

Queer-e: Your List of LGBTQIA and Allies Events in the Pioneer Valley
November 20, 2015

UMASS STONEWALL CENTER EVENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

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7. **HIV and STD (Gonorrhea and Chlamydia) Testing -- 12/1, 11 a.m. - 3 p.m., 165-69 UMass Campus Center**
8. **Shaha Performance and Discussion: Racism in the LGBTQIA+ Community -- 12/1, 165-69 UMass Campus Center**

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9. **LGBTQ People of Color Meeting -- 11/20, 6-7:30 p.m., 903 UMass Campus Center**
10. **Transcending Boundaries Conference -- 11/20-11/22, Sheraton Hotel, Springfield**
11. **LGBTQ Gender Role Free Contra Dance -- 11/21, 7-10 p.m., Montague Community Hall, 34 Main St., Montague**
12. **Apply to Be a UMass RA: 11/30 Deadline**
13. **Workshop Proposals Now Being Accepted for the 2016 Five College Queer Gender and Sexuality Conference: Due 12/4**
14. **Nostras Voces Submissions for Performance**
15. **Pioneer Valley Gay Men's Chorus "We are Lights" Holiday Concert -- 12/6, 3 p.m., St. John's Episcopal Church, 48 Elm St., Northampton**
16. **Five College Reception for Faculty Members and Staff Members of Color --12/10, 4:30-6 p.m., Hampshire College Red Barn**

STONEWALL EVENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. [Trans Students Can Now Get Hormones on Campus](#)

UHS is now able to prescribe, inject or teach to inject, and monitor hormones for trans students! The doctor who will be prescribing is Ilana Schmitt, one of the staff physicians. Students interested in getting on hormones can call Cindy Hildebrand, a Registered Nurse, who is the trans point person for UHS and also the RN who works closely with Dr. Schmitt. Her phone number is 413-577-5040. Students can also speak to any of the resource nurses to schedule an appointment with Dr. Schmitt. If there are any problems, please let Genny Beemyn, the Director of the Stonewall Center, know: genny@umass.edu

2. [UMass Students: Apply to Be Part of the Spectrum LGBTQIA Residence Hall Floor](#)

Applications for living in next year's Spectrum: LGBTQIA+ Community are live! Students who live in this space on campus will have opportunities to connect meaningfully with other students, go on field trips, and lead the community with dialogues and events in the 2016-2017 academic year. We hope you will consider applying! Learn more about Spectrum at www.housing.umass.edu/living/drc.html.

3. [List of Spring Five-College Queer and Sexuality Studies Courses](#) <http://www.umass.edu/stonewall/courses/>

These courses count toward the Five College Queer and Sexuality Studies certificate:
<https://www.fivecolleges.edu/queerstudies>

4. [Stonewall Center After Hours](#)

Monday, Nov. 23, 6-9 p.m.
Stonewall Center, Crampton Hall

"Come and spend time at the Stonewall Center after it's been closed for the night! Let's play games, do some work, have cool conversations, eat food, & chill out."

5. [LGBTQIA+ Graduate Student Support Group](#)

Monday, Nov. 23, 7:30-9 p.m.
904-08 Campus Center

Are you an LGBTQIA graduate student wondering how to approach faculty about your name and/or gender pronouns? Not sure if you should come out to the class for which you are a TA? Seeking support for coming out to family or friends? This group is for you! Sponsored by the Stonewall Center and the Graduate College.

6. [Trans and Gender-Nonconforming UMass Student Support Group](#)

Tuesday, Nov. 24, 6:30-8 p.m. (and every Tuesday for the rest of the semester)

UMass Campus Center, Room 905

Led by a trans-identified therapist. For more information: genny@umass.edu or (413) 545-4826. Sponsored by the UMass Stonewall Center and the Center for Counseling and Psychological Health (CCPH).

7. [HIV and STD \(Gonorrhea and Chlamydia\) Testing](#)

Tuesday, Dec. 1, 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.

UMass Campus Center, Room 165-69

Testing is conducted by UHS. There is typically no cost: most UMass students will have their insurance cover testing. HIV testing involves a finger prick and results are available in 20-30 minutes.

8. [Shaha Performance and Discussion: Racism in the LGBTQIA+ Community](#)

Tuesday, Dec. 1, 7:30 p.m.

UMass Campus Center, Room 165-69

This performance will focus on race and its intersectionalities, and a facilitated discussion will follow that addresses racism and how it manifests in LGBTQIA+ spaces and communities. Sponsored by Shaha, the Stonewall Center, and the Spectrum floor.

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9. [LGBTQ People of Color Meeting](#)

Friday, Nov. 20, 6-7:30 p.m.

903 UMass Campus Center

Sponsored by the LGBTQ People of Color Group. Future meetings will be at the same time and location on Dec. 4 and Dec. 11.

10. [Transcending Boundaries Conference](#)

November 20-22

Sheraton Hotel, Springfield

"Our keynote speaker for 2015 is noted bisexual activist Faith Cheltenham. Transcending Boundaries was created with the intent of gathering and forming alliances within the bisexual/pansexual, trans/genderqueer, intersex, polyamorous, kink, asexual, and allied communities, but we have grown to be so much more. We are now an open forum for anyone who has an interest, opinion, or position to gather, network, and learn from each other. This conference is designed to increase understanding, build solidarity, and encourage activism among our communities. Transcending Boundaries has a history of creating welcoming, stimulating environments. This is a great place to feel at home being yourself, even if you don't fit into a nice, neat box of sexuality, gender or relationships.

Students can register for \$60 each individually and student groups of 10 or more receive a discounted rate of \$50 per attendee. In addition, we have a scholarship fund which allows us to cover the attendance cost for people in financial need. Information on our programming, registration forms, hotel information and the scholarship application form are all available on our website <http://transcendingboundaries.org>."

11. [LGBTQ Gender Role Free Contra Dance](#)

Saturday, Nov. 21, 7-10 p.m.

Montague Community Hall, 34 Main St., Montague

\$10-\$7 sliding scale, \$5 with student ID. Beginners welcome! Come at 7 p.m. to get the most instruction. Please bring soft-soled non-street shoes to protect the wooden dance floor. Also please refrain from wearing perfumes, colognes and other highly scented products. All dances smoke, drug, and alcohol free. For more information: <http://www.lcfd.org/westma>

12. [Apply to Be a UMass RA: 11/30 Deadline](#)

"Applications for the 2016-2017 Resident Assistant positions are now available! Please visit http://www.housing.umass.edu/hr/ra_position.html for the online application. Applications

and UMass Reference are due on November 30th at 12:00pm. All applicants must enroll and complete the EDUC 391R: RA Course to be considered for hire."

13. [Workshop Proposals Now Being Accepted for the 2016 Five College Queer Gender and Sexuality Conference: Due 12/4](#)

"The 2016 Queer Conference will take place March 4-5, 2016 at Hampshire College in Amherst. The Queer Conference is student-led, and aims to offer an accountable and supportive environment to further explore a wide range of topics and their intersections, such as race, genders, sexualities, ability, class, kink, survival strategies, and many more, in a specifically queer context.

The Queer Conference strives to provide a safer space for engaging, learning, and fostering community with a wide range of workshops, panels, performances, and lectures by student leaders, Five College faculty and staff, off-campus educators, and nationally-known performers and speakers.

Workshops are due December 4th. <http://hamp.it/queerconfworkshop>. For more information about the conference and to check out previous workshops go hampshire.edu/queerconf "

14. [Nostras Voces Submissions for Performance](#)

Nostras Voces (Our Voices in Latin) is being offered this year at UMass instead of the Vagina Monologues. The submission deadline is Tuesday, December 1st at midnight. Submissions can be monologues, spoken word, slam poetry, or any other type of performance. Performance auditions will be Monday, December 7th & Tuesday, December 8th, 7-11:45pm
Nothing needs to be prepared for the auditions.

Any other questions can be directed to hhewson@umass.edu

15. [Pioneer Valley Gay Men's Chorus "We are Lights" Holiday Concert](#)

Sunday, Dec. 6, 3 p.m.

St. John's Episcopal Church, 48 Elm St., Northampton

"Join the PVGMC for an afternoon celebrating the winter holiday season with a selection of music, both traditional and modern, including a sing-along of popular seasonal tunes! \$5 for students and seniors, \$15 for adults, FREE for children 12 and under. Tickets are available from

chorus members or at the door." Facebook event page:
<https://www.facebook.com/events/1485434975091973/>

16. [Five College Reception for Faculty Members and Staff Members of Color](#)

Thursday, Dec. 10, 4:30-6 p.m.

Hampshire College Red Barn (behind the Hampshire College Admissions Office)

"Please come for food and drink, meeting old friends and new colleagues, networking and discussions."

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