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LGBT Pride Month at Madison Public Library

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Madison, WI – In recognition of LGBT Pride Month in June, Madison Public Library will celebrate with thoughtful discussion, inclusive events, and Madison's first Drag Queen Storytime, inspired by Drag Queen Story Hour
<https://www.dragqueenstoryhour.org>

Madison Public Library provides free and equitable access to cultural and educational experiences. The library celebrates ideas, promotes creativity, connects people, and enriches lives, with an emphasis on promoting literacy and equity in library collections, services, and programs.

LGBT themed events include:

Drag Queen Storytime

Tuesday, June 6, 6:30pm, Pinney Library

Join special guest Miss Gretta for stories and songs celebrating diversity and LGBT pride. Learn how to lip sync, make a craft and get glamorous with dress up and face painting! Drag Queen Storytime is intended to encourage accepting differences and looking beyond gender stereotypes. Coordinated in partnership with OutReach. For more information, visit Drag Queen Story Hour (<https://www.dragqueenstoryhour.org>).

IndieLens Pop-Up Presents: Real Boy

Thursday, June 8, 6:30, Central Library

The film Real Boy is the coming-of-age story of Bennett, a trans teenager with dreams of musical stardom. During the first two years of his gender transition, as Bennett works to repair a strained relationship with his family, he is taken under the wing of his friend and musical hero, celebrated trans folk singer Joe Stevens. Please stay after the film for a panel discussion featuring the following panelists: Prof. Finn Enke, Professor of Gender and Women's Studies, History, LGBTQ Studies, University of Wisconsin-Madison; Sawyer Johnson, Transgender Justice Program Coordinator, GSAFE; Kestrel, Trans Activist; and Joanne Lee, Trans Advocate and Parent.

Volunteer Toolbox: LGBTQ+ Competencies with Molly Hermann

Tuesday, June 20, 6pm, Goodman South Madison Library -or-



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Tuesday, June 27, 6pm, Goodman Community Center
Presented by local consultant and educator Molly Herrmann. An LGBTQ+ equity workshop for volunteers to learn about concepts, and deepen their knowledge and understanding of systems, privilege, and intersectionality. Register online or call 608-266-6300. For more information, visit <http://www.madisonpubliclibrary.org/volunteer-toolbox>

Subscribe to the library LGBT Insider email newsletter to learn of new or newer titles added to the library's collection. Beginning in July, this newsletter will be published in partnership with Our Lives Magazine:
<http://www.madisonpubliclibrary.org/insider/archive/lgbt>

Some libraries will also celebrate with in-house library material displays.

About Madison Public Library

Madison Public Library's tradition of promoting education, literacy and community involvement has enriched the City of Madison for more than 140 years. Our nine locations throughout the City of Madison welcome over 2.2 million visits each year. For more information, visit [madisonpubliclibrary.org](http://www.madisonpubliclibrary.org), [madisonpubliclibrary](https://www.facebook.com/madisonpubliclibrary) on Facebook or [@madisonlibrary](https://twitter.com/madisonlibrary) on Twitter.