### **UMassAmherst**

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News & Events for the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Trans, Queer, Intersex, and Asexual Community

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#### Featured Events

The SpACE+ Board Game Night

Mon., Oct. 16, 7 p.m., Stonewall Center

This is a space for the asexual and aromantic communities. Open to UMass and other Five College students. Partners and support people welcome.



## Bi/Pan/Queer Collective Gathering

Tues., Oct. 17, 7 p.m., Stonewall Center

BPQC is a weekly social group for bisexual, pansexual, queer, and sexually fluid students. The topic of the gathering is queer horror.



## Crafty Queers Night

Thurs., Oct. 19, 7 p.m., Stonewall Center

Bring any craft project to work on or start a new one. Share what you are working on or get technique advice. Snacks and supplies for all kinds of crafts provided.



## Pre-Halloween Movie Night: Jennifer's Body

Fri., Oct. 20, 8:30 p.m., Stonewall Center

Pizza, popcorn, and ice cream floats provided.





## The Great Queer Pumpkin Decorating/Carving Night

Tues., Oct. 24, 7-9 p.m., Stonewall Center

RSVP required to reserve a spot/pumpkin. Please RSVP <u>here</u>. Sponsored by the Bi/Pan/Queer Collective and the Stonewall Center.



Costume

Fri., Oct. 27, 8-10 PM

Old Chapel \*

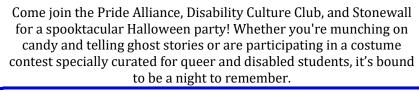
## Queer & Trans People of Color Sugar Skull Decorating Night

Wed., Oct. 25, 5:30 p.m., Stonewall Center

Open to UMass and other Five College QTPOC students and supporters.



Fri., Oct. 27, 8-10 p.m., Old Chapel

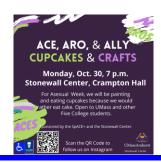




## Creature Feature: A Halloween Drag Show

Sat., Oct. 28, 8 p.m., 65 Bartlett Hall

Free to attend. Students interested in performing can message @umassisadrag on Instagram. Sponsored by UMass Is a Drag and cosponsored by the Stonewall Center.



## 3rd Annual Ace, Aro, and Ally Cupcakes and Crafts

Mon., Oct. 30, 7 p.m., Stonewall Center

For Asexual Week, we will be painting canvases and eating cupcakes (because we would rather eat cake). Open to all UMass and other Five College students. Sponsored by the SpACE+ and the Stonewall Center.

### STI & Rapid HIV Screening



Every Tues. & Wed., 11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. 101 Campus Center (Public Health Promotion Center)

No appointment needed. STI tests screen for gonorrhea and chlamydia. Don't urinate for 1-2 hours before the test. HIV testing involves a finger prick. Results are ready in 20-30 minutes. HPV and MPOX vaccinations are also available. Testing is open to all UMass students. Bring your insurance card; other payment options are available. More information: <a href="mailto:phpc@umass.edu">phpc@umass.edu</a>.

### Art with the Women of Color Leadership Network: Drumming

Tues., Oct. 17, 4-6 p.m., 21 New Africa House

Learn how to drum with the guidance of a dynamic instructor.



## Trans & Gender-Nonconforming Support Group Meeting

Wed., Oct. 18 (& every Wed.), 4:30-5:30 p.m.

All meetings are by Zoom, except the 1st Wednesday of each month, which is held in-person at CCPH. Free and open to all UMass and other Five College students who identify as trans, nonbinary, gender nonconforming, or questioning. Facilitated by the Center for Counseling and Psychological Health (CCPH). Call CCPH if interested in joining: 413-545-2337.



### LGBTQ+ Talk Space

Wed., Oct. 18 (& every Wed.), 6-7:30 p.m., 102 Wilder Hall (CMASS)

This is a weekly drop-in space for students to socialize, make friends, and talk about topics like school, mental health, and being LGBTQIA+. Open to UMass and other Five College students. Sponsored by the Stonewall Center and CCPH.

## oSTEM (Out in STEM) Meeting

Wed., Oct. 18 (& every Wed.), 6 p.m., 145 Integrated Sciences Bldg.

oSTEM is a group for undergraduates and graduate students in STEM fields.

Trans/Queer Studies Colloquium: artist and poet Rindon Johnson

#### Thurs., Oct. 19, 4 p.m., E470 South College and by Zoom

Learn more about Johnson and his work here.

### What's the Tea?: Imposter Syndrome

Thurs., Oct. 19, 5:30 p.m., 26 New Africa House

Join the Women of Color Leadership Network at this interactive workshop to learn about imposter syndrome and how to overcome it.

## LGBTQIA+ Grad Student Support & Discussion Space

Wed., Oct. 25, 7 p.m., Stonewall Center

This is a peer-facilitated space for LGBTQIA+ grad students to meet each other, build community, and give mutual support and care. The group will meet every other Wednesday at the Stonewall Center. Future meetings: Nov. 8 and Dec. 6.

#### **UMass Ultimate Race**

#### Fri., Oct. 27 7-11 p.m., Wilder Hall and around campus

The UMass Ultimate Race, a bi-annual event, is a collaborative event between CMASS and the UMass Police Department. This highly interactive event provides an excellent opportunity for team building, engaging in healthy competition, and interacting with members of the UMPD and CMASS.

Register <a href="here">here</a> beginning on October 3.

## The Stonewall Center's LGBTQIA+ Allyship Web Course Is Available for UMass Staff, Faculty, and Students

The course offers an independent, self-paced learning experience around the foundations of sexuality, gender, gender identity, and allyship. It is designed for UMass Amherst faculty, staff, and students to learn about strategies and resources to support LGBTQIA+ people. Faculty and staff who complete the training can receive a placard for their office that states that "this is a welcoming space for LGBTQIA+ people" and be listed on the Stonewall Center's website as having taken the course. People can enroll <a href="https://example.com/here-new-market-new

# Local Announcements and Events Amherst Cinema Transformed Film Series: Kokomo City

Tues., Oct. 17, 7 p.m., Amherst Cinema, 28 Amity St.

In this unfiltered documentary, filmmaker D. Smith passes the mic to four Black trans sex workers in Atlanta and New York City, who unapologetically break down the walls of their profession. The film will be introduced by WGSS Professor Cameron Awkward-Rich.

## Perry Zurn, "How We Make Each Other: Trans Poetics at the Edge of the University"

Wed., Oct. 18, 4 p.m., Main Lecture Hall, Franklin Patterson, Hampshire College

Perry Zurn, an associate professor of philosophy at American University, shares work from his forthcoming book about the history of trans life at the Five Colleges.

## State Representative Zooey Zephyr of Montana, "They Say Get Back, We Say Fight Back!"

Thurs., Oct. 19, 4 p.m., Main Lecture Hall, Franklin Patterson, Hampshire College

Zooey Zephyr made national headlines, when, as the lone trans woman in the Montana House of Representatives, she stood up to the Republican majority's efforts to pass anti-trans laws and then to silence her.

## "The Lavender Blues: A Showcase of Queer Music Before World War II"

Thurs., Oct. 19, 7:30 p.m., Parlor Room, 32 Masonic St., Northampton

More info and tickets here.

### Western Mass Transmasc Meet-Up

Mon., Oct. 23, 6-7:45 p.m., Forbes Library Community Room, Northampton

Western Mass Transmasc is a civic and mutual aid group for trans, nonbinary, and gendernonconforming people who were assigned female at birth. <u>Facebook page</u>.

## Transfemmes/Gender-Expansive Femmes Support Group (Ages 30+)

Wed., Oct. 25 (& every other Wed.), 7-8:30 p.m., Northampton

Email here to RSVP and for the exact address.

## East Coast FTM Group Meeting

Sun., Nov. 5 (& every 1st Sun. of the month), 3-5 p.m., 135 Lincoln St., Holyoke

The group is open to all transmasculine people. For more info, call or text Ben at (413) 548-6549.

Unity of the Pioneer Valley's Trans Day of Remembrance

## Thurs., Nov. 9, 7 p.m., Baystate Medical Center, 3300 Main St., Springfield

Unity is a group for all trans people, family members, and supporters. More info about the group is  $\underline{\text{here}}$ .