Winter Chill

This month LBGTQ+ Services would like to share information and recognize Bisexual Health Awareness Month and Women's History Month.

#BiHealthMonth, founded and led annually by the Bisexual Resource Center, raises awareness about the bisexual+ (bi, pansexual, fluid, queer, etc.) community's social, economic, and health disparities; advocates for resources; and inspires actions to improve bi+ people's well-being.

Every year, March is designated Women's History Month by presidential proclamation. The month is set aside to honor women’s contributions to American history.

This month, we will highlight LBGTQ+ women who have impacted our community on our Instagram account
LBGTQ+ Services
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Office Hours for LBGT+ Services Assistant Director, Jeremy Torres (he/they) by email: ejtorres@mit.edu

LBGTQ+ Services

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Thursday/Friday: 11am - 7pm

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///UPDATES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

March LBGTQ+ Book Recs.

**Just Your Local Bisexual Disaster by Andrea Mosqueda**

*TAGS: Bi, Bisexual, Queer Women, Romance, Women of Color, Young Adult*

In this voice-driven young adult debut by Andrea Mosqueda, Maggie Gonzalez needs a date to her sister's quinceañera - and fast. Growing up in Texas’s Rio Grande Valley, Maggie Gonzalez has always been a little messy, but she's okay with that.

**BUTCH HEROS By Ria Bordell**

*TAGS: Gender, Gender nonconforming, History, Historical Lesbian, Queer Women*

Portraits and texts recover lost queer history: the lives of people who didn't conform to gender norms, from the fifteenth through the twentieth centuries.

///LBGTQ+ Services March Programming
Movie Night: Veneno

Join us as we stream episode 1 & 2 of Veneno. Based on the memoir by Valeria Vegas “Not A Whore, Not A Saint: The Memories of La Veneno,” this show brings the most beloved transgender icon of the 90s, Cristina Ortiz (La Veneno) to life.

Date: Friday, March 3
Time: 4:00-6:30pm
Location: Rainbow Lounge 50-250

QTWoC Gathering

Building a queer and trans community for women and nonbinary people of color. Please join LBGTQ+ Services and Women and Gender Services at SPXCE. Come to mix and mingle with QTWoC identified students. Enjoy light refreshments, create buttons, play games, and jam to personalized QTWoC Playlist!

Date: Monday, March 6
Time: 5:00-6:00pm
Location: SPXCE W31-110

LBGTQ+ Crafts day: Oragami

Join the Rainbow Lounge for an evening of crafts! This crafts event is led by our Rainbow Lounge Student Workers who will guide you in Origami designs.

Date: Thursday, March 9
Time: 4:30-6:30pm
Location: Rainbow Lounge 50-250
Queer leaders chat

Calling all leaders and members of the LBGTQ+ Community of MIT who work in supporting and advancing the needs of LBGTQ+ students. Stop by the Rainbow Lounge and with the Assistant Director of LBGTQ+ Services to learn from them and one another on topics related to LBGTQ+ life at MIT.

**Date:** Friday, March 10

**Time:** 4:30-6:30pm

**Location:** Rainbow Lounge 50-250

Love & rage with Lama Rod

Join ORSEL for a conversation with Lama Rod Owens. As a Black, Queer activist, Lama Rod focuses on spiritual practices that call people home to their communities and bodies. Through the series "Life Happens in the &," ORSEL explores the new possibilities that emerge when we allow that two ideas that seem like opposites might both be true.

**Date:** Tuesday, March 14

**Time:** 4:00pm

**Location:** The Nexus (Hayden Library) 14S-130

**RSVP Required:** [https://tinyurl.com/4bw4k5ed](https://tinyurl.com/4bw4k5ed)

QTPoC Dinner with Love & rage with Lama Rod

Join Lama Rod Owens - a Black Buddhist Southern Queen - to eat, talk, and build community for social change!

**Date:** Tuesday, March 14

**Time:** 6:00pm

**Location:** Rainbow Lounge 50-250
Mckinsey & Co X LBGTQ+

Join us for food and an opportunity to talk to representatives from McKinsey & Co., a global management consulting firm that advises many of the world's leading organizations.

_date: Thursday, March 16_

_time: 6:00-7:00pm_

_location: Rainbow Lounge 50-250_

LBGTQ+ Family Dinner

Join us for food and an opportunity to talk to representatives from McKinsey & Co., a global management consulting firm that advises many of the world's leading organizations.

_date: Thursday, March 16_

_time: 6:00-7:00pm_

_location: Rainbow Lounge 50-250_

LBGTQ+ Game Night

Take a break from PSETing and play board games, card games, and Kahoot with Rainbow Lounge friends!

_date: Thursday, March 16_

_time: 6:00-7:00pm_

_location: Rainbow Lounge 50-250_
TRANS DAY OF VISIBILITY

Every year we honor the International Trans Day of Visibility, a time to celebrate and acknowledge transgender and non-binary people around the globe. Join us in the Rainbow Lounge for food, games, and community as we celebrate the beauty of our Trans Community!

*Date: Thursday, March 23*

*Time: 4:30-6:00pm*

*Location: Rainbow Lounge 50-250*

///@HAPPENING AT MIT

Misogynoir: A Conversation with Dr. Moya Bailey

Join WXGS and WGS this Women’s History Month for a facilitated discussion followed by a Q&A with Dr. Moya Bailey on misogynoir. All are welcome in the MIT community to attend this event.

*Date: Tuesday, March 14*

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

*Location: Margaret Cheney Room 3-308 (Webinar also offered)*

*RSVP:*https://tinyurl.com/5bke4f9y

FLI Around the ice!

Join FLI this Saturday at the Johnson Ice Rink for a fun and chill ice skating event! Free skate rental will be available.
Date: Saturday, March 4

Time: 12:30pm-2:30pm

Location: Johnson Ice Rink RSVP: https://forms.gle/nLxqRoz4LhhN4h7TA

///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.

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

I.E. - Office of Intercultural Engagement

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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