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July 2017 Newsletter

Note from the Chair

Hello and welcome to our revamped Rainbow Network newsletter!

It has been a busy couple of months for the Network, that has seen us march in Birmingham Pride Parade for the first time as well as holding our first AGM.

The committee are still analysing the results of our May survey to ensure that we continue to provide the best service for you. Our first change is to move the evening of our monthly socials to Tuesday as of August, which we hope will be more convenient.

Finally, I recently provided LGBTQ awareness training to the University [Harassment Advisers](#), who are now better equipped to support you if you face any issues in the workplace relating to your LGBTQ identity. Wellbeing Services has affirmed their commitment to LGBTQ inclusion on our [website](#).

New Committee

Chair: Tom Syder

Secretary: Ellie Mestel

Communications Officer: Philippa Treharne-Jones

Social Media Officer: Kate Stewart

Events Officer: Louise Rudge

Welfare Officer: Kate Nichols

Allies Champion: Sheena Griffiths

Committee Member: Christopher Cipkin

Find out more: intranet.birmingham.ac.uk/rainbownetwork

Join our mailing list: lgbtq@contacts.bham.ac.uk

Dates for your diary

JULY

Pride in Sport

July social: 3 July

National Theatre Live —

Angels in America Part One: 20 July

National Theatre Live —

Angels in America Part Two: 27 July

Pink Picnic: 30 July

AUGUST

August social: 1 August

Visit our [2017 Calendar](#)



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Alliance Graduate Attraction and Retention Event

The [Alliance Network](#) is holding an event about LGBT graduate attraction and retention. Register [here](#).

Date: Thursday 6 July 2017

Time: 6pm-8:30pm

Location: Pinsent Mason, 55 Colmore Row, Birmingham, B3 2AA

Making Space

July is your last chance to visit Making Space, an exhibition created for International Women's Day, featuring women who have made contributions to the University of Birmingham.

The exhibition is in the rotunda of the Aston Webb Building, and further information is available on the University [website](#).

#UoBMakingSpace

Angels in America

National Theatre Live will be broadcasting Angels in America, a two-part play set during the AIDS crisis, on 20th and 27th July.

The Rainbow Network are going to the Electric Cinema to watch these performances – you can buy tickets for the first part [here](#), and the second part [here](#).

Seats are unreserved so you can buy your tickets and just turn up on the night, but if you would like to meet a committee member in advance so that you will recognise somebody then please get in touch.

Facebook events: [Part 1](#) and [Part 2](#)

Rainbow Voices Concert

Midlands-based LGBT choir [Rainbow Voices](#) present their summer concert, Diversity and Harmony, compèred by Mrs Barbara Nice. Tickets available [here](#)—early booking recommended.

Date: Saturday 22 July 2017

Time: 7:30pm-9:30pm

Location: Hagley Road Village, 322-336 Hagley Road, Birmingham, B17 8BH

LGBT Student Support

Staff who work with students may be interested in these articles about how to provide appropriate support to LGBTQ students.

The PIE have produced an article entitled "[How can educators support LGBTQI+ international students?](#)".

True North Intercultural has a blog post on "[Creating inclusive communities for transgender students](#)".

Next Rainbow Network social

The final Monday Rainbow Network social will be taking place on Monday 3 July at 5:30pm in Bratby Bar. We will be welcoming in the new committee and celebrating the end of the 2016/17 academic year.

[Facebook event](#)

Thereafter, all of our socials will take place on the first Tuesday of the month, beginning on Tuesday 1 August.