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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**, **ACCKWA**, libraries, community centres, government and social services agencies in Waterloo Region.

Online at: <http://ourspectrum.com/rainbow-community-calendar/>

Weekly email of upcoming LGBTQ+ events, join the Rainbow e-mail list: <https://da.gd/rnbw>

Please e-mail calendar editor Lyn McGinnis with corrections or new information by the 20th of each month to: lynmc@rogers.com

please put **RAINBOW CALENDAR in the subject line.**

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

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

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/SpectrumCommunitySpace/>

Twitter: [@our_SPECTRUM](https://twitter.com/our_SPECTRUM) **E-mail:** info@ourspectrum.com **Phone:** 226-779-9695

June Events

June 1

[OK2BME Pride Prom](https://ok2bme.ca/event/pride-prom-2018/) At KW Counselling, 480 Charles Street East, Kitchener from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. For more information: <https://ok2bme.ca/event/pride-prom-2018/>

[Coffee House](https://www.facebook.com/events/884072738439077/) Join **SPECTRUM** as we celebrate Tri-Pride in an alcohol-free space with light refreshments and entertainment. Featuring Soul Fire Express and more. June 1 from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. <https://www.facebook.com/events/884072738439077/>

June 2

[tri-Pride Outdoor Festival](http://tri-pride.ca/) in Victoria Park Kitchener from 12:00 noon to 8:00 p.m. For more information: <http://tri-pride.ca/>

[Queer Night Out](https://www.facebook.com/QNightOut/) Pride Party at Crowne Plaza Kitchener-Waterloo. The Pride Party is 19+, so bring your valid photo ID with you! Tickets are available online in advance or at the door. For more information: <https://www.facebook.com/QNightOut/>

June 3

[tri-Pride Picnic](http://tri-pride.ca/) in Victoria Park Kitchener For more information: <http://tri-pride.ca/>

Starting June 5

Queercraft - a Queer Crafting Group. 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., Tuesdays: **June 5, 12, 19, 26.** Bring your portable craft to SPECTRUM!

OK2BME Youth Group At KW Counselling, 480 Charles Street East, Kitchener from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. For more information: <https://ok2bme.ca/events/>

Starting June 6

SPECTRUM Prime. 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., first and third Wednesdays of the month - **June 6** and **20** at SPECTRUM. As maturing members of the LGBTQ community, we gather together to create a welcoming environment where we can reduce isolation and expand our network of friends. Please join us for a casual discussion and social group for maturing adults.

Lesbo Bingo a family-friendly evening all in support of your tri-Pride for EVERYONE. At Chainsaw Pub in Waterloo on June 6 when doors open at 5:30 p.m. Information: <https://www.facebook.com/events/2092037517747855/>

June 6 and 20

Queerly Christian 7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the Erb Street Mennonite Church, 131 Erb Street West, Waterloo. This is a group of people who identify as LGBTQ+ and Christian. Allies are welcome, but please recognize that this is intended as a space for LGBTQ+ Christians to share their lived experience. <https://pastorsinexile.org/2017/03/03/queerly-christian/>

Starting June 7 and 21

SPECTRUM Transgender Peer Support Group. 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. on the first and third Thursday of the month. **June 7** and **21.** And on the second and fourth Monday of each month, **June 11** and **25.** A safe and normalizing environment for anyone identifying in the trans/gender variant umbrella at SPECTRUM.

Starting June 8

KW El-Tawhid Circle, a progressive Muslim social and prayer group which is gender equal and LGBTQ affirmative. Every second Friday afternoon from

2:00 - 4:30 p.m. **June 8** and **22.** More information: Fran at franps@golden.net.

day5games. 7:00 to 11:00 p.m. **June 8, 15, 22, 29** at SPECTRUM. Join us as we gather at our space to play board and card games, assemble jigsaw puzzles and fiddle with constructions in an informal atmosphere.

June 9

SPECTRUM Saturday Drop-In 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. Saturdays, **June 9, 16, 23, 30.** Come and hang out with us in a casual, relaxing atmosphere where you can just be yourself in an LGBTQ-friendly setting. We have refreshments.

June 10

Trans Fams Event. 4:00 p.m., **June 10.** 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: hb-mathers@gmail.com

June 11

Rainbow bereavement support group Monday, June 11 1:30-3:30 PM. All LGBTQ caregivers, spouses, friends suffering loss. 298 Lawrence Ave. Kitchener. Call 519-743-4114 ext. 117. barb@hospicewaterloo.ca

June 13

Aging with Pride Committee Meeting If you are interested in helping us improve life for older LGBTQ-identified people, please attend this monthly Committee meeting at SPECTRUM 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. <http://ourspectrum.com/projects/aging-with-pride/>

Starting June 14

Rainbow Multicultural Connect 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at SPECTRUM. A group where people from diverse cultures gather together at SPECTRUM to discuss what it is like to be LGBTQ+ across the world. We meet on the second Thursday of the month.

June 17

SPECTRUM Outing to the Symposium Cafe from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. on the third Sunday of the month join us at the Symposium Cafe Restaurant and Lounge, 4 King Street North, Waterloo. For more information see: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/SPECTRUMOutings/>

June 19

OK2BME Youth Group At KW Counselling, 480 Charles Street East, Kitchener from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. For more information: <https://ok2bme.ca/events/>

Waterloo - Wellington - Perth PFLAG, Parents Family and Friends Peer-Support Group 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. on the third Tuesday of the month. **June 19.** Join us in a warm, welcoming and safe place for all family and friends of people of the LGBTQ community at Pre-School Room, Downtown Community Centre, 35-B Weber Street West, Kitchener. <https://www.facebook.com/PFLAG.WWP>

June 21

We invite you to the **Seniors' Community Lunch** at Wesley United Cambridge (6 Cambridge Street) on the third Thursday of every month. Cost \$10. Please call 519-621-6060 so we know how many lunches to prepare. Meet and Greet for Rainbow Seniors LBGTQ+(55yrs) in the Chapel, hosted by Rev. Roy Holton and Laura Wilson immediately following the lunch from 1:00 - 2:00 p.m.

Plan B Co-operative KW's monthly drop-in hours **Thursday, June 21, at 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.** at Treehaus (79 Joseph St, Kitchener). Third Thursday of each month Plan B holds a drop-in space for LGBTQ+ community members to meet and mingle, learn about our programming and events, and just hang out!

June 23 and 24

KW Multicultural Festival at Victoria Park, Kitchener. Information: <https://www.kwmc.on.ca/festival-2018/>

June 25

LGBTQ+ In Tech. 6:30 - 9:00pm at the Smile.io office. This event is wheelchair accessible and has gender neutral washrooms. Please come in the front door and take the elevator to the second floor. gord@makingspace.tech <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/lgbtq-in-technology-meetup-v004-tickets-46347037236>

June 26

Good Laughs. 7:00 p.m. until closing, last Tuesday of the month: **June 26.** A safe space for trans people to explore their identity in the community; open to allies as well at Symposium Café, Waterloo (corner of King and Erb) - back room. goodlaughs81@gmail.com <https://www.facebook.com/goodlaughs81/?fref=ts>

June 27

SPECTRUM Coming Out Support Group. Topic: 'LGBTQ Community - where do I fit in?' A group for people aged 19+ to discuss coming out. The first half of each meeting will focus on the advertised topic; the last half will be an open discussion. We meet on the fourth Wednesdays of the month: <http://ourspectrum.com/coming-out-group/>

June 28

Sexual Health Awareness Drop in 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. on the fourth Thursday of the month. **June 28.** Sponsored by ACKWA at SPECTRUM, 283 Duke Street West, Unit 210.

SPECTRUM Reading Circle 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. on the fourth Thursday of the month, we read short stories and articles, and then reflect on what they mean to us personally. Join us for this exploration of LGBTQ literature at SPECTRUM.