

Media Release

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Regina Public Library celebrates Pride Month

In honour of Pride Month, Regina Public Library (RPL) offers books, programs, films, and more that spotlight resilience, give voice to stories, and honour the journeys of 2SLGBTQ communities.

"Pride is an important reminder to continue the ongoing work toward equity, respect and understanding for our 2SLGBTQ communities," said Millicent Mabi, Director, Community Engagement and Programming at RPL. "We're proud to host meaningful conversations and activities, and to share permanent resources that celebrate inclusion and identity for all."

Programming:

How To Support Transgender and Gender Questioning Children

Join transgender therapist and author Dr. Stacee Reicherzer as she provides loving, encouraging, and practical advice for supporting your child to flourish now and in their future.

Online

June 9, 7:00PM - 8:00PM

Celebrate Pride Storytime

Join us to celebrate Pride with a special storytime and fun activities including face painting. Sherwood Village Branch June 25, 2:00PM – 2:30PM

Pride: Rainbow Flag Keychains

All ages welcome. Join artist Leah Dahl in a celebration of Pride month to create pride flag keychains using polymer clay. All supplies provided.

George Bothwell Branch June 1, 7:00PM – 8:00PM

Art Workshop: Pride Art Build with Cat Haines

Join artist Cat Haines and create a wearable artwork in celebration of Pride. Learn about the history of activist art builds and pride art before diving into making your own queer, trans, or allied sign, patch, or wearable for this year's Pride Parade. Materials provided.

Sherwood Village Branch and online

June 7, 7:00PM – 8:30PM

Pride: Pronoun Button Making!

All ages welcome. Design and create personalized pronoun buttons for yourself which display your support for inclusive language this Pride month and beyond. Colour, design and create your very own pronoun buttons with the assistance of library staff.

Sunrise Branch

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June 1, 6:00PM - 8:00PM

Register for RPL Pride programs at www.reginalibrary.ca/explore/featured-events

Reading:

RPL has prepared over 10 reading lists of print books, eBooks, and eAudiobooks that honour diverse stories by and about 2SLGBTQ people. Curated by RPL librarians and international resources, these reading lists include fiction and nonfiction titles for children, teens and adults.

Find Pride Month reading lists at www.reginalbraries.ca/featured-events or at your local branch.

Films:

Film Screening: Tongues Untied: Giving a Voice to Black Gay Men

Marlon Riggs' essay film *Tongues Untied* gives voice to communities of black gay men, presenting their cultures and perspectives on the world as they confront racism, homophobia, and marginalization. The film broke new artistic ground by mixing poetry, music, performance and Riggs' autobiographical revelations.

RPL Film Theatre June 4, 11, 24 7:00PM – 8:00PM

National Film Board (NFB) Pride

Discover NFB's selection of LGBTQ2 animated films and documentaries. RPL Film Theatre
June 4, 3:00PM – 4:00PM
June 11, 3:00PM – 4:00PM
June 15, 7:00PM – 8:00PM

Check for all RPL Film Theatre screening titles and times at www.reginalibrary.ca/film-theatre/browse-films.

Films are also available to stream 24/7 through the library's online platform Kanopy, which offers a large collection of perspectives on LGBTQ2 experiences. The collection includes popular narratives, cult classics, and documentaries. Find the Kanopy Pride and LGBTQ collections at www.reginalibrary.ca/featured-events.



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