

LGBTQ+



LGBTQ+ History Month / What is it and why do we celebrate?

LGBTQ+ History Month is a month-long annual celebration of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and non-binary history, including the history of LGBTQ+ rights and related civil rights movements. It is important for us to understand the events & history that have brought us to this point today.

The theme of this year's LGBTQ+ history month is 'Body, Mind & Spirit'. Corps Together wants to highlight the importance of this celebration and invite our colleagues to celebrate with us by sharing their stories or events throughout the month.

"I came out as gay at 27. In 1995 I was one of a group of men who formed the world's first rugby team with a majority gay identity. In April 1999 I was a survivor of the nail bomb placed in the Admiral Duncan pub in Soho by a right-wing extremist. I have always challenged homophobia and other forms of prejudice whenever I come upon them, not always immediately as it is sometimes a case of picking the right moment if you want to get your message across. Society has certainly changed enormously with much more recognition in the eyes of the law for gay people including first civil partnerships and now marriage. Equality in the eyes of the law is the most important aspect, you can't change the way some people think but once a law is in place it's apprising how many people do in fact change their thinking, The Armed Forces and the MOD are a good example, and I fully support diversity initiatives by The Corps and as the security industry does tend to be quite a long way behind general society, I feel a certain joy that The Corps are doing this."



Gary Fellowes - Security Officer

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Useful Links

The History of LGBTQ+

<https://www.highspeedtraining.co.uk/hub/history-of-lgbtq-timeline/>

Key People who have shaped LGBTQ+ History

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bbcthree/article/1f4c71a6-1359-4241-9f91-7b0a1b5ac9a0>



Podcasts

Making gay history (interviews people who have shaped and changed LGBTQ+ history)

- o **Apple podcasts / Spotify**



TV

- **Disclosure (Netflix)**

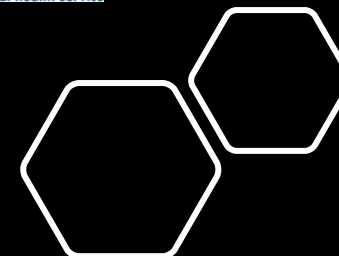
Disclosure engrossingly illuminates the history and effects of the way transgender lives are portrayed on screen – and outlines how much progress still needs to be made.



Events

OUTING the past – sign up for a free webinar on LGBTQ+ history

<https://www.rmg.co.uk/see-do/exhibitions-events/outing-the-past>



We want to hear from you...

We would love for you to get in touch with us to share & celebrate your stories.

Please reach out to us at:



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