

# Rainbow Community Calendar

The Rainbow Communty 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: <a href="http://ourspectrum.com/rainbow-community-calendar/">http://ourspectrum.com/rainbow-community-calendar/</a>

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**: <a href="http://ourspectrum.com/">http://ourspectrum.com/</a> (with hours of opening and much more) Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/SpectrumCommunitySpace/

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# **March Events**

#### Starting March 1

KW El-Tawhid Circle, a progressive Muslim social and prayer group which is gender equal and LGBTO affirmative. Every second Friday afternoon from 2:00 - 4:30 p.m. *March 1* and 15. More information: Fran at franps@golden.

day5games. 7:00 to 11:00 p.m. every Friday 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.

## Starting March 2

SPECTRUM Saturday Drop-In 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. every Saturday. Come and hang out with us in a casual, relaxing atmospherewhereyoucanjustbeyourself in an LGBTQ-friendly setting. We have refreshments.

## **Starting March 3**

Youth Under the Rainbow is a Drop-in for rainbow youth ages 13 through 18 from 1:00 to 4:00 PM at SPECTRUM every Sunday. Hang out, bring friends, and make new ones in a casual, LGBTQ2S-friendly setting. Refreshments provided! http://ourspectrum.com/youth-under-the-rainbow/



#### March 3

**Trans Fams Event**. 4:00 p.m., March 3. Are you interested in meeting other families with Trans and Gender Independent Kids? Want to join our family and others for some fun activies? Contact Holly for more info at: <a href="mailto:hb-mathers@gmail.com">hb-mathers@gmail.com</a>

# Starting March 5

**SPECTRUM** *Tuesday Drop-In* This social drop-in event *every Tuesday* afternoon is a great opportunity to meet other people, and to make new friends! We also have cookies and other (sometimes healthier) snacks to share. Feel free to drop in at any time on Tuesday between 12:00 to 4:00 p.m.

**OK2BME Cambridge** ages 13 to 18 Visit <a href="https://ok2bme.ca/events/2019-03/">https://ok2bme.ca/events/2019-03/</a> for details as they become available.

#### Starting March 6

SPECTRUM *Prime*. 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., first and third Wednesdays of the month – *March 6* and *20* at SPECTRUM. We see things differently as we age. Priorities shift. Social circles change. How can we deal with these challenges? 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.

## Starting March 7

**SPECTRUM** *Thursday Drop-In* This social drop-in event *every Thursday* afternoon is a great opportunity to meet other people, and to make new friends! We also have cookies and other (sometimes healthier) snacks to share. Feel free to drop in at any time on Thursday between 12:00 to 4:00 p.m.

**SPECTRUM** *Transgender Peer Support Group*.7:00 to 9:00 p.m. on Thursday *March* 7 and 21 and Monday *March* 11 and 25. A safe and normalizing environment for anyone identifying in the trans/gender variant umbrella at SPECTRUM.

#### Starting March 7

**Cry-Baby Live Viewing Party** KPL Central Branch, 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. an interactive viewing of this camp classic, featuring off-colour commentary and a special performance by local drag stars. <a href="https://www.eventbrite.com/e/cry-baby-live-viewing-party-tick-ets-53917551849">https://www.eventbrite.com/e/cry-baby-live-viewing-party-tick-ets-53917551849</a>

#### March 12

**OK2BME Activism with Sue Weare** ages 12 to 14 Visit <a href="https://ok2bme.ca/events/2019-03/">https://ok2bme.ca/events/2019-03/</a> for details as they become available.

**OK2BME School Experiences** ages 15 to 18 Visit <a href="https://ok2bme.ca/events/2019-03/">https://ok2bme.ca/events/2019-03/</a> for details as they become available.

#### March 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. <a href="http://ourspectrum.com/projects/aging-with-pride/">http://ourspectrum.com/projects/aging-with-pride/</a>

### Starting March 13

**Queerly Christian** 7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the Erb Street Mennonite Church, 131 Erb Street West, Waterloo **March 13** and **27**. 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/gueerly-christian/

#### March 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.

#### March 16

**Sway:** A Rainbow Reels Slow Dance Your best alternative St Patrick's Day party for LGBTQ2I+ peeps and friends. A fabulous and romantic slow dance for our community. https://www.universe. com/events/sway-a-rainbow-reelsslow-dance-tickets-kitchener-TQHJC4

### March 17

**SPECTRUM** *Outing to the Symposium Café* from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. on the third Sunday of the month join us at the Symposium Cafe Restaurant and Lounge, *an accessible location*, 668 Erb Street West on the Boardwalk in Waterloo, 519-749-4616. For more information see: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/%20SPECTRU-MOutings/">https://www.facebook.com/groups/%20SPECTRU-MOutings/</a>

#### March 18

Parenting Gender Independent Kids KW Counselling Services, 1770 King Street East, Unit 5 Kitchener, is offering a free evening workshop at 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. The workshop is designed to address the unique challenges that may be faced by parents of children or teens who identify as gender independent or transgender. https://www.kwcounselling.com

#### March 19

**OK2BME Cambridge** ages 13 to 18 Visit <a href="https://ok2bme.ca/events/2019-03/">https://ok2bme.ca/events/2019-03/</a> for details as they become available.

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. Join us in a warm, welcoming and safe place for all family and friends of people of the LGBTQ community at Multipurpose Room A in the Downtown Community Centre, 35-B Weber Street West, Kitchener. https://www.facebook.com/PFLAG.

#### March 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 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 dropin hours Thursday, March 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!

#### March 26

Good Laughs. 7:00 p.m. until closing, last Tuesday of the month: March 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

OK2BME Comedy Night with Suzie Taka ages 13 to 18 Visit <a href="https://ok2bme.ca/events/2019-03/">https://ok2bme.ca/events/2019-03/</a> for details.

#### March 27

**Sexual Health Awareness Drop in** 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. on the fourth Thursday of the month. **March 27**. Sponsored by ACCKWA at SPECTRUM, 283 Duke Street West, Unit 210.

SPECTRUM *Converse and Connect* Whether you're thinking about coming out, newly out, or out for ages, this group provides an opportunity to talk, share and connect with others in the LGBTQ community aged 19+ in a safe, positive and supportive environment. This group meets from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. on the fourth Wednesday of each month in the SPECTRUM Community Space. For details: <a href="http://ourspectrum.com/converse-and-connect/">http://ourspectrum.com/converse-and-connect/</a>