

LGBTQ+ HISTORY MONTH 2019

History: peace, reconciliation, activism



Events throughout February and March 2019 celebrating lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender history, organised by Oxford Brookes University, Brookes Union, University of Oxford and local community groups.

Introduction



Professor Anne-Marie Kilday

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Welcome to LGBTQ+ History Month 2019. This represents Oxford Brookes fourth year of collaboration to celebrate and highlight achievements, voices from the LGBTQ+ community and perspectives on LGBTQ+ equality and inclusion. The diverse programme collates a range of events organised by staff and students of Oxford Brookes together with other local organisations and wider community activity.

I am delighted to invite everyone to connect and reflect on how our identities and communities relate to our local and global context, and broaden understanding of

experiences and activism for LGBTQ+ equality and inclusion in the wider world.

Oxford Brookes University celebrates and values the diversity of our students and staff and aims to create an organisational culture which is fully inclusive of diverse sexual orientations, gender identity and gender expression.

In focusing on visibility, voice, promoting awareness and sharing learning and experiences, LGBTQ+ History Month gives us all an opportunity to further our personal and organisational journeys for equality and “**acceptance without exception**”.

For more information about equality, diversity and inclusion at Oxford Brookes please visit the website: www.brookes.ac.uk/staff/human-resources/equality-diversity-and-inclusion

Our webpages include information about local and national resources and support organisations relating to **sexual orientation** and **gender identity**.

Calendar of events

DATE	EVENT	ORGANISER	TICKETS
28 Jan-8 Feb	Feel Good Festival (Brookes staff)	Oxford Brookes	N/A
31 January	Flag raising	Oxford Brookes	N/A
3 February	First Sunday	Community	N/A
4 February	Campus stall – Marston Road	Oxford Brookes	N/A
5 February	Swindon Coffee Morning	Oxford Brookes	N/A
6 February	Campus stall – Wheatley	Oxford Brookes	N/A
6 February	Oxford Board Gaymers	Community	N/A
7 February	Campus stall – Headington	Oxford Brookes	N/A
7 February	First Thursday Drinks	Community	N/A
8 February	Campus stall – Harcourt Hill	Oxford Brookes	N/A
8 February	Oscar Wilde in Vienna: pleasing and teasing the audience	University of Oxford	Yes
8 February	Molly's FriYAY!	Community	N/A
11 February	Service of Celebration of LGBTQ+ Lives	Oxford Brookes	N/A
11 February	The Oxford LGBT Book Club	Community	N/A
12 February	Brookes Union welcomes: The DragProv Revue	Brookes Union	N/A
12 February	Red Box	Community	N/A
13 February	LGBTQ+ and Feminist Societies present: LGBTea with Susie Green (Brookes students)	Brookes Union	N/A
13 February	Susie Green – Changing Tides: Trans journeys together – as parents, allies, advocates	Oxford Brookes	Yes
14 February	OBU Documentary Club: Mr Gay Syria (followed by Q&A)	Oxford Brookes	Yes
17 February	Sunday Lunch at The Breakfast Club	Community	N/A
17 February	Cheap Eats	Community	N/A
17 February	The Dragprov Revue's Cabaret Club	Community	Yes
18-22 Feb	One World Week	Oxford Brookes	N/A
20 February	Oxford Board Gaymers	Community	N/A
20 February	Aerobic Bound - Beginners Trampoline Class	Community	N/A
21 February	Quiz night	Oxford Brookes	N/A
24 February	Beyond the Binary: My Normal Takeover Night	University of Oxford	Yes
25 February	LGBTea	Community	N/A
26 February	LGBTQ+ Lunchtime Yoga (Brookes students & staff)	Oxford Brookes	N/A
26 February	Oxford Lesbian History Group	Community	N/A
28 February	Jayne Ozanne: Faith & Sexuality – A Safeguarding Crisis?	University of Oxford	Yes
4-22 March	Activism – Oxford Human Rights Festival Exhibition	Oxford Brookes	N/A
19 March	Activism – Open Mic Poetry Night	Oxford Brookes	N/A
28 March	OBU Documentary Club: A Deal With The Universe (followed by Q&A)	Oxford Brookes	Yes

LGBT History Month is celebrated in the UK every February and is coordinated by the charity Schools Out.



The overall aim of LGBT History month is to promote equality and diversity for the benefit of the public by:

- Increasing the visibility of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (“LGBT”) people, their history, lives and their experiences in the curriculum and culture of educational and other institutions, and the wider community;
- Raising awareness and advancing education on matters affecting the LGBT community;
- Working to make educational and other institutions safe spaces for all LGBT communities; and
- Promoting the welfare of LGBT people, by ensuring that the education system recognises and enables LGBT people to achieve their full potential, so they contribute fully to society and lead fulfilled lives, thus benefiting society as a whole.

lgbthistorymonth.org.uk

A wide range of resources and information across the country is available on the national website: lgbthistorymonth.org.uk/lgbt-history-month-resources

At Oxford Brookes we use LGBTQ+ to include the spectrum of diverse sexualities and gender identities.

LGBTQ+ contacts at Oxford Brookes University

LGBTQ+ STAFF FORUM

At Oxford Brookes University, we are committed to ensuring the very best staff experience where all our community can flourish in a culture of respect and support, where we celebrate difference and thrive on each other's success.

As part of our commitment to equality, diversity and inclusion we have set up a **LGBTQ+ Staff Forum**. For further information email hr-lgbtqplus@brookes.ac.uk



Recent initiatives from the LGBTQ+ Staff Forum have included LGBTQ+ Role Models and LGBTQ+ Allies workshops, Brookes branded rainbow lanyards and **LGBTQ+ staff profiles** on the Brookes website. In September 2018 we won a Brookes People Award for Connectedness – “They played a leading role in LGBT History Month 2018 by being visible, connected champions for the LGBT+ community at Oxford Brookes”.

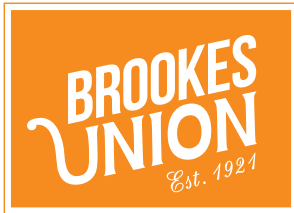


Oxford Brookes is a proud member of the Stonewall Diversity Champions' Programme. Stonewall is the campaigning organisation for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender people's equality.



CELINE BAGTAS: BROOKES UNION LGBTQ+ STUDENTS' OFFICER

Being part of the LGBTQ+ family myself, I know how intimidating it can be; arriving to a new place, being outside your comfort zone, not knowing anyone, or knowing whether you will be comfortable and accepted. That's why I ran for this role. I want to improve welfare for LGBTQ+ students, support a better pastoral and counselling system, create a safe and inclusive environment, and facilitate more activities that suit everyone's needs, so students can feel more welcome as they go through university. Every LGBTQ+ student should be able to reach their full potential without hesitation and fear of discrimination, and these opportunities are very important for LGBTQ+ equality and inclusion at Brookes.



As the LGBTQ+ Students' Officer, I have been very well-supported by the Brookes Union staff and officer team, who have aided me in making decisions and supported the activities I have organised so far for LGBTQ+ students. I have been facilitated to address LGBTQ+ issues surrounding students at Brookes, and been able to work towards solving some of those issues. I look forward to marking LGBTQ+ History Month through this series of events, and hope to see many of you there.

If you want to get in contact with me, please email:
17064190@brookes.ac.uk



BROOKES UNION LGBTQ+ SOCIETY

Oxford Brookes LGBTQ+ Society is a student-led group which exists to represent, support, inspire, and foster a healthy community for LGBTQ+ students.

The Brookes LGBTQ+ Society welcomes all students regardless of gender identity, expression, romantic or sexual orientation.

Email **su.LGBT@brookes.ac.uk**

Oxford Brookes University events

JOHN HENRY BROOKES
BUILDING



THURSDAY 31 JANUARY 2019, 5PM
OUTSIDE HEADINGTON HILL HALL

Flag raising

Join us to raise the rainbow flag over Headington Hill Hall to mark the beginning of LGBTQ+ History Month.

Campus stalls

Come and find out about the Student and Staff LGBTQ+ Networks. The stalls will be from 12 noon to 2pm at the following campuses:

Monday 4 February Marston Road (restaurant)

Wednesday 6 February Wheatley Hub

Thursday 7 February Headington (Union Square)

Friday 8 February Harcourt Hill (refectory)

There will also be a coffee morning at 10.30 - 11.30am at Swindon Campus:

Tuesday 5 February JOF.G.14



MONDAY 11 FEBRUARY 2019, 5.30PM
MULTIFAITH CHAPLAINCY GARDEN ROOM,
BUCKLEY BUILDING, HEADINGTON CAMPUS

Service of Celebration of LGBTQ+ Lives

Kate Harford, University Chaplain and Pastoral Care Lead at Oxford Brookes University, will lead this service celebrating LGBTQ+ lives and embracing the theme of this year's LGBTQ+ History Month – peace, reconciliation, activism.

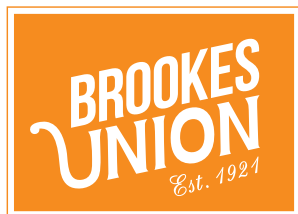
We welcome all who wish to join this celebration!

ABOUT THE CHAPLAIN

Kate is a Christian priest who leads the Multifaith Chaplaincy and offers spiritual and pastoral care to any member of the university (of any or no faith).

Kate was ordained in November 2015 by the Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches (MCC). She has a particular interest in interfaith dialogue, queer and intersectional feminist theology, and theologies of suffering and mental health. Before ordination Kate worked with charities for young people across the UK, homeless people in London, and LGBTQ+ asylum seekers within and beyond the church. Kate is a leader in Girl Guides and enjoys knitting, crochet, roller derby, and playing the flute in a concert band. She is married to Emily and they live locally with their tortoiseshell cat, Mrs Evadne Cake.

The events below are organised by Brookes Union.



THURSDAY 7 FEBRUARY 2019, 12 - 2PM
UNION SQUARE, HEADINGTON CAMPUS

LGBTQ+ student and staff support stall

Come say hi to full and part-time officers responsible for student support, check out services available from Brookes Union Advice to Wellbeing, have a chat with our friendly multi-faith Chaplain, and find out about student and staff LGBTQ+ networks. We'll be around from 12 noon to 2pm with useful information, face paint, and other goodies.



TUESDAY 12 FEBRUARY 2019, 7.30PM
UNION HALL, JHBB, HEADINGTON CAMPUS

Brookes Union welcomes: The DragProv Revue

Lovable soft-boy 'Christian Adore' and sassy queen 'Eaton Messe' are a drag double act, who, using the audience's suggestions, create dazzling songs, sketches, and spontaneous raps. RuPaul's glamour meets 'Whose Line Is It Anyway' style improvised comedy. Serving you wit as sharp as their contour; jinks as high as their brows; memories that will stick with you longer than last night's glitter, we present to you 'The Dragprov Revue'. The event will feature special guests, including Brookes' very own DJ D'vey, as well as a colourful after party with exclusive deals at Plush.



WEDNESDAY 13 FEBRUARY 2019, 3PM
UNION MEETING ROOMS 1 & 2, JHBB
HEADINGTON CAMPUS

LGBTQ+ and Feminist Societies present: LGBTea with Susie Green

Ahead of the evening's event, Susie Green (CEO of Mermaids) will be engaging in informal discussions around not only trans inclusion, but also gender-questioning and non-conformity in all children, and how this plays into rigid hetero/cis-normative gender roles. Expect to gain some insight into connecting with community campaigns and voluntary action, as well as available support for students and young people. This event is co-hosted by our LGBTQ+ and Feminist Societies.



REGISTER

WEDNESDAY 13 FEBRUARY 2019, 6PM
JOHN HENRY BROOKES LECTURE THEATRE
HEADINGTON CAMPUS

Changing Tides: Trans journeys together – as parents, allies, advocates

Susie Green CEO of Mermaids and Dame Katherine Grainger, Chancellor of Oxford Brookes University in conversation on the current situation for young people and their families in the context of societal and personal attitudes and media debates on trans rights, gender non-conformity and the roles of parents and allies.

- What are the challenges for families and young people in talking about gender nonconformity and trans issues?
- How do we ensure young people can access support/ advice in questioning and exploring gender identities?
- What role does the charitable and voluntary sector play in advocating and influencing for change?
- What role does the media play in raising awareness of transgender children and young people?

Susie speaks from her own experience as a parent and as CEO of the charity Mermaids, which supports children and young people up to 20 years old who are transgender and/or gender diverse, and their families, and professionals involved in their care.



ABOUT THE SPEAKER

Susie has been a trustee of Mermaids for approximately 10 years, Chair for 3 years, and CEO since January 2016. She has worked and volunteered in the charitable sector for over 19 years. Susie received the Equality in Diversity Awards Diversity Champion in the Charity sector in 2017 and was winner of the British LGBT Awards 2018 for Outstanding Contribution to LGBT+ Life.



Dame Katherine Grainger PhD became Oxford Brookes' fourth Chancellor in March 2015. She is Britain's most decorated female Olympic athlete and the first British woman to win medals at five successive games.

Katherine is a passionate advocate for equality and human rights, and actively supports the University's diversity agenda.

Collaboration



Oxford Brookes
University
Documentary Club

Oxford Brookes
LGBTQ+ Staff Forum



ABOUT THE ORGANISERS

The **Documentary Club** screens documentaries made by independent filmmakers addressing a wide range of cultural, political and social issues. This is intended to broaden the perspectives of Brookes students and engage with the broader community.

Each Thursday during the 2018-19 academic year at 7pm in the John Henry Brookes Lecture Theatre, Headington Campus, we screen a range of documentaries.

THURSDAY 14 FEBRUARY 2019, 7PM
JOHN HENRY BROOKES LECTURE THEATRE
HEADINGTON CAMPUS

Mr Gay Syria

Turkey, Germany, Malta, France 2017 85min
Filmmaker: Ayse Toprak

Mr Gay Syria follows two gay Syrian refugees who are trying to rebuild their lives. Husein is a barber in Istanbul, living a double life between his conservative family and his gay identity. Mahmoud is the founder of Syria's LGBTI movement and is a refugee in Berlin. What brings them together is a dream: to participate in an international beauty contest as an escape from their trapped lives and an answer to their invisibility. Will the dream come true or will the refugee crisis and the harsh consequences of being gay in the Muslim world shatter it to pieces?

The film will be followed by a Q&A session with Reverend Kate Harford, Ecumenical Chaplain at Oxford Brookes University, and Zayna Ratty, Integrative Hypno-Psychotherapist and Joint Chair/Co-Ordinator of LGBTQIA+ Mental Health charity Oxford Friend. Kate and Zayna are currently working on a project in Oxford to provide space for those who are seeking asylum, who identify as LGBTQ+ to facilitate a peer support community within safe confidential spaces.

QUIZ NIGHT

THURSDAY 21 FEBRUARY 2019, 6.30PM
SPORTS LOUNGE
BROOKES SPORT HEADINGTON

Quiz night

Amnesty International Oxford City Group and the Oxford Brookes LGBTQ+ Staff Forum invite you to join us for a fun-packed fundraising evening.

- Voluntary contribution
- Prizes to be won
- All welcome!

The bar will be open until 11pm and the cafe will be open until 7pm.

Collaboration



Oxford City
Amnesty
International

Oxford Brookes
LGBTQ+ Staff Forum

ABOUT THE ORGANISERS

Amnesty International Oxford City Group is made up of volunteers who carry out actions to promote the campaigns of Amnesty International.

[www.amnesty.org.uk/
groups/oxford-city](http://www.amnesty.org.uk/groups/oxford-city)



ABOUT THE TEACHER

Marisa Infante – Studio Teacher

Marisa started practicing yoga in 2010 in order to 'get fit', however, she quickly realized that this practice is so much more than a physical one! While physical fitness drove her to yoga, the mental and emotional health benefits kept her coming back. During her last year of undergraduate in Dallas, Texas, Marisa decided to take the plunge and commit to a 200 hour teaching training at Corepower Yoga as well as a 50-hour supplemental Yoga Sculpt training through the same studio.

Marisa works to incorporate some of the exercises from the sculpt training into her vinyasa power flow classes in order to help students improve their muscular strength! Additionally, Marisa works to make her classes a space where all peoples can come to practice yoga. Thus, she often makes jokes, encourages moments of self-love and encourages students to embrace all aspects of their practice in order to empower them in both classes and life!



TUESDAY 26 FEBRUARY 2019, 12 - 12.50pm
MULTIFAITH CHAPLAINCY GARDEN ROOM,
BUCKLEY BUILDING, HEADINGTON CAMPUS

LGBTQ+ Lunchtime Yoga

Yoga is a great way to fit some gentle exercise into your routine. It improves strength and balance and can help to relieve stress and anxiety. If you find the gym environment daunting, yoga can be the perfect solution, providing a fully inclusive environment.

Yoga Quota and the Brookes LGBTQ+ Staff Forum are providing this FREE taster session for Brookes staff and students with the support of Brookes Sport. Anyone is welcome to attend, however you may identify. There will be a few mats available for the session, but please bring your own if you have one.

Yoga Quota are a registered charity (no. 1161833) and aim to make yoga accessible to vulnerable groups. They run Queer Yoga Space every Friday at 4pm. This is a free community class, creating a safe space for people who identify as LGBTIQ+ to practice yoga.

Brookes Sport runs a number of yoga sessions – check out their **website** to download timetables for Headington and Harcourt Hill campuses. Brookes Sport is open to students, staff and the public.



**28 JANUARY - 8 FEBRUARY
2019**

Feel Good Festival

Brookes staff are invited to try something different and feel good this February.

We believe wellbeing is fundamental to a positive staff experience; the Feel Good Festival provides an ideal opportunity for you to take stock of your overall wellbeing and try something new.

Once again teams dedicated to support your wellbeing have come together to bring you two weeks of great initiatives to help you feel good this February and beyond. This year's Feel Good Festival is brought to you by colleagues from Brookes Active, Communications, Occupational Health, OCSLD, Human Resources and Staff Experience.

Feel Good Festival events and activities are for Brookes staff only – see our [webpage](#) for details.



18 - 22 FEBRUARY 2019

One World Week

A week to celebrate diversity at Oxford Brookes University

One World Week (OWW) is an annual celebration of the diversity and uniqueness of the many cultures and people that we have at Brookes. It is a week of internationally-themed events organised by staff and students at Oxford Brookes.

See our [webpage](#) for details of events and activities.

Collaboration

Oxford Human Rights
Festival

Oxford Brookes
LGBTQ+ Staff Forum



ABOUT THE ORGANISERS

In 2019 the Oxford Human Rights Festival will be celebrating its 17th year. Founded in 2003, the festival is an initiative of graduate students on the MA course in Development and Emergency Practice. In attracting diverse audiences, the festival hopes to raise awareness about a range of human rights concerns among Brookes students and the wider Oxford community. The festival is open to everyone and most events are free.

4 - 22 MARCH 2019

**GLASS TANK, ABERCROMBIE,
HEADINGTON CAMPUS**

Activism – exhibition

A student and staff collaboration between the Oxford Human Rights Festival and the Brookes LGBTQ+ Staff Forum. This mixed media exhibition explores LGBTQ+ activists, campaigning for change and celebrations of LGBTQ+ identities over the decades.

OXFORD HUMAN RIGHTS FESTIVAL

[www.oxfordhumanrights
festival.net](http://www.oxfordhumanrightsfestival.net)



Collaboration

The Poetry Centre

Oxford Human Rights
Festival

Oxford Brookes
LGBTQ+ Staff Forum

TUESDAY 19 MARCH 2019, 7PM
GLASS TANK, ABERCROMBIE,
HEADINGTON CAMPUS

Activism – open mic poetry night

**Spoken word performance featuring local poets
Dan Holloway and Ceri Lloyd, alongside Oxford
Brookes students**

Exploring the themes of this year's Oxford Human Rights Festival (Activism) and LGBTQ+ History Month (History: peace, reconciliation and activism), we invite local poets and Oxford Brookes students to read and perform work inspired by the themes – either by themselves or by other poets.

This event takes place in the Activism exhibition in the Glass Tank, which is the centrepiece of the 17th annual Oxford Human Rights Festival.

Refreshments provided

ABOUT THE COLLABORATORS

The Poetry Centre, based within the Department of English and Modern Languages at Oxford Brookes, conducts research into poetry and organises conferences. It also organises regular poetry readings, an international poetry competition, community projects, and has recently created ignitionpress, which publishes poetry pamphlets. For more details on all of these, visit our website or follow us on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.

**[www.brookes.ac.uk/
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**[www.oxfordhumanrights
festival.net](http://www.oxfordhumanrightsfestival.net)**

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THURSDAY 28 MARCH 2019, 7PM

**JOHN HENRY BROOKES LECTURE THEATRE
HEADINGTON CAMPUS**

A deal with the universe

UK 2018 90min

Filmmakers: Jason Barker and Loran Dunn

For International Transgender Day of Visibility we are screening this debut feature from Trans filmmaker Jason Barker, telling the story of a very different kind of pregnancy.

Autobiographical and made entirely from personal archive and home video diaries, the film follows Jason's incredible story of how he came to give birth to his child, charting over 15 years of his and his partner's life.

This film is groundbreaking in terms of its intimate insights into gender identity and new parenthood.

University of Oxford events





ABOUT THE ORGANISER

The University of Oxford is committed to fostering an inclusive culture which promotes equality, values diversity and maintains a working, learning and social environment in which the rights and dignity of all its staff and students are respected.

The LGBT+ Staff Advisory Group works with the Equality & Diversity Unit to highlight issues relating to LGBT+ staff and students in order to inform the development of University policy and practice in relation to LGBT+ staff and students and to facilitate consultation and the sharing of information with LGBT+ staff and students.

www.ox.ac.uk/lgbt

TUESDAY 28 FEBRUARY 2019, 6.30PM
MATHEMATICAL INSTITUTE,
WOODSTOCK ROAD, OXFORD OX2 6GG

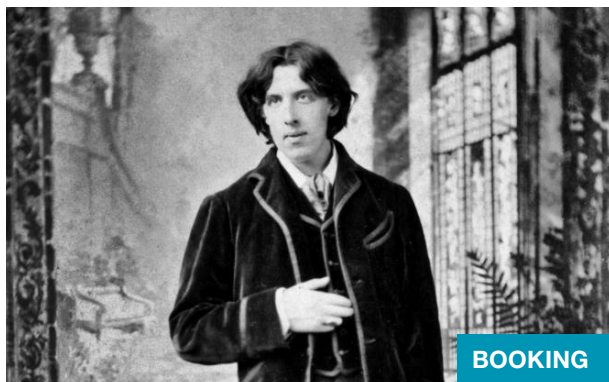
Jayne Ozanne: Faith & Sexuality – A Safeguarding Crisis?

The harmful effects of prejudice and discrimination on the LGBTI community have been acknowledged for some time by the medical professions, however few have been able to provide evidence of the role that religion can play in fuelling this. Ozanne will look to outline clear evidence of the harm that certain teachings have caused the LGBT community and what can be done to address this major safeguarding issue affecting young LGBT Christian teenagers today.

Jayne Ozanne is a well-known gay evangelical who works to ensure full inclusion of all LGBTI Christians at every level of the Church. She is Director of the Ozanne Foundation, which works with religious organisations around the world to eliminate discrimination based on sexuality or gender in order to embrace and celebrate the equality and diversity of all.

Join us in celebrating our 10th Annual LGBT+ History Month Lecture organised by the Equality and Diversity Unit and the LGBT+ Advisory Group.

Booking is recommended: oxlgbt19.eventbrite.co.uk



FRIDAY 8 FEBRUARY 2019, 12 - 1.30PM
RADCLIFFE HUMANITIES SEMINAR ROOM,
WOODSTOCK ROAD, OXFORD, OX2 6GG

Oscar Wilde in Vienna: pleasing and teasing the audience

What has led to a century of almost uninterrupted performance on the Viennese stage of the works of Victorian Britain's most controversial playwright?

Sandra Mayer, author of *Oscar Wilde in Vienna*, argues it was his willingness to both please and tease his audience. His plays skilfully manoeuvre between conformism and subversion, conventionality and innovation. Her new book investigates the dynamic interplay of literary work, theatre and audience, and is centrally concerned with the question of 'what makes a classic?'

Lunch provided from 12pm
Discussion from 12.30-1.30pm

Booking is essential
Register via Eventbrite



ABOUT THE ORGANISER

Queer Studies Network

Launched in November 2017, Oxford's first interdisciplinary Queer Studies Network aims to bring together the many scholars at the University of Oxford whose work engages with queer studies, in order to open up new avenues for engagement with queer theory, marginalised voices and LGBTQIA+ experiences, art and activism.

Theatre and Performance Network

The TORCH Theatre and Performance Network provides a forum to bring Oxford academics working on drama and theatre together, and at the same time to connect them with theatre professionals both within Oxfordshire and beyond.

torch.ox.ac.uk



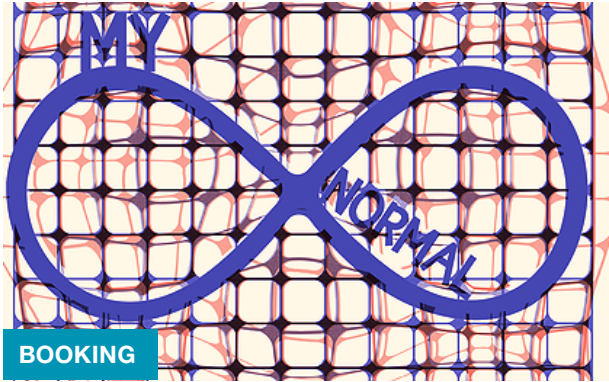
ABOUT THE ORGANISER

The Pitt Rivers Museum displays archaeological and ethnographic objects from all parts of the world and all time periods. It is truly a global museum. The museum is also a teaching and research institution and the curators are also university lecturers in either cultural anthropology or prehistoric archaeology. A number of degree courses are taught to both graduate and undergraduate studies.

The museum was founded in 1884 when General Pitt Rivers, an influential figure in the development of archaeology and evolutionary anthropology, gave his collection to the University of Oxford.

As a world-renowned university museum of anthropology and archaeology, the Pitt Rivers Museum (PRM) has been at the forefront of innovation in teaching and research on material and visual culture for many decades.

See **page 25** for information about Topaz and My Normal.



SATURDAY 24 FEBRUARY 2019, 6PM
PITT RIVERS MUSEUM, SOUTH PARKS ROAD,
ROBINSON CLOSE, OXFORD, OX1 3PP

Beyond the Binary: My Normal Takeover Night

There's no such thing as normal! Come along to an event specially curated by the young people from My Normal, an intersectional, creativity based project aiming to give LGBTI+ youth safe spaces and a bigger voice in Oxfordshire. Interactive art, workshops and performances.

Non alcoholic cash bar, all ages welcome.

Booking is required
Book free tickets via Eventbrite

Please remember to come to the Pitt Rivers' out of hours entrance: Robinson Close, South Parks Road, OX1 3PP.

As part of the museum's commitment to standing as a visible ally with LGBTQ+ communities, space is provided every month for LGBTQ+ youth groups. On regular Saturdays, Oxfordshire based organisations **Topaz** and **My Normal** host workshops and informal drop-in sessions at the museum.

www.prm.ox.ac.uk



Beyond the Binary: Queering and Questioning Collections and Displays at the Pitt Rivers Museum

The Pitt Rivers museum is committed to standing as an ally with LGBTQ+ communities and creating space for self-representation. Through consultation with community partners, and building on work developed in 2016-2018 through the **Out in Oxford LGBTQ+ museums trail initiative**, funding has been secured for Beyond the Binary.

The project, working with a broad range of partners, from researchers to community activists, will challenge historical interpretations of the museum's collections – offering alternative understandings from people with different identities as well as identifying human histories that are unrepresented as a result of intolerance.

The project will also include a community-focussed acquisition programme for LGBTQ+ cultural and historical artefacts. Objects will be collected from British communities and across the globe that highlight traditions of gender non-conformity, bringing British LGBTQ+ heritage into conversation with global LGBTQ+ material culture.

Starting in February 2019, look out for activities, displays and opportunities to get involved.

www.prm.ox.ac.uk/beyond-the-binary

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Community events





Oxford Area LGBT University Staff Social Group

Social events for all lesbian, gay, bisexual or transgender staff at HE institutions in the Oxford area.

THURSDAY 7 FEBRUARY 2019, 6PM

CAPE OF GOOD HOPE

1 THE PLAIN, OXFORD OX4 1EA

First Thursday Drinks

First Thursday happens at 6pm at the Oxford University Club on Mansfield Road on the first Thursday of each month. Drinks and food are available from the bar and members of the group always fly a rainbow flag on our table so new people can find them.

SUNDAY 17 FEBRUARY 2019, 6.30PM

VARIOUS LOCATIONS AROUND OXFORD

Cheap Eats

Cheap Eats is the third Sunday evening of each month. The organisation rotates among members and the event is normally well-attended in various economical restaurants in Oxford.

MONDAY 25 FEBRUARY 2019, 5.30PM

GEORGE & DANVER (G&DS)

94 ST ALDATE'S, OXFORD OX1 1BT

LGBTea

LGBTea is a relaxed tea/coffee gathering in Oxford on the fourth Monday of each month around 5.30pm.

ABOUT THE GROUP

This network is intended for all lesbian, gay, bisexual or transgender (LGBT) staff at Oxford Brookes University, University of Oxford, Oxford University Press and Ruskin College. This includes post-docs, research fellows, academic and non-academic staff.

Staff at other universities and research institutes etc. in the region are also welcome to join. Similarly, while the group is primarily intended for staff, post-graduate students are welcome to join the list and attend events if they wish.

www.ox-lgbt-acad.org.uk

Ark-T Centre

Creativity Changes Lives

ABOUT THE ORGANISER

An Oxford Arts Centre where People, Art and Powerful Ideas come together. We use the powers of Creativity and Human Connection to change lives and inspire community driven social change.

www.ark-t.org/

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Topaz@ark-t.org

ABOUT THE GROUP

This is a group for those of you in and around the Oxford area who love the idea of playing card and board games while making new gay friends in a relaxed social setting. The plan is to book a couple of tables at one of Oxford's cosy little pubs and play fortnightly on Wednesdays. All ages and skill levels welcome.

www.facebook.com/groups/1352918908060769/

Ark T Centre

We have some great art clubs happening for young people at Ark T. With Support from Children in Need, Oxford City Council, Thomas Dawson and the High Sheriff's Community Integration Award we provide a safe and nurturing space for young people who are experiencing challenge and would benefit from being part of a small creative group.

LGBTQ+ projects

My Normal Voice

A creative project for LGBTQI+ young people (aged 13-23), looking to give them a voice through creativity and a safe space within the community in Oxford.

My Normal Music Project

A music project for LGBTQI+ & Disabled young people (aged 13-25), looking to make music accessible to all, by challenging inequality and prejudice through music.

TOPAZ

A safe social youth group for LGBTQ+ young people.

WEDNESDAY 6 FEBRUARY 2019, 6.30PM
THE OXFORD BLUE, 32A MARSTON STREET,
OXFORD, OX4 1JU

WEDNESDAY 20 FEBRUARY 2019, 6.30PM
THE PUNTER, 7 SOUTH STREET,
OSNEY ISLAND, OXFORD, OX2 0BE

Oxford Board Gaymers

A pub based board game evening where everyone is encouraged to bring their games along to be played.

The games can include but are not limited to: Alhambra, Battlesheep, Bausack, Bohnanza, Cards against Humanity, Catan, Citadels, Cluedo, Dominion, King of Tokyo, Machi Koro, Masquerade, Monopoly Deal, Pandemic, Saboteur, Scotland Yard, Set, Stratego, Survive, Ticket to Ride, Village Deal, Pandemic, Saboteur, Scotland Yard, Set, Stratego, Survive, Ticket to Ride, Village.

Oxford UNISON LGBT Self Organised Group

Oxford-wide LGBT Self Organised Group!

For LGBT members of UNISON, the public services trade union, to support each other in achieving full equality at work and in society.

We organise social meetings throughout the year – check with the branch officers for further details.

Join the Facebook group for more information
www.facebook.com/groups/148855718937082/

Contacts at Oxford Brookes University:
aworsley@brookes.ac.uk
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FRIDAY 8 FEBRUARY 2019, 7PM
GEORGE ST SOCIAL
NEW INN HALL STREET, OXFORD OX1 2DH

Molly's FriYAY!

Come make new friends and catch up with old ones.

Molly is a monthly social for queers in Oxford. We provide a welcoming space to come along and meet new people and make new friends. Let us know if you're coming along solo / for the first time and we're happy to introduce you to other people!

A note on timings: the event starts at 7pm and your fabulous hosts will be there then, but it doesn't tend to get busy until after 8!

(No tickets needed, but grateful for £1 in the pot on the night to cover running costs)

www.facebook.com/events/157570124864244/

ABOUT UNISON

UNISON fights discrimination and prejudice in the workplace on behalf of its lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) members. We work together in local and national groups of LGBT members to campaign and provide support for our members.

www.unison.org.uk/about/what-we-do/fairness-equality/lgbt/



ABOUT THE ORGANISER

Molly aims to be an inclusive space for Oxford's queer community. We plan to put on regular nights for our city. Join us!

www.facebook.com/ohhellomolly

ABOUT THE GROUP

An Oxford-based book group for LGBT people, friends and the sympathetic! We do have a special interest in LGBT (and related) books, but we often read non-LGBT books too.

If you would like to join the mailing list which will keep you up to date with all our meetings, and any other social events, please email oxlgbtbooks@gmail.com

Facebook group

Goodreads | Google+

ABOUT THE EVENT

Red Box is a friendly women-only event, held on the second Tuesday of every month from 8pm.

We also host occasional cabaret, music, film and comedy events.

www.redboxoxford.co.uk

Facebook | Twitter



www.meetup.com/The-Oxfordshire-Lesbian-Brunch-Club/

MONDAY 11 FEBRUARY 2019, 7PM

THE JOLLY FARMERS

20 PARADISE ST, OXFORD OX1 1LD

The Oxford LGBT Book Club

Meetings are held on the second Monday of each month and all are welcome.

In February our book will be *Edward II: The Unconventional King* by Kathryn Warner.

TUESDAY 12 FEBRUARY 2019, 7PM

ANGEL & GREYHOUND

30 ST CLEMENTS, OXFORD OX4 1AB

Red Box

A friendly, welcoming bar night for women (cis and trans) of all sexual orientations and backgrounds to meet for entertainment and conversation.

Red Box is a women-only event.

SUNDAY 17 FEBRUARY 2019, 1PM

THE BREAKFAST CLUB, 303 THE WESTGATE
QUEEN STREET, OXFORD, OX1 1PG

Sunday Lunch at The Breakfast Club

WEDNESDAY 20 FEBRUARY 2019, 7 - 8PM

REBOUND REVOLUTION, TALISMAN BUSINESS
PARK, BICESTER, OX26 6HR

Aerobic Bound - Beginners Trampolining Class

The Oxford Lesbian Brunch Club

A social group for any lesbian or bi ladies, including couples, singles and families. Join us on Meetup for more information.

SUNDAY 17 FEBRUARY 2019, 7.30PM
THE JERICHO TAVERN
56 WALTON STREET, OXFORD OX2 6AE

The Dragprov Revue's Cabaret Club

Christian Adore and Eaton Messe are a drag king and queen double act like no other. They've been featured in the Sunday Times, on BBC News, and now join them as the hosts of a regular Oxford show! Join them at the Jericho Tavern for a monthly night of cabaret and comedy.

Using their signature blend of drag sass, improvised wit, and west end calibre musicality they will serenade and seduce your senses into hysterical laughter. As they host the show with musical mayhem they will also present the brightest and best new Queer talent from around the UK. Expect drag kings, queens, lip syncs, burlesque and more.

Book tickets

More information and additional dates

TUESDAY 26 FEBRUARY 2019, 8PM
SEE FACEBOOK PAGE FOR DETAILS

Oxford Lesbian History Group

Lady Mary Ponsonby, lady in waiting to Queen Victoria: lesbian desire and feminist politics in the heart of the Victorian establishment.



ABOUT THE PERFORMERS

'Christian Adore' and 'Eaton Messe' are a drag double act performed by Francesca Forristal and Ed Scrivens. Using your suggestions, this formidable pairing of lovable soft-boy and sassy queen will create dazzling songs, sketches, and spontaneous raps. RuPaul's glamour meets 'Whose Line Is It Anyway' style improvised comedy. Serving you wit as sharp as their contour; jinks as high as their brows; memories that will stick with you longer than last night's glitter, we present to you 'The Dragprov Revue'.

**[www.facebook.com/
DragprovRevue/](https://www.facebook.com/DragprovRevue/)**

[@dragprov](https://www.instagram.com/dragprov)

ABOUT THE GROUP

This is a small, friendly and informal women's group, with an interest in all aspects of lesbian history and culture. Meetings usually take the form of a talk given by one of the members, but there are also sometimes discussions and social activities.

For more information see our Facebook page.

**[www.facebook.com/
Oxford-Lesbian-History-
Group-207330545978893](https://www.facebook.com/Oxford-Lesbian-History-Group-207330545978893)**

Faith events in Oxford



First Sunday is fellowship for people who are lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans, or questioning their sexuality (LGBTQ). We meet at St Columba's United Reformed Church in Oxford on the first Sunday of the month. You don't have to be LGBTQ or a Christian to come along.

SUNDAY 3 FEBRUARY 2019, 7.30PM
ST COLUMBA'S UNITED REFORMED CHURCH,
ALFRED STREET, OXFORD

First Sunday

Our Sunday evening meetings take their theme from the Bible readings for the week. We start with some time to catch up over coffee, pizza and cake. Then we think and talk about the ideas in the readings and finish the evening with a simple communion.

Thanks to our collaborators and supporters in the production of this programme:

Brookes LGBTQ+ Staff Forum

Brookes LGBTQ+ Society

Brookes Sport

Brookes Union

Oxford Brookes Poetry Centre

Oxford Brookes University
Documentary Club

Oxford City Amnesty International

Oxford Human Rights Festival

Yoga Quota



Special thanks to our speakers:

Susie Green

Reverend Kate Harford

Zayna Ratty

Dan Holloway

Ceri Lloyd

Jason Barker

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