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On behalf of the Knox Pride board, our wonderful sponsors and amazing volunteers, I would like to welcome the LGBTQ+ and Ally communities to Knox Pridefest 2018! On June 23rd, the Parade kicks off the day at 11am on Gay Street, then join us at Pridefest at Mary Costa Plaza and Performance Lawn from 12-8pm. Whether you are a returning attendee or new to Pridefest, at this year's event you will EXPERIENCE PRIDE like never before!

The list of fantastic events leading up to Pridefest 2018 include our DineOut with Pride series which kicks off on May 17th, Knox Pride Picnic on June 3rd at Tyson Park, Next 2 Nothing on June 8th at The Concourse, ArtOut in the City on June 15th at The Standard and Celebrity Bartending on June 21st at Scruffy City Hall.

This year marks the 13th year of Pridefest and we are taking it back to its roots. We are featuring local talent on both stages through the day with headliner Hudson K closing out the evening! Yara Sofia from the three season of RuPaul's Drag Race, R will also be joining us and strutting her way around the stage! In addition to our amazing stage performances, we will also be featuring interactive elements throughout the festival grounds to enhance your experience. From our Kids Zone to DragonFly Circus, we have something for everyone.

But the fun doesn't stop there! We also invite you to join us throughout the year at any of our other events. Whether you join us for a Board Meeting, the Adventures with Pride series or special events such as Mardi Gras or our newest edition – Knox Pride's Bourbon and Whiskey Tasting – we look forward to seeing and hearing from you! All of our events can be found on our website, KnoxPride.com or our Facebook page.

Now get ready to Experience Pride!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jen Green', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Jen Green,
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Knox Pride



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May 1, 2018

Welcome to Knoxville PrideFest 2018!

As Mayor, I'm proud to serve a city that recognizes and embraces the contributions of all of its citizens. It's never been more important than right now to affirm and celebrate how our diversity strengthens and energizes us!

KnoxPride has grown PrideFest beyond the month of June into a full season of festivity. Numerous Dine Out with KnoxPride events lead up to the KnoxPride Picnic on June 3, followed by the 10th annual Next2Nothing Fashion Show on June 8, and the Art Out in the City Art Show & Auction on June 15.

The 13th Knoxville PrideFest on Saturday, June 23, returns to the Mary Costa Plaza by the Civic Auditorium and Coliseum, and features performers Hudson K, Bebe Benet, Girl Crush, Pulp Friction, Jeanine Fuller & the Boyz and more. That morning's annual parade promises to be bigger and more festive than ever!

I am grateful to PrideFest organizers for their efforts to not merely host events that emphasize the vitality and importance of our local LGBT community, but also for inviting all of Knoxville to the party. As the ever-growing crowds attest, PrideFest is a festival for everyone.



I am honored to serve as your Mayor, and I wish everyone a happy and successful PrideFest!

Sincerely,

Madeline Rogero
Mayor, City of Knoxville

2018 KNOX PRIDE

CALENDARS EVENTS

JUNE 3RD ○ **PRIDEFEST PICNIC**
 Sunday, June 3RD | 1-5pm
 Tyson Park

JUNE 8TH ○ **NEXT 2 NOTHING**
 Friday, June 8TH | 7:30pm
 The Concourse

Swimwear and underwear show and auction.

JUNE 15TH ○ **ART OUT IN THE CITY**
 Friday, June 15TH | 6:30pm
 The Standard

Art show and auction with food and drinks included

JUNE 21ST ○ **CELEBRITY BARTENDING**
 Thursday, June 21ST | 5pm
 Scruffy City Hall

JUNE 22ND ○ **HOTEL KNOXVILLE KICK OFF PARTY**
 Friday, June 22ND | 7pm
 Hotel Knoxville

PRIDEFEST
 June 23rd | 12-8pm
 Mary Costa Plaza and
 Performance Lawn

PARADE
 Starts at 11am
 Gay Street

Main Stage Entertainment



For a full list of events visit KnoxPride.com/Events
 or our Facebook Page

MAY

Wild Wing Cafe (Both Locations)

Thursday | May 17TH | 6pm - 10pm

Sunspot

Thursday | May 22ND | 5pm - 10pm

JUNE

French Market Creperie

Friday & Saturday | June 1ST-2ND | All Day

Sugar Mamma's

Monday & Tuesday | June 4TH-5TH | 12-9pm

Boyd's Jig & Reel

Thursday | June 7TH | 6pm - 10pm

Olive Garden

Tuesday | June 12TH | 5pm - 10pm

Coffee & Chocolate

Thursday | June 14TH | All Day

Causal Pint (Downtown)

Friday | June 15TH | 9pm - 2am

Balter Beer Works

Sunday | June 17th | All day

Tomato Head (Both Locations)

Tuesday | June 19TH | All Day

Melting Pot

Wednesday | June 20TH | 5pm - 10pm

Uncorked

Thursday | June 21ST | 5pm - 10pm

Market House

Thursday | June 21ST | All Day

Cru

Sunday | June 24TH | 10am - 2pm

August

Hard Rock Cafe

Saturday | August 11TH | 5pm - 11pm



RSVP on Facebook to join our group table for each event.

What is Dine Out with Pride?

Formerly known as an Eat Out with Pride, this is a night designated for the LGBTQ+ and ally communities to patronize a Knox Pride sponsorship restaurant. This is one way that Knox Pride tries to give back to the restaurants that support us. It also allows us the opportunity to meet members of the community that may or may not want to take a more active role in what we are doing or just want to put a face to the name. Without the support of our Knoxville community

and businesses, we would not be able to have this festival or other events each year. At this time more than ever, we have to stand by and support those that are willing to stand up and support us. Please consider coming out to a few of them with some friends! You don't have to sit with us, just let them know you are with Knox Pride so they know! We look forward to seeing you there!

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WHAT TO EXPECT WITH PRIDEFEST THIS YEAR!

Thanks to the strong LGBTQ+ community, our allies, and the hard work of Knox Pride to bring PrideFest to Mary Costa Plaza and Performance Lawn (Knoxville Coliseum Lawn). This location allows us bring you even more sponsors, new opportunities, and greater diversity in vendors and entertainment.

Libations

As in previous years, water & soft drinks are available for purchase from food vendors. Knox Pride will be the sole provider of alcohol. If you wish to drink you must show a valid id and purchase a \$1 wristband and drink tickets. We take cash or credit for ticket sales. Buy a VIP pass & treat yourself to the tented VIP area for free food, an open bar, A/C & get up close with the entertainers.

The "Red Tape"

You must be 21 to drink alcohol and you can't bring your own (no matter how old you are). Sorry, it's the law. Entry into the park requires going through a security checkpoint where police will search all bags. Anyone attempting to carry in outside alcohol, weapons, or firearms will not be permitted to enter. Coolers are not permitted, however, small umbrellas are allowed. Anyone caught giving a minor alcohol will be removed from the premises immediately.

Parking

For Pridefest the most convenient parking garages will be next to the coliseum for \$5. There are several city operated parking lots in the downtown area that are free to park on weekends, but we strongly suggest you check the city online parking guides and plan ahead. Also, checkout the KAT schedule to help you get around downtown.

Emergencies

Knox Pride will have uniformed security and EMS available to handle emergencies. Please follow all instructions from festival staff and security. In the event of extreme weather, shelter is available in the coliseum garage.

ADA

Knox Pride continues to try to make the festival as ADA accessible as possible. Handicap parking is located in all three parking garages next to the lawn, including ramps to get to the festival grounds. The festival grounds has concreted areas throughout but please be aware that many parts of the festival are on grass. If you are in need of assistance, please feel free to speak with any Staff Member. A golf cart is available for transport across the grounds, if needed.

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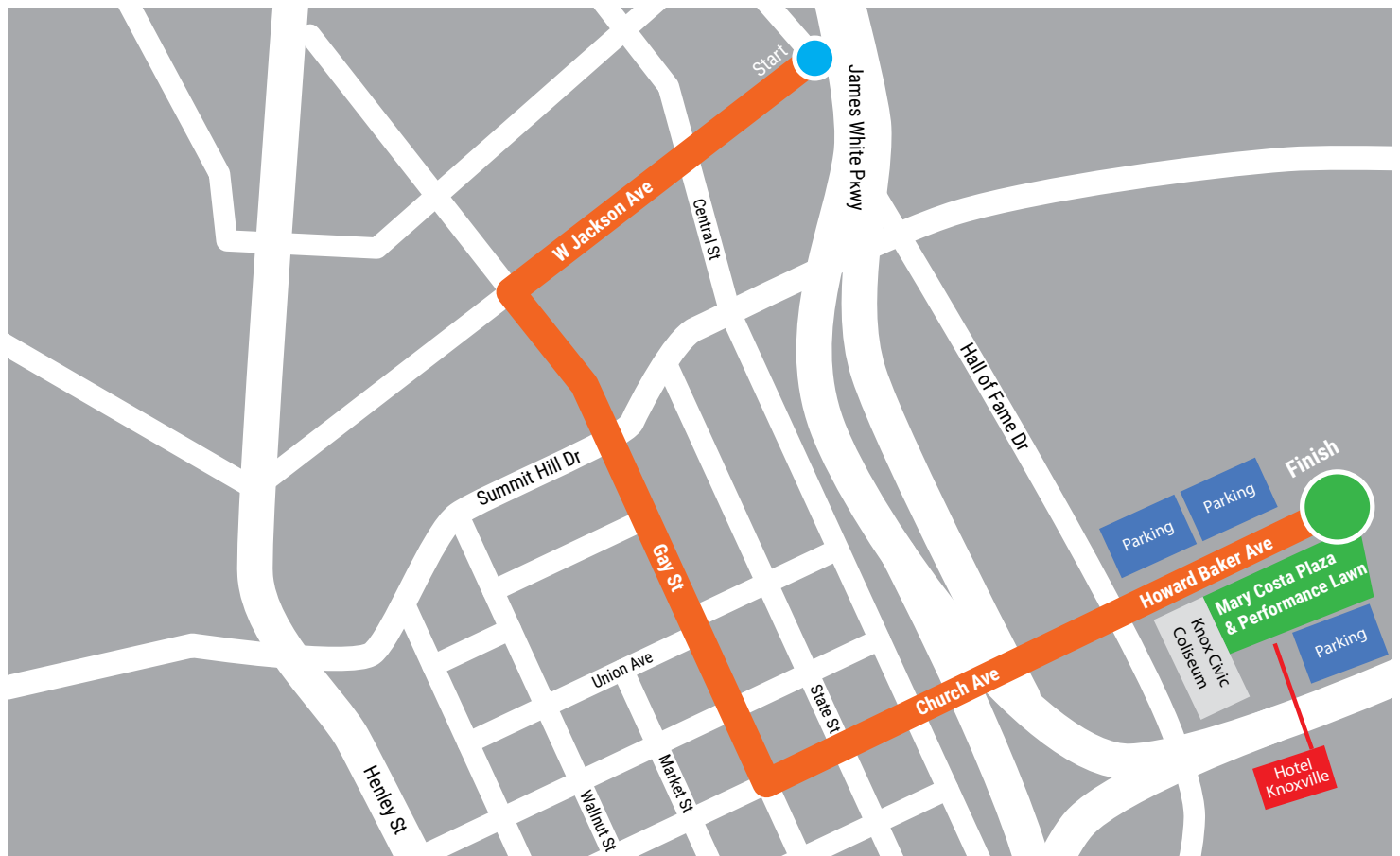


PARADE

Grand Marshall **BEN BYERS**

Staging for the parade will take place on
Saturday, June 23RD at 9:00am at the Jackson Ave. & Patton St. surface lot (under James White Pkwy)

The parade will start promptly at 11am, starting at North Gay St, turn on Church Ave continuing to Howard Baker JR Blvd., Turn Right on Honor Our Troops Drive for disembarking.



**This year promises to be the biggest and best Parade Knox PrideFest has ever seen!
We invite you to be a part of the celebration!**

Do you own a business? Go to a supportive church? Are you in a community group? If so, grab a few friends and a banner or, better yet, build a float. Feel free to be as creative as possible while promoting your business, church, group, etc. Don't forget the beads, candy, flyers, and water as the crowd always loves freebies! Just use our 2018 PrideFest Theme "Experience Pride" in your float design/decoration and you might just be one of our winners!

Categories this year are: Best Float, Most Walkers, Most Original. Be creative with your float design/decoration/performance and you might just be one of our winners!

To register for the parade go to www.knoxpride.com under the "Events" tab. Click parade and fill out the form. It's FREE and as simple as that to register. You will also find a map of the parade route on that same page so you can get your

friends to come cheer you on. However, if you plan to participate in the 2018 PrideFest Parade you need to register no later than Wednesday, June 20th.

ENTERTAINMENT SCHEDULE

Main Stage

2ND Stage

12:20 - 12:30 Mayor Speech

12:30 - 12:45 Opera

12:45 - 1:00 Knoxville Gay Mens Chorus

1:00 - 1:45 Jeanine Fuller & The Boyz

1:45 - 3:15 DJ Foam Party

3:15 - 4:15 Pulp Friction

4:15 - 4:45 Local Drag Queens

4:45 - 5:45 Girl Crush

5:45 - 6:00 DJ

6:00 - 6:30 Yara Sofia

6:30 - 7:00 DJ Foam Party

7:00 - 8:00 Hudson K

12:00 - 12:45 Turnaround Norman

12:45 - 1:00 Announcements

1:00 - 1:45 J Luke Cochran

1:45 - 2:00 Announcements

2:00 - 2:45 Brent Meeg Hyder

2:45 - 3:00 Announcements

3:00 - 3:45 Turnaround Norman

3:45 - 4:00 Announcements

4:00 - 4:45 J Luke Cochran

4:45 - 5:00 Announcements

5:00 - 5:45 Brent Meeg Hyder



Jennifer Green

President

A Florida native, Jen relocated to Knoxville last year to join Mortgage Investors Group. While attending the University of South Florida to obtain her B.A in Music, she was actively involved and lead their PRIDE Alliance. During her tenure at Bank of America, Jen attended several Out & Equal conferences and chaired the Tampa Bay region PRIDE ERG. In addition, she was also a member of Out & Equal Tampa Bay as a representative for Bank of America as

well as a certified trainer. Jen also is a member of the Knoxville Choral Society.



Mark Church-Janes

Vice-President, Beverage Co-Chair, Pridefest Parade Co-Coordinator, Dine Out Co-Chair

Mark is originally from Louisville, KY. He attended the University of Louisville, served in the US Army and the Kentucky National Guard. Mark moved to East TN in 1997 where he now works as a sales representative for a wine & liquor wholesaler and he owns an alcohol responsible beverage servers company, TopShelf Express LLC and Vice President of TopShelf EDU. He is a member of HRC, Red & Green Committee and a Executive

board member for Knox Pride. Mark enjoys spending time with his husband of 16yrs, friends, family and traveling. Mark would like to thank the Knox Pride board and all our volunteers for making Knox PrideFest a success.



Christopher Brewer

Secretary, Graphic Designer, Social Media Committee Chair

Knoxville transplant, originally from NC, is an extremely talented and driven young designer and professional. Graduate from Appalachian State in Boone, NC, studying Industrial Design, he moved back to Knoxville eager to get to work. Chris has years of experience in Graphic Design and has helped in making pride be colorful. He currently is a professor at Pellissippi teaching graphic design.



Sarah Michelle Miller

Treasurer, Festival Coordinator

Sarah Michelle is a Wisconsin native that moved to Knoxville in 2011. With a BA in Psychology from the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater, she has been working for the Department of Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities for the State of Tennessee for almost 5 years now. On her free time, you can usually find her reading, hanging out with her pups, baking for her small side business, volunteering, trying to convince the rest of the board members

of her next great idea, or checking out local foods and drinks. Knox Pride and the festival is her passion project and she enjoys helping as much as she can to continually watch it all grow.



Victoria Scott

Board Member, Beverage Co-Chair, Dine Out Co-Chair

Victoria was born in Monterey, CA. Being a child in a military home, she moved a few times before settling in Kingsport, TN. She has lived in Knoxville for 13 years, and received a Bachelors of Arts degree in the field of Political Science from the University of Tennessee. While attending UT she served as the president of the Lambda Student Union for 2 years. As the President of Lambda she organized many social and political events for the LGBTQ community on

campus. She has been employed by PepsiCo for 5 years. She is happily married to her wonderful wife Ashleigh Scott, and they have a beautiful young puppy named Oakley.



Morgan Thompson

Board Member, Art Out Coordinator

Morgan is a Knoxville native who is excited to be a new member of the Knox Pride Board. She grew up in South Knoxville and graduated from the University of Tennessee, Knoxville with a Bachelor's Degree in Accounting. She is currently an Internal Auditor for Clayton Homes. After being a volunteer for PrideFest in 2016, she decided she wanted to become a more active member in the community. She is eager to serve as a Board member and cannot

wait to see what this year's PrideFest and Pride events bring.



Adam Christopher

Board Member, N2N Coordinator

Adam is a native of Knoxville and grew up in the Karns community where he graduated in 2005. He joined the Knox Pride Board in 2016 after having been a volunteer for several years assisting with a multitude of events and fundraisers. Adam loves all things technology and has worked for Apple for 5 years

where he plans to run the company and retire! Currently, Adam is the Executive Producer of the Next2Nothing Fashion Show, a long running fundraiser for Knox Pride. He is excited for what Knox Pride is becoming and hopes to spread our community involvement throughout the southeast!



Sandy Huneycutt

Board Member, Pride Picnic Coordinator

Sandy is originally from a small town outside of Charlotte, NC. She started her career 30 years ago working with individuals that have disabilities. Currently, she works for The State of TN Department of Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities. Living in Knoxville for 18 years; she is the proud parent of two wonderful children, Katie and Seth.



Ed Jarnagin

Board Member, Parade Co-Coordinator

Ed Jarnagin is a native of Virginia and has been living in South Knoxville and vicinity since March 2000. Ed is the president of the Knoxville Bear Club and participates in various LGBTQ events throughout the year. Ed is honored and humbled by the opportunity of being a board member for Knox Pride and wants to help the local LGBTQ community become more close and flourish.



Stephanie Scates

Board Member, Volunteer Chair

As a born and raised Knoxville native, Stephanie is accustomed to all that Knox Vegas has to offer. As a manager in a retail pharmaceutical company she is used to providing care and empathy to those she meets. As a new member of the pride board she is excited to be a part of the vast diversity and unity that pride offers. In combination with others

on the board she hopes to bring her warm-hearted and welcoming attitude to all the fantastic pride events to come!



Nathan Higdon

Board Member, Community Outreach Chair

Nathan was born in Maryville, TN. He has lived in the area for most of his life. He is an avid outdoorsman, progressive politics, hobby mechanic, hiker, and yoga fan. He is a serial entrepreneur who founded L'Espace, Inc., which has become a diverse conglomerate. He earned a degree in Spanish at Maryville

College, an MBA at The Pennsylvania State University, and a Ph.D. from Oklahoma State University. He is a researcher and speaker on LGBTQ discrimination, behavior, and code-switching in the workplace.



Rodney Lynch

Board Member

Rodney is a Knoxville native who loves to travel. He spends a lot of time with friends and family including niece and nephew. He enjoys hiking, video games, movies and LOVE roller coasters. He loves to volunteer and it's very important to him to give back to the community. He has been working with Knoxville Pride in different capacities since 2012 and he is looking forward to our

continued growth.



Willis Prewitt

Board Member, Entertainment Chair

Originally from Louisiana, Willis has lived in Knoxville for 16 years. While living here, he has been involved with the Knoxville Gay Softball League, serving as their Parliamentarian for 3 years. He is an avid traveler, always looking for a new adventure. During his down time, he enjoys cooking, video games, and finding new and unknown music.



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**Meeting location is posted online at KnoxPride.com and on FaceBook.*

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HUDSON K

Innovative synths and upbeat rhythms are the signature sounds that drive Hudson K, Knoxville's premier electro-rock duo, featuring Christina Horn (vocals/synths) and Nate Barrett (drums). For the past decade, Hudson K has explored the intersection of electronica and classical music, composing sonic tapestries that

have entertained dedicated audiences from Georgia to Connecticut and everywhere in between. Voted "Best Electronic Band" by Blank News, Hudson K regularly appears as a top performing band in the region, and their popularity has led them to a main stage performance at Rhythm and Blooms, a performance

on the "Who" stage at Bonnaroo, as well as performances at the Slingshot Music Festival in Athens, GA and the CMJ Music Marathon in New York City, among many others. Hudson K recently finished recording their fourth studio album at Top Hat Studios in March, and will launch their 2017 tour of the Eastern US in July.





Yara Sofia

Born Gabriel Burgos, in San Juan, Puerto Rico, this queen is better known as Yara Sofia. She is 31 years old and has, since birth, always shown interest in theatrical arts, dancing, and design. Yara holds a Bachelor of Arts in Theatre as well as an Associates of Arts in Fashion Design/Haute Couture. While designing and creating costumes for musicals and plays at Universidad del Sagrado Corazón (Sacred Heart University) in Puerto Rico, Yara decided to continue developing herself as an actor/performer. With that desire and a Halloween dare, Yara dived into the art of drag. In 2005, she won her first title as "Miss Road to Diva" at Krash Nightclub in Puerto Rico. Five years later, in 2010, Yara hoped to take her drag career to the next level and decided to audition for RuPaul's Drag Race, which was then transmitted on Logo and Vh1. After being invited to participate in the competition, placing in the Top 4, she was voted for people's choice as Miss Congeniality of Season 3 of RuPaul's Drag Race. From there, Yara began traveling all over the world, showcasing her amazing and unique talent as a drag queen, performer, and designer. She was invited back to RuPaul's Drag Race for the All Stars edition and was paired with Alexis Mateo. Since the show aired, Yara moved to Las Vegas to become better known in the world of fashion and to continue growing as a performer. Yara was named Miss Skin Wars 2016 from the highly popular Game Show Network "Skin Wars".





Girl Crush

Girl Crush is a country band featuring Laurel Wright as the lead vocalist. The band covers modern and classic country hits.

Pulp Friction

Pulp Friction is a high-energy cover band based out of Knoxville, TN. Offering a little something for everybody, their mix of driving rock, R&B, classic country, and modern pop hits make them one of the most versatile and fun bands in the area. Fronted by a supremely-gifted performer and vocalist Kady Robbins (a.k.a drag artist

Geneva Convention) and backed by a full band of world-class, veteran musicians, they are bringing something totally new to East Tennessee. Get ready to dance to all your favorite songs with Pulp Friction!



Jeanine Fuller & The Boyz

Brooklyn, New Yorker, turned Tennessean, Jeanine Fuller, is a seasoned, dynamic, versatile vocalist, songwriter and performer of Soul, Blues, Funk, Jazz & Rock.

Jeanine has previous experience performing all over stages across Europe and parts of the U.S. She has worked with several renowned music artists, including one of her jazz idols, the 5 time Grammy award winning jazz artist, Dianne Reeves.

In current years, East TN has given Jeanine a resurgence as a vocalist and entertainer (Daily Times article-March 2, 2016). In 2017, Jeanine was nominated as one of the Best of the Best of Knoxville's female singers. She can often be found performing all over Knoxville and surrounding areas of East TN with numerous music projects and groups,

including at The Rossini Festival, Kuumba Festival, Women in Jazz Jam Festival, Blues Tribute events & a notable frequent performer at Knoxville Museum of Art.

Her band, Jeanine Fuller and The Boyz, was formed in 2016 but is quickly rising to become quite a notable local band. The Boyz are Sam Adams on keys and guitar; Daniel Ryan on drums and Nathan Dominey bass.

Jeanine Fuller and The Boyz are sure to bring some positive, funky and fun energy to the performance stage!

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J. Luke

J. Luke was born and raised in Oak Ridge, Tennessee. From birth he was interested in music, in fact, his first record player was a trade to Santa for all his pacifiers. Once he got his first record player at age 2, his love of music intensified. I guess it helped that I sang to him constantly, and that when he got up every morning we danced while I sang Be-Bop- A-Lula, You're my Baby. Thus, I started calling him Be-Bop. I am quite sure he didn't like this much when I called him that as a teenager. Now it is a sweet memory that we both laugh at. However, as an elementary student, he began to play sports. He played baseball, football, soccer and basketball. Music was something for listening to and singing along with. He never thought he could sing, although myself and many of his friends had heard him and knew he had a nice voice. He played trombone in the junior high school band, but gave it up to play high school basketball. I owned an old Martin guitar which I had played in high school and college. Luke picked around on this guitar, but never got totally interested in playing. He learned a few basic chords from me, but

it wasn't until 2002 that he actually stole my guitar and began to take lessons from a girl he thought was cute, thinking this would be a good way to meet her. He ended up liking the guitar more than the girl. Time passed and Luke began attending performances by Paul "Tall Paul" Bobal. Many shows later Paul offered Luke a lesson, and this developed into a friendship as well as mentorship. Luke had never sung in public before, but suddenly realized he could. He began to learn songs, and began his career by opening for Tall Paul a few times. He eventually gave me back my guitar and invested in his own equipment. You can find Luke playing most all the time. When he is not performing, he is practicing. I told him the guitar had grown to his hip. Many of his high school classmates find it amazing that this high school jock is singing for a living. They are all amazed at his vocal and guitar ability. Sometimes Luke invites me to sing with him which is fun for me and the audience. His father and I are very proud of Luke. Keep singing Be-bop!

TURNAROUND NORMAN

TURNAROUND NORMAN is comprised of three local Knoxville musicians, with influences ranging from Contemporary to Early American Blues and Jazz, Classical Baroque, and World Music.



Brent Hyder

Brent Hyder has been playing music since the fifth grade, and performing for over six years.

He's had the opportunity to perform in South America as well as several locations in the Eastern US.

His performance is done in a unique acoustic style and ranges from smooth

classics to upbeat hits from today. Currently the majority of his music is focused on the alternative rock and roll from the 90's and early 2000's. With a musical range that spans decades and a variety of genres all adapted acoustically, there's a little something for everyone.



Please see KGMC perform their Spring Concert on Saturday, May 20, 2017 8 PM at the Bijou. A portion of each of their concert ticket sold will go to benefit Knox Pride to help keep Pridefest free.

Our Mission

The KGMC strives to give entertaining high-quality performances that appeal to all audiences while shedding a positive light on the LGBTQ community.

Our Vision

The Knoxville Gay Men's Chorus wishes to be recognized as a quality group of voices not only in the LGBTQ community, but also the community at large. The KGMC promotes its mission by focusing on the following:

Creating relationships with members, sponsors, and the audience.

Promoting equality by actively encouraging participation of all men regardless of age, race, birth sex, sexual orientation, and religious affiliation.

Striving for excellence by selecting challenging choral pieces for male mixed voices.

Promoting social change and building community in its performances.



We've provided cultural enrichment to East Tennessee since 1978 and every year keeps getting better! This season we are bringing you Gilbert & Sullivan's H.M.S. Pinafore, Bizet's Carmen, and Verdi's Il Trovatore.

For an unforgettable experience, there's nothing like opera. It's the ultimate culmination of the best of all of the arts. Experience the drama and comedy of theatre, the beauty of visual art, the impressive sound of the Knoxville Symphony Orchestra and the absolute magnificence of the human voice! Opera is for everyone – it reflects timeless and universal human conflicts, humor and passions. There's just nothing like it!

Destroy Your Assumptions – Most people have preconceived notions about what an operatic experience entails. Does any of this sound familiar?

"Opera is only for rich people."

– Tickets to Knoxville Opera performances start at just \$13. Yes, premiere seats at the front of the house may cost you a week's worth of groceries. But if you're willing to sacrifice your fantastic view of the performers' feet, cost-effective seats (especially for students) are available.

"Opera puts you to sleep."

– Are you bored by murder, betrayal, lust, extravagance, the supernatural or madness? It's really exciting and a matter of choosing the right operas that won't have you nodding off and drooling all of those velvet seats. Besides, the Tennessee Theatre has a full bar!

"Opera is a dead art form, so why go?"

– The fastest-growing opera audience in the U.S. now is people in their 20s and 30s and today's composers are experimenting with opera to find new ways of keeping the art form alive.



Jennell Pershing

Emcee at the main stage.

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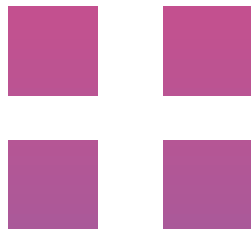


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Saturday, July 21ST | 11am-3^{PM}
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Saturday, August 11TH | 1-5^{PM}
Old Sugarlands Trail
- SEPTEMBER** ○ **Paintball**
Saturday, September 8TH | 1^{PM}
Sir Goony's Family Fun Center
- OCTOBER** ○ **Fall Train Ride**
Saturday, October 13TH | 7-9^{PM}
Three Rivers Ramping
- NOVEMBER** ○ **Rope Course**
Saturday, November 10TH | 3-5^{PM}
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Adventures with Knox Pride are family friendly events throughout the year to engage the LGBTQ+ and ally community.

We encourage you to join us on an adventure, meet others with similar interest and bring our community together.

These events are posted to our Facebook page and website. We ask that you RSVP on Facebook prior to any event to help us prepare. Please keep in mind, some events/venues will have limited space. Any specifics about each event - pricing, clothing restrictions, etc - are in the event listing.

These are not fundraising events and are centered around bringing the local community together. We hope that not only do you have a great time, but also make new friends in the process. Members of the Knox Pride Board will be at each event and look forward to meeting you.

Photos from past adventures



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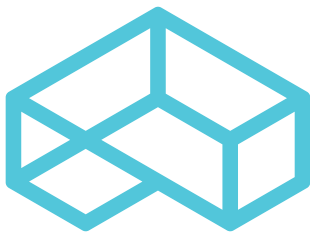
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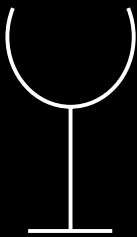
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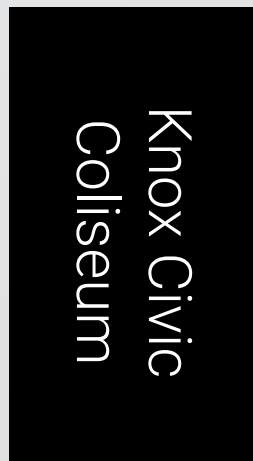
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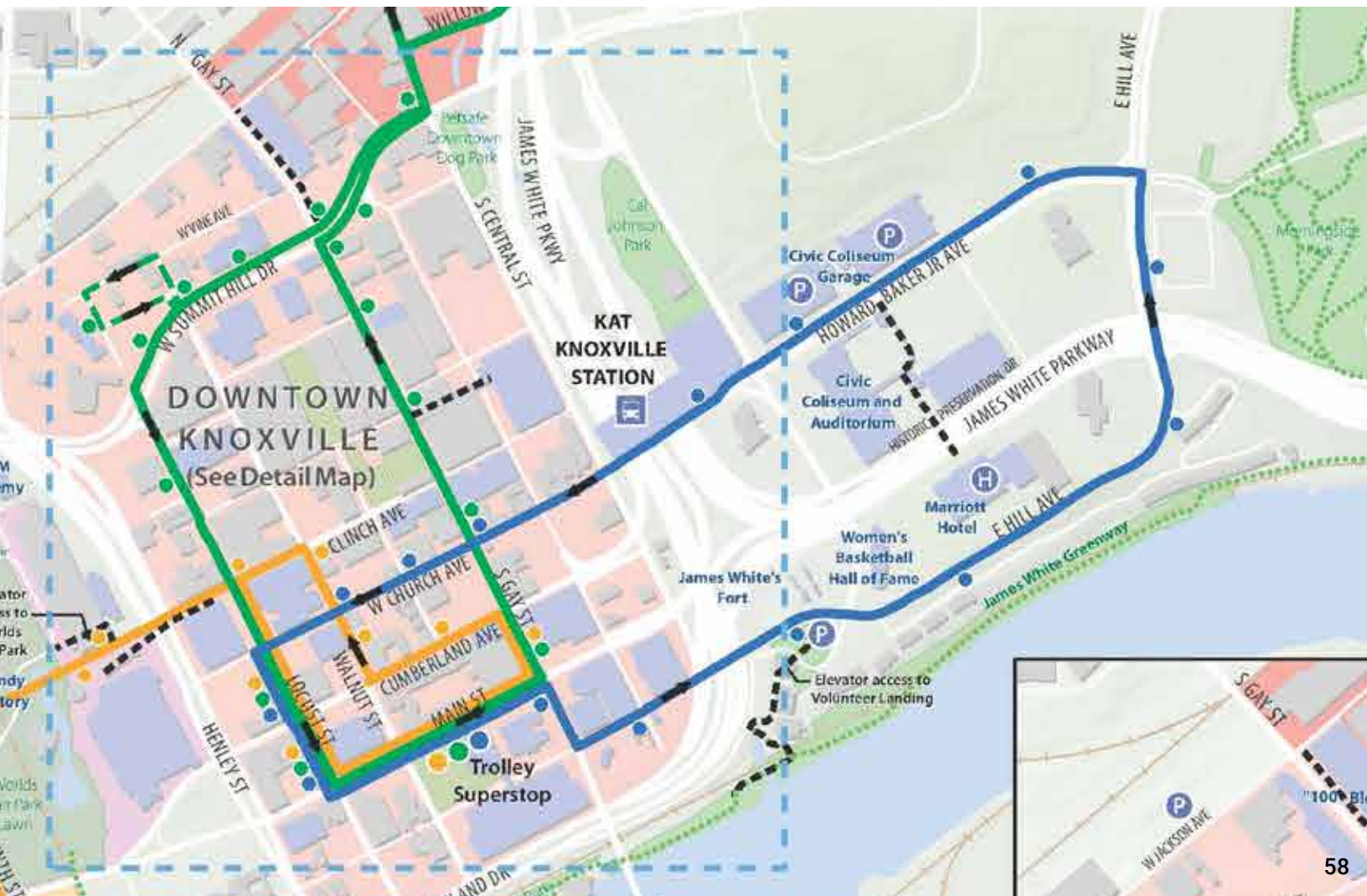
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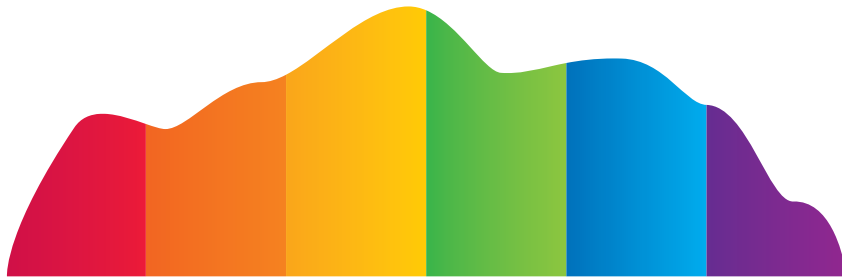
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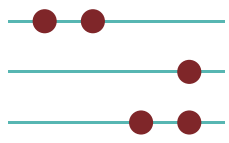
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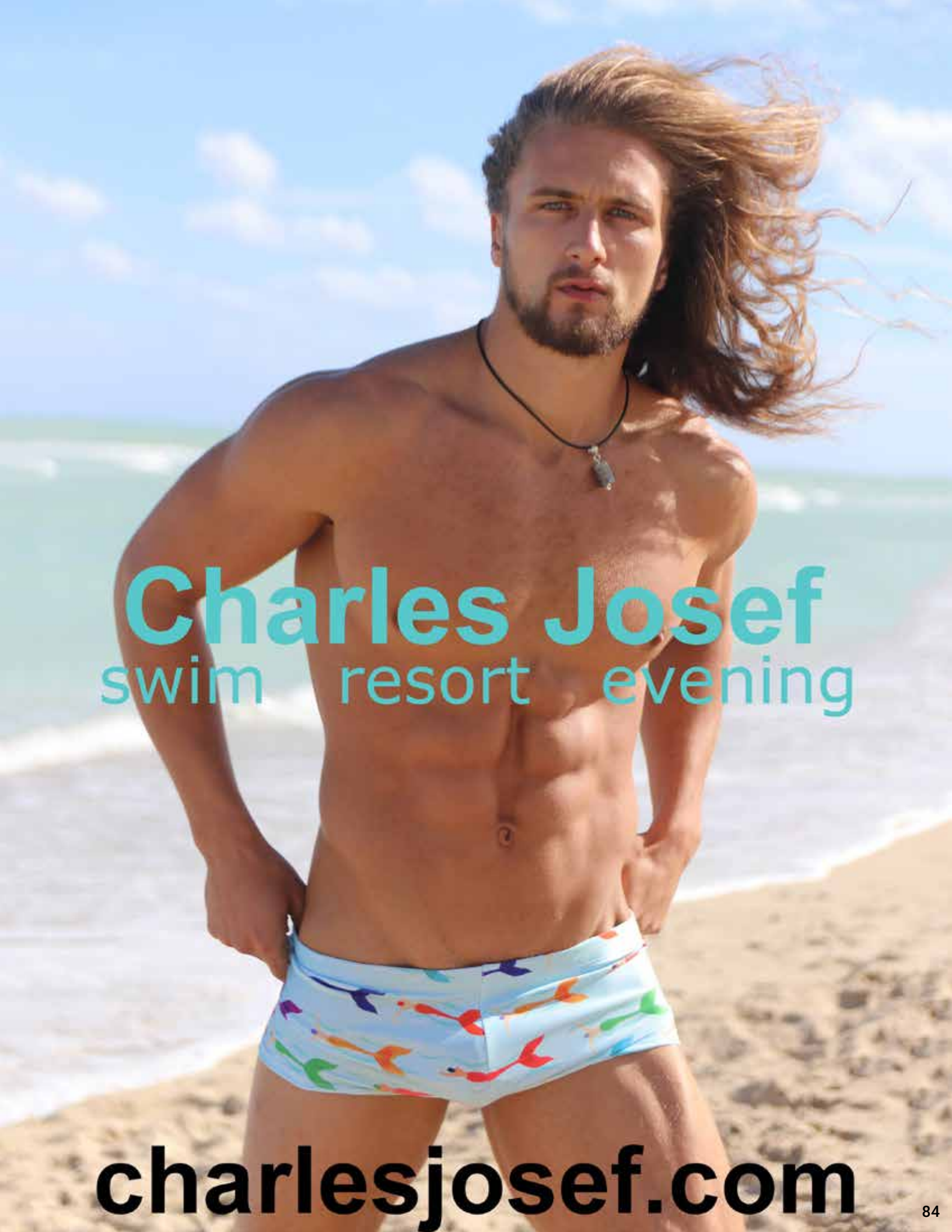
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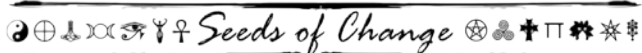


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Lesbiansocialgroup.com
info@lesbiansocialgroup.com
Facebook.com/LSGKnoxville

Southern Rainbows TN

Southern Rainbows is a group originating from 16 yr old yahoo group. The Tennessee group was started in 2014 by a small group of friends. We are mainly women of various orientations. Our activities foster friendship & empowerment.

Facebook.com/SouthernRainbowsTN

Gyrlgroove

We support female artists, civic organizations that provide support services to women, and any organization that seeks to enhance the strength of womynhood in today's social, political and economic environment.

Kathrine@gyrlgroove.com
Gyrlgroove.com

TN Car Craze Women's Car Club

We love to talk about cars and the crazy things Tennessean's do to their car, we go to car shows and plan activities.

PO Box 22081, Knoxville, TN 37933
Facebook.com/TNCarCraze

Lambda Car Club

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lccumberland.com

PFLAG Knoxville

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pflagknoxvillearea@gmail.com
pflag.org/chapter/pflag-knoxville

PFLAG Maryville

Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG) Maryville promotes the health and well being of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBTQ+) people. PFLAG's mission is to provide opportunities for dialogue about sexual orientation, gender identities and to create a society that is healthy and respectful of human diversity.

865.724.5511
Facebook.com/pflagmaryville

PFLAG Oak Ridge

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Prime Timers Knoxville

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P.O. Box 20903, Knoxville, TN 37940
239.322.7953
Primetimersknoxville@yahoo.com
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Knoxville Gay Men's Discussion Group

Over 25 yrs together. We meet each Monday from 7:30pm to 9:00 pm at TVUUC
2931 Kingston Pike, Knoxville, TN
gaygroupknoxville.org
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MensDiscussionGroup

Knoxville Gay Men's Chorus

A group of men joining voices to support the gay community and to build bridges

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info@knoxgmc.org
865.255.5623
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Voices for Trans Youth Campaign

The mission of the Voices for Trans Youth Campaign is to make Knox County Schools safer and more supportive for LGBTQ students. voicesfortransyouth@gmail.com

Voicesfortransyouth.wixsite.com/campaign

Knoxville Transgender Group

A place for socialization, support, and camaraderie. Allies are welcome but we are not a dating site. Find us on Instagram, Meetup and Twitter!!!

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Trans Empowerment Project-National

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Facebook.com/transempowerment

KnoxBoyz of East Tennessee

Helping make better men for today and tomorrow A peer led support group for Transmen aka FTMs (female-to-male transgender/transsexual persons) regardless of medical transition status, in East Tennessee.

PO Box 27746
Knoxville, Tennessee 37927
Facebook.com/KnoxBoyz.of.East.Tennessee

Sports Groups

Knox Girlz of East Tennessee

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SOFFAs of East Tennessee

Transgenders Mission keep families together through education, every transition is a step forward not backward. Supporting friends, partners, and family, of transgender locals in their quests for mutual personal transition success.

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All Out Knoxville

A platform for LGBT community members and our allies in Knoxville to connect, network, and support one another.

alloutknox@gmail.com

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Night Life

Club XYZ

1215 N. Central Ave.

865.637.4XYZ

The Edge

7211 Kingston Pike

865.588.8030

Knoxville Lightning

IWFL (Independent Women's Football League) Knoxville Tennessee Women's Tackle Football Team

338 Sunrise Dr Kingston, Tennessee 865.399.1325

knoxvillelightning@gmail.com

knoxvillelightning.com

K-Town Softball League

An organization dedicated to providing East Tennessee's LGBTQ+ community the opportunity to experience recreational softball in a safe, fun, and competitive environment.

sites.google.com/site/ktownsoftball/

Ktown Women's Softball League

We provide East Tennessee's LGBTQ+ community and allies the opportunity to experience recreational softball in a welcoming, fun, and competitive environment.

ktownwomenssoftball@gmail.com

ktownsoftball.org

Facebook.com/ktownwomenssoftball

Smoky Mountain Rollers Bowling League

The ideal league for anyone looking to have a good time Sunday afternoons! Come bowl relax, and watch all the football games with us all year long! This is a predominantly a LGBTQ+ league, but is open to all friendly bowlers. Pot luck held around the holidays! Points will be continuous through the season.

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westernavenue.strikeandspare.com/leagues

Hard Knox Roller Girls

The Hard Knox Roller Girls (HKRG) is an all female flat track roller derby league located in Knoxville, TN. We are a competitive sports organization who strives to improve individual athleticism, self-discipline, and character while promoting team unity.

www.hardknoxrollergirls.com

College Resources

VolOUT

The University of Tennessee's undergraduate LGBTQ+ social organization. Meetings held every other Wednesday at 6 p.m. in Humanities and Social Sciences Building Room 56

Wolout@utk.edu

utk.collegiatelink.net/organization/volout

(865) 974-7803

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Pellissippi Pride

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ppride@pstcc.edu

blogs.pstcc.edu/psccpride/

Facebook.com/PsccPride

UTK Pride Center

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Youth Resources

East TN Diversity Prom

East TN Diversity Prom Page is where you can obtain all of the details for the Diversity Prom. Each year we provide youth with a safe environment to be themselves and have a memorable prom experience.

Rchelshughes72@gmail.com

Facebook.com/EastTnDiversityProm

Youth Pride Fest

First Pres Church in Oak Ridge similar to Knoxville Pride for youth. It is meant to let youth show their pride and diversity.

Facebook.com/youthpridefest

Youthpridefest.weebly.com

Local Resources

Knox Pride

Knox Pride Festival 2018 is an open celebration of music, entertainment and speakers focused on promoting Equality and Inclusion of ALL people. P.O.Box 30315, Knoxville, TN 37930. info@knoxvillepridefest.org www.knoxpride.com fb knoxpridefest

Tennessee Equality Project (TEP)

Founded in 2004, engages state and local governments in Tennessee on behalf of the gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender community. We fight negative legislation at the state level such as the Don't Say Gay, License to Bully, and Turn the Gays Away bills. tnep.nationbuilder.com

Knoxville Cares

GLBT & HIV+ Community. Hosts Knoxville's World Aid's Day 3115 Delrose Dr Knoxville, Tennessee 37914 (865) 621-1943 knoxvillecares@msn.com knoxvillecares.org

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615.669.6744

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Foothills LGBT Center

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LGBT Equality in Knoxville - City of Knoxville Knoxville Police Department LGBT Liaison about concerns, works collaboratively with the community to identify solutions, and educates about recommended safety measures and available resources.

City County Building 400 Main St. - Rm. 681. Knoxville, TN 37902

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865-215-3146.

knoxvilletn.gov/government/mayors_office/lgbt_equality_in_knoxville

National Resources

National Center for Lesbian Rights

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nclrights.org

Lambda Legal

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lambdalegal.org

Human Rights Campaign

HRC works to secure equal rights for LGBT individuals and families at the federal and state levels by lobbying elected officials, mobilizing grassroots supporters, educating Americans, investing strategically to elect fair-minded officials and partnering with other LGBT organizations.

hrc.org

GLAAD

The Gay and Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation By ensuring that the stories of LGBT people are heard through the media, GLAAD promotes understanding, increases acceptance, and advances equality.

glaad.org

GLSEN

Gay, Lesbian and Straight Education Network GLSEN, the Gay, Lesbian and Straight Education Network, is the leading national education organization focused on ensuring safe schools for all students.

glsen.org

National Center for Transgender Equality

The National Center for Transgender Equality (NCTE) is a 501(c)3 social justice organization dedicated to advancing the equality of transgender people through advocacy, collaboration and empowerment.
transequality.org

The National Gay and Lesbian Taskforce

The National Gay and Lesbian Task Force is to build the grassroots power of the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) community. We do this by training activists, equipping state and local organizations with the skills needed to organize broad-based campaigns to defeat anti-LGBT referenda and advance pro-LGBT legislation, and building the organizational capacity of our movement.
thetaskforce.org

PFLAG

Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays PFLAG promotes the health and well-being of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender persons, their families and friends through: support, to cope with an adverse society; education, to enlighten an ill-informed public; and advocacy, to end discrimination and to secure equal civil rights.
pflag.org

Soulforce

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Soulforce.org

Stonewall Democrats

Stonewall is America's only grassroots Democratic LGBT organization. We focus on creating change in three ways: educating the LGBT community about the differences between the political parties; mobilizing the LGBT community to get out to vote on Election Day for fair-minded Democrats; and standing up when Republicans attack our families and our civil rights while we lead the Democratic party to continue improving its record on issues important to our community.

Stonewalldemocrats.us

Bisexual Resource Center

The BRC is the oldest national bi+ organization in the U.S. that advocates for bisexual visibility and raises awareness about bisexuality throughout the LGBT and ... We use "bi" and "bi+" as inclusive terms for those who are non-monosexual/non-monoromantic and can include those who identify as bisexual, pansexual.

biresource.org

Pansexuality/Polysexuality-ALGBTICAL

There are few organizations which are geared solely for those who identify as pansexual, and many bisexual organizations include alternative identities such as: pansexual, omnisexual, multisexual, and other non-monosexualities, so representation and visibility likely also play a part in how people choose to self-identify.

algbtical.org/2A%20PANSEXUAL

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(1-800-246-7743)
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help@LGBT hotline.org
glbthotline.org/talkline

Health & Wellness Resources

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800-273-TALK (8255)
contactlistens.org

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crisistextline.org

The Trevor Project

Teen Depression Help For LGBTQ+ A national 24-hour, toll free confidential suicide hotline for LGBTQ youth.

(866) 488-7386

thetrevorproject.org

Planned Parenthood

LGBTQ+ Services in Knoxville, TN Knoxville Health Center offers the following services specifically for clients who identify as LGBTQ+: Hormone Therapy for Transgender Clients Additional services: General Health Care HIV Testing LGBT Services Men's Health Care, Morning-After Pill (Emergency Contraception), Pregnancy Testing & Services, STD Testing, Treatment & Vaccines Women's Health Care Abortion Services, Birth Control
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plannedparenthood.org

NAMI, the National Alliance

on Mental Illness, is the nation's largest grassroots mental health organization dedicated to building better lives for the millions of Americans

affected by mental illness.

nami.org

Mobile Crisis Unit Helen Ross McNabb

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Project Act Knoxville

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projectactknox.com

Other Half Cat

We have a passion for factual, sex-positive adult education and grassroots advocacy with an eye toward LGBTQIA+ public health and reproductive issues. We're also queer, kinky, and a little over-stimulated.

Facebook.com/otherhalfcat

LGBTQ National Help Center

1215 N. Central Ave.

888.843.4564

Spiritual Resources

Metropolitan Community Church of Knoxville

A Community of Faith. MCC Knoxville is a Christian Church serving the gay male, lesbian, bisexual, transgender and straight communities of Knoxville and East Tennessee. We come together from a rich variety of religious experiences and denominational backgrounds.

7820 Redeemer Ln,
Knoxville, TN 37919
865.531.2539
mcccknoxville.org

Rock Metropolitan Community Church

The Rock MCC is committed to: LEAD people to Jesus Christ! EQUIP them with the tools to grow spiritually & celebrate Christian diversity, SEND them out to serve Christ, the Church, the Community, & one another!

1601 Foust St
Chattanooga, TN 37404
423.629.2737
Facebook.com/TheRockMCC

Tennessee Valley Unitarian Universalist Church

Our Mission is to create a welcoming community that nurtures spiritual growth and challenges us to transform the world through acts of love and justice.

2931 Kingston Pike
Knoxville, TN 37919
(865) 523-4176
<http://tvuuc.org>
Facebook.com/TennesseeValleyUUC

Westside Unitarian Universalist Church Knoxville

We strive to be a religious home to all people regardless of age, gender, race, sexual orientation, opinions, beliefs, or abilities and to be good stewards of the earth.

616 Fretz Rd, Knoxville, TN 37934
865.777.9882
westsideuuc.org

Foothills Unitarian Universalist Fellowship

We are a growing congregation bringing diverse people together to connect with Love, Love one another, and Love the world.

1404 Tuckaleechee Pike, Maryville, TN 37803
865.282.3883
fuuf.org

Oak Ridge Unitarian Universalist Church

Nurture Your Spirit. Help Heal Our World.
809 Oak Ridge Tpke Oak Ridge TN
865.483.6761
oruuc.org

Community of St. Ninian

The Community of St. Ninian is a Christian covenant community. Members meet together for worship, prayer, study, and service. It is our desire to provide a space in our lives for God to dwell, as well as to seek a dwelling place for God in our lives.

saintninianswell.org
communityofstninian@gmail.com

Pagan Pride of East Tennessee

An organization that helps coordinate events in the local pagan community and is based on the Pagan Pride Project.

paganprideofeasttn.org

Gods Remnant Ministries

As imperfect as the church is, we promise to walk with you through whatever tomorrow brings and many times in our LGBT community those times can be very dark.

3617 Chapman Hwy, Knoxville, TN 37920
865.249.8130
theremnantknoxville.org

Agape Christian Church Knoxville

Agape is a LGBTQS friendly church. We are a spirit filled church that still use Red Back Hymnals in our service. We Love GOD and Love People!!!

120 Durwood RD Knoxville, TN 37922
423.304.6993

Church of the Savior UCC, Knoxville

The mission of Church of the Savior, is to be an inclusive Christian church where we share our spiritual journeys with one another and seek to manifest the unconditional love of God toward all people and all creation.

934 N Weisgarber Rd Knoxville, TN
865.584-7531

St. John's Episcopal Cathedral

In 1976, the General Convention of the Episcopal Church declared that "homosexual persons are children of God who have a full and equal claim with all other persons upon the love, acceptance, and pastoral

concern and care of the Church" (1976-A069) To our lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender brothers, sisters and siblings: "The Episcopal Church welcomes you!"

413 W. Cumberland Ave. Knoxville, TN 37902
865.525.7347
episcopalchurch.org/page/lgbt-church

The Episcopal Church of the Good Samaritan

425 North Cedar Bluff Rd.
goodsamaritan.dioet.org
865.693.9591

St. Luke's Episcopal

600 S Chestnut S
facebook.com/stlukesknoxville
865.522.4244

St Elizabeth's Episcopal Church

110 Sugarwood Dr
865.675.0450

St Thomas Episcopal Church

5401 Tiffany Ln
865.688.2741

St Paul Episcopal Church

1028 Boyds Creek Hwy
865.577.1255

St. Andrew's Episcopal

314 W. Broadway Ave.,
Maryville, TN 37801
865.983.3512

The Episcopal Church of the Good Samaritan

425 N Cedar Bluff Rd
865.693.9591

Tyson House Student

Foundation (Episcopal & Lutheran Campus Ministry, University of Tennessee)
824 Melrose Pl # 1
Tysonhouse.org
865.637.2031

The Redeemed Church

10875 Kingston Pike
theredeemedchurchtn.org
865.206.4056

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