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

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Featured Events

Call for Artists for the Stonewall Center's Annual Art Show

April 15-26, Student Union Art Gallery



This year's theme is "Our Histories Have Futures: Queerness from Past to Present." Submissions by all LGBTQIA+ people in all mediums, including performance, are welcome! (Performances will be held on April 17 from 7-8:30 p.m. in 162-75 Campus Center). Sign up [here](https://bit.ly/SWCARTShow). The submission deadline is April 8.

Queering Faculty Chat: Megan Vinella

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Bi/Pan/Queer Collective (BPQC) Gathering

Tues., March 12, 7-8 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 Cultures Around the World."



Spring Spook-Tacular: The Babadook

Wed., March 13, 7:30 p.m., Stonewall Center

Come stop by for a fun horror movie, fizzy drinks, and snacks.



Queer Art Night

Thurs., March 14, 7 p.m., Stonewall Center

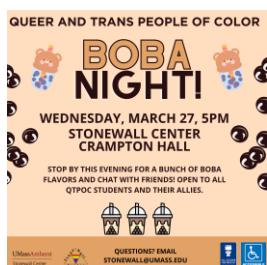
Come make submissions for Stonewall's queer art show! The show's theme is queer history. Sponsored by the Pride Alliance.



An Evening with ALOK

Mon., March 25, 7 p.m., Student Union Ballroom

ALOK is an internationally acclaimed poet, comedian, public speaker, and actor. They are the author of *Femme in Public*, *Beyond the Gender Binary*, and *Your Wound/My Garden* and the creator of #DeGenderFashion: an initiative to degender the fashion and beauty industries. RSVP for the event [here](#). **The Stonewall Center will be hosting a dinner with ALOK before the event. Space is limited, and an RSVP is required [here](#).**



Queer & Trans People of Color Boba Night

Wed., March 27, 5 p.m., Stonewall Center

Stop by for a bunch of boba flavors and chat with friends. Open to all QTPOC students and their allies.



Virtual Panel Discussion: "We Make It Better: Trans and Nonbinary Resilience, Resistance, and Self-Reliance"

Thurs., March 28, 7-8:30 p.m., by **Zoom**

The panelists include leading advocates and scholars: Anneliese Singh (Professor of Social Work and Associate Provost for Faculty Development and Diversity, Tulane University), Jenifer McGuire (Professor of Family Social Science, University of Minnesota, Twin

Cities), Jody Herman (Senior Scholar of Public Policy, Williams Institute, UCLA), M. Paz Galupo (Professor of Sexual Health and Education, Washington University in St Louis), and Sergio Domínguez (Ph.D. student in Counseling Psychology, University of Wisconsin, Madison). Moderated by Genny Beemyn (Director of the Stonewall Center, UMass Amherst). Register [here](#). All people who register will receive a recording of the event, as well as extensive resources.

Sponsored by the Stonewall Center.

Trans Day of Visibility Music Night

Sat., March 30, 7 p.m., Hampden Gallery

Featuring Mosquinha and Trash Rabbit. Sponsored by the Stonewall Center and Students for Alternative Music (SALT).



Therapy Dog Hour with Peanut Is Back!

Mon., April 1, 5-6 p.m., Stonewall Center

Peanut, the cutest therapy dog ever, is back for the spring semester! Come hang out with other LGBTQIA+ students and Peanut every other Monday at the center.



The SpACE+ April Fools' Day

Mon., April 1, 7-8 p.m., Stonewall Center

We're going to be joking, scheming, and pranking tonight at the SpACE+ for April Fools'. Come if you're in a silly mood. As usual, light refreshments will be provided. This is a space for the asexual and aromantic communities. Open to UMass and other Five College students. Partners and support people welcome.



LGBTQIA+ Grad Student Support & Discussion Space

Tues., April 2, 5-6 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 Tuesday at the center.



UMass Events and Announcements

Weeklong Pop-Up Activities at CWC New Africa House 203

Tired of missing out on programs that don't fit your schedule? Drop-in when it works for you. Drop-in hours: Mon. 10-2, Tues. 11-3, Wed. 10-4, Thurs. 12-4, Fri. 10-2. Activity for March 11-15: "Mindfulness Circuit," with labyrinth, yoga stretches, and mindfulness puzzles.

DCC & Kehilah Button Making



***Mon., March 11, 6:30-8 p.m.
405/415 Student Union & by Zoom***

Join the Disability Culture Club and Queer Kehilah to make buttons and engage in a discussion about finding community within identity groups on campus. We will have pride flag buttons and blank templates to design your own button.

Rapid HIV Screening & STI

***Tues., March 12 & Wed., March 13 (& every Tues. & Wed.) 11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m., 101
Campus 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: phpc@umass.edu.

Trans & Gender-Nonconforming Weekly Support Group Meeting



Wed., March 13, 4:30-5:30 p.m.

All meetings are by Zoom, except the 1st Wednesday of each month, which is held in-person at CPH. 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 (CPH). Call CPH if interested in joining: 413-545-2337.

LGBTQ+ Weekly Talk Space



Wed., March 13, 6-7:30 p.m., 102 Wilder Hall (CMAS)

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 CPH.

oSTEM Weekly General Body Meeting

Wed., March 13, 6 p.m., 145 Integrated Sciences Building

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

Learn How to Vogue!

Fridays, 6:30 p.m., & Sundays, 5:30 p.m., Rec Center

No previous experience necessary. Register for the classes [here](#).



UMass Ultimate Race

Fri., April 19, 7-10 p.m., Wilder Hall & other places across campus

[Registration is open now](#) and will close when capacity is reached. Sponsored by the UMPD and CMASS.

Save the Date: CMASS Senior Recognition Celebration

Thurs., April 25, 5:30-7:30 p.m., Amherst Room, Campus Center, 10th Floor

Graduating seniors who wish to attend should fill out the [form here](#) by March 24.

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 [here](#).

Local Events and Announcements



TRANSCENDING
IDENTITIES, CORP.
Dr. Eunice Aviles



transhealth



Call for Trans and Gender-Diverse Latinx Individuals to Participate in a Photography and Storytelling Exhibit

TRANScend Massachusetts, Transcending Identities, and Transhealth are looking to document the lives, through photography and narrative, of Latinx trans and gender-diverse individuals living in Western Massachusetts. The stories will be part of an in-person and online educational exhibit. Email [here](#) for more info or to participate.

Rainbow Contra Dance



Sat., April 6, 7-10 p.m., First Churches, 129 Main St., Northampton

No experience needed; all dances will be taught. Gender-neutral calling terms will be used throughout. Admission: \$15-20 sliding scale (\$8-12 students). N95, KN95, or KF95 mask required.
