

# **LBGTQ+ Services**

## **November 2022 LBGTQ+**

### **NEWSLETTER**

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## **///WELCOME**

### **Native American Heritage Month**

November is Native American Heritage Month. The month is a time to celebrate rich and diverse cultures, traditions, and histories and to acknowledge the important contributions of Native people. Heritage Month is also an opportune time to educate the general public about tribes, to raise a general awareness about the unique challenges Native people have faced both historically and in the present, and the ways in which tribal citizens have worked to conquer these challenges. Check our social media on how we're celebrating LBGTQ+ Native and indigenous figures.

### **Trans Day of Remembrance**

Sunday November 20th is Trans Day of Remembrance. TDoR started in 1998 after the death of Rita Hester from Massachusetts, a black trans woman who lost her life to anti-transgender violence. She was the latest in many public anti-transgender murders that year. TDoR is a day to memorialize those who have been murdered as a result of transphobia. It is a day to draw attention to the continued violence endured by transgender people, and especially trans BIPOC.. Please join LBGTQ+ Services for a vigil at MIT Chapel on Monday November 21st. See Details on page 6.

## LBGTQ+ Services

Office Hours

Office Hours for LBGT+ Services Assistant Director, Jeremy Torres (he/they) by email:  
[ejtorres@mit.edu](mailto:ejtorres@mit.edu)

LBGTQ+ Services

Graduate Assistant, Heather Trites (they/them) T 4-7pm, W 4-7pm, F 11-7pm

## Rainbow Lounge Hours

Open Everyday via Tap Access

Programs and student staff available

11 am - 7 pm Email: [lbgt@mit.edu](mailto:lbgt@mit.edu)

## **///Follow us on social media**

**Facebook:** @rainbowloungemit

**Instagram:** @rainbow\_lounge\_mit

## **///UPDATES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

November LBGTQ+ Book Recs.

Love beyond body, space, and time: an indigenous lgbt sci-fi anthology by Hope Nicholson, David Alexander Robertson, Richard Van Camp, Daniel Heath Justice

TAGS: *Anthology, Lgbtq, Native/Indigenous, Sci-fi*

A collection of indigenous science fiction and urban fantasy focusing on LGBT and two-spirit characters. These stories range from a transgender woman undergoing an experimental transition process to young lovers separated through decades and meeting in their own far future

Genderqueer: and other Gender Identities by Dave Naz

*TAGS: Gender, Genderqueer, Visual Book, Trans, Transgender*

In Genderqueer, Dave Naz explores the gender spectrum in an entirely new way — by turning his camera on subjects that are genderqueer, transgender, intersex, pangender, and every shade in between. Helping to add to the current global discussion on the structured nature of gender identity

## **///LBGTQ+ Services Signature Programming**

### Gender Affirming Clothing Swap with OMP

In collaboration with the Office of Multicultural Programs (OMP), this gender-affirming clothing swap is where people of all gender (or no gender) can donate or take clothes that affirm their gender identity and expression.

***Date: Friday, November 4th***

***Time: 12 - 4:00 pm***

***Location: SPXCE W31-110***

## Movie Night: But I'm a Cheerleader

Megan (Natasha Lyonne) considers herself a typical American girl. She excels in school and cheerleading, and she has a handsome football-playing boyfriend, even though she isn't that crazy about him.

***Date: Friday, November 4th***

***Time: 5 - 7:00 pm***

***Location: Rainbow Lounge 50-250***

## QTPoC Mindfulness Monday with OSW

In partnership with the Office of Student Wellbeing (OSW) , come join us as we practice what it means to slow down and really notice where you're at. Here you'll gain tips and tools and craft items to help in your mindfulness journey. Lunch is provided.

***Date: Monday, November 7th***

***Time: 12:30 - 1:30 pm***

***Location: Rainbow Lounge (50-250)***

## LBGTQ+ Family Dinner

Join us at the Rainbow Lounge to connect with other LBGTQ+ students over a warm meal.

***Date: Thursday, November 10th***

***Time: 5:30 - 7:00 pm***

***Location: Rainbow Lounge 50-250***

## LBGTQ+ Grad Student Social

Join us at the Rainbow Lounge to connect with other LBGTQ+ Grad students.

***Date: Tuesday, November 15th***

***Time: 6 - 7:00 pm***

***Location: Rainbow Lounge 50-250***

## Building an Anti-Racist LGBTQ+ Community Workshop with OMP

In collaboration with the Office of Multicultural Programs (OMP) this workshop will provide tips and tools on how to build an intersectional anti-racist LGBTQ+ Community.

***Date: Friday, November 18th***

***Time: 12:30 -1:30 pm***

***Location: SPXCE W31-110***

## Trans Day of Remembrance with ORSEL

In partnership with the Office of Religious, Spiritual, and Ethical Life (ORSEL). Join us as a community for our annual event to remember the trans lives lost in the 2022 year..

***Date: Monday, November 21st***

***Time: 12:00 - 1:00 pm***

***Location: MIT Chapel***

## Transitioning in the Workplace

Join us as we hold a conversation as a community as we listen to community members share stories and insight on transitioning in the workplace.

***Date: Wednesday, November 30th***

***Time: 5-6 pm***

***Location: Virtual Panel: Rainbow Lounge (50-250)***

## ///**@HAPPENING AT MIT**

### BIOLGBTQ+ Dr. Lauren Esposito

Join Dr. Esposito, the Schlinger Chair of Arachnology at the California Academy of Sciences and started the 500 Queer Scientists campaign, a visibility campaign highlight LGBTQ+ scientists.

***Date: Wednesday, November 3rd***

***Time: 4 - 5:00 pm***

***Location: 68-180***

***<https://tinyurl.com/4dk7c3w9>***

## First-Gen Low Income Community Gathering

RSVP

Join us for the November Community Gathering! We will be getting Thai food.

***Date: Tuesday November 1st***

***Time: 7:00 pm***

***Location: Stud Private Dining Room 1 & 2***

***<https://tinyurl.com/3syaxhr>***

## **///**@HAPPENING OUTSIDE MIT FOR ALL****

**Boston marriage to marriage equality: a lgbtq+ history tour**

Join Park Ranger Maci to talk about the new Boston Marriage to Marriage Equality tour, looking at the LGBTQ+ History of Beacon Hill and the greater Boston area. Hear about the creation.

***Date: Wednesday, November 2nd***

***Time: 6:00 pm***

***Location: Virtual RSVP <https://tinyurl.com/yw6p9xxf>***

**A union like ours: The love story of F.o. matthiessen and russell cheney**

Based at Harvard, F. O. Matthiessen was one of the foremost scholars of American literature of the first half of the 20th century. Russell Cheney was a well-known painter in the 1920s and 1930s in the Boston and New York art worlds.

***Date: Thursday, November 10th***

***Time: 7 - 8:30 pm***

***Location: Virtual RSVP <https://tinyurl.com/2p9243as>***

## ///Acronyms In Our Newsletters

There's a lot of acronyms at MIT and we use a lot of them for character length in our newsletter. However, you might not be familiar with everyone. One of our readers had a great suggestion of including a key at the end of the newsletter and here it is so folks can know what everything means. If you have any suggestions for our newsletter then don't hesitate to reach out at: [lbgt@mit.edu](mailto:lbgt@mit.edu).

LBGTQ+ - Lesbian, Bisexual, Gay, Transgender, Queer Plus

ORSEL - Office of Religious, Spiritual and Ethical Life QTPhD -

Queer and Trans PhD (Doctor of Philosophy)

QTPoC - Queer and Trans People of Color

VPR - Violence Prevention & Response

SAAM - Sexual Assault Awareness Month

WXGS - Women and Gender Services

WGS - Women and Gender Studies

OMP - Office of Multicultural Programs

OSW - Office of Student Wellbeing

SPXCE - Social Justice Programming & Cross Cultural Engagement

**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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