



“Lesbian Gay Bisexual Trans (LGBT) History Month takes place every year in February to celebrate the lives and achievements of the LGBT community past and present.

During this Olympic year, LGBT History Month is celebrating sport in all its diversity.

The London Olympics 2012 makes sport an obvious choice and an unmissable opportunity to beat the enduring homo/transphobia that is common to many sports; on the field, in the changing rooms, on the terraces and in media reporting.

This is why it is so important that we use LGBT History Month as a platform to ensure that we educate each other to create a more tolerant and non-judgemental society where we can all thrive and reach our full potential.

Through the co-ordination of Encompass Network, a partnership of organisations throughout Cambridgeshire has come together to plan an exciting and varied timetable of activities and events to educate, inspire and celebrate the richness of our society.

We are thrilled that so many organisations have come together to organise LGBT History Month – proving that working together is key to bringing about positive change.”

HIGHLIGHTS

The LGBT planning team have created a packed diary full of exciting events this year.

High-profile speakers visiting Cambridge include Professor Stephen Whittle who will be delivering the University’s Annual LGBT lecture (Feb 27th).

As it’s Olympic year, SisterAct are working in partnership with the City Council and SexYOUality to host LGBT history month’s first ever women’s football tournament on Feb 25th. Come and play, support diversity in sport or find out how you can get more active in 2012.

There are plenty of arts events to entertain you from Jazz (Feb 3rd), Cabaret at SexYOUality’s Fundraiser (Feb 4th), exploring the Queer Uncanny (Feb 9th) or joining in a literary discussion at the Big Pink Read (Feb 11th)



For more information about the events taking place, please visit our website...

www.lgbtcambs.webs.com

Encompass Network is an umbrella organisation that supports, represents and links LGBT voluntary and community organisations working in equality and diversity across Cambridgeshire.

Encompass Network is working in partnership with many local organisations to organise events for this year’s LGBT History Month.

On behalf of the partnership, we would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has organised an event for the month and offered their time, venues and resources to help support the events.

We are always keen to hear from people and organisations who would like to work in partnership with us or to offer their support to the LGBT community.

Please do get in contact if you would like further information about our work or would like to get involved in LGBT History Month in the future.

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WED
1 **FEBRUARY**
Launch Event

Antoinette Jackson, CEO of Cambridge City Council and Cambridge's Mayor - Ian Nimmo-Smith will be officially launching events with the raising of the rainbow flag on the Guildhall.

12.30pm-1.15pm:
The Guildhall, Peas Hill CB2 3QJ

FRI
3 **Evening of Jazz**

An evening of jazz music in one of Cambridge's best loved cafes celebrating the works of gay, lesbian bisexual and trans jazz artists. BYO alcohol and pay corkage charge. £5 bottle wine. £1.50 per beer.

7.30pm-10.00pm:
Hot Numbers cafe - Gwydir Street, Cambridge. CB1 2LJ

SAT
4 **SexYOUality's Fun Fundraiser**

A cabaret, live band, auction and raffle in support of Cambridgeshire's local LGB youth charity. BYO food and drink. Entrance £10

7.30pm-10.30pm: Impington Village College, CB24 9LX
For more info and tickets contact Liz.morris@cambridgeshire.gov.uk

SUN
5 **Funday Sunday**

An event for all LGBT families and friends. Featuring JezO's Magic, balloon modelling, children's fancy dress (optional), pool table, table tennis and much more. Please bring food / drink to share. **BOOKING ESSENTIAL**

2.30pm-4.30pm: Orchard Park Community Centre, Central Avenue, Orchard Park, Cambridge, CB4 2EZ

E: funday.sunday@rocketmail.com
P: 07772164421

MON
6 **Interdenominational Event**

A meeting of Christians of all denominations to share together their common bond.

7.00pm-8.00pm: Saint Edward King & Martyr CB2 3PP

MON
6 **LGBT History Pub Quiz**

Come down to the Cow to test your knowledge of LGBT History. There will be prizes!

8.00pm onwards
The Red Cow, CB2 3QF
For further CUSU events during the LGBT history month go to: www.lgbt.cusu.cam.ac.uk

WED
8 **Challenging Taboos: Religion & Sexuality**

Focussing on her research Dr Sarah-Jane Page, University of Nottingham, explores the relationship between religion and sexuality. **BOOKING ESSENTIAL**

5.30pm-6.30pm: University Centre, Granta Place, Mill Lane. CB2 1RU

challengingtaboos.eventbrite.co.uk
P: 01223 764091

WED
8 **A rainbow night at the Rainbow**

Come and experience Cambridge's finest vegetarian cuisine and treat yourself to a mid-week meal. 20% off if you quote 'Rainbow'. Limited seating so booking is advised

7.00pm-9.30pm:
The Rainbow Vegetarian Bistro, 9a Kings Parade, CB2 1SJ
Contact: lara@syacambs.org or 01223 369508 to book a place.

THU
9 **Contemporary Queer Fiction & Queer Victorian Poetry**

Dr Paulina Palmer's talk: "The Fiction of Ali Smith - Queer Hauntings and Uncanny Doubles." and Dr Simon Avery's talk: "Voicing Desire: Alfred Douglas, Michael Field, and Queer Poetry in the 1890s"
BOOKING ESSENTIAL

6.30pm-8.30pm:
Anglia Ruskin University
CB1 1PT
E: LGBTstaff@anglia.ac.uk

SAT
11 **The Big Pink Read: Coincidence or Controversy?**

Were LGBT writers sidelined from this year's Booker Prize? Come and join a panel of speakers including Dr Paulina Palmer whose latest book 'The Queer Uncanny' - explores new perspectives on the gothic and VG Lee, comedienne and author amongst other readers and writers. Q & A and discussion

2.00-3.30pm: Conference Room, Cambridgeshire Central Library
CB2 3QD

SAT
11 **Swagga & Strut Ladies Night**

Cambridge's No.1 Lesbian night is putting on another amazing event! Greeted by the Swagga girls, ladies will enjoy shots, sweets & amazing tunes by our resident DJ Izzy Trixx and guest DJ Becky Perry.

9.30pm-3.00am: The Cow, Corn Exchange Street Cambridge
CB2 3QF

E: swaggaandstrut@hotmail.co.uk

FRI
17 **Gateway to Heaven**

Creating artistic projects from interviews with older LGBT people. Clare Summerskill talks about several plays and films she has produced from interviews with older LGBT people for her own theatre company and for Age Concern and the Metropolitan Police. Followed by Q & A and songs from Clare herself.
BOOKING ESSENTIAL

7.30pm-9.30pm: The Bath House, Gwydir Street, CB1 2LW
E: info@encompassnetwork.org.uk

SUN
19 **Gay History Walk**

Come and join SexYOUality for a guided walk around Cambridge's gay historical town and gown.

2.00pm-3.30pm:
Meet outside King's College
CB21ST
E: Miriam@syacambs.org

FRI
24 **What does Buddhism have to say about sexuality?**

An evening of talks and discussion around the theme of sexuality and Buddhism. A warm welcome to everyone. No previous knowledge of Buddhism necessary.

7.30pm-9.30pm:
Cambridge Buddhist Centre,
Newmarket Road CB5 8DT
E: info@buddhistcentre.com

SAT
25 **A Celebration of Women's Football**

6 a-side women's football tournament 16+. Team entry fee £3 per player. Guaranteed 80 mins of play.
Free football coaching for girls and women from 11:00
Tournament kick off at 11.30

Spectators very welcome. (free parking!) **BOOKING ESSENTIAL**

11.00am-5.00pm:
Netherhall School, CB1 8NN
E: football@sisteract.org (for booking and further information)

SAT
25 **Pink Festival Eclectic night**

Pink Festival brings you an eclectic night of fun, music and entertainment including a pool tournament!
£3 on the door- Raising funds for your favourite festival.

6:00pm-midnight:
Romsey Labour Club, Mill Road
CB1 3NL

MON
27 **Annual LGB&T Lecture**

Professor Stephen Whittle delivers this year's lecture. In 2005 he was awarded an OBE for services to gender issues. He also received a Human Rights Award, from Liberty, for his commitment to the rights of transsexuals.
BOOKING ESSENTIAL

5.30pm-6.30pm:
McCrum Lecture Theatre, Corpus Christi College, Bene't Street
CB2 3QD
annual-lgbtlecture.eventbrite.co.uk

WED
29 **Celebration Event**

Join Encompass Network in celebrating the events of LGBT History month 2012.
Entertainment and refreshments provided

5.30pm-8.00pm:
B Bar. 8 Market Passage CB23PF

Diamonds Cambridge TG group meet every Wednesday 8 pm on Riverboat Georgina or in the adjacent office. Everyone Welcome!! Events, Quizzes, Bingo, Dining Club and occasional trips down the Cam. Small bar.

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