

SPECTRUM

Rainbow Community Calendar

The *Rainbow Community Calendar (RCC)* is a monthly publication serving the LGBTQ community of Waterloo Region. It is named in tribute to the *Pink Triangle Community Calendar* created in 1989 by community activist Lisa Simkins. The *RCC* is issued by the **Rainbow Community Calendar Collective**, an action group of **SPECTRUM–Waterloo Region’s Rainbow Community Space**. Print copies are available at SPECTRUM, ACKWA, and various bars, clubs, cafes, etc. in Waterloo Region.

Online at <http://ourspectrum.com/Comm/CommunityEvents.html>

Send events to info@ourspectrum.com by the **20th of each month**.

SPECTRUM’S **Resource Centre and Drop-In Space** is in Unit 210 at 283 Duke St. W., Kitchener, N2H 3X7 (corner of Duke St W and Breithaupt). Park on Breithaupt St side of building, near the loading dock. Go in the Duke St entrance, up the stairs, through the door, down the hallway to Unit 210.

Website: <http://ourspectrum.com/> (includes hours of opening and much more)

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tri-Pride 2016 UNFESTIVAL

Tues. May 24 Show us your PRIDE!
#pridecolours * Queercraft : tri-Pride Edition

Wed. May 25 LESBO BINGO * Pride Beach Volleyball and tri-Pride Mixer

Thurs. May 26 tri-Pride Drag Show * Reading Circle : tri-Pride Edition

Fri. May 27 tri-Pride Mixer * day5games : tri-Pride Edition

Sat. May 28 Flagraising Ceremony Cambridge City Hall * tri-Pride Mixer * 2nd Annual Walk A Mile In Her Shoes Drag Fundraiser

Sun. May 29 tri-Pride Family Day * ORG : Outdoor Recreation Group tri-Pride Edition

Mon. May 30 Exploring Our Roots -

Historical Presentation

Tues. May 31 SPECTRUM tri-Pride Open House and Pride Tea

Wed. June 1 KINK Night

Thurs. June 2 tri-Pride Unplugged Coffee House

Fri. June 3 PRIDE! Mega Show * Day5games : tri-Pride Edition 2.0 * Pride Kickoff

Sat. June 4 tri-Pride Art Symposium * Queer Night Out tri-Pride Dance * Burlesque: Male Edition

Sun. June 5 Unfestival Pride Picnic * Pride March * 2017 Festival Unveiling and Media Release * tri-Pride Unfestival Market Village

Details: <http://www.facebook.com/triPrideCommunityAssociation/>

Other events are under development.

Coming Out Older Discussion Group. 7 – 9:00pm. 2nd & 4th Tuesdays of the month: **May 10 & May 24.** @ Pre-School Room, Downtown Community Centre, 35-B Weber St W, Kitchener. Sponsored by SPECTRUM.

day5games. 7-11pm, Fridays: **May 6, May 13. & May 20.** @ SPECTRUM. Join us to play board games, and do puzzles.

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Exploring Our Roots—In Celebration of the Lives and Times of Rainbowfolk in Grand River Country—Or— Who Are We, and How Did We Get Here? 7pm, **May 30** (Monday). Join us for a presentation on local LGBTQ history using materials from the Grand River Rainbow Historical Project. This Pride event will be followed by a discussion of our history and why it matters. Heritage Room, first floor of Kitchener City Hall. <https://www.facebook.com/events/1096375123758184/>

Friends of Dorothy Bowling League Event. 1:15pm practice; 1:30-4pm bowling, Sundays: **May 1, 8, 15 & 22** (last of the season) @Brunswick Frederick Lanes, 385 Frederick Plaza, Kitchener.

Good Laughs. 7pm till closing, last Tuesday evening of the month: **May 31.** A safe space for trans people to

explore their identity in the community; open to allies as well. @ Symposium Café, Waterloo (corner of King and Erb) —back room. godlaughs81@gmail.com

Guelph Pride 2016. April 22 (Friday) - May 8 (Sunday) This year’s Guelph Pride celebrations will take place from April 22 to May 8; there will be many events. This is the current schedule.

Sunday May 1—Beach Volleyball

Sunday May 1—Trans and Allies Potluck. Clothing Exchange & Fashion Show

Monday May 2—Gay Sex & PrEP: What does it mean for our community?

Monday May 2—Queer Trivia

Tuesday May 3—Speaking Our Truths Part III

Wednesday May 4—Celebrating Pride in Our Families & Communities

Wednesday May 4—PrideLit - An Evening With Ken Setterington - author of Branded by the Pink Triangle

Thursday May 5—Rainbow Coalition Conference

Thursday May 5—Guelph Pride Art Show

Thursday May 5—Bedtime Stories

Friday May 6—Pride Teen Dance **Saturday May 7**—Kink Adventuring for Queer & Trans Folks (and Their Lovers)

Saturday May 7—Guelph Pride Dance Party

Sunday May 8—Harcourt Affirming Ceremony

Exact details will be found at <http://www.guelphpride.com/events.html>

Lesbo Bingo, 13th Annual. 7:00-9:30pm, **2016, May 25 (Wednesday)** A major fundraising event organized by Secrett Events. The Boathouse, 57 Jubi-

lee Dr, Kitchener. SOLD OUT EVENT.

OK2BME Youth Group. 6-7:30pm. Alternate Tuesdays—**May 10** (Games Night), **May 24**. (Healthy Relationships) More information: <http://ok2bme.ca/>

ORG—SPECTRUM's Outdoor Recreation Group. Sundays. Events alternate between Lite and Regular:

May 1 - Full-day cycling event. 8:30am - sundown. Meet at SPECTRUM.

We're cycling from SPECTRUM to Hespeler, for That Dam Race - a canoeing-kayaking race on Mill Pond, starting at 10:30am. We'll be spectators. Then on to Guelph for Guelph Pride's Beach Volleyball. Again at the water's edge as spectators.

May 8—'Lite', 2-4 PM. Jane's Walk in Kitchener. Meet at Kitchener City Hall. The walk will take us to the Rumpel Felt Co. led by the two Sarahs. From there we will head out on our own.

May 15—'Regular' 1:-5 PM. Traditional May Day Celebrations. Meet at 1pm at Monigram Coffee Roasters across from the Ainslie St Bus Terminal in Cambridge. We will head to McDougal Cottage, 85 Grand Ave S, Cambridge for traditional May Day Celebrations starting at 1:30pm.

May 22—Pending—see Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/groups/ORG.WR/>

May 29—'Lite', 2-4 PM. Tri-Pride Edition. Meet at the Honey Bake Shop,

100 King St S, Waterloo. Details to be announced.

Queer Night Out - tri-Pride Dance. 9:00pm-1:00am, **June 4** (Saturday). Grand Ballroom, Crown Plaza. 105 King St E, Kitchener. Tickets will be available online for \$8 or \$10 at the door (though we recommend purchasing the tickets online as they could sell out fast). You can purchase tickets online at Eventbrite. LINK AVAILABLE SOON. 19+, bring your valid photo ID with you!

Queercraft—a Queer Crafting Group. 6-8pm, Tuesdays: **May 3, May 10, & May 17.** @SPECTRUM.

Queercraft: tri-Pride Edition. 6-8pm, Tuesday: **May 24.** @SPECTRUM.

Rainbow Connections—Cambridge meetings. 1:30-3pm, Thursdays: **May 5, May 12, May 19, & May 26.** LGBTQ & Mental Health Group. 9 Wellington St, Unit 1, Cambridge.

Rainbow Connections—Kitchener meetings. 7–9pm, 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month—**May 5 & May 19.** LGBTQ & Mental Health Group. Main floor, Self Help Alliance, 67 King St E. Kitchener. Meetings on the Please wait at the doors on Frederick Street and someone will let you in the building for group. If you will be late, please contact us in advance so we know when to let you in. Also note that there is a 15 minute time-period that we can let you in, otherwise it becomes disruptive to group. We will be in the downstairs room, so ring the downstairs doorbell

to be let in.

Rainbow Newcomers. 7-9pm, 2nd Thursday of the month: **May 12.** A place for LGBTQ-identified immigrants and refugees to socialize with each other and with LGBTQ people who have been in town for a while, and discuss issues related to being a newcomer to Canada. @ SPECTRUM.

Rainbow Reels Queer and Trans Film Festival: Coming Out. 2016, May 5 (Thurs.)-May 8 (Sun.) Details are found on their Facebook page. <http://www.facebook.com/rainbowreels/>

SPECTRUM Open House & Pride Tea. 4pm-9pm: **May 31** (Tuesday). Join us in our new home to celebrate Pride with tea, coffee, cakes, conversation and the harp stylings of Dangerous Dolores. @ SPECTRUM's Resource Centre and Drop-In Space in Unit 210 at 283 Duke St. W., Kitchener, N2H 3X7 (corner of Duke St W and Breithaupt).

SPECTRUM Reading Circle: tri-Pride Edition. 6:30-8pm, 4th Thursday of the month: **May 26.** Come join us as we read short stories/articles and discuss them. @ SPECTRUM.

SPECTRUM Saturday Social 2-6pm, Saturdays: **May 7, May 14 & May 21.** An informal afternoon of socializing in a safe and normalizing space. We have friendly volunteers, an extensive collection of games, books and DVDs, and free wi-fi - and a jigsaw puzzle on the go. @ SPECTRUM.

Three Dollar Bills - Financial Planning

with Pride. 6-8pm, first Monday of the month—**May 2.** A confidential, drop-in, peer-support group for LGBTQ folks who want to learn more about money. @SPECTRUM.

Trans Fams—Hike & Ice Cream Event. 1-4pm, **May 15** (Sunday). Are you interested in meeting other families with Trans and Gender Independent Kids? Want to join our family and others for some fun activities? Contact Holly for more info at hbmathers@gmail.com

Trans Peer Support Group. 7-9pm, 1st & 3rd Thursdays of the month: **May 5 & May 19.** New Day—New Time—New Facilitator. A safe and normalizing environment for anyone identifying in the trans/gender variant umbrella. @ SPECTRUM

Waterloo-Wellington-Perth PFLAG. Parents, Family & Friends Peer-Support Group. 7-9pm, 3rd Tuesday of the month: **May 17** @ Pre-School Room, Downtown Community Center, 35-B Weber St W, Kitchener.

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Secrett Mystery Bus Tour. One Bus! One Destination! Endless Possibilities! A reprise of a popular event in which you buy a ticket, board the bus and wait to see which fabulous location you end up in. Rave reviews from previous years. Details to follow.