

# FESTIVAL GUIDE

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Celebrating you with Pride.

# **WELCOME TO BRISTOL PRIDE 2023**

We're so excited to be back for another year! An incredible 2 weeks of events are taking place across the city from 24 June with music, performance, theatre, workshops, comedy, sports, cabaret, talks, films and so much more AND we're even in a few new venues this year too.

There's so much planned, check out Stag King and Drag Queens Vs Zombies if you want theatre. Egghead and Twinkie, Kokomo City and a special outdoor screening of Cabaret are some Queer Vision highlights and our amazing comedy night, hosted by Jayde Adams, has a new home this year at the Bristol Old Vic with a stellar line up!

Pride is the perfect opportunity to showcase how Bristol's identity is one of creativity, diversity, inclusion, and community and this year's line up certainly does that.

Of course, as well as showcasing and celebrating our community, Pride is about ensuring visibility, it's still a protest and with a landscape where trans lives are being debated and drag performances are being targeted, as part of increasing attacks on our culture and community, we've never needed to be more visible or unified as a community. We must never be complacent, the rollback of LGBT+ rights in America has seen Pride events cancelled, whilst here in the UK changes to the Human Rights Act and pressure on schools and libraries to introduce LGBT+ bans akin to Section 28 could have lasting impact. So Pride is as important now as it's always been, a fight for equality and inclusion for our whole community. We won't stop, we'll keep fighting. Let's make this year's festival louder than ever.

Pride is not possible without your support, the cost of living crisis is hitting us all and because of that we've kept the supporter wristband prices the same as last year so if you're able to, please buy one. It helps to ensure that we can remain donation entry and be there for those that might need us the most. Another great way to support us is by volunteering, we still need people, so sign up if you can. We're also really excited to have some limited edition merchandise for the first time ever this year! We've collaborated with Aardman to design special T-Shirts and Totes (see p.92) so make sure to pick up one of those from our website, the hub or on Pride Day.

We can't wait to celebrate with you, Happy Pride!

#### Eve, Daryn, and the Bristol Pride Team

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#### **THUR 22 JUNE**

Time: 6.30pm Price: £5 Venue: Seat Unique Stadium

Tickets: gloscricket.co.uk



# **GLOUCESTER CRICKET PRIDE**

Gloucestershire Cricket believes the game is for all no matter your background, orientation, or gender. Everyone from the LGBT+ community should be able to be themselves in a safe environment, sharing the love of cricket together at all Gloucestershire matches.

There's a dedicated fixture to celebrate Pride and the LGBT+ community during the Vitality Blast match against Sussex Sharks on Thursday 22nd June.

The club are also very excited to be launching a new limited edition Pride t-shirt & pin badges which will be sold throughout June, with a donation to Bristol Pride. Available online or in store.

#### SAT 24 JUNE

Time: **10.15am** Price: **£5pp** Venue: Imperial Sports Ground

Tickets: bit.ly/Panthers5



# **PANTHERS PRIDE 5 A-SIDE**

Bristol City Panthers FC are hosting a friendly 5 a-side tournament to celebrate Bristol Pride 2023!

Players age 18+ of any experience are welcome to join in for a celebration of LGBT+ inclusive football. Whether you have a team or need one, come join in and play.

This is a great chance to meet the Panthers and enjoy some football in a fun and friendly environment.



# DRAG QUEEN BINGO BOAT PARTY

# **Eyes Down!**

Alright little ducks, we're back on the water for a very special Drag Queen Bingo... on a boat!

We'll be whisking you away across the harbourside for this special 2-hour journey with Bristol Ferry Boats, whilst old Dirty Gurtie herself, **Tess Drive**, entertains and hosts a special bingo onboard. We're running two sessions this year so get them dabbers ready.

Tickets include a welcome Gin & Tonic with thanks to 6 O'clock Gin and while you could win wristbands for Pride Day, you'll mostly be playing for some of nan's favourite bingo hall prizes, you might even win no.38, Christmas Cake!

A bar will be available on the boat, so get ready to Jump and Jive, Pick a Mate and grab your tickets for this fundraising event to kick start Pride 2023 with a bingo bango.

With thanks to GXO for supporting this event

# GXO

# SAT 24 JUNE

Time: **12.30pm** Price: **£20** Venue: Cascade Steps Ferry Stop

Advanced booking is essential, and spaces are limited. To book visit **bristolpride.co.uk/** events





# A global leader in the delivery of sustainable solutions

RSK is a group of over 200 environmental, sustainability, engineering and technical services businesses working together to provide practical solutions to some of the greatest challenges societies have ever faced.

The RSK Pride employee network helps to ensure that the RSK Group is a welcoming, inclusive and safe environment in which its lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer community members can thrive and all voices in the LGBTQ+ community are heard and represented.

Bristol is home to some of our biggest businesses: Structural Soils, RemedX, Milner Associates, ADAS, CJ Associates and RSK Group itself. These are but a few that make up our extensive footprint in the city.

We are proud to be a partner and supporter of Bristol Pride 2023.



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# QUEER VISION PRESENTS: CABARET

# Wilkommen and Bienvenue, Welcome!

Cabaret is having yet another moment with the hit show in the West End but this 1972 cinematic version, with the magnificent Liza Minelli and Joel Grey, will always be a tough act to follow.

A reserved British writer arrives in Berlin and meets Sally Bowles, a performer at the Kit Kat Club who introduces him to divine decadence, darling! Their story is set against a backdrop of the rapid rise of fascism but, for tonight, as the MC says, "Leave your troubles outside. So life is disappointing, forget it! In here life is beautiful."

Join us for this special outdoor screening (covered tables and chairs!) with live performance from **Bristol Musical Comedy Club** (BMCC) to set the scene and transport us back to 1930s Berlin.

Dressing up encouraged, singing along welcome.

## SAT 24 JUNE

Time: **7pm** Price: **£8/12** Age: **PG** Venue: **Trinity** 

Tickets: bristolpride.co.uk/ events



#### **SAT 24 JUNE**

Time: **9.30pm** Price: **£6** Age: **18+** Venue: **Thekla** 

Tickets: bit.ly/pridepopcon



# **PRIDE POP CONFESSIONAL**

# Welcome everyone to the church of POP CONFESSIONAL!

Pride Confessional is back! A night for all your favourite Pop guilty pleasures, iconic classics and much more. From Hall & Oates and David Essex to Foreigner and Journey to 5ive and Craig David, plus no doubt a healthy dollop of Taylor Swift and Bieber!

 $\pounds$ 1 from all tickets donated to support Bristol Pride.

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#### SAT 24 JUNE

Time: **11am-2pm** Price: **Free** 



# **PLACARD MAKING WORKSHOP**

# **Pride is a protest!**

Join us for a placard/banner making workshop to show your support for our community at the Pride Day Parade March on Saturday 8 July.

Led by artist **Sunnie Martin**, we will be creating our message using paint, fabric and any materials that inspire you! Free to attend but please register for your place.

Under 16's need to be accompanied by an adult. Check website for venue.



#### **SUN 25 JUNE**

Time: **2pm** Price: **£3** Venue: Kambe House, Portland Square

Booking: bristolpride.co.uk/ events

# **POLARI WRITING WORKSHOP**

# **Bona Polari!**

'Bona Polari' is gay slang, meaning 'good chat'. At this workshop led by **Lee Campbell** you'll learn about Polari and its sociohistorical significance, engage in a creative writing exercise using Polari at its base, and develop skills in sharing your writing in an informal, non-judgemental way. At the start of the workshop, participants watch a short poetry film by Lee called **The Tale of Benny Harris** (2022) a film written entirely in Polari.

Dr Lee Campbell is an artist, performance poet, experimental filmmaker, writer and Senior Lecturer at University of the Arts London.

SUN 25 JUNE Time: 3pm Price: £11/8.50/5 Venue: Watershed

Tickets: bristolpride.co.uk/ events



# **EGGHEAD AND TWINKIE**

When coming out to her parents doesn't go as well as hoped, Asian-American teenager Twinkie steals their car, grabs her nerdy best friend Egghead and embarks on a cross country road trip to meet the lesbian DJ she's been messaging.

Trouble is, Egghead is in love with Twinkie and the DJ isn't all she made out to be online. This debut feature explores themes of racial and sexual identity while being a laugh out loud queer teen road movie to delight all ages.



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# Let's celebrate together

More people from the LGBTQ+ community can now give blood.

Join us and register today at blood.co.uk

New guidance means we can now assess your eligibility to give blood based solely on your own individual experiences, making the process fairer for everyone.







# **KOKOMO CITY**

After blazing a trail around the major international film festivals for the last few months, we are thrilled to bring Kokomo City to Bristol.

This debut feature from D. Smith, a two-time Grammy-nominated songwriter-producer who has worked with Lil Wayne and Billy Porter and made history as the first trans woman cast on a primetime unscripted TV show, presents the lives of four Black trans sex workers.

D. Smith's innovative, cinematic, punchily sound-tracked documentary gives voice to these women and their beauty, joy, and pain, delivering an irreverent, destigmatising and no-holds-barred portrait of lives that are rarely so fully explored on screen.

Join us in the bar afterwards with Harriet Taylor from **SWITCH** for an informal conversation about current movements in trans representation on screen.

#### SUN 25 JUNE

Time: 6pm Price: £11/8.50/5 Venue: Watershed

Tickets: bristolpride.co.uk/ events

#### **MON 26 JUNE**

Time: 7.30pm Price: £7/5/3 Venue: Old Market Assembly

Booking is essential and spaces are limited. To book visit **bristolpride.co.uk/** events



# **QUEERING THE CITY**

Join Lyra, Bristol Poetry Festival, for a performance, open mic and social for Bristol's LGBT+ poetry communities and allies.

Hosted by **Caleb Parkin** and **Rowena Knight**, we'll hear newly commissioned poems exploring various ways we might 'queer' Bristol: in the ways we navigate the city; its underrepresented queer pasts; our dwindling shared spaces. The commissions will celebrate Bristol's queer artists and literature, visioning futures – human and beyond – of sparkling queer horizons. After the new commissions and an open mic for LGBT+ poets, there'll be a chance to mingle and wiggle, with music and a bar.

#### **MON 26 JUNE**

Time: 7pm Price: £4.99 / £8.99 Venue: 17 Midland Road, BS2 OJT

Tickets: bit.ly/kirstyLoehr



# A SHORT HISTORY OF QUEER WOMEN

Kirsty Loehr comes to Bristol to discuss her book A Short History of Queer Women, with Noreen Masud (A Flat Place).

No, they weren't 'just friends'! Queer women have been written out of history since, well, forever. From Anne Bonny and Mary Read who sailed the seas together disguised as pirates, to US football captain Megan Rapinoe declaring 'You can't win a championship without gays on your team', via countless literary salons and tuxedos, A Short History of Queer Women sets the record straight on women who have loved other women through the ages.



# **BRISTOL PRIDE PRESENTS: STAG KING**

Queer artist Liberty Martin and the Ancient Celtic god of the hunt met at an online drag workshop in 2020. The Stag King is half man, half stag, and half cut most of the time since his business collapsed AGAIN.

This performance lecture / drag show explores the varied nature of Stag King's professional roles, including: Revered God, Stag Night Entertainer and, most recently, Drag King. This is a show about personhood, productivity and what happens when your role is made redundant. As automation has the potential to rule out whole professions and a rapidly changing climate threatens our existence, what can we learn from a sexy cervitaur whose working life peaked in the Palaeolithic era?

"With her warm stage persona Liberty lulls us into a fascinating world which she then mischievously turns on its head, delighting and provoking us into more nuanced thought." **Haley McGee, Solo Show Creation Lab** 

"It made me laugh. It made me cry. And it gave me hope. A gloriously silly and clever delve into knowing who we are" **\*\*\*\* Audience Review** 

## **TUE 27 JUNE**

Time: **7pm + 8.45pm** Price: **£10** Age: **16+** Venue: **Wardrobe Theatre** 

Tickets: bristolpride.co.uk/ events



#### WED 28 JUNE

Time: 6pm Price: £11/8.50/5 Venue: Watershed

Tickets: bristolpride.co.uk/ events

# WHO I AM NOT

Millions of people around the world have bodies that do not fit neatly into society's rigid male/female binary system. This groundbreaking documentary follows the stories of two intersex people with parallel but divergent lives: Sharon-Rose Khumalo, a beauty queen, and Dimakatso Sebidi, an intersex activist, as they navigate various personal, societal and medical challenges.

Moving, warm, funny and eye opening, Who I am Not is a testament to the strength and generosity of Khumalo and Sebidi in breaking the silence so that others will know they are not alone.

The film will be introduced by **Valentino Vecchietti**, creator of the Intersex-Inclusive Pride Flag, founder of Intersex Equality Rights UK, Equality Speaker, columnist for Diva and consultant for Film and TV.

#### **Content warning**

This film does contains interphobia and scenes where genital examinations are performed.

#### THUR 29 + FRI 30 JUNE

Price: **£9/10** Venue: **St George's Bristol** 

# **KUNAL LAHIRY'S QUEER SONGFEST**

#### Thur 29 June, 1pm: Kunal Lahiry & Ruby Hughes Lunchtime Concert

Collaborative pianist Kunal Lahiry joins forces with critically acclaimed soprano Ruby Hughes for a gorgeous mixed programme of song.

#### Fri 30 June, 7.30pm: Our People: Kunal Lahiry & Frederick Ballentine

Kunal Lahiry accompanies Grammy-award winning tenor Frederick Ballentine, exploring the journey of Black and LGBT+ people in America in this profoundly moving eclectic programme.

Visit stgeorgesbristol.co.uk for full listing, collaborations and tickets.

#### **THUR 29 JUNE**

Time: **8pm** Price: **£15** Venue: **Mount Without** 

Tickets: stgeorgesbristol.co.uk

# LE GATEAU CHOCOLAT: RAW CACAO

Opera-occasional, bearded drag diva and international cabaret sensation Le Gateau Chocolat brings his intimate show to the extraordinary surroundings of The Mount Without as part of pianist Kunal Lahiry's queer songfest.

Who are we when no one is watching? Raw Cacao asks this most enigmatic of questions and in search of answers invites us into the most hallowed of spaces, the chamber where one transitions from performer to person.





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At Immersive Labs, inclusivity is one of our core values, and we are proud to celebrate the LBGTQ+ community both at Immersive Labs and across the UK.

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# BRISTOL PRIDE CIRCUS NIGHT

# Celebrating LGBT+ Circus with Pride.

Roll up, Roll up, the Circus is back in town! We are excited for the return of the Pride Circus Night. A spectacular evening in partnership with Circomedia as we put on a show to celebrate Pride, community and circus.

A spellbinding fundraiser, specially curated for Pride, showcasing incredible circus performers from around the globe. Prepare to be dazzled by thought-provoking contemporary circus from talented and inspiring LGBT+ performers who dare to challenge and amuse you with their exceptional skills.

Holding your hand throughout this cabaret will be our one and only Alexa, who with her wit and dead pan comedy will help keeping you at the edge of your seat all evening.

We are offering a limited number of tables for this event as well as solo tickets.

With thanks to our 2023 event partner



# THUR 29 JUNE

Time: **7pm** Price: **£20/15** Age: **16+** Venue: **Circomedia** 

Tickets: bristolpride.co.uk/ events



#### FRI 30 JUNE

Time: 6pm Price: £11/8.50/5 Venue: Watershed

Tickets: bristolpride.co.uk/ events

# LITTLE RICHARD: I AM EVERYTHING

"The south is the home of all things queer," says writer and scholar Zandria Robinson in this new documentary, adding that 'queerness' essentially means 'difference', and Little Richard was definitely different.

A pioneer for Blackness and queerness, who never got his dues, Little Richard was a complicated figure, as visionaries often are. Featuring interviews with John Waters, Billy Porter and Elton John, amongst a host of other famous faces, this documentary looks beyond the make-up, flamboyance and self created mythology. As director Cortés says "He did this in 1955 where you could get killed for being gay. He's brave, he's bold, he's unique."

Introduced by writer, historian and performer **Dr Edson Burton**, his academic specialisms include: Bristol and the Transatlantic Slave Trade, Black History in the USA, Cultural continuities between Africa & the New World. Edson has maintained a parallel career as a poet (Seasoned 2008) and writer for theatre and radio and is a member of film programming initiative Come the Revolution.



# **BRISTOL PRIDE PRESENTS: DRAGPROV REVUE**

# It's RuPaul's glamour meets "Whose Line Is It Anyway" style improv comedy.

With smash hit shows from the Edinburgh Fringe now join the dazzling double act as they come to Bristol for our special event with Bristol Improv Theatre.

'Christian Adore' and 'Eaton Messe' are a drag double act performed by Francesca Forristal and Ed Scrivens. Using your suggestions, this lovable soft-boy and sassy queen will create dazzling songs, sketches, and raps.

Serving you wit as sharp as their contour, jinks as high as their brows and memories that will stick with you longer than last night's glitter!

"I do not have enough superlatives to describe how incredible this inimitable act is... filled me with so much joy I wondered what I'd done to deserve it"  $\star \star \star \star$  The Pink Times

"Musically flawless... an uproariously wicked success. A glamorous, belly laugh fiesta" ★★★★ The 730 Review

"The name everyone talks about in London" **\*\*\*\* The Phoenix Remix** 

#### FRI 30 JUNE

Time: 8pm Price: £14/12 Venue: The Bristol Improv Theatre

Tickets: improvtheatre.co.uk

#### SAT 1 JULY

Time: **7-9pm** Price: **free** Age: **18+** Venue: **Bristol Bear Bar** 



# **TRANS MAN/MASC SOCIAL**

A chance for trans men and trans masculine people to meet, socialise and make new friends before Bristol Pride Weekend.

Doors open at 7pm. Entry is free! Partners, friends, family and allies welcome to join and support.

The Planning Inspectorate

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# Proud supporter of Bristol Pride

The Planning Inspectorate has been based in Bristol for more than 40 years. We deal with planning, infrastructure and other environmental casework across England, helping communities shape where we live, work and play.

We regularly seek to recruit talented people and are committed to being a more inclusive and diverse organisation. Our staff Rainbow Network is part of the Civil Service LGBT+ Network.

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#### SAT 1 JULY

Time: **9pm** Price: **£7** Age: **18+** Venue: **The Phoenix** 

Tickets: bristolpride.co.uk/ events

# **PRIDE DTYM**

Get ready to throw shapes at the award-winning DTYM - an LGBT+ event in Bristol that's sure to get you dancing and we're teaming up with them for this special Bristol Pride fundraiser. Have a boogie and support a great cause...what more could you want?!

With a welcoming and accepting atmosphere, you'll feel right at home at DTYM. Don't miss out on a night of music, fun, and glittery jackets – come along and show your support for Bristol Pride.



**Proud to be our authentic selves every day** Happy Bristol Pride from CMS!





SAT 1 JULY Time: 8pm Price: £14/12 Venue: The Bristol Improv Theatre

Tickets: improvtheatre.co.uk

# BRISTOL PRIDE PRESENTS: HELL YEAH!

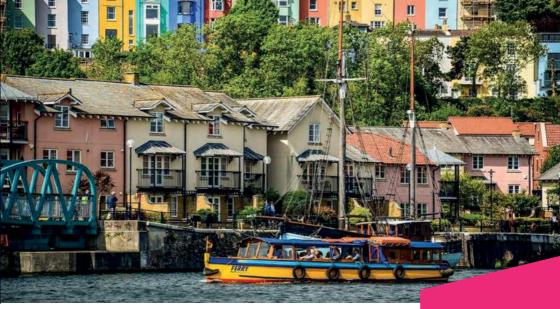
# Fun, femxle-centered, fearless and completely improvised.

A supHer group of London's hottest queer improv talent.

HELL YEAH! is a night of completely improvised comedy, characters, sketches and storytelling. With no script, spontaneity is the only choice and whatever way it goes you are promised a great night.

Host Monica Gaga presents a femxle-centred cast of queer powerhouse performers: Sadie Clark, Rosie Bergonzi, Laura Evelyn, Francesca Reid and Maria Peters.

Each accomplished in their own right, they sell out shows, push the arts forward, and are seen and heard on the BBC, Channel 4, Netflix, Amazon Prime, The Comedy Store and Hoopla Impro (to name a few).



# LGBT+ BRISTOL HISTORY BOAT TOUR

Join Bristol Pride and Outstories Bristol for a special LGBT+ history tour on the water.

We once again take you across the historical harbourside of Bristol. Tour guides from Outstories Bristol will rerun their insightful tour into Bristol's LGBT+ history, drawing on the surrounding areas and sights you will see during this 1 hour tour. By popular demand we are running two sessions this year.

Outstories Bristol collect and preserve the social history and recollections of LGBTQ+ people living in or associated with Bristol, England. Our thanks to them for all the work they do and for sharing their knowledge for this tour. Find out more about their work by visiting: outstoriesbristol.org.uk

Our thanks to South Gloucester County Council for supporting this event to happen.



# SUN 2 JULY

Time: 10am + 11am Price: £10 Venue: Prince Street Ferry Stop

Booking is essential and spaces are limited. To book visit **bristolpride.co.uk/** events

#### **SUN 2 JULY**

Time: **1pm til late.** Price: **Free** Age: **18**+ Venue: **Kongs, King Street** 

# PRIDE GAMING DAY

# UP, DOWN, LEFT RIGHT, L, G, B, T, +

Bristol Pride team up with the wonderful **Bristol Gaymers** for an inclusive, all welcome, LGBT+ gaming day.

Hosted at Kongs on King Street, where you'll find arcade machines along with all your favourite retro consoles. On the big screens will be Nintendo Switch multiplayer madness, including Mario Kart 8 Deluxe with brand new tracks. There will also be a chance to show some rhythm with Beat Saber on VR, with some of your favourite hits.

Take a break from the video screen with a great selection of board and card games, including modern classics like Codenames, Ticket to Ride and Sushi Go! This is a friendly and social event, for you to meet like-minded geeks and play games, old and new!

Check out the Bristol Gaymers group for regular games night and socials: facebook.com/groups/BristolGaymers/

Come and join us.



# **PRIDE DOG SHOW**

# **Paws up for Pride!**

Yes the dog show is back so start practising those wags, brushing those coats and working on your tricks. We've moved to Sunday but you'll still find us at the Wine Street entrance to Castle Park.

Our pawsome rounds are designed for your furry friend to show their charisma, uniqueness, nerve and talent, to earn some top-dog titles.

Category is.....

Waggiest Tail Most Well-Groomed Best Pup Best Small Dog Best Trick Most Like Owner Proudest Pet Dog We'd Most Like to Take Home Happiest Rescue and Musical Sit!

Registration is from 11.30am and it's £2 to enter any 4 categories.

This isn't Crufts, it is a relaxed community event for you and your pet to enjoy and the opportunity to meet fellow dog owners and lovers. There will be rosettes as well as prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd kindly supported by DAS Insurance.

#### SUN 2 JULY

Time: Registration from 11.30, show 12.30pm Price: Free/£2 to enter Venue: CASTLE PARK (Wine Street)

Special thanks to this year's Dog Show Partner Cabot Circus



#### **SUN 2 JULY**

Time: 2.30pm Venue: Castle Park



# **TRANS PRIDE PICNIC**

Join Trans Pride South West for a picnic in Bristol's Castle Park from 2.30pm.

This is a relaxed and social event, open to everybody including allies of the trans / non-binary community. Bring your own picnic and bring friends!

In the event of inclement weather check TPSW's socials for alternative venue.



Price: **£5pp, booked in** tables Time: **7pm** Venue: **Bristol Improv** Theatre

Tickets: improvtheatre.co.uk



# **PRIDE GAMES NIGHT**

Join us for a very special Games Night for Bristol Pride hosted by IMOGENÉ. Bring your friends to games night; a social evening of classic and new games!

Solve riveting riddles, giggle at guessing games, act out murder mystery charades and play together against others. Let your competitive side run wild! Our hosts will bring the games, we'll bring the atmosphere, all you need to do is turn up and have fun.

"an improvised masterpiece from the beginning...very very funny" ★★★★+ Bristol 24/7



# GET QWEIRD - THE CITY OF BEACONS EDITION

# The clowns are back with a new line up of artists

Join The House of Savalon for this special event as part of Bristol Beacon's City of Beacons community arts project.

Eight artists in residence have been given a small bursary each to make new live art performances. They'll be working with The House of Savalon's Astro-Zenica from April 2023 to devise, co-create and share what they've made, culminating in a new live performance art showcase taking place as part of Bristol Pride.

Hosted by **Elektra Duboir** on the line up for this special event we welcome: **T.S Idiot, Dad, Hallam Kelly, Haus of Bussy, Kezzy, mÈlanffro Madziva, Dionysos Slain** and **Eric The Drag King**.

Doors open 6:30pm, show starts, 7:30pm.

#### SUN 2 JULY

Time: 7.30pm Price: £12/10 Venue: Bristol Beacon

Tickets: Bristolpride.co.uk/ events

#### **SUN 2 JULY**

Price: **£13/8/5** Age: **18+** Time: **7.30pm** Venue: **Trinity** 

Tickets: bit.ly/BrizzlePride



# **BRIZZLE BOYZ DRAG KING CABARET**

# **Brizzle Pride!**

Bristol's fave queer punk drag king cabaret Brizzle Boyz are back at Trinity Centre for a Summer Sunday extravaganza, with an early evening show and two daytime beginner friendly drag workshops!

With performances from Dancing Queer, Manly Mannington, Oliver Assets, Fluxx Wyldly, Diomede, BooHoo Mann, and Hannah Clift.

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# Supporting diversity and inclusion

At Simmons & Simmons, we invite diversity of experiences, background and thought.

We're committed to promoting LGBT+ equality and are proud to support this year's Bristol Pride.





# **PRIDE HUB**

# 3 July - 7 July 12-6pm

At The Vestibules in City Hall, College Green (Park Street entrance) come pick up festival guides, purchase our special Pride x Aardman T-shirt and Tote bags, buy wristbands or chat to the team.

You can also exchange etickets for wristbands. Remember etickets are valid for free travel.

Super Supporter wristbands are not available to purchase or exchange at the hub – you can do this at the dedicated lane at the festival.

With thanks to our Hub Partner City of Bristol College



# VOLUNTEER WITH PRIDE

Our incredible volunteers are what make Pride happen and we still need some support. Even one shift can make a big difference.

**Parade Stewards**: Take part still, just help keep everyone safe by ensuring they keep to the right side of the road and moving.

**Gate Crew:** Help collect those vital donations and exchange etickets for wristbands.

To sign up visit bristolpride.co.uk/volunteer or email volunteer@bristolpride.co.uk



#### MON 3 JULY

Price: **£8/5** Time: **7.30pm** Venue: **The Cube** 

Tickets: bristolpride.co.uk/ events



# **MÄDCHEN IN UNIFORM**

## She Loves Me!

A swoon-along screening of the first ever lesbian film. Thrill to the smolder between dreamy Manuela and gentle Fräulein von Bernburg! Sigh as Manuela abandons her pinafore for doublet and hose! With an all-female cast, directed by a woman and featuring positive depictions of lesbians, it was groundbreaking in many ways and inevitably banned as "decadent" by the Nazi regime.

Introduction by writer **So Mayer** of Club Des Femmes, a queer feminist film curation collective plus live performance, stockings and kissing from **Georgeous Michael**.

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# SWITCHBOARD BY ASTRO-ZENICA

A show about class, violence, visibility, sexual freedom and community.

A love letter to the radical queers, club promoters, party starters, drag artists, and volunteers at the switchboard. Most of all to Dale Wakefield, who opened the Switchboard at her home in Totterdown in 1975.

Dale and the team received thousands of calls to Switchboard. They listened to the fears, signposting to the club, offering rescue missions to those attacked on the street, and became a beacon of support during the AIDS crisis. All because of a belief in, and commitment to, the power of community.

Drawing on archival research, call logs and oral histories about queer nightlife and protest in the 1970s and 80s, join Astro-Zenica (House of Savalon) in the Weston Studio as they explore the myriad of codes and languages developed by queer people to reach out, hook-up and find community.

This event is kindly supported by DAC Beachcroft

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# TUE 4 JULY

Time: **8pm** Price: **£12/10** Age: **16+** Venue: **Bristol Old Vic** 

Tickets: Bristolpride.co.uk/ events

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# **BUTCH BAR MIXTAPE**

Butches and transmascs and NBs, oh my! A selection of shorts exploring butch joy curated by Queer Vision, in partnership with the **Bristol Butch Bar**.

#### Desire

#### Campbell X | UK 2017 10mins

A dreamy meditation on the desire for transmasc, butch, stud and masculine of centre people.

#### **Nails and Beauty**

#### Rhona Foster | UK 2022 10mins

A teenage girl blossoms after her transformative day with a beautiful bearded builder.

#### Gaze

#### Ola Adediji | UK 2022 | 10mins

Two exes meet again at a party. Have things changed?

#### **Tow Truck**

#### Kieran Stringfellow | UK 2022 14mins

With the wolf at the door, a single parent finds a way to make some cash.

#### Dippers and Oysters Kai Fiáin | UK 2022 | 10mins

A Butch / Femme love story between two pickpockets, set in present day London town.

#### **Private View**

#### Sarah Myland | UK 2022 17mins

After three years, painter Sadie Lee unveils her portrait of Libro Levi Bridgeman.

## Arm Wrestling Championship 2022

#### Filmed: Rosie Poebright, Edited: Esper Pickering Pick | UK 2022 | 4mins

Get a front row seat at Bristol Butch Bar's annual arm wrestling championship, celebrating butch strength, solidarity and community. Morning Ode to My Nonbinary Brown King Body Leo Aquino | USA 2023 | 1min A poetic and joyful celebration of the queer body.

Tickets: Bristolpride.co.uk/

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#### **Monsieur Le Butch**

#### Jude Dry | USA 2021 | 12mins

Over an intimate haircut, Jude realizes they don't have to be fully understood to be fully loved.

#### **Butch Up!**

#### Yu-jin Lee | South Korea 2022 11mins

Mi-hae has just been dumped twice, by her girlfriend and her band. What next?

101 mins total running time + Interval.



# BRISTOL PRIDE PRESENTS: MURDER, HE DIDN'T WRITE

# A gender-swapped improvised murder mystery night

Dastardly plotting, mayhem and laughter! The incredible Bristol based theatre troupe **Degrees Of Error** are back to present you a very special Pride fundraiser edition of their Edinburgh Fringe hit sell-out show 'Murder, She Didn't Write'.

The talented cast create a completely original and hilarious murdermystery, improvised on-the-spot using suggestions from the audiences and a whole host of gender-swapped suspects, in a show that promises to dazzle, enthral and delight.

Hailed by the Ed Fringe Review as 'One of the funniest evenings you'll have in some time' so be sure to get your tickets for this incredible popular show quickly. Will you guess whodunnit in time?

"Absolutely fantastic... incredibly clever... laugh out loud funny... a truly entertaining and hilarious take on the murder mystery and absolutely not one to miss." **\*\*\*\*\* Voice Magazine** 

Limited capacity, so book quickly.

With kind thanks to Degrees of Error this is a fundraising event for Bristol Pride. A proportion of your ticket will also go toward the Wardrobe Theatre to support this vital community asset.

## TUE 4 JULY

Time: **7pm + 8.45pm** Price: **£10** Age: **16+** Venue: **Wardrobe Theatre** 

Tickets: bristolpride.co.uk/ events



#### WED 5 JULY

Time: **7pm** Price: **£11/20** Age: **16+** Venue: **Wardrobe Theatre** 

Tickets: bristolpride.co.uk/ events

# **BRISTOL PRIDE PRESENTS: DRAG QUEENS VS. ZOMBIES**

# Join the award-winning Haus of Dench for this 5-star comedy horrors show

A blood-curdling, side-splitting, wig-snatching extravaganza! Award winning drag stars **Kate Butch** and **Crudi Dench** have their star-studded cabaret show crashed by brain-hungry zombies.

The feuding pair must reconcile their differences in order to save the audience from a gruesome death in this camp comedy horror. Featuring musical performances, hysterical interactive audience moments and at least one demon child of a famous celebrity!

Why not make it a double creature feature with Drag Queens vs Vampires. A combo ticket at &20 is available.

Written by Eleanor Mason & Matthew Stallworthy as heard on BBC Radio 4 Extra.

"Fast-paced entertainment that really delivered on every level" **\*\*\*\*** LondonTheatre

"Escapism from reality at its finest" **\*\*\* London Pub Theatres Magazine** 

"Hilarious" **\* \* \* \* Fairy Powered Productions** 

#### BRISTOL PRIDE PRESENTS: DRAG QUEENS VS. VAMPIRES

## Another comedy horror romp with the award-winning Haus of Dench

Stakes are high as the queens of comedy horror return to slay! Jetting off to Transylvania as the UK's Eurovision entry. Their dreams become nightmares when their sexy Airbnb host Dracula comes between the pair, threatening their lives and, more importantly, chances of stardom. Featuring Haus of Dench's infectious brand of camp humour, audience interaction and musical numbers, you won't be able to resist being sucked into this all singing, all slaying, fang-tastically funny new show.

Why not make it a double creature feature with Drag Queens vs Zombies. A combo ticket at  $\pounds 20$  is available.

Written by Eleanor Mason & Matthew Stallworthy as heard on BBC Radio 4 Extra.

"Bloody Brilliant" **\* \* \* \* Everything Theatre** 

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#### WED 5 JULY

Time: **8.45pm** Price: **£11/20** Age: **16+** Venue: Wardrobe Theatre

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#### **THUR 6 JULY**

Time: **7pm** Price: **Free, Donations welcome** Venue: **Kuumba Centre** 

Booking: bristolpride.co.uk/ events

# Interculture Shifting hearts and minds since 2016

#### **DISABILITY ALLYSHIP PANEL**

#### **Disabled Allyship in the LGBT+ World**

LGBT+ advocacy has historically failed to incorporate disability as a core issue. Likewise, disability advocacy has failed to centre intersectionality with other groups at its core.

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#### **THUR 6 JULY**

Time: **7pm** Price: **£4.99** Venue: **17 Midland Road, BS2 OJT** 

#### IN DISCUSSION...QUEER ROMANCE FICTION

A night to discuss the wonderful rise of queer romance literature with authors **Ryan Love** (Arthur and Teddy are Coming Out) and **Laura Kay** (Wild Things).

#### **Wild Things**

El Evans is stuck in a dead-end job, hopelessly in unrequited love with her best friend, Ray, and in need of a major life change.

#### **Arthur and Teddy are Coming Out**

Arthur's 21-year-old grandson, Teddy, has a secret: he's also gay but isn't ready to come out yet - especially when Arthur's announcement causes shockwaves in the family.

£1 of every ticket sold goes to Bristol Pride and 50p of every ticket sold goes to Caring in Bristol.



#### THUR 6 JULY

Time: **7-10pm** Price: **FREE** Age: **18+** Venue: **The Old Market Tavern** 

#### **BRISTOL PRIDE DRINK AND DRAW**

Grab a pint and a pen (or any drink or drawing equipment of your choosing) and join **Pride CAF** for a chilled evening of drinking and drawing. Pretty much what it says on the tin. No matter your identity, gender or drawing ability, all are welcome!

Bring your own equipment or use a selection of equipment provided. Prompts and ideas to get you started will be provided.





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#### **SOUTH WEST SHORTS**

We present an eclectic mix of new UK queer shorts, including our South West submissions. As a partner to Iris Prize, our winning selection goes directly into the Best British category finals, we'll announce our winner on the night!

Filmmakers and those interested in making films are invited to Speed Networking and drinks after the screening, hosted by our local BFI Network Talent Executives: Nadia and Jess.

87mins total running time

#### **G** Flat

#### Dir Peter Darney | UK 2022 17m

84 year old Ceri connects with a young man on Grindr, but what is he really looking for?

#### Longing

#### Courteney Tan | UK 2023 12.5m

On the night before she returns home, a Malaysian woman finds herself on an impromptu date.

#### Moments I Saw in Red

#### Penn Balint | UK 2023 | 2.5m

Experimental short shot on 8mm, exploring trauma, PTSD and synaesthesia.

#### Woodland

#### Phil Wall | UK 2022 | 7m

Sparks fly when Alistair meets Fergus in the woods but must they keep it a secret?

#### Goodbye Python

#### Frankie Fox | UK 2023 | 9m

With his grief healing programme terminated, Kai must shut down a conscious Al. Can he let go?

#### **I Must Trespass**

#### Charlie Parchment | UK 2023 1.5m

A Reflection of Queerness in Rural Spaces.

Tickets: Bristolpride.co.uk/ events

#### Section 28 and Me

Tom Marshman, Paul Blakemore, Sam Halmarack | UK 2023 | 8.5m Exploring the lasting impact of Section 28 on queer lives.

#### The Secret Lives of Lesbians' Cats

#### Kate Jessop | UK 2023 1.5m

How do exasperated felines escape from their humans'

#### relationship dramas?

#### Groom

#### Leyla Coll-O'Reilly | UK 2022 16.5m

16 year old Hannah has a lot to learn on a trial shift at a beauty salon.

#### Repair

#### Sir Bertil Nilsson | UK 2023 11m

A neurodivergent man is faced with a choice after an encounter at the supermarket.

#### FRI 7 JULY

Time: **DOORS 7PM** Price: **£15/13** Age: **16+** Venue: **BRISTOL OLD VIC** 

Tickets: bristolpride.co.uk/events

#### BRISTOL PRIDE COMEDY NIGHT

Our incredible Comedy Night is back and this year we are moving to the Bristol Old Vic and we are so excited to be bringing this amazing line-up of acts to Bristol to celebrate proudly with us. The perfect warm up for Pride Day!

This event is a fundraiser for Bristol Pride.

Bevan Brittan 🚯

#### With thanks to Bevan Brittan



#### **Jayde Adams**

Change is always hard and what better person to lead the men, selflessly by the hand, into the new world than TV's Jayde Adams. Our host for the evening is a multi award winning comedian and actress, her critically acclaimed special was released on Amazon Prime to worldwide applause, longlisted for an Emmy and amassed over 156 million views.

Jayde stars in Sophie Willan's BAFTA winning TV series Alma's Not Normal (BBC Two), the upcoming Take That movie Greatest Days and also stars in Neil Gaiman's Good Omens (Amazon Prime). She is the cohost of the BAFTA nominated series Snackmasters and Netflix smash hit Crazy Delicious.



#### **Josh Jones**

Mancunian ray of sunshine, Josh Jones is the most original voice to emerge from the North-West in recent years. Nominated for Best Newcomer at Dave's Edinburgh Comedy Awards for his critically acclaimed sell-out show Waste of Space. He was also nominated for Outstanding On-Screen Talent award for hosting Fast Food Face-Off on BBC Three and was a finalist for the prestigious BBC New Comedy Award.

After his hilarious debut TV appearances on E4's 8 Out of 10 Cats and ITV's Jonathan Ross' Comedy Club, Josh has gone on to appear on 8 Out of 10 Cats Does Countdown, Dave's Late Night Mash, Rhod Gilbert's Growing Pains and Comedy Central Live. Josh recently made his debut appearance on The Jonathan Ross Show.



#### Heidi Regan

With more than a decade's experience as a comedy writer. Heidi enjoyed a meteoric rise through the stand-up comedy ranks. She has won two of the most coveted prizes in comedy; the So You Think You're Funny? title at the Edinburgh Fringe Festival 2016, following in the footsteps of comedians including Peter Kay, Aisling Bea, Alan Carr and Lee Mack, before scooping the BBC New Comedy Award prize in 2017. She has since gigged around the world, including performances at the prestigious Just For Laughs in Montreal and tour support for Joe Lycett, Phil Wang and Milton Jones.

"Multitude of laugh-out-loud moments" ★★★★★ Scottish Daily Mail



#### Sam Lake

Stand-up comedian, writer and presenter, Cornwall-born Sam Lake is one the country's most exciting up and coming comics. Openly sharing stories and details from his life as a semi-camp gay man, he made his Edinburgh Fringe debut in 2022 with "Sam Lake: Cake", receiving rave reviews.

He's the winner of Leicester Square Theatre New Comedian of the Year, and has written for shows like Mock The Week & Breaking The News and starred on Dave's "The Comedy Guide to Life"

"Gut Bustingly Funny" -Deadline News

"Infectious charm & chaotic gay energy" - Fringe Biscuit



#### **Charlie George**

An award-winning stand-up comedian and writer, she was LGBTQ New Comedian of the Year Award Winner 2019, So You Think You're Funny and Funny Women Awards runner up.

Appearing on BBC Asian Network Live and Comedy Central's Rhod Gilbert's Growing Pains, and has written for the likes of Frankie Boyle & Joe Lycett.

Regular host of The Glory in London, she also featured in Charlie Brooker's writers room for Cunk & Other Humans 2019, The BAFTA nominated AntiViral Wipe 2020 and Death to 2020 & 2021 for Netflix.

"Hilarious and no messin" -BBC Asian Network Comedy





#### **BRISTOL PRIDE COMMUNITY FUND**

#### Supporting local LGBT+ community events

Our Community Fund supports opportunities and activities which enhance or improve the lives of LGBT+ people in Bristol and the surrounding areas. To date we've funded 28 wonderful projects.

Supported by sales of our Super Supporter Wristbands we provide small grant funding to deliver projects that address issues that affect us all, help under-represented groups or LGBT+ events that just need a little support.

For eligibility, priority areas and to apply visit bristolpride.co.uk/community-fund

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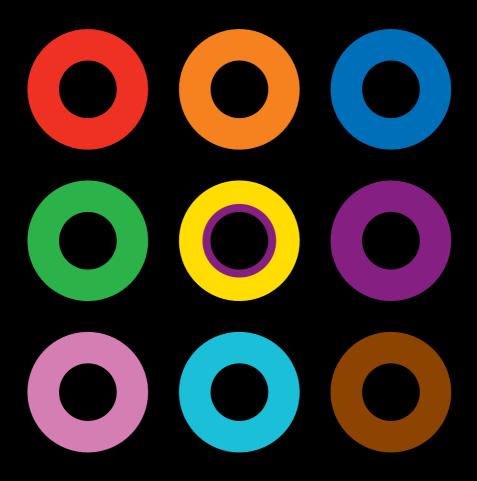
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#### PRIDE PARADE

#### Be Loud, Be Proud, Be Visible

Join us in a bold celebration and protest for equality and diversity, to visibly celebrate our community and show that hatred and prejudice has no place in our city.

We've still not seen the ban on conversion therapy and there are continued attacks on the Human Rights Act and on the trans community. We must remember that while progress has been made, the LGBT+ community still have to keep fighting for equal rights, for all, and we must also fight to maintain the rights that we have. It feels like we need to be more visible than ever, to march proudly, with our allies, to showcase that we are here, we're a huge community, united together and we are not going anywhere! With that we will be very excited to unveil our new Parade flag which is bigger than ever.

Gather at the **Band Stand** end of Castle Park and we'll head through the city centre and onwards to the harbourside. It's free for members of the public to join the parade but all businesses, who are not already a Pride Partner or Supporter, need to register and make a small financial contribution to take part, to support us making it happen. Visit bristolpride.co.uk/parade for eligibility and to register.

Our thanks to Dyson, our Parade Partner, their support pays for road closures, traffic management and stewarding to keep you safe.

#### SAT 8 JULY

Time: Gather 10am Depart 10.45am Venue: Castle Park







SAT S JULY Times: 12PM - 9.45PM

#### PRIDE DAY MAIN STAGE

Home to local and global superstars and we are so excited to showcase amazing talent and come together to celebrate Pride through incredible performances. We're joined by some special guest hosts this year and opening with **DJ Keziah** from 12pm.



#### Ian Downs – Host

Radio, TV presenter and local institution, long serving broadcaster, Downsy joins us as our afternoon host to keep you entertained.



#### Sing Out Bristol – 1pm

This Bristol institution has grown into the largest LGBT+ organisation in the South West, with over 150 members. As well as weekly rehearsals and regular performances, they hold monthly social events and outreach work. Visit their stall in the community area tent to find out more.



#### Órla Bligh – 1.30pm

Founder of Thorny, Órla Bligh debuted her original music in 2022 and this year releases her debut EP. Writing about her experiences as a trans woman finding community in an unequal society, Órla Bligh uses her music to spread a message of unity, collectivism and love to anyone who has been through hard times.



#### Newtion – 1.55pm

Here to deliver his sermon. 'Music to mek the mandem wan' cyatch vibe wit dem menzes' Newtion brings a conversation to his father, siblings and all the future children about what Black masculinity and sexuality mean through the many facets of his highly queer, highly melinated vessel.



#### Denise Pearson [5Star] – 2.25pm

Lead vocalist with the chart topping 5Star, Denise is a Grammy award winning singer/ songwriter with an unprecedented chart run of over 20 top thirty UK singles including Rain or Shine, System Addict and The Slightest Touch. Recently she's been on stage in the West End, toured with The Jacksons, performed with Sigala and at festivals across the UK.



#### Alison Limerick – 3pm

Known for her powerful and soulful voice, she's captivated audiences around the world. Blending house, soul, and dance, creating a unique sound that saw her rise to success through the 90s scene. With hit songs like Where Love Lives and Make It On My Own she's the established jewel in the UK house and soul scene.



#### Dolly Parton Experience – 3.25pm

Endorsed by Dolly herself, the incredible Sarah Jayne has all the glitz, glam and charisma to present a unique tribute to the Queen of Country! Performing all the hits, join us on a journey from her Tennessee mountain home to the well-known red-headed woman that nearly got Dolly's man; Jolene!



#### Ro Pound – 4pm

Nonbinary and deafblind Ro is a BSL user and adores music. First performing with us when they were just 19, this year they'll be shaking things up a little on the Main Stage, bringing songs to life through sign language.

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#### Natalie Imbruglia – 4.15pm

One of Australia's most loved pop artists, she first stole our hearts with her chart-topping smash hit Torn, the most played song on Australian radio since 1990! Since then, she has released six studio albums and in 2021 she made a triumphant return with her critically acclaimed, Top 10 album, 'Firebird'. Natalie has won 8 ARIA's, 2 Brit Awards, one Billboard Music Award and received three Grammy Nominations.

Most recently, Natalie had a cameo in the final ever episode of Neighbours, where she played Beth Brennan through the 90's, and won the third series of The Masked Singer UK.



#### Nadine Coyle – 5.15pm

As one fifth of chart-mauling, award-winning, expectation-shattering girl band Girls Aloud, Nadine Coyle has already played her part in helping redefine pop. Rising to fame in the OOs and racking up an incredible twenty-one UK Top Ten singles, 4 No.1s and 5 incredible albums, if anyone had a role, then Nadine's was The Voice.



#### Host – Jayde Adams

Our evening host for the Main Stage is a multi award winning comedian, actress and Strictly Come Dancing star! Jayde's critically acclaimed special was released on Amazon Prime to worldwide applause, was longlisted for an Emmy and has amassed over 156 million views. She's just finished an incredible sold out UK tour and is ready to party with you.



#### Rhythm of The 90s - 6pm

The UK's no.1 live 90s dance anthems band, they bring their infectious energy, incredible musicianship and nostalgia-filled set. With soldout shows across the UK expect to hear classic hits from Darude, The Prodigy, Sash, Faithless, Haddaway, Robin S, Corona, Baby D, N-Trance, plus many more, all performed by a fully live 7 piece band.



#### Sophie and The Giants – 6.55pm

With over 100 Million global streams these practitioners of innovative pop are a raw fusion of collective influences, ranging from the likes of Siouxsie Sioux and Blondie. With intense, life-affirming sounds they've toured with the likes of Tom Grennan and Reverend and The Makers, performed as part of the Eurovision 2022 half time show and scored No.1s across Europe with collaborations with Purple Disco Machine.



#### Ladyhawke – 7.45pm

Her incredible knack for a catchy pop hook coupled with an 80s rock chic ambiance was quickly noticed when she began releasing tracks online as Ladyhawke in 2008. Her debut album launched singles like 'Paris is Burning' and 'My Delirium' and introduced Ladyhawke as a fully fledged fusion of pop/indie/new wave winning multiple music awards, ARIAs, and Brit, MTV and NME Awards nominations.



#### Jake Shears - 8.45pm

In a career that has spanned multi-million global album sales, Brits, Ivor Novellos, Grammy award nominations and arena tours, Jake Shears has become a trusted friend to his audience. Just last year, Scissor Sisters' debut album was named the UK's twelfth biggest-selling debut LP of all time, whilst Shears himself has continued to shape-shift: he has not only written an acclaimed memoir ('Boys Keep Swinging'), performed on Broadway (Kinky Boots), and wrote the lyrics alongside Elton John to the Olivier Award winning 'Tammy Faye' which opened to rave reviews.

That pull towards the dancefloor, however, has remained a constant throughout Jake Shears' unorthodox career, resulting in a new album that feels as much of a blast of escapism as it is a spiritual homecoming for the selfconfessed Last Man Dancing. We are so excited for this very special performance with Pride.

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SAT S JULY

Times: 12PM - 8.40PM

# CABARET STAGE

Hailed as one of the best in the country and attracting outstanding performers from the UK Drag Circuit and stars from Rupaul's Drag Race. Flamboyant, at times risqué and always unpredictable. Thank you to our 2023 stage partner Education First.



#### Pom Pom Playhaus - 1pm

This playful party opens the stage this year with island of misfit toys of the Bristol scene: Sneeze, Pocket Rocket, Cas Enovah and Kitten, dazzle with their pesky dance moves while Pom Pom DJ's our favourite pride anthems to get you in the mood.



Dee Ryder (Host) - 1.45pm

Irish Yummy Mummy brings pure femme fantasy. Organiser and resident of Slaughterhaus she's been on all the best stages in Bristol and the UK including Brighton Pride and modelling at London Fashion Week. Her hosting, lip-syncing, and dancing will leave you wanting more of mother's milk!



#### Xanthe - 1.50pm

Bristol's talkative mime, gunning for Mx Congeniality by spreading love and their legs around Bristol and the world. From high energy dance numbers to the surreal and politically contemporary, Xanthe is the eBay mystery box of your dreams. Now, time to find out what's inside!



Chardonnay - 2.05pm

Part-time supermodel, self-acclaimed Queen of Beige is Bristol's very own Queen of the Night! Known for her breath-taking beauty, legendary lip-syncs and gorgeous gowns. Part of the iconic Slaughterhaus family, you can also find her twirling across the UK's best stages!



#### Manly Mannington - 2.15pm

Cosplaying, AfroFuturist Drag King taking the UK by storm, featured in numerous news articles and HUNGER magazine alongside the biggest drag kings in the UK. An advocate for Black and POC drag performers they have big plans for this year, so keep an eye out.



#### Miss Dynasty - 2.25pm

Bristol Asian queen dancing diva serving oriental glam inspired by the best of East meets West. She ain't no fortune cookie, she's the real deal, using drag to celebrate her sexuality and identity to break free from the forbidden in her homeland and celebrate Pride.



#### Miss Jam Tart - 2.35pm

The Tart With A Heart is back! Her career's taken off, performing all over the UK and she was a Drag Idol UK 2022 finalist in Cardiff. Voted Bristol's 27th Coolest Person by Bristol Live, her stunning vocals will keep this party going! Ready for a slice of TART?



#### Dominique Fleek (Host) - 2.55pm

Homegrown baddie, repping for the dolls and slaying a performance is what she's all about. From posing the house down, lip syncing with her signature saucy flair or singing live she gives you the full fleek experience and you'll always want second servings.



#### Tray La Trash - 3pm

Often found hosting nights at OMG Bar. She's an actress, singer, dancer and yummy mummy. Will go to the opening of a vodka bottle if asked so Pride was an easy ask!



#### The Tiny Gentleman - 3.20pm

The Tiny Gentleman is the most minuscule of homosexual men in all of Clapham. He is an all singing, all dancing tiny twink.

Prepare yourself to laugh your lashes off and dance the night away.



#### TIA KOFI - 3.40pm

RPDR UK breakout star was a firm fan favourite from the start, established as the UK's Drag Princess of Pop with several acclaimed singles and four Top 10's on the Official Commercial Pop Chart. Debut 'Outside In', written by Little Boots and Tom Aspaul, premiered on Radio 2's breakfast show. A West End Star, she's worked with L'Oreal and Spotify.



#### Jessica Jungle (Host) - 4.05pm

Bristol's International-Pop-Sensation-turned-Talent-Scout is producer of Slaughterhaus and 'Jessica Jungle presents: I'm Gonna Be A Star', this pop icon will have you crying with laughter with her early OO's, Eurovision-worthy performances. Come join her fan club as she launches towards international mega-stardom!





#### Don One - 4.10pm

Returning for the 4th year and bringing all of their onstage talent and charisma with them! A Drag King who has smashed through the sequinned ceiling with a three-month run in the West End and performing at the biggest drag show in the world at Copenhagen Pride 2022.

#### Lady Bushra - 4.30pm

Bradford bad girl Lady Bushra was a breakout sensation during lockdown, and a finalist in the 2021 BBC New Comedy Awards. British Asian comedian Amir's creation blends South Asian sensibilities with British humour, making Lady Bushra an instant hit.



#### Son Of A Tutu - 4.50pm

Actor, award-winning Drag artist, activist, and speaker. 2011 winner of 'Drag Idol UK' now performs across the UK and Europe from cabaret, films, pantos and festivals. They've appeared at Edinburgh Fringe Festival and hosted events for Amnesty International, ParaPride and Victoria Beckham's Instagram.



#### Delirium (Host) - 5.10pm

This AFAB powerhouse is taking no prisoners! Some say they've seen her crush a man's spirit with just a stare, others say she's a complete delusion, the consequence of a festival bender. She's Bristol's favourite lesbian drag queen.



#### Stephanie Von Clitz - 5.15pm

She has been performing around the country and at many Pride events for the last 10 years, originally starting in London, she now lives in Brighton. An ambassador for Cancer is a Drag charity, she can't wait to return to Bristol Pride.





#### Amanda from The Traitors -5.35pm

Welsh Mama Dragon Amanda Lovett hit our screens on "The Traitors" quickly became a fan favourite and is now heralded as a gay icon by the LGBT+ community. She's nominated for Celebrity of the Year by National Diversity Awards and Reality Personality of the Year by the National Reality TV Awards.

#### Jolene Dover - 5.55pm

Cardiff queen Jolene is TV star with cameos on Casualty and star of Made TV's 'When Jolene Met'. Comedy artist, DJ and singer with a unique style, quick humour & observational comedy. Witty and slightly off-the-wall with an amazing voice.



#### Miss Beaver (Host) - 6.15pm

Programming the very best of worldwide cabaret for 10 years at Bristol Pride, Miss Beaver is an award-winning Drag Queen and Trojan Horse of Bristol gay scene. THE Bristol hostess who provides sassy comedy with high energy lipsyncs.



#### RA'JAH O'HARA - 6.20pm

Queen of the World! American Drag artist, entertainer, creator, dynamic dancing diva, makeup artist and singer first burst onto our screens and rose to fame in Season 11 of RuPaul's Drag Race. Going on to compete in All Stars 6, she reached the finals and finished as runner up, before being crowned the winner of Canada vs The World last year! We are so excited to have this incredible queen headline the cabaret stage this year.



#### Asifa Lahore - 6.45pm

Britain's first out Muslim Drag Queen pushes the boundaries of what it means to be LGBT+, South Asian and Muslim. Club Kali and Disco Rani promoter and DJ, Asifa's an impassioned activist, focusing on the intersectionality of race, sexual orientation, gender, disability and religion.



#### Jersey The Devil (Host) - 7.05pm

Year 2000s favourite woman and one of the faces of The Bristol Drag Collective... it's Jersey The Devil! She's here to show off her Trans- Non Binary pride with high energy performances, chaotic hosting and a cackle to be heard all throughout Bristol.



Stage partner



#### Snow White Trash - 7.10pm

First performing at Madame JoJos and now all over the UK including Brighton and Bristol Pride, Snow White Trash is UK's #saxydragqueen. Sassy, beautiful, talented, this queen always entertains with her saxophone sing-a-long numbers and her powerhouse vocal performances.



#### Clare Deloon - 7.30pm

The delectable AFAB drag queen with an immense voice that only a mother could love. Expect a party like never before... But also expect ABBA!



#### Tess Drive - 7.50pm

Bristol's 17th most successful Drag Queen! Drag Idol 2018 semi-finalist and featured on BBC's Amazing Humans this Tonight Josephine regular is back hosting "the most incredible lineup ever." Impeccable comic timing with powerhouse vocals. Ready to be taken on the Tess Drive of your life?



#### CHIYO & Margo Marshall - 7.55pm

One of the UK's most provocative Drag Kings and first Trans person to compete for Mr Gay UK. Attitude's "Top 100 trailblazers" of 2021, he performed in Travis Alabanza's five star play 'Sound of the Underground'. MARGO MARSHALL: is the ultimate Drag dance assassin. An old school glamour girl with a party girl attitude.

#### Donna Trump - 8.20pm

An explosion of camp! Expect wacky and lively performances from this ex-teacher. You'll laugh, cry and smile all at the same time. Creator of collaborative drag shows for families: Queeriosity Cabaret and tours internationally.



# FOOD & DRINK

# Hungry, thirsty or just want to treat yourself - we have you covered!

We have 6 bars across the site, all offering a range of drinks with sugar and gluten free options available. We also have dedicated craft beer and cocktail bars! Free drinking water is available at all bars and drinking water taps are marked on the festival map, bring an **empty** water bottle on site to refill.

#### You can't bring your own alcohol into the festival.

We remain **card only** across all of our bars so make sure you bring your card. If you don't have a bank card you can bring cash and exchange it for a temporary card at the info point. Some of the food & market traders may still take cash.

We also have more delicious food offerings for you this year from all over the globe. The only difficulty is what to choose? Amore Pizza (V, VG) Desi Thai (GF, V, VG) Duck Shed (GF, V, VG) **Greek Wraps**(V) Guildable Manor (GF, V, VG) Loaded Fries (V) Mr Roast Potato (GF, V, VG) Nawa Kitchen (GF, V, VG) Olives & Stuff (GF, V, VG) Paletas (GF, V, VG) **Unstabled Coffee & Smoothies** Hog Roast (GF, V, VG) Gourmet Burgers (GF, V, VG) **Retro Sweets** Fish & Chips (V) **Chicken & Chips (V)** Spanish buffet (GF, V, VG) Oh Crepe! (GF, V, VG) Nacho Burrito (GF, V, VG) Chiki Monki (V, VG) Kells Kitchen (GF, V, VG) Soy Ahoy (GF, V, VG) Hummusapiens (GF, V, VG)

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# CELEBRATING diversity and inclusion

UWE Bristol is proud to be the sustainability partner for Bristol Pride 2023



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BRISTOL Equality Charter



#### SUSTAINABILITY AT PRIDE

#### **Proud of our Planet**

We've been working hard to make Pride as sustainable as possible for many years. We, like so many of you, are horrified by the increasing results of plastic in our oceans and the impact of climate crisis and species endangerment. We all need to act now!

This year thanks to support from UWE and Future Leap we are doing our very first Carbon Audit.

We do a lot already to reduce our carbon footprint, from sourcing infrastructure locally, removing plastic serve ware, reusable cup scheme, banning single use plastic from our bars and using HVO in our generators. However the only way for us to further reduce our carbon footprint is to know our impact! We'll be publishing the findings of our audit and our carbon reduction plan after the festival.

BUT we need your help. One of our biggest impacts is the thousands of people that attend Pride. YOU. You have a part to play to help reduce the impact on the environment and there's several ways you can help:

- Bring a reusable water bottle to refill onsite (let's stay hydrated when dancing).
- Avoid glitter, get creative with face paints or mineral shimmers instead.
- Get to Pride using public transport (First Bus travel is free with your Supporter Wristband), VOI or the train to Clifton Down Station.
- Planning a killer look? Raid the charity shops before you buy something new.
- If you're a smoker, make sure you use the waste bins provided to bin that butt.
- Donate to Bristol based carbon offsetting charity, Energy Revolution Initiative when purchasing your supporter wristband.

#### **PLEASE DON'T LITTER**

We have over 100 bins onsite with recycling facilities - use them!



#### Proud to sponsor Bristol Pride 2023 as the Family Partner







# PRIDE FAMILY AREA

#### **Celebrate Pride with the whole family**

Come celebrate Pride with the whole family. A great space to relax and celebrate while enjoying the festival atmosphere in a dedicated area filled with play activities. Meet other same sex parents and celebrate your identity or simply have a great day out with all the family. This area is kindly supported by Hargreaves Lansdown who will be on hand with spaces for changing and feeding if you prefer to do so in private.

NEW this year we have **Junkfish** bringing outdoor fun and games including circus skills and giant garden games. Kids can have a go at plate spinning, hula hooping or stilt walking, play a game of giant chess or Jenga, or race the balls down our fabulous, recycled Junk Ball Run.

We also welcome back **School of Drag** who will bring quick catwalks, arts & crafts, and Drag Story Time; a safe space for kids to enjoy LGBT+ stories. Story Time readings will be on the hour at 1,2,3 and 4pm.

Be sure to check out the Youth Area for those aged 13-25 and the Dance Stage for workshops and performances for the little'uns too.

#### HARGREAVES LANSDOWN

SAT 8 JULY Times: 1PM - 7PM

#### Oka Anumpuli & Luak Fire Tribe - 1pm

Circus/Native American. Traditional native stories told with imaginative visual displays using a range of circus skills including UV, hoops, fire, poi and more.

#### AE Dance & Fitness with Commercial Latin - 1.15pm

Commercial Latin, Lyrical, Burlesque & Jazz. Joining forces this year they have one goal – to make people feel great, on stage and in the studio!

#### 344 Dance School - 1.30pm

Contemporary, Ballet, Tap & Character. This competition team compete and perform regularly with multiple group dances, trios and solos of different styles.

#### Jodie Hancocks Academy of Dance & Fitness - 1.45pm

Cheer, Street, Ballet, Musical, Lyrical. Welcoming all abilities & ages, classes are designed to build confidence, learn wicked moves and have fun!

#### **Dwild Fitness - 2pm**

Dance Fitness. Classes for everyone no matter size, age or ability. If you enjoy it do it. It's about being happy and confident in the body you're in.

#### **DANCE STAGE**

Our exciting Dance and Performance Stage brings you everything from Street Dance, Theatre Dance to Zumba – we've got something for everyone and all ages.

With performances and workshops all day, be sure to get involved. Thanks to **Streetenvy Dance** for programming this stage and our hosts for the day **Mariana Trench** and **Miss Jam Tart**.

#### South West Dance Theatre - 2.15pm

A variety of ballet styles. While ballet is at the core technique they take from all dance disciplines to create fresh exciting dance theatre.

#### Filton Dance Fitness Fiesta -2.30pm

Afrobeats/Funk. A new class, from Carnival Beats, to Burna Boy, to Brazillian styles the group specialise in breaking down cultural barriers to create a community.

#### Streetenvy Kids Pride Group - 2.45pm

Commercial & Street. Performing a brand new routine created for Bristol Pride 2023!

Many on stage have come from having no dance training at all, to feeling confident.

#### Valerie's Dance Studio - 3pm

Variety of styles. Frampton Cotterell and Winterbourne based, they aim to provide children and adults with access to as many styles of dance as possible.

#### LA Dance - 3.15pm

Street Dance. Giving children 3+ an enjoyable street foundation incorporating wacking, house, hip hop, litefeet, urban, popping, locking and commercial.

#### Zum Zumba - 3.30pm

Zumba. Fun, friendly, inclusive classes. Aged 19 - 80 and showcasing all different styles, talents and bodies. They bring the Party.

#### Streetenvy Dance Academy -3.45pm

Commercial, Street & Reggaeton. Classes, workshops and socials for all ages at all levels of experience (including none) and backgrounds. Be free to be yourself and join the party!



#### SGCA Dancers - 4pm

Chinese Dance. A group of Chinese ladies living in South Gloucestershire who enjoy dancing to keep fit and happy. They'll be sharing their new dances on stage.

#### Mundi Dance - 4.15pm

African Dance. Born in Douala, Cameroon, West Africa, Louis-Roger is an African contemporary dancer, performer and teacher. High energy performance with live drums, participation encouraged!

#### Ruby Lilly Dance Company -4.30pm

Lyrical, Acro, Contemporary, Jazz. Recreational and competitive dancers aged 5-18. Regional and National Champions as well as World Cup qualifiers, one to watch!

#### Tribu 13 - 4.45pm

Latin & Caribbean. Fun, inclusive, high intensity dance fitness class, expect rhythms including Salsa, Soca, Reggaeton, Dembow, Dancehall, Merengue and more.

#### Streetenvy Adult Pride Group - 5pm

Commercial & Cabaret. Represent many of the letters in LGBTQ+ they love to bring their hard work to the stage with a routine designed just for Bristol Pride.

#### **Bristol Belles Burlesque - 5.15**

Burlesque. A group of women from all different backgrounds who love performing their style of Burlesque and empowering people to be proud of who they are.



#### Latin Gems - 5.30pm

Salsa. Multicultural group who love Latin. Bringing the choreography of international artist Bersy Cortez, with their own flavour, to teach you some moves and get your hips going.

#### Bristol Institute of Performing Arts - 5.45pm

The South West's premier destination for Performing Arts training offer a wide range of courses including Musical Theatre, Commercial Dance for Stage and Screen and Production Arts.

#### Carnival Fitness by Piloxercise - 6pm

Dance fitness class incorporating basic dance steps and inspired by the magic and energy of a Caribbean music and Carnival. Interactive performance suitable for all ages.

#### Funk Supreme - 6.15pm

Street & Social Dance. Exploring the social elements of dance styles such as Hip Hop, Funk and Locking, House and Dancehall with connection and interactive elements to performances.

#### Xtro Illusions - 6.30pm

Street Dance. Building confidence and self-esteem with classes that welcome everyone, all ages and abilities from introductory Baby Ballet, Contemporary and Street.

#### Bristol Equality Dance -6.45pm

A social dancing group for LGBT+ people and their friends aiming to break down barriers in dance. Join them for this dynamic interactive workshop.



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#### PRIDE DAY COMMUNITY AREA

## The Heart of Pride, Meet Local LGBT+ Groups, Service Providers and Charities.

Community is what Pride is all about and a key part of the festival. The area is a place for you to meet businesses, charities and groups dedicated to providing services to the LGBT+ community and supporting the public and their own staff. Thank you to our Community Partner South Gloucestershire and Stroud College, their support helps us to keep this vital part of the festival going.

- Adoption West Albert Kennedy Trust Amicus Fostercare Amnesty Bristol Brigstowe Bristol Dementia Wellbeing Support Bristol Humanists Bristol Samaritans Changes Bristol Christians at Bristol Pride ELIM Housing Five Rivers Child Care
- Foster Care Cooperative Healthwatch Bristol It's In The Bag Missing Link National Fostering Group National Education Union OTR Bristol OutStories Bristol OutStories Bristol Out to Swim Outdoor Lads Rethink Stand Against Racism and Inequality

#### SARSAS

Sing Out Bristol Switchboard LGBT Terence Higgins Trust The Bridge Trans Pride South West Trauma Breakthrough Victim Support Avon & Somerset Womankind Bristol

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SAT S JULY Times: 1.30PM - SPM

#### Pride Day GET QWEIRD X PUNKA STAGE

We welcome back the incredible Get Qweird to Pride Day for a special day of performances curated and brought to you by **The House of Savalon**.

#### Eve Bee - 1.30pm

Izzy is a musical theatre extraordinaire with a penchant for portraying awful old men. Eve is a clown with a love of acting the goat. Brought together by Owl on the Roof Theatre, together they are TWO OLD MEN, bringing their derivative brand of comedy rap.

#### Tammy Pink - 1.45pm

Elvish fae demon prince of your wildest dreams. Fuchsian magic seeps through his veins, eager to indoctrinate you into their bubblegum cult with rose tinted glasses. Be aware, this is not a phase.

#### Filthy Wholesome -2pm

Hedonistic and habitually overstimulated humanoid creature, exact origins unknown... and irrelevant. Since their debut with House of Savalon, Filthy has been bringing the chaos to Bristol with a blend of angst, sex and sax. If you're a neurodivergent queer or an outstanding freak, Heed The Call!

#### Miss Venus Wailer -2.20pm

Presenting our Intergalactic megababe Miss Venus Wailer. Sassy yet classy? Prepare your eyes to be showered with beauty and talent. This diva is out of this world!

#### Fiiilthy Gorgeous -2.45pm -

Queer bard inspired by the esoteric, folklore and mythology. They bring a taste of the light & the darkness within us all, combining ethereal live vocals, handmade costumes & musings from another realm. Step into the mysticism Fiiilthy creates.

#### Riss Obolensky -3.05pm

Clown, Drag King and a bit of a creep tbh. Frequent host of The Lost Cabaret, their material has been endorsed by Comedy Central and showcased at venues including The Tabacco Factory and Glastonbury. Acclaimed solo show 'Healing King Herod' had a sellout run at VAULT Festival 2023.

#### Beatrix Gomez -2.30pm

Lil Ms in the house; watch your mouth! Paying homage to the women of hip-hop and fashion from eras past she raps, writes, reads, vogues but is a storyteller at her core. Ms Gomez is just a fluorescent beige asexual girl who values investing in the fantasy.

#### Astro-Zenica - 3.25pm

James Crawley is performance artist Astro-Zenica, mother and artistic director of The House of Savalon. Combining Drag, clown, stand-up and immersive theatre, their work explores human culture and cooperation, how to love both the similarities and differences and promoting connections beyond competition.

#### T4T - 3.40pm

A charity created by trans artist, George Avill, to platform trans and gender-diverse people. They present a range of Trans+ performers to the stage including psychedelic electronic music from Hally Kelly, poetry with Bobo 2, aerial faerie Prinx Gender Criminal and Tammy Pink aka Crintheria.



### Pride Day GET QWEIRD X PUNKA STAGE

Programming our music performances we welcome Bristol's very own **PUNKA** to Pride. Curators of clubnights and gigs they have a very special programme for Pride Day.

#### **DIS - Host**

The Nightmare of Drag, Queen for the Creeple, Cabaret creature, internationally renowned host, DIS encourages you all to step out of the closet and into their nightmares! Having spent more than 10 years touring the world, DIS is a talent known far and wide for their inimitable hosting style.

#### MARIANA TRENCH – Host

You want your drag artists witty, beautiful, brilliant, and INTERNATIONAL?! Then look no further than the legendary Mariana Trench. One of Bristol's brightest stars, their talents have led to feature performances across the UK and America.

#### Oh, The Guilt - 5.15pm

Proudly trans, proudly queer and proud of what they're building. Elijah, Jules and Kit make music to dance to, music to cry to, to hold each other to. A soundtrack to living and loving authentically and fearlessly. With a love for haunting melodies, propulsive rhythms and our community.

#### Maria Uzor - 6pm

Merging electro, avant-pop, techno and dub, Maria Uzor is a half Barbadian half Nigerian artist living in Norfolk. Previously one half of duo SINK YA TEETH, her solo music twists and mutates its way through its influences spitting out a groove-laden mash-up that nods to 90s rave culture and Afro-futurism.

#### Cosmic Ninja - 6.45pm

Epic queer-fronted, four-piece band who never fail to leave an impression with their fusion of rock, alternative and electronic sounds. Balancing artistic merit with mainstream visibility, Cosmic Ninja's catalogue provides a point of reference for their antiestablishment narrative.



#### **DVYR - 7.30pm**

DVYR is a non-binary queer artist and activist, who uses electronics to create deeply personal songs about the constraints of sexuality and gender - and how love is found and expressed through those constraints. The sound is rich and atmospheric, with DVYR's stunning vocal taking centre stage.



# PRIDE DAY



We want to ensure Pride is accessible, open, and welcoming for all and we're working hard to increase our accessibility with thanks to our Access Partner: BT

We have a dedicated Access Entrance just off Saville Road, as well as accessible lanes on our Main Gate. We've also adjusted the plastic roadway that supports those with mobility needs, it runs from the Access Entrance off Saville Road to the viewing platforms which are located at the Main Stage and Cabaret Stage, both of which are bigger for 2023.

As always, we have BSL interpreters on all our stages, as well as big screens at the Main and Cabaret Stages to improve visibility of our signers. Mobiloo are also onsite with an accessible toilet, adultsized changing bench and hoist, as well as easy access toilets at all toilet blocks.

#### NEW for 2023! Sensory Calm Space

Diverse UK are joining us this year with their Sensory Calm Space. They aim to provide a safe, lowlevel stimulation and recalibration zone for those on the Autistic Spectrum or for those who need a place to have a moment of calm, rather than having to leave the festival. Their tent will be located next to medics & welfare.

For more on our accessibility visit bristolpride.co.uk/accessibility



### Pride Day CIRCUS TENT

Bassline Circus and Guinness World Record holding circus artist, Symoné, are back to bring you an exciting programme, to celebrate diversity with outstanding performers within the community.

Challenging what you might expect to see inside a traditional circus tent, experience real stories being told through circus, dance, spoken word and music. You can also expect voguing, contemporary circus and Drag Kings & Queens!

Our circus tent is a place to showcase diversity within the LGBT+ community and promote gender variance, sexual diversity and equal rights.



#### [ON AIR] Show - 2pm + 4pm

Gliding through the sun soaked streets of the Uk this summer, Pirate Radio hosts Barry Badass and 'The Pussy Tamer' aka Uncle Pete attempt to find the perfect vibration, connect to the sweet spot and get [ON AIR]!

[ON AIR] is a visual radio show that explores themes of fantasy, masculinity and blacksploitation. Co-created by Drag King performers Symoné, Porcha Present and Nina Bowers in collaboration with scenographers MHz.

commissioned by Four Nations Outdoor arts bursary and is supported by Bassline Circus and Bristol Pride.



#### AFRO TWERKSHOP by Bunmi -1.15pm + 3.30pm

These workshops will teach you to loosen your waist and hips and move your bottom to afrobeats music. No experience necessary, just come and have some fun. Open to all ages and abilities.

#### Bunmi

Bunmi is a UK based physical performance artist, working with dance and multiple aerial disciplines, such as aerial straps, trapeze, and rope. She brings a wealth of passion and energy to all her performances and loves to share a taste of her African roots in her acts.



#### Ernest (Host)

Ernest is THE posh-boy-party-prince, always serving face & fashion. It must be Bristol's worst-kept secret that he's got an absolutely massive penchant for partying with the queers. Despite his daddy telling him to stop with all the scandals, this dashing dandy continues to make headlines for his booty-shaking brand of anti-Tory revelry and chaos.



#### Aperol Fritz - 1.50pm + 3.10pm

Rhiannon Rose is an LGBT+ multidisciplinary performer and aerialist who uses theatre, movement and circus to tell stories. Their Drag King persona Aperol Fritz was born out of a love for the flamboyant, new-romantic, gender-bending aesthetic. He is here, queer, and ready to quench your thirst.



#### Gender Criminal - 2.40pm + 3.20pm

Gender Criminal is a hyper-pop aerial faerie Prinx who always wanted to run away to the circus... UNTIL HE BECAME ONE. He'll take you on a surreal serenade through the randy rambunctious rumblings of gender, queer culture and transdimensional body politics.





#### CocoGymnaasty - 2.50pm + 4.40pm

As naasty as they come! Coco is of spiritual belief, Queer, Black of Jamaican descent, proudly born and bred in Bristol and a Co-creator of Ballroom Baby Bristol. Effortlessly stylish, beautiful, hilarious and has an infectious energy, she puts her heart and soul into all that she does.

#### Bristol Ballroom Pride Mini Ball Showcase! - 5pm

Come and join us for the Pride Mini Ball! Watch members of Bristol Ballroom Community 'walk' different categories from dance, performance, and fashion to gender expression beauty and more! The Bristol Ballroom scene started in 2019 to provide a safe space of expression for LGBTQIA+ people of colour and has grown in talent and community ever since. No shade, this is a unique experience that you do not want to miss!



#### PRIDE DAY EXPO AREA

#### Meet our Festival Partners, Supporters and Business Expos.

We are excited to have more organisations than ever getting involved and supporting Pride. We can only make it happen through this support and engagement along with your donations. These organisations are committed to supporting their LGBT+ staff, dedicated to having a positive impact on our communities, and making change happen. Come and have a chat and find out more.

Aviva Bath Spa BT City of Bristol College Co-op Dyson Education First Hargreaves Lansdown (Family Area) Natwest SGS UWE Bristol Blue Sky Fostering Bristol City Council Bristol University Bristol Green Party Brunel Care Burges Salmon CMS DAC Beachcroft First Bus Immersive Labs Lost and Grounded Lovehoney National Trust NHS Blood and Transplant NSPCC RSPB RSK Simmons & Simmons South Gloucestershire Council The Planning inspectorate TLT USDAW





# PRACTICAL INFORMATION

#### Medics

There is a First Aid Tent in the arena staffed by medical professionals. Doctors, nurses and paramedics are on hand to provide confidential consultations at any time throughout the duration of the festival.

#### Welfare

Located next to the First Aid Tent, TTK Welfare will be on hand for wellbeing advice and support, whether you're feeling in distress, have over indulged or simply want a place to chill out away from the crowds. Our Welfare Tent is a safe haven for festival attendees, advising on issues including drug and alcohol abuse, safe sex, addiction, exhaustion & domestic issues.

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#### Water

Water points are located at each toilet block for you to fill your reusable bottles or cups and free drinking water is available across all the festival bars. Bristol water will also be located by The Main Stage Screen for free cold filtered water.

#### **Lost Property**

Please hand any lost property into the Info Tent next to the Main Gate, if you lose anything, report it here. We get lots handed in! After Pride Day you can email info@bristolpride.co.uk to see if we have your lost property, which will be kept for 2 months, then donated to charity.

#### Lost Kids

Should you lose them, or they lose you, our lost kids' team are located at the Welfare Tent. Report your lost child to any steward or official immediately and follow their advice. Wristbands to write guardian contact details on are available from the info point.

#### **Buses & Shuttles**

All wristband holders get free bus travel on all Bristol city zone buses and don't forget we have a free shuttle service from the end of the Parade March at the Amphitheatre to The Downs running from 11am – 10pm.

# THE UK'S LGBTQ+ STATION



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# PRIDE DAY

Located near the Circus Tent it's the place to pick up that perfect rainbow gift, flags, T-shirts, sweet treats, drag accessories and more. Bristol Pride 2023 Tees and Totes are available at the Queer Emporium Stall.

Cosmic Rain Glitter Platypus Clothing Suchitoto Vintage Gem Trading Wear by Woo Dragged Out City Animalz Hazstract Jewell Personalities Fascist Panties Queer Emporium

#### PRIDE DAY

Time: 6.15 - 8.30pm Venue: Circus Tent

## SILENT DISCO

We've again teamed up with the superstars at **Thekla** to coordinate this area, as well as their **Pop Confessional** DJs this year they're bringing new immersive house & techno brand **Profanity** plus we welcome back our area partner **Gaydio** playing you all the bops & bangers from the Gaydio Anthems playlist. With 3 channels to pick from you're in control.

Special headphones provided but please return them! They don't work without the kit anyway and we're charged for missing sets.





# EVERYONE BELONGS

Proud sponsors of Bristol Pride 2023 Youth Zone

> Start your journey at City of Bristol College



#### PRIDE DAY YOUTH AREA

# A relaxing space for our next generation

The Pride Day Youth Area is a space for young people to join together to celebrate Pride. A relaxed and safe space, for you to be who you are.

The area is for those aged 13-25 and is an alcohol free zone.

Come meet friends old and new whilst enjoying a space that's yours to escape, chill and recharge. Activities include badge making, crafts, activities and giant games.

There's workshops across the day and we'll be closing the area with a youth led and DJ'd disco.

Our Pride Youth group will march in the Parade, for any young people who might otherwise be on their own or want to march with others. Family members are welcome to join with you. Meet at the Band Stand in Castle Park from 10am – Look for the Pride Youth Banner!

Our thanks to our Youth Area Partner City of Bristol College





# **Proud to support Bristol Pride 2023**



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# **Bristol Day Travel Guide**

# PRIDE PRIDE Pride Day Is On The Downs

Saturday 8 July

Dedicated Pride shuttle services run from the end of the Parade, The Amphitheatre, to The Downs and back.

First bus from Ampitheatre: 11:30am Last bus from the Downs: 9:45pm

## **First Bus Travel To The Downs**

The **1,2,3** or **4** bus will take you to The Downs Use stops: College Green (P1) & The Cenotaph (C10)

Catch these same services outside Clifton Down Shopping Centre if takening the train to Clifton Down

Please consider walking if you are able, Voi or Train Buses are expected to be very busy throughout the day

FREE Bus travel with Pride Supporter Wristbands\* To purchase a Supporter Wristband for free travel on Pride Day visit bristolpride.co.uk/wristbands

\*First Bus Bristol Zone & Pride Shuttle Service



with thanks to our Shuttle Partner

#### SAT 8 JULY

Time: 10pm Venue: The Bristol O2 Academy

Tickets: bristolpride.co.uk/ events

# THE OFFICIAL AFTERPARTY

Our official afterparty is back and we bring you 3 incredible rooms of DJs, specially curated performances, stunning aerial artists, dancers, confetti, lasers and more as we come together to celebrate with Pride and to fuel our hearts.

# **MAIN STAGE**

#### **The Shapeshifters**

From a global anthem with his debut 2003 release, Lola's Theme, through to his 2020 showstopper Finally Ready featuring the incomparable Billy Porter, the dancefloor filler Bring On The Rain featuring the incredible Joss Stone, The Shapeshifters have long been in the vanguard of the house scene.

With a brand new studio album on Glitterbox Recordings, The Shapeshifters continue to transcend the vagaries of dance music remaining both relevant and in-demand.

#### **Guilty Pleasures**

Get ready to worship at the altar of mindblowingly awesome party bangers. Born out of a frustration for boring soulless "super" clubs, their mission is to take back control and put the 'fun' back into nightlife. For fifteen years they've established themselves as the number one top spot for a P.A.R.T.Y selling out venues nationwide.





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#### Alexa

Suspended over the Main Stage, Alexa takes to the air, bringing an incredible aerial hoop performance to Pride Night.

#### **Streetenvy Dance**

One of our specially curated performances for Pride Night, Streetenvy's incredible dancers put on a very special show

#### GoGo

Bristol Drag Collective performers Dominique Fleek and Kitten join us to show us their moves.

### **ROOM 2**

#### **R&She**

London, Berlin and New York's hotly attended queer club night party makers join us, bringing the best female artists of R&B and hip-hop from 90's classics to present day floor-fillers to the happiest friendliest crowds around!

From 90's and 00's classics to brand new club bangers from your favourite females, DJs **Neil Prince, David Oh** and **QBoy** expertly and passionately deliver killer sets every time to mad appreciative crowds!

# ROOM 3

#### **Dirty Pop**

Electronic Pop and Disco Dancing since 2008 taking over room 3 we welcome back Dirty Pop to Bristol Pride. Expect electronic pop and disco dancing from Cardiff's longest running and award winning night.

No strangers to the Bristol scene they smashed it last year and are regular guests at DTYM playing at some of the city's finest venues and best LGBT+ nights.



# **CELEBRATING PRIDE**

# JOIN US FOR A WELLBEING BREAKFAST BEFORE THE PRIDE PARADE FROM 08:30 ON SAT 8 JULY AT TEMPLE FIRE STATION\*



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# **PRIDE NIGHT**

#### **Official Partners**

#### CLUB: O2 Academy – The Official Afterparty | 10pm

The official afterparty. A spectacular party across 3 rooms. With headline set from Shapeshifters with Guilty Pleasures, R&She and Dirty Pop plus aerial performances, dancer and more. See page 82 for details. All money goes to fundraise for Pride.

Tickets: £10 in advance or £20 Pride Day+Night wristband. Free entry with Pride Super Supporter Wristband.

#### CLUB: Queenshilling | 9pm

Bristol's Best Late Night Venue (Bristol lifestyle Awards) supports Pride and other LGBT+ events all year. The best dance, urban, old school and chart with temporary outside area for Pride. All the door money will be donated to Pride.

#### Tickets: Free entry with Super Supporter Wristband. £8/10 on door.

#### Club: Grrrl Crush at Basement45 | 10pm

In collaboration with Itchy Bitch Disco and the Red Rash Inn of Boomtown fame, two sweaty dancefloors - one disco, one rave. Loudly and proudly presenting some of the UK's finest femme, non-binary and queer talent. 100% inclusive.

Tickets: £10 from bristolpride.co.uk/events

#### Club: Booty Bass at Lost Horizon | 10pm

A collective of female/nb/queer DJ's serving a visual and aural extravaganza of bold, beautiful, bombastic bassgasms. A chance to come together to celebrate our beautiful rainbow community, life and the wonderful gift of rich musical culture.

Tickets: £10 from bristolpride.co.uk/bootybass

#### **Bristol Scene Venues**

#### **Bar: The Phoenix**

Home to LGBT+ clubnight DTYM with classy décor, large beer garden with new outside bar this is an urban oasis next to Cabot Circus.

#### Bar: Old Market Tavern

Great beer garden, friendly and laid-back. Serves a good range of ales and food. Happy hour 4-7pm.

#### Bar: BBB - Bristol Bear Bar

Attitude free bar and proud supporters of Pride. Pride night sees DJ Daddi playing club classics, dance anthems, funky tunes and a bit of cheese. Free entry all night.

#### **Bar: Old Castle Green**

Tucked just on Gloucester Lane off West Street, the OCG boasts its own Gin microdistillery and spacious beer garden.

#### Bar: OMG Bar

OMG sister venue and cocktail bar. Mingle at the bar or get cosy in one of the many booths.

#### Club: OMG | 10pm

Spacious dancefloor and 2 bars. Expect lots of lighting, LED wall and a great sound system. Ticketed Event, Check their website for prices.



# A WORD WITH.... SPENCER BLACKWELL

Pronouns: he/him

#### Tell us a little about yourself:

I'm Spencer, chair of Trans Pride South West. Outside of volunteering to put on Pride events for our trans and non-binary community, I work for the charity sector. I've lived in Bristol for 8 years now and love going to queer music, art and drag events, as well as singing in an a cappella group with friends. I live with my partner, houseplants, and our cat Pudding.

# What are the biggest issues for the trans and non-binary community right now?

Trans and non-binary people are facing a really difficult time in the UK. There are threats to hard won rights for trans and non-binary people, such as proposed changes to the Equality Act to exclude trans and non-binary people from protection and Section 35. Rampant transphobia in the media and government is influencing increasing rates of hate crime against our community. On top of that, the already stretched NHS services providing health care to trans and non-binary people are getting worse; trans and non-binary people now have a 5 year minimum wait for a first appointment, and services for under 18's such as the Tavistock and Portman GIC are closing, leaving trans teenagers and young adults stranded. I'd love to be able to be more positive, but we're at a critical point for trans and non-binary people in the UK and we need support from our community to fight for trans rights.



# How can the whole community be more supportive?

As a community, we're stronger together. Trans and non-binary people really need our allies right now; the recent census showed that we make up 0.5% of the UK population, so as a small group we need allies to be vocal about their support for the trans and non-binary community. Speaking up about rights and protections for trans and non-binary people is a great way to be supportive, including countering misinformation and campaigning for change by contacting your MP. If you're not sure where to start, there's some great information about rights for trans people, current issues, and what you can do to help on TransActual's website: transactual.org.uk.

#### What does Pride mean to you?

Pride has always been really emotional for me. To me, Pride is about community resilience and defiance in the face of adversity and prejudice. Pride means hope for the future; seeing families and young people at pride is always amazing to me, and gives me hope that the quality of life for LGBTQ+ people will keep improving.

#### Favourite Pride Memory?

I'll never forget going to Trans Pride Brighton for the first time in 2016. Before leaving home at 18, I'd only met one other trans person. Seeing thousands of trans people filling the streets of Brighton was overwhelming and so powerful. It made me feel like I wasn't alone.

In 2019, Bristol Pride invited us to lead the pride march carrying an 80ft trans flag through the centre of Bristol. We all lost our voices after the march from all the screaming and shouting; it felt incredible to be so loud and proud. That was such a special day and it felt like a real full circle moment for me.

# What message do you have for young trans people?

Trans people have existed throughout human history; we have records of trans people from ancient times. Being trans isn't a new phenomenon, and it's incredible that we now have the language to describe our experience and to connect with others. It's an incredibly tough time right now in the UK for trans people, but I have hope that the love, strength and resilience of the trans and non-binary community and our allies will overcome this prejudice – we're not alone.

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# **BOOTY BASS OFFICIAL PRIDE** AFTERPARTY

#### **Back for another banging Pride afterparty**

Bristol's own, Booty Bass Collective of female/nb/queer DJ's are back this year and serving a bigger Pride party for a visual and aural extravaganza of bold, beautiful, bombastic bassgasms. A chance to come together to celebrate our beautiful rainbow community, life and the wonderful gift of rich musical culture.

Come with open hearts, love-filled spirit and your best dancing shoes for big, bad, unapologetic bangers from around the globe and the UK and let's dance ourselves whole and shake the shackles of patriarchy off in defiant dance!

#### SAT 8 JULY

Time: **10pm - 4am** Price: **£10** Age: **18+** Venue: **Lost Horizon** 

For tickets and Booty Bass community guidelines visit bristolpride.co.uk/ bootybass

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# GPPPL CRUSH OFFICIAL

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# GRRRL CRUSH OFFICIAL PRIDE AFTERPARTY

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Grrrl Crush return to Basement 45 for their second year at Bristol Pride. A night where disco meets rave, where legends collide, and where you're free to be whoever you want to be.

In collaboration with **Itchy Bitch Disco** and the **Red Rash Inn** of Boomtown fame, they're bringing you two sweaty dancefloors - one disco, one rave - both alike in lack of dignity and bursting at the seams with the filthiest bangers they can muster, as we celebrate the queer community in all its glory. Loudly and proudly presenting some of Bristol's finest LGBT+ talent, more acts will be announced over the coming weeks.

100% inclusive. Everybody welcome. If you're sound, get down.

#### SAT 8 JULY

Time: 10pm Price: £10 Venue: Basement 45 Tickets: bristolpride.co.uk/ wristbands



We're delighted to be the main sponsor at Bristol Pride this year. With proud roots in Bristol, we're committed to this city, and the people who live here.

Let's celebrate this fantastic day together.

### **Aviva Pride**

Aviva Pride has been established over 15 years and is fundamental in elevating and fairly representing the LGBTQ+ community within Aviva.

We're excited to create an inclusive workplace, where more trans, non-binary, and gender non-conforming, colleagues can thrive. And where this Pride march ends, we'll continue working together on this journey.



At Aviva we recognise the strength in the diversity of our people and want our workforce to reflect the customers and communities we serve. We're eager to create a workplace where our people feel safe to be themselves, stand up for what they believe in, and speak up when challenged.

We strive to continue embedding gender inclusion into our people practices and customer propositions.

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# **THANK YOU**

#### **OUR BEHIND THE SCENES HEROS**

Every year Pride brings together hundreds of volunteers who give up their time and energy to make this special event happen. We're grateful to each and every one of you. Without the thousands of hours of work and over 250 volunteers Bristol Pride simply could not happen. We also want to thank all of you who have donated to Pride, purchased a supporter wristband, or attended our fundraising events. It's never too late to donate or volunteer to support pride.

Thank you to: Bryn Evans, Carly Britton, Freddie Daw, Jason Barker, Jayne Graham-McMorrow, Rachel Lily, Ross Harrison, Ruby Hughes and Alexa Gibbens, Amy Tavner, Jakob Mellin, Lois Barton, Luke Stuart and Steph Champion.

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Special thank you to:

Aled Osborne who has been programming and holding the reins on our Cabaret stage for an incredible 10 years.

John Bradbury who has volunteered with us for 9 years and will be sadly missed as he moves back to Australia. Chookas!

Our thanks also to our headline partner Aviva, and to all our Lead Partners: Dyson, SGS College, Hargreaves Lansdown, UWE Bristol, City of Bristol College, Co-op, Gaydio, BT, Natwest, Bath Spa University, Education First and to all our Pride Partners, Supporters and event partners. Their support enables us to keep Pride Day a donation entry event, and supports our year round work.

There will be people we have missed off (sorry) and people who have joined after we went off to print, so to everyone helping, all our performers, the hardworking door staff of the LGBT+ venues, all the charities, businesses and groups who help the LGBT+ community and all of you donating or getting wristbands to support Pride... **THANK YOU!** 

#### Bristol Pride is a registered charity (1166817)

Queer Vision Film Festival is supported by BFI FAN Funds, with funds from the National Lottery.

#### **Headline Partner**



#### **Lead Partners**











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THE OFFICIAL AFTERPARTY  $\begin{array}{c} \mbox{teadline dj set from THE SHAPESHIFTERS} \\ \mbox{plus} \longrightarrow \mbox{guilty pleasures, r&she, & dirty pop} \end{array}$ 

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