



Important notice: Parking

Please be advised that Impark, who administers the parking at the Pride Centre of Edmonton, has implemented a new parking system at our lot.

Please check in with your license plate number at Reception. Parking is valid for four (4) hours. If your visit exceeds four hours, you must check in again with Reception to renew your parking.

Lois Hole Library GSA

Mondays, 4:00–5:30pm

Lois Hole (Callingwood) Edmonton Public Library:
17650 69 Avenue

Join our Lois Hole Drop in GSA in collaboration with Edmonton Public Library. Hang out with LGBTQ+ youth, make buttons, play games and enjoy the library's cool tech!



**YOUTH DROP IN
Tuesdays, 4–6pm**

**GSA ROUNDTABLE
Thursday, March 21, 4:30–6:00pm**

Every Tuesday, youth are invited to meet at 4pm in the Queer Youth Living Room.

E2S Monthly Social

Friday, March 15, 6–9pm

Edmonton 2 Spirit Society hosts monthly socials on the third Friday of the month, 6–8pm.



New programming!



**GENDER MINORITY GROUP DROP IN
Thursdays, 12–4pm**

All ages drop in support space for gender diverse people.

**GENDER MINORITY INDIVIDUAL DROP IN
Fridays, 12–4pm**

All ages drop in individual support space for gender diverse people.

****Please be advised that therapy is not offered at these programs.*

Important announcement: Trans Youth Group/Parents' & Caregivers' Support Group

**NEW Schedule! Biweekly on Tuesdays
March 12 and March 26, 7–9pm**

These groups are no longer scheduled for the third Monday of the month. They are newly scheduled biweekly on Tuesdays, beginning March 12, taking place at the same timing: 7–9pm.

Thank you to our volunteers!



Everyone at the Pride Centre is grateful for the generous support of our volunteers. We wish to do a special shout-out to everyone who helped at our Pride Gala on January 19, and to three special volunteers, Dean, Archie, and Ian, who have kindly donated many hours to keeping our space and library so well cared for. Thank you so much!

Drag Queen 101: Wig Night

Friday, March 8, 5:30–8:00pm



This month's Art & Identity night features an exciting collaboration with the ISCWR (Imperial Sovereign Court of the Wild Rose)!

Are you ready to learn from Sister Mary Clarence and other special guests? Tickets are almost sold out!!! Get yours FREE on EventBrite!

Come learn the art of wig styling, care and how to save it after it's been through some drama. Bobby pins, hair elastics and hairspray will be supplied, but please bring your own wig. A limited supply of wigs is available.

Once tickets are sold out, we encourage everyone to queue on the waitlist. Stay tuned for another drag-themed Art & Identity night in April.



Teaching Sexual Health Professional Learning Day

Thank you to all the presenters, participants and organizers of the Teaching Sexual Health Professional Learning Day that happened on the 19th of February, organized by SHECE (Sexual Health Education Committee of Edmonton) and EPSB (Edmonton Public School Board).

The Pride Centre of Edmonton shared their brand new teaching materials, Gender Webs, which is a multi-layered and complex exploration of a student's experience of gender in the classroom. It was wonderful to talk, teach and learn from such responsive, thoughtful and passionate teachers and pre-service teachers who wanted to be more inclusive and affirming to LGBTQ+ students in their classroom.

What a great way to share new material, reach out to community partners and exchange resources. See you next year!

Rhymes That Bind

Wednesdays, March 6 and 13, 2–3pm

Rhymes That Bind is a drop-in program for parents with their children, 0–3 years old. Support your children's oral language development. Sing songs, learn rhymes and bond with your baby. Enjoy a snack with other families. All families are welcome!

***After March 13, Rhymes That Bind will take a brief hiatus, resuming on April 10.

For more information, please call the Centre for Family Literacy: (780) 421-7323

Upcoming fundraising events

 **ROCKIN' 4 DOLLARS** 
Monday, March 11, 9:00pm–12:30am
The Buckingham: 10439 82 Avenue



The evening will feature entertainment from musicians and bands covering their favourite LGBTQ2S+ artist. Proceeds raised from the cover charge (suggested \$5 donation), a 50/50 raffle, and a small silent auction of items proudly donated by local businesses, will go toward supporting the Pride Centre of Edmonton. Doors open at eight o'clock, event starts at nine.

BEERFEST

Saturday & Sunday, March 22 & 23
Shaw Conference Centre: 9797 Jasper Avenue

This year, the Pride Centre is partnering with Edmonton Beer Fest and Edmonton Pride Festival Society for Edmonton's 14th International Beerfest. With over 300 beers available for tasting, a whole new line-up of entertainment, and Edmonton's most popular and best beer-serving establishments represented, this year is shaping up to be a blast! Tickets are \$19 in advance.

Beerfest has sold out for nine consecutive years. Get your tickets while you can! Buy them today at InternationalBeerFest.com!

ImagiNation Miscellany, *What Have You Said About Us*

Showcase: **March 23, 7:00–11:30pm**

International Visual Arts Society Gallery:
10635 95 Street

Greetings! You are cordially invited to attend the ImagiNation Miscellany (IM) showcase #11, *What You Said About Us*, on March 23rd at the International Visual Arts Society Gallery in McCauley (10635 95 Street), 7–11 pm.

Two years ago, IM #10, *Have you heard about us?*, showcased portraits done by visual artists from Edmonton from Indigenous, newcomer, refugee, and LGBTQ+ communities. The exhibition was part of The Works Festival in Churchill Square.

The exhibit received over 600 public comments. Some were heartwarming; some, heartbreaking.

After some consideration, ImagiNation Miscellany decided to explore the comments left by the public in a series of workshops: visual arts, performance arts, and co-creation art work. This deep exploration of the comments provided the grounds for the selected artists to create a new conceptual exhibit, *What You Said About Us*.

Highlights include work by famous Mexican actress, Miriam Balderas, known for her work, *In Deep Water*—a short film that was selected at the Cannes Film Festival, 2018; a Syrian artist, Abboud Salman, who has exhibited his art in 15 countries across Europe and the Middle East; Yerlys Duran, an eco-friendly jewellery designer whose passion for up-cycling lead her to transform old garments into beautiful jewelry pieces; two high school students from Lillian Osborne High School who will delight with their young artistic spirit...

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...Marena, a Colombian folkloric dance group; and Woolva Queen, whose art aims to educate and destigmatize women's sexuality; and more—so much more!

Showcase and exhibition are open to everyone and are free of charge. Invite all your friends and family, and support local arts.

Showcase and reception:
March 23, 7:00–11:30pm

Exhibition times:
March 24, 12–4pm*
March 25–29, 9–5pm
March 30 & 31, 12–4pm*

**The International Visual Arts Society Gallery (McCauley) is normally closed on Saturdays and Sundays; however, it will be specially open during these exciting exhibitions. ImagiNation encourages everyone from the community to take advantage of these meaningful opportunities to support local Indigenous, newcomer, refugee, and LGBTQ+ artists.*

RESOURCES CORNER

If you or someone you know is in danger, and you need first responder help, please call 9-1-1.

For crisis support, please call 2-1-1.

Canadian Mental Health Association Edmonton Region
Distress Helpline (24-hour): (780) 482-HELP (4357)

Kids' Help Phone (24-hour): 1-800-668-6868

Sexual Assault Centre of Edmonton crisis line (24-hour):
(780) 423-4121

Alberta Family Violence Information Line (24-hour):
310-1818

Today Centre for Family Violence: (780) 455-6880