

Getting Together

- Join or help form a bisexual network (such as the Boston Bisexual Women's Network, Biversity Boston, or the Bay Area Bisexual Network.)
- Join or help form a bisexual political group, such as BiPOL in San Francisco.
- Join or help form a bisexual support or discussion group.
- Join or help form a bisexual neighborhood or workplace group.
- Take part in or help to organize bisexual social events (such as parties, brunches, picnics, or coffee hours).
- Take part in or help to organize discussions or workshops on topics such as coming out, bisexuality and AIDS, relationships, etc.
- Take part in or help to organize a local or regional conference on bisexuality.
- Take part in or help to organize a bisexual contingent in your local Gay Pride march, possibly including a pre-Pride brunch or a post-Pride picnic.

Events

- Organize a dance for bisexuals.
- Organize or take part in a bisexual talent show, art show, video night, or poetry and prose reading, either for the bi community or open to the public.
- Get together with a group of bisexuals to go out to dinner or to a bar.

- Arrange for a bisexual night at a local gay or lesbian bar. Some bars may help with sponsorship and publicity.
- Arrange a bisexual retreat including discussions and recreation, either for a day or a weekend.

Direct Action

- Start or participate in a "Bisexual Pride" sticker campaign, placing stickers in various public or private places.
- Do bi-positive graffiti.
- Distribute bisexuality pamphlets and visibility cards wherever you go.
- Do a "bi visibility action" in which a group goes to a public place as out bisexuals.
- Organize or take part in a picket or a sit-in to protest unfavorable portrayals of bisexuals or anti-bisexual legislation. Possible targets: media outlets, legislators, corporations.
- Boycott media outlets and corporate sponsors that portray bisexuals unfavorably.
- Organize or take part in guerrilla theatre to highlight bisexual issues (you may want to provide a press pack and arrange for media coverage).
- Take part in gay and lesbian actions and events as an out bisexual.
- Participate in actions, pickets, civil disobedience, etc. in support of other causes as an out bisexual.

- Write letters to the editors of your local newspapers when bisexuals are negatively covered or not mentioned at all.

- Write to network executives when bisexuals are portrayed negatively on TV.

Making Alliances with Other Groups

- Take part in gay and lesbian, anti-war, feminist, or other activist social groups as an out bisexual – present a bisexual viewpoint and encourage other to take bisexual concerns into account.
- Offer to make a presentation on bisexual awareness to the groups you belong to.
- Organize or take part in a visible bisexual contingent in Gay Pride parade and similar marches or rallies (wear a bisexual T-shirt or button, carry a banner).
- Participate as an out bisexual in the events and actions of other groups whose causes you support.
- Distribute bisexual brochures and materials at rallies, marches, or wherever various groups and activists distribute literature.
- Leave bisexual materials at literature tables and be there to talk with those who have questions.
- Have a group of bisexuals co-sponsor an event or fundraiser with other

local groups whose positions you support and with whom you would like to develop a closer relationship.

- Organize or co-sponsor a panel discussion or community forum on issues that you support or that have special relevance to bisexuals.

Public Relations and Media

- Write and distribute leaflets or brochures on bisexual issues.

- Help to produce your local bisexual newsletter or start your own.

- Distribute bisexual newsletters and materials to bookstores, libraries, women's centers, bars, etc.

- Ask gay and lesbian groups (for example, community and campus groups and publications) to add the word "bisexual" to their names, and encourage them to be sensitive to and inclusive of bisexuals in their events, programs, and coverage.

- Lobby representatives for support of legislation favorable to bisexuals, such as Gay Rights Bills and inclusive foster care policies.

- Circulate petitions in support of bi-favorable legislation.

- Write letters of protest to legislators, editors, and others who fail to support bisexual equality, and letters of recognition and thanks to those who do.

- Volunteer for or start a phone line to give people information about

bisexuality and bisexual events and issues.

- Organize an "action tree" in which participants can do small actions, such as letter writing, phone calling, attending a rally, in support of current bisexual issues or events.

- Encourage news publications (both gay/lesbian and general) to increase their coverage of bisexuality and bisexual issues.

- Write and submit articles about bisexuality to your favorite publications.

- Request coverage (or submit your own) of bisexual conferences, actions, and cultural events. Document with photographs if possible.

- Make calls to radio talk shows that deal with issues related to bisexuality.

- Organize and take part in radio or TV talk shows dealing with bisexuality. Local cable stations may be a good outlet.

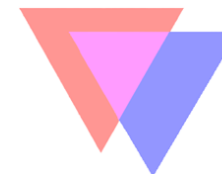
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50 Steps To Bisexual Visibility



Coming Out

- Wear a bisexual button
- Wear a "Bisexual Pride" T-shirt, like those available from the Bisexual Resource Center

- Come out to parents, relatives, friends, and co-workers.

- Talk with people about bisexual, lesbian, gay, and alternative lifestyle issues; go a step beyond "comfort level" when discussing these issues with others.

- Speak in public about bisexuality. Consider joining a gay/lesbian/bisexual speakers bureau.

- Put a picture of your same-sex lover(s) on your desk at work and in a prominent place at home; this may give you the opportunity to discuss your life as a bisexual person.

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