

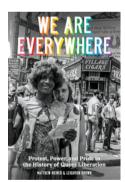
Sexual Assault Awareness Month (SAAM)

Sexual Assault Awareness Month (SAAM) is held every April to raise awareness, educate on prevention, and amplify survivors' voices. It's a time to demand respect, consent, and safety, while breaking the silence around sexual violence. SAAM empowers people to take action and push for change in how we address and prevent sexual assault.

April Holidays

- April 6th: Asexuality Day
- April 9th: International Day of Pink.
- April 26th: Lesbian Visibility Day.

Literature and Film



"We are Everywhere"

An exploration of protest, power, and pride shines a light on the history and struggle for queer liberation dating even before the Stonewall Riots of 1969 to the current, authored by Matthew Riemer and Leighton Brown.

Good Reads Review



Click here to watch trailer.

"Changing The Game"

A documentary that explores issues affecting transgender people and inclusion, particularly in sports. The documentary takes you into the lives of three high school athletes, each navigating their unique journeys as transgender teens at various

stages of life.





Bayard Rustin

This Month in LGBTO+ History

Bayard Rustin, born March 17, 1912, was a Black queer civil rights leader dedicated to social justice. As a key figure in the National Black Justice Coalition. he advocated for Black LGBTO+/SGL rights. civil rights. socialism, and nonviolence. He began protesting Jim Crow laws in his youth and, despite intense discrimination. remained steadfast, often working behind the scenes to shape the Civil **Rights Movement. Today, his** contributions are widely recognized and celebrated.



LGBTQ+ Ventura County Resources





Federally Proposed Anti-Trans Policies

The federal administration has introduced and continues to push legislation that discriminates against the LGBTQ+ community, particularly transgender individuals. One such bill, H.R. 734 – the "Protection of Women and Girls in Sports Act", was passed by the U.S. House of Representatives and is currently awaiting further action in the Senate. Similarly, California recently introduced AB 89: Interscholastic Sports: Gender Equity, which has sparked concerns about its potential impact on transgender student-athletes. These bills seek to restrict students from participating in sports teams that align with their gender identity if it differs from their sex assigned at birth. AB 89 is currently under review. Click the link below to track the progress of this bill and stay informed about proposed anti-trans legislation in California and other states.

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GaymerX



GaymerX was founded in 2012 to increase LGBTQ+ representation in the gaming industry and support queer game developers. Originally a San Franciscobased LGBTQ-focused gaming convention, it has grown into a nonprofit advocating for diversity in game content and industry hiring. The organization provides opportunities for LGBTQ+ developers to attend major gaming events, make connections, and find jobs. GaymerX continues to host inclusive conventions that celebrate queer gaming culture and create safe spaces for all gamers.

Click here to visit their website

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