

# The return of Pride

## Your guide to all the best of the season

**JUNE 1****WEHO PRIDE LGBTQ ARTS FESTIVAL**

Assorted Locations

The gay epicenter's LGBTQ Arts Festival offers a monthlong array of readings, art exhibits, plays, and concerts at venues around the city. Through June 30.

Pride.weho.org.

**A RAINBOW OF COLOR**

Since the original L.A. Pride parade will turn to the place of its origin, the lights of Hollywood Boulevard will illuminate the night sky in a rainbow of color throughout the month to pay homage and radiate love and unity in solidarity with the LGBTQ+ communities. The installation of state-of-the-art light fixtures will uplight more than a hundred tree canopies along Hollywood Boulevard between McCadden Place and Vine Street. Each light will be equipped to project any color in the spectrum and can be used to celebrate various holidays and causes, in addition to its positive impact on public safety.

**JUNE 2****A BEVERLY HILLS PRIDE CONCERT**

Wallis Annenberg Center for the Performing Arts

The first-ever Pride celebration in Beverly Hills will feature an evening of live music, poetry, and performances by local luminaries such as Celeste X, Jeshua, and San Cha.

Pride.weho.org.

**DIGITAL L.A. LGBTQ+ CREATORS AND INFLUENCERS**

Stache West Hollywood

An annual WeHo panel with LGBTQ+ creators and influencers sharing advice on creating content, engaging with viewers, and working with brands.

Digitalla.net.

**THRIVE WITH PRIDE AT THE BEVERLY CENTER**

The Beverly Center

The landmark L.A. shopping mall is throwing the first of its Thursday night Thrive with Pride events (also part of Beverly Hills Pride) featuring gay-themed movie nights, special performances, and rainbow cocktails.

Lapride.org.

**JUNE 3****LGBTQ+ PRIDE NIGHT**

Dodger Stadium

The Los Angeles Dodgers are teaming up with L.A. Pride for "Pride Night at the Stadium" as they square off against the New York Mets. A special pre-game ceremony will recognize frontline workers and feature surprise guests. A post-game celebration will include fireworks and music from DJ Bowie J.

Mlb.com/dodgers.

**OUTLOUD RAISING VOICES MUSIC FESTIVAL**

West Hollywood Park

WeHo's 2022 Pride weekend kicks off with a rollicking three-day concert series at the newly refurbished West Hollywood Park featuring a lineup of musical acts like Lil' Kim, Marina, and Years & Years who'll perform anthemic hits. June 3 through 5.

Weareoutloud.com.

**JUNE 4****PRINCE AND PRIDE**

L.A. Kings Burbank Sports Center

Who wouldn't want to go to a funky roller-skating celebration of Prince's birthday and Pride month?

Lakingsburbanksportscenter.com

**TRUE COLORS: LGBTQ+ OUR STORIES, OUR SONGS**

Hosted by *Jeopardy!* champion Amy Schneider, this special which begins airing today on PBS explores the personal journeys of remarkable individuals, the program connects these heartfelt stories with the history of the LGBTQ+ movement. Featured are interviews with Cynthia Nixon and Jason Collins, plus musical performances by Chris Colfer, the Indigo Girls, Peppermint, and many others.

PBS.org

**JUNE 5****THE WEHO PRIDE PARADE**

WeHo's pride extravaganza kicks off at noon along Santa Monica Boulevard at Fairfax and ends up at Robertson.

**CHERRY BOMB WEHO PRIDE TAKEOVER**

Hotel Ziggy

Cherry Bomb, a social group for queer women and gender expansive folks, is colonizing the entire hotel for a weekend of female-friendly dinners, pool parties, comedy performances, and VIP open bars.

**PRIDE PAWTY**

Loews Santa Monica Beach Hotel Reserve your spot for pawdicures and fun activities like a dog-friendly photo booth and crafting matching pup and human accessories. Free puptails and \$15 cocktails will be available. A portion of the proceeds will go to the L.A. LGBT Center. Loewshotels.com.

**OFF SUNSET FESTIVAL**

For folks who live, work, and play in Silver Lake and support beautification, art and youth programs with an emphasis on the LGBT community. Not only is this street fair an exciting day of music, culture, art, food and fun, but it also brings a way for us to offer our support for the place and people we love.

<https://seetickets.us/event/OFF-SUNSET-FESTIVAL/481119>

**JUNE 9****POP TILL YOU DROP**

Go underground when Catch One, perhaps L.A.'s most legendary queer club that's still in existence, will curate a fantastic evening of entertainment that highlights the crossroads between the queer community and the hyperpop movement. Performers include Babelord, PeaNut, and Saem with drag shows by Meta World Piss, Die Anna, and Guide.

Catch.one/events

**JUNE 10****THE YARD X LEZ CROIX**

Catch One

The special Pride lineup at the historic venue that provided a safe place for queers of color will feature performances by local performers and a band of musicians who will fly in from across the gay universe.

Catch.one

**UNITED IN PRIDE**

Various locations

Masterbeat's four-day Pride fest will begin with a lively Saturday afternoon pool party on the rooftop of the Andaz Hotel. Among the other highlights are a Saturday night dance party with tunes from DJs Deanne and Tom Stephan at the Avalon nightclub and a Sunday evening Pride tea dance at Academy L.A. June 11 through 14.

Masterbeat.com.

**JUNE 12****FUTURE LOVERS BLOCK PARTY**

The inaugural Pride L.A. Pride Hollywood block party will shut down a section of Hollywood and Vine with three stages in the Capitol Records and Avalon parking lot, in addition to performances taking place inside of Avalon. Kiesza will headline the event with additional performances by Felix Da Housecat, and numerous *RuPaul's Drag Race* vets.

Theapgalaxy.com

**JUNE 16-18****Trans Pride**

Returning after two years of taking place virtually, Trans Pride returns to the LALGBT Center's Village at Ed Gould Plaza and Anita May Rosenstein Campus with an array of events including an art exhibition, job fair, and the Trans Pride VarieTy Show. Admission is free.

Lalgbtcenter.org/transpride

**JUNE 25****BUT I'M A CHEERLEADER**

Even if you're buried with party invitations this month, you'll want to make time for this Hollywood Forever cemetery screening that's a partnership between Cinespia and L.A. Pride. The 1999 queer comedy classic is a don't miss satire set in a gay conversion camp that stars Natasha Lyonne, Melanie Lynskey, and RuPaul. (Other screenings during June include tributes to iconic entertainers such as Judy Garland with *The Wizard of Oz* and Selena with the biopic starring J.Lo. Check the website for details.)

Cinespia.org

**JUNE 28****JEREMY ATHON LIN ON "GAY BAR: WHY WE WENT OUT"**

Book Soup

Strobe lights and dark rooms, throbbing

house music and drag queens on rooftops, first kisses and last call, the gay bar has long been a place of solidarity and self-expression. The author will discuss his book, as well as the decline of America's gay bars in a Pride Month chat at the venerable L.A. bookstore.

Booksoup.com

**JULY 8****LONG BEACH PRIDE**

Long Beach's three-day Pride festivities start on Friday night and continue all weekend. The annual event attracts over 80,000 revelers from across the SoCal area and conclude with a dazzling concert featuring Iggy Azalea and Natalia Jimenez. June 8 through 10, Longbeachpride.com.

**JULY 9****VENICE PRIDE TEA DANCE AT THE JAMES' BEACH**

The famous monthly dance party presented by Venice Pride and Roosterfish is hosting a special Pride Month party at James' Beach, the longest operating gay-owned bar in Venice. DJ Spencer H will be spinning.

Jamesbeach.com.

**JULY 14****OUTFEST: SUMMER FILM FESTIVAL**

Various Locations

SoCal's premiere showcase of queer films and filmmakers, will launch its annual 11-day summer film festival on July 14. The festival, which began in 1982, will offer premiere screenings and schmoozy parties at movie theaters all around Los Angeles.

Outfest.org.

**AUGUST 5****DTLA PROUD '22**

Pershing Square

Founded by a group of local residents, business owners, and community leaders, the annual Pride event at the main stage of Pershing Square will offer an exclusive screening of the fascinating documentary "Proud in a Pandemic," as well as two days of stage performances, DJs, art, food trucks, and a dance party at the waterpark.

Dtlaproud.org.