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YOGA AT THE CENTER

Thursday's at 7 PM

The Greater Dayton LGBT Center

24 N. Jefferson St., STE 200

Dayton, OH 45402

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Calendar of Events

Sept 2	6 pm	LGBT Center Board Meeting	Online/Center
Sept 2	7 pm	Yoga At the Center	Center
Sept 6		Labor Day	All Day
Sept 6	Noon to 4 pm	Bob Lion's LABOR Day Picnic <i>Deer Trace Shelter, Taylorsville Metro Park, Vandalia</i>	
Sept 6	7 pm	LGBT AA Group	Online/Center
Sept 8	7 pm	Positive Attitudes - HIV+ Group	Online/Center
Sept 9	7 pm	Yoga At The Center	Online/Center
Sept 13	7 pm	LGBT AA Group	Online/Center
Sept 14	7 pm	PFLAG Monthly Meeting	Online
Sept 16	7 pm	Yoga At The Center	Center
Sept 18	7 PM	Community Dinner & Movie	Center
Sept 20	7 pm	LGBT AA Group	Online/Center
Sept 21	7 pm	Gatlyn Dame Group	Online/Center
Sept 22	7 pm	Positive Attitudes	Online/Center
Sept 23		Bisexuality Day	All Day
Sept 23	7 pm	Yoga At The Center	Center
Sept 27	7 pm	LGBT AA Group	Online/Center
Sept 30	7 pm	Yoga At the Center	Center
Oct 1		LGBT History Month	All Month

Work hard for what you want because it won't come to you without a fight. You have to be strong and courageous and know that you can do anything you put your mind to. If somebody puts you down or criticizes you, just keep on believing in yourself and turn it into something positive.

Leah LaBelle

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Book Reviews

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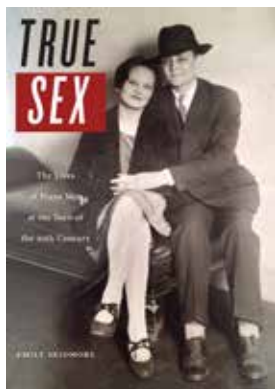
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"True Sex: The Lives of Trans Men at the Turn of the 20th Century" by Emily Skidmore

c.2017, New York University Press

\$27.00 / higher in Canada

253 pages



Always Be Yourself.

Pretty much since grade school, that's what you've been told. Take a breath and you do you. People like you the way you are. You don't have to try to be someone you're not. Always be yourself – although, as you'll see in **"True Sex" by Emily Skidmore**, that may've caused gossip a century ago.

In 1902, women in the United States could not legally vote. Many couldn't hold property or get

credit, and joining the military was likewise forbidden. None of that was a concern to Harry Gorman, though: well-travelled, adventuresome, and married, Gorman lived in Buffalo, New York, where he was known as a good man.

Except he wasn't. Gorman was anatomically a woman.

Surely, that came as a surprise to doctors, jailers, and undertakers who discovered the secrets of Gorman and men like him but here, Skidmore says that the opposite is true of everyday folks: as evidenced by articles in many small-town newspapers, locals often knew the "true sex" of trans men in their midst and didn't seem to much care.

Many trans men in the late 1800s and early 1900s, says Skidmore, married, perhaps to cement their appearance as "good men" to their communities." Once discovered, they were often known in the press as "female husbands" because the term "lesbians" hadn't taken hold yet and, at that time, women were largely believed to be asexual or unable to be passionate. Even so, though titillated, small-town Americans then weren't

quite as naïve as we might think they were.

Perhaps because the science of sexology was still in its infancy and words were lacking, many of the men explained their actions as a way to make a living, or because it was more comfortable to dress and live as a man. Some didn't explain at all, while others said they lived as men to take advantage of the rights men had, and continued in order to avoid embarrassment for their new wives. In many cases that Skidmore found, those reasons were no matter to neighbors. But intolerance was never far away...

When one considers the attitudes toward LGBT individuals, pre-Stonewall, it's quite eye-opening to know that tolerance was practiced well before discrimination was. It gives you more respect for your elders - and yet, as you'll see in "True Sex," laissez faire attitudes weren't widespread. Using the tales of many trans men, as garnered from newspaper accounts of the day, author Emily Skidmore shows how small-town residents around the turn of the last century viewed trans men and, at the same time, women who loved women. Not only are those stories fascinating, but they contain a certain quaintness that belies what's between the lines: the newspapers had a lot to say, but there was an equal amount that they *didn't* say but that readers, Skidmore believes, surely implicitly understood. This book veers off into the scholarly now and then; even so, it's readable by anyone who's interested in this history. If that's you, "True Sex" is a book you'll want for yourself.

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Marsha P. Johnson Honored

A Bust of Marsha P. Johnson was erected in Christopher Park in New York city just across the street from The Stonewall Inn by a group of artist and activist the week of August 28th on what would have been her 76th birthday. It evokes a famous photograph of Johnson, beaming with a crown of brilliant blooms strewn through her hair. It comes more than two years after city officials announced they were going to create a monument to Johnson and fellow transgender activist Sylvia Rivera.



The statue of Johnson, a Black transgender woman who devoted much of her life to the movement for LGBTQ rights, was created without the city's involvement or approval. Writer and activist Eli Erlick, sculptor Jessi Pallotta and fellow organizers created a bronze bust of Marsha "Pay it No Mind" Johnson and installed it themselves in the small park, as part of the Stonewall National Monument. Their work of art is a stunning portrayal of Johnson, but it's also a political act -- one that honors Johnson's spirit of serving LGBTQ people without the support of those in power.

Johnson and Rivera co-created the group STAR, which at the time stood for Street Transvestite Action Revolutionaries, to house LGBTQ youth. Johnson was homeless for periods throughout her life, too, often participating in survival sex work.

She was also a staunch activist for AIDS survivors, organizing with ACT UP New York until her death in 1992, when her body was found in the Hudson River.

Johnson's influence lives on today through organizations like the Marsha P. Johnson Institute, created by transgender advocate Elle Moxley, that serves Black transgender people.

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Presents



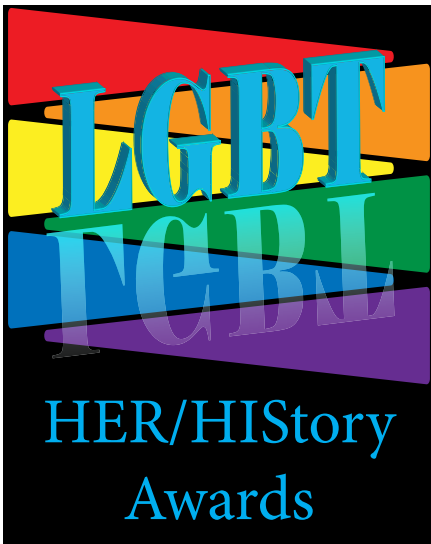
Dinner & A Movie

SEPTEMBER 18TH @ 7 PM

Dinner: Chicken Dinner

Movie: "Call Me By Your Name"





The Annual LGBT HER/HIStory Awards will take place again virtually in 2021 as we broadcast from the studio's of DATV and broadcast to social media platforms.

This will be the 2nd year in a row that we have held this event as a virtual event due to allow for COVID safety We hope to return to a live awards banquet in 2022.

The event will take place on October 20th at 7 pm.

We have an exciting class of recipients this year that will be revealed during the show. So sit back and tune in, you will be glad you did.

The Annual LGBTQ+ HER/HIStory “Rubi Awards” are named after the philanthropic Rubi Girls and their mission for change and making a difference.

Nominations begin in June of each year as we ask folks to nominate a person, place, or event that has been pivotal to the LGBTQ+ history in the Dayton area during the last 50 or so years. A committee of LGBTQ community members, activists, and archivist, including those from organizations such as Greater Dayton LGBT Center, Rainbow Elder Care of Greater Dayton, and the City of Dayton will review all nominations in an effort to identify the best to be recognized at the event during LGBTQ History Month in October.

Be sure to make your calendar for October 20th at 7 pm and watch the show as we honor our Rubi Award winners.





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Support Groups

Transgender Support = Gatlyn Dame Group
Soar = Survivors Overcoming Assault & Rape
LGBTQ AA = Alcoholic's Anonymous
Positive Attitudes = HIV+ support
Men's Groups
Women's Groups
Youth Groups

Health Support

FREE: LGBT Yoga Classes
FREE: Health & Wellness Clinic

Blood Pressure & Glucose Testing
HRT Consulting
Adult Vaccines Screenings

Sexual Health

**FREE HIV & STI Testing
Offering**

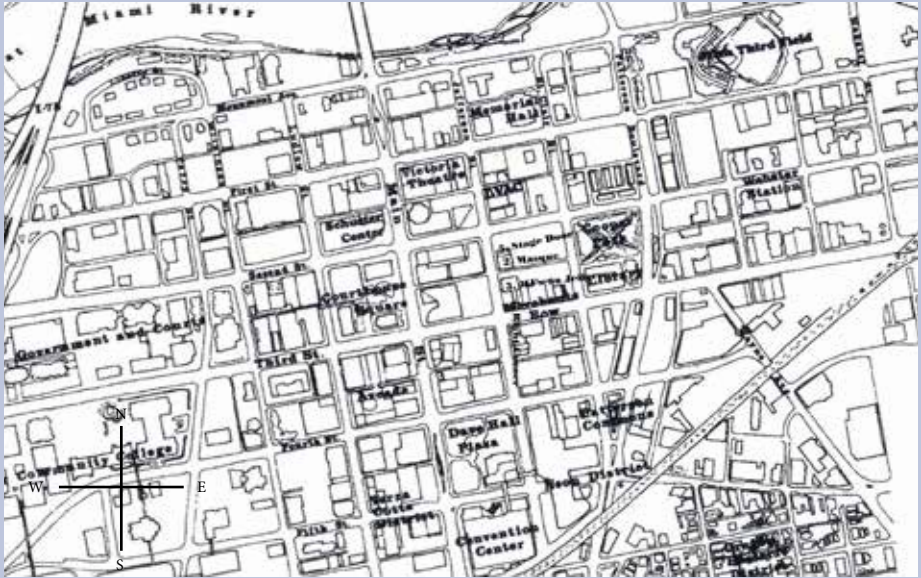
PrEP - A once-daily pill that prevents HIV
PAPI - A program that helps pay for the cost of PrEP

Education

We offer a lending Library
3,000 + Books
LGBT Historical Archive
LGBT History Classes
Special interest Classes

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18 +	18 and Up	E	Other Entertainment	N/H	Neighborhood
A	Alternative	F	Food	S	Strippers
AH	After Hours	G/S	Gay/Straight	T	Mature
C	Country	K	Karaoke	V	Video
D	Dance	L	Leather	W	Women
DG	Drag	M	Men	Y	Young

1. Argo's, 301 Mabel Street 252-2976 (M,L,E,S)
2. Evolution, 130 N Patterson 203-2582 (18+,Y,G/S,D,E,V,DG)
3. MJ's on Jefferson, 20 N. Jefferson 223-7340 (18+,F,M,D,S,E,DG,V,K)
4. Right Corner, 105 E. Third St 228-2033 (NH,M,T,E)
5. Stage Door, 44 N. Jefferson St 223-7418 (M,L,C,K,T,NH,E)
6. Natalie Clifford Barney Historical Marker
7. The Greater Dayton LGBT Center, 24 N. Jefferson 274-1776

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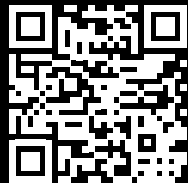
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MASKS SUGGESTED

Open Daily @ 3 pm ~ 2:30 am



Beer Menu



Bourbon Menu