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

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Featured Events Therapy Dog Hour with Peanut Is Back!

Mon., March 4, 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+'s Crochet Night

Mon., March 4, 7-8 p.m., Stonewall Center

Crocheters, weavers, and knitters welcome! Bring your current project or start one with yarn in the colors of the ace flag. 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., March 5, 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.

LGBTQIA+ Grad Student Support & Discussion Space

Meets every other Tues., 5-6pm Stonewall Center, Crampton Hall

Feb. 6 Feb. 20 March 5 April 2 April 16 April 30





Queer Karaoke Night

Tues., March 5, 7-8 p.m., Stonewall Center

Sponsored by the Bi/Pan/Queer Collective.



International Cultural Show & Tell

Wed., March 6, 7 p.m., Stonewall Center

Bring any song/art/picture relevant to your culture/heritage for a show & tell event! Each person receives 3-5 minutes. Snacks and drinks provided. Open to all LGBTQIA+ students and supporters.

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Mon., March 11, 4-6 p.m., Stonewall Center

Megan Vinella is a geosciences graduate student. Join us to chat about geology and being queer in academia and STEM.



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 & 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, Trash Rabbit, and KO Queen. Sponsored by the Stonewall Center and Students for Alternative Music (SALT).

UMass Events and Announcements Rapid HIV Screening & STI

Tues., March 5 & Wed., March 6 (& 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 6, 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+ Weekly Talk Space



Wed., March 6, 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 Weekly General Body Meeting

Wed., March 6, 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 <u>here</u>.

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.

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





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 <a href="https://example.com/heres/bern/heres/



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.