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# Tidy Thanks

LGBT Resource Center Conference Room May 21 | 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Join us for this informal get together to connect with Richard Coker, the custodian who helps to make sure the LGBT Resource Center is clean, tidy, and functioning. Come build community with him and raise your awareness about the work he does in facilities management. Richard works in our space almost every day, so let's take this time to get to know him better.



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Make your plans now to attend UC San Diego's Rainbow Graduation. Saturday, June 9th, 2012, 4pm at the Great Hall at Eleanor Roosevelt College.

Please join the UC San Diego LGBT community as we come together to honor the students who are graduating, our volunteers, our scholarship recipients and all who have impacted our community over the last year. The event serves as the formal induction of the graduates into the family of the UC San Diego LGBT Alumni. Although many

people do get dressed up for the event, it tends to be a queer little get together, with all the trappings of our community, so be yourself. We conclude our ceremony with a scrumptious spread of good food.

If you are graduating, <u>sign up</u> today! If you would like to volunteer, contact Jonathan at <u>lgbtrcvolunteers@gmail.com</u>. We hope to see everyone there!

#### **LGBT Health Day Evaluation**

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Thank you to everyone who came OUT to our 1st LGBT Health Day. We would love to have your feedback! Please take a moment to fill out the evaluation and email it to rainbow@ucsd.edu.



Smile for the Camera

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**BDSM 101** 

Multipurpose Room, Student Services Center May 29 | 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

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The members of the Search Committee for the position of Vice Chancellor-Equity, Diversity & Inclusion have concluded their deliberations and have three candidates who will be invited to visit the campus.

SPACES 5th Gala

The search now enters the public phase in which the campus community is encouraged to participate via a series of informal open forums in which the candidates will be available to discuss their interest in the position and the skills and expertise they bring to the position. Candidate bios and CVs will be posted on the VC-EDI Search Website as they become available. An email link to provide feedback is also available on the website: http://academicaffairs.ucsd.edu/evc/vcedi.html.

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Welcome all UC San Diego Faculty and Staff! The UC San Diego LGBT Resource Center serves our entire community including students, staff, alumni, and our faculty. We are proud to have YOU as a part of our family.

### Winter Quarter 20 12 **LGBT RC Hours**

Monday - Thursday: 8:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.

> Friday: Closed

Saturday & Sunday: Closed

UNIVERSITY AND CALIFORNIA Family members eligible for coverage under your Human Resources and Benefits health and welfare benefits package may include one

eligible adult and/or any eligible children. \* a legal spouse, or \* a domestic partner who meets the requirements noted in the chart (please refer to the linked pdf document), or\* an adult dependent relative (if enrolled by 12/31/03). For more information about partner benefits, please click on the following link:

http://atyourservice.ucop.edu/open enrollment/docs/e eligibility.pdf

## Graduate Student Highlight

Coffee and Connection LGBTRC Conference Room May 22 | 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

# **LGBT RC Visitors** Week 5

Students: 215 Staff: 25 Alumni: 1

Welcome graduate students to the UC San Diego LGBT Resource Center. Our Center serves all constituents of the UC San Diego community, including and especially our graduate students. Our space is open to all constituents, although we know from our statistics that the majority of the folks who use our space on a daily basis are undergraduate students. However, our second largest category is graduate students, so we encourage you to make the Resource Center your own.

Guests: 5

Total: 246

Blast from the Past: "The Laramie Project" Want to build relationships with other LGBT graduate students? Then join us at the LGBT Resource Center as we come together for coffee and connection. Free beverages and snacks!



Talk with a Doc: LGBT - Psychiatry - HIV+ - Spanish Speaking/Underserved Population

Earl Warren College Room May 23 | 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

In celebration of the 10th anniversary of the Rainbow Newsletter, a memorable event from the past will be highlighted every week.

Ten years ago, on May 6th, the LGBTA screened "The Laramie Project." The Laramie Project is a stage play that was culled and honed from 400 hours of interviews with townspeople in Laramie, concerning what really happened to college student Matthew Shepard. The film The Laramie Project, inspired by the play, took a life on its own as the all-star cast filmed on location, often with direct contact with the real-life

Interested in psychiatry, HIV+, Spanish speaking or LGBT populations? Come in for a intimate night to "Talk with a Doc." Dr. Andres Sciolla, MD, an openly LGBT doctor, studied at the University of Chile and works as both a full-time UCSD faculty with the Department of Psychiatry and in a community mental health clinic with Spanish speaking/underserved populations. He also worked in the neuropsychiatric, sociocultural and behavioral aspects of HIV infection. In the discussion of his past history, we will briefly touch over the urgency of HIV+, LGBT, underserved and Spanish speaking populations that everyone should be aware

of.

Free snacks/drinks will be provided. Hosted by the LGBT Pre-Health Association. For questions, please contact <a href="mailto:lgbtpha@gmail.com">lgbtpha@gmail.com</a> or visit <a href="mailto:lgbtpha.ucsd.edu">lgbtpha.ucsd.edu</a>.

# The Nicholas Papadopoulos Endowed Lecture in Gay and Lesbian Studies

Calit2 Auditorium, UCSD May 29 | 6:30 p.m.

A conversation on filmmaking and activism, intersectionality, queer storytelling, and women of color in the media. For more information, please contact the Critical Gender Studies Program either at 858-534-9982 or at <a href="mailto:cgs@ucsd.edu">cgs@ucsd.edu</a>. For directions to the Calit2 Auditorium please visit <a href="mailto:events.calit2.net">events.calit2.net</a>.



"Every day I get better at knowing that it is not a choice to be an activist; rather, it is the

individuals they were portraying.

only way to hold on to the better parts of my human self. It is the only way I can live and laugh without guilt."

-- Staceyann Chin

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If you would like to submit an item to the newsletter, please send it by Wednesday at 1:00 p.m. to rainbow@ucsd.edu and type "For Newsletter" in the subject line. News items should be UCSD & LGBT focused.

#### A Gay Day in May: Mad Hatter's Tea Party

International House Great Hall May 20 | 5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.



Join us for our annual LGBT housing banguet and celebration of all things queer! This evening will feature a delicious dinner, keynote speaker Margaret Loose, student performers, and arts and crafts. Dressy attire, please. FREE to UCSD Students with ID, \$5 for Community members. Everyone is welcome! R.s.v.p. at agaydayinmay.weebly.com (Space is limited) Come network with queer people and allies from around the San Diego area.

# Womyn Monologues

Women's Center May 19 | 6:30 p.m.

The Women Dialogues will focus on being a diverse space for women to orally express accounts of sexism and/or injustice they have... faced. This includes but is not limited to spoken word pieces, poems, monologues, short stories, etc. Participants are strongly encouraged to create their own piece but it is acceptable to use another author's work as long as due credit is given. The author of the piece is not required to perform the piece they have written. Original pieces can be drawn Pieces can be in another language if desired but a 1 sentence description in English is required so the audience can have a general understanding of the piece. Each individual can submit up to two pieces but they cannot exceed twelve



minutes in total.

If you want to participate please e-mail Rosa your name, the name, type and length of your piece and what rehearsal you can attend by the late deadline of May 4th to ragarcia@ucsd.edu!

### Smile for the Camera - Stop Street Harassment

Women's Center May 22 | 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.



Join us for a presentation of images and stories about gender-based street harassment. There will be a discussion about the different forms of harassment, exchange personal experiences, and sharing of different strategies we can all use to stop street harassment. Food will be provided!

Photography and writing submissions for the presentation are still being accepted. Please visit

http://www.facebook.com/events/380157001997523/ for more information.

#### BDSM 101: Breaking Down Sexual Misconceptions

Women's Center Conference Room May 31 | 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Have you ever felt curious about alternative forms of sexual pleasure? Do you ever wonder what BDSM practice entails? Have you had kinky thoughts but been too ashamed to talk about them? This program aims to challenge the many fears, misconceptions and stereotypes surrounding BDSM and kink. The goal of this sex-positive workshop is to provide basic terms and describe various "plays", practices



and roles. Come to learn and hear panelists share their own experiences within this vibrant and diverse community. All open minded individuals are welcome and food will be provided.

Now looking for panelists! Panelists will answer audience questions about their experiences with BDSM. Your privacy will be taken very seriously and you do not have to use your real name. Please fill out the survey if you would like to participate: <a href="https://docs.google.com/spreadsheet/viewform?formkey=dFZOb0FyQy1fRWxFVmIxZk45szVhVFE6MQ">https://docs.google.com/spreadsheet/viewform?formkey=dFZOb0FyQy1fRWxFVmIxZk45szVhVFE6MQ</a>

If you have any other questions or concerns, please email Elaine Cheung at eckittypup@sbcglobal.net or women@ucsd.edu.

#### **Dining and Dialogue: Consent**

Women's Center May 24 | 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.



Join us for a delicious meal and an engaging dialogue about consent, what it means, and why it is important. We will have activities and discussions about how each of us defines consent. We will also practice ways to communicate consent and boundaries. Come share your thoughts and dialogue with others over dinner. RSVP to women@ucsd.edu.

Please note: given the confidential nature of this topic, late entrance will only be allowed until 6:45pm.

#### **SPACES 5th Gala**

Forum 4th Floor, Price Center East May 25 | 4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

The SPACES Gala/End of the Year Celebration is an annual event that aims to celebrate and validate the milestones that the SPACES Community has accomplished within each academic school year. It serves as an opportunity to show



appreciation to the staff, board of directors, and volunteers as well as the first formal introduction of the incoming student staff.

# LGBT Refugees and Asylees: Responding to the Needs of a Hidden Population

Alliance for African Assistance, 5952 El Cajon Blvd., San Diego, CA 92115 May 31 | 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. RSVP Deadline: May 25



Alliance for African Assistance will conducting a freeregional training covering issues relating to the service and resettlement of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender (LGBT) refugees and asylees.

LGBT refugees and asylees face unique challenges before, during, and after resettlement. Learn about key concepts of sexual orientation and gender identity and how they affect resettlement services. Have the opportunity to apply knowledge gained in an interactive and safe setting. If you want to increase

your knowledge on issues pertaining to sexual orientation and gender identity and acquire tools to better serve LGBT refugees and asylees, then we encourage you to attend! RSVP by May 25th. For more information, please contact Russell W. Dehnel, Ph.D at <a href="mailto:russell@allianceheathclinic.org">russell@allianceheathclinic.org</a> or (619) 229-8030, ext. 289.

#### Gaia Music and Art Festival

Old Student Center May 24 | 5:00 p.m. - 12:00 a.m.

Gaia, according to Greek mythology, is the Goddess of Earth. Wikipedia says that "The Titans and the Giants were formed with her union with Uranus." In contemporary terms Gaia is used to describe how all the organisms on earth are closely integrated to form one system. In honor of this idea there will be a festival to raise awareness of sustainability through one amazing evening of art and music.



The festival starts at The Hump in the Old Student Center from

5pm - 8pm with opening acts from four time national intercollegiate champion dance group Dance Sport. Then from 8pm - 12am our favorite DJs from DVC will be performing at Porter's Pub. DVC never fails to mix up a good party, so come on out!

#### Calling All Artists!



Interested in displaying your art throughout the LGBT Resource Center? Look no further! The LGBT RC is expanding its community art section and is looking for community members to submit art to be displayed within the library. Paintings, drawings, poetry, photography, sculptures--we welcome all forms of art! If you are interested or would like to find out more information, please email Alina at asau@ucsd.edu.

This publication is a regular compilation of news and information from the UCSD LGBT Resource Center to help keep you informed about news and events relevant to the UCSD LGBT community. For more information about the Rainbow Newsletter or to offer your comments or suggestions, please contact the LGBT Resource Center at (858) 822-3493 or <a href="mainbow@ucsd.edu">rainbow@ucsd.edu</a>. Newsletters are archived at <a href="http://lgbt.ucsd.edu/newsletter.asp">http://lgbt.ucsd.edu/newsletter.asp</a>.

The UC San Diego LGBT Resource Center is committed to being accessible to all who frequent our space, participate in our programs, and attend our events. Our physical location is accessible to anyone who utilizes assisted mobility. If you require specific accommodations to fully access any of our programs or events, please contact Vanidy Bailey at <a href="mailto:vbailey@ucsd.edu">vbailey@ucsd.edu</a> or (858) 822-3493.

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