

DEFYING SHAME for Him

DEFYING SHAME IS A SAFE SOCIAL SPACE FOR GAY, BISEXUAL, QUEER, & QUESTIONING MEN OF COLOR WHO HAVE SEX WITH MEN THAT OFFERS A SAFE ENVIRONMENT FOR PARTICIPANTS TO ADDRESS PERSONAL STIGMA, SHAME, SEXUALITY, TRAUMA AND MUCH MORE...



FEBRUARY 15TH, 16TH & 17TH

**SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR EVENT TIMES

IN OUR OWN VOICES, INC.
245 LARK STREET, ALBANY

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FEBRUARY EVENTS

LGBT BLACK HISTORY MONTH EXHIBIT

Opens: Saturday, February 3rd
3pm-6pm

*exhibit runs through February

Soul Food Brunch

Saturday, February 10th
12pm-3pm

BLACK PANTHER COMMUNITY MOVIE EVENT

Friday, February 16th
5:30pm-8:30pm // Show 6:30pm

*Discounted tickets available - Call for info

Love & Lust Valentine's Ball

Saturday, February 17th
DOORS OPEN 9pm // BALL BEGNS 10:15pm

The LINDA
339 Central Avenue, Albany, NY

ALL CATEGORIES OTA (OPEN TO ALL)
CASH PRIZES!

FACE: KISS OF LIFE OR DEATH
SEX SIREN: VICTORIA SECRET VS. BDSM
VOGUE: LEATHER & LATEX
RUNWAY: CUPID'S WALK
REALNESS: APHRODITE & ADONIS
OPEN MIC: BLACK LOVE
BEST DRESSED: SHEETS VS. STREETS
BQ IN PUMPS: LOVE IS A BATTLEFIELD

LGBT Domestic Violence SUPPORT LINE 518-432-4341

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February 2018

BLACK HISTORY MONTH
TEEN DATING VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH



In Our Own Voices, Inc. Newsletter/Calendar

Our Mission

is to work for and ensure the physical, mental, spiritual, political, cultural and economic survival and growth of the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender people of color (LGBT POC) communities.

We Seek To

- Develop the leadership of LGBT POC.
- Strengthen the voices of LGBT POC in order to effectively communicate our perspectives within the larger community.
- Increase our capacity for combating oppression and marginalization.

FREE RAPID HIV & HEP C Testing

Social Justice Center
33 Central Avenue, Albany
INCENTIVES PROVIDED!

Promoting Awareness and
Healthier Decisions for
Men Who Have Sex With Men

2:30 PM to 5:00 PM
2nd & 4th Wednesday of Every Month



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 Men's Empowerment Group 6pm-7:30pm	2 Sexversations for Him 6:30pm-8:30pm	3 LGBT Black History Month Exhibit Opens 3pm-6pm
4 SUPER BOWL SUNDAY	5 BLGP Community Planning Meeting 6pm-7:30pm	6	7 Out the Closet I Am Support Group 6:30pm-8pm	8	9 YMCA Shenectady Testing Event 3pm-7pm 433 State St., Schenectady Sexversations for Women Who Love Womyn 7pm-9pm	10 National Black HIV Awareness Day Event: Soul Food Brunch 12pm-3pm
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11	12	13 Life After 50 Social Group 6pm-8pm	14 FREE HIV/Hep C Testing: 2:30pm-5pm Social Justice Center 33 Central Ave., Albany Voices of Unity 6pm-7:30pm	15 **Defying Shame 6pm-8pm	16 **Black Panther Community Event 5:30pm-8:30pm **Defying Shame 6pm-8pm	17 **Defying Shame 12pm-2pm **Love & Lust Valentine's Ball 9pm-12am
18	19 PRESIDENT'S DAY	20	21 Out the Closet I Am Support Group 6:30pm-8pm	22 Men's Empowerment Group Social Justice Center 33 Central Ave., Albany LGBT Pride Game Night 6pm-7:30pm	23	24 YMSM Networking Mixer Time: TBD Location:TBD
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Program Descriptions

Project ;Sano!

An emergency assistance program for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender (LGBT) individuals and families.

Men's Empowerment Group

A space for Gay, Bisexual and Transgender men to share stories, celebrate triumphs, and foster ideas for a better future.

Sexversations

For Womyn who love Women (all ages) join us for a night of *Sexversations*. Topics include: orgasms, consent, power play, kink and overall sexual health.

Sexversations for Him

For Men who love Men - join us for a night of *Sexversations* for him. Topics include: orgasms, erotic massage, sexual roles, positivity.

Ask-A-Lawyer

Free, private and confidential legal consultations for eligible LGBT individuals on civil issues related to name changes, domestic disputes, discrimination, family law and more.

Out the Closet I Am

A support group for Womyn who love Women.

Voices of Unity

A support group creating a safe place for the Trans and Gender Non-Conforming Community.