable representation of the much overlooked in the canon of art exhibitions where practice supersedes theory, where identity, experimentation, and the unapologetically personal are on full display, where sharing of anecdotes, genealogies, and intersectional revelations are the focus.

WHEN: May 27 - August 19
WHERE: Streaming
COST: Free
SPONSORS: City of West Hollywood’s Arts Division as part of the City’s WeHo Pride LGBTQ Arts Festival, ONE Archives Foundation, and the Tom of Finland Foundation
INFO: lavendercity.art
      queerbiennial.org
QUEER CROSSROADS: AN EXPLORATION OF QUEER INTERSECTIONALITY THROUGH VIDEO PERFORMANCE AND CONVERSATION

Where once in West Hollywood black and brown bodies had to show three forms of identification to enter gay clubs, the Queer Crossroads of One Pride now choose to celebrate those diversities by exploring our multiple identities as a form of inclusion and reclamation. Let’s meet at the crossroads and share our stories.

WHEN: June 1, 10:00 a.m.
WHERE: Streaming
COST: Free
SPONSOR: City of West Hollywood’s Art Division as part of the City’s WeHo Pride LGBTQ Arts Festival
INFO: youtube.com/channel/UCcTAimXulpWYkLkUeRZdxiw

Rubén Esparza, Dirty Collage (Goya), Mixed media collage (diptych), each 20” x 16”, 2021
LUNCHTIME ART TALK ON KIYAN WILLIAMS

The Hammer’s curatorial department leads free, insightful, short discussions about artists every Wednesday. This talk on Kiyan Williams is led by Erin Christovale, associate curator.

WHEN: June 1, 12:30 p.m.
WHERE: Hammer Museum
10899 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles
COST: Free
SPONSOR: Hammer Museum
INFO: hammer.ucla.edu
310.443.7000

Nojan Rahimia, Maybe Tomorrow, Oil on canvas, 14” x 11”, 2021
PRIDE KICKOFF PARTY IN WEHO AT HEART
Kickoff Pride month with your favorite professionals, including the Los Angeles LGBTQ Chamber of Commerce and the LGBTQ Real Estate Alliance.

WHEN: June 1, 5:00 - 8:00 p.m.
WHERE: Heart Weho
8911 Santa Monica Blvd., West Hollywood
COST: Free, Preregister at website
SPONSORS: LGBTQ Chamber of Commerce and the LGBTQ Real Estate Alliance
INFO: pridekickoff.com
Meringue is a temporary public art exhibition by LGBTQ artist Kim Kiduck installed in 2021. The translucency of Meringue lets sunlight in to glow naturally during the daytime, and at night transforms it into a mixing chamber of various light combinations. The exhibition will be lit up in pink, light blue, and rainbow colors for the duration of June Pride month.

**WHEN:** June 1 - July 31  
**WHERE:** Traffic median at Santa Monica Blvd. and Doheny Dr.  
**COST:** Free  
**SPONSOR:** City of West Hollywood’s Art Division as part of the City’s WeHo Pride LGBTQ Arts Festival  
**INFO:** weho.org/community/arts-and-culture/visual-arts/art-on-the-outside/meringue-kiduck-kim
WRITE OUT PROUD: THE LGBTQIA+ WRITING WORKSHOP

When we Write Out Proud, we share the love of who we are for the world to see, so the world can become better at loving us back. We write fun and flirty stories of our magical LGBTQIA+ selves influenced by our personal ideas of gender, sexuality, and sexual orientation. All are welcome, new and seasoned writers. Your story needs to be heard. There are two workshop groups (Wednesdays or Saturdays), each with the same writing prompts and plans.

WHEN: Wednesdays, June 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29, 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.
       Saturdays, June 4, 11, 18, 25 & 29, 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

WHERE: Zoom Writing Workshops

COST: Free - Preregister at info@writeoutproud.com

SPONSOR: City of West Hollywood’s Art Division as part of the City’s WeHo Pride LGBTQ Arts Festival

INFO: writeoutproud.com
2022 COMMUNITY EVENTS

SAMO PRIDE: MILES OF PRIDE
For the month of June, The Pier, Santa Monica Place, Third Street Promenade and surrounding businesses will celebrate Pride month with a vibrant light installation spanning the Third Street Promenade, Santa Monica Place, City Hall and the Main Street Santa Monica Travel and Tourism visitor’s center. The installation, dubbed Miles of Pride, will illuminate the sky with a rainbow of colors and serve as the backdrop for a full calendar of events.

WHEN: June 1 - 30
WHERE: Downtown Santa Monica
1351 3rd St. Promenade, Santa Monica
COST: Free
SPONSORS: The Santa Monica Pier, Downtown Santa Monica, and Santa Monica Place, in collaboration with the City of Santa Monica and Santa Monica Travel and Tourism
INFO: smpride.com

OUT OF STEP /OUT OF LINE
In the tattoo studio, artists are called to perform; clients request their hand to illustrate a pre-conceived idea, approved and transferred from carbon paper to skin. In their studio practice comes the freedom to move out of line, to work without expectation, and explore different mediums and subject matters. This exhibition examines artists who navigate a fine line between an external perception of their work via tattooing, and their own interests, backgrounds, and cultural heritage that inform a wider practice.

WHEN: June 1 - 26
Thursdays - Sundays, 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
WHERE: Long Beach Museum of Art
2300 E. Ocean Blvd., Long Beach
COST: Adults - $12, Seniors and Youth - $10, Members and Children under 12 - Free,
SPONSOR: Long Beach Museum of Art
INFO: lbma.org/exhibitions
562.439.2119
HAMMER PROJECTS: KIYAN WILLIAMS

Between Starshine and Clay marks the first solo museum exhibition for Kiyan Williams and is an installation that takes its name from a phrase in writer Lucille Clifton’s 1993 poem “won’t you celebrate with me." Williams, who collects earth from familial sites and spaces that hold Black American histories, creates sculptural forms that slowly reveal traces and gestures of the body.

WHEN: June 1 - August 28
Tuesdays - Sundays, 11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

WHERE: Hammer Museum
10899 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles

COST: Free

SPONSOR: Hammer Museum

INFO: hammer.ucla.edu
310.443.7000
MANY

*Many* is an exhibition of 12 Los Angeles-based artists who utilize multiples in their artistic practices. One of the artists, Gelare Khoshgozaran, is an LGBTQ+ artist who is making significant contributions to the culture of our city. Born and raised in Tehran, and living in Los Angeles, he envisions the city as an imaginary space between asylum as “the protection granted by a nation to someone who has left their native country as a political refugee” and the more dated meaning of the word, “an institution offering shelter and support to people who are mentally ill.”

**WHEN:** June 1 - September 11
Wednesdays - Sundays 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

**WHERE:** Craft Contemporary
5814 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles

**COST:** Adults $9, Students, Teachers, and Seniors $7, Members Free, Free on Sundays

**SPONSOR:** Craft Contemporary

**INFO:** [craftcontemporary.org/exhibitions/many](http://craftcontemporary.org/exhibitions/many)
323.937.4230

Oscar Corona, *Untitled Curiosity*, Acrylic, gesso, mixed medium, 8” x 10”, 2021
Jason Danino Holt, Show This To Wolfgang Face Mask, Digital collage, 14” x 17”, 2020
ARTS ON SUNSET- THE SUNSET SPECTACULAR

ONE Archives at the USC Libraries is pleased to present a yearlong public art presentation for the City of West Hollywood’s 67-foot digital billboard, The Sunset Spectacular, organized by Jeanne Vaccaro. Currently on view is experimental animation Title Sequence by Aimee Goguen.

WHEN: June 1 - April 6, 2023
WHERE: Sunset Spectacular
8775 Sunset Blvd, West Hollywood
COST: Free
SPONSOR: ONE Archives at the USC Libraries
INFO: one.usc.edu/exhibition/arts-sunset

Gelare Khoshgozaran, Boneyard, Aluminum, copper, and steel filament, 10’ x 7’, 2020
Jason Soltero, *Reflecting Pool*, Acrylic and marble powder on canvas, 48" x 60" x 1", 2016
A BEVERLY HILLS PRIDE CONCERT: CELEBRATION OF DIVERSE FAMILIES AND COMMUNITY

The inaugural Beverly Hills Pride concert will kick off with some of the best LA-based LGBTQ+ musical and spoken word artists. The night will feature world class performance artists, renowned vogue pioneers and dancers, and some of the most sensational creators in the region.

WHEN: June 2, 6:00 - 10:00 p.m.
WHERE: Outdoor Plaza - Wallis Annenberg Center for the Performing Arts
9390 N. Santa Monica Blvd., Beverly Hills
COST: Free - Preregister at website
SPONSORS: Wallis Annenberg Center for the Performing Arts, KCRW 89.9 FM, School Night, the City of West Hollywood’s Arts Division as part of the City’s WeHo Pride LGBTQ Arts Festival, LA Pride - Christopher Street West Association, and Beverly Hills Community Services Arts and Culture Division
INFO: beverlyhills.org/PRIDE
SONDHEIM ON SONDHEIM

Sondheim on Sondheim celebrates the art and life of the father of the modern American musical. The revue includes many Sondheim songs from his most well-known productions.

WHEN: June 2 - 5
Thursday, 7:30 p.m., Friday & Saturday, 8:00 p.m., Sunday, 4:00 p.m.

WHERE: Ophelia’s Jump
2009 Porterfield Way, Suite I, Upland

COST: $35-$40

SPONSOR: Ophelia’s Jump Productions

INFO: opheliasjump.org

GLOBAL RAINBOW

Venice Pride presents artist Yvette Mattern’s Global Rainbow installation at Venice Beach. Don’t miss this large-scale public art light installation. A beacon of diversity and acceptance, the artwork beams seven rays of laser light representing the color spectrum of a natural rainbow.

WHEN: June 3 - 5, Sunset - 3:00 a.m.

WHERE: Venice Beach

COST: Free

SPONSOR: Venice Pride

INFO: venicepride.org/events
424.330.7788

WEHO PRIDE WEEKEND

West Hollywood’s inaugural WeHo Pride Weekend. Celebrations in and around West Hollywood Park will include a free WeHo Pride Street Fair; a 3-day ticketed OUTLOUD Raising Voices Music Festival, the Dyke March and Women’s Freedom Festival, and the inaugural WeHo Pride Parade.

WHEN: June 3 - 5
Friday, 4:00 - 10:00 p.m., Saturday & Sunday, 12:00 noon - 10:00 p.m.

WHERE: WeHo Pride weekend stage and street fair
647 N. San Vicente Blvd., West Hollywood

COST: Varies

SPONSOR: City of West Hollywood’s Art Division as part of the City’s WeHo Pride LGBTQ Arts Festival

INFO: weho.org/community/weho-pride
PRIDE POETS - PLEDGE (TYPEWRITER POETRY PROJECT)

Pride Poets is back in person. Look out for LGBTQ+ poets on typewriters at a booth at West Hollywood Pride, ready to tackle all your poetic needs and create original art for you or a loved one. This year’s theme is *Pledge: come share your allegiances with us*. We are also building on last year’s hotline, call the hotline number where you’ll find poets standing by, ready to write you a custom poem over the phone. The hotline (202.998.3510) will be active from 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m., and again for the afterhours version from 11:00 p.m. - 2:00 a.m. the next day.

**WHEN:**
- June 3 - 5, June 11 - 12
- Hotline: June 11, 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m., and 11:00 p.m. - 2:00 a.m.

**WHERE:**
- WeHo Pride weekend stage and street fair
- 647 N. San Vicente Blvd., West Hollywood

**COST:**
- Free

**SPONSOR:**
- City of West Hollywood’s Art Division as part of the City’s WeHo Pride LGBTQ Arts Festival

**INFO:**
- pridepoets.com
- Hotline: 202.998.3510
WOMEN’S FREEDOM FESTIVAL 2022
A pride filled weekend of women and non-binary centric events for our community. While there is still much to protest during pride season, we will gather to celebrate the power of ALL members of our tribe who identify with the feminine spirit.

WHEN: June 3 - 5, 7:00 - 10:00 p.m.
WHERE: WeHo Pride weekend stage and street fair
647 N. San Vicente Blvd., West Hollywood
COST: Free
SPONSOR: City of West Hollywood’s Art Division as part of the City’s WeHo Pride LGBTQ Arts Festival
INFO: eventbrite.com/e/womens-freedom-festival-2022-tickets-169633966761

OUTLOUD RAISING VOICES MUSIC FESTIVAL
OUTLOUD Raising Voices Music Festival is a 3-day, award-winning LGBTQ+ Music Festival, profiling and celebrating queer artistry as a kick-off concert to Pride Month. This high-energy concert features show-stopping performances, engaging interviews, and artist meet-and-greets. Check website for performance schedule.

WHEN: June 3 - 5
Friday, 4:00 p.m. - 12:00 midnight, Saturday, 12:00 noon - 12:00 midnight, Sunday, 12:00 noon - 11:00 p.m.
WHERE: West Hollywood Park
647 N. San Vicente Blvd., West Hollywood
COST: Weekend Pass, $139 - $205, Single Day Pass, $49, Tickets available at website
SPONSOR: WeHo Pride LGBTQ Arts Festival is organized by the City of West Hollywood’s Arts Division
INFO: weareoutloud.com
323.9f69.8302
THE OUTFRONTS

The OutFronts, a four-day LGBTQ+ television festival kicks off Pride Month with in-person and online events. Go behind the scenes with stars from the biggest LGBTQ+ television hits with exclusive conversations, sneak peeks, and special premiers. The OutFronts is free to attend virtually, tickets are needed for in-person events.

WHEN: June 3 - 6
WHERE: Streaming and In-Person
COST: 0 - $20
SPONSOR: IMDb
INFO: theoutfronts.com
GLENDALE PRIDE IN THE PARK, OUR (FIRST ANNUAL) QUEER FAMILY PICNIC

This is a chill, low-key, post COVID picnic to relax outdoors and connect with your queer neighbors and allies. Bring Your Own Blanket.

WHEN:       June 4, 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.
WHERE:     Adams Square Mini Park
COST:        Free
SPONSOR:    glendaleOUT
INFO:       glendaleout.org
PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO YOUR FLAG! A FESTIVAL OF LGBTQ+ FLAGS

Come experience the Sister’s Flag Festival, a fun social art intervention with the Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence. The Sisters will delight you as they work their butts off to erase shame and stigma and lovingly help you to claim your LGBTQIA+ identity by choosing from a myriad of their spectacular LGBTQIA+ color guard flags.

WHEN: June 4, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
WHERE: Santa Monica Blvd., between Robertson & La Cienega
COST: Free
SPONSOR: City of West Hollywood’s Art Division as part of the City’s WeHo Pride LGBTQ Arts Festival
INFO: writeoutproud.com/pledge.html

THE VENICE PRIDE FESTIVAL

Be who you are at the Venice Pride Festival. LA’s beloved grassroots LGBTQ+ celebration grows to two days and moves to a brand-new beachside location. Celebrate PRIDE with a diverse array of stage performances produced by Queer Moment, DJs, community booths, art installations, LGBTQ+ vendors, food trucks, and everyone’s favorite queer dance party, Gaywatch (21+ only).

WHEN: June 4 - 5, 12:00 noon - 10:00 p.m.
WHERE: Venice Beach Recreation Center
1800 Ocean Front Walk, Venice
COST: $10 - $20
SPONSOR: Venice Pride
INFO: venicepride.org/events
424.330.7788

At left: Michael R. Moore, da MO BOYS SKIN PROJECT King Me Lawrence Elliott-Pinkston, Digital photography, 36" x 48", 2021
BECOMING AUSTIN NATION

Austin Nation will share his entertaining and humorous autobiographical piece, *From Crack to PhD: A Drag Queen's Story*. Diagnosed with HIV/AIDS at the age of 26 this is the story of a person facing his own mortality until the release of the life extending drug AZT. At 40, Austin beat back his demons and is living his best life as a drag performer and a professor of nursing.

**WHEN:** June 4, 9, 15, 19, and 24, 8:00 - 9:30 p.m.

**WHERE:** Los Angeles LGBT Center  
1118 N. McCadden Pl., Los Angeles

**COST:** $8 - $10

**SPONSOR:** Los Angeles LGBT Center

**INFO:** eventbrite.com/e/becoming-austin-nation-tickets-309145160497?aff=ebdsoporgprofile  
323.860.7300
WALKING AMONGST THE RUBBLE: UNDOCUQUEER PRIDE

LA’s free monthly queer poetry reading series, Influx Collectiv: Queer Reading Series, welcomes season two of Walking Amongst the Rubble: Undocuqueer Pride podcast. Season two will include poetry performances and interviews by LA-based award-winning undocuqueer poets.

WHEN: June 4, 11, 18, and 25
WHERE: Online Podcasts
COST: Free
SPONSOR: City of West Hollywood’s Art Division as part of the City’s WeHo Pride LGBTQ Arts Festival
INFO: influxcollectiv.org/podcast
EAST WEST PLAYERS PRESENTS: INTERSTATE

A soaring pop-rock musical with immense heart about two transgender people at different stages of their journey navigating love, family, masculinity, and community in the era of social media. Fueled by the allure of fame and a desire to connect with their community, Dash and Adrian embark on a road trip across America for their first national tour. Their music touches Henry, a transgender teenage boy living in a small-town, and he finds solace in their art.

WHEN: June 4 - 26, Check website for times
WHERE: David Henry Hwang Theater
120 Judge John Aiso St., Los Angeles
COST: Check online for tickets
SPONSOR: East West Players
INFO: eastwestplayers.org
213.625.7000
Rubén Esparza, *All Boy Limbo Sex*, Mixed media collage, 20” x 16”, 2016
THE CHURCH OF TRANS LOVE PRESENTS THE HOLY QUEER/TGI/BIPOC SACRIFICE OF THE MASS

The Church of Trans Love presents a fun, moving, and musical trans/enby/BIPOC take on Christian worship for a special WeHo Pride 2022 performance on the Community Stage.

WHEN: June 5, 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.
WHERE: WeHo Pride weekend stage and street fair
647 N. San Vicente Blvd., West Hollywood
COST: Free
SPONSOR: City of West Hollywood’s Art Division as part of the City’s WeHo Pride LGBTQ Arts Festival
INFO: bit.ly/churchtranslove

WEHO PRIDE PARADE

Get ready to get festive and roll down Santa Monica Boulevard from Crescent Heights Boulevard into the heart of the Rainbow District for the inaugural WeHo Pride Parade. Together as a community, we will bring entertainment, excitement, and a whole lot of fun to WeHo Pride weekend with floats, bands, drill teams, dance teams, march contingents, and more.

WHEN: June 5, 12:00 noon
WHERE: Crescent Heights Blvd - Robertson Blvd. along Santa Monica Blvd.
COST: Free
SPONSOR: WeHo Pride LGBTQ Arts Festival is organized by the City of West Hollywood’s Arts Division
INFO: weho.org/community/weho-pride

GAY FREEDOM BAND OF LOS ANGELES SPRING PERFORMANCE “WE NEED SPACE”

Gay Freedom Band of Los Angeles’ (GFBLA) first performance of 2022, entitled We Need Space. The band is hard at work preparing out-of-this-world selections from Jim Curnow, Jan Van der Roost, and Nolan E. Schmit to name a few.

WHEN: June 5, 3:00 p.m.
WHERE: Immanuel Presbyterian Church, 3300 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles
COST: Free, Donations accepted
SPONSOR: Gay Freedom Band of Los Angeles
INFO: GFBLA.org
CAMP GINGER: AN ORIGINAL MUSICAL

In this original musical, Steve Trzaska plays a variety of characters. He’s a redhead, and *Camp Ginger* is a metaphor, with redheaded campers and counselors standing for the characters he meets on his semi-autobiographical journey. Substantive themes covered include navigating puberty, bullying, faith, sexual abuse, and coming to terms with one’s sexuality.

**WHEN:** June 5, 9, 11, 12, 16, Check website for times

**WHERE:** The Little Theatre
916 N. Formosa Ave., Los Angeles

**COST:** $12

**SPONSOR:** Hollywood Fringe

**INFO:** [hollywoodfringe.org/projects/6383](hollywoodfringe.org/projects/6383)
2022 COMMUNITY EVENTS

WEHO READS: PRIDE & JOY IN THE MATRIX
LGBTQ+ authors are taking a hard look at society IRL and virtually, pinpointing the ways we come up short in connecting with and loving each other. The panel will discuss online spaces, the challenges of creating joy online—is it even possible? - and the role of critique and creativity in shifting culture.

WHEN: June 7, 6:00 p.m.
WHERE: Live Streaming and archived
COST: Free, Preregister at website
SPONSORS: City of West Hollywood, UCLA Extension Writers’ Program, Bookshop.org, Book Soup, and Los Angeles Review of Books
INFO: weho.org/wehoreads
youtube.com/watch?v=uh7kjuLE7Bc

STEPPING STONES
This project joins LGBTQ+ seniors and young performing artists, in various disciplines, to explore how the gay community has been built by creating paths – explores interconnectedness.

WHEN: June 7, 14 and 21, 7:00 p.m.
WHERE: Streaming
COST: Free
SPONSOR: City of West Hollywood’s Art Division as part of the City’s WeHo Pride LGBTQ Arts Festival
INFO: newstages.org

BEVERLY HILLS PRIDE AT GREYSTONE MANSION: GINA YOUNG’S SORORITY SALON
Theater director Gina Young will reimagining the newly restored Greystone Theater for this special one-night only event. Sorority Salon is the Los Angeles hub for new short works by women, trans and queer performing artists spanning theatre, music, dance, and more. This special event will feature performances in the intimate Greystone theatre.

WHEN: June 8, 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.
WHERE: Greystone Mansion and Theatre
905 Loma Vista Dr., Beverly Hills
COST: $15, Preregister at website, seating is extremely limited
SPONSORS: City of West Hollywood’s Art Division as part of the City’s WeHo Pride LGBTQ Arts Festival and Beverly Hills Community Services Arts and Culture Division
INFO: beverlyhills.org/PRIDE
#PRIDE SUMMIT
An event dedicated to supporting and amplifying queer techies and allies that will specifically offer specialized tech and career tracks providing the inspiration, education, and connections needed to continue being successful. It will bring together their most accomplished techies for an intimate conference focused on technology trends and career growth. The event will include speakers, sessions, networking, and access to a Career Fair.

**WHEN:**  June 8, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
**WHERE:**  Streaming and in person, check website for location details
**COST:**  Free
**SPONSOR:**  Lesbians Who Tech & Allies
**INFO:**  [events.lesbianswhotech.org/pridesummit2022](http://events.lesbianswhotech.org/pridesummit2022)

Michael Osborne, *Marsha P*, Archival ink on paper, 11” x 14”, 2020
MEMORIES OF TOMORROW’S SUNRISE

The exhibition poetically investigates concepts of legacy, personal relationships, family ancestry, cultural identity, and the historical struggles of being human from thirteen artists with varied perspectives and backgrounds. *Memories of Tomorrow’s Sunrise* includes installation, photography, painting, sculpture, video art, auditory art, performance art, memorials, and interactive experiences. In addition to the opening reception, there will be an online artist talk and live performances.

**WHEN:** June 8 - July 15
Mondays - Fridays, 12:00 noon - 5:00 p.m., for details visit the website

**WHERE:** The Ronald H. Silverman Fine Arts Gallery
California State University, Los Angeles, 5151 State University Drive, Los Angeles

**COST:** Free

**SPONSOR:** The Ronald H. Silverman Fine Arts Gallery

**INFO:** laartdocuments.com/memories
STORIES BEYOND THE RAINBOW: AN EVENING OF ORIGINAL QUEER AND TRANS MUSICALS: VOX FEMINA CONCERT

Join Kol Ami’s Education Resident Eliana Rubin for original music centered around queer and trans stories. All music is created by Eliana, and includes Jewsicals (Jewish musicals), short musical numbers based around sacred texts, as well as songs that celebrate the LGBTQ+ community.

WHEN: June 9, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.
WHERE: Congregation Kol Ami
1200 N. La Brea Ave., West Hollywood
COST: Free, Preregister at website
SPONSORS: Congregation Kol Ami, and the City of West Hollywood’s Art Division as part of the City’s WeHo Pride LGBTQ Arts Festival

PRIDE PROM

Join us for Burbank’s first Pride Prom. A fun and safe night of dancing, friends and pride for all. Open to all Middle and High School students, allies, and friends.

WHEN: June 10, 7:00 - 11:00 p.m.
WHERE: Burbank YMCA Social Impact Center
321 E. Magnolia Blvd., Burbank
COST: Free, Preregister at website
SPONSOR: Burbank YMCA
INFO: eventbrite.com/e/social-impact-center-pride-prom-tickets-321848205647

AN EVENING AMONG THE ROSES

An Evening Among the Roses is an annual celebration of the LGBTQ community and their many contributions to The Huntington. A one-night-only garden party with music, dancing, and more.

WHEN: June 10, 7:00 - 10:00 p.m.
WHERE: The Huntington Library, Art Collections, and Botanical Gardens
1151 Oxford Rd., San Marino
COST: $125
SPONSOR: The Huntington Library, Art Collections, and Botanical Gardens
INFO: huntington.org/among-the-roses?sd=1654912800&ed=1654923600
626.405.2100
AND...OUT OF THE BLUE: A MIRACULOUS MUSICAL

Writer-composer-performer Eli Hans portrays 25 characters in this swift-paced musical journey. Eli is Mexican-Polish-Jewish and gay. After a dire cancer diagnosis, Eli must learn to make peace with his past. As he navigates his identities, deals with his parents and learns to accept himself, he miraculously finds The One (his true love).

WHEN: June 10 - 11, Friday at 7:30 p.m., Saturday at 5:30 p.m.
WHERE: Zephyr Theatre
7456 Melrose Ave., Los Angeles
COST: $15
SPONSOR: Out of the Blue Productions
INFO: hollywoodfringe.org/projects/7446
THE 2022 LAMMY AWARDS
The Lammys recognize the crucial role LGBTQ writers play in shaping the world, and celebrate the very best in LGBTQ literature. Since the inception of the Lammys in 1989, more than 3,500 books have been named finalist or winner.

WHEN:       June 11, 11:00 a.m.
WHERE:      Live Streaming
COST:        $50
SPONSOR:    Lambda Literary
INFO:       lambdaliterary.org/awards/get-tickets

A SNEAK PEAK AT EAST WEST PLAYERS’ NEW PRODUCTION OF INTERSTATE
A preview and post-show talkback of the world premiere of Interstate, a new musical that explores the intersection of queer and Asian American identities as it follows the journey of three characters, two of whom are transgender at different stages of their transition.

WHEN:       June 15, Check website for time
WHERE:      Live Streaming
COST:        Free
SPONSORS:   East West Players, and the City of West Hollywood’s Art Division as part of the City’s WeHo Pride LGBTQ Arts Festival
INFO:       eastwestplayers.org
            213.625.7000

COLOR OF PRIDE - PRIDE MONTH YOUTH AND TEEN JURIED EXHIBITION 2022
Long Beach Public Library and the Museum of Latin American Art have joined together to host a Youth and Teen juried art exhibition. The winning artworks will be on display in-person at each of the 12 Long Beach Public Library branches. The Museum of Latin American Art will create a virtual exhibition of the collected works to be displayed on their website.

WHEN:       June 15 - July 15
WHERE:      Long Beach Public Library and the Museum of Latin American Art
COST:        Free
SPONSORS:   The Long Beach Public Library and the Museum of Latin American Art
            molaa.org
            562.216.4108
Sunny Bak and Andrea Tan, *Andy4Up*, Photo on canvas, 30" x 40", 2020
TRANS PRIDE – LOS ANGELES 2022

Join us for a celebration of the TGI/ENBY+ Community, with both in-person and virtual events. Featuring a job fair, a big queer convo, a resource fair, a Variety show, and more.

WHEN: June 16 - 18
WHERE: The Village at Ed Gould Plaza
LA LGBT Center, 1125 N. McCadden Pl., Los Angeles
COST: Free
SPONSOR: Los Angeles LGBT Center
INFO: lgbtnewsnow.org/calendar/trans-pride-2022
2022 COMMUNITY EVENTS

CATALINA PRIDE CELEBRATION
Celebrating the first annual Catalina Pride Celebration. The main event will take place in the center of Avalon and will include live entertainment as well as a pride march in support of the LGBTQ+ community. After parties on Avalon will begin around sunset.

WHEN: June 18, 10:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
WHERE: Check website for details
COST: Free
SPONSOR: Love Catalina Island
INFO: lovecatalina.com/pride

Q CON
Prism Comics presents Q Con - a one-day comic con celebrating LGBTQ+ comics, graphic novels, and the writers and artists who create them. Find an exciting, diverse selection of LGBTQ+ comics and graphic novels, talk to creators, get autographs, and join in the costume contest for fun and prizes. Q Con is family friendly, and Cosplay is encouraged.

WHEN: June 18, 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
WHERE: Plummer Park, Fiesta Hall
1200 N. Vista St., West Hollywood
COST: Free
SPONSORS: City of West Hollywood’s Arts Division as part of the City’s WeHo Pride LGBTQ Arts Festival, and Los Angeles Film School
INFO: prismcomics.org/q-con

GAY MEN’S CHORUS OF LOS ANGELES’ - TRIBUTE TO QUEEN!
Come hear a selection of iconic songs from Queen and Freddie Mercury. We Are the Champions, Somebody to Love, and We Will Rock You are among the best pop/rock anthems ever written, and the Chorus brings them to life as you’ve never heard before in this special one-hour concert.

WHEN: June 18, 4:00 p.m.
WHERE: Plummer Park
7377 Santa Monica Blvd., West Hollywood
COST: Free, Preregister at website, space is limited
SPONSOR: City of West Hollywood’s Arts Division as part of the City’s WeHo Pride LGBTQ Arts Festival
INFO: gmcla.org
TRANS PRIDE LA 2022: THE VARIETY SHOW
The VarieTy Show serves as the grand finale of the annual Trans Pride LA Festival.

WHEN: June 18, 7:00 p.m.
WHERE: Renberg Theatre, The Village at Ed Gould Plaza
LA LGBT Center, 1125 N. McCadden Pl., Los Angeles
COST: Free, Preregister at website
SPONSORS: The Happy Hippie Foundation and the City of West Hollywood’s Arts Division as part of the City’s WeHo Pride LGBTQ Arts Festival
INFO: transpride.lalgbtcenter.org
323.860.7300

TRANS PRIDE GALA: A CELEBRATION OF TRANS CAN WORK
Trans Can Work is honored to host the Trans Pride Gala, our first annual gala, to celebrate our amazing transgender, gender-variant, and intersex community. This evening will celebrate and profile all local TGI talent.

WHEN: June 18, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.
WHERE: Detroit Vesseys
2028 E 7th St., Los Angeles
COST: $100
SPONSOR: Trans Can Work
INFO: eventbrite.com/e/trans-pride-gala-a-celebration-of-trans-can-work-tickets-317730820437?aff=ebdsoporgprofile

PRIDE AT THE FOWLER: ARCHIVING GAY HISTORY
The Fowler, the UCLA Film & Television Archive, and ONE Archives at USC co-present an online screening and panel conversation on the intersection of art, archives, and anti-erasure efforts, spotlighting the work of contemporary artist Sadie Barnette and filmmaker Whitney Skauge, whose recent projects feature archival content about the lives of two gay Black activists.

WHEN: June 23, 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.
WHERE: Streaming
COST: Free, Preregister at website
SPONSORS: The Fowler, the UCLA Film & Television Archive, and ONE Archives at US
INFO: fowler.ucla.edu/events/pride-at-the-fowler-archiving-gay-history
Mary Cheung, *Neon Bindings*, Digital photography art, 12" x 18", 2022
QUEERWISE: QUEERS ACROSS YEARS
This video features a group of younger (ages 18-25) and older (50+) LGBTQIA+ community members sharing personal thoughts, ideas, and writings via a pre-recorded video event. The piece will be developed over the course of three workshops composed of pairs of younger and older participants with members of QueerWise.

WHEN: June 23, 7:00 p.m.
WHERE: Streaming
COST: Free
SPONSORS: QueerWise and the City of West Hollywood’s Arts Division as part of the City’s WeHo Pride LGBTQ Arts Festival
INFO: queerwise.net/events
OC PRIDE PARADE & FESTIVAL

After a two-year hiatus, Orange County LGBT Pride returns with the completely free Love Out Loud Pride Festival and it's going to be huge. Our 2022 festival will be bigger than ever with the addition of new zones. Be sure to check out The Pride Stage, The Orgullo Stage, The Adult Kink, and Leather Space powered by ONYX, The Love Out Loud Dance Tent powered by iHeart Media, The New Trans Lounge, The Family Zone, and The Teen Space.

WHEN:       June 25
            Parade - 10:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon
            Festival - 11:30 a.m. - 10:00 p.m.
            Pride Stage - 7:00 - 10:00 p.m.

WHERE:      Downtown Santa Ana
            253 E. 3rd St., Santa Ana

COST:       Free

SPONSOR:    Orange County Pride and Downtown Santa Ana

INFO:       prideoc.com
            714-869-7392
WEST HOLLYWOOD PRIDE PLAY READING FESTIVAL

A production of original works by local playwrights and active members of The Alliance of Los Angeles Playwrights (ALAP). This production consists of a collection of original one-act plays and a single full length play as selected by our panel of judges. This presentation consists of taped readings of the selected plays and will be broadcast on the ALAP YouTube channel.

WHEN: June 26 and 27, 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.
WHERE: Streaming
COST: Free
SPONSORS: The Alliance of Los Angeles Playwrights and the City of West Hollywood’s Arts Division as part of the City’s WeHo Pride LGBTQ Arts Festival
INFO: youtube.com/channel/UCpWWm7h-v2Y544KUdPjDx-Q
GLENDALE PRIDE AT DAVE’S ON BROADWAY
Stonewall 53 at Dave’s on Broadway, Glendale’s oldest bar features performance by Glendale’s own Simply Cebuena.

WHEN: June 28, 6:00 p.m.
WHERE: Dave’s on Broadway, 708 E. Broadway, Glendale
COST: Free
SPONSOR: glendaleOUT
INFO: glendaleout.org

EFFERVESCENT
Yozmit Kwon presents world premiere of a short music film Effervescent. This particular score will have a chorus accompaniment for the recording of the song as well as their appearance in the video. Yozmit will curate and collaborate with vocalists/performers from the community of transgender, non-binary, gender-non-conforming, and gender-fluid individuals.

WHEN: June 30
WHERE: Streaming
COST: Free
SPONSOR: The City of West Hollywood’s Arts Division as part of the City’s WeHo Pride LGBTQ Arts Festival
INFO: pride.weho.org

GAYWATCH
Join us for a queer dance party presented by Venice Pride and Roosterfish at the longest operating gay-owned bar in Venice – James’ Beach. No matter gay, straight, or bi, lesbian, transgender life - this is an inclusive celebration for all.

WHEN: July 9, 9:00 p.m. - 2:00 a.m.
WHERE: James’ Beach, 60 N. Venice Blvd., Venice
COST: $15
SPONSORS: Venice Pride and Roosterfish
INFO: venicepride.org/events
424.330.7788
OUTFEST LOS ANGELES LGBTQ+ FILM FESTIVAL
Outfest is celebrating its 40th anniversary and the Outfest LA LGBTQ+ film festival is back in person and online. Get ready for 11 days of LGBTQ+ films, television, special events, parties, and more. Outfest LA is excited to be back at the Directors Guild of America in West Hollywood and various venues across Los Angeles - including the festival favorite outdoor venue. The Ford tickets start at $12 and go on sale in mid-June. Follow @outfest on social media for updates.

WHEN: July 14 - 24, check website for times
WHERE: Directors Guild of America and various venues across Los Angeles
7920 Sunset Blvd., Los Angeles
COST: Starts at $12
SPONSORS: Warner Bros., Discovery, IMDb
INFO: outfest.org

OUTFEST UNDER THE STARS
Enjoy a quintessential LA experience with three nights of films and programs under the stars at The Ford. Pack a picnic and bring a friend to Outfest Under the Stars, where you will meet Hollywood icons of past and present and be entertained by unforgettable performances. Mark your calendars as films and programs are announced on June 9, 2022.

WHEN: July 21 - 23, 8:00 p.m.
WHERE: Ford Amphitheatre, 2580 Cahuenga Blvd. East, Hollywood
COST: Check website for programs, artists, dates, prices
SPONSOR: Ford Amphitheatre
INFO: theford.com/events/performances?Venue=The+Ford&Season=null
323.461.3673
Michael Osborne, *Baldwin*, Archival ink on paper, 9" x 12", 2020
The Department of Cultural Affairs is pleased to present the works of four literary artists in the 2022 Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Calendar and Cultural Guide. We are honored to showcase the work of Los Angeles poets Rubén Esparaza, Malik Shakur, Imani Tolliver, and C. Jerome Woods.
DARKEST DANCE FLOOR

by Rubén Esparza

Tripping the night
Cruising
Looking for a score
lovin’ not looking for no fight

Owls journey into the darkness of pulsating beats
This is where we gather
All the beasts and of the feather

The hard-to-find spice
The magical elixir
around the cosmos and back
on to paradise

Boom Boom Pa
Vroooop Vrooop
Taka taka taka boom boom

Warehoused vibrating masses
Falling back, not looking back
Drawing in life
comfortably numb in dizzying limbo

A fog-ridden lair
A smokey thurible
Life slowly wafting

Eternal nostalgia
Everlast small town boy
siempre fiel
Rainbow tripper

Boom Boom Pa
Vroooop Vrooop
Taka taka taka boom boom

Looking for forever
This night is forever
Looking for forever
This night is forever

Up up and away we soar
Hold me as I fold onto you
Heaven is to die on the dance floor
Between
faith and sexuality
lives the color of my manhood.
It falls to the floor
singing his praises
then rises to the occasion
at the thought of your nakedness in my arms,
in those moments,
I watch as each clings
to the prism of this tattered soul
Refracting their hopes and dreams,
as my lustful passions
continue to wrap around the flesh
the way water
grips the planet,
when all these insidious desires
I now have for you
and she,
and him
and they,
begin shouting through the
canyons of this bare and gray city I now call home.
This blend of praise and sin
always seems to perpetually color my judgment
weaken my faith
momentarily suspending its clarity
permitting these sins to wash over the
faithfulness
of Allah’s temple.
Hesitant at first, I succumb instantly
then seek forgiveness
after several rounds of lovemaking and before
I hear the first call to prayer.
It’s in those moments
when the dark of night
meets the sun
of the morning after
where my blessings are accepted
my imperfections forgiven
regardless of my complexity
about good and evil
I remain
a Man
Faithful
Powerful
Black
Fluid
colored by the perception of me
pure

by Imani Tolliver

put light there
keep the tonic pure

my body belongs to me again

i severed the agreement

i emerge
bones, strong
and limber, so limber

i see myself now
in the clean reflection
smell of seawater and wildflowers
my locs, a dark, dark brown
my hands and feet, capable and wide

i am new
beautiful, essential
in the morning
see everything shine
DISFIGURED

by C. Jerome Woods

[Work in Progress]

The snake that winds
Remains in the minds

Like DNA
Shows up in the strangest way

Thirty years since; thirty years back
Lives mattered, not if LGBT black

Equality, rainbow flag in repose
Justice and protest someplace undisclosed

Escaped Russian tea rooms; from closets mundane
From pages of Mickey Spillane, backlots, the criminally insane

Work in progress; evolution slow
No more 3 pieces of picture ID to intersect WeHo.
As a leading, progressive arts and cultural agency, DCA empowers Los Angeles’s vibrant communities by supporting and providing access to quality visual, literary, musical, performing, and educational arts programming; managing vital cultural centers; preserving historic sites; creating public art; and funding services provided by arts organizations and individual artists.

Formed in 1925, DCA promotes arts and culture as a way to ignite a powerful dialogue, engage LA’s residents and visitors, and ensure LA’s varied cultures are recognized, acknowledged, and experienced. DCA’s mission is to strengthen the quality of life in Los Angeles by stimulating and supporting arts and cultural activities, ensuring public access to the arts for residents and visitors alike.

DCA advances the social and economic impact of arts and culture through grantmaking, public art, community arts, performing arts, and strategic marketing, development, and design. DCA creates and supports arts programming, maximizing relationships with other city agencies, artists, and arts and cultural nonprofit organizations to provide excellent service in neighborhoods throughout Los Angeles.

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DCA FACILITIES (36 TOTAL):

- DCA manages and programs 24 Neighborhood Arts and Cultural Centers including: 9 Arts and Cultural Centers, 6 Performing Arts Theaters, 2 Historic Sites, and 7 Galleries.

- DCA oversees an additional 9 Public/Private Partnership Arts Facilities.

- DCA also manages 3 Prop K Facilities in Development.
Michael Osborne, *Sunshine Came Softly*, Watercolor and acrylic on paper, 18” x 24”, 2022
DCA NEIGHBORHOOD ARTS AND CULTURAL CENTERS

DCA’s neighborhood facilities offer high-quality instruction for young people and adults in the performing, visual, and new media arts. The Arts and Cultural Centers offer after-school and summer arts programs, produce solo and group art exhibitions, create outreach programs for under-served populations, and produce a variety of festivals during the year that celebrate the cultural diversity of the community.

DCA MANAGED ARTS AND CULTURAL CENTERS (9)

BARNSDALL ARTS CENTER AND BARNSDALL JUNIOR ARTS CENTER
Barnsdall Park
4800 Hollywood Boulevard
Los Angeles, CA 90027
323.644.6295 - Barnsdall Arts Center
323.644.6275 - Barnsdall Junior Arts Center

CANOGA PARK YOUTH ARTS CENTER
7222 Remmet Avenue
Canoga Park, CA 91303
818.346.7099

LINCOLN HEIGHTS YOUTH ARTS CENTER
2911 Altura Street
Los Angeles, CA 90031
323.224.0928

MANCHESTER YOUTH ARTS CENTER (AT THE VISION THEATRE)
3341 West 43rd Place
Los Angeles, CA 90008
213.202.5508

SUN VALLEY YOUTH ARTS CENTER (THE STONE HOUSE)
8642 Sunland Boulevard
Sun Valley, CA 91352
818.252.4619

WATTS TOWERS ARTS CENTER AND CHARLES MINGUS YOUTH ARTS CENTER
1727 East 107th Street
Los Angeles, CA 90002
213.847.4646 - Watts Towers Arts Center
323.566.1410 - Charles Mingus Youth Arts Center

WILLIAM GRANT STILL ARTS CENTER
2520 South West View Street
Los Angeles, CA 90016
323.734.1165
DCA MANAGED PERFORMING ARTS THEATERS (6)

Through its professional theater facilities, DCA serves the performing and media arts community by offering below-market theater rentals. In turn, the arts community presents year-round dance, music, theater, literary, and multi-disciplinary performances; supports the development of emerging and established Los Angeles-based performing and media artists; and offers workshops for playwrights and writers of all ages.

**BARNSDALL GALLERY THEATRE**
Barnsdall Park
4800 Hollywood Boulevard
Los Angeles, CA 90027
323.644.6272

**LANKERSHIM ARTS CENTER**
5108 Lankershim Boulevard
North Hollywood, CA 91602
818.752.7568

**MADRID THEATRE**
21622 Sherman Way
Canoga Park, CA 91303
818.347.9938

**TAXCO THEATRE**
7242 Owensmouth Avenue
Canoga Park, CA 91303
818.347.9938

**VISION THEATRE**
3341 West 43rd Place
Los Angeles, CA 90008
213.202.5508

**WARNER GRAND THEATRE**
478 West 6th Street
San Pedro, CA 90731
310.548.7672

Both: Lee Pulley, at right: *I’AM Black*, at left: *I’AM Red*, both: Digital, 11” x 11”, 2022
Duane Paul, #UHFI - CALIFORNIA FRUIT (#selfieimperfectduanepaul), Digital archival print, 17" x 22", 2022
DCA MANAGED HISTORIC SITES (2)

DCA provides conservation services and educational programming and tours for two of LA’s most treasured historic sites, Hollyhock House and the Watts Towers. Conservation efforts are coordinated through DCA’s Historic Site Preservation Office. DCA’s Museum Education and Tours Program coordinates tours and interpretive programs for both young people and adults.

Hollyhock House is Frank Lloyd Wright’s first Los Angeles project. Built between 1919 and 1921, it represents his earliest efforts to develop a regionally appropriate style of architecture for Southern California. Barnsdall Park, including the iconic Hollyhock House, was awarded landmark status in 2007 and listed on the National Register of Historic Places. As the nation’s highest historic landmark designation, the site has been formally recognized for its role in interpreting the heritage and history of the United States. Hollyhock House was inscribed on UNESCO’s World Heritage List in 2019.

**HOLLYHOCK HOUSE**

Barnsdall Park  
4800 Hollywood Boulevard  
Los Angeles, CA 9002  
323.913.4031

The Watts Towers, built over 34 years by Simon Rodia, are a Los Angeles icon. Built from found objects, including broken glass, sea shells, pottery, and tile, the Towers stand as a monument to the human spirit and the persistence of a singular vision. The Watts Towers, listed on the National Register of Historic Places, are a National Historic Landmark, a State of California Historic Park, and Historic-Cultural Monument No. 15 as previously designated by the City of Los Angeles Cultural Heritage Commission.

**WATTS TOWERS**

1765 East 107th Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90002  
213.847.4646

At left: Holly A. Vigil, *White Roses*, Watercolor, 13” x 20”, 2022
DCA MANAGED GALLERIES (7)

DCA’s Galleries serve to promote the visual arts and artists of the culturally diverse Los Angeles region.

The Los Angeles Municipal Art Gallery (LAMAG) at Barnsdall Park is the City’s primary exhibition venue and is devoted to showcasing the work of local emerging, mid-career, and established artists in group and individual presentation formats.

**LOS ANGELES MUNICIPAL ART GALLERY (LAMAG)**
Barnsdall Park
4800 Hollywood Boulevard
Los Angeles, CA 90027
323.644.6269

The Barnsdall Junior Arts Center Gallery supports smaller exhibitions, many displaying works created in classes at Barnsdall Park.

**BARNSDALL JUNIOR ARTS CENTER GALLERY**
Barnsdall Park
4800 Hollywood Boulevard
Los Angeles, CA 90027
323.644.6275

DCA’s Henry P. Rio Bridge Gallery at City Hall showcases the work of young people, adults, and seniors enrolled in City art programs, as well as themed exhibitions celebrating the City’s Heritage Month Celebrations.

**DCA’S HENRY P. RIO BRIDGE GALLERY AT CITY HALL**
200 North Spring Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

The galleries at the Watts Towers Campus include:

- **NOAH PURIFOY GALLERY**
  1727 East 107th Street
  Los Angeles, CA 90002
  213.847.4646

- **CHARLES MINGUS GALLERY**

- **DR. JOSEPH AND BOOTSIE HOWARD GALLERY**

Engaging exhibitions can also be viewed at DCA’s gallery at the William Grant Still Arts Center:

**WILLIAM GRANT STILL ARTS CENTER GALLERY**
2520 South West View Street
Los Angeles, CA 90016
323.734.1165

At right: Vertena L. Johnson, *Audre Lorde: Divine Teacher*, Watercolor on paper, 12" x 16", 2020
"That which has been done alters who I am." - Audre Lorde, 1982
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Amina AmXn, *FREE 6*, Digital photography, 16" x 20", 2019
DCA PUBLIC/PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP ARTS FACILITIES:

ARTS AND CULTURAL CENTERS (5)

ART IN THE PARK
5568 Via Marisol
Los Angeles, CA 90042
323.259.0861

EAGLE ROCK COMMUNITY CULTURAL CENTER / CENTER FOR THE ARTS EAGLE ROCK
2225 Colorado Boulevard
Los Angeles, CA 90041
323.561.3044

Encino Arts and Cultural Center
(PREVIOUSLY THE CENTER FOR FOLK MUSIC)
16953 Ventura Boulevard
Encino, CA 91316

McGroarty Arts Center
7570 McGroarty Terrace
Tujunga, CA 91042
818.352.5285

William Reagh - La Photography Center
2332 West Fourth Street
Los Angeles, CA 90057
213.382.8133

Mary Cheung, The Wojkowski’s #3, Digital photography art, 12” x 18”, 2022
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Ed. de la Torre, Applause, Graphite on Paper, 7.5" x 10", 2019
DCA PUBLIC/PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP ARTS FACILITIES:

PERFORMING ARTS THEATERS (2)

**LOS ANGELES THEATRE CENTER / THE NEW LATC**
514 South Spring Street, 2nd Floor
Los Angeles, CA 90013
213.489.0994

**NATE HOLDEN PERFORMING ARTS CENTER**
4718 West Washington Boulevard
Los Angeles, CA 90016
323.964.9768

DCA PUBLIC/PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP ARTS FACILITIES:

EXHIBITION GALLERIES AT AIRPORTS (2)

Through an agreement with Los Angeles World Airports, DCA also administers curated exhibitions at both LAX and Van Nuys World Airports, and promotes Los Angeles as a creative and vibrant destination to over 48 million national and international visitors annually.

**LOS ANGELES WORLD AIRPORTS PUBLIC ART EXHIBITION PROGRAM (LAX)**
1 World Way
Los Angeles, CA 90045

**VAN NUYS WORLD AIRPORT - SAN FERNANDO VALLEY PUBLIC ART EXHIBITION PROGRAM**
16461 Sherman Way
Van Nuys, CA 91406
DOWNTOWN YOUTH ARTS CENTER  
(FIRE STATION # 23)  
225 East 5th Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90013

OAKWOOD JUNIOR YOUTH ARTS CENTER  
(VERA DAVIS MCLENDON YOUTH ARTS CENTER)  
610 California Avenue  
Venice, CA 90291

HIGHLAND PARK YOUTH ARTS CENTER  
111 North Bridewell Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90042

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Both: Norma Haas Rosen, at top: Color clips, woven mat, 2018, at bottom: DIY Sparkle Mask, 2020
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At left: Joel Spanos, TV Land, Digital collage, 8.5” x 11”, 2021
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Amina AmXn, *FREE 2*, Digital photography, 16" x 20", 2019

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