#DMUpride

3 FEBRUARY- 4 MARCH

MONDAY 3 FEBRUARY

12-2pm, Campus Centre, DMU

There will be lots of fun activities taking place around the Campus Centre to mark the start of #DMUpride, and you can grab your Pride freebies including t-shirts and lanyards.

There will also be some tasty treats on offer including cupcakes and candy floss.

TUESDAY 4 FEBRUARY

The little drag that could: homophobia and bigotry in the UK - a Northern Irish perspective 6-7.30pm, TheVenue@DMU

Marcus Hunter-Neill aka Lady P, works in radio and television for BBC Northern Ireland and is a seasoned host of charity and social events. Marcus works hard as an activist to promote LGBT equality issues and is an inspirational speaker, touching on topics from dyslexia and homophobia, to homelessness.

The power of drag has opened doors and brought about change and Lady P is not about to stop! Join us for this special cabaret performance and talk with Lady Portia Diamante.

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THURSDAY 6 FEBRUARY

#LGBTQ+ allies network staff breakfast (DMU staff)

9-10am, John Whitehead Building, 1.11, DMU

The LGBTQ+ and Allies Staff Network would like to invite DMU staff to enjoy breakfast on them. Meet fellow members of the DMU LGBTQ+ community, build relationships with colleagues, and help discuss the future of the network. This event is open to all DMU staff.

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THURSDAY 6 FEBRUARY

How to be a trans ally (DMU students and staff) 12-1pm, DSU, Campus Centre,

Atrium. DMU

Join our DMU Students' Union (DSU) LGBTQ+ representative. Roisin Forde, who will be presenting on how to be a trans ally in today's society, in line with Stonewall.

No booking required.

THURSDAY 6 FEBRUARY

You're far too young for that: A new struggle in the LGBT community – early onset Dementia 6-7pm, Hugh Aston Building, 0.08, DMU

Patrick Ettenes is living with HIV and early onset frontal lobe atrophy dementia. He is the youngest person in the UK to receive this specific diagnoses.

Patrick campaigns to raise understanding and awareness around these diseases and is the founder of the LGBT Dementia Network and winner of the 2019 National Diversity Award for LGBT Role Model of the Year.

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FRIDAY 7 FEBRUARY

#DMUPRIDE at Phoenix: Vita and Virginia 8-10pm. Phoenix. £9.20/£7.50/£6 students

Based on Eileen Atkins' play of the same name, this biopic focuses on the passionate relationship between Vita Sackville-West (Arterton) and Virginia Woolf (Debicki). Meeting in 1920s London, the two writers – who were both married – embarked on an affair that later inspired Woolf's experimental 1928 novel Orlando: A Biography.
Expressive cinematography, sumptuous costumes and a bold soundtrack by Isobel Waller-Bridge (sibling of Phoebe) create a period piece with a

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SATURDAY 8 FEBRUARY

Rainbow Families gallery takeover 1-3pm, Leicester Gallery, Vijay Patel Building, DMU

Leicester Gallery workshops are being taken over by Rainbow Families - an informal social group for LGBTQ+ parents and carers and their children. DMU alumni artists will be on hand to support children and their grown-ups to get hands-on and creative in exploring contemporary art, as well as giving people a chance to meet other families in a relaxed and friendly setting.

The event is free and open to all LGBTQ+ families, friends and allies. Rainbow Families

No booking required.

SUNDAY 9 FEBRUARY

Men's futsal annual pride fixture 4-5.30pm, QEII Leisure Centre, DMU

DMU Futsal 1st V University of Leicester (UoL) 3rd. After a huge success last year, the #DMUpride Futsal fixture returns - watch as DMU and UoL battle it out on the pitch.

Donations to LGBTQ+ rights charity Stonewall will be collected on the day.

No booking required.

TUESDAY 11 FEBRUARY

DMU WOMEN AND #DMUPRIDE PRESENT: A talk by Jack Monroe, 6-7pm, Queen's Building 1.10,

Jack Monroe is a campaigner on poverty issues, a journalist and a food writer focusing on austerity recipes and meals that can be made on a tight budget. In 2013 she was ranked number 19 in the Independent's Rainbow list of influential LGBT people in the UK.

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DMU Women

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WEDNESDAY 12 FEBRUARY

#DMUPRIDE at Phoenix: Breakfast on Pluto 6.15-8.30pm, Phoenix £9.20/£7.50/£6 students

Abandoned on the steps of the rectory in a small Irish town, baby Patrick is found by the local priest and placed in foster care. By the time he's a teen in the 1970s, Patrick (Murphy) identifies as transgender, renames himself Kitten and sets out

for London with a glam rock group in the hope of finding his mother. Cillian Murphy was nominated for a Golden Globe for his mesmerising performance.

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THURSDAY 13 FEBRUARY

Unorthodox, 6-7pm, Civil Court, Leicester Castle Business School, DMU

In modern Britain, what does it mean to be gueer and religious? Unorthodox tells the stories of LGBT+ people of faith. Bringing together artists, activists, religious leaders, community workers and writers, this talk explores how LGBT+ Christians, Muslims, Jews, Hindus and Sikhs navigate their faith, why they stay and what it means to believe. Séan Richardson (editor of the book of the same title) will host the event. #OpenFaith

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FRIDAY 14 FEBRUARY

DSU PRESENTS: Heart Strings: Drag Valentines Extravaganza, 7-11pm, DSU, Campus Centre, Function Room 1, DMU

A once in a lifetime drag performance from queens around the country, including Ru Paul's Drag Race UK superstar Vinegar Strokes and DMU Alumni Reign.

Join us for a night of lip synching, burlesque and stand-up comedy. It sure is an event you don't want to miss.

Contains adult themes.

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MONDAY 17 FEBRUARY

DSU Quiz Night - Drag Race 8-10pm, DSU, Campus Centre, Function Room 1. DMU. £1

The DSU's weekly quiz, but the Drag Race edition! If you know your Sasha Velour from your Naomi Smalls, this is the guiz for you.

A prize will be available for the winning team, so come along and test your knowledge.

No booking required.

LIST OF EVENTS

TUESDAY 18 FEBRUARY

Is the UK really that bad? International perspectives on HIV: A comparison between the UK and Latin America 6-7pm, Hugh Aston Building, 2.06, DMU

Francisco Urrutia is a public policy consultant for HIV in the LGBTQ+ community in Latin America. He is interested in the importance of how sexual health can improve lives, and how simple actions such as active HIV testing can make a difference. Francisco will present an international perspective on HIV, highlighting the differences between Latin America and the UK.

A panel discussion will follow, taking a look at the current fight against HIV with experts in the field.

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WEDNESDAY 19 FEBRUARY

#DMUPRIDE at Phoenix: My Beautiful Laundrette. 6.15-8pm, Phoenix, £9.20/£7.50/£6 students

Omar, a young Pakistani man, is reunited with his former lover Johnny (Day-Lewis) and together they attempt to turn around a laundrette owned by Omar's uncle. Adapted for the screen by Hanif Kureishi from his own novel (earning him an Oscar nomination), this iconic Thatcher-era cross-cultural love story is a study of contrasts in British society - between rich and poor, between classes, native British and immigrant groups, straight and gay.

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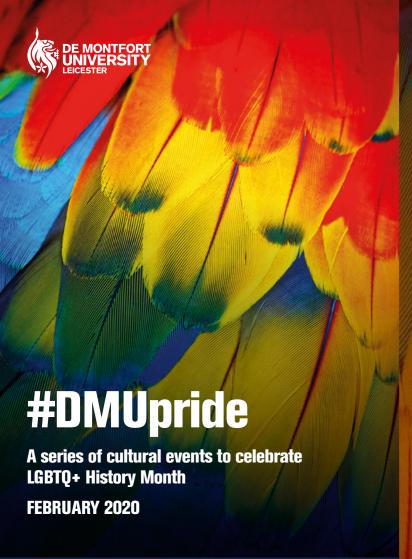
THURSDAY 20 FEBRUARY

My experiences in sport: competing as a transgender athlete 5.30-7pm, Campus Centre, 2.01, DMU

Join host BBC presenter Richie Anderson and local transgender athletes as they discuss one of the most talked about topics in sport today. The athletes will discuss their journey within sport, the barriers that they have had to overcome to participate and how sport can become more inclusive.

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Programme and venue details may subject to change





INTRODUCTION

This year will see the sixth annual #DMUpride celebrations held at De Montfort University Leicester (DMU), with a jam-packed month of events taking place on campus and across the city to celebrate LGBTQ+ history.

This year's highlights include Ru Paul's Drag Race star Vinegar Strokes who will be performing live at the Students' Union, Sunday Times bestselling author and activist Jack Monroe and BBC's TV and radio personality Richie Anderson.

Students and staff will also have the chance to get involved in free sport sessions with DMU active, and head along to uplifting stories on stage and screen courtesy of our partners at Curve theatre and Phoenix Cinema.

At DMU we find strength in a community that prides itself on tolerance and acceptance, where everyone is free to be themselves and is encouraged to reach their full potential. We hope you enjoy this vibrant programme of events and enjoy the celebrations.

FRIDAY 21 FEBRUARY

GIVE IT A GO: Voguing (DMU students and staff) 12-1pm, DSU, Campus Centre, Function Room 2

Voguing is a form of dance that pays homage to the Black and Brown queer community. Participants see it not just as a dance form but a family.

Give it a go with the DSU Voguing Society and try one of the five elements of vogue - join the EXTRAVAGANZA and POSE.

No booking required.

MONDAY 24 FEBRUARY

CURVE AND DMU PRESENT: First Time 7.45-8.50pm, Curve £10 (Curve members 15% off)

Can you remember your first time? Nathaniel can't seem to forget his.

Fresh from the Edinburgh Fringe, award-winning HIV+ theatremaker Nathaniel Hall presents a 'hilarious' and 'heart-breaking' autobiographical solo-show about attempting to stay positive in a negative world.

14+ - Contains strobe, loud sounds, scenes of drug use, strong language and references to sexual grooming.

BOOK YOUR PLACE T: (0116) 242 3595 W: curveonline.co.uk



TUESDAY 25 FEBRUARY

CULTURAL EXCHANGES FESTIVAL PRESENTS: Travis Alabanza 6-7pm, Clephan Building, 3.01, DMU

Travis Alabanza is a writer, theatre maker and performer. In the last four years they have been noted by numerous publications and figures as one of the most prominent emerging figures in trans art and public thought.

Travis works to archive and discuss the issues facing gender non-conforming and trans people, at the intersections of class and sexuality.

They are joined in conversation by Roisin Forde, DSU LGBTQ representative.

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TUESDAY 25 FEBRUARY

CURVE AND DMU PRESENT: 'B' 7-7.55pm, Curve \$10 (Curve members 15% off)

Former DMU student Gerrard Martin explores what it means to be both Black and Gay in his captivating dance duet, 'B'. Stimulated by events in the lives of Black, Gay interviewees, 'B' fuses original, club-influenced music with intimate dance, an ingenious set and audio-clips of real-life testimonials. Age recommendation 14+ - show workshop available.

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WEDNESDAY 26 FEBRUARY

CURVE AND DMU PRESENT: Hotter 7.45-8.45pm, Curve £10 (Curve members 15% off)

Following a sell-out run at the Edinburgh Fringe, best friends and ex-girlfriends Ell and Mary look at what gets us hot in their show. Hotter.

They asked women and trans people aged 11 to 97 what makes them sweat, flush, rub and gush, and then made a sweaty verbatim dance party out of their answers.

Age recommendation 12+.

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THURSDAY 27 FEBRUARY

Rocky Horror movie night (DMU students and staff) 6-8pm, DSU, Campus Centre, Function Room 1, DMU

Join us at the Students' Union to watch LGBTQ+ cult classic, The Rocky Horror Picture Show.

No booking required.

TUESDAY 3 MARCH AND WEDNESDAY 4 MARCH

CURVE AND DMU PRESENT: The MP, Aunty Mandy and Me 7.45-8.55pm, Curve £10 (Curve members 15% off)

The MP, Aunty Mandy and Me is the brand new play by award-winning writer and performer Rob Ward (Gypsy Queen)

Dom, living his best Instagay life in a small Brexit-voting town meets a closeted MP, wrestling with conscience vs constituents. The unusual friendship has its benefits, but how much give and take can one friendship withstand, when give just becomes take?

Age recommendation 15+ - contains strong language and sexual references.

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OTHER ACTIVITIES

DMUACTIVE

(DMU students and staff)

DMUactive is a free programme of recreational sports and fitness sessions for staff and students. Throughout the month, DMUsport is promoting an active and healthy lifestyle while having fun and taking positive steps against LGBTphobia. Attendees are encouraged to wear bright coloured clothing to show their support for the LGBTQ+ community. There is no need to book – just turn up with your DMU student or staff card. Visit the DMUsport webpage for the full timetable.



OPENFAITH DROP-INS

(DMU students and staff)

We provide students and staff with spiritual and pastoral support through our OpenFaith initiative. During #DMUpride the OpenFaith Advisors will be available for 1:1 drop-in sessions to provide advice and support around LGBT and Faith.

To view the timetable and full details, please visit DMUconnect/MyGateway.

MENTAL HEALTH DROP-INS

(DMU students and staff)

During #DMUpride we are running mental health drop-ins, giving you the chance to discuss identity, sexuality or other issues close to you. Guidance on what support is on offer for DMU staff and students will also be provided. For full details, please visit DMUconnect/MyGateway.

#DMUPRIDE AT THE LIBRARY

(DMU staff and students)

Kimberlin Library will be running daytime activities including poetry sessions, badgemaking workshops and film screenings throughout the month. For full details, please visit DMUconnect/the student Blackboard.