

LBGTQ+ Services

December LBGTQ+

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///WELCOME

Cram and Jam

Let's be real! Most of us dread studying for exams, but it's just one of those things that has to happen. Let's make cramming for finals a little less stressful by coming together to cram while jamming to some queer artist and snacking on some good eats. Join us in the Rainbow Lounge for a Cram and Jam Session from 4-6pm on Monday - Thursday (Dec 13th - 16th) to Cram and Jam!

Monday: Miscellaneous Snacks

Tuesday: Dunkin & Coffee

Weds: Auntie Anne's

Thursday: Miscellaneous Snacks

LBGTQ+ Services

Office Hours

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

Rainbow Lounge Hours

Virtual Hangouts

Zoom Link: mit.zoom.us/j/96166084800

Mondays: 3 - 5 pm EST

Tuesdays: 12-2 pm EST

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

QTPoC

Zoom Link: <https://mit.zoom.us/j/2258250310>

Dates: December 6, 2021

Times: 7:00 - 9:00 pm

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!

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///UPDATES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS****

December LBGTQ+ Book Recs.

Love in the Time of HIV: The Gay Man's Guide to Sex, Dating, and Relationships by Michael Mancilla MSW, Lisa Troshinsky

TAGS: HIV, Dating

DESCRIPTION: In this affirming guide, therapist Michael Mancilla, himself HIV-positive, helps fellow gay men, both single and partnered, pursue the happy and fulfilling love life they deserve.

Subject to Change: Trans Poetry & Conversation by H. Melt (Editor)

TAGS: Gender Queer, Poetry

DESCRIPTION: This collection is a testament to the power of trans poets speaking to one another--about family, race, class, disability, religion, and the body.

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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

Women of Color & LBGTQ+ Professional Fund

Did you know that undergraduate students who are Women of Color of Queer and Trans students of color 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!

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QTPhD Coffee Chats

Date: *Monday, December 6th*

Time: *2:00 - 3:00 pm EST*

Location: *Rainbow Lounge (50-250)*

First Monday of the month join QTPhDs for coffee and snacks from 3-4pm EDT. The Rainbow Lounge is reserved in case of inclement weather.

Email: qtphds-admin@mit.edu for more information and to join their mailing list.

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Cram Jam Sessions

Finals are here and we invite you to jam while you cram for finals in the rainbow lounge to our queer playlist! Basic study essentials (i.e. paper, writing utensils, etc.) will be available, as well.

Date: *December 13th-16th (M-Th)*

Time: *4:00 - 6:00 pm ET*

Location: *Rainbow Lounge (50-250)*

Winter Cookies & Card Drive

Drop by the rainbow lounge to create some cards for LGBTQ+ youth at BAGLY that are experiencing homelessness and transitions. Also, decorate / enjoy some cookies, while you're here as a celebration of finals being over!

Date: Friday, December 17th

Time: 4:00 - 7:00 pm ET

Location: Rainbow Lounge (50-250)

QTPOC's Single All The Way Viewing

Before finals kick off, let's kick back and watch "Single All The Way," a new Netflix film about Peter and his interesting visit home for the holidays. We also built in room to talk about our experiences related to going home for the holiday's, if you wish!

Date: Monday, December 6th

Time: 7:00 - 9:00 pm (ET)

Location: <https://mit.zoom.us/j/2258250310>

Disclosure

Disclosure offers an in-depth look at Hollywood's depiction of transgender people and the impact of those stories on transgender lives and American culture.

Join us to watch this documentary with snacks and community!

Date: Friday, December 3rd

Time: 5:00 pm - 7:00pm

Location: Rainbow Lounge (50-250)

///BEYOND MIT****

Gender-Affirming Hormone Therapy and The Brain Study

A study to help with the understanding of how Gender-Affirming Hormone Therapy influences the brain, emotion, and memory. For more information and to see if you qualify:

rally.partners.org/study/gaht

Project Passion Research LGBTQ+ Study

Are you:

- *In a relationship*
- *21 years or older (you and your partner)*
- *They currently drink alcohol (i.e., they are not in recovery)*

Opportunity to earn between \$40-\$145 per partner for this online study to develop culturally-sensitive recommendations and programs to promote healthy intimate relationships for LGBTQ+ people.

Information: tinyurl.com/passionstudy1

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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Trans.mit.edu