Hey y'all, the monthly LBGTQ+ Newsletters are back again! And we've returned to campus. For the first two weeks of February the Rainbow Lounge hours will be a little infrequent as we work to set Rainbow Lounge worker schedules and hire some new students to help staff the space to keep it open and active.

Check out our newsletter and our website for the great February programs. Interested in putting on a program? Contact us!

Email: lbgt@mit.edu

LBGTQ+ Services is looking to hire an additional 1 - 2 Rainbow Lounge student workers for the Spring semester. Up to 6 hours a week. If you're available for at least 2 hours at a time between the hours of 12:30pm - 6:00pm let us know.

Duties include: creating a welcoming space, helping with posters and graphics, setting up programs, providing support to students and student groups, maintaining the Rainbow Lounge space.

Email: lmcnair@mit.edu

Office Hours
Office hours for the LBGTQ+ Services
Assistant Director, Lauryn McNair
(she/they) by email: lmcnair@mit.edu

Student leaders of cultural/LGBTQ+ clubs and orgs can have extended tap access for their groups.

Email: lbgt@mit.edu

Monday - Friday: 12:30 - 6pm EDT
MONTH LBGTQ+ BOOK RECS.

**GENDER QUEER BY MAIA KOBAKE**

**TAGS:** Aromantic, Graphic Novel

A useful and touching guide on gender identity—what it means and how to think about it—for advocates, friends, and humans everywhere. their asexual friends and loved ones.

**LET'S TALK ABOUT LOVE BY CLAIRE KANN**

**TAGS:** Asexual, Women of Color

Explores the struggle with emerging adulthood and the complicated line between friendship and what it might mean to be something more.

CHECK OUT OUR BOOKS AT: HTTPS://LBGTQMITHIBIB.COM/
**QBQ Services Signature Programming**

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**QTPoC**

**What is QTPoC?**

QTPoC is for queer and trans people of color in the MIT community to hang out with each other once a month, chat, watch movies, and have support.

*Feel free to join at any time and bring friends!*

**When and Where is this?**

- **Date:** Tues, February 22, 2022
- **Time:** 6:00 - 7:00 EST
- **Location:** [mit.zoom.us/j/2258250310](http://mit.zoom.us/j/2258250310)

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**Queer Student Leaders Chat**

**Who is this for?**

Queer Student Leader Chats are a time for the leaders of our multiple queer student groups to gather, mingle and brainstorm.

**When and Where is this?**

- **Date:** Friday, February 25th
- **Time:** 5:00 - 6:00 pm EST
- **Location:** Rainbow Lounge (50-250)
When and Where Is This?

**SPEED FRIENDING: ESCAPE THE ROOM**

Interested in meeting new people, while locked in a virtual escape room? Join us for a FREE Speed Friending Event: Escape the Room, while slots last.

Register by 2/9/2022:
[tinyurl.com/speedfriendingmit](http://tinyurl.com/speedfriendingmit)

**MOBILE NIGHTS!**

Come watch a movie with friends and community members! We will be releasing on social media which movies we will be showing. Don’t be afraid to let us know if you have any suggestions!

**AROMANTIC SPECTRUM AWARENESS WEEK - DROP-IN**

Stop by the Rainbow Lounge to find our book recommendations to celebrate Aromantic Spectrum Awareness Week! We will have button making, book recommendations, resources, and good vibes.

**WHEN AND WHERE IS THIS?**

**Date:** Monday, February 14th  
**Time:** Varies  
**Location:** Online

**Date:** Friday, February 11th & 18th  
**Time:** 5:00 - 7:00 pm EST  
**Location:** Rainbow Lounge (50-250)
**BLACK & QUEER COMMUNITY CHAT**

Come join us for a conversation about the intersection of Black & Queer Identity. We will chat about the history of Black & Queerness and how that influences the present. In collaboration with the Black Student Union & Office of Multicultural Programming

**WHEN AND WHERE IS THIS?**

**Date:** Wednesday, February 16  
**Time:** 4:00 - 5:00 pm EST  
**Location:** SPXCE (W31-110)

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**VALENTINES DAY CRAFT EVENT**

Come join us for some Valentine's Day style crafting! Valentine’s day isn't just about romantic love, but also for showing gratitude towards the folks who mean something special to us. Come create something for a special person in your life!

**WHEN AND WHERE IS THIS?**

**Date:** Monday, February 14  
**Time:** 1:00 - 3:00 pm EST  
**Location:** Rainbow Lounge (50-250)
EVENT W/ UGANDAN HUMAN RIGHTS LAWYER

Join the African Student Association and Nicholas Opiyo (Ugandan Human Rights Lawyer) as they discuss the current status of LBGTQ+ rights in Uganda and Africa, as a whole.

Signup:
[tinyurl.com/ulogtqfrica](http://tinyurl.com/ulogtqfrica)

WHEN AND WHERE IS THIS?
**Date:** Tuesday, April 26th
**Time:** TBD
**Location:** TBD

MIT’S 48TH ANNUAL CELEBRATION OF THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

We gather each February as a community to celebrate the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and to honor Dr. King’s dual emphasis on global and local issues.

Register:
[tinyurl.com/227bwxnt](http://tinyurl.com/227bwxnt)

WHEN AND WHERE IS THIS?
**Date:** Thursday, February 10th
**Time:** 11:00AM - 1:00PM
**Location:** Zoom

LUNAR NEW YEAR CELEBRATION

Join the Office of Multicultural Programming as they hold this year’s Lunar New Year Celebration.

Activities include lantern making and Bingo with prizes!

WHEN AND WHERE IS THIS?
**Date:** Friday, February 4th
**Time:** 4:00PM - 5:00PM
**Location:** SPXCE Center (W31-110)
Author Event: Clap When You Land

Join My Sister’s Keeper, the co-sponsor for the MIT Reads Book event with Elizabeth Acevedo, the author of Clap When You Land, a New York Times and IndieBound bestseller. Grab a copy of the book in advance, if you’d like!

Check link for updates: libraries.mit.edu/mit-reads/

When and Where is This?
Date: Tuesday, April 26th
Time: TBD
Location: TBD

Women of Color & LGBTQ+ Professional Fund

Did you know that undergraduate students who are Women of Color or LBGTQ+ students can apply for funding to help cover expenses associated with school applications, exams, professional attire, legal name changes and more?

Visit wgs.mit.edu/professionalfunds for more details!

Weekends @ MIT Initiative

As part of the Weekends@MIT initiative, aimed to increase substance-free social events on campus on Friday and Saturday nights, Alcohol and Other Drugs Services can contribute up to $500 to your sponsored event in the Coffeehouse Lounge (3rd floor of Student Center) on a Saturday between 9pm – 11pm. This money could go towards food, supplies, etc.

If you’re interested reach out to Elsa of AODS at weekendsmit_support@mit.edu
WINTER CLOTHING SWAP

Come join the Winter Clothing Swap held by the Office of Multicultural Programs & UA Sustain! All members of the MIT community are welcome to participate.

WHEN AND WHERE IS THIS?

Date: Friday, February 25th
Time: 11:00AM - 4:00PM
Location: SPXCE Center (W31-110)
HAPPENING AT MIT: JUST FOR GRADS

MIT CAPD: FACULTY CAREER PANEL - INTERNATIONAL EDITION

Join a panel of faculty from various countries outside the US to learn more about applying for faculty positions internationally, and what it's like to be a faculty member in their respective locations.

Register: tinyurl.com/yxucrurn

WHEN AND WHERE IS THIS?

Date: Thursday, February 24th
Time: 10:00AM - 11:00AM
Location: Zoom Link

MIT CAPD: PHD RESUMES FOR INDUSTRY

In this workshop we will discuss how to identify the key components of a resume for industry positions. The presentation will focus on the foundational parts of a resume with time for questions.

Register: tinyurl.com/mr77393y

WHEN AND WHERE IS THIS?

Date: Tuesday, February 22nd
Time: 3:00PM - 4:00PM
Location: Zoom Link
FENWAY HEALTH
TRANS SUPPORT STUDY
Are you between 18-35 years old?

Interested, but have not yet started hormone replacement therapy?

Up to $400 for participation in a study aimed to examine the implications of gender-affirming healthcare!

If you have any questions or interest: Clarissa Pedreira at (617) 726-5423

UNITED COLLEGIATE WOMEN’S LEadership Conference 2022

The United Collegiate Women’s Leadership Conference is an interactive transformational experience where women from all walks of life come together to understand the authentic leader they have within themselves, while preparing them to tackle critical issues facing their campus and larger communities.

Request funding: wgs.mit.edu/professionalfunds
Register for Conference: tinyurl.com/wclc2022
WOMEN IN TECHNOLOGY
ERG LUNCH & LEARN

Guest speakers Heather Yager, Associate Director for Digital Library Services and Tina Pappas, Head of Discovery and Engagement Platforms for Libraries will share their experiences with ITSM/ITIL Governance.
All registered members will receive a lunch voucher the day before the event.

Register: tinyurl.com/2ypde4fm

WHEN AND WHERE IS THIS?

Date: Thursday, February 3rd
Time: 12:00PM - 1:00PM
Location: Zoom Link

NATIONAL MUSEUM OF
AFRICAN AMERICAN
HISTORY AND CULTURE
VIRTUAL TOUR

Visit the National Museum of African American History and Culture virtually the whole month of February!

Link: searchablemuseum.com/explore
you are welcome here

The SPXCE Intercultural Center
W31-110 (duPont Athletic Center)

MIT Rainbow Lounge
Walker Memorial 2nd Floor (50-250)

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