Manchester Pride Meeting and Photcall

Don't forget the meeting on Tuesday 30th June from 5pm in the Student's Union. Suggestions included looking at how famous academics have been devoted to their research; how the university is devoted to its staff and students; how people devote themselves to their different jobs at the university – so lots to go on!

Please don't forget to RSVP to <u>lgbt@manchester.ac.uk</u> if you are able to attend and assist with the planning of our entry The 'construction evening' date has also been set for Thursday 20th August

REMINDER - The annual Pride photocall (attended by Nancy and members of the Senior Leadership Team) will be on **Tuesday 28 July at 12.30** – we also have 22 other participants (non group members) confirmed so far.

Pride Fringe Events

We will be hosting a debate chaired by Stonewall which will form part of the Manchester Pride Big Weekend. The debate will feature speakers from Manchester Pride, George House Trust, LGBT Foundation (formerly LGF) and Albert Kennedy Trust. The working title is 'Pride and Manchester' (final title to be decided) and all are welcome so put this in your diary!

The event will be held at Renold Building on Sunday 30 August 2pm – 3pm with refreshments from 1.30pm. Make a note in your diaries and more information will be coming soon! Watch this space.

There will be an additional event after Pride – an exhibition by Conor Collins – it will focus on tweets made over the Big Weekend – so once we have a '#' We will circulate it so you can all contribute.

Sparkle

The banner is ready. What do you think?



Thanks to Mandy for the design

And some more details about our Sparkle fringe event:



Research

See message below from Wiley Exchanges

Using research to drive social change on LGBTQ issues

As researchers, 'impact' is a driving factor behind many funding priorities in the academic world. And by 'impact' we often mean citations. But what about real impact? How can researchers in fields such as History, Business, Psychology, Education and Philosophy influence social change on a global level? This month we're bringing research to bear on...





LGBTY – Sydney Street Cafe

ALLOUT has lots of upcoming plans and projects with our community partner LGBTY (http://www.lgbtcentremcr.co.uk) in the meantime why not take a look at their website, see what they're involved in and pop along to the café for a delicious lunch (with great cake too!)

Stonewall Banner Tour

We would like to repeat last year's successful tour of the Stonewall pull up banner which promotes the University as a Diversity Champion. If you are able to arrange for the banner to be displayed in your buildings main reception or as part of an event for a few weeks over summer and into Autumn then please email Daniel.Taylor@Manchester.ac.uk

Manchester Pride

Things are really moving now for Manchester Pride. Did you see the article on StaffNet? If not, here is a link: http://www.staffnet.manchester.ac.uk/news/display/?id=14918

Everyone is welcome to be part of our entry – staff, students, friends and family, - so please share the details! We just need to know numbers ASAP. We're approaching the 100 mark – so please participate to make this our biggest entry yet!

We've created a <u>Doodle Poll here</u> so you can select your **FREE** T shirt size(s) and confirm your participation in the parade.

To guarantee your T-shirt size you need to complete the poll **TODAY** (we extended the deadline!) – any information received after this date cannot guarantee your preferred size.

More information can be found here: www.pride.manchester.ac.uk

And don't forget to use #DevotedtoUoM in any associated tweets

Stonewall & Questionnaire

Everyone should have received an invite to participate in the annual Stonewall questionnaire. Please take the time to do this – it takes five minutes and helps us score highly in the relevant part of the Stonewall Questionnaire – plus the more people we have – the more accurate are the results and associated data. Here's a reminder of the link and pin you need:

link. (https://www.snapsurveys.com/wh/s.asp?k=143625375677) four digit code: 1693

Member Profile Appeal

Do we have any BME (Black Minority Ethnic) staff here who would happily be profiled on our page: http://www.staffnet.manchester.ac.uk/services/equality-and-diversity/staff-network-groups/lgbt-staff-network-group/alloutmemberprofiles/

We want to show our group as being all inclusive and representative of those with multiple identities. Please mail me directly at paul.marks-jones@manchester.ac.uk if you are happy to be featured.

PWC/Careers Event

PWC recently hosted an event with the careers service about being LGBT and working in Private industry. We can organise a similar event in February as part of LGBT History Month but from a HEI perspective – would there be anyone willing to assist with this? It will be discussed as an agenda item at the next meeting.

Bisexuality Visibility Day

Even though we're tied up with Pride at the moment we still have to look forward to Bisexuality Visibility Day on September 23rd. We already have a quiz planned which will feature on StaffNet and we'll be flying the bi flag around campus.

Other ways we can help is to sign up for this 'Thunderclap': http://www.bivisibilityday.com/tweet/

St Peters Chaplaincy – LGBT Faith Support and Guidance

St Peter's House offers chaplaincy services to all members of the higher education community in the three Manchester universities and their families.

They offer religious and faith -based and generic existential pastoral support to all people regardless of whether or not they have any formal religious belief or spiritual practice. Their support is confidential, one-to-one, short or long term,

and on an appointment or drop-in basis. Chaplains are not trained counsellors but have extensive people and listening skills and a high degree of professionalism and training.

St Peter's is entirely inclusive and chaplains and faith advisers will speak with all members of our community regardless of gender, sexual orientation, race, creed, marital status or worldview.

Appointments can be made anywhere on the campus and out-of-hours, by arrangement by calling 0161 275 2894 or www.StPeters.org.uk

Sparkle 2015: World's largest Trans celebrations

ALLOUT! The Universities LGBT Staff Network Group sponsored Sparkle In The Park, the centre point of Sparkle Weekend as this year was the biggest yet with over 10,000 people attending. The weekend featured a range of acts including Kellie Malone, Kim Marsh, Rowetta and a host of entertainers performing on stage.

The Manchester Museum also took part in Sparkle Fringe with a tour of the Museum and behind the scenes access conducted by Stephen Welsh. The event "And the Rest is Drag" was a sold out event which received great feedback, with attendees coming from as far as America to attend.

Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for 30 September at 12.30 – outlook invites to follow.

Manchester Pride

URGENT! **DRIVER APPEAL** - We need a driver for our vehicle! It's a 7.5T flatbed truck (like the one we had in 2012 for Alan Turing) and anyone with a license issued before Jan 1997 can drive this type of vehicle — I did it in 2012 and it was perfectly fine. It just means collecting and dropping off — but taxi fares will be covered if needed- please let me know if you can do this: paul.marks-jones@manchester.ac.uk

So the poll has closed and we have an AMAZING 125 people who will make up our parade on Saturday 29 August! Everyone who registered has been contacted and next week we'll send out the Pride Briefing document. So – even if you're not on the parade – do come along and cheer your colleagues & friends.

In the meantime here's a sneak peek at our decoration:



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Pride Construction Evening

Part of the fun of being in Pride is the 'Construction Evening'! This is where we make all the necessary bits to make our entry look stunning.

This year we have A2 placards to construct, an A Frame to Build, scrolls to roll and ribbons to cut! All aided by our ALLOUT drinks and snacks.

It's NEXT WEEK - WEDNESDAY 19 AUGUST from 5pm in C25 Sackville Street Building.

There is a poll on our Facebook page:

https://www.facebook.com/events/891608510915050/?ref=6&ref_notif_type=plan_user_invited&action_history=null# !/groups/147461501935586/?fref=ts

Or you can just confirm your attendance by replying to this message.

Pride Fringe Even

Thanks to Daniel we have a great Pride Fringe Event happening on Sunday 30th August.

Entitled 'Proud in Manchester – a discussion' a panel from Stonewall will discuss the topic with the LGBT Foundation, Albert Kennedy Trust and Sparkle. It's bound to be a great debate, so make sure you register for it! More details here:

https://www.facebook.com/events/891608510915050/?ref=6&ref_notif_type=plan_user_invited&action_history=null# l/events/891608510915050/?notif_t=plan_user_declined



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