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Office Programs

Call for Event Proposals for the 6th Annual LGBTQA Month!!
The 6th annual LGBTQA Month at DePaul will be celebrated this coming May. We invite proposals for events occurring during May that look at LGBTQA issues through one of the following themes: Reforming Policies; Engaging Communities; Celebrating Identities. The proposal submission form is now live and available via this link: http://is.gd/LGBTQAMonthProposal. LGBTQA Month at DePaul is celebrated in May every year, programs and events can range in style, scope, and target audience. We strongly encourage collaboration between student organizations and university departments/offices in planning and proposing events. The deadline for proposals is February 15, 2013 at 5:00 p.m. Questions or concerns can be directed to LGBTQAServices@depaul.edu or 773-325-7294.

LGBTQA Identity Support Group
**Tuesdays 6:00PM – 7:00PM**
The LGBTQA Identity Support Group is an open group for members of the LGBTQIA, etc. community who are looking for support around issues relating to sexuality and gender identity. The group is open to any DePaul student. No registration or screening is required.
**Where:** Lincoln Park Student Center
2250 N Sheffield Ave, Room 316
Chicago, IL 60614
Week of 1/21/13 – 1/27/13

Queer Zine Collection
Do YOU make a LGBTQA-focused zine? Do you know of other awesome LGBTQA zines? Please tell us! We are looking to start a zine library to be housed in our resource office. We would love to include your zine, as well as hear your input on what zines we should make to include! Please contact LGBTQAServices@depaul.edu with questions or suggestions.

Career Center Outreach Hours
_Thursdays 9:00AM – 12:00PM_
We are excited to announce that beginning January 10, 2013, Kara Peterson, a graduate intern in the Career Center, will be holding weekly outreach hours in the LGBTQA Student Services. Stop by any time, no appointment is necessary! Below is a bit about Kara and the types of services she is able to provide to you in our office.

Kara Peterson is currently completing her graduate internship in the Career Center at DePaul and is delighted to be extending her services to the LGBTQA office. She can assist with career exploration with the use of various assessment tools, resume construction and critiques, practice interviewing, job or internship search and much more. She also recently attended the Out for Work Conference and would be happy to talk about that experience and provide insights on career development through the LGBTQA lens. Kara enjoys meeting new students, travel, Breaking Bad marathons and hanging out with her wife, Nicole and their two dogs, Ollie and Lola. Also, please feel free to email your résumé to Kara for review at kpeter49@depaul.edu.

Safe Zone Trainings
_-February 13 9:00AM – 12:00PM_
_-April 11 2:00PM – 5:00PM_
Register online: [http://is.gd/DePaulSafeZone](http://is.gd/DePaulSafeZone)
Safe Zone is an ongoing training program open to any DePaul students, staff, and faculty who are interested in being allies to the LGBTQ communities. In addition to the scheduled dates, trainings are available for offices, departments, and student organizations by request. Please contact the LGBTQ Student Services Coordinator, Katy Weseman, at kweseman@depaul.edu or call (773) 325-4607 with any questions.

Bring Your Own Mug (BYOM)
_-Tuesdays 10:00AM to 11:00AM_
NOW IN THE LOOP! Please join us for some great coffee, good conversation, and the opportunity to meet other members of DePaul’s LGBTQA communities. This is a weekly event of the Office aimed at growing and informing community. For all tea lovers, we will have tea as well. Contact the Office with questions at lgbtqaservices@depaul.edu.
Where: DePaul Center
1 E. Jackson Blvd., Suite 11001 (Dean of Students Office)
Chicago, IL 60604

Out at Lunch
_-January 30 12:00PM to 1:00PM_
Get excited! Out at Lunch has been completely revamped! Now not only will Out at Lunch be occurring every other week, but each session will have a specific facilitator and topic. If your office or organization is interested in facilitating an Out at Lunch session, please contact the Office at
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lgbtqaservices@depaul.edu. Lunch will be provided.

Where: Lincoln Park Student Center
2250 N Sheffield Ave, Room 313
Chicago, IL 60614

Winter/Spring Quarter and LGBTQA Month Volunteers Needed!
Are you interested in helping out in the Office with such things as library maintenance, resource development, programming, LGBTQA Month or an individualized project? Then please swing by the Office to pick up a volunteer application form or shoot Megan McKnight an email at lgbtqaservices@depaul.edu and she will be more than happy to forward you an application.

Lending Library
The Office has a wide selection of books and movies that are dying to be checked out. Stop in anytime to pick out a book to read for fun or use for a class. Some of our selections include:

- **Two Truths and a Lie**  
  **By: Scott Turner Schofield**  
  *Two Truths and a Lie* is a memoir passing as three solo plays written and performed by Scott Turner Schofield. From inside his young life on the Homecoming Court and Debutante circuit, armed only with a decoder ring and a gifted tongue, Schofield comes out with truly unbelievable stories of a body in search of an identity. By turns slapstick and slap-in-the-face, this drama invites audiences and readers to explore gender, sex, sexuality, and self in their own first person.

- **Christianity, Social Tolerance, and Homosexuality: Gay People in Western Europe from the Beginning of the Christian Era to the Fourteenth Century**  
  **By: John Boswell**  
  John Boswell’s National Book Award – winning study of the history of attitudes toward homosexuality in the early Christian West is a revolutionary work that has challenged preconceptions about the Church’s past relationship to its gay members – among them priests, bishops, and even canonized saints. The historical breadth of Boswell’s research (from the Greeks to Aquinas) and the variety of sources consulted make this one of the most extensive treatments of any single aspect of Western social history.

- **Film: Ellen DeGeneres: Here and Now**  
  Ellen DeGeneres has done everything from starring in hit sitcoms and movies to writing best-selling books, to having her own talk show. But she’s never forgotten her roots as a stand-up comedian. Taped at New York City’s Beacon Theatre before a live audience, *Ellen*
**Week of 1/21/13 – 1/27/13**

*DeGeneres: Here and Now* features the kind of humor that first made her a star, offering her offbeat insights into everyday life.

*These titles and others can also be found at the DePaul Library. Check out [http://depaul.worldcat.org](http://depaul.worldcat.org) to check the availability. If you have any questions or encounter difficulty finding these titles, you can contact Paula Dempsey, LGBTQ Studies Library Liaison, at pdempsey@depaul.edu.

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**Student Group Meetings**

**Trans*(formation) DePaul**

*Tuesdays 7:00PM – 8:00PM*

Trans*(formation) DePaul works to raise awareness of gender variance while engaging with other organizations and DePaul University to promote conversation and understanding of alternative gender identities.

*Where*: Munroe 114

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**Act OUT**

*Wednesdays 6:00PM – 7:00PM*

An LGBTQA activist organization engaging through education, discussion and conversation.

*Where*: Lincoln Park Student Center, Room 313

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**Spectrum DePaul**

*Wednesdays 7:30PM – 8:30PM*

Spectrum DePaul serves as a safe space for LGBTQA students, to promote socialization among students with common interests, to explore the multicultural issues pertinent to the LGBTQA community, and as an outlet to engage in political and social activism.

*Where*: Lincoln Park Student Center, Room 324

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**Events On-Campus**

**DePaul Wellness Fair**

*January 23 11:00AM – 1:00PM*

The goal of the fair is to connect DePaul Students, Faculty and Staff with some of the great health and wellness related resources on the DePaul Campus and in the Lincoln Park community. All services at the fair are free. Some highlights include: confidential HIV testing (AIDS Foundation of Chicago), chair massages (Body Peace Chicago), grow your own wheat grass (Urban Farming Organization), running assessments (Running Away Multisport), midday zumba (12:40pm-1pm Campus Rec), diabetes risk tests (Gamma Phi Omega), and wellness screenings (Office of Health Promotion & Wellness).

*Where*: Lincoln Park Student Center

2250 N Sheffield Ave, Room 120

Chicago, IL 60614

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**Opposing Death Squads and Dictatorship in Honduras**

*January 30 6:00PM*

Contrary to stereotypes about predominately Roman Catholic countries, Honduras has a vibrant
Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender (LGBT) movement which is among the leading forces organizing against the coup regime. LGBTs there have joined indigenous peoples, African descendants, farmers, teachers, women, students, and trade unionists in numerous, massive, nonviolent street demonstrations of resistance. Since the coup, 87 LGBT Hondurans have been murdered in a systematic campaign of targeted hate crimes and political assassination. In the run up to this November’s first contested election since the coup, many fear that the violence will get even worse. Come hear leading Honduran LGBT activist Jose “Pepe” Palacios give an eyewitness account of his movement and the challenges it faces. Palacios is a founding member of the Honduran LGBT group, Diversity Movement in Resistance (MDR), and a member of the steering committee of the National Front of Popular Resistance (FNRP).

Where: Arts and Letter Hall
2315 N Kenmore Ave, Room 412
Chicago, IL 60614

Dialogues Project 2013
Fridays Starting January 25  10AM – 12PM
Interested in building community to address everyday racism and white privilege? The Dialogues Project is creating a space for students to create a shared framework for understanding systemic racial and intersecting inequities (eg, gender, sexuality, class), to build skills for intervention, accountability, healing and transformation. Participation is free and open to all DePaul students. To learn more or join the group, please visit http://is.gd/dp2013.

Angels in America, Part 2: Perestroika
February 8-17  Wed. - Sat. at 7:30PM, Sun. at 2:00PM
1980s America. An Angel of the Apocalypse crashes through a ceiling and hovers over the bed of Prior Walter, a gay New Yorker with AIDS. This collision sets in motion the reintroduction of characters from part one of Kushner’s Pulitzer Prize-winning two-part epic as their lives intersect during the Reagan era. Tragic and hilarious, Perestroika explores personal responsibility, the future of mankind, and the nature of God.

Where: Merle Reskin Theatre
60 E Balbo Dr.
Chicago, IL 60605

Cultural Café: Performing Activism in Virtual Spaces
February 11  11:20AM – 12:50PM
The Teatro Luna theatre company will show participants how to translate a live performance into other forms of activism that can be translated into virtual spaces through the creation of their own performance piece.

Where: Lincoln Park Student Center
2250 N Sheffield Ave, Room 120
Chicago, IL 60614

Cultural Café: CROSSED by Teatro Luna
February 1  6:00PM – 8:00PM
An original play by Teatro Luna which breaks down stereotypes and poetically navigates what it means to be an immigrant in the United States in the current era. Set in a series of unknown
terminals, join five diverse female performers as they share accounts collected from interviews, news reports, and the performers' own experiences while traveling south in the spring of 2011. 

**Where:** Lincoln Park Student Center  
2250 N Sheffield Ave, Room 120  
Chicago, IL 60614

**Cupid's Queer Comedy Show**

**February 13 7:00PM – 9:00PM**

Whether single or struck by Cupid’s arrow, come join in the fun with Spectrum DePaul. Comedians include: Caitlin Bergh, Candy Lawrence, Ever Mainard, Joel Kim Booster, and Bill Cruz. A five-dollar donation is suggested.  

**Where:** Lincoln Park Student Center  
2250 N Sheffield Ave, Brownstones Annex  
Chicago, IL 60614

**Out at Chicago History Museum - Fifty Shades of the Blues: Song, Soul, and Sexuality**

**January 31 5:30PM – 9:00PM**

In the 1920s and 1930s, pioneering musicians like Bessie Smith and Ma Rainey used suggestive lyrics and tongue-in-cheek performances to express their fluid sexuality. In this program, Sharon Bridgeforth, Dr. Omi Osun, and Joni L. Jones use conversation and live performance to consider how race, gender, and class played important roles in developing this complex musical form. Performer Katherine Davis and her trip sing blues favorites during the complimentary pre-program cocktail reception. Tickets are $10 for members and students, $15 for others. For more information, please visit [http://www.chicagohs.org](http://www.chicagohs.org).

**Xing: Crossing Borders, Desires, and Chicago Streets**

**Saturdays Starting February 2 1:00PM – 3:00PM**

A writing for performance workshop for LGBTQ youth ages 13 - 24. Taught by playwright Ricardo A. Bracho from DePaul University. No experience is necessary. Please register by calling Luis Roman at 312-663-4413 or email lroman@icirr.org.  

**Where:** Center on Halsted  
3656 N Halsted St, 2nd Floor Youth Space  
Chicago, IL 60613

**Opportunities**

**Crew 450**

Crew 450 is a research collaboration between Ann and Robert H. Lurie Children’s Hospital of Chicago and Northwestern University that is looking for guys between the ages of 16-20 who identify as gay, bisexual, or queer to join. Crew 450 aims to learn more about the health concerns of gay, bisexual, and questioning young men in the Chicagoland area. As part of the study, you would come in once about every six months for two years to complete surveys and questionnaires as well as have the opportunity to receive free HIV and STI testing. As repayment for your time, you could make up to
$295! If you would like to hear more about the study give Crew 450 a call at 773-234-3624 or email us at crew450@impactprogram.org.

Research Opportunities
If you are a non-LGBT college student between the ages of 18-24 who grew up with one or more LGBTQ parents, are a currently enrolled full-time student living away at a 4-year college or university in the United States, and have already completed at least one entire semester at that same institution, you are eligible to participate in a study looking to gain insight into what it is like to be a non-LGBT college student who was raised by at least one LGBTQ parent. If you are selected to participate, you will be expected to participate in two phone, in person, or Skype interviews. Participants who complete both interviews will receive a $25 Amazon gift card. This research has been approved by the Institutional Review Board at Northeastern University. For more information, please contact Thomas Bourdon at bourdon.t@husky.neu.edu or 671-627-5770.

If you have undergone some degree of a social and/or medical gender transition (for many participants this can be phrased as living as a gender different from the sex one was assigned at birth) and are over the age of 18, you are eligible to participate in a study exploring the well-being of individuals who have undergone a gender transition (including, but not limited to people who identify as female, male, genderqueer, transgender female, transgender male, stealth, binary, non-binary). Participation involves completing an online survey that should take 10-15 minutes. This research has been approved by the Institutional Review Board at the University of Louisville. For more information, please contact Sebastian Barr at smbarr01@louisville.edu.

News

Obama Sounds Historically LGBT-Inclusive Message in Inauguration Speech
http://www.advocate.com/politics/2013/01/21/obama-sounds-historically-lgbt-inclusive-message-inauguration-speech

Pro-LGBT Catholic Denomination to Ordain Transgender Priest
http://www.advocate.com/politics/religion/2013/01/18/pro-lgbt-catholic-denomination-ordain-transgender-priest

Russia Moves to Enact Anti-Gay Law Nationwide
http://world.time.com/2013/01/21/russia-moves-to-enact-anti-gay-law-nationwide/

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