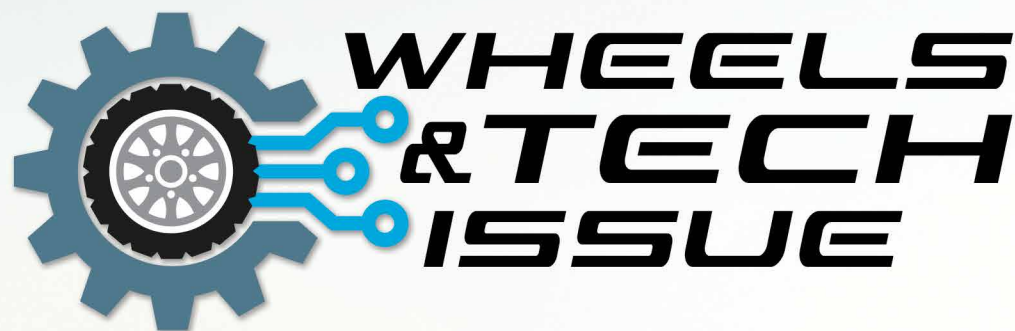


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Sale Price:.....\$29,990
2020 National Retail Consumer Cash:.....\$2,920
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\$4,420
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MSRP:\$24,740
Dealer Discount:.....\$2,000
Sale Price:.....\$22,740
CA BC Retail Consumer Cash:.....\$1,500
Chrysler Capital 2019 Bonus Cash*:.....\$1,000
CA 2019 Retail Bonus Cash:.....\$1,000
2019 Returning Lessee:.....\$500

\$6,000
Net Savings!

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\$18,740

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MSRP:\$31,180
Dealer Discount:.....\$1,500
Sale Price:.....\$29,680
2020 National Retail Consumer Cash:.....\$3,050
Net Cost:\$26,630

\$4,550
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MSRP:\$39,765
Dealer Discount:.....\$10,000

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MSRP:\$44,025
Dealer Discount:.....\$5,000
Sale Price:.....\$39,025
2020 National Retail Consumer Cash:.....\$2,000
Chrysler Capital 2020 Bonus Cash*:.....\$500
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National 2020 Retail Bonus Cash:.....\$2,000
Truck Owner Conquest Retail Bonus Cash:.....\$1,000
CA BC Independence Day Bonus Cash:.....\$500

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2020 Returning Lessee:.....\$500

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STK/VIN#: 60426D-153544

New 2020 Gladiator Overland 4x4



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18-Inch x 7.5-Inch Granite Crystal Aluminum
Wheels and so much more.

MSRP:\$47,135
Dealer Discount:.....\$2,500
Sale Price:.....\$44,635
CA BC Independence Day Bonus Cash:.....\$2,000

\$4,500
Net Savings!

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\$42,635

STK/VIN#: 58871D-156665, 58883D-156670, 58890D-156671, 58942D-156664

New 2019 3500 Big Horn Crew Cab 4x2



6.7L 6.7L I6 Cummins Turbo Diesel Engine, 6 Speed
Automatic Transmission, Crew Cab/6 Seats,
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Steering Wheel Mounted Audio Controls,
Split Folding Rear Seat, Cummins Turbo Diesel Badge,
18" x 8.0" Polished Aluminum Wheels
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2019 Returning Lessee:.....\$500
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Letters to the Editor

Morning Fred ~ just logging in this morning and would like to give you a large round of applause for the great Stonewall issue.

For including lots of articles from new folks, who the community knows but seldom hears from. While we don't know all the contributors, the ones we do know represent our elder LGBT population and we honor you for giving us and them the opportunity to be heard.

Happy Pride Hugs Cathy & Tandy

--Submitted by Tandy Bowman, *Founder & Executive Director* and Cathy Perry, *Programs Director, Awareness & Empowerment Projects of Servant Hearts Wisdom Project=LGBT Elders, Rhythms of Empowerment Respect Awareness Project*

Thank you Fred for this most relevant publication in these days of so much change and uncertainty.

It took a lot of courage for those who wrote their stories that will give strength to others. We can no longer allow haters to control us. It is time to stop toxic people from inflicting pain on us. We need to take charge of our

constitutional rights as Americans to live a life of Liberty, in Freedom, and in our pursuit of happiness. *Outword Magazine* is a great tool of information and support.

--Submitted by Kaye Crawford

PFAW: Wilson Confirmation "Devastating"

Following today's Senate vote to confirm Cory Wilson, a Donald Trump nominee, to the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals, PFAW President Ben Jealous and Executive Vice President for Policy and Program Marge Baker released the following statements:

"The Wilson confirmation really shines a spotlight on the harm Donald Trump is doing to vulnerable communities and communities of color with his judicial appointments. Cory Wilson defended racist voting restrictions in Mississippi. He is a virulent opponent of the Affordable Care Act at a time when people -- especially people of color -- are being devastated by a pandemic. There is no question that judicial appointments are a racial equity issue, and this confirmation is devastating. The power of presidents and senators to nominate and confirm judges is something we have to keep in mind when we vote in November," said Jealous.

"It's unconscionable that Mitch McConnell has rammed through confirmations of two anti-health care judges, Justin Walker and Cory Wilson, at the height of a pandemic. Remember that this is what Republicans are prioritizing instead of relief for the tens of

millions of Americans who are suffering because the coronavirus has killed their loved ones, made them ill, or put them out of work. The fact that Wilson has supported voting restrictions, at a time when the pandemic is making voting harder than ever, only makes matters worse. It will take an intense effort by the next administration to counterbalance the harm Donald Trump and Mitch McConnell have done to our justice system," said Baker.

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State Housing Agency Approves Big Award for Mutual Housing

The state Department of Housing and Community Development has approved a major funding award for Mutual Housing California's proposal to build a new affordable housing development on Stockton Boulevard in south Sacramento.

In a letter last week, the state agency notified Mutual Housing California and Sacramento County that it has awarded \$14,554,300 in "No Place Like Home" funds to their joint funding application for the 127-unit Mutual Housing on the Boulevard community that is slated for construction in the 7300 block of Stockton Boulevard.

The county Board of Supervisors voted last December to partner with Mutual Housing to apply for the funds available under the \$2 billion Proposition 2 ballot measure approved by California voters in 2018.

"It goes without saying that we are enormously happy that the state saw the value in this project," said Mutual Housing CEO Roberto Jimenez. "More than half of the homes we build on the Boulevard - 67 out of 127 - will go to individuals and families coming out of homelessness, with a

full range of supportive services available on the premises to help them overcome the barriers that may have led to their housing instability. All of the homes will be designated for low- and extremely-low income residents."

Some 5,570 people were identified as experiencing homelessness in the county's 2019 "Point in Time" count. An estimated 70 percent of them were unsheltered.

Besides partnering with Mutual Housing to apply for the NPLH award, the county in December also approved a \$6.9 million construction loan.

Mutual Housing has since applied for \$28 million in financing with the state Tax Credit Allocation Committee for the Stockton Boulevard community. The application is pending. If it is approved, it would virtually assure that construction could begin this year on the \$63 million community.



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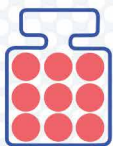


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AHF Ups Threat to #Faceboycott as Zuckerberg Strikes Out on Hate Speech

AIDS Healthcare Foundation (AHF) the largest global AIDS organization, today renewed its call on Facebook founder and CEO Mark Zuckerberg to act swiftly to prevent hate speech from its social media platform postings and ads or AHF will pull its advertising dollars—nearly \$2 million annually—from the world's largest social media platform and join the growing ad boycott. AHF has even created a #Faceboycott graphic that is likely to prompt a far swifter and more comprehensive reaction from the company than what it has mustered to reduce and dismantle hate speech on its sites.

AHF first made the call on Facebook to clamp down on hate speech late last week, giving a July 4th deadline for the company and CEO to act. Last Friday, in response to the growing number of companies joining the boycott, Facebook took some initial steps—adding, according to the New York Times, “... labels to some posts, including Trump’s.” However, Color of Change, a leader of the boycott, and many of the Fortune 500 companies already participating in the boycott said that Facebook has simply not gone far enough instituting guardrails and controls to eliminate hate speech.

So far, companies including Verizon (estimated FB ad spend: \$22.9 million, according to the NYT), Patagonia (\$6.2M), REI (\$22.5M), Eddie Bauer (\$1.4M), The North Face (\$3.3M), Ben & Jerry's Homemade, Magnolia Pictures and others have joined a growing chorus of companies demanding action by Facebook to act to prevent “... racist, violent and verifiably false content to run rampant on its platform” as part of the rapidly expanding #StopHateForProfit campaign.

According to CNBC, the boycott effort is spearheaded by the groups the Anti-Defamation League, the NAACP, Sleeping Giants, Color of Change, Free Press and Common Sense – which are asking “...

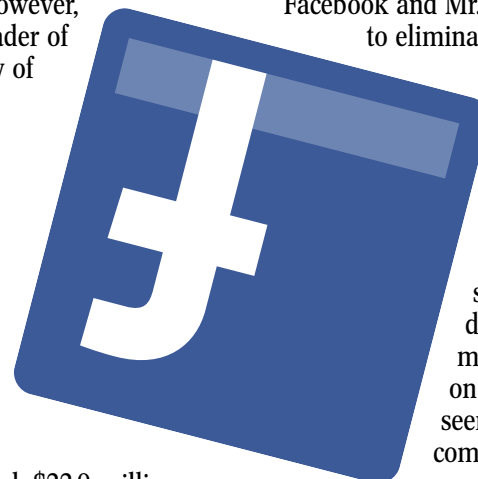
large Facebook advertisers to show they will not support a company that puts profit over safety.”

“We renew our July 4th deadline to Facebook to take more meaningful action on hate speech,” said Michael Weinstein, AHF president. “It is fitting that the birthday of our country could also be a day that Facebook and Mr. Zuckerberg really step up to eliminate racist, violent hate speech from its sites.”

With over 1.4 million lives in care, AHF operates free treatment clinics and HIV testing and prevention programs in 45 countries. AHF spends about \$2 million dollars annually on social media advertising—the bulk on Facebook—which may seem a modest amount compared with Fortune 500 companies and other global brands; however, AHF's is likely

among Facebook's largest nonprofit advertisers.

AIDS Healthcare Foundation (AHF), the largest global AIDS organization, currently provides medical care and/or services to over 1.4 million individuals in 45 countries worldwide in the US, Africa, Latin America/Caribbean, the Asia/Pacific Region and Eastern Europe. To learn more about AHF, please visit our website: www.aidshealth.org, find us on Facebook: www.facebook.com/aidshealth and follow us on Twitter @aidshealthcare.



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A Conversation with Community Organizer Aaron Anthoné Armer

By Lauren Pulido (He/Him/His)
IG: @lauren_pulido

Aaron Anthoné Armer (They/Them), accompanied by a group of community based leaders, gathered in Sacramento to march in solidarity on Saturday, June 20th, 2020 in the midst of a global pandemic and social uprising to amplify a message of inclusion.

This message of inclusion was created to further support and amplify the current protests while also creating a space that centered around a more inclusive agenda.

The newly formed coalition, “All Black Lives”, centers Black queer voices and experiences with an intersectional lens that was prompted by a lack of Black queer lead organizations in the Sacramento area. “We wanted to ensure that we had a flat-style leadership to ensure every black voice was being heard and listened to. Traditional hierarchies in organizations and non-profits often perpetuate the same systems that we are trying to dismantle. If we were able to mobilize Black voices around George Floyd, we should be able to mobilize around all Black voices that includes Black women, Black queer people, and all Black voices and better prevent the ongoing murders of our communities.”

This movement has neglected to include all voices who are experiencing marginalization. The “All Black Lives” coalition mobilized around basic needs that impact all of us such as homelessness, job insecurities, undocumented folks, access to housing, incarcerated rights, health care accessibility and issues that are affecting everyone. “It is everyone’s best interest to support black trans woman and those at the bottom of the patriarchal ladder because when they rise, everyone on top of them will as well.”

Aaron is amongst the new generation of leaders who are wanting to confront the establishment who has for so long justified the mistreatment of those caught in the intersection of marginalization. They want to envision a world where those who are most marginalized such as folks who are people of color, poor, undocumented, Trans, feminine, individuals with mental and physical disabilities to be acknowledged and have sufficient resources, legislation and love allocated to protecting their livelihood. We must no longer silence the voices who are calling out for our help or justify the betrayal of these communities.

Aaron along with the group of individuals who saw the need to take action have focused the coalition to propel community based solutions rather than allocating funding for law enforcement and away from community based services and intervention programs. “Whenever you talk about crime, you always have to look at where the lack of resources are.



Pictured: Aaron Anthoné Armer (They/Them)
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Areas that are funding more community based programs see less crime than areas that are more frequently funding law enforcement, police forces, and the prison system. People need access to these basic resources and to not be policed for not having access to these resources and that comes from having adequate funding for these programs.”

I think we can all agree that our communities and lives would be a lot safer if we all had access to the necessary resources we all need to survive. Access to these resources comes from allocating funding back into the community instead of away from those who need it most.



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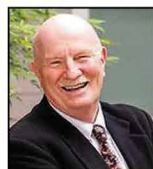


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AHF Labels Gilead 'War Profiteer' and 'Greedy Bastards!' after Company Sets COVID Drug Price at \$2K to \$3K

AIDS Healthcare Foundation (AHF) harshly criticized Gilead Sciences over its pricing of Remdesivir, the newly approved COVID-19 treatment. Gilead, which developed the drug years earlier (with as much \$70 million in government research and development funding) as a possible Ebola treatment, announced earlier that it has set the price for Remdesivir between \$2,300 and \$3,100 per patient for a five day course of treatment.



According to Zachary Brennan reporting in PoliticoPro (6/29/20), Gilead "...set the price for its coronavirus treatment Remdesivir at \$390 per vial for the U.S. government and developed countries. That puts the price of a five-day treatment course at \$2,340 per patient for people enrolled in federal health programs like Medicare and Medicaid – but

private insurers will pay \$520 per vial, or \$3,120 for five days of treatment, the company said Monday. The U.S. is the only country for which Gilead has set tiered pricing."

"Gilead Sciences unmasked itself today as both a war profiteer and greedy bastards—a depressing feat and spectacularly tone-deaf response to a global pandemic that has so far killed over half-a-million people worldwide, including more than 120,000 deaths in the U.S.," said AHF President Michael Weinstein. "U.S. taxpayers paid for much of the research for this drug. Now, Medicaid and Medicare are going to pay a premium for the prescriptions for this drug for patients in the United States and patients covered by private insurers will pay even more. It's unconscionable."

In early May, AHF issued a statement demanding that Gilead price Remdesivir at no more than one U.S. dollar per dose. AHF further demanded that Gilead Sciences also disclose all its public research and development costs and all public investments in connection with the development of remdesivir.

AHF's dollar per dose demand is based on a University of Liverpool research study, "Minimum costs to manufacture new treatments for COVID-19" that allows for recovery of the cost of manufacturing plus a reasonable profit.

"Gilead's move today--and the likely acquiescence by both government and private insurers without a real challenge or fight--set a terrible, terrible precedent," added Weinstein. "This out-of-whack pricing by Gilead now pits this disease against all others for governments trying as best they can to cope with the economic, social and medical havoc wreaked by COVID-19—as well as against governments trying to feed and shelter their people during this crisis. This also sets the baseline for pricing of any and all future COVID-19 treatments, something we saw with AIDS and the pricing of its first drug, AZT—drug pricing repercussions we still live, and die with today."



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PFLAG Greater Placer County Creates a Safe Haven in Rural Areas and Smaller Cities

By Matthew Burlingame

When a child comes out as LGBTQ, regardless of how accepting their parents or family members are it can be an overwhelming and even intimidating experience. Where does one begin to find information, resources and guidance for both their child and themselves? It's even more daunting when living in rural areas and smaller cities where immediate access to resources may not be available.

Placer County which stretches roughly 65 miles from Roseville to the Nevada border and the shore of Lake Tahoe falls into this category. Thankfully, the all-volunteer group of parents, family and friends of LGBTQ people (PFLAG Greater Placer County) are making certain that help is available to those who need it.

"I've seen many parents come into a PFLAG meeting not knowing where to begin when their child says I am gay, I am lesbian, I am transgender, I am bisexual," says Cindy Baudoin a board member of PFLAG Greater Placer County. "LGBTQ youth and parents with an LGBTQ+ child in rural areas have less access to LGBTQ+ specific resources which puts them at greater risk. Just like the Lavender Library and the Sacramento LGBT Center, PFLAG is needed to help those that have questions or need help finding other organizations that have the services they are looking for."

Baudoin and her wife Nancy McKernan became involved with the group when several friends asked them to attend a general meeting. "We really loved the closeness of the group and the presentations each month," she explained. "A year or so later we were asked to join the board and so we did."

PFLAG Greater Placer County was founded in 2008 and promotes the health and well-being of LGBTQ people, their families and friends through support to help cope with adversity in our society, education to enlighten the public and advocacy to end discrimination and to secure civil rights.

PFLAG aims to provide a safe and confidential place to talk about sexual orientation, and works to create a society that is healthy and respectful of human diversity.

But how does being in a more rural setting differ? "It is harder for some people to make it to our meetings since there is no

public transportation available," says Baudoin. "We also have a difficult time finding a location to hold our meetings. We currently use a conference room at Sutter Auburn Faith Hospital."

During the COVID-19 pandemic the group is doing their best to keep some normality to their meetings. "We have set up Zoom meetings for our support groups and general monthly meetings," says Baudoin. "This has been a bit of a challenge and we have received support from PFLAG National. We are a strong board and we will not let this deter us from connecting with those that need to hear our message of hope."

To find out more about PFLAG Greater Placer County and support the amazing work they are doing go to pflagplacercounty.org



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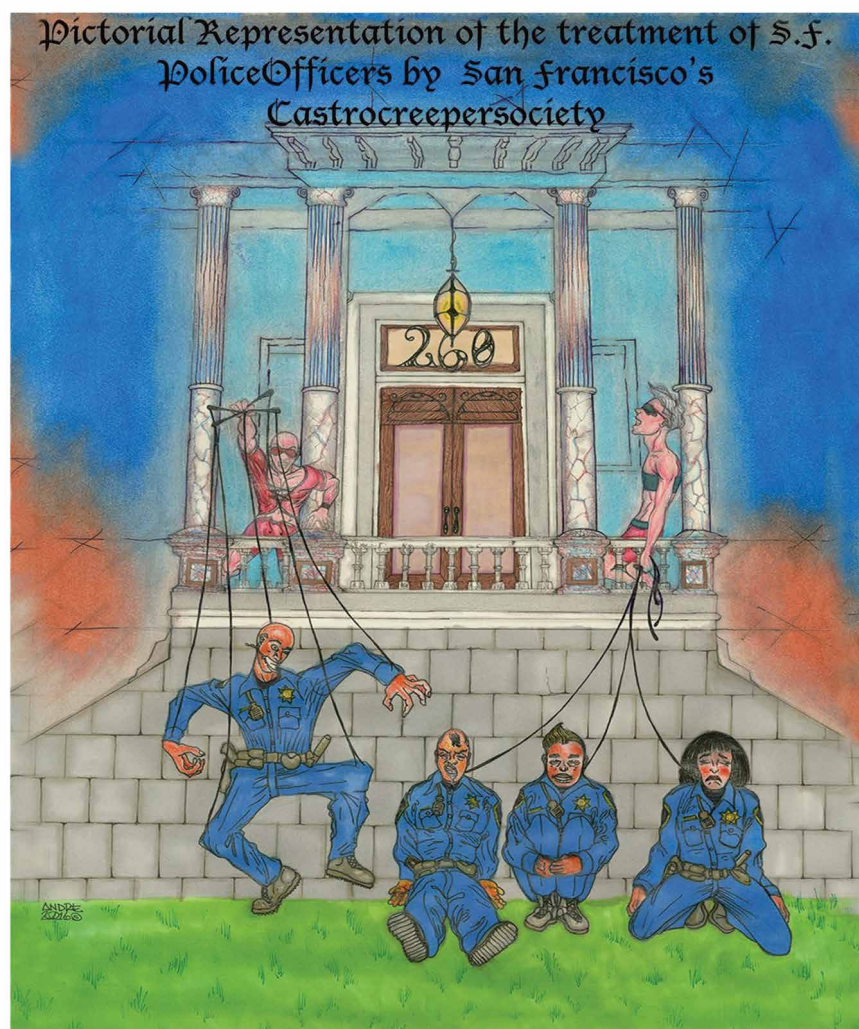
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The First Virtual Sacramento Pride

By Ariela Cuellar

The Sacramento LGBT Community Center, one of the region's largest LGBTQ+ nonprofits, held its first virtual Sacramento Pride event from June 21-28. Due to COVID-19, organizers decided to move forward with an online event in an effort to help celebrate their community during difficult times. Additionally, in support of the Black Lives Matter movement, most of their online segments were led or created by Black queer folks. SacramentoPride.org also featured a "Take Action Now" resources page to provide educational, advocacy, and charitable calls to action to support Black Lives Matter.

The week-long event kicked-off with a special message from motivational and faith speakers who brought positive words to the homes of people across the region. Sac Pride even hosted a virtual trivia night that people participated in from their screens. This trivia night featured questions relevant to LGBTQ+ history, shows, and trends. The event ended on Sunday night with a large entertainment broadcast that featured queer icons and local performers. The entertainment segment was similar to what would be featured at the in-person festival on Capitol Mall. Special guest Mýa, as well as other featured performances by Vincint, Mumu, and David Hernandez graced the virtual Sac Pride stage.

Although this was the first of its kind, organizers hope that everyone enjoyed the online segments as much as possible. This event was made by and for the communities which the

Sacramento LGBT Community Center serves. In an effort to make it accessible, audiences were allowed to tune-in for free. The Center continues to provide essential services to the LGBTQ+ community in Sacramento and you can support the Center and Sacramento Pride by making a donation today.

Sac Pride wants to get direct feedback from community, and if you watched or tune-in to the segments, they'd love it if you filled out the post-event survey. In case you missed the weeks' worth of online content, you can watch the online broadcasts at sacramentopride.org, and on the Center's YouTube channel or Facebook page.

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Water for Summer: Bonney and Markstein Partner to Fulfill Sacramento Loaves & Fishes' Critical Need for Water

Temperatures are often more than 100 degrees during the Sacramento summer months, cuing time spent indoors with the air conditioning on and plenty of fluids for many area residents. But for the homeless population left outside to battle the heat, many suffer from heat-related illnesses. On Thursday, June 25th at 10:30am, Bonney and Markstein Beverage Co. delivered thousands of water bottles to Sacramento Loaves & Fishes responding to their crucial need for water.



Bonney and Markstein unloading water at Loaves & Fishes

Sacramento Loaves & Fishes is the largest provider of essential resources to the homeless population. Water is one of those essential resources that is quenching their thirst every day. At Friendship Park alone, Sacramento Loaves and Fishes distributes over 200 gallons of water and up to 600 pounds of ice on a regular summer day.

"Loaves & Fishes needs about a thousand water bottles every day to hydrate the homeless during the summer," said Michelle McCauley, VP of Marketing at Bonney. "We hope our donation can create a ripple effect and encourage other businesses in our community to support homeless shelters and homeless service providers from Auburn to Modesto."

According to Loaves & Fishes, the average person sleeping outside must walk as much as one and a half miles to find potable water. With the hot weather in full swing, the homeless need to stay cool and hydrated to survive.

"We know that our business and our personal lives depend on the strength of the world around us, and we believe in doing our part to ensure our community

thrives," said Cynthia Hardin, Community Outreach Manager at Markstein Beverage Company. "Partnering with Bonney to support Sacramento Loaves & Fishes is part of our business, and we're eager to help meet the needs of our homeless community members."

Bonney and Markstein are partnering to exceed Loaves & Fishes' needs over the summer, and together on June 25th, they delivered 48 pallets (2 truckloads) which translates to 2,880 cases - 92,000 water bottles to Sacramento Loaves & Fishes located at 1351 North C Street, Sacramento, CA 95811.

"As the largest homeless service provider in Sacramento, Loaves & Fishes has served as an oasis of respite for nearly forty years to adults and children impacted by extreme poverty and homelessness, said Erika Prasad, Development Director at Sacramento Loaves & Fishes. "Water is an essential resource that our guest's need to survive from the summer heat and to reduce the risk of dehydration or stroke. In the spirit of radical hospitality, we believe that water is a human right and that everyone should have access to it without judgement or barrier."

“The Personal is Political” ... and Intersectional

By Faith Colburn, she/her

A new Sacramento coalition has come together to amplify the voices of the most marginalized voices within the movement against state-sanctioned violence and systemic oppression. The group, ‘All Black Lives,’ is comprised of Black, queer and trans voices who seek to highlight the need for intersectionality between the queer and Black communities and within the movements for their liberation.



Pictured: Celeste Cervantes (left), with other founders of the ‘All Black Lives’ coalition

Last month, the group hosted a local rally called ‘March For All Black Lives’ which centered Black, queer experiences and advocated for community-based solutions. Celeste Cervantes, one of the coalition’s founders, has long thought about and studied issues of race and class. She has been vocal about her views, particularly the increased difficulty of being a queer, person of color while not seeing any progress with “reforms” aimed at curtailing police violence. After the murder of George Floyd, she knew she could no longer live with the privilege of access to information and physical ability to attend protests, and still choose not to get involved. After watching peaceful protestors be tear-gassed and shot at with rubber bullets, Celeste and a group of friends attended the next day’s protest to provide medical support to injured protestors.

She quickly learned that the experiences of protestors were not accurately reflected in the news, which strives to maintain the status quo versus report the unbiased truth. That is why Celeste is thankful for Black Zebra Productions, an independent source who have live-streamed the protests every night and caught a multitude of atrocities against peaceful protestors by police officers on tape. This has led to a growing resistance in the city of Sacramento and a new introduction for many to the well-established national movements towards prison abolition, decarceration, and abolishing the police. These groups have created a framework that Celeste and ‘All Black Lives’ hope to build upon to create a more accessible and intersectional approach that centers the least visible voices and lived experiences within the movement.

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If the most marginalized among us can not have equity and freedom from state violence, then none of us can. Centering these voices is essential to the success of the greater movements towards justice for Black lives. ‘All Black Lives’ was created to center Black, trans and nonbinary voices as well as darker skin Black people who are not reflected or visible within mainstream queer or Black culture. By coalition building, Celeste feels as though communities can work together to achieve common goals such as defunding the police and investing in community programs. Moving forward, we must all put in the work to educate ourselves and others on why these are necessary steps to protect the most marginalized folks within our communities. Celeste has found it particularly helpful to think about the distinction between reform and abolition, and why the latter is where we should be focusing our collective energy. She has heard people argue that Black people are dying because the system is broken, while in reality, the system is working exactly the way it was intended to. Police started as slave patrols and the system of incarceration was created to keep people in an enslaved state. Once you recognize this truth, Celeste says the argument makes itself; we have to abolish these systems to keep our communities safe. As Carol Hanisch said, “the personal is political”. This is a fight for our lives, and we all have a part to play to ensure we are amplifying the voices and experiences of those most greatly affected by state-sanctioned violence and police brutality. To learn more about or support ‘All Black Lives’, follow them on Instagram @allblacklivesac



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Black Lives Matter In Comedy & Music Too

By Chris Narloch

I recently watched two dynamite videos on YouTube that are essential viewing for fans of great comedy and great music. If you have 45 minutes to spare, I recommend that you check out "Love Me Like You Should: The Brave and Bold Sylvester" and "8:46 - Dave Chappelle."

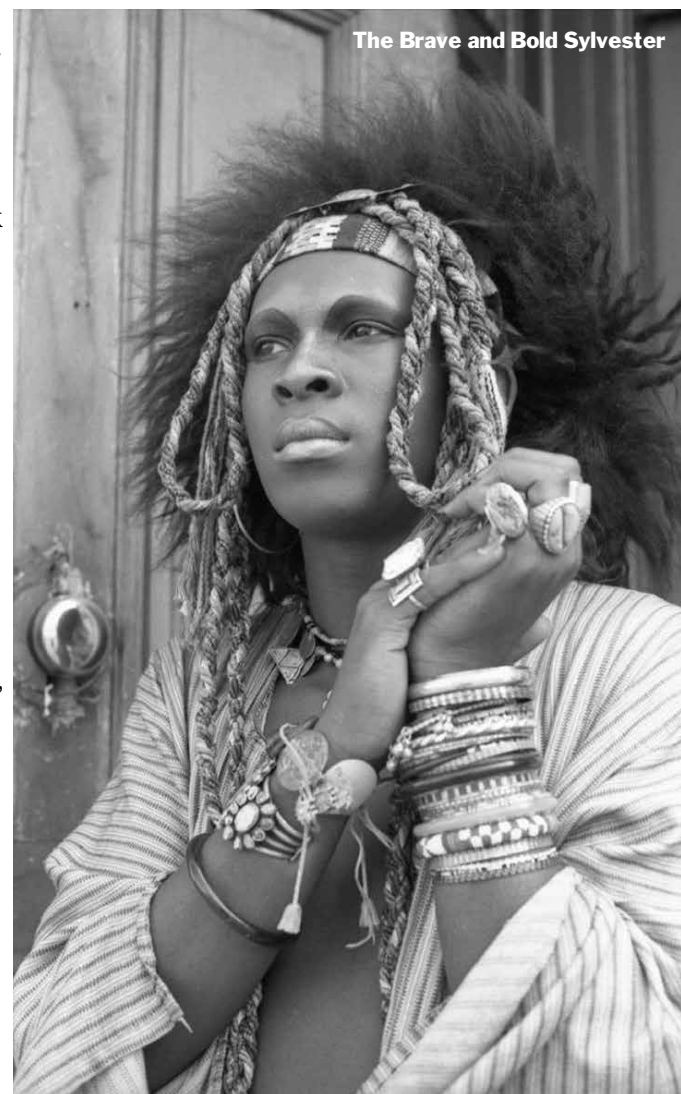
Love Me Like You Should

Long before the struggle for trans rights was finally picked up by the media, a gender-bending, androgynous Black singer named Sylvester was appearing on mainstream talk shows and scoring huge hits on the radio and on the dance floor, during the heyday of disco in the '70s.

Sadly, Sylvester died of complications from AIDS in 1988, but he left his mark on entertainment after he took San Francisco by storm as a singer, and as a performer with a famous hippie-queer collective known as The Cockettes.

"Love Me Like You Should: The Brave and Bold Sylvester" is a too-short (but very entertaining) 15-minute mini-doc from Amazon Music about the gender-fluid man who sang the timeless dance classics "Do Ya Wanna Funk," "Dance (Disco Heat)," and "You Make Me Feel (Mighty Real)."

Watch Sylvester's video at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o3q-cKZX2Og>



The Brave and Bold Sylvester

8:46 - Dave Chappelle

This 46-year-old master of stand-up is one of the funniest men in show business, but you wouldn't know it from his new half-hour Netflix special, which is also available to watch on YouTube.

8:46 is the length of time in minutes and seconds that a killer cop kept his knee on George Floyd's neck during Floyd's murder, a crime that inspires Chappelle to share his thoughts on racism and police brutality in these Divided States of America.

There are very few jokes in "8:46," but the short show may be the most important performance Chappelle has ever given. His anger and disgust are intense and palpable.

See "8:46" at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3tR6mKcBbT4>



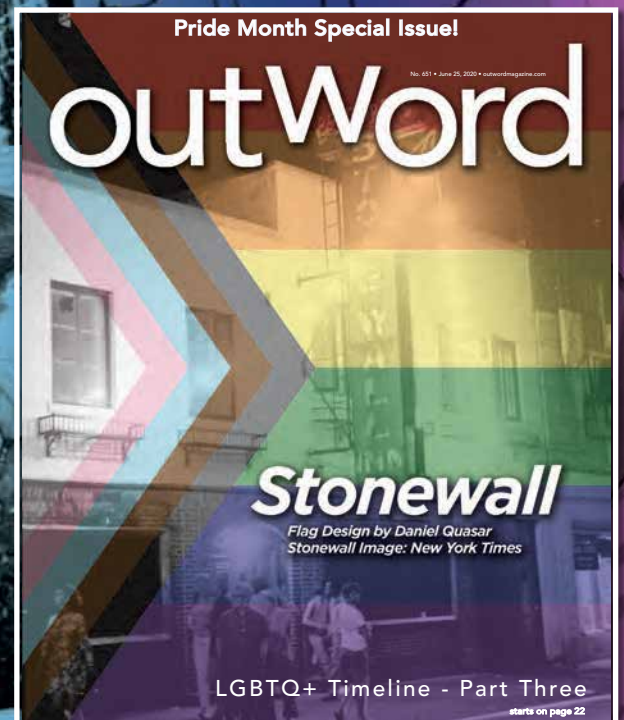
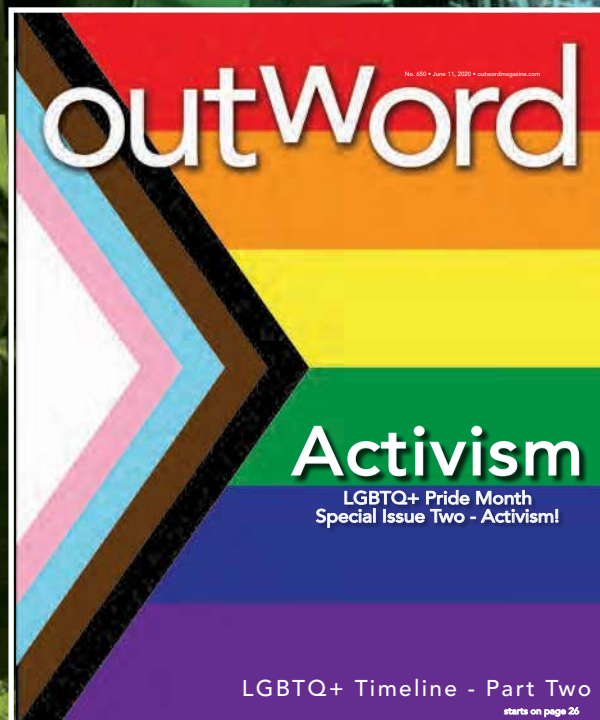
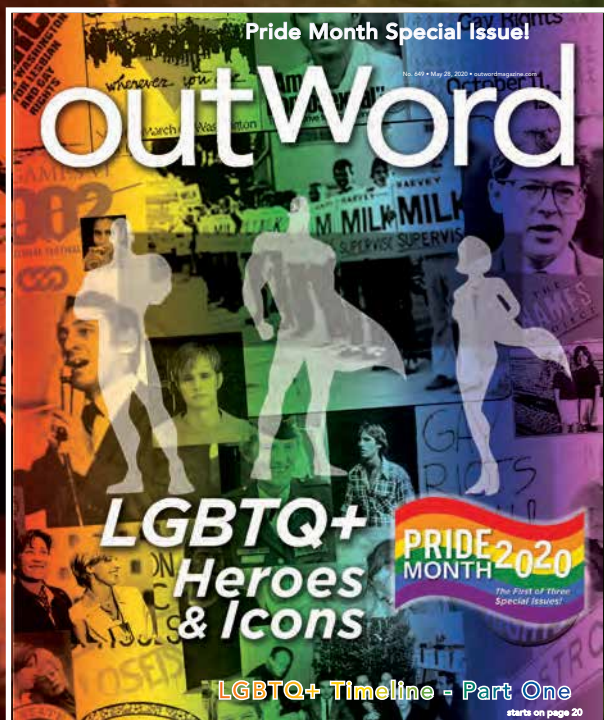
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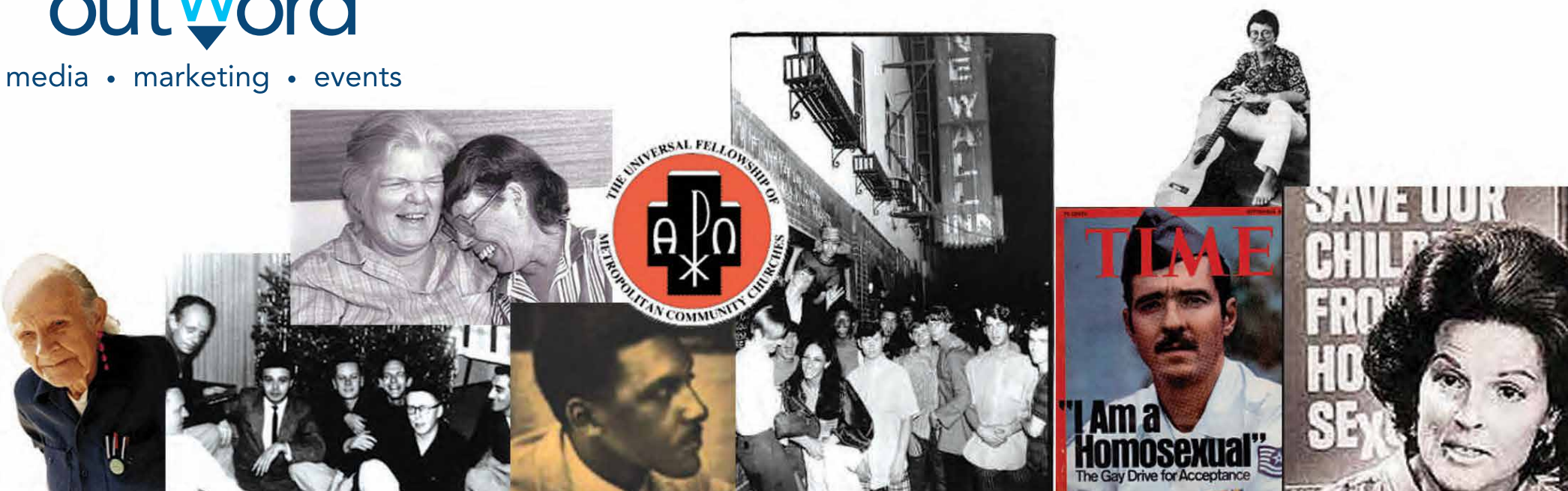
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Gay History

A Look Back



Timeline of Lesbian



1943 1952 1961 1968 1969 1970 1972 1973 1975 1976 1977

1943

The military issues regulations barring gay men and lesbians from serving in the armed forces on the basis of their sexual behavior.

1950

A Senate report concludes that homosexuality is contrary to the "moral fiber" of the nation, leading to the mass firing of government workers suspected of being gay.

1952

Harry Hay forms the Mattachine Society, one of the first gay organizations in the U.S.

1955

Del Martin and Phyllis Lyon found the Daughters of Bilitis, the first lesbian organization in the U.S.

1957

The Crittenden Report, a 639-page summary of an investigation undertaken by the Navy, says there is "no sound basis" for barring gays from the military as a security risk. The report goes so far as to conclude that "there is some information to indicate that homosexuals are quite good security risks." The military suppresses the report for nearly two decades,

1961

Illinois becomes the first state to abolish its laws against consensual homosexual sex.

1963

Openly gay civil rights activist Baynard Rustin organizes Martin Luther King's March on Washington.

1968

The Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches begins conducting holy union ceremonies for lesbian and gay couples.

1969

A police raid on the Stonewall Inn in New York City in the wee hours of June 28 leads to four days of battle between police and angry gays and lesbians. The riots mark the birth of the modern gay movement.

1970

The Dick Cavett Show ABC-TV Nov. 26, 40 min. discussion of gay issues with gay reps.

1972

The first gay studies program began at Sacramento State University.

That Certain Summer, ABC made-for-TV movie, stars Hal Holbrook and Martin Sheen as lovers.

1973

Founding of the National Gay Task Force, later renamed the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force.

Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund incorporates in Albany, New York.

The American Psychiatric Association declares that homosexuality is not a psychiatric disorder.

1974

The first federal bill banning job discrimination based on sexual orientation is introduced.

Society of Janus, one of the earliest social/support groups devoted to leather and S/M, is founded as a mixed-gender group by Cynthia Slater.

AT&T announces a nondiscrimination policy against gays.

1975

Air Force Technical Sergeant Leonard Matlovitch, seeking to contest the military's ban against homosexuals, declares he is gay and is discharged. A veteran of three tours in Vietnam and a recipient of a Purple Heart and a Bronze star, he makes the cover of Time magazine, "I Am a Homosexual." After contesting his discharge in court, he finally agrees to a settlement and drops the case.

Olivia Records is created to record lesbian feminist music. Artists include Cris Williamson, Holly Near, Meg Christian and others.

When women's music scene fades, the company is reborn in 1990 as Olivia Cruises.

California decriminalizes all consensual sexual acts between adults. Washington state's sodomy laws repealed.

The Valley Knights Motorcycle club is formed.

1976

The first Michigan Women's Music Festival is held in Hart, Michigan. The festival is one of the largest and most visible lesbian events in the United States.

1977

Dade County, FL, gay rights ordinance sparks opposition from entertainer, former Miss America runner-up and orange juice pitchwoman Anita Bryant that results in nationwide focus on the issue, repeal of the ordinance and a nationwide conservative backlash.



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| <p>1978 Gay activist Harvey Milk, also known as “Mayor of Castro Street,” elected Nov. 7 to San Francisco board of supervisors. Twenty days later he and Mayor George Moscone murdered in City Hall by Supervisor Dan White. Milk becomes a gay martyr.</p> <p>California State Sen. John Briggs introduces a ballot initiative to ban gay teachers from classrooms, again playing the theme of recruitment, “One third of San Francisco teachers are homosexual. I assume most of them are seducing young boys in toilets.” The measure is defeated by a 60% vote .</p> <p>Rainbow flag is designed by Gilbert Baker.</p> | <p>1979 A jury finds former San Francisco supervisor Dan White guilty of manslaughter, not murder, in the deaths of gay supervisor Harvey Milk and Mayor George Moscone. Outraged by the verdict, thousands march on City Hall, leading to a night of rioting.</p> <p>Over 100,000 people take part in the first March on Washington for Lesbian and Gay Rights in Oct. but coverage is skimpy.</p> <p>Off-duty police officers force their way into a San Francisco dyke bar, Peg’s, beat the bouncer and harass women. Results in immediate and widespread censure but none of the officers involved are punished.</p> <p>Lesbian and Gay Asian Alliance founded, in part, to address impact of racism on gay and lesbian communities and activism.</p> <p>First California Women,s Music Festival organized by Robin Tyler.</p> | <p>1980 First person with AIDS diagnosed at the Centers for Disease Control.</p> <p>Gay and Lesbian Latinos Unidos (GLLU) founded from which Lesbianas Unidas, originally a GLLUI committee, becomes a separate group in 1984.</p> <p>1981 Lawrence Mass, gay physician and writer, publishes first mention of AIDS in New York Native, “Disease Rumors Largely Unfounded.”</p> <p>1982 GRID which implies it is restricted to gay men, is changed to AIDS (Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome). Death toll at more than 200.</p> <p>AIDS makes front page for first time in L.A. Times story May 31, “Mysterious Fever Now an Epidemic.”</p> <p>Dr. Thomas Waddell (a 1968 Olympian) organizes the first Gay Games in San Francisco.</p> <p>Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG) forms.</p> | <p>1983 River City Democratic Club is formed in Sacramento.</p> <p>Randy Shilts assigned to cover AIDS for San Francisco Chronicle, first reporter from a mainstream paper.</p> <p>1984 AB-1, the first bill to ban discrimination against gays and lesbians in California passes the legislature but is vetoed by Gov. Deukmejian.</p> | <p>1985 The Times of Harvey Milk, a documentary about the career and the murder of the gay San Francisco city supervisor, wins an Academy Award.</p> <p>The first test to detect HIV is licensed in the United States. Nearly 9,000 people are diagnosed with the disease, half of them already dead. By end of year, AIDS now has killed 6,000 and 12,000 cases reported.</p> <p>In July, actor Rock Hudson acknowledges that he has AIDS and in October is announced dead. The news marks a watershed in AIDS coverage, prompting widespread public attention on the epidemic.</p> <p>New York gay and lesbian writers organize to create the Gay and Lesbian Anti-Defamation League, later changed to the Gay and Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation (GLAAD).</p> <p>First Sacramento Lambda Freedom Fair.</p> | <p>1986 The Sacramento Lambda Community Center opens.</p> <p>In Bowers v. Hardwick, the Supreme Court rules that the Constitution allows states to pass and enforce sodomy laws targeting homosexuals.</p> <p>Lyndon LaRouche’s measure calling for mandatory tattooing of people with AIDS fails in California.</p> <p>The Lobby for Individual Freedom and Equality (LIFE Lobby) begins work in Sacramento.</p> <p>The NY Times lifts ban on the use of “gay” instead of “homosexual.”</p> <p>Gay Games II held in San Francisco.</p> |
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Timeline of Lesbian & Gay History



1987 1988 1989 1990 1991 1992 1993 1994

1987

The Names Project Quilt is first displayed.

The day before the march on Washington 2,000 gay and lesbian couples are "married" in a mass wedding outside the Internal Revenue Service building.

The March on Washington for Lesbian and Gay Rights draws an estimated crowd of 600,000 people.

ACT UP (AIDS Coalition to Unleash Power) is founded in New York City by Larry Kramer. The group's tactics rejuvenate lesbian and gay activism.

ACT UP holds its first public demonstration, a sit-in on Wall Street. Later, as the group grows nationally, it invades the FDA, shuts down the Golden Gate Bridge, and disrupts services at St. Patrick's Cathedral. The rise of direct-action tactics leads to the creation of Queer Nation and Lesbian Avengers.

"And the Band Played On," an account of the AIDS crisis written by San Francisco Chronicle reporter Randy Shilts, is published and becomes a best-seller.

1988

First ever Black Gay and Lesbian Conference.

12,000 March on Sacramento for Lesbian and Gay Rights, making it the largest civil rights demonstration at the California capitol.

1989

The latest ISSUE begins publication in Sacramento. (Now known as Outword Magazine.)

First Sacramento AIDS Walk.

1990

Sacramento ACT-UP invades a meeting of the Traditional Values Coalition at the Capitol Hyatt. 29 activists were arrested.

"Queer Nation" founded in June and July.

Term "outing" is coined by Time magazine to describe Michelangelo Signorile's campaign to identify closeted celebrities and elected officials.

"Lavendar Sweep" -- San Francisco elected 11 gays and 2 lesbians to public office.

Gay Games III held in Vancouver, British Columbia.

1991

Following the California governor's veto of a nondiscrimination measure, thousands of activists in Sacramento and other cities march in protest.

Karen Thompson is named legal guardian of her lover, Sharon Kowalski, eight years after a car accident left Kowalski paralyzed and speech-impaired. Kowalski's family had refused to recognize the pair's relationship, and the ruling was a major victory for lesbian and gay couples.

Neuroscientist Simon LeVay, reported his findings that the male brain could take two different forms, depending on one's sexual orientation.

Gay rights activist & hero Stan Hadden dies of AIDS in Sacramento.

Three same-sex couples file suit, contending that Hawaii's marriage law is unconstitutional.

Fire at The Woods, a resort at the Russian River.

1992

The General Accounting Office says that nearly 17,000 men and women were discharged between 1981 and 1990 for being gay.

Colorado passes the anti-gay Amendment 2, which sought to throw out gay-rights legislation in various Colorado cities, thus allowing discrimination in housing and employment.

Gay rights legislation is passed in seven states; California, New Jersey, Vermont, Connecticut, Hawaii, Massachusetts and Wisconsin.

1993

President Clinton seeks to lift the ban on gay service personnel. "Don't ask, don't tell" is crafted as a compromise to conservatives.

The 3rd Lesbian and Gay March on Washington draws over 1 million participants.

Robert Achtenberg is named an administrator in the Department of Housing and Urban Development, the highest-level federal appointment for an open lesbian.

Canadian cartoonist Lynn Johnston introduces a gay character into her nationally syndicated strip, "For Better or For Worse," and 19 papers cancel the strip, 40 ask for substitutions.

The movie, "Philadelphia," which deals with an attorney facing job discrimination because of AIDS, opens in theaters. Actor Tom Hanks goes on to win an Academy Award for his performance.

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1994

A federal court orders Army colonel, bronze star recipient and former Vietnam nurse Maragethe Cammermeyer reinstated to the National Guard.

Sheila Kuehl becomes the first openly lesbian member of the California Assembly.

More than a million people turn out for the 25th Anniversary of the Stonewall Rebellion in New York city's Greenwich Village.

Gay Games IV is held in New York city.

1995

Carole Migden is elected to the California Assembly, making her the second lesbian to hold the office.

The latest ISSUE newsmagazine ends, Outword begins publication.

1996

The Senate votes on the Employment Non-Discrimination Act, a bill to ban antigay job bias. The measure fails by a single vote, 50/49.

A Hawaii court rules that the state has not proved that it has a "compelling interest" for banning gay marriage. Concern over the case leads Congress to overwhelmingly pass the Defense of Marriage Act.

President Clinton signs the Defense of Marriage Act, denying federal benefits to same-sex spouses should gay marriage ever become legal, and creating an exception to the US Constitution to allow states to disregard same-sex marriages performed in other states.

The U.S. Supreme Court overturns Colorado's Amendment 2, which prohibited state and local gay rights ordinances.

1997

Television comedian Ellen Degeneres, a lesbian herself, has her TV character also come out, spiking ratings and drawing advertiser pullouts.

1998

The Oct. 6 death of Matthew Shepard, murdered because he was gay, beaten and left tied to a fence for 18 hours, prompts nationwide vigils and demonstrations. More outrage ensues when religious conservatives picket Shepard's funeral carrying anti-gay placards. Shepard's death sparks a Washington, D.C. march and a renewed push for gay hate crime legislation.

Two-thirds of Hawaii voters pass a measure to amend the state constitution to define marriage as a compact between a man and woman. A similar measure passed that year in Alaska.

AB1999, a bill adding transgendered people to the Hate Crimes statute. is passed by the legislature and is signed by Gov. Wilson.

1999

The Vermont supreme court rules that the state must grant gay and lesbian couples the same rights as married couples.

Domestic Partnership registration bill is signed into law in California.

Gary Matson and Winfield Mowder are murdered in Redding California.

A bill adding sexual orientation to the Fair Employment and Housing Act is signed into law in California by Gov. Davis.

June ceremony held in Greenwich Village as the Stonewall Inn is officially placed on the National Register of Historic Places, the first gay site in the country to be listed.

2000

California voters approve a ballot measure to block recognition of same-sex marriages.

Shiela Kuehl becomes first openly lesbian Senator in California.

Openly lesbian Christine Kehoe and Jackie Goldberg are elected to the California Assembly.

2001

AB25, a bill which significantly increases domestic partner benefits, is signed into law by California Gov. Davis.

2002

Landmark decision in California grants domestic partners new legal rights following the wrongful death case by Sharon Smith whose partner Diane Whipple was mauled and killed by dogs in a San Francisco apartment building. Carole Migden carried the bill (AB25) though the legislative process and was signed into law by Gov. Davis.

Rosie O'Donnell comes out in support of gay parenting rights as an openly lesbian woman.

California State Capitol has a historic display of gay rights history for the month of June.

Timeline information was compiled by Kate Moore using sources "The Gay Decades" by Leigh W. Rutledge; Making of History: The Struggle for Gay and Lesbian Rights, 1945 to 1990; The National Gay and Lesbian Task Force; the latest ISSUE; The Advocate; and the SOIN Gay Events Timeline.

The previous issue of Outword (5-28-2020) was our First issue celebrating Pride for 2020 and we re-ran an LGBT timeline that we originally ran in 2002. A lot has happened since then, so we have added to that timeline with this one and we will continue in the next issue as well! Be sure to check out the past issue if you missed that one, and stay tuned for the next one!

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The Rawhide Kid, a Marvel comic character since the 1950's, makes his first appearance in a comic as gay.



Take Me Out debuts on Broadway. The acclaimed play is about a mixed race closeted professional baseball player and the ramifications – both good and bad – of what happens when he decides to come out of the closet. The play was nominated for 4 Tony Awards and won 3, including Best Play.



The United States Census Bureau releases figures showing that 34.3% of lesbian households and 22.3% of gay households are raising children. The report also shows that 99.3% of US counties have households with same-sex couples.



ABC airs the first lesbian kiss on the daytime drama *All My Children* when Bianca, who was Erica Kane's daughter, and played by straight ally Eden Riegel, kisses Lena. Bianca's enemy on the show, Greenlee, would insult her by coining the nickname, "LesBianca."

The Supreme Court strikes down all remaining sodomy laws in *Lawrence vs. Texas*.

Wal-Mart Stores adds "sexual orientation" to its corporate non-discrimination policy.

Bravo debuts *Queer Eye for the Straight Guy*, a reality series where five gay men would help makeover a straight man's life. The show was a hit and wins an Emmy.



The Ellen DeGeneres Show (now known simply as *Ellen*) premieres and quickly becomes a hit.

The Massachusetts Supreme Court rules that a ban on same-sex marriage is unconstitutional, making it the first state to determine that.

After the city of San Francisco, under Mayor Gavin Newsom's order, starts issuing same-sex marriage licenses, lesbians Del Martin and Phyllis Lyon get married and, become the first same-sex marriage in the country.



The California Supreme Court orders San Francisco to stop marrying same-sex couples. San Francisco then sues the state of California.

Democratic Michigan Governor Jennifer Granholm appoints Rudy Sera to be a judge, the first openly gay judge in the state.

Professional golfer and Hall of Fame member Rosie Jones comes out as gay.



In a 5-2 vote, the California Supreme Court voids the nearly 4,000 same-sex marriages that were performed in San Francisco.



Showtime debuts *The L Word*, a scripted series about a group of lesbians living in Los Angeles. It would run for 5 years.

New Jersey Democratic Governor James McGreevey admits to having had an affair with a man, making him the first openly gay governor in the country. He announces his resignation at the same time.



California Republican Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger signs a bill that defines what a "hate crime" is and includes coverage for the LGBT community.

ESPN hires openly gay African American male reporter LZ Granderson.



The proposed "Federal Marriage Amendment" – which limits marriage to one man and one woman – fails to pass in the US House of Representatives by a vote of 227-186.

California passes AB 205, which extends many rights and responsibilities of marriage to domestic partners.

Kansas voters approve an amendment to the state constitution banning same-sex marriages and civil unions.

The US Golf Association and USA Track & Field adopts the IOC policy governing the participation of transsexual athletes in their events.

The American Psychiatric Association votes at its annual convention to support government-recognized marriages between same-sex partners.



Sheryl Swoopes, WNBA three times MVP, WNBA and Olympic champion, comes out as a lesbian in ESPN, the magazine.



A group of gay veterans rally in Austin, Texas after Republican Governor Rick Perry comments that gay military veterans should leave the state.

Same-sex marriage becomes legal in Spain and then Canada. Meanwhile, Uganda and Latvia amend their constitutions to prohibit same-sex marriage.



Tennis legend Martina Navratilova becomes a spokesperson for Olivia, a lesbian travel and vacation company. Navratilova says this is the first time she's gotten an endorsement *because she's a lesbian*.

The California Legislature passes a bill to legalize same-sex marriage, becoming the first state to do so without judicial prompting. However, Republican Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger then vetoes the bill.

In *State v. Limon*, the Kansas Supreme Court strikes down a clause of the "Romeo and Juliet" law that punished underage sex more severely if it involved homosexual acts.

Brokeback Mountain is released. It's a major motion picture about a romance between two male cowboys, starring straight actors Heath Ledger and Jake Gyllenhaal.



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The city council of Washington, D.C. bans gender identity discrimination in the private sector.



At attempt to stage the first-ever gay pride in Moscow, Russia ends with violence and mass arrests.

Brokeback Mountain wins 3 Oscars, but controversially loses Best Picture to *Crash*.

US President George W. Bush renews his call for passage of the *Federal Marriage Amendment*, which limits marriage to be between one man and one woman. However, this amendment does not pass the Senate.



The State Supreme Court of Arkansas rules that it is unconstitutional for gays and lesbians to be forbidden from being foster parents.

Registered partnerships begin in the Czech Republic, the first nation of the former Communist bloc to sanction same-sex unions.



Amelie Mauresmo

French tennis player Amelie Mauresmo, who came out in 1999, wins the Wimbledon Championships.

Eight states vote on amendments to ban same-sex marriage: Arizona, Colorado, Idaho, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Virginia, and Wisconsin. All of the bans pass, except in Arizona.



Keelin Godsey

Keelin Godsey comes out as transgender and becomes the first openly transgender student athlete to compete in NCAA sports in the hammer throw.

Same-sex marriage becomes legal in South Africa.

Neil Patrick Harris, who plays straight playboy Barney on CBS's *How I Met Your Mother*, comes out as gay in early season two of the series. It ran for seven more seasons.



Neil Patrick Harris

The Washington state legislature passes same-sex domestic partnership legislation, while New Hampshire passes same-sex civil union legislation.

John Amaechi, a former NBA player, comes out as gay. He is the first former NBA player to do that.



Jenny Bailey

Jenny Bailey becomes the first transsexual mayor in the UK city of Cambridge, England. She is the second transsexual mayor in the world, the first being Georgina Beyer, who became the mayor of Carterton, New Zealand in 1995.

Oregon State University Softball coach, Kirk Walker, comes out publicly as a gay man.



Kirk Walker

Spring Awakening, a rock musical by Duncan Sheik about German teens in 1891 who grapple with a variety of issues, including homosexuality is nominated for 11 Tony Awards, winning 8, including Best Musical. Jonathan Groff (*Looking*, *Mindhunter*), Lea Michele (*Glee*) and Skylar Astin (*Pitch Perfect*) are all in the original cast.



2008 Democratic Presidential Candidates

The first ever LGBT issues presidential Democratic debate is hosted by the Logo cable channel. Senators Hillary Clinton, John Edwards, Barack Obama, Governor Bill Richardson, former senator Mike Gravel and Representative Dennis Kucinich all participated. Logo also asked the Republican candidates to participate, but they declined.

GLAAD initiates a Sports Media Project and hires the first director, Ted Rybka, to monitor media coverage of LGBTQ issues in sports.

The Maryland Court of Appeals overturns a lower court ruling and rules that its constitution does not require the state to recognize or sanction same-sex marriage.

The CBS daytime drama *As the World Turns* airs the first kiss on American daytime TV between two gay male characters, Luke Snyder and Noah Mayer, who are referred to as "Nuke" by fans.



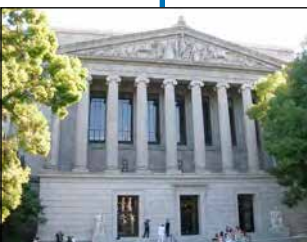
Luke Snyder & Noah Mayer

Domestic partnerships begin in Oregon, after a court decides that it does not conflict with the state's constitution, which forbids same-sex marriage.



Nicaragua and Panama legalize homosexuality.

The California Supreme Court strikes down the state's ban on same-sex marriages, with marriage being available starting in June.



TV talk show host and comedian Ellen DeGeneres marries actress Portia de Rossi.



Ellen DeGeneres and Portia de Rossi

The United States Court of Appeals for the First Circuit upholds the constitutionality of the US Military's *Don't Ask, Don't Tell* policy.

The Coquille Indian Tribe in Oregon legalizes same-sex marriage. The state of Oregon does not recognize same-sex marriages, but the tribe is recognized as a sovereign nation, so they are not bound by Oregon's laws.

Ecuador legalizes same-sex civil unions, but at the same time, constitutionally bans marriage and adoption for same-sex couples.



Matthew Mitcham

Eleven openly gay, lesbian and bisexual Olympians win a total of seven medals at the Beijing games, including a gold medal in diving won by Australian Matthew Mitcham, the only openly gay man competing.

Connecticut overturns a state ban on same-sex marriages and becomes the third state to allow them, after California and Massachusetts.

California voters ban same-sex marriage with Proposition 8, becoming the first state to do so after marriages had been made legal for same-sex couples. The Prop 8 vote won by a 52% to 47% margin.



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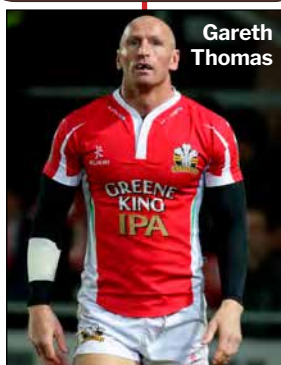
See what happens next in our Third Pride Month issue, coming Out on June 25, 2020!

Same-sex marriage begins in Norway and Sweden.

Argentina and the Philippines end bans on gays in the military.

The California Supreme Court meets in San Francisco to hear arguments on the validity of Proposition 8.

Welsh professional rugby player Gareth Thomas comes out while still playing.



Gareth Thomas

Denmark legalizes adoption by same-sex couples.

Iowa officials start issuing marriage licenses to same-sex couples.

The state of Washington passes the "everything but marriage" domestic partnership law.

Sherri Murrell, women's basketball coach at Portland State University becomes the first publicly out lesbian coach in NCAA Division 1 basketball.



Sherri Murrell

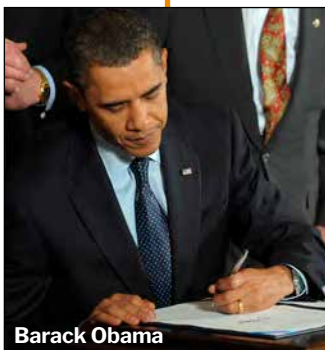
The California Supreme Court rules in favor of Prop 8 in a 6-1 vote. However, the marriages that took place in the months before the Prop 8 vote will remain legal and valid.

Television series *Glee* and *Modern Family* premiere, both series having multiple gay characters as series regulars. Both are highly rated and win many awards.



Glee Actor Chris Colfer

President Barack Obama signs the Matthew Shepard Act, which expands federal hate-crime law to include crimes motivated by a victim's actual or perceived gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, or disability, the first US federal law to extend legal protections to transgender persons.



Barack Obama

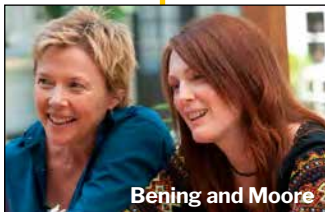
In court case *O'Donnabhain v. Commissioner*, the US Tax Court ruled that taxpayers may deduct the medical costs associated with treating gender identity from their federal income taxes.

Fiji becomes the first Pacific island to formally decriminalize homosexuality.

Portugal abolishes the ban on gay and bisexual men donating blood.



The film *The Kids Are All Right* opens, featuring a lesbian couple, portrayed by Annette Bening and Julianne Moore, who each gave birth to a child by using the same sperm donor, who wants to come into his teenager's lives. The movie was nominated for 4 Academy Awards, including Best Picture.



Bening and Moore

Arkansas Proposed Initiative Act No. 1, banning adoption by same-sex couples (but not LGBT individuals) is overturned by the state Supreme Court for violating the Arkansas Constitution of right to privacy.

Country singer Chely Wright comes out as a lesbian.

Same-sex marriage in Iceland becomes legalized, with Prime Minister Johanna Siguroardottir marrying her lesbian partner.



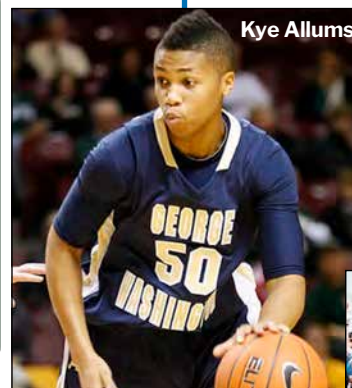
Johanna Siguroardottir

Democratic President Barack Obama signs the "Don't Ask, Don't Tell Repeal Act of 2010" and makes it the law.

Kye Allums is the first openly transgender man to play for a college women's basketball team at George Washington University. The NCAA rules that Kye is allowed to play on the women's team as long as she is not taking hormones.



Chely Wright



Kye Allums



Tyler Clementi



Welcome to our continued LGBTQ+ timeline! This portion has been compiled by Lauren Pulido and Faith Colburn for the words, and graphically designed by Kristy Harris. I think we can all agree that they did an amazing job! This timeline brings us up to date with what has been happening to, with and because of the LGBTQ+ community. Hope you have had a wonderful, and safe, Pride Month!

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TIMELINE 2011-2020

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2011

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2016

President Obama officially revoked the anti-gay, discriminatory "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" law, which prevented openly gay Americans from serving in the U.S. armed forces.



Rapper Jay-Z

Orange is the New Black show premieres on Netflix.

Supreme Court ruled Defense of Marriage Act to be unconstitutional, which meant same-sex couples married in their own states could receive those federal benefits.

Laverne Cox becomes the first openly transgender person to be nominated for a Primetime Emmy Award in any acting category.



Laverne Cox

President Obama acknowledges the LGBTQ community in the State of the Union address.

On June 26, 2015 the U.S. Supreme Court declares same-sex marriage legal in all 50 states.



President Obama dedicated the new Stonewall National Monument in Greenwich Village, as the first US National Monument to honor the LGBTQ rights movement.



On June 12th, 49 people were killed and 53 injured a terrorist attack inside Pulse, the deadliest incident of violence against LGBT people in U.S. history, and at the time the deadliest terrorist attack in the U.S. since 9/11.

The United States Department of State begins issuing passport applications that ask applicants for "Mother or parent one" and "Father or parent two" instead of for "Father" and "Mother."

Jay-Z voices support for gay marriage. He is soon followed by other big names in hip-hop including 50 Cent, Snoop Dogg, and Macklemore.

Same Love, a marriage equality anthem by Macklemore and Ryan Lewis hit the charts, jumping to the Top 5 on Billboard's rap music chart.



Macklemore & Ryan Lewis

California enacted America's first law protecting transgender students, allowing them to use facilities consistent with their gender identity.



Matthew-McConaughey Stars in *Dallas Buyers Club*

The Disney series *Good Luck Charlie* became the first children's show to feature a same-sex couple.



Cast of *Good Luck Charlie*

The US Department of Health and Human Services issues an official revision that shortens the deferral period for blood donation from men who have sex with men. In addition to shortening the deferral period from a life ban to 12 months.

San Francisco Pride holds wedding ceremonies for couples that had waited their whole lives to marry one another.



Hydie Downard & Beate Siedler get married at SF Pride.

Pentagon lifted the ban on transgender people serving openly in the U.S. military on June 30, 2016, acknowledging that it is in the military's best interest to recruit and retain the best troops, regardless of their gender identity.

The California State Senate passes AB 9, known as "Seth's Law". The bill would require every school in California to implement anti-harassment and anti-discrimination policies and programs that include actual or perceived sexual orientation and gender identity and expression.

Tammy Baldwin is elected as the first openly gay senator in history.



Tammy Baldwin

Dallas Buyers Club is released, which would go on to be nominated for six Academy Awards.

Jason Collins (Washington Wizards) comes out as gay, becoming the first active male athlete from one of the four major North American professional team sports to publicly do so.



Jason Collins

The Department of Education issues official guidance to clarify that transgender students are protected from discrimination under Title IX, a federal civil rights law that prohibits discrimination against students on the bases of sex/gender in federally funded education programs and activities.

Aimee Stephens comes out to her boss as Transgender which prompts one of the most historically ratifying LGBTQ+U.S. Supreme Court cases in history.

California became the first state in the U.S. to officially ban the use of trans panic and gay panic defenses in murder trials.

Secretary of Defense Ash Carter announces that the Military Equal Opportunity policy has been adjusted to include gay and lesbian military members.



Citing Transgender Law, NCAA Pulls 7 Championship Events From North Carolina Chris Mosier was chosen as the first openly transgender athlete to be featured in the "Body Issue" of ESPN The Magazine, and appeared in Nike's first ad with an openly transgender athlete. Caitlyn Jenner became the first openly transgender person on the cover of Sports Illustrated.

California Governor Jerry Brown announces the signing of the Gender Nondiscrimination Act which makes discrimination based on gender identity or expression in employment, education, housing, and other public settings illegal.

California becomes the first U.S. state to sign a ban on conversion therapy.

The Democratic Party becomes the first major US political party in history to publicly support same-sex marriage on a national platform at the Democratic National Convention.

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2017

The city council of Washington, D.C. bans gender identity discrimination in the private sector.

In the 2017 live-action adaptation of *Beauty and the Beast*, Le Fou is gay, making him the first gay character in a Disney film.

Moonlight became the first LGBT-related film to win the Best Picture award at the Oscars.

Andrea Jenkins became the first openly transgender black woman elected to public office in the United States.



Andrea Jenkins

America's first all-LGBT city council was elected in Palm Springs, consisting of three gay men, a transgender woman and a bisexual woman.

District of Columbia residents can now choose a gender-neutral option of their driver's license. DC residents become the first people in the United States to be able to choose X as their gender marker instead of male or female on driver's licenses and identification cards.

2018

Netflix revitalizes *Queer Eye* and *America* falls in love with the *Fab 5*.

Ryan Murphy's series *Pose* made history, after premiering in 2018, by having the largest cast of transgender actors who play regular roles throughout the series. The show looks at the ball culture of 1980s New York City, and features authentic transgender characters.



POSE
Pose Star
Billy Porter

Black Lightning introduced viewers to Anissa Pierce, AKA Thunder, who is a lesbian superhero played by Nafessa Williams.

LGBTQ candidates sweep the midterms. *Rainbow Wave* put more than 150 LGBTQ candidates were elected into office in the 2018 midterm elections, putting a historic number of queer or transgender politicians in positions of power.

The animated series *Arthur* Opens Season With a Same-Sex Wedding.



Animated Series Arthur

2018

Danica Roem became the first openly transgender person to be elected to, and the first to serve in, any U.S. state legislature.



Danica Roem

Adam Rippon became the United States' first openly gay athlete ever to qualify for and win a medal at the Winter Olympics.



Adam Rippon

Love, Simon was released as the first film ever released by a major studio to focus on a gay teenage romance.



Toni Atkins

Toni Atkins became the first woman and the first openly LGBT person to lead the California State Senate.

2019



Pete Buttigieg

Pete Buttigieg became the first openly gay presidential candidate from a major party.

First time the Transgender flag is flown over the California State Capitol Building, in honor of Trans Day of Visibility (shout out to Outword Magazine team member Lauren Pulido (he/him/his) for making this happen).



Lauren Pulido

Katie Sowers becomes the first woman and openly gay person to coach in the Super Bowl.



Aimee Stephens

U.S. Supreme Court hears case of Aimee Stephens (transgender woman whose lawsuit resulted in landmark SCOTUS decision).

The L Word: Generation Q airs on Showtime.

2019

Rocketman premiered; the film made Paramount the first major Hollywood studio to show gay male sex onscreen.



Rocketman Star
Taron Egerton



Lil Nas X

Lil Nas X came out as gay, making him the first artist to have done so while having a number-one record.



Katie Sowers

Indya Moore became the first openly transgender person to be featured on the cover of the U.S. version of *Elle* magazine.



Indya Moore

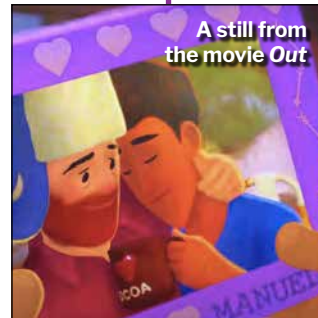


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2020

Out was released, Disney's and Pixar's first short to feature a gay main character and storyline.



A still from
the movie *Out*

The Trump administration passed a regulation removing protections for transgender patients under medical care.



Indya Moore



The US Supreme Court ruled a federal law protecting gay, lesbian, and transgender employees from workplace discrimination.

2020 Volkswagen Atlas Cross Sport

By Graham Enos



When thinking bigger sometimes it helps to go for something...a littler smaller.

Introducing the all new
Volkswagen Atlas Cross Sport



Take the new 2020 Volkswagen Atlas Cross Sport for example. New this year VW has brought to market a vehicle that while smaller than it's larger sibling, the 3-row Atlas SUV, it is big where it matters most. The 5-passenger Atlas Cross Sport SUV has class-leading cargo room, a second row that has been compared to business class and we haven't even gotten to the looks yet.

Speaking of which, the Cross Sport drops the third row and gains an athletic, muscular swooping rear end that has been compared in shape to its Bavarian cousin, the Audi Q8. Whether or not VW raided Audi's design studio when developing the new Cross Sport is debatable (VW owns Audi) but what cannot be disputed is the styling finds its roots in the design trends of luxury European automakers that started a couple of years ago with the introduction of the BMW X6 Cross-Coupe, and was followed on by Mercedes' additions of the GLC and GLE Coupes to their lineup.

This new genre of vehicle—five-door SUVs with sloping fastback rear styling—have become quite popular recently. While they are certainly capable SUVs with fantastic, head turning looks, they are not and never have been “coupes.” For those inclined to disagree, here's the same advice I'd give to the marketing departments at these manufacturers: go look up what a “coupe” actually is and then pick a different name

(and yes, I understand that in the year 2020 words mean less than they ever have before but also just...like enough already). Here's one for free: SedanUV. I digress. Anyway, VW choosing to call the baby-Atlas the “Cross Sport” is a welcome relief from the tyranny of German-engineered “coupes” that have too many doors...at least to this nameplate-weary writer.

As a coupeover (on second thought, absolutely not). As a sporty crossover, the looks do most of the work in setting this apart from the rest of the pack but that doesn't mean that there aren't other compelling reasons to take a look at the Atlas Cross Sport. Namely, the second row has a ludicrous 41” of rear kneeroom. Cross your legs. Stretch out. Recline the second-row seats and settle in for one of the most pleasant and spacious backseat experiences available in a 5-passenger SUV. If hauling cargo is the task at hand, flip the rear seats flat and gain access to the class-wowing 77.8 cubic feet of cargo room behind the driver.

As for the driver, there are plenty of quirks and features up front that shouldn't be missed. While the seating position—well actually just about every aspect of the front of the vehicle's cabin—is carried over from the larger Atlas there are a couple of notable changes that are worth mentioning. One is the new suite of

optional driver assist technologies that are newly available on the platform. The Cross Sport can be optioned with a Technology package on the SE Trim (these features are standard on the SEL and up trims) that adds dynamic Traffic Sign Detection and Traffic Jam Assist. Traffic Sign Detection uses a front-facing camera behind the rearview mirror to look ahead, discover and relay posted traffic signs either on the dashboard or on the center display. Traffic Jam Assist uses the technologies developed for Adaptive Cruise Control (also available on both the Atlas and Atlas Cross Sport when properly optioned) to engage the throttle, brake and steering to keep the vehicle centered in its lane up to 37 miles per hour to help the driver more easily navigate bumper-to-bumper traffic jams. These features, along with some of the more interesting styling cues already covered are due to make their way to the full-size Atlas later this year.

Propelling the Atlas Cross Sport through those traffic jams are two engine options. A 2.0L inline-4-cylinder engine with a turbo that makes 235 hp and 258 ft-lbs. of torque is standard. It can tow up to 2,000 lbs. at the rear hitch when properly equipped. If more towing capability is required, then the larger 3.6L V6 naturally aspirated engine is the way to go. It makes up to 276 hp and has 266 lb-ft of torque. The V6 can

pull up to 5,000 lbs. when properly equipped. Both engines are mated to an 8-speed automatic transmission that's tuned along with the steering and suspension to provide that weighty, yet spry driving dynamic that is a hallmark of German automotive engineering. It's also possible to get both the 4-cylinder turbo and the V6 in VW's vaunted 4-Motion all-wheel drive. It adds approximately \$1,900 to the price of the standard FWD option.

With eight (yes, eight) trim levels to choose from and a starting MSRP of \$30,545 (before destination and delivery) there's a model of the Atlas Cross Sport that will delight just about anyone looking for an eye-catching SUV to haul a couple of kids around in, or for those who prefer hitting the town with friends (when responsible to do so of course). For those looking to make the right choice on the right vehicle there's nobody better equipped to help than the folks over at Lasher's Elk Grove Volkswagen. They've been in business for over 60 years and have the expertise to help anyone find their next vehicle. And, for those who live or work in or around Downtown Sacramento there is Wes Lasher VW on S Street. The most convenient factory-authorized VW shop in all of Sacramento. If you want to find out more, visit them at www.elkgrovevw.com or stop by the showroom in the Elk Grove Automall right off Highway-99.



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What Device Should I Buy?

By Mickey Beims, 3in1 Tech

If you ever want to clear a table of people just tell them you work with computers. It was a Fourth of July party when I discovered this. Suddenly, seven people all had to get refills, check on the kids or clear the dishes. But, after 20 years of helping businesses with their Information Technology (IT) I notice people gladly seek me out when they need advice on picking their next computing device.



With so many choices and the rapidly changing nature of technology, it's good to talk to someone to find the best solution for your situation. Luckily, you don't have to hire an uber geek to help you, but don't ask just anyone off the street! Hopefully, you know someone who has worked with thousands of devices and is willing to talk about it while enjoying a tasty beverage.

When someone asks me what device they should get I do two things: First, I listen to understand what they expect from their new tool or cool toy. Once you understand some key factors, picking the right device becomes straight forward. Second, I tell them what I would pick, as simply as possible.

One the most important factors is where are you going to use this device. Do you need to be mobile? There are cases when a fixed desktop is still desirable. They offer the

having long computing session at your desk or doing a lot of typing unless you have a dock, or lug around a wireless keyboard.

After you know where you're going to use your new gadget you should think about how long it will last. Your next digital buddy, like your first set of wheels, will one day be a memory. Typically, the more mobile the device is the more fragile it is. The less expensive it is, the shorter its useful lifespan.

So, now for a few of the "this or that's?" When people ask which is better, Mac or PC, I tell them I'm vendorfluid. Seriously, it comes down to which system you prefer, and what they using at work. But, you really can do everything you need on either. If you're willing to take on a bit more of a risk, then a refurbished device could be a great option. You can try out the other team without breaking the bank. Remember though, if

you fall in love you'll likely to have to replace your new friend sooner than later, because as a refurb, it will already have some usage on it. Finally, the tech specs.

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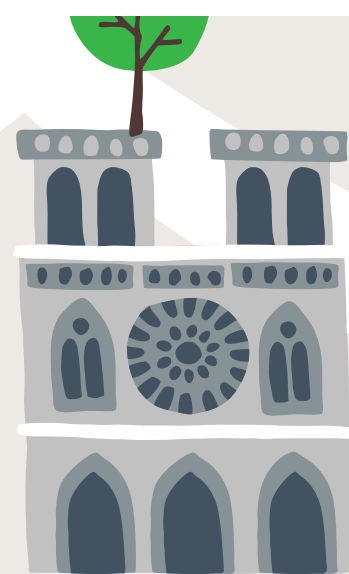
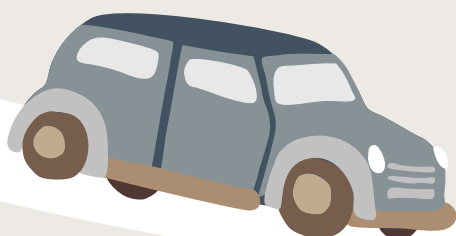
best price for performance, typically last longer, are easier to upgrade and are harder to steal. For those that want mobility, then a laptop or tablet is a logical step, and in either case, you can create a full desktop experience with a dock and the right peripherals. For the best experience pick a portable device that has a specific dock for it! Like the Apple MacBook Pro or a Dell Precision.

For those needing extreme mobility, a tablet is the right choice. If you need to walk around and take hi-def pictures for bids, go with Apple iPad Pro. Looking to plug into your company's Microsoft cloud in different offices? Then go with the Microsoft Surface Pro. In general, tablets are a good choice for light processing work. Just don't plan on

The Dell Precision laptop, like the 7750 pictured, can be used with a proprietary dock to allow a desktop-like working experience.

recommend a device, I ask myself what would I want to use. If I were going to buy a computer today, the bare minimum I would pick is one with at least an Intel i5 processor, 8 gigabytes of memory and a solid state drive. Tablets and phones are set up a bit different and use their internal memory for both running programs and storing data, so go with at least 32 gigabytes. If you dread the experience of setting up a new device, then buying the best model you can, will pay off. Hedge your bets by buying the most powerful device in your budget. Doing that could gain you a year or two before you do this all over again!

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a Citroën Fascination

Words and Photos
by Andy Harris

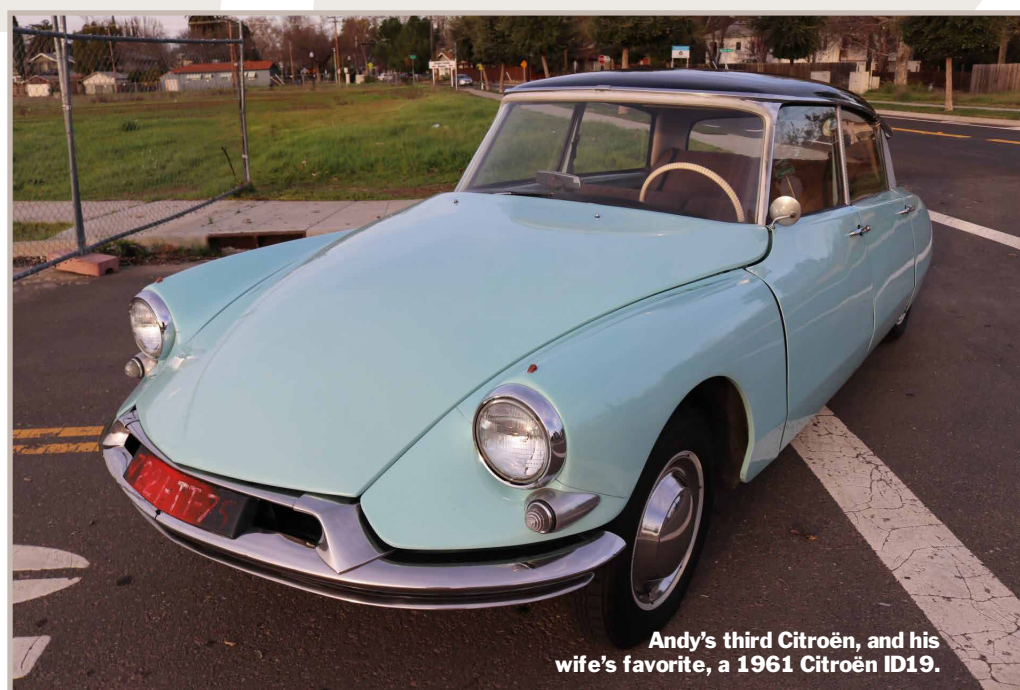
My fascination with Citroëns has dated from my childhood in 1960s Sacramento County, seeing the occasional Citroën tooling around and asking my mother what they were. Many years later I started a quest to find one, but since the U.S. Citroën dealerships closed after the 1973 model year, the cars had become increasingly scarce.

Citroëns hadn't become collector's items yet, so many languished, rusting in fields and side yards around the country. Fortunately, there were some guys who later became friends who were restoring and servicing these cars in small garages tucked away in midtown alleys and suburban two-car garages. Among them was Richard Bonfond, who was eventually named "The Crown Prince of Citroën" by Hagerty magazine and who recently wrote and published the book, "What A Ride!"

Fast forward to 1989, and Richard was working as a mechanic at Larry's Auto Works in Sacramento, specialists in air cooled Volkswagen and Porsche cars. Richard also had his own side hustle restoring and servicing Citroëns. I did not previously know or know of Richard, but one day I was taking my ex-girlfriend's Porsche to Larry's for servicing and I saw a nicely restored Citroën 2CV with a "For Sale" sign in the window

parked outside on the street. I inquired about the car, and next thing I knew I was the owner of my first Citroën, a 1966 2CV. The obsession had begun!

I joined the Sacramento Valley Citroën Car Club and a year later talked a fellow club mate out of his 1965 Citroën Ami-6 wagon. This was a fully restored show car, the best of its kind in the U.S. and quite possibly one of the top 10 in the world at



Andy's third Citroën, and his wife's favorite, a 1961 Citroën ID19.



Andy's second Citroën, a 1965 Citroën Ami-6 Wagon.

However, always lurking in my mind was the holy grail of Citroëns, the SM. The SM was designed primarily for the U.S. market as a luxury Grand Touring car, mating Citroën engineering with a V-6 Maserati engine with three two-barrel Weber carburetors. Although these cars were made from 1970 to 1975, they were only sold here in 1972 and 1973 before Department of Transportation

regulations became so arduous that they could no longer comply with U.S. safety and emissions regulations. And, ironically, they were voted the 1972 Motor Trend Car of The Year. In two years, only 2,400 of these cars were sold in the U.S., the most desirable being the 1973 three-liter five-speed, of which only 600 were produced for worldwide production. In 2019, I found one of the 600 that was in nearly perfect condition, so I decided to take the plunge and sell my ID19 and buy this car.

Thirty-one years and four cars later, I've got my favorite Citroën!

Andy Harris and his first Citroën, a 1966 Citroën 2CV.



that point in time. This was my favorite at the time, but I eventually sold both of the aforementioned cars in order to make room for another. This time it was a very rare 1961 Citroën ID19 with the famous hydropneumatic suspension invented by Citroën in 1955. I got a really good deal on this car because it had some mechanical issues that needed attention, which meant money.



Andy's fourth and favorite Citroën, a 1973 Citroën SM 3L 5-Speed.



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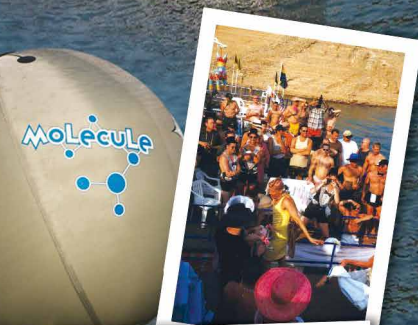
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Book Review: "Half Broke: A Memoir" by Ginger Gaffney

By Terri Schlichenmeyer

The last time you went riding, the weather was perfect. Did you notice that? Or were you thinking about something, some niggling issue, a thorny problem that needed to be solved from the back of a saddle? They say that the outside of a horse is good for the inside of a man. In "Half Broke" by Ginger Gaffney, the same goes for the inside of a woman.

She knew she wasn't going to get paid for the job.

That was fine. Ginger Gaffney had a calendar full of work that paid the bills for the small homestead she and her partner shared. No, a gig working with a New Mexico ranch that served somewhat as a transitional option for inmates was Gaffney's way of giving back. Gratis work was gratitude for a good life.

It wasn't always good, though.

To say that Gaffney was quiet as a child is putting it mildly: she didn't speak until she was six years old. She felt like a "genderless thing," she was angry, scared, hurt, mistrustful, had little self-control, and she sometimes lashed out. Then she got a horse.

And now she'd volunteered to work on this "alternative" ranch with horses that had gone feral because nobody knew how to handle or train them. She knew exactly how those animals felt because she'd been like them once, as had the ranchers Gaffney was asked to teach: former addicts, lawbreakers, alcoholics who'd been tossed aside, who'd applied for a opportunity to work with horses, and who were constantly monitored and mentored to give them the best chance to avoid being imprisoned again.

Every horse has a story to tell. Every rancher had one, too, but the rules were

strict about when they could share them so Gaffney really knew very little about the people she taught: Eliza, who'd been nearly mute; Flor, an admitted liar; Randy, who dieted to ride; Tony, who had anger issues. Sarah, the biggest enigma of all. And Marco, who leaves this book with a surprise ending.

The first time you were on a horse happened so long ago that it's like having a finger or a nose: it never wasn't. You probably don't even remember it, but you won't forget "Half Broke."

Swinging timelines like a lariat, author Ginger Gaffney tells her own barnboard-rough story, but that absolutely takes a back seat to tales of horses she's known and people she knew at the prison ranch near Santa Fe. Her tales are told with deliberateness, and quietly – even the ones that pulse with anger or gnashing teeth – but the graciousness and generosity here comes out loud and clear, leaving readers with a sad smile, a good chuckle, a gasp, and the thought that books like this just don't last long enough.

Yes, the skies can be cloudy all day in this memoir, but it's a wonderful one that horse lovers, armchair cowpokes, and reform workers shouldn't even try to resist. If that's you, you should know that "Half Broke" is a heckuva ride.

A Look Inside My Ride: A Tesla Model 3

By Sheldon Marquez



Let me preface this by saying I did pay the \$1K reservation deposit for a Model 3 sight unseen, but I do not consider myself a Tesla Fanboy. They just happen to make the best alternative to the internal combustion engine thus far.

I have to say when I first sat in a Model 3, I was sorely disappointed by the simple interior—which is a strange amalgam of a luxury and conventional—considering the \$50K price tag (Long Range trim). but, once you get out on the road, it's unlike any other driving experience out there.

Is it more environmentally-friendly? Kinda. Is it cheaper than a gas car? It certainly can be. If you're 1) charging at home during off-peak hours, 2) Don't have very many inclines on your commute, 3) just like a gas car, drive economically (don't be like me and drag race everyone at every stop light!, 4) Keep the car plugged in when at home or, 5) Keep it garaged or in a car port. Extreme temperatures can cause the battery to drain faster because Tesla's Battery Management System has to work harder to keep the battery temperature within a certain range. I learned this the hard way during the winter time and had no idea just 60 degree weather can start to cause battery drain and it's not uncommon

to see loss of 1 mile/hr or more the car is not plugged in for charging. 15 months in and this car has literally gotten better over time through software updates via the car's internet connection. Since purchasing the car, I've gotten a web browser, increased range/performance, Sentry Mode & Dog Mode. Coming from a Base Model 2013 Nissan Sentra, it will be hard to go back to anything else not in this class. Tesla's design and philosophy of automating unnecessary processes, are intuitively

spread throughout, however, many of these features can be found on conventional vehicles as well, such as auto-wipers (sensors still need work), auto-headlights and auto-door locks. If you didn't already know, your (Bluetooth enabled) mobile phone is your key! Which has enabled me to go completely keyless! In conjunction with Homelink (now a \$300 optional feature that allows the car to open the garage door by a distance that you specify), and a smart lock, I never have to carry a set of keys in my pocket again. And, if for some reason you don't use your phone as a

key, Tesla has RFID key cards (specifically for Model 3) the size of a credit card, I always carry one in my wallet for the valet, emergency purposes like a lost/stolen phone, or maybe the battery died. The card illustrations show exactly where to wave your card to lock/unlock your car, and once inside the display shows you where to place the key card to enable you to drive. Don't worry, there is a valet mode so they can't get into your glovebox, frunk, or get your home address from the Navigation. If you want another layer of security, you have the option to create a 4-digit PIN.



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PUTTING ON Season 2



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The first season explored the trials and tribulations that On experienced in starting his own underwear brand...with his ex-boyfriend. Premiering this July 5rd at 4pm & 7pm (PST) on the Revry Live channel with new episodes airing every Sunday at the same times or binge the entire second season on Revry Premium on the 5th. The full-length Season 2 dives deeper inside the private and professional life of On Mekahel—and the new love of his life, Dave Cederberg. High-stakes (and high reality TV drama) abound this season with episodes featuring: business ventures in the "Big Apple", Israel and the West Coast, as well as a wedding in Paris. As On deals with his own trials, Dave has his own challenges: while On travels to LA to do press for his new underwear line, Dave is busy navigating the justice system and wrapping up his parole duties in order to make On's dream wedding in Paris a reality. And that's just the first episode! What else can you expect from a 26 year old who wants to rule the world?

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"As with many reality shows, the storyline has evolved because my life is forever changing. For season 2, I chose to offer more private moments from my life. I think we kicked up the excitement level a bit with the lead up to my wedding ceremony in Paris all while moving across the country to Los Angeles and running my company! Life is drama and that is something that just comes effortlessly to me.

It's obvious that I'm a 'fame monster,' so I definitely enjoying having cameras around me all the time but what truly keeps me going with this show is being able to set an example as a successful, openly queer man. It's so important to me to be able to reach LGBTQ people across the globe on Revry who might not see themselves portrayed on TV—let alone as the star of their own reality show—and show them that our LGBTQ lives are just as real, relatable, and important as our straight counterparts."

Subscribers of Revry Premium (Revry's subscription on-demand offering) can watch the second season premiere of **PUTTING ON** starting July 3rd on the Revry network (available on iOS, tvOS, Android, Android TV, Fire TV, Roku, Samsung and the web at www.revry.tv).

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New Music From Netta & Jessie Ware

By Chris Narloch

Although it's fun to review the latest release from Justin Bieber or Lady Gaga, I much prefer to expose our readers to less well-known artists who may not receive the attention paid to those pop superstars.

To that end, I have reviews this issue of an EP by a terrific new female Israeli singer, and another superb disc from a dynamite diva born in London.

Netta – Goody Bag

This quirky Israeli singer deservedly won the 2018 Eurovision Song Contest with “Toy,” a wonderfully weird dance track that begins with Netta bawking like a chicken and then proceeds to lay waste to a “stupid boy” for treating her like a toy.

Fierce dance tracks don't come any fiercer than “Toy,” and Netta reaffirms her disco chops on “Bassa Sababa.” The artist then proves that she also has a sense of humor on this EP's third and fourth cuts, “Nana Banana” and “Ricki Lake.”

Netta rounds out the half dozen selections on “Goody Bag” with two different versions of her hypnotic ballad “Cuckoo,” which proves that this uniquely talented performer has much more than just dance music up her sleeve.



Jessie Ware – What's Your Pleasure?

If you have time, go to YouTube and watch the incredibly queer and sexy video for the terrific title track of this new disc by one of my favorite English singers, who recently released her fourth studio CD.

That red-hot video for “What's Your Pleasure?” features a handsome, half-naked dancer strutting his stuff, and it perfectly conveys the sensuous appeal of Jessie Ware's music.

Ware is a masterful purveyor of soulful pop passion, and although she has a lighter touch vocally than her friend Adele, the 35-year-old songstress is almost as soulful, and her music is sexier than Adele's.

If you enjoyed Dua Lipa's current CD, then you will love “What's Your Pleasure?” which finds Ms. Ware in a dance party mood. Almost every song here is a success, especially the back-to-back tracks that form the mid-point of the album's dozen cuts.

Track six (“Adore You”) has an insistent beat worthy of Robyn (the great Swedish dance diva), and the seventh cut (“In Your Eyes”) features heavenly high notes and a sultry groove.



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Too Much Time on My Hands?

In this year’s Best Of questionnaire there are two questions we included because I know, for myself, they seemed very relevant. The questions are “Best hobby you learned or improved your skills, and Best new song or album of the year so far, or best song or album you rediscovered.” For me things were a combination of both. One of my favorite hobbies, if you will, is listening to wonderful music on a very nice stereo. HiFi has been a love of mine since I was a child. My dad handed me down his stereo setup when I was 12 and I have been obsessed ever since.

Auris bluMe HD Bluetooth 5.0 Music Receiver

For years I had been using an Apple iPad, connected via its headphone jack, to get streaming music to my stereo system that resided in the living room. Although it sounded fine, it was a bit of a hassle to change stations, or skip tracks when it was in a completely different room, away from my office. I started looking at replacement options and came across the idea of getting a Bluetooth receiver that could accept music from my phone, an iPad or even my desktop computer.

I wound up looking at two competing units that are very similar in form, size and function. The Auris bluMe at \$120 and the AudioEngine B1 at \$189. They both claim to have a long reception range and that their devices will produce audiophile (very high quality) sound and contained the latest, greatest innards. Both got pretty good reviews, so I went with the less expensive option, the Auris.

I have enjoyed having, and listening to, a very nice stereo setup since it has been a hobby of mine since I was preteen. So,

I have to admit that my expectations might have been a bit high once I got the bluMe hooked up and connected to my iPhone. Right off the bat, it didn’t sound as good as the iPad. I figured I would give the unit a little break-in time before judging it too critically.

If the sound changed much, it as a small change. But, to be honest, the bluMe did sound nice, it just wasn’t as good as I expected. There were a couple of other things I didn’t care for (but upon reading more about

So with time on my hands and boredom to squelch, I started messing around with the equipment I already had. In the grand sceme of things, there was no real NEED to mess with it, it’s not like the right channel was out. But most of my stereo system was, easily, 20+ years old. I have been hodge-podging things onto that system to try and update it to do what I wanted, like receive music from my phone via Bluetooth, but add-ons and adapters made the whole system somewhat fussy. Of course, once you start changing one thing, you quickly find out that other things need attention as well... Here are a couple of the challenges, and joys, I have encountered, so far.

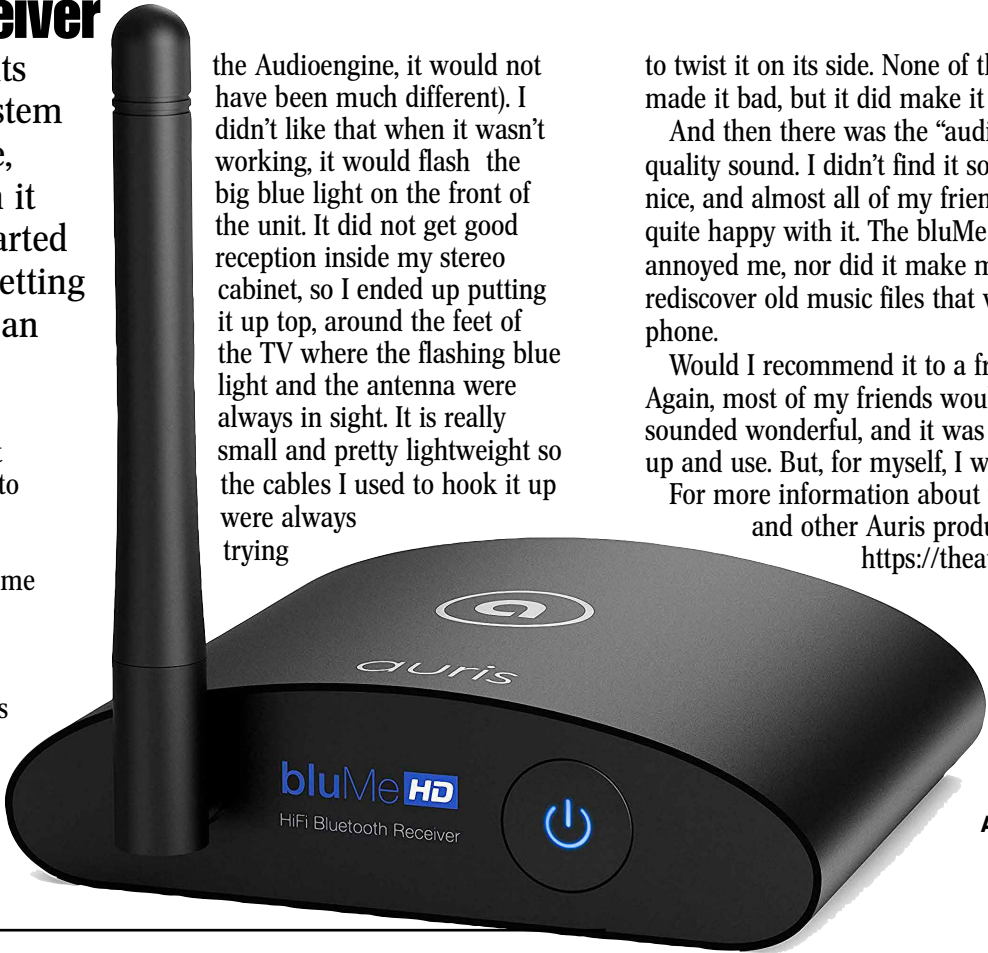
the Audioengine, it would not have been much different). I didn’t like that when it wasn’t working, it would flash the big blue light on the front of the unit. It did not get good reception inside my stereo cabinet, so I ended up putting it up top, around the feet of the TV where the flashing blue light and the antenna were always in sight. It is really small and pretty lightweight so the cables I used to hook it up were always trying

to twist it on its side. None of these things made it bad, but it did make it a bit fussy.

And then there was the “audiophile” quality sound. I didn’t find it so. It sounded nice, and almost all of my friends would be quite happy with it. The bluMe neither annoyed me, nor did it make me want to rediscover old music files that were on my phone.

Would I recommend it to a friend? Sure. Again, most of my friends would think it sounded wonderful, and it was easy to set up and use. But, for myself, I wanted more.

For more information about the BluMe and other Auris products go to: <https://theauris.com>



Auris bluMe Bluetooth receiver

Audiolab 6000A Integrated Amplifer

My speakers and amplifier setup have been around the longest. I say been around, because I did not buy them new – doing that is rarely in my budget given the quality and expense that upscale HiFi can incur. I knew my amplifier had a minor problem that I had not addressed during the time I owned it, so I thought now would be a good time to take the system apart and send it into the manufacturer and get it fixed. When I called them about the repair, they almost laughed at me because the unit was so old. They told me they no longer support gear of that age. I get it, but I was, never the less, disappointed. There are other ways about getting it fixed, but my mind said it was time to get something different. Maybe something better, something more capable and possibly something brand new?

While poking around on audiophile, two channel web sites and Facebook groups one option kept coming up. It’s an amplifier made by a British company called Audiolab. It’s called, the 6000A, and it’s sleek and simple, definitely of European design. However, it has some key features that I was looking to add onto the old system, but they were built in. With this one unit I was able to shed three boxes.

One of the Audiolab’s built-in capabilities was Bluetooth streaming. I had bought an

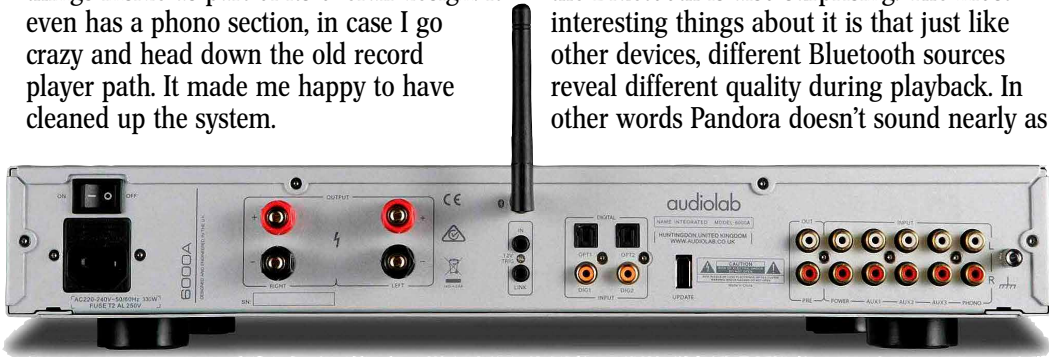
external box that added this to my old set, but it made it fussy and I wasn’t impressed with its audio quality. The 6000A uses the latest chips, receivers and digital to analog converters and it just requires the push of button on the remote.

Speaking of digital to analog converters (DACs) the 6000A has that built in as well. I had an external, little box, DAC hooked into the old system that I ran the TV sound through. It made all my TV stuff sound awesome. However, when I was not using

the stereo, the DAC would cycle on and off randomly, all day. (Tick, tick. Tick tick, tick, tick) Kinda drove me crazy.

So, the little Audiolab brought all these things inside as part of its overall design. It even has a phono section, in case I go crazy and head down the old record player path. It made me happy to have cleaned up the system.

the face of the unit as well as on the remote, which has some heft to it. Nothing feels cheap or makes you feel like you bought a budget piece of gear. The sound quality using the Bluetooth is also surprising. The most interesting things about it is that just like other devices, different Bluetooth sources reveal different quality during playback. In other words Pandora doesn’t sound nearly as



The 6000A's rear panel is clean, simple and well laid out.

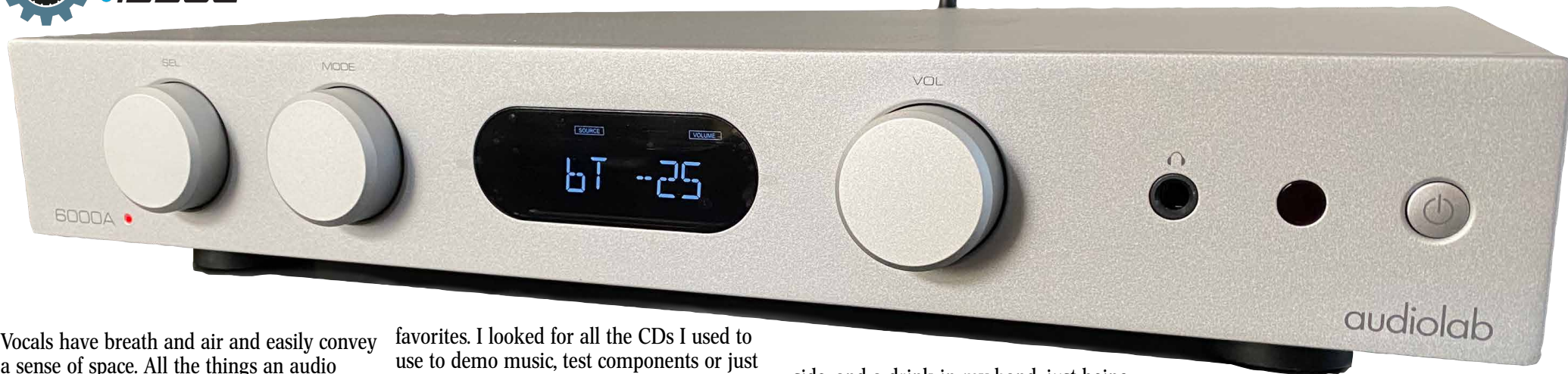
What I really didn’t expect is that the Audiolab 6000A would actually improve on the sound quality of the separate components I have had for so long. I was actually bracing for the opposite. But straight out of the box, the 6000A was impressive. (Yes, I’m one of those people that believe electronics sound better once they have been broken in...) I have had the 6000A for a couple of weeks now, and can report that I didn’t notice if it started sounding better or not. It has truly impressed me since day one.

I like the way the controls are set up on

good as files playing straight off your phone, etc. I am able have my phone on the other side of the house and still stream music to the Audiolab, but if I put my phone in my pocket from there, it will start to break up.

In every way, and with every source I play through the 6000A, it sounds wonderful. The music is tight and detailed, with clean, solid bass and beautifully represented highs.

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Audiolab's 6000A Integrated Amplifier with Bluetooth receiver, built in.

Vocals have breath and air and easily convey a sense of space. All the things an audio person like me is looking for, hoping for. I have been, as my friend would call it, dorking out for about two weeks now. I even pulled out my old CD folders, which are so old they are falling apart to find old

favorites. I looked for all the CDs I used to use to demo music, test components or just sit back and allow myself to be wowed by the music. I have to say, the Audiolab has made my toes curl. Listening to it is so relaxing and enjoyable that I have spent whole evenings with my dog Clark by my

side, and a drink in my hand, just being swept away by incredible stereo sound. I love it. <https://www.audiolab.co.uk>

Then, I tried to improve on the speakers, to take the system to the next level...

Focal Aria 905 Compact Speakers

Before my time here at *Outword Magazine*, I spent years in the HiFi industry. I worked at stereo shops (remember those?), stereo and speaker manufacturers and with the help of Craigslist, I have spent years looking for some great deals on used gear I could never previously afford. Speakers in particular. And I have bought, used, listened-to and resold a good number of speakers over the years. It's been fun.

As they say, speakers are the voice your HiFi. That's putting it very simply, but with different brands, or kinds of speakers, the same amplifier and CD player (remember those?) can yield a very different resulting sound. Back in the day, at work I spent hours in large rooms with walls lined with all kinds of speakers, trying to help someone find just the right one for them, that would fit in their budget. Since my current speakers are over 20 years old, I figured it was time for me to find something new(er) and better for myself.

With used gear, it takes a lot of time combing through listings, and it takes some luck to find something good. I thought I had done just that when I came across a local listing for a pair of French-made Focal Aria 905 bookshelf-sized speakers.

I have heard of the company Focal, but I have never actually had a chance to listen to any of their products. So, I contacted the owner, and they were still available. I went online and researched them and tried to pull up any reviews I could find. There definitely wasn't going to be a large room all set up for me to audition these speakers against others, so I would have to take other people's word for it. I went and listened to them but wasn't impressed. I thought everything but the speakers were making them sound, meh. So, I bought them anyway.

I got them home, and have to admit, the previous owner took very good care of them. These Focals are a wonder of craftsmanship. Piano black sides with a glossy black glass plate on the top, and leather that adorned the front and back. They are impressive. The technology Focal uses to make them is equally impressive. Instead of plastic cones they use sandwiched flax, from France, and an inverted tweeter, blah, blah, blah. So, I was excited to hook them up to my new Audiolab amplifier. I made a cocktail, fluffed the pillows on the couch and was prepared to be blown away.

Yeah, not so much. The sound of vocals, in particular, was terrible. Queen Latifa, "I Put a Spell On You" sounded good, until she began to sing. It was as if some little French man ran up and stuffed a sock in her mouth. The piano was wonderful, the guitar was lush and the bass was surprising. What happened to the vocal range? I thought I had hooked up something wrong, but the more tracks I listen to the more that trait was repeated, even with different electronics.

Sade's "You're Not the Man" was really good, so was Enigma's "Callas Went Away," but Hipsway's "Forbidden" was boxy and muffled. As were most recordings. It was strange and very disheartening.

I have spent hours trying different things to bring out the breath and air that my 20-year old Miller and Kreisel speakers reproduce so effortlessly. To no avail. The only thing that I did find that improved the sound of the Focals, was to take off the grills and turn up the volume. It's almost as if they are really lazy but once you get them going, they start to come alive. However, I can't,

or

don't want to, have them playing at that volume all the time.

For days I kept coming back to listen to them, only to sigh and completely regret my purchase decision. It just seems like such a shame that Focal spent so much time, energy and technology on these little guys and the end result is something pretty boring and lifeless - although pretty.

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Focal Aria 905 Speakers shown with walnut side panels.

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Tesla Model 3 dash

After only a few months, I've found that I've become indoctrinated into the EV lifestyle and have completely forgotten how gas cars work. On the occasion that I've had to drive a gas car, I've left engines running and/or doors unlocked.

I will say it's oddly liberating never having to go to a gas station involuntarily, unless your taking a road trip and you have to use a Supercharger, they are typically next to gas stations so people have access to the same amenities. Home charging is much slower than Supercharging but also a lot cheaper, and the best part is the car is you're charging while you sleep. Every Tesla comes with a mobile charger and a 110v plug adapter which is extremely slow (3-5 miles of charge/hour), however, with a 220v plug adapter (Tesla sells multiple adapters for \$35 each), and a 220v outlet, you can expect to charge almost 6x faster. Tesla offers a (\$500) high powered charger for those that need the faster charging rate, which is roughly 8x faster than a 110v outlet. I personally drive 90+ miles/day with my 310+ mile battery and I can just make it through the week while charging on a 110v, but forces me to charge practically the entire weekend, sometimes I'll get some charging done at a Supercharger if I need to go into a nearby store anyway, or if there's a free charger in at an establishment. V3 Superchargers are beginning to rollout, which will have a peak rate of 250 kW, which means close to double the current peak charge rate. This means you could potentially see 250 miles of charge in 15 mins.

Let's talk maintenance. This car is heavy, and 18' wheels are the smallest

they come with, so 1) expect to pay a lot more for your tires and 2) expect them to wear out a lot faster, just make sure you contact the tire manufacturer with the receipt and mileage when they were replaced so that they can credit you the difference of the warranted mileage.

Insurance can also be pricey. My premium essentially doubled by changing vehicles. 1) It cost 3x more than my previous car, 2) Tesla's are expensive to fix, 3) They are popular targets for break-ins. Some insurance companies don't even want to bother quoting Tesla's because the premiums are outrageous. Recently, Tesla introduced their own insurance program (currently available for California residents only), and are claiming premiums up to 30% less than traditional insurance companies. I was quoted \$192/month, which is only a few dollars cheaper than my current provider.

I purchased this vehicle with the intent that this could be my LAST vehicle purchase. My home in Las Vegas is equipped with solar and soon, a Tesla Powerwall. Meaning my energy needs in my retirement years will be essentially free. With features like "Autopilot" and "Full Self-driving," I'll be able to go wherever I want/need to go, regardless if I'm legally blind or some other handicap. That said, "Autopilot," is a somewhat misleading name and is more akin to a Traffic Aware Cruise Control (TACC), and ProPilot Assist feature. Currently, Tesla forces you to apply input to the steering wheel every 20-30 secs while Autopilot is engaged. This can come in very handy if you're commute consists of stop-and-go traffic. Eventually, I should be able to have the car drop me off at a curb and let it find parking for me, and pick me up at the curb again.



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