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1. December Salon: White Elephant Gift Exchange

Where: Adult Day Space, 2630 Gottingen Street

When: Sunday Dec 14, 1:00pm - about 3pm-ish

What: White Elephant gift exchange. Wrap up something in your house you'd like to not be in your house. Mildly odd and laughable is a bonus. Bring some food and/or drink to share. We'll supply music, beverages, & holiday cheer.

Later that day: Halifax Queer Ensemble (below.)



2. December 13th Paul & Dan's Christmas Party

What: BYOB and Pot Luck: bring something you like to make and eat.

Where: 3247 Union Street, Halifax

When: Arrive any time after 8pm, food will be out at 9pm. It's over at 1am :-)

Details: Pot Luck Supper. Bring something you like to make and eat. Put your name on a piece of masking tape on the bottom of that casserole!



3. Concert: Halifax Queer Ensemble

The Halifax Queer Ensemble is an artist-led ensemble of Queer musicians and artists.

When: Sunday, Dec 14, 7:00pm

What: Christmas Concert

Where: St Andrew's United, Coburg & Robie

Details: Tickets: \$20 suggested, \$10 accessible / student / senior



4. November 9th Salon

Nine of us were there. Some presenters used shared photocopied images. Others spoke about the rise of queer awareness and relationships at USO dances, shows and shared cramped quarters. Engaging in dangerous anti nazi espionage, prejudice towards black servicemen. The rise of greater freedom for women. War brides and the broadening of personal horizons and the rise of liberation movements. Everyone was very engaged.



5. Trans Remembrance Day

On November 20 a flag raising ceremony was held at the Nova Scotia Legislature. Lisa LaChance gave a talk about trans issues. Members of the trans community and their supporters including some of us Elderberries attended.

The Lt.Governor, Mike Savage and others spoke about the role of government in protecting the dignity of trans individuals. It was an impressive high profile affair.



6. Speakers Event at Youth Summit

November 19th Wesley, Stephanie, Dan, Lynn and Nathan went to a Youth Summit at the Ross Creek Centre for the Arts. It started with an Indigenous smudging ceremony. The workshops were separate from our table in the corridor. This made interacting with students difficult. The prototype Raymond Taavel cookies were a big hit. Nate and Lynn participated in a theatre workshop



7. Upcoming LGBT Events

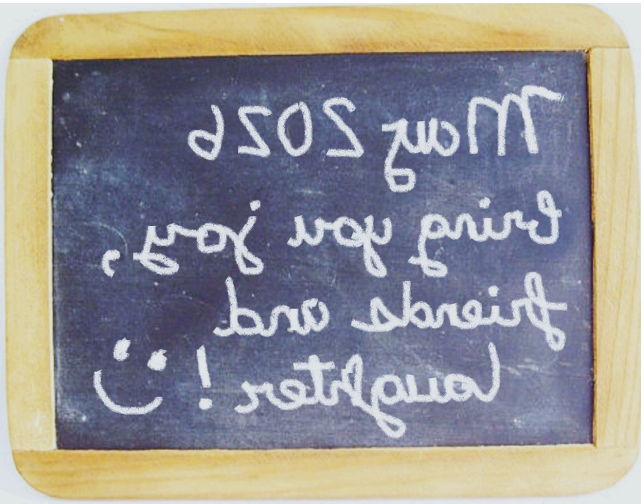
You can find all local LGBT Events in one place at:
<https://gay.hfxns.org/LocalEvents>

Or google "gay halifax events"



8. Members Notices

Broadcast your news! If you have an announcement about a birth, a Graduation, moving, wedding, of you, your partner, kids, your grandkids etc, just <Reply> with them, or send them to AtlanticCanadaElderberries@gmail.com



9. Elderberries mugs for you!

Need a cosy gift? Elderberries mugs are perfect.

On the back is the grey pride ribbon and the words:
We're old. We are tired. We can get away with things. So... don't piss us off!

The price is \$15.00; you can get one at our events or we can mail one to you.



10. About The Elderberries

The Elderberries is the social, educational, and activism group for LGBT Elders in Atlantic Canada. To join the Society and the mailing list, send an email to

AtlanticCanadaElderberries@gmail.com • We have a Facebook group too! Join the Facebook Group, "NSElderberries" • To be removed from this mailing list, just <Reply> with the word "Unsubscribe".

