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2026 Pride guide to PNW

Pride events in WA, OR, ID, and MT

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JUNE

53. June 26, Coeur d'Alene, Pride on the Runway [ID]

[Support] CDA4Pride by attending their annual Pride on the Runway fundraiser. Pride on the Runway is a 21+ night full of fashion, drag, music, and other festivities, with raffle items from local businesses for sale to benefit the organization. The doors open at 6 pm, with the show starting at 6:30 pm. Tickets start at \$40, with optional upgrades and add-ons, and can be purchased [here](#). [See June 6, CDA Pride for more background information.]

54. June 26, Trans Pride [WA]

Trans Pride in Seattle is “a free annual festival celebrating Trans life and community across the Pacific Northwest and beyond.” This year, Trans Pride is scheduled for June 26, from 5 to 10 pm at the Volunteer Park Amphitheatre. There will be music, live performances, resources, and community. Trans Pride requires attendees to wear masks, and provides other accessibility accommodations, like accessible seating, ASL interpretation, wheelchair accessibility, and a low-sensory tent. The event also differentiates itself by refusing to accept corporate sponsorships, and avoiding a march or other activities that would necessitate a police presence, as required by city law. More information on the event can be found [here](#).

99. June 26, Omak Pride [WA]

FYRE, a youth center in Omak, WA, is hosting its sixth annual Pride in the Park on Friday, June 26 from 5 to 8 pm at Civic League Park. There will be community booths, face painting, a mechanical bull, and even a free barbecue. More details on the event can be found [here](#) when available.

55. June 26–28, Capital City Pride Festival [WA]

Head to Olympia, the capital of Washington (no, it's not Seattle), June 26–28 for a three-day Pride celebration with live entertainment, a festival of food trucks, vendors, and resources, and a bounty of local art vendors and live exhibitions. The weekend will start with a block party on June 26, followed by a Music and Art Fest with a Health and Wellness Resource Fair on Saturday, June 27. On Sunday, June 28, there will be a parade, plus Dyke Day in the Park. The whole event is free. More details will be [here](#) when available.

96. June 26–27, Southwest Montana Pride Weekend [MT]

Butte Pride and Anaconda Pride in southwest Montana have teamed up for one big Pride weekend! On Friday, June 26, the fourth annual Butte Pride Festival is back, scheduled for 5 to 8 pm at the Original Mineyard in uptown Butte. You can apply to vend at the festival [here](#), or to volunteer [here](#).

The festivities continue on Saturday, June 27 with Anaconda Pride at the Kennedy Commons in Anaconda, MT. You can sign up to vend in Anaconda [here](#). The full schedule of events will be [here](#) when available.

56. June 27, Longview Pride [WA]

Longview Pride is getting ambitious

and seeking to hold its largest Pride ever starting at 10 am on June 27. “It’s time to show out with a bash worthy of our community! We’ve never had a Pride of this scale,” the website reads. Learn more and sign up to get involved [here](#).

57. June 27, Eugene Pride [OR]

Eugene Pride, which typically draws more than 12,000 people, is scheduled for Saturday, June 27 from 11 am to 7 pm at the Lane Events Center. Attendees can expect live entertainment, local vendors, family activities, and community celebration. More details will be [here](#) when available.

58. June 27, Edmonds Pride Festival [WA]

Hosted by Edmonds Pride, the Edmonds Pride Festival is scheduled for 2 to 6 pm on Saturday, June 27 at the Edmonds Civic Center Playfield. This free event is emceed by Maya Mem Saab, and features live music by Hetakuso, Sara Brunner, and more; storytelling by Aunt Mama and Sister Juno; and drag performances by Navouny Divine, Indie Scent, and more. There will also be an arts and crafts area, local vendors, food trucks, and local resources. More information, including a vendor list and stage schedule, will be [here](#) when available.

59. June 26–27, Idaho Falls Pride [ID]

Idaho Falls Pride will kick off with an 18+ drag show at the Westbrook Convention Center (time and ticket sale information to be announced soon). On Saturday, June 27, the Pride Parade will kick off from the Unitarian Universalist parking lot at 10 am, snake around the greenbelt, and end back at the festival across the street from the parking lot at the Idaho Falls Greenbelt Bandshell Area. Both the parade and the festival are free and family-friendly. More information can be found [here](#).

60. June 27, Pride in Perry [WA]

Hosted by Odyssey Youth Movement — an organization specifically serving LGBTQ+ youth in Spokane, WA — Pride in Perry is scheduled for June 27. The family-friendly, free event functions much like a block party, taking over parking lots and public space on the Perry District in South Hill, with local businesses participating. There is typically tabling, live entertainment, and activities. Last year, *Selkirk the Cat* made an appearance, accepting pets and *giving political endorsements*.

The Perry District is affectionately thought of by some residents as Spokane’s “gayborhood,” playing host to Odyssey Youth Movement, a community center for Queer youth; Wishing Tree Books, a Queer-friendly children’s bookstore; and a rainbow crosswalk, which has been the repeated site of anti-Queer vandalism.

In 2023, Pride in Perry was crashed by members of the Proud Boys, a white nationalist group, holding banners saying “Pedophiles not welcome” and “Protect white children,” as part of a deliberate targeting of rural and smaller Pride celebrations. Despite the hatred, event organizers told *The Spokesman-Review* that it brought the community closer together.

And for any Pride organizers out there reading this, there are regional-specific resources available for minimizing risk while planning Pride celebrations, like Western States Center’s

Protecting Pride guide.

Learn more about celebrating Pride in Perry and supporting Queer youth [here](#).

61. June 27, Twin City Pride [WA]

Save the date for Twin City Pride at Pearl and Main Street in Centralia, WA, on June 27 from 10 am to 1 pm, hosted by Lewis County Pride. More details can be found [here](#) when available.

62. June 27, Sequim Pride [WA]

Sequim Pride is partnering with the Sequim Farmers and Artisans Market for “a day of diversity, celebration, and community goodwill,” on June 27. Those interested in volunteering can email sequimpride@gmail.com. More details available can be found on the Instagram page when available.

63. June 27, Gig Harbor Pride [WA]

Join Pride Gig Harbor for its fourth annual Pride in the Park on Saturday, June 27 from 11 am to 4 pm at Skansie Brothers Park in Gig Harbor, WA. The event this year is called “Cirque do So-Gay” (like Cirque du Soleil). They are still seeking vendors and sponsors. More information on the event will be posted on their Facebook [here](#) when available.

64. June 27–28, Seattle Pridefest [WA]

Two locations, two days, hundreds of thousands of people. Seattle Pridefest is scheduled for June 27 and 28, at both Seattle Center and on Capitol Hill. They’re still seeking performers, vendors, and sponsors for the 2026 event. More information and sign-ups can be found [here](#).

102. June 27, Ontario Pride [OR]

“Together in Unity We Rise!” Organized by One Community All Spirits, in partnership with the Eastern Oregon Center for Independent Living and local advocacy groups, Ontario Pride [will take place] 12 pm–4 pm at the Ontario Historic Train Depot.

Organizers are looking for vendors (artists, nonprofits, and businesses), with drag show details coming soon. To sign up, email shauntay@eocil.org. The Pride flyer can be found [here](#). There is also a free virtual event with a great lineup this year that can be found [here](#).

65. June 28, Albany Pride [OR]

Save the date for Albany Pride at Monteith River Park on June 28. More details when available plus sign-ups to volunteer and perform can be found [here](#).

66. June 28, Methow Pride [WA]

Want to go to Methow Pride? Save the date for Sunday, June 29. Event details can be found [here](#) when available.

67. June 28, Beaverton Pride [OR]

They might be biased, but the organizers of Beaverton Pride call it “Beaverton’s favorite summer event.” This year, Pride in the Park is scheduled for June 28 from 11 am to 5 pm, with a parade kicking things off from 11 am to noon. Entertainment and a more detailed schedule will be announced [here](#) soon.

68. June 28, Stonewall Pride Walk [OR]

From noon to 2 pm on June 28, the organization People Like Us will hold its fourth annual Stonewall Pride Walk, which starts at the Wallowa County Courthouse. All friendly faces are welcome — more information can be found [here](#)!

69. June 28, Prideville Festival [OR]

On June 28 from noon to 5 pm at Pioneer Park in Prineville, OR, Prideville is hosting its sixth annual Prideville Festival. This year’s event is themed “Small Town, Big Pride” and will feature vendors, resource booths, and live entertainment. More information and details on how you can support it can be found [here](#).

97. June 28, Boise Resource Fair [ID]

On Sunday, June 28, about a dozen organizations — including the the Wassmuth Center for Human Rights, Boise Trans Collective, and ACLU of Idaho — are coming together to host a Pride Month Community Resource Fair at the William F. Hayes Memorial Auditorium in the downtown Boise library from noon to 6 pm. Alongside resources from the participating organizations, the event will also feature an LGBTQIA+-inclusive storytime at 2:15 pm and a Celebration of Pride featuring the Starbelly Dancers & Starbelly Student Troupe at 4:30 pm. More information on the event can be found [here](#).

100. June 28, Nehalem Bay Pride [OR]

Save the date for Nehalem Bay Pride, hosted at the Heart of Cartm studio in Wheeler, OR, on June 28 from noon to 4 pm. There will be more details on a schedule of events for the weekend of June 26–28 posted on the *Manzanita Pride Facebook* page when available.

JULY

70. July 9–12, Sandpoint Pride [ID]

Sandpoint Pride, hosted by the Sandpoint Alliance for Equality, is one of the more rural Pride celebrations on the list. This year, *the event* is scheduled for July 9–12. Despite the rural location, SAFE’s website estimated attendance for the event at over 2,600. Photos from previous Sandpoint Pride celebrations show a family-friendly event with live performances of music, dance, and drag; activities like face painting; and tabling by a variety of community nonprofits.

71. July 11, Saturday in the Park, Vancouver [WA]

The Southwest Washington Pride Alliance is hosting Saturday in the Park on July 11 from 10 am to 5 pm. Saturday in the Park is a little different than your traditional Pride celebrations, with a focus on providing educational workshops for LGBTQ+ families, and fundraising for local charities. Of course, there will also be fun and entertainment to be had! You can learn more info, or sign up to vend, volunteer, or sponsor the event, [here](#).

72. July 11–12, Bellingham Pride [WA]

Every year, thousands of people attend Pride festivities in Bellingham, WA. There’s a *whole weekend* of celebration planned this year, with the Pride Fairhaven Family Fun Day kicking things off with an all-ages picnic at the Fairhaven Village Green from noon to 3 pm, with food and drinks available for purchase. Then, head to the annual all-ages dance party at -HUT- for live DJs and drag performers from 4 to 7pm, via the alley entrance next to the former Boundary Bay Beer Garden.

On Sunday, the Pride Parade runs from 11 am to 1 pm, with the route starting at the Bellingham High School parking lot and ending at the Pride Festival in Depot Market Square at the 1100 block of Railroad Avenue. The festival runs until 4 pm, with arti-



sans, community groups, nonprofits, and businesses tabling at the event. And for those over 21, you can end the night at the Rumors afterparty, with dancing at Rumors Cabaret & Side Piece, open noon to 2 am.

73. July 12, Tacoma Pride [WA]

The Tacoma Pride Festival will be hosted by the Rainbow Center on July 12 at Wright Park, beginning at noon. More information on the event can be found [here](#) when available.

74. July 13, Belfair Pride & Diversity [WA]

On Monday, July 13 from 5:30 to 7:30 pm, the Mason County Democrats will host Belfair Pride & Diversity at the Belfair House Apartments in Belfair, WA. No additional details are available, but more info can be found [here](#) when they are.

75. July 18, Lincoln County Pride [MT]

Save the date for Lincoln County Pride in Libby, MT, on July 18, hosted by the Northwest Montana Queer Alliance. If you want to volunteer, perform, or vend, you can sign up by contacting them on Facebook [here](#). More information on the event will be posted [here](#) when available.

76. July 18, Kitsap Pride [WA]

On July 18, Kitsap Pride will hold its annual Pride Festival. No additional details are available yet, but you can find them [here](#) when they're posted.

77. July 18, Goldendale Pride [WA]

Save the date for Goldendale Pride, an annual celebration of love, inclusion, and community hosted at the Klickitat County Courthouse. More information can be found [here](#) when available.

78. July 18–19, Portland Pride [OR]

Hosted by Pride Northwest, Portland Pride's *Waterfront Festival* is one of the West Coast's biggest Prides, and this year it's scheduled for July 18–19 at Tom McCall Waterfront Park. The celebration begins at noon on July 18, and runs until 8 pm that night. Afterward, join Radiance, the 14th annual Gay-labration dance party, at the Crystal

Ballroom.

On Sunday, Pride is back. The parade begins at 11 am; festivities will continue at the park from 11:30 am to 6 pm. While it's free to attend, there is a suggested \$10 donation, with all proceeds going to both keeping the annual event running and supporting Pride Northwest's year-round programming.

79. July 25, Pacific County Pride, Long Beach [WA]

While a lot of the details — like evening festivities — are still up in the air, Pacific County Pride has announced a celebration in Long Beach, WA, on July 25 from 9 am to 8 pm. The day will begin with kite-flying on the beach, followed by the festival from noon to 7 pm in downtown Long Beach and the Veterans Field and Stage. Evening festivities will commence at 8 pm. More information can be found [here](#) when available.

80. July 26, Pacific County Pride, Raymond [WA]

The next day, Pacific County Pride will be back at it, this time in Raymond, WA. There, celebrations will start at 10 am with a mimosa bar and brunch at Alder + Co / WildPines Coffee Co. The festival will run from noon to 4 pm at Riverfront Park, with vendors, a DJ, and a beer garden. There will be a celebration walk at 4 pm from a yet-to-be-announced location to Raymond Theatre, where a drag show begins at 5 pm. More information can be found [here](#) when available.

81. July 26, Puyallup Tribal Pride [WA]

Save the date for the Puyallup Tribal Pride on July 25, from 2 pm to 6 pm at 3001 Puyalupabsh St. in Tacoma, WA. More information on the event will be posted [here](#) when available.

82. July 26, Milwaukie Pride [OR]

From 10:30 am to 2:30 pm, you can join a community-led gathering at Scott Park in Milwaukie, OR, to celebrate Pride Month. This is an all-ages event with live entertainment, food, games, and more. Additional details are available [here](#).

AUGUST

83. August 1, Coos County, Pride in the Park [OR]

Southern Oregon Coast Pride is hosting a Pride festival in Mingus Park in Coos Bay, OR, on August 1. The event will feature free lunch, face painting, a live DJ, a silent auction, vendors, and various arts and crafts. They're still seeking vendors and volunteers: sign-ups and more information are available [here](#).

84. August 1, Battle Ground Pride [WA]

Mark your calendars for the sixth annual Battle Ground Pride, hosted by Evoke Cascadia at the Battle Ground Event Center on Saturday, August 1 from 11 am to 4 pm. This is a free, family-friendly event. KN95 masks will be required inside, and masks will be provided at the door while supplies last. There will be vendors, resources, a lip-sync battle, a clothing closet, a sensory room, and a silent auction. More information and applications to become a vendor can be found [here](#).

85. August 22, Garland Pride, Spokane [WA]

The third annual Garland Pride, hosted in the Garland District of Spokane, WA, by neighborhood Queer and allied businesses, with support from Spokane Pride, is scheduled for August 22 from 4 to 9 pm. This year's theme is "Alice in Wonderland," with a free showing of the movie at the neighborhood's Garland Theater. There will also be a vendor faire, which businesses and nonprofits can sign up for [here](#). More details on the event can be found [here](#) when available.

86. August 22, Poulsbo Pride [WA]

Save the date for Poulsbo Pride's annual celebration, this year at Raab Park. More information and volunteer and performance opportunities will be posted [here](#) when available.

87. August 28–30, Palouse Pride, Moscow [ID]

Inland Oasis will be hosting its Palouse Pride festivities the last weekend of August. We know there will be drag bingo on Friday, Pride in the Park

and a drag show on Saturday, and a brunch on Sunday. More information can be found [here](#) when available.

88. August 29, Oregon City Pride [OR]

Save the date for Oregon City Pride on August 29, with vendor, volunteer, and sponsorship opportunities coming [soon](#).

89. August 31, Community Pride, Wallowa [WA]

There's not much information available yet, but save the date for the Community Pride Celebration in Wallowa, WA, hosted 2SLGBTQIA+ nonprofit People Like Us.

SEPTEMBER

90. September 5, Pride Across the Bridge, Kirkland [WA]

Pride Across the Bridge will be held on September 5 in Kirkland, WA, from noon to 5 pm. This marks a move from the original location (Redmond). Organizers attributed the move to incredible growth over the last four years, with over 1,000 attendees in 2025. While the official Kirkland location has yet to be announced, event details state that it will be in a park with ADA-accessible parking spaces nearby, allowing for heightened accessibility and overall capacity. Some things aren't changing though — the event is staying free and police-free. More information can be found [here](#).

91. September 18–20, Boise Pride Festival [ID]

Boise Pride is back and bigger than ever for the 37th Boise Pride Festival. This year, attendees can expect a three-day celebration, with a ticketed opening night on Friday and free festivities on Saturday and Sunday. More info can be found [here](#) when available.

92. September 18–20, Newport Pride [OR]

Newport, Oregon, Pride will be hosting the fifth annual Pride Festival on September 18, 19, and 20. They are still seeking sponsors and volunteers. More information and sign-ups can be found [here](#).

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Sunday, June 28, 2026
Downtown Seattle
from Fourth & Union
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11:00 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

The Seattle Pride parade is calling on the LGBTQIA+ community to “Rally” on Sunday, June 28, as it once again prepares to take over downtown. Around 300,000 people are expected to line the route along Fourth Avenue (from Union Street to Denny Way) as more than 200 community groups, civic leaders, nonprofits, and businesses congregate in Washington state’s largest Pride march and celebration.

The theme for this year’s parade is “Rally,” through which Seattle Pride hopes to raise marginalized voices, honor LGBTQIA+ history, and affirm the joy, resilience, and purpose of community. As visitors from around the world arrive to the city to cheer on their teams in the 2026 World Cup, Seattle Pride is inviting everyone to join in a monumental day of celebration.

The event starts at 10 a.m. with entertainment at the Westlake Park stage, followed by the parade, which will begin at 11 a.m.

At the Westlake stage, this year’s grand marshals Deunte Dampier and the PWHL’s Seattle Torrent will kick off the festivities with opening statements. Afterward, the Seattle Pride Ackerman Award of Service will be presented to Stacy Bass-Walden, cofounder and coproducer of West Seattle’s Alki Beach Pride. The show will also feature a performance by Danza Monarcas, a Queer Mexican folklórico dance group, as well as entertainment by the announcers and DJs. The grand marshals will then lead the parade down Fourth Avenue.

This year’s parade announcers and DJs for all three stages are as follows:

- Westlake Park: Versace Doll, Donna-Tella Howe, and Kween Kaysh
 - 4th & Bell: Cookie Couture, Ceasar Hart, and DJ Justice Manslayer
 - 4th & Denny: Goddess Briq House, King Leo Mane, and DJ MIXX America
- “More than a spectacle, the parade is a living expression of Seattle’s

queer legacy — a space where generations connect, stories are shared, and community shows up in full force,” Seattle Pride said in a statement. “The celebration is inclusive and family-friendly, inviting everyone to rally together with pride.”

“Every year, the Seattle Pride Parade reminds us of what is possible when community comes together,” said Patti Hearn, executive director of Seattle Pride. “This year’s theme, ‘Rally,’ speaks exactly to the power of showing up for one another, of making space for every voice, and of celebrating the joy and resilience that defines us.”

Seattle Pride has also launched a new voting system for attendees, who will be able to choose their favorite marching groups and vote for them in three categories:

- Best Float: awarded to the group with the most creative, eye-catching float design
- Best Performance: for the group that brought the most energy to the street through either choreography, live music, or pure showmanship

• Best Rally: awarded to the entry that best embodies the spirit of this year’s theme.

The voting link will be live on parade day at www.SeattlePride.org/events/parade.

For those unable to attend in person, the Seattle Pride Parade will be live on KIRO-7’s TV broadcast for the first 90 minutes; the entire parade will be livestreamed at www.kiro7.com/pride.

Seattle Out & Proud

Seattle Pride is the 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that produces the annual Seattle Pride Parade and Seattle Pride in the Park, along with year-round advocacy and programming. The organization also provides community impact grants to LGBTQIA2S+-serving organizations throughout Washington. Seattle Pride works to promote visibility, equity, accessibility, and belonging for all members of the LGBTQIA2S+ community. More information is at www.SeattlePride.org.



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Trans Pride Seattle is a free annual festival celebrating Trans life and community across the Pacific Northwest and beyond! A love letter to Trans people everywhere, TPS increases the strength of the Two Spirit, Trans, and gender-diverse (2STGD) community and its allies through increased visibility, connection, love, and the celebration of our lives.

Everyone who supports and affirms Trans life is invited to enjoy the stage show, featuring an all-Trans lineup of talent, and the tabling fair, featuring over a hundred Trans-led and -affirming organizations, community groups, artists, and services; and to find and bask in community among the thou-

sands of attendees who gather to celebrate, to resist, and to show that Trans people aren't going anywhere.

It is produced by Gender Justice League in collaboration with many incredible volunteers, sponsors, and community donors who have helped make this event possible every year since 2013!

Tabling fair (5–10 p.m.)

Check out over a hundred Trans-led organizations, community groups, artists, small businesses, and services relevant to 2STGD communities! Make your way through the rows of booths to learn about local programs, events, and services; check out art by local Trans artists; plug into your local mutual aid group; or just see how many free stickers you can collect.

The SGN will also have a booth at the event, offering copies of the paper as

well as Pride stickers!

Stage show (6–9:30 p.m.)

Bring a blanket, chair, or whatever else you need to get comfy to enjoy an all-Trans lineup of stunning talent! Expect live music, drag entertainment, speakers on community issues, and more.

Gender Justice League

Gender Justice League is a civil and human rights organization focused on elevating the rights of Two Spirit, Trans, and gender-diverse (2STGD) communities in Washington state and beyond through advocacy efforts, direct services, shared leadership development, and the creation of sacred Trans spaces like Trans Pride Seattle.

Founded in 2012 in Seattle by a group of longtime Trans, Queer, and allied activists, GJL's purpose was to

increase the community's capacity to address the cissexism, transphobia, transmisogyny, and homo/bi/queerphobias that 2STGD people face.

Recognizing that only 4% of employees in the major LGBTQ+ organizations were Trans, and that Trans people face nearly double the unemployment rate of cis people, GJL's gender justice model seeks to empower 2STGD people to combat the structural oppression, discrimination, and violence that we face in our daily lives.

Social, economic, and racial justice is at the core of our work. Our analysis of gender justice focuses on issues that are often left on the sidelines of traditional LGBTQ+ activism, such as incarceration and the prison-industrial complex, resisting gentrification, homelessness and housing accessibility, reproductive justice, labor rights, and unemployment.



COURTESY TRANS PRIDE



Seattle PrideFest 2026

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Saturday, June 27, 2026
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Sunday, June 28, 2026
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12-8 p.m.
 All ages, except
 21+ beer gardens
 Free admission

On Saturday, June 27, Capitol Hill's biggest Pride event will make its return. This year Capitol Hill PrideFest will span five blocks of Broadway, Denny, and Cal Anderson Park. There will be three stages of entertainment: at Cal Anderson Park, on Broadway, and at the AIDS Memorial Pathway.

Head to Seattle PrideFest for local and regional talent, food vendors, beer gardens, and a celebration in Seattle's historic LGBTQIA+ neighborhood.

And on Sunday, June 28, follow the downtown parade to Seattle Center for hundreds of vendors, food and drink options, and entertainment on three more stages: at the International Foundation, Fisher Pavilion, and Mural Amphitheatre.

The SGN will be tabling at both events: near our office on Broadway

and Republican Street on Capitol Hill on Saturday, and near the Fisher Pavilion mainstage at Seattle Center on Sunday.

Seattle PrideFest

Seattle PrideFest is produced by PrideFest, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, with vendor assistance by One Degree Events, Festival Director Egan Orion, support staff, and supporters. PrideFest has been running the festival since 2007.



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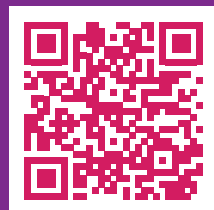


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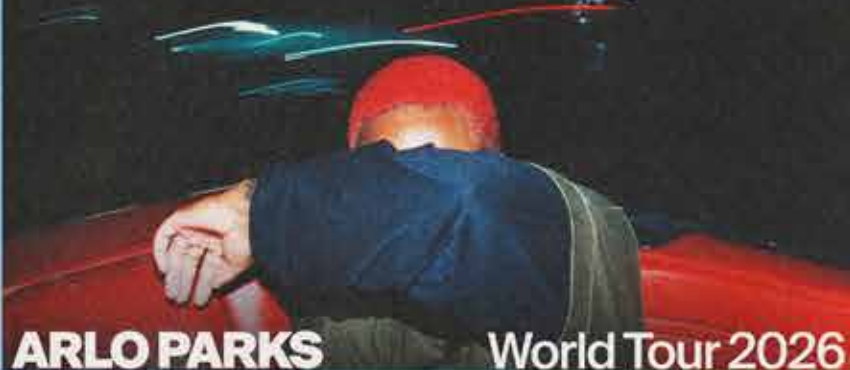
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Tacoma Pride Festival is an annual community event hosted by Rainbow Center, held on the second Saturday of July. It takes pride in honoring the LGBTQIA2S+ community by celebrating the valuable and creative members of a diverse population in the South Puget Sound region.

As the largest Pride celebration in Tacoma, it understands the importance of creating opportunities to support the local community of entertainers, makers, artists, businesses, and organizations to offer a more inclusive representation of who we are.

Tacoma Pride Festival has grown from a single-day celebration to a series of events throughout the entire month of July. The City of Tacoma has proudly made a proclamation declaring July as Tacoma Pride Month. Through curating cultural events, establishing community partner-

ships, and honoring the history of Pride, Tacoma Pride invites everyone to “CELEBRATE WITH US!”

Rainbow Center

Through education, advocacy, and celebration, Rainbow Center expands resources and safe space for the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Questioning, Two-Spirit, and allied (LGBTQ2SA) community.

For more than 20 years, Rainbow Center has served as a resource hub for the LGBTQ2SA community in South Puget Sound. Rainbow Center has daily open hours, during which resources (including a lending library, computer and Wi-Fi access, advocacy services, and educational materials) are available to community members. Each year, it provides direct services to [a thousand people], greets almost 4,000 visitors at the Rainbow Center, and reaches thousands more through events and partnerships.

Its Education Program offers high-quality workshops and training for individuals, businesses, and groups

seeking to learn how to engage, support, and serve the LGBTQ2S community, and to deepen their understanding of it. Finally, celebrating the LGBTQ2S community is a huge part of its mission. It hosts social programs and events for the LGBTQ2S community all year. It is also proud to host two of the most amazing celebrations in Tacoma/Pierce County: Tacoma Pride and the annual Gayla.

The board meets on the first Monday of each month, 7:00-9:00 p.m. If you'd like to attend a board meeting as a guest, please email Info@rainbowcntr.org for the meeting location or Zoom link.

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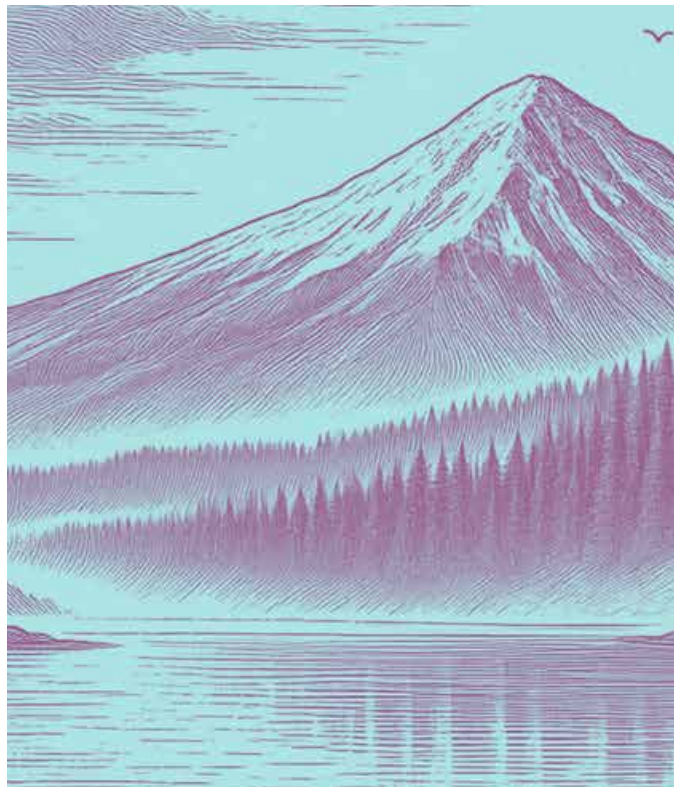
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Dykes on Bikes celebrates 50 years

A tale of resilience, pride, and camaraderie

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No Seattle Pride parade today would feel complete without the procession of a certain leathered-up armada and its unmistakable roar of engines. The tale of Dykes on Bikes — built out of a need for community among Lesbians and the Sapphically aligned that share a love for riding on two wheels — is as spontaneous and multifaceted as the history of Pride itself.

Dykes on Bikes first came into being after the 1976 San Francisco Pride Parade. The story goes that a group of 20-25 women decided to ride their motorcycles at the front after getting tired of trailing behind the marchers on foot. The *San Francisco Chronicle* then deemed the impromptu group “Dykes on Bikes.” The name stuck, and the Pride tradition was born.

To celebrate the 50th anniversary of the 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, now with 22 chapters across the US and around the world, Kate Brown, president of San Francisco chapter discussed the history, legacy, and current work of this essential and iconic Queer institution.

Backstory

Brown recalled seeing Dykes on Bikes for the first time at her first Pride parade after moving to San Francisco in the early 2000s.

“I couldn’t believe what I saw, and I just knew from the sidelines ... that I had to be there, that that was who I am,” Brown said. “The only experience I [had] had on a motorcycle was as a kid riding on the back seat of my cousin’s motorcycle.”

The experience inspired Brown to start learning how to ride with a small group of friends. She explained how they got their certifications, bought their first motorcycles, and eventually rode in their first Pride parade together.

In 2004, Brown formally joined Dykes on Bikes. She showed how, at her first parade on a motorcycle, she shared how nervous her finicky vehicle made her feel as the procession waited to start marching.

“I got into the lineup, and you know, there’s a couple hundred motorcycles there. So the lineup people tell you to turn your motorcycle off.” But this was an issue for her: “I was so worried that my motorcycle wouldn’t start if I turned it off.”

Fortunately, her motorcycle was able to start up again, and since then she has continued to be a part of the organization to this day.

Community

Dykes on Bikes, alongside its role of leading Pride parades, also does other things to support the LGBTQIA2S+ community. Brown explained that “every chapter has kind of their own governance and everything, but we are much more than just what people see on Pride Sunday.”

She noted that her organization hosts rides with its members regularly, and helps to fundraise for community organizations throughout the year.

As for what it means to be a member of Dykes on Bikes, and the philosophy that her organization embraces, she acknowledged the importance of having unapologetic Queer and Trans visibility in public spaces, and how Dykes on Bikes encourages its members and others to do so.

“Our history is rooted in creating space, and ownership of our name, saying this is who we are, and that we have a right to be here.”

“I think that’s the power of what people see when they’re watching a Pride parade in Seattle, in San Francisco, in London, in Sydney,” she added. “They’re just seeing women-identified and Nonbinary folks saying, ‘I’m not backing down. I’m going to be here. I’m going to be loud. And I’m going to roar my engine and you’re going to see me.’”

She also pointed out that when Dykes on Bikes engages in the same work as others of raising visibility for Queer and Trans issues, “we just happen to do it with our engines, right? We’re loud, we’re there, we’re present.”

And according to her, the legacy of the organization’s name itself also has been a symbol of that unapologetic ethos.

“Don’t tell me what I can and cannot say about myself. I proudly call myself a dyke on a bike,” she said.

Legal battles

The organization encountered difficulties when it attempted to register its name and logo as a nonprofit

with the US government, going all the way up to the US Supreme Court both times. Brown explained how, after the organization initially tried to register the name in 2003, it took a legal battle of several years before the case finally reached the US Supreme Court. Although the court ultimately declined to hear the case, Brown pointed out that the settlement resulted in securing the group’s name trademark in 2007. However, in 2013 when Dykes



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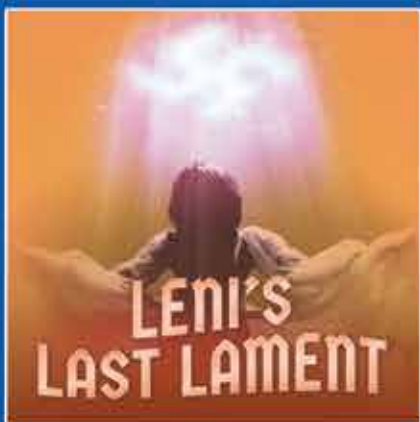
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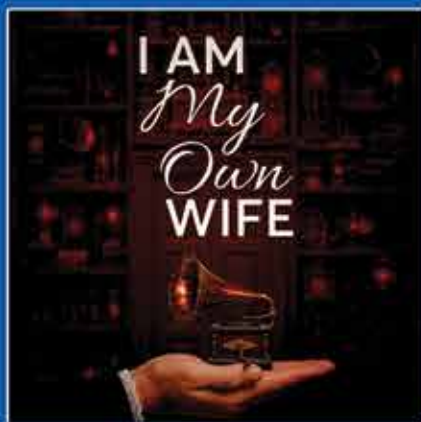
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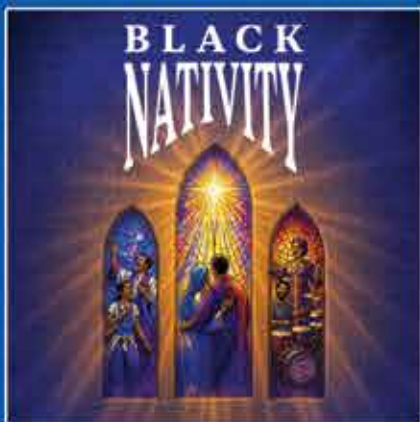
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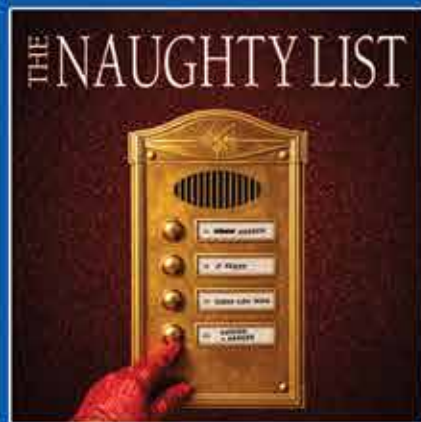
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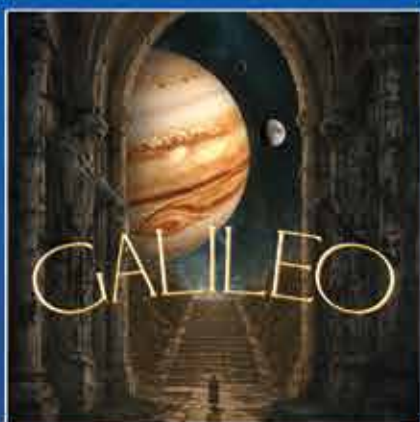
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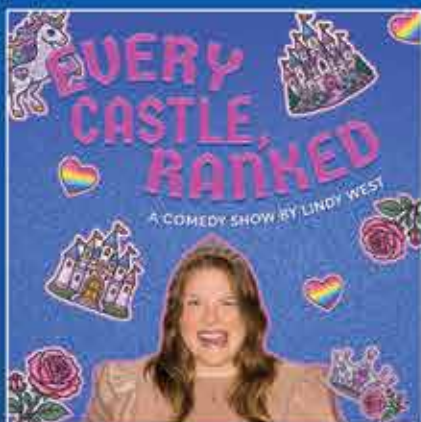
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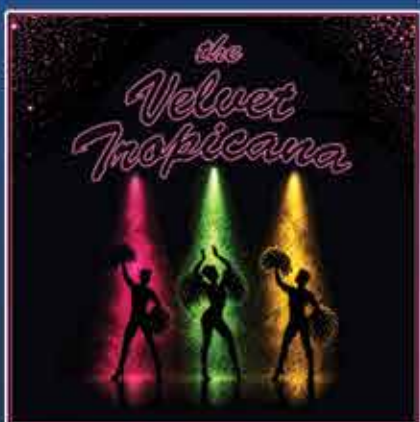
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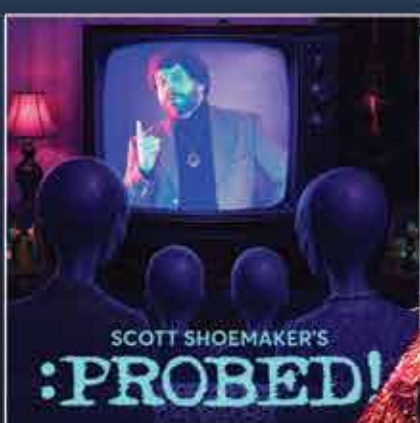
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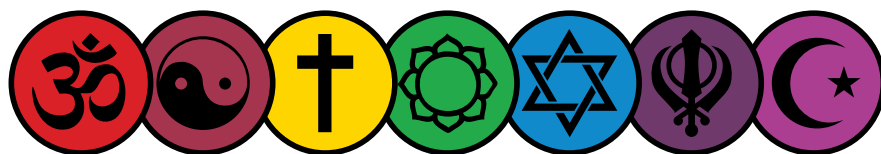
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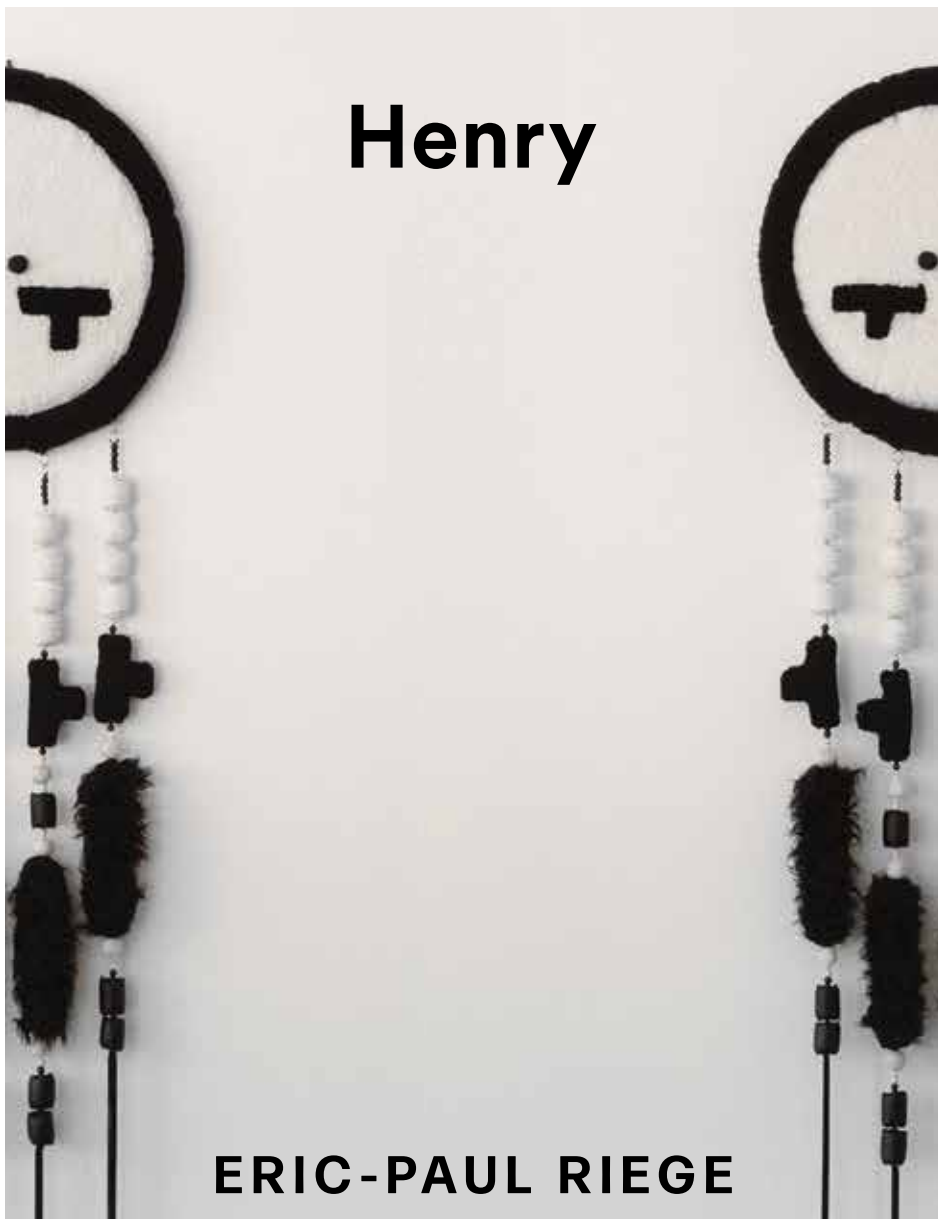


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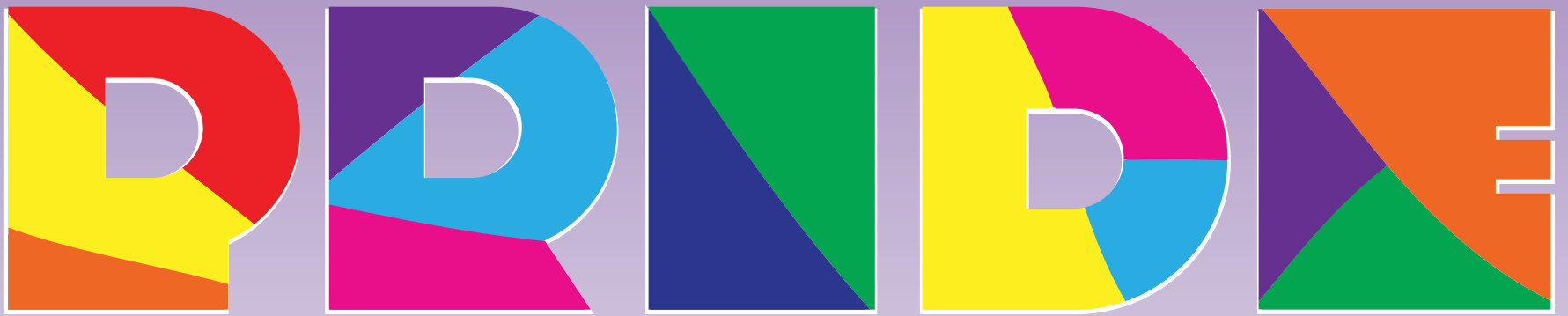
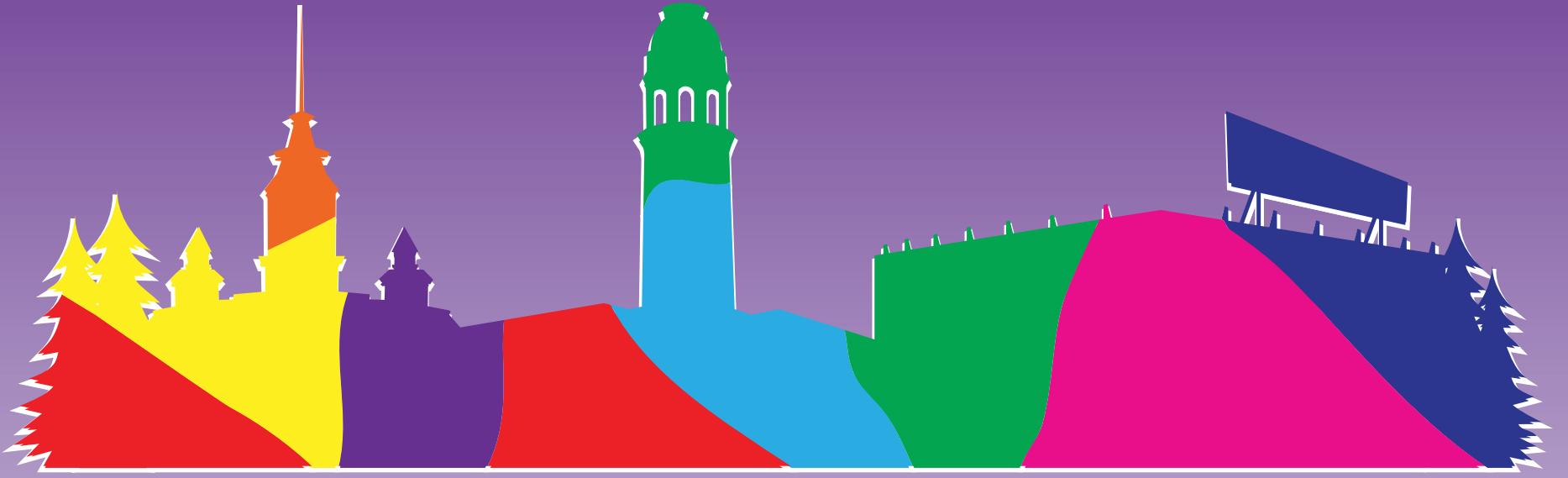


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