

Camden & Islington LGBT History Month February 2024 MEDICINE - UNDER THE SCOPE

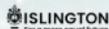


Celebrating the history and achievements of Lesbian Gay Bisexual and Trans communities

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Camden & Islington LGBT History Month 2024

forum+ is very proud to present a fantastic programme of activities and events celebrating Camden & Islington LGBT History Month 2024. All the community is invited to join the festivities and explore LGBT history through art workshops, exhibitions, film screenings, guided walks, history talks, spoken word and more!

Camden and Islington's rich LGBT history is highlighted in this very special collection of activities and events celebrating the culture and heritage of our local LGBT community. From *Celebrating Derek Jarman* to *LGBT Histories Trail*, from the *Lesbian Discussion Group* to *Loudest Whispers Exhibition*, there is so much to enjoy across Camden and Islington!

The theme for LGBT History Month 2024 is *Medicine – #UnderTheScope*. It's a call to celebrate LGBT peoples' contributions to the field of medicine and healthcare, both historically and today. Together let's look 'under the scope' and learn about the lived experiences of the LGBT community.

We are very grateful to our funders Camden Council and Islington Council and to the many individuals and organisations for their generous donation of time and effort for this programme. Thank you to all involved and Happy LGBT History Month!

Tessa Havers-Strong
forum+ Director



Thursday 1st February

5.30 pm – 8 pm

RCP Museum Late: LGBT+ History Month Special

Join an evening exploring the long, rich and inspiring history of LGBTQ+ lives through fascinating and potentially challenging items from the RCP archives, museum and heritage library. LGBTQ+ stories can be traced back at least 350 years in the collections and cover the experiences of LGBTQ+ people, including physicians, as well as the views of a society that medicalised them. There will be short introductions to the items on display at 6 pm and 7 pm with rare books librarian Katie Birkwood and assistant archivist Felix Lancashire.

Booking at RCP Museum Late: LGBT+ History month special - Royal College of Physicians Museum - Art Tickets

Royal College of Physicians Museum, 11 St Andrews Place, Regent's Park NW1 4LE



Thursday 1st February

7 pm

Bi+ Lines Launch at Gay's The Word

Bi+ Lines: An Anthology of Contemporary of Bi+ Poets is the first ever anthology of bi+ poets! Join the launch event hosted by the book's editor and poet Helen Bowell. At Gay's The Word Bookshop you will hear from contributors Adriano Noble, Carmina Masoliver and Jennifer Wong and as they explore in-betweenness. You'll then be able to ask the poets and the editor questions about the book, bi+ poetry and their writing journeys at a Q&A. The anthology collects new poems by more than 40 poets, ranging from well-known to brand new voices from around the world.

Booking at <https://www.outsavvy.com/event/17770/bi-lines-x-gays-the-word>

Gay's The Word, 66 Marchmont Street, WC1N 1AB



Friday 2nd February

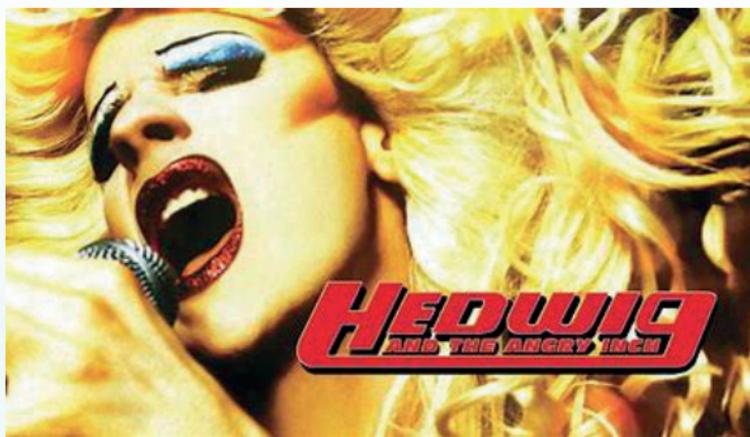
7 pm – 8.30 pm

Queer Fantasy

The magic of Queer Fantasy...Some of the most intriguing fantasy fiction of recent years has featured queer and gender fluid themes and characters, bringing new levels of both realism and possibility. Join this special LGBTQ+ Cultural Event at the British Library and join the conversation with writers discussing the rich and compelling worlds they have created, and how their own identity plays into their work. This vibrant and revealing conversation is hosted by Mendez.

Booking at The British Library Cultural Events - Queer Fantasy Tickets | Friday 2nd February 2024 7:00pm - 8:30pm (seetickets.com)

Online and in-person at The British Library, 96 Euston Road, NW1 2DB



Friday 2nd February

8.45 pm

Drag Musical – Hedwig and the Angry Inch

Throughout February, join Drag Musicals at the gorgeous Garden Cinema. To mark LGBT+ History Month, we're getting in touch with our inner selves by spending every Friday night in drag, tapping our toes, and singing our hearts out. Drag Musicals are kicking off in style with a screening of *Hedwig and the Angry Inch*. The film tells Hedwig's life through her music, an eclectic assortment of original punk anthems and power ballads by Trask, matching them with a freewheeling cinematic mosaic of music-video fantasies, animated interludes, and moments of bracing emotional realism.

Booking at Hedwig and the Angry Inch / The Garden Cinema

The Garden Cinema, 39-41 Parker Street, WC2B 5PQ



Saturday 3rd February

9 pm

Godot Is A Woman

In 1953 a man wrote a play about waiting. In 1988 he sued five women for trying to perform it. In 2001 Madonna released *What It Feels Like for a Girl*. It's 2024 and we're still waiting. Since Samuel Beckett wrote *Waiting for Godot*, he and his estate have notoriously challenged - often legally - non-male companies that wish to perform it. A whip-smart interrogation of gender, authorial copyright and the cultural significance of Madonna's 1989 album *Like a Prayer*, *Silent Faces* return to London with their trademark style of playful, political, physical theatre, following a critically acclaimed UK tour.

Booking at Godot is a Woman | What's On | King's Head Theatre ([kingsheadtheatre.com](https://www.kingsheadtheatre.com))

Kings Head Theatre, 115 Upper Street, N1 1QN



Sunday 4th February

1.30 pm

Queer East Presents: Life Unrehearsed

The Garden Cinema and Queer East are proud to present *Queer East: We Were Always Here*, a series of queer documentaries about East and Southeast Asian women and non-binary people, marking this year's LGBTQ+ History Month. The first of these very special screenings is *Life Unrehearsed* the 2022 Korean language documentary which provides an intimate look into their busy lives and the ups and downs of growing old with your partner.

Queer East is a cross-disciplinary festival that showcases boundary-pushing LGBTQ+ cinema, moving image work and live arts from, and about, East and Southeast Asia and its diaspora communities.

Booking at Queer East Presents: Life Unrehearsed / The Garden Cinema

The Garden Cinema, 39-41 Parker Street, WC2B 5PQ



Wednesday 7th February

8.00 pm

Lesbian Discussion Group

Join the legendary LDG in February for a discussion and debate at Gay's The Word. LDG has been going for almost 40 years in its physical form at Gay's the Word Bookshop with the aim to provide community to women from inside and outside of London. The group continues to thrive - due to the friendly and welcoming people that join every week to discuss love, life, and current affairs. In order to attend, simply arrive early on the day. Spaces are limited and given out on a first-come-first-served basis. Please arrive by 7.45 pm for 8 pm start. No registration is necessary.

<https://www.lesbiandiscussiongroup.com/>

Gay's The Word, 66 Marchmont Street, WC1N 1AB



Wednesday 7th February

8.10 pm

Queer East Presents: You and I

The Garden Cinema and Queer East are proud to present *Queer East: We Were Always Here*, a series of queer documentaries about East and Southeast Asian women and non-binary people, marking this year's LGBTQ+ History Month. On Wednesday 7th February enjoy watching *You and I* the Indonesian documentary which tells the story of the friendship and love between Kaminah and Kusdalini, which existed for more than 50 years since they met as political prisoners in 1965. Queer East is a cross-disciplinary festival that showcases boundary-pushing LGBTQ+ cinema, moving image work and live arts from, and about, East and Southeast Asia and its diaspora communities.

Booking at Queer East Presents: You and I / The Garden Cinema

The Garden Cinema, 39-41 Parker Street, WC2B 5PQ



Until Thursday 22nd February

Representing Bloomsbury Exhibition

Learn about the lives and works of Virginia Woolf, Noor Inayat Khan and Bertrand Russell, all who have been commemorated and celebrated through statues and memorials in Bloomsbury. *Representing Bloomsbury Exhibition* presents new perspectives on the ideas and views of these individuals, some of which can be challenging. Through conversations, drawings, poetry, painting, printing and writing, Camden communities considered what these statues mean to them.

<https://www.lovecamden.org/whats-on/representing-bloomsbury-preview>

Swiss Cottage Gallery, Swiss Cottage Library, 88 Avenue Road, NW3 3HA



Throughout February

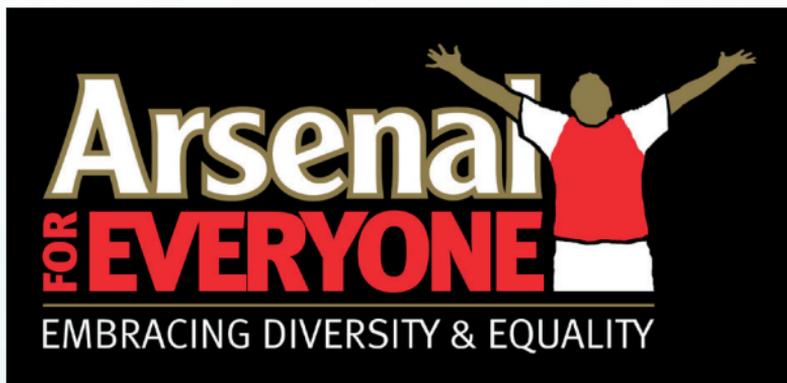
10 am – 5 pm

Desire, love, identity: LGBTQ histories trail

This LGBT History Month choose a trail looking at objects that have a connection with LGBTQ history. Fifteen-object trail – you should be able to complete this trail in 60–75 minutes. The objects have been arranged to create an efficient route. However, you don't need to follow this order. Three-object trail – this trail is ideal if you only have 30 minutes to spare. <https://www.britishmuseum.org/visit/object-trails/desire-love-identity-lgbtq-histories#find-out-more> The trail is free with general museum entry.

Booking <https://www.britishmuseum.org/visit>

The British Museum, Great Russell St, WC1B 3DG



Throughout February

Arsenal in the Community

Arsenal in the Community will be delivering LGBT+ History Month workshops and community sessions in Camden, Islington and Hackney schools throughout February. In the workshop, we will share some examples of professional athletes from the LGBTQ+ community, their successes and the challenges that they continue to face. The workshop will focus on respect and what respect looks like in reality. Arsenal in the Community is collaborating with forum+ in the planning of its LGBT+ History Month workshops.

For more information please email:
hmilton@arsenal.co.uk



Islington's Pride Heritage Trail

Journey through the Islington's Pride Heritage Trail and enjoy visiting over 150 points of LGBTQ+ interest that have been found throughout the borough of Islington. Including: current and former residents, venues such as LGBTQ+ bars, community organisations and locations of celebration and infamy! Visit the website and learn the entries, incorporated images and oral histories, that are linked to the physical plaques across Islington which connect you to the rich history we celebrate today.

Heritage Map – Islington's Pride (islingtonpride.com)



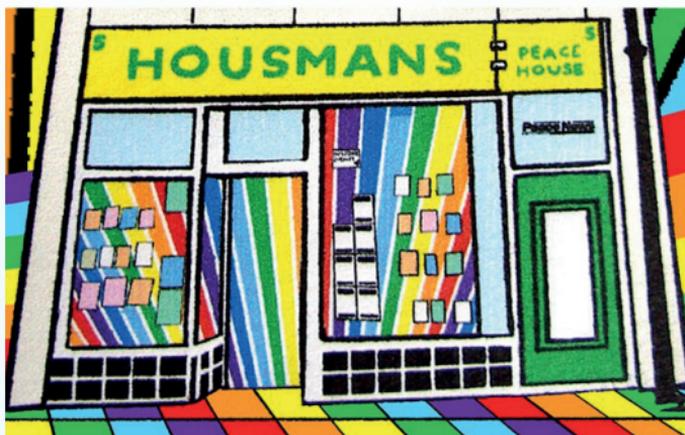
Gay's The Word

During LGBT History Month pay a visit to Gay's The Word Bookshop. The iconic Camden bookshop has been at the heart of the capital's LGBTQ+ rights' movement since opening on 17th January 1979. Gay's The Word has served as the meeting place of pioneering activist collectives like The Gay Black Group, Lesbians and Gays Support The Miners, TransLondon and, more recently, the London Ace Book Club.

For up to date information on Gay's The Word LGBT History Month activities and events please visit:

www.gaystheword.co.uk

Gay's The Word, 66 Marchmont Street, London



Thursday 8th February

7 pm – 8.30 pm

Housmans Queer Book Club

On Thursday 8th February visit the iconic radical bookshop Housmans and join a discussion on *LOTE* by *Shola von Reinhold*. Housmans Queer Book Club reads a wide range of LGBTQ fiction and non-fiction. The book club meet every 2nd Thursday of the month from 7 – 8.30 pm. All genders are welcome, as are any snacks, drinks and book suggestions you can bring along too. You can find future book club titles in Housmans, a 20% discount can be applied to them if you mention the group.

For more information please email

shop@housmans.com and visit

<https://housmans.com/product-tag/housmans-queer-book-club/>

Housmans Bookshop 5 Caledonian Rd, N1 9DX



Thursday 8th February

7 pm

Drag Bingo at Zodiac

At Zodiac whether you're LGBT or Q there a place for you! Since opening in Hampstead Road, Camden in November 2021 independently trans-owned venue Zodiac has become a favourite London LGBTQ+ space. Zodiac hosts a diverse variety of events including karaoke, open mic, club nights, comedy, cabaret and much more! Drag Bingo returns to Zodiac this February! Remember the days before everything went digital? Well, Thursdays are the perfect throwback – so get your game on and let Eileen Eiffell warm you up for the weekend! BINGO starts at 7 pm with a chance to win a fantastic £75 Bar Tab! Give it a go and may luck be on your side!

Booking at Zodiac Bar | What's On

Zodiac Bar, 119 Hampstead Road, Camden NW1 3EE



Friday 9th February

5.30 pm – 8.30 pm

Launch of Loudest Whispers Exhibition 2024

Join the launch of Loudest Whispers and be the first to view the exhibition featuring over 40 LGBT+ artists! Both established and new artists are exhibiting a range of multi media artwork linked to both an open category and the theme of history month *Medicine – UnderTheScope*. Enjoy an evening of music and entertainment with MC Herr Bolli and keynote speakers including Tessa Havers-Strong, Dr James Gray, Andrew Machin, Professor Pippa Catterall and surprise guests! The event is free to join and booking isn't necessary.

For information please email theartsproject1@gmail.com

The Conference Centre, St Pancras Hospital, 4 St Pancras Way, NW1 0PE



Friday 9th February

6 pm

Queer East Presents: Home Ground

The Garden Cinema and Queer East are proud to present *Queer East: We Were Always Here*, a series of queer documentaries about East and Southeast Asian women and non-binary people, marking this year's LGBTQ+ History Month. *Home Ground* is a film about a shared sense of belonging, and shared environments of kinship. Offering a rare insight into Seoul's often-hidden lesbian history, *Home Ground* reveals the vibrancy and endurance of South Korea's queer culture. Queer East is a cross-disciplinary festival that showcases boundary-pushing LGBTQ+ cinema, moving image work and live arts from, and about, East and Southeast Asia and its diaspora communities.

Booking at <https://www.thegardencinema.co.uk/film/home-ground/>

The Garden Cinema, 39-41 Parker Street, WC2B 5PQ



Friday 9th February

8.20 pm

Drag Musical - The Rocky Horror Picture Show

Throughout February, join Drag Musicals at the gorgeous Garden Cinema. To mark LGBT+ History Month, we're getting in touch with our inner selves by spending every Friday night in drag, tapping our toes, and singing our hearts out. Give yourself over to absolute pleasure and join a screening of the cult musical horror spoof *Rocky Horror Picture Show*. Ready to thrill you with fun and naughty moments Richard O'Brien's legendary rock 'n' roll cult classic is the ultimate Drag Musical!

Booking at The Rocky Horror Picture Show / The Garden Cinema

The Garden Cinema, 39-41 Parker Street, WC2B 5PQ



Saturday 10th February

9.30 pm

Awkward Prods' Big Queer Stupid Quiz

The Pleasance Theatre in Islington is one of London's most exciting Off-West End theatres, running since 1995. A wide range of Queer comedy, plays and musicals are staged at the venue. This LGBT History Month join Linus Karp and Joseph Martin for a stupid, queer evening of fun, interactive, queer pop culture quizzing. There will be prizes, a raffle, queer chaos - a very goopy night all in all! Come along straight after the performance of our viral sensation *Gwyneth Goes Skiing* and get ready to quiz - or shall we say *gwuiz*? Can't wait - see you there!

Booking at Awkward Prods' Big Queer Stupid Quiz | Pleasance Theatre Trust

Pleasance Theatre Carpenters Mews, North Road, Islington, N7 9EF



Sunday 11th February

12 noon – 2 pm

Gay Barnsbury and Holloway Walking Tour

Join us for a LGBT+ history walking tour! Revealing Gay Barnsbury & Holloway – wend your way around the streets of Barnsbury & Holloway to discover the history of local gay clubs, bars, politics, residents and supporters. Hear how even the famous had to hide their sexuality, and what happened to those who didn't. An experienced and knowledgeable Islington Guide will lead this walking tour. *Please note, there are explicit references to sexual behaviour during this tour. Please consider this before booking. No unaccompanied under-18 year olds. The tour starts and ends at Caledonian Park by the Clock Tower.

**Booking at Gay Barnsbury & Holloway Walking Tour
Tickets, Sun 11 Feb 2024 at 12:00 | Eventbrite
Cally Clock Tower Centre, Caledonian Park, Market
Road, N7 9PL**



Sunday 11th February

2 pm – 4 pm

Mapping Queer Wellbeing Workshop

Come and celebrate LGBTQ+ History Month at Queer Britain as we explore this year's theme of Medicine. Gabriel Hoosain Khan leads a workshop where you are invited to think about and share your experiences around health, medicine and wellbeing. The workshop is designed to introduce you to visual art as a medium to express your feelings, thoughts and experiences. During the workshop you will be invited to create your own body-map, which visualises your relationship with health and wellbeing. The workshop will culminate in a collective reflection around the insights and experiences of queer, trans, and non binary people in relation to accessing healthcare.

Booking at Mapping Queer Wellbeing Workshop Tickets, Sun 11 Feb 2024 at 14:00 | Eventbrite

Queer Britain, 2 Granary Square Kings Cross, N1C 4BH



Monday 12th February – Friday 10th May

9 am – 5 pm excluding Public Holidays

Loudest Whispers Exhibition

The Arts Project presents Loudest Whispers Arts Exhibition in partnership with forum+. Over 40 artists, both established and new to our unique LGBT+ arts project, present a range of multimedia artwork linked to both an open category and the theme of LGBT History Month. The display includes work by students from the University of Westminster and Simon Croft's giant snakes and ladders health related medicine board installation.

For information please email theartsproject1@gmail.com and visit <http://www.theartsprojectlondon.com>

The Conference Centre Gallery, St Pancras Hospital, 4 St Pancras Way, NW1 OPE



Tuesday 13th February

6 pm – 9 pm

Cooking With Pride

forum+ and St Luke's Community Centre are proud to present a special session of Cooking With Pride for LGBT History Month 2024! The cookery class is a warm, welcoming and inclusive social group where we join together to learn recipes and enjoy a delicious meal. The event takes place at St Luke's Community Centre, is free to join and is for LGBT people and their friends. 6 spaces at the event are for members of St Luke's and 6 spaces are available for forum+. Booking is essential.

Booking at <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/cooking-with-pride-tickets-806550934557>

St Luke's Community Centre, 90 Central St, EC1V 8AJ



Tuesday 13th February

7.30 pm

Black Lesbian Discussion Group

Inspired by The Lesbian Discussion Group and UK Black Pride, the Black Lesbian Discussion Group was founded in 2022 by Sandra Brown-Springer. Inspired in equal parts by the Lesbian Discussion Group and UK Black Pride, the Black Lesbian Discussion Group exists to provide a safe space for all Black Lesbians to converse on various topics and socialise in a non-party atmosphere. The group meet at the iconic Gay's the Word Bookshop and February's meeting will be the first of 2024.

**For more information please visit <https://www.instagram.com/blacklesbiandiscussiongroup/>
Gay's The Word, 66 Marchmont Street, WC1N 1AB**



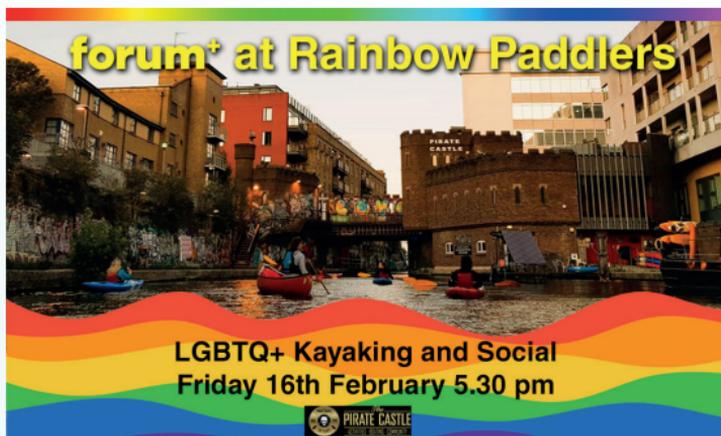
Wednesday 14th February

12.30 pm – 2 pm

Vintage Valentine's Day Card Making Workshop

Get inspired by creative (and sometimes bizzare) vintage cards to make yourself or someone else a Valentine's Day card using an assortment of lace papers, ribbons, cut-outs and flowers from the park. These cards were originally made at the Essex Road workshop of stationer Johnathan King. Materials provided, open to all skill levels. On view will be a selection of objects from Islington Museum and images from Islington Local History Centre to inspire the most imaginative Valentine's Day card you can make, for whoever it is you love.

Booking at Vintage Valentine's Day card making workshop Tickets, Wed 14 Feb 2024 at 12:30 | Eventbrite Cally Clock Tower Centre, Caledonian Park, Market Road, N7 9PL



Friday 16th February

5.30 pm – 8 pm

forum+ at Rainbow Paddlers

Join forum+ at Rainbow Paddlers – the LGBTQ+ event at The Pirate Castle. We love our sessions on the beautiful stretch of the Regent's Canal in the heart of Camden and enjoying a friendly social together afterwards! The forum+ visit to Rainbow Paddlers is for lgbtq people aged 18+, free to join and pre booking is essential! Rainbow Paddlers has gone from strength to strength since launching in 2021 and is a front-runner initiative - proud to be the first British Canoeing club in the UK to offer weekly adult paddle sport sessions run by and for the LGBTQ+ community.

**Booking at <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/forum-at-rainbow-paddlers-lgbtq-kayaking-tickets-807053878877>
The Pirate Castle, Oval Road, Camden NW1 7EA**



Friday 16th February

8.30 pm

Drag Musical – Victor/Victoria

Throughout February, join Drag Musicals at the gorgeous Garden Cinema. To mark LGBT+ History Month, we're getting in touch with our inner selves by spending every Friday night in drag, tapping our toes, and singing our hearts out. This week's film comes courtesy of a suggestion from one of our members: Gregg Stone. He writes that, "*Victor/Victoria* 'came out' (so to speak) at a difficult time in 1982, and was a mainstream Hollywood movie that didn't make LGBTI+ people die or be unhappy... and it's a riot of fun!"

Booking at Victor/Victoria / The Garden Cinema

The Garden Cinema, 39-41 Parker Street, WC2B 5PQ



Saturday 17th February

7.30 pm – 11 pm

Central Station's 33rd Birthday Bash

Join the fun at Central Station as the venue celebrates a 33rd birthday! There will be Karaoke from the iconic Chris Reardon and amazing vibes from the legendary Kelly Wilde!! - Who else could you want for a great party? Central Station is Islington's oldest LGBT Bar and has been a friend and safe welcoming space to London's LGBT community for many years, helping raise thousands for HIV/AIDS charities and has played host to LGBT theatre and numerous community groups from footballers to faith groups, as well as funeral services.

For more information on Central Station's 33rd Birthday Bash please visit <https://www.facebook.com/events/7251876548189069>

Central Station, 37 Wharfdale Road, N1 9SD



Saturday 17th February

8 pm – 11 pm

Queer Folk Ceilidh Party

Queer Folk are back with another legendary ceilidh for LGBT History Month! Enjoy a night of ceilidh dancing and drag at Cecil Sharp House. Swing your partner and get down to tunes from the queerest ceilidh band in town. No dance experience necessary just open arms! Cecil Sharp House is home to The English Folk Dance and Song Society. Striving for equity and diversity in the folk arts is central to their vision and mission. Everyone is welcome at Queer Ceilidh regardless of gender identity or sexuality.

**Booking at English Folk Dance and Song Society -
Queer Folk Ceilidh Party (efdss.org)**

**Kennedy Hall, Cecil Sharp House, 2 Regents Park Road,
London, NW1 7AY**

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Sunday 18th February

6.30 pm

OpenTable for LGBT History Month – The Queer Saints Who Have Gone Before Us

In 2016, St James' West Hampstead began hosting a Christian worship community that genuinely welcomes and affirms LGBTQIA+ people. On Sunday 18th February learn about *The Queer Saints Who Have Gone Before Us* and join the discussion at inclusive and welcoming St James' Church. The Open Table Network (OTN) is run by, and for, LGBTQIA+ people, their friends and families. 6.30 pm for refreshments, 7 pm for service.

**For more information email vicar.parishnw6@gmail.com
St James' Church, 2 Sherriff Road, West Hampstead,
NW6 2AP**



Monday 19th February

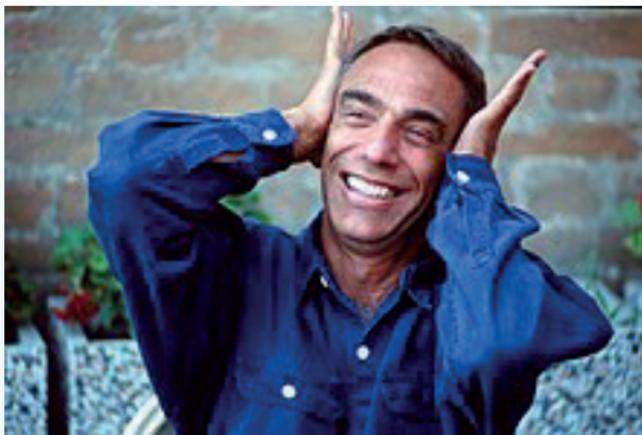
10 am – 11 am

Under 5s Story Time – LGBT History Month Special!

Come along and join Dani the storyteller as she explores the history of Islington's Pride movement. Play football with Stonewall FC, drive a red bus to the first ever Pride March and celebrate under a giant rainbow flag! You and your child will be invited to participate in an immersive storytelling experience which will help develop your child's communication and language, physical, social and emotional development through play and imagination. Free, though ticketed. 1 ticket per child is required to help us manage numbers.

Booking at Under 5s story time with Dani - LGBT history month special event! Tickets, Mon 19 Feb 2024 at 10:00 | Eventbrite

Cally Clock Tower Centre, Clock Tower View, Market Estate, N7 9HF



Monday 19th February

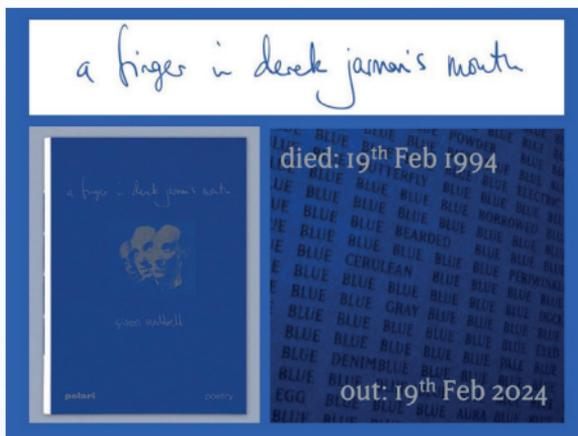
6 pm – 10 pm

Celebrating Derek Jarman

On Monday 19th February forum+ is proud to present a very special celebration of legendary artist and filmmaker Derek Jarman. On the 30th Anniversary of Derek Jarman's death join an evening of poetry and film celebrating his life and work. Enjoy a special screening of Jarman's final film *Blue* and launch of the poetry book, *a finger in derek jarman's mouth*, by Simon Maddrell.

Blue

Blue is Derek Jarman's final film, released just four months before his death from AIDS. Against a plain, unchanging blue screen, a densely interwoven soundtrack of voices, sound effects and music convey a portrait of Derek Jarman's experiences with AIDS, together with an exploration of the meanings associated with the colour blue.



Book Launch of *a finger in derek jarman's mouth*

To mark the 30th anniversary of his death, Polari Press are publishing *a finger in derek jarman's mouth*. Before and after the screening of *Blue* we are going to be treated to a live reading by Simon Maddrell, a queer Manx poet thriving with HIV in Brighton & Hove. *a finger in derek jarman's mouth* is a poetic tribute to Jarman's inspiring legacy spun from the multi-coloured threads of his extraordinary life – writer, artist, queer and AIDS activist, designer, filmmaker, and gardener.

Booking is essential and can be made at <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/celebrating-derek-jarman-tickets-807577254307>

The Old Queen's Head, 44 Essex Road, N1 8LN



Tuesday 20th February

8 pm – 10 pm

The Queer Comedy Club

The Queer Comedy Club in Archway has become an institution in the capital's LGBTQ+ scene. On Tuesday 20th February join Raw, one of most exciting nights at QCC! Raw is the new act night where you can see some of the best LGBTQ+ acts on the circuit - some of them experienced acts trying out new material and some of them brand new acts just taking their very first steps onto the comedy scene. The Queer Comedy Club offers a fun, friendly and supportive atmosphere – come along and show your support for queer comedy.

Booking at <https://queercomedyclub.co.uk/event/raw-tuesdays/2024-02-20/>

The Queer Comedy Club, 14 Junction Rd, Archway, N19 5LB



Wednesday 21st February

7 pm

Incite!

On Wednesday 21st February take part in the Incite LGBT History Month Special! The forum+ open mic event is hosted by performance poet Hannah Chutzpah, features an incredible mic line up and a headline set from a special guest! Take a seat in the audience at London's longest running LGBTQ+ spoken word event (first held in September 2010!) or reserve an open mic slot to share your own poetry, music, stand up, or whatever else moves you!

Connect with Incite! via <https://www.facebook.com/IncitePoetry> and check us out on Instagram and X.

For the Zoom Link and more information email info@forumplus.org.uk



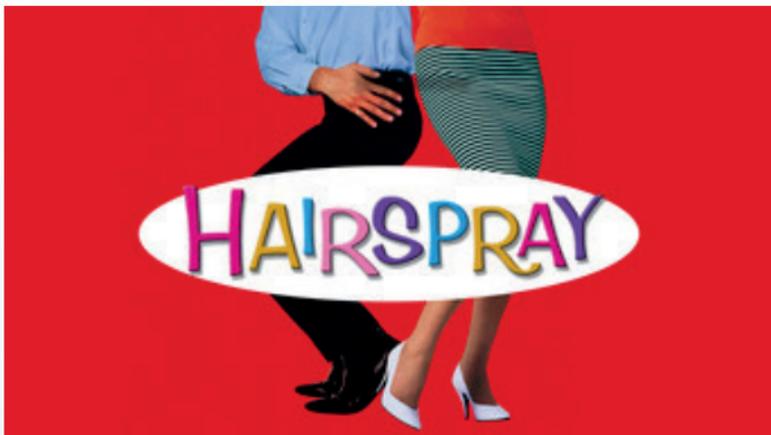
Wednesday 21st February

7 pm – 8 pm

‘That which never can be suppressed’: LGBTQ+ history in the RCP collections

Explore how the lives of LGBTQ+ people, and attitudes to sexual and gender diversity, are reflected in the archive, heritage library and museum collections of the Royal College of Physicians. LGBTQ+ stories can be traced back at least 350 years in the collections and cover the experiences of LGBTQ+ people, including physicians, as well as the views of a society that medicalised them. Join a lively virtual event exploring some fascinating and potentially challenging collections highlighting the long, rich and inspiring history of LGBTQ+ lives. Please note: this is an online only event.

**Booking at Book Tickets - Royal College of Physicians
- Art Tickets**



Friday 23rd February

8.40 pm

Drag Musical - Hairspray

Throughout February, join Drag Musicals at the gorgeous Garden Cinema. To mark LGBT+ History Month, we're getting in touch with our inner selves by spending every Friday night in drag, tapping our toes, and singing our hearts out. John Waters' *Hairspray* is an absolute delight! A stunning cast star in the story of underdog teenager Tracy Turnblad who achieves her dreams, while she fights against racial discrimination. Featuring the final performance from the legendary Divine before his tragic death, three weeks after the film's release.

Booking at Hairspray / The Garden Cinema

The Garden Cinema, 39-41 Parker Street, WC2B 5PQ



Saturday 24th February,

1.30 pm – 3.30 pm

LGBT History Month Art Workshop with Queer Art Club

Celebrate queer joy and creativity at our lino cutting and printmaking workshop with Finn Yvo, Art Facilitator and founder of Queer Art Club London. Enjoy learning how to use lino cutting tools and experimenting with textile printing using lots of fabulous colours. This workshop is for people of all abilities and is a space where you can freely explore your creativity, meet new people and celebrate LGBT History Month. The event is free to join, for ages 18+ and all materials and t-shirts are provided.

Booking at <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/lgbt-history-month-art-workshop-tickets-807102945637>

**Old Diorama Arts Centre, Regent's Place, 201
Drummond Street, NW1 3FE**



Saturday 24th February

1.30 pm – 3 pm

Glen or Glenda? Film Screening & Discussion

Thoughtful, surreal and daring Ed Wood's 1954 film exploring gender issue is considered an underground classic. Following the screening of *Glen or Glenda?* a discussion will be held with a panel featuring trans academic Professor Pippa Catterall, Simon Croft from Gendered Intelligence, Professor Zoe Playdon (author of *The Hidden Case of Ewan Forbes*), PhD student Dan Demby – Edwards and Eden Leeds. Join the discussion about the impact of the film and how film and society views the trans community. This event is free to join.

Conference Centre St Pancras Hospital 4. St Pancras Way, NW1 0PE



London Lesbian Kickabout
Helping Lesbians to Score Since 1999

Sunday 25th February

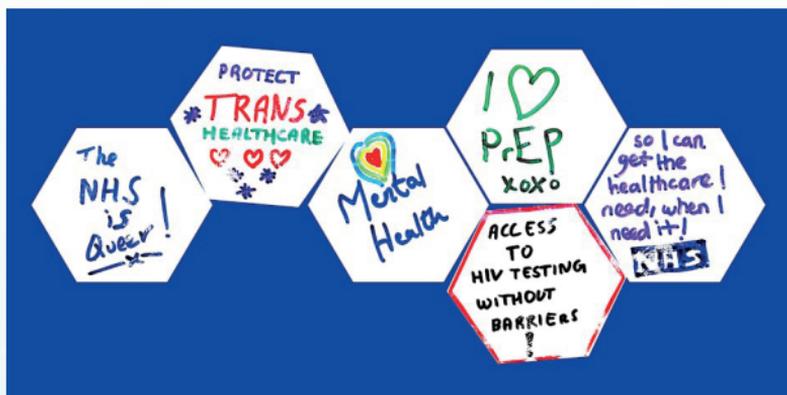
1 pm

London Lesbian Kickabout at Regent's Park

London Lesbian Kickabout celebrate a milestone 25th birthday in 2024! On a fresh September morning in 1999, a bunch of lost London Lesbians who love football started to kick a ball in Regent's Park. "Helping Lesbians To Score Since 1999" LLKA holds friendly football kickabouts every other Sunday on the grass pitch at Regent's Park. The club is based on the goals of social, open access to all lesbians who want to play football and have a good time while doing it!

<https://www.facebook.com/LondonLesbianKickabout>

Booking at <https://www.meetup.com/llka-london-lesbian-kickabout/>



Sunday 25th February

2 pm – 4 pm

LGBTQ+ History Month Panel: Trans+ Healthcare

Celebrate LGBTQ+ History Month at Queer Britain as we explore this year's theme of Medicine. Join the discussion on trans+ healthcare in the UK with a panel of speakers from across the London health and medical community.. This will be an opportunity to hear from NHS workers who are supporting trans+ people and developing ways to empower and uplift the community through affirmative healthcare. Tickets range from £0 - £10 and full information on the event can be found on the booking page.

Booking at LGBTQ+ History Month Panel: Trans+ Healthcare Tickets, Sun 25 Feb 2024 at 14:00 | Eventbrite

Queer Britain, 2 Granary Square Kings Cross, N1C 4BH



Monday 26th February

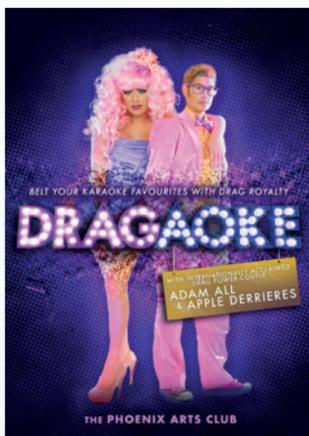
10 am – 11 am

Under 5s Story Time – LGBT History Month Special!

Come along and join Dani the storyteller as she explores the history of Islington's Pride movement. Play football with Stonewall FC, drive a red bus to the first ever Pride March and celebrate under a giant rainbow flag! You and your child will be invited to participate in an immersive storytelling experience which will help develop your child's communication and language, physical, social and emotional development through play and imagination. Free, though ticketed. 1 ticket per child is required to help us manage numbers.

Booking at Under 5s story time with Dani - LGBT history month special event! Tickets, Mon 26 Feb 2024 at 10:00 | Eventbrite

Cally Clock Tower Centre, Clock Tower View, Market Estate, N7 9HF



Tuesday 27th February

10 pm

Dragaoke! The Karaoke Night Hosted By Drag Royalty

Join drag royalty, Adam All & Apple Derrieres! for their weekly karaoke night at The Phoenix Arts Club, running every Tuesday from 10pm 'til late! Belt out your favourite tunes, from musical theatre, to pop medleys and more! For over 35 years The Phoenix Arts Club has been dazzling crowds, and now welcomes 100,000 cabaret lovers a year to its nightly cabaret shows, featuring the best in cabaret and variety from drag to musical theatre, burlesque to aerial, comedy and so much more!

**Booking at: <https://phoenixartsclub.com/events/dragaoke-the-karaoke-night-hosted-by-drag-royalty/>
Phoenix Arts Club, 1 Phoenix St, London WC2H 8BU**



Wednesday 28th February

7 pm – 8 pm

forum+ International Film Club

Join the forum+ International Film Club for a discussion on *Moffie*, the biographical romantic war drama which tells the story of Nicholas, a young gay man in 1981 South Africa. First watch the film for free on sharing platform Plex then share your thoughts with other LGBTQ people who love film at our fun, creative and sociable online group. Founded in summer 2020 the forum+ International Film Club is warm, friendly, international and intersectional! We meet online once a month and also enjoy special in-person cinema visits and socials. For more information on our February club (including how to watch the film on forum+ Plex Library) please email info@forumplus.org.uk

Booking at <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/forum-international-lgbtq-film-club-tickets-790038776247>

Rainbow Reels

February 2023



From 5.30 PM
BYOA

Thursday 29th February

5.30 pm – 9 pm

The Rainbow Room Presents: RAINBOW REELS Tangerine

Visit the gorgeous Rainbow Room at London Met and join a vibrant event celebrating the magic of lgbtq+ cinema. February's Rainbow Reels selection is indie comedy classic *Tangerine*. Rainbow Reels takes place at the Rainbow Room on the last Thursday of each month. Don't miss this opportunity to connect with fellow film lovers and celebrate the power of storytelling, all accompanied by light refreshments. For anything else, BYOD!

**Booking at Rainbow Reels - Tangerine Tickets, Thu 29
Feb 2024 at 17:30 | Eventbrite**

**London Metropolitan University, 166-220 Holloway
Road, Rainbow Room, T1-0, N7 8DB**



Thursday 29th February

7.30 pm – 10.30 pm

LGBT History Month Fundraiser for the National AIDS Trust

Say goodbye to LGBT History Month with a singalong at the legendary King Willie in Hampstead. Singer, pianist and cabaret compère Luke Meredith will lead the live entertainment which will also include a prize tombola and artwork auction. This very special event is a fundraiser for the National AIDS Trust. Booking is not required and for information please email Book@thekingwillie.co.uk

The King William IV, 77 Hampstead High St, NW3 1RE

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forum⁺ is an independent charity working to promote equality for LGBTQ+ people in Camden and Islington.

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We provide support services to victims of homophobic, biphobic and transphobic hate crime.

forum⁺ offers bespoke training and consultancy on LGBTQ+ equality to local businesses, voluntary and statutory organisations.

We have a wonderful team of volunteers who are integral to us delivering our services and we welcome enquiries about volunteering with forum⁺.

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