

Queer-e: Your List of LGBTQA Events in the Pioneer Valley
February 11, 2011

STONEWALL CENTER EVENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

[For more information on Stonewall Center events, join our Facebook page, visit www.umass.edu/stonewall, or call us at (413) 545-4826]

1. **Free and Anonymous Rapid HIV and STD Testing -- 2/14, Noon-3:30, 168C UMass Campus Center**

LOCAL EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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4. **Heart To Heart Benefit Dance -- 2/11, 8 p.m.-midnight, Union Station, Northampton**
5. **"Let the Body Speak" -- 2/12 & 2/13, The Red Barn, Hampshire College**
6. **"F *** Forever Dance Party": A Food for Thought Fundraiser -- 2/12, 10 p.m.-1 a.m., Food for Thought Books, Amherst**
7. **Cast Call por "Los Monologos de La Vagina" -- 2/12, Holyoke Health Center**
8. **"Rockin' Valentine Dance Party": A Benefit for Noho Pride -- 2/12, 8 p.m., The Deuce (World War II Club), Northampton**
9. **East Coast FTM Group Meeting: "Trans Youth and Our Own Trans Youths" -- 2/13, 3-6 p.m., Northampton**
10. **Eli Clare, "Gawking, Gaping, Staring: Living in Marked Bodies" -- 2/16, 7:30 p.m., Gamble Auditorium, Mount Holyoke College**
11. **Free Film Screening: *Männer wie wir (Guys and Balls)* -- 2/17, 4 and 7:30 p.m., Amherst College**
12. **LGBT Coalition of Western Massachusetts Monthly Meeting -- 2/17, 7 p.m., 32 Industrial Dr. East, Northampton**
13. **4th Annual Springfield Falcons Hockey Pride Night -- 2/19, 4 p.m., Mass Mutual Center, Springfield**
14. **Gather the Lesbians, A Lesbian Tent Revival -- 2/19, Unitarian Society of Northampton**
15. **PFLAG (Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbian and Gays) Franklin-Hampshire Chapter Meeting -- 2/24, 7-9 p.m., First Congregational Church, Ashfield**
16. **Valley V-Day's 3rd Annual Community Production of "The Vagina Monologues" -- 2/25 & 2/26, 7 p.m., Northampton Center for the Arts**
17. **Bettina Aptheker, "W.E.B. DuBois: Personal Stories/Political Reflections" -- 2/28, 4.30 p.m., Cape Cod Lounge, Student Union, UMass**
18. **Staceyann Chin, "An Evening of Poetry with Staceyann Chin" -- 3/2, 7 p.m., Scanlon Banquet Hall, Westfield State University**
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20. **Reproductive Rights Activist Service Corps Summer Internship**

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1. [Free and Anonymous Rapid HIV and STD Testing for Valentine's Day](#)

Monday, Feb. 14, Noon-3:30 p.m.
168C UMass Campus Center

No appointment necessary and no blood is involved, just oral swabs. An HIV test will take about 20 minutes. Tests conducted by Tapestry Health.

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2. [Bon Appetit Burlesque: The LUV Show](#)

Friday, Feb. 11, 9-11:30 p.m. (doors open at 8 p.m.)
The Deuce (World War II Club), 50 Conz Street, Northampton

"This month our performers are exploring all sides of LUV, with acts based on romance, dating, marriage, heartache, breakups, and being single. The show features games, prizes, and sexy stripteases from a variety of performers that will leave you laughing, lusting, and wanting more! Featured performers include: Captain Elastico, The Baroness Blitzen VonSchtupp, Lady Naboombu, Dot Mitzvah, Kitty Katastrophe, and Pandora Fox. The host of the show is local artist Hors D'oeuvres. Stick around between acts and after the show for music from WMUA's Studebaker Hawk, voted 2010's Best DJ in *The Valley Advocate's* Grand Band Slam. Come in early to see work on display from artist Kelly Nason."

Open to ages 21 and up. Tickets are \$10 and will be available at the door on a first come, first served basis. A cash bar is provided by The Deuce.

3. [Smith College Production of "The Vagina Monologues"](#)

Saturday, Feb. 11, 7:30 p.m.
John M. Greene Hall, Smith College

Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are now on sale at 106 Smith Campus Center for \$10, or at the door.

This year's beneficiary is Safe Passage. For more information: (413) 585-2639.

4. [Heart To Heart Benefit Dance](#)

Friday, Feb. 11, 8 p.m.-midnight
Union Station, 125 Pleasant St., Northampton

This fundraiser for the LGBT Coalition of Western MA will benefit the Shining Star Scholarship Fund to further educational opportunities for LGBT youth. Music by DJ Melissa.

Tickets: \$10/advance, \$15/door (18+). On sale at Pride & Joy, Food for Thought Books, and Odyssey Bookstore on 1/17/11 or at <http://www.lgbtcoalitionwma.org> under "Events."

5. "Let the Body Speak"

Saturday, Feb. 12, 7:30 p.m., and Sunday, Feb. 13, 2 p.m.
The Red Barn, Hampshire College

This unique theatrical experience is the product of a collaborative exploration of what it means to be woman-identified and female-bodied in the past, present and future contexts of ensemble members themselves. It is written and performed by the ensemble in lieu of this year's student production of The Vagina Monologues.

Tickets: \$5 students/seniors, \$7 general admission. Reserve tickets by emailing letthebodyspeak@yahoo.com. Proceeds will benefit Safe Passage and the Holyoke Public Schools. Sponsored by the Hampshire College Center for Feminisms.

6. "F *** Forever Dance Party": A Food for Thought Fundraiser

Saturday, Feb. 12, 10 p.m.-1 a.m.
Food for Thought Books, 106 North Pleasant St., Amherst
Suggested donation: \$8-20

Please help Food for Thought stay in business and have fun at the same time

7. Cast Call por "Los Monologos de La Vagina" (a performance of the Vagina Monologues in Spanish)

12 Febrero 2-4
Holyoke Health Center, 230 Maple St., Holyoke

Tiene preguntas?? holyokevday@gmail.com

8. "Rockin' Valentine Dance Party": A Benefit for Noho Pride

Saturday, Feb. 12, 8 p.m.-Midnight
The Deuce (World War II Club), 50 Conz Street, Northampton

Presented by LezleeAnne and Daniel Sevelt. Light & visual performances by A.R. Productions.

Daniel Sevelt behind the decks; Richard Adams on drums and Brent Nielsen on bass.

Tickets: \$10 at Ultra Gal, 114 Main St., Northampton; \$10.50 at www.Lezleeanne.com via PayPal; or \$12 at the door. Only 220 tickets are available, so get yours now!

9. [East Coast FTM Group Meeting](#)

Sunday, Feb. 13, 3-6 p.m., Northampton

Discussion Topic: "Trans Youth and Our Own Trans Youths"

Note: This particular meeting only will welcome all people in the trans community, both trans masculine and trans feminine, our significant other, friends, family, and allies.

"Susan Maasch, Director of the Trans Youth Equality Foundation in Portland, Maine, will join us to talk about their work to support transgender and transsexual children. Come learn what Susan is doing and how you might show support or get involved. We'll also take some time to talk about what we were like and how life was for us when we were young and trans."

For the location and for more information, contact Bet: (413) 584-7616 or betpower@yahoo.com.

10. [Eli Clare, "Gawking, Gaping, Staring: Living in Marked Bodies"](#)

Wednesday, Feb. 16, 7:30 p.m.

Gamble Auditorium, Art Building, Mount Holyoke College

Disabled people, trans people, fat people, and people of color all know what it's like to be stared at. Through words and images, Eli Clare explores the internal experiences of living in marked bodies and the external meanings of oppression and bodily difference. Eli Clare (eliclare.com) is a speaker, teacher, and facilitator for issues of disability, queer and trans identities, and social justice.

11. [Free Film Screening: *Männer wie wir \(Guys and Balls\)*](#)

Thursday, Feb. 17, 4 and 7:30 p.m.

Stirn Auditorium, Amherst College

Film summary: Already under pressure for playing badly, Ecki (Maximilian Buckner) is thrown off the local soccer team when his fellow players find out he is gay. He forms an all-gay soccer team and challenges his former friends in a grudge match. Ecki's journey to self-realization is filled with wonderful surprises and interesting characters in this delightful romantic comedy.

In German with English subtitles. Sponsored by the Amherst College Department of German.

12. [LGBT Coalition of Western Massachusetts Monthly Meeting](#)

Thursday, Feb. 17, 7 p.m.
At Their New Office: 32 Industrial Dr. East, Northampton

New Members Are Always Welcome!

13. [4th Annual Springfield Falcons Hockey Pride Night](#)

Saturday, Feb. 19, 4 p.m. and 7 p.m.
Mass Mutual Center, Springfield

As an added bonus, the UMass women's hockey team will be playing at 4 p.m., before the Falcons game at 7 p.m. Your single \$12 ticket will get you into both games. A portion of the proceeds will benefit Noho Pride.

Call Bill at (413) 739-3344 ext 120 by Thursday, February 10 for tickets.
Tickets will not be available after that deadline

14. [Gather the Lesbians, A Lesbian Tent Revival](#)

Saturday, Feb. 19
Unitarian Society of Northampton, 220 Main St.

Dinner/Discussion: 5:30-6:15 p.m., Tent Revival: 7-9 p.m., Dessert: 9-10 p.m.

To build energy for the Tent Revival, Gather the Lesbians will begin with dinner and discussion. Limited tickets are available for a hearty vegetarian dinner catered by Alice Cozzolino of Cummington's Old Creamery. Diners can share the meal with friends or join a table focused on one of several discussion topics, including Talking Across the Generations, Planning Future Lesbian Gatherings, Coming Out Stories, Relationships, and more.

The service will feature two sermons: "The Seven Deadly Sins and How to Bring More of Them Into Your Life" and "The Real L-Words."

Dinner: \$10; Tent Revival: \$10. Tickets are available at www.shopwesternmass.com/gather and Pride & Joy, 20 Crafts Ave., Northampton; Food for Thought Books, 106 N. Pleasant St., Amherst; and World Eye Bookshop, 156 Main St., Greenfield. Dinner tickets are limited. Wheelchair accessible.

For more information: 877-925-2999 or gatherthelesbians@yahoo.com.

15. [PFLAG \(Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbian and Gays\) Franklin-Hampshire Chapter Meeting](#)

Thursday, Feb. 24, 7-9 p.m.
First Congregational Church, Main St., Ashfield, MA

PFLAG offers welcoming support, education, and advocacy for lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender people, their families, friends, and allies. Helpline: (413) 625-6636 or jcmalinski48@gmail.com

16. [Valley V-Day's 3rd Annual Community Production of "The Vagina Monologues"](#)

Friday, Feb. 25 & Saturday, Feb. 26, 7 p.m. (doors open 6 p.m.)

Northampton Center for the Arts

This year's beneficiary is Denise Beaudet's "Roots to Resistance". Denise is painting 12 large scale portraits of women activists from around the world who are working to end violence against women and girls. She has also created a world-wide postcard campaign in which you can be involved in to spread the word. Learn more about this amazing project as well as the work of these women at the show.

The last two years have been sold out performances, so don't wait, get your tickets early. Available now at [Broadside Books](#) in Northampton, sliding scale \$15-\$50. For more information: valleyvday@gmail.com.

17. [Bettina Aptheker, "W.E.B. DuBois: Personal Stories/Political Reflections"](#)

Monday, Feb. 28, 4.30 p.m.

Cape Cod Lounge, Student Union, UMass

Bettina Aptheker is Distinguished Professor of Feminist Studies and History at the University of California, Santa Cruz, where she has taught for more than 30 years. Her most recent book is a memoir, *Intimate Politics: How I Grew Up Red, Fought for Free Speech and Became a Feminist Rebel* (2006). She is also at work on a major research project: *Queering the History of the American Left: 1940s-1980s*.

18. [Staceyann Chin, "An Evening of Poetry with Staceyann Chin"](#)

Wednesday, March 2, 7 p.m.

Scanlon Banquet Hall, Westfield State University

Staceyann Chin is a spoken word poet, performing artist, and LGBT rights political activist. She has performed in the Nuyorican Poets' Café, one-woman shows off-Broadway, Julie Taymor's *Across the Universe*, stage and film versions of Howard Zinn's *Voices of a People's History of the United States*, Tony-nominated Russell Simmons *Def Poetry Jam* on Broadway, and *60 Minutes*. Chin's candid memoir *The Other Side of Paradise* will be available for a book signing following her spoken word poetry performance.

19. [Spring Support Groups at the UMass Center for Counseling and Psychological Health \(CCPH; formerly Mental Health Services\)](#)

New Groups

Positively ADHD: A Support group

Women's Therapy Group for Undergraduates

Graduating Seniors Group

Reining in Your Anxiety: A Support Group for Stressed Students

Better Love: How to Get It and How to Give It

Ongoing Groups

Men, Talking: An Ongoing Men's Group

Making Connections: An Undergraduate Therapy Group for Men and Women

Mindfulness-Based Stress Reduction Group

Living with Loss

Graduate Student Women's Therapy Group

For more information about groups, contact Julia Moss: jmoss@uhs.umass.edu.

INTERNSHIP

20. [Reproductive Rights Activist Service Corps Summer Internship](#)

The Reproductive Rights Activist Service Corps (RRASC) is a paid summer internship program of the Civil Liberties and Public Policy Program (CLPP) at Hampshire College. RRASC is a national program that supports the leadership development of students interested in connecting their academic studies to reproductive rights and social justice activism through 10-week long, full-time, paid summer internships.

To be eligible, you must:

- Be a current undergraduate student at one of the following institutions: Amherst College, Hampshire College, Greenfield Community College, Holyoke Community College, Mount Holyoke College, Smith College, Springfield Technical Community College, Westfield State University, or the University of Massachusetts at Amherst.
- Not be graduating from a 4 year program (BA, BS) in Spring 2011
- Not be on a leave of absence from your college (including study abroad) when you apply

The application deadline is Friday, February 18, 2011 at 4 p.m.

For more information and to download the application, please visit our website:
clpp.hampshire.edu/projects/internship

If you have any questions, please contact: CLPP Program Coordinator Corinna Yazbek at 413.559.5859 or cyazbek@hampshire.edu

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