

Making Queer Faces and Voices Visible and Audible Online

The role of Wikipedia and Wikidata

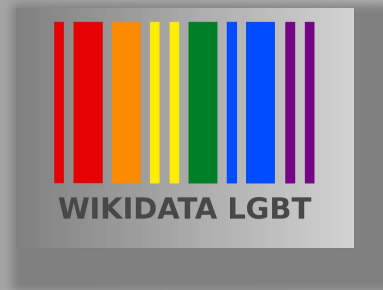
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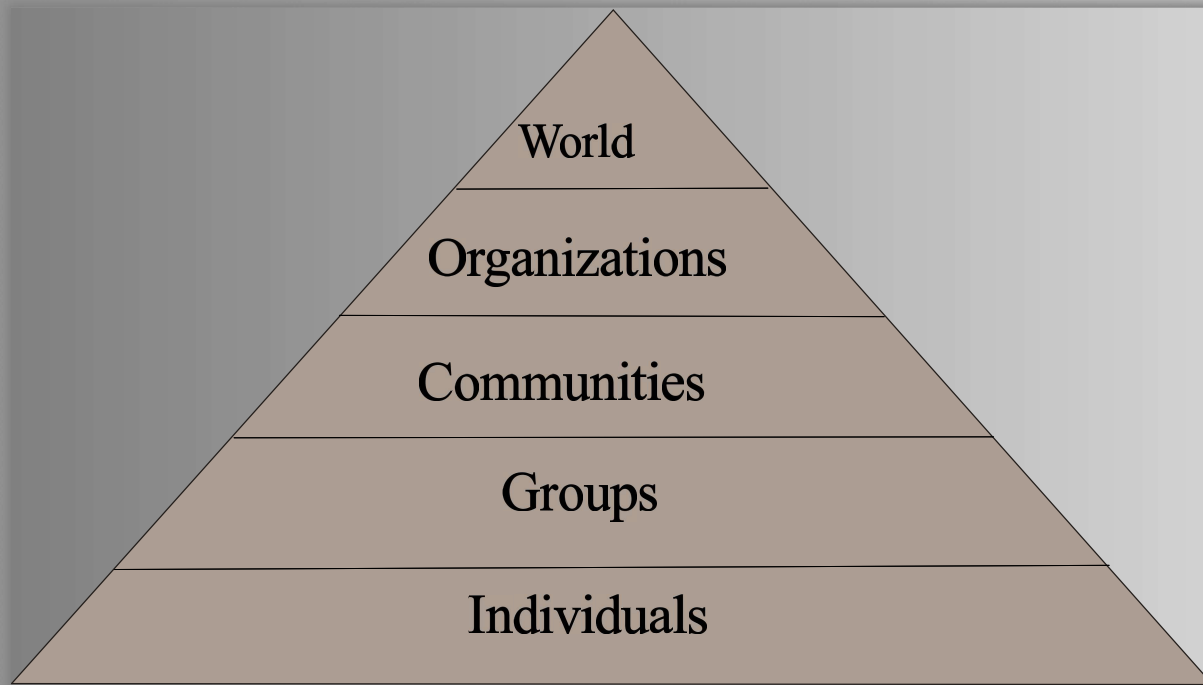
Queering Wikipedia

May 17 2023



- Active **Wikidata** contributor
- Work on Modeling **Queer Faces, Voices and Topics** on Wikidata
- Breaking out of the **binary world** to open up to a large **spectrum** of values
- Information **diversity**





Documenting Queer History

Wikidata

- Started in 2012
- Free, open, linked, **structured**, **collaborative** and **multilingual** knowledge base
- From multi-(sub)domain multilingual Wikipedia sites to a single-domain multilingual website



The image shows a screenshot of the Wikipedia article for "LGBT". The title "LGBT" is enclosed in a red box. Below the title, the text of the article is visible, including a definition of the term and its history. On the right side, there is a "Tools" menu with various options. The "Wikidata item" link in the menu and the "Wikimedia Commons" link in the sidebar are both highlighted with red boxes. The sidebar also contains other links like "Wikinews", "Wikiquote", and "Wikisource".

LGBT

Article Talk

Wikipedia article

This article is about the initialism. For the community it references, see LGBT community. For other uses, see LGBT (disambiguation).

LGBT is an **initialism** that stands for "lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender." In use since the 1990s, the initialism, as well as some of its common variants, functions as an **umbrella term** for certain sexualities and gender identities.^[1]

The LGBT term is an adaptation of the initialism **LGB**, which began to replace the term *gay* (or *gay and lesbian*) in reference to the broader **LGBT community** beginning in the mid-to-late 1980s.^[2] When not inclusive of transgender people, the shorter term **LGB** is still used instead of **LGBT**.^{[3][4]}

It may refer to anyone who is **non-heterosexual** or **non-cisgender**, instead of exclusively to people who are lesbian, gay, bisexual, or transgender.^[5] To recognize this inclusion, a popular variant, **LGBTQ**, adds the letter **Q** for those who identify as **queer** or are **questioning** their sexual or **gender identity**.^[6] The initialisms **LGBT** or **GLBT** are not agreed to by everyone that they are supposed to include.^[7]

History of the term

Further information: *Terminology of homosexuality*

The first widely used term, *homosexual*, now a term used primarily in scientific contexts, has at times carried negative connotations in the United States.^[12] *Gay*

96 languages

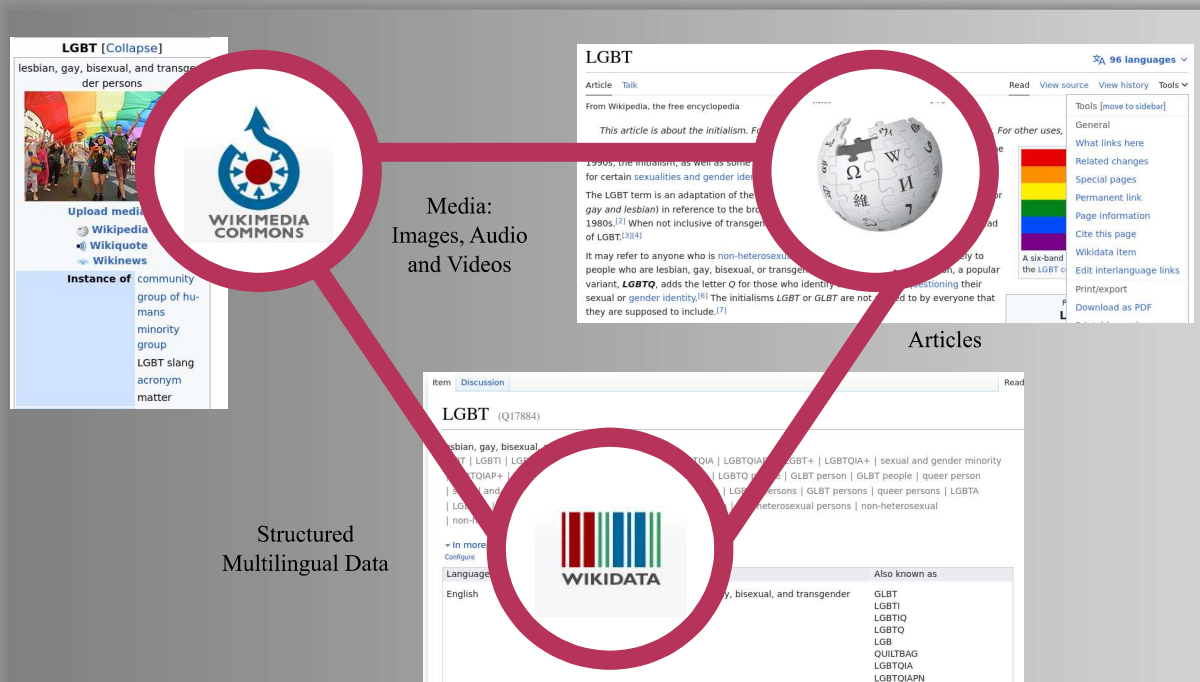
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Wikidata item

Wikimedia Commons



LGBT+ on Commons, Wikipedia, and Wikidata

LGBT: Wikidata article (Q17884)

Language	Label	Description	Also known as
español	LGBT	grupo de personas con orientaciones sexuales o identidades de género no mayoritarias	LGBTI LGBTIQ LGTB GLBT altersexual LGTBI LGTBQ
allemand	LGBT	Kurzform für sexuelle Orientierungen außerhalb der heterosexuellen Norm sowie trans und nichtbinäre Geschlechtsidentitäten	LSBT LGBTIQ LGBT*Community LGBTQIA+

Toutes les langues saisies

Déclarations

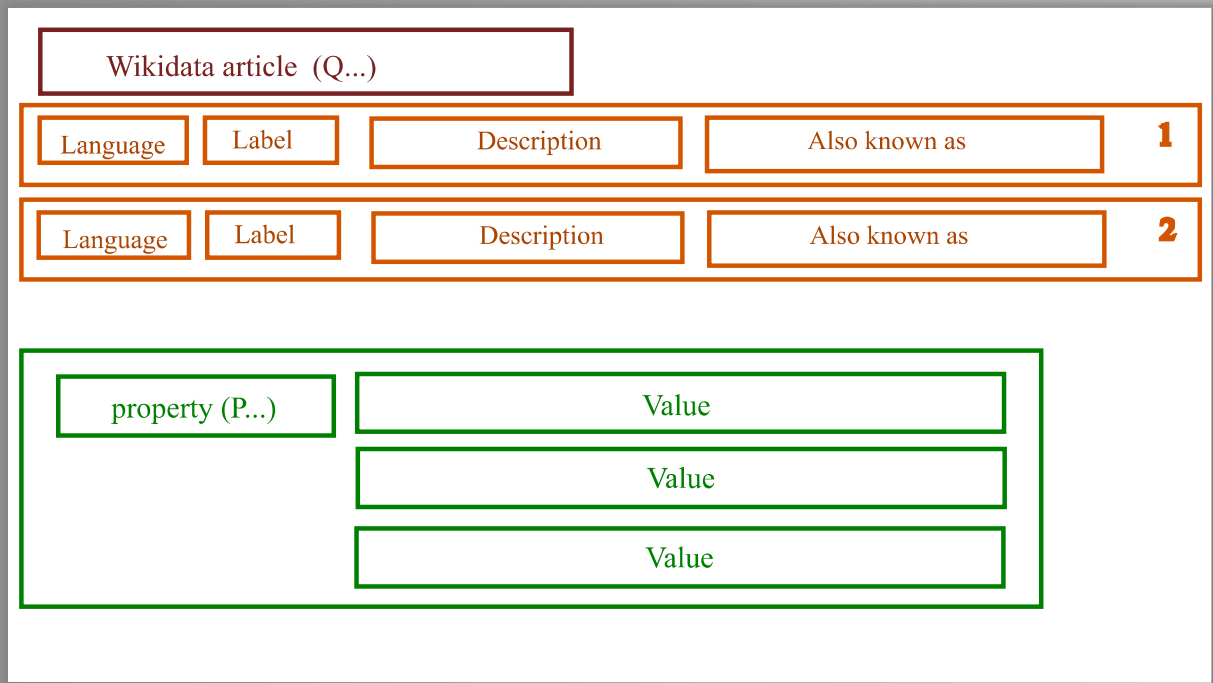
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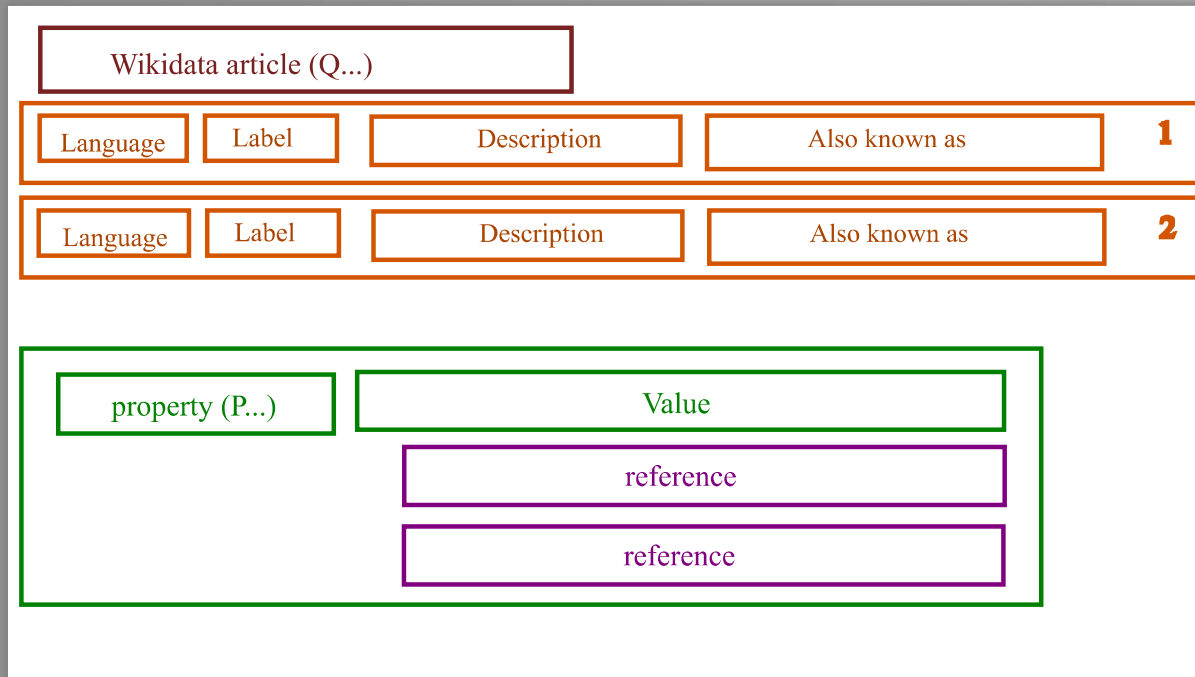
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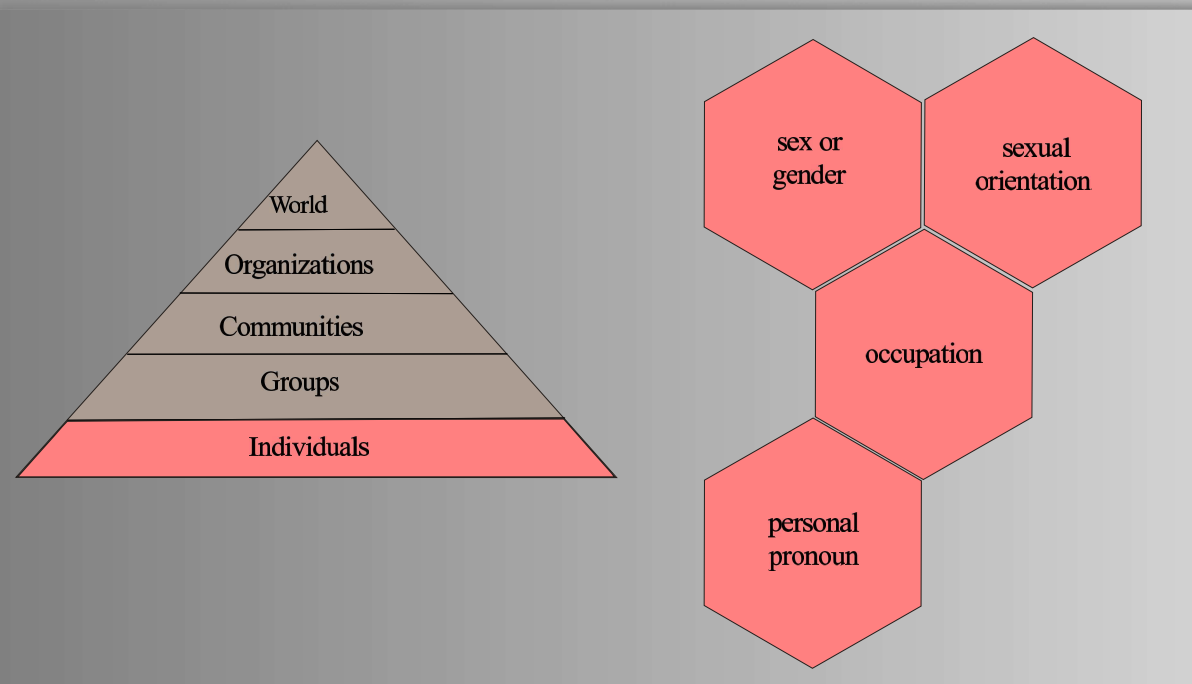
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Documenting Queer History: Individuals

sex or gender	non-binary	
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	title	Sam Smith comes out as non-binary (English)
	language of work or name	English
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	publication date	16 March 2019
	retrieved	16 March 2019
	stated in	Consequence of Sound
	reference URL	https://www.bbc.com/news/newsbeat-47612616
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	title	Sam Smith comes out as non-binary: 'I'm not male or female' (British English)

Wikidata article: sex or gender (P21)

Sex or gender (P21, Q48264)

Term	Wikidata ID
intersex person	Q104717073
non-binary	Q724351
female	Q6581072
male	Q6581097
two-spirit	Q301702
...	..

Complete list : https://www.wikidata.org/wiki/Wikidata:WikiProject_LGBT/Lists/Genders

sexual orientation

homosexuality edit

▼ 1 reference

type of reference	news article
title	Sam Smith Opens Up About Being Gay, Reveals Album Is About a Guy Who Didn't Love Him Back (English)
language of work or name	English
reference URL	https://www.eonline.com/news/546310/sam-smith-opens-up-about-being-gay-reveals-album-is-about-a-guy-who-didn-t-love-him-back
publication date	28 May 2014
retrieved	16 March 2019

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Wikidata article: sexual orientation (P91)

Term	Wikidata ID
asexuality	Q724351
bisexuality	Q43200
heterosexuality	Q1035954
homosexuality	Q6636
pansexuality	Q271534
...	..

Complete list : https://www.wikidata.org/wiki/Wikidata:WikiProject_LGBT/Lists/SexualOrientations

personal pronoun

he 

announcement date 1 December 2020


▼ 1 reference

reference URL <https://www.instagram.com/p/CIQ1QFBhNFg/>

retrieved 1 December 2020

quotation Hi friends, I want to share with you that I am trans, my pronouns are he/they and my name is Elliot. (English)

+ add reference



they 

announcement date 1 December 2020

▶ 1 reference

+ add value

Wikidata article: personal pronoun (P6553)

personal pronoun  they  edit

start time	13 September 2019
▼ 3 references	
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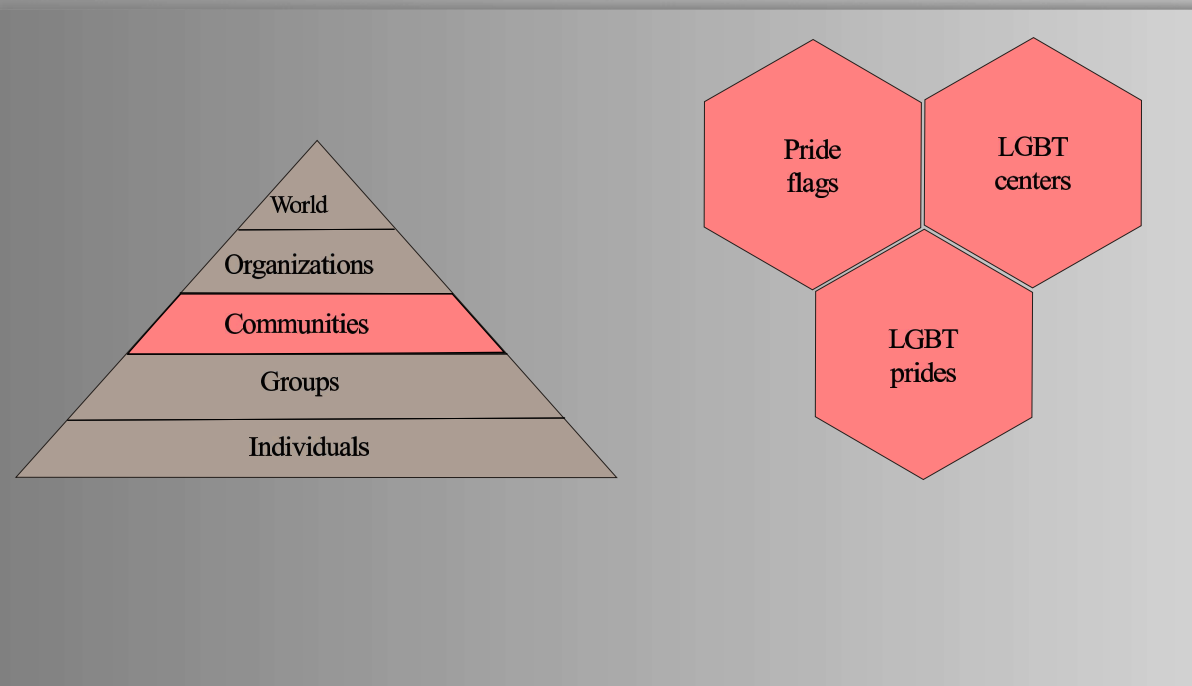


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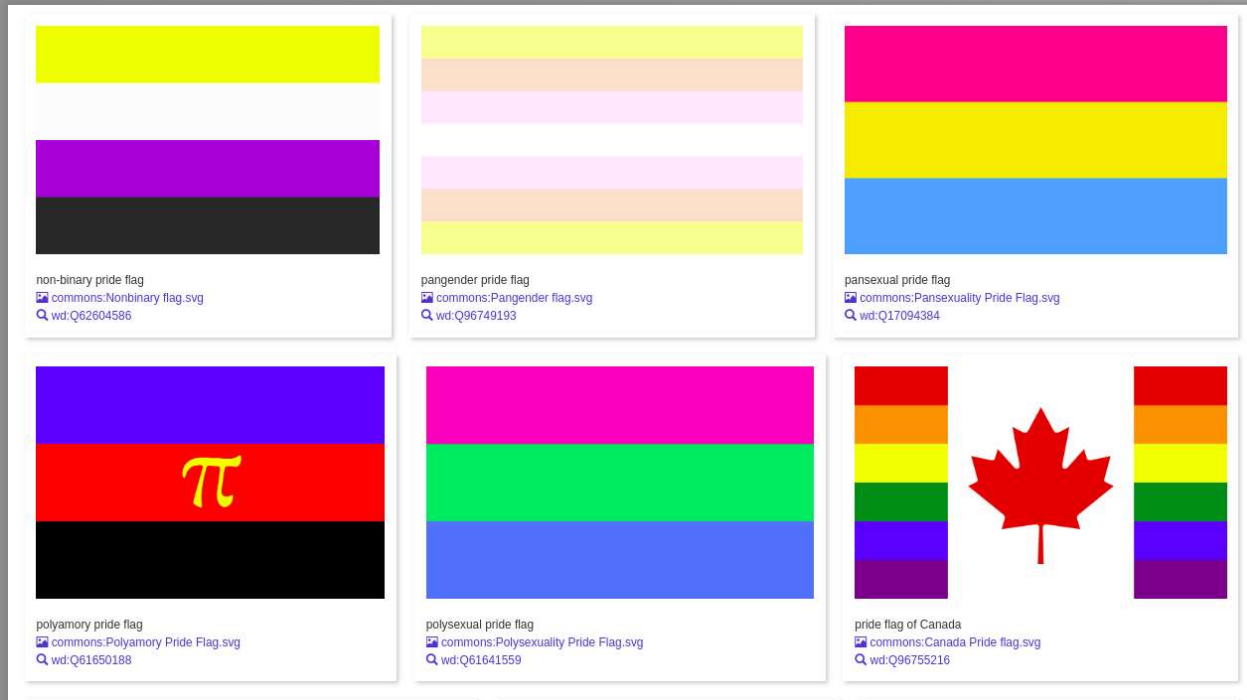


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Documenting Queer History: LGBT+ choirs



Documenting Queer History: Communities



Documenting Queer History: LGBT+ pride flags



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Los Angeles LGBT Center
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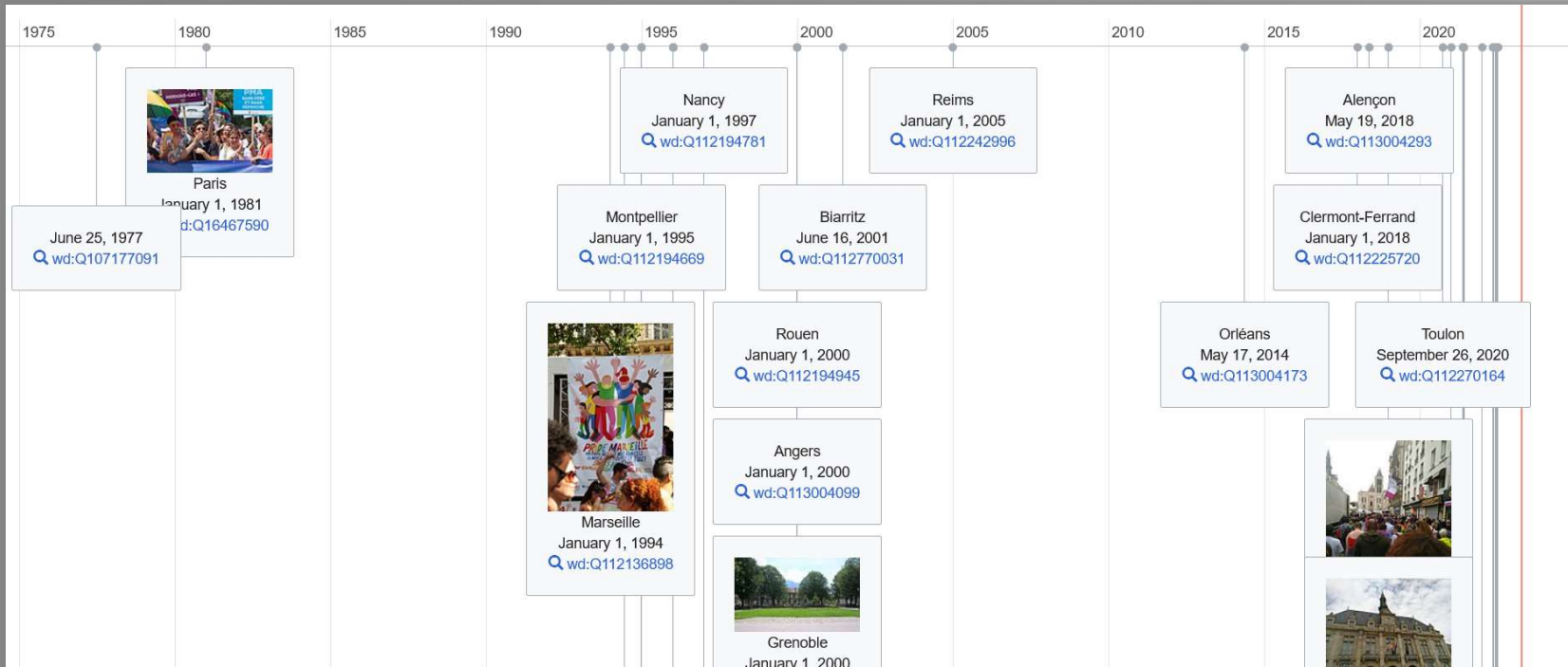


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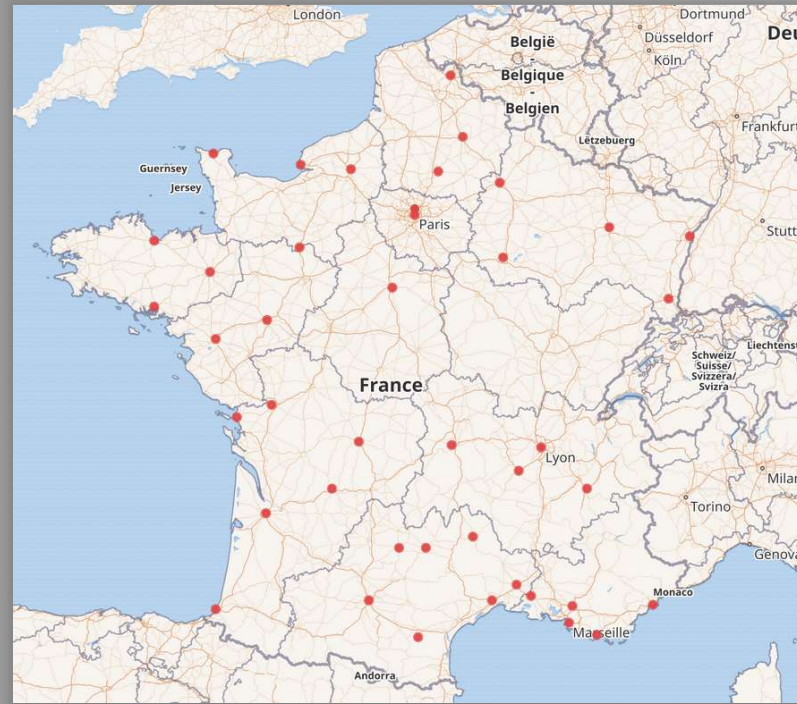


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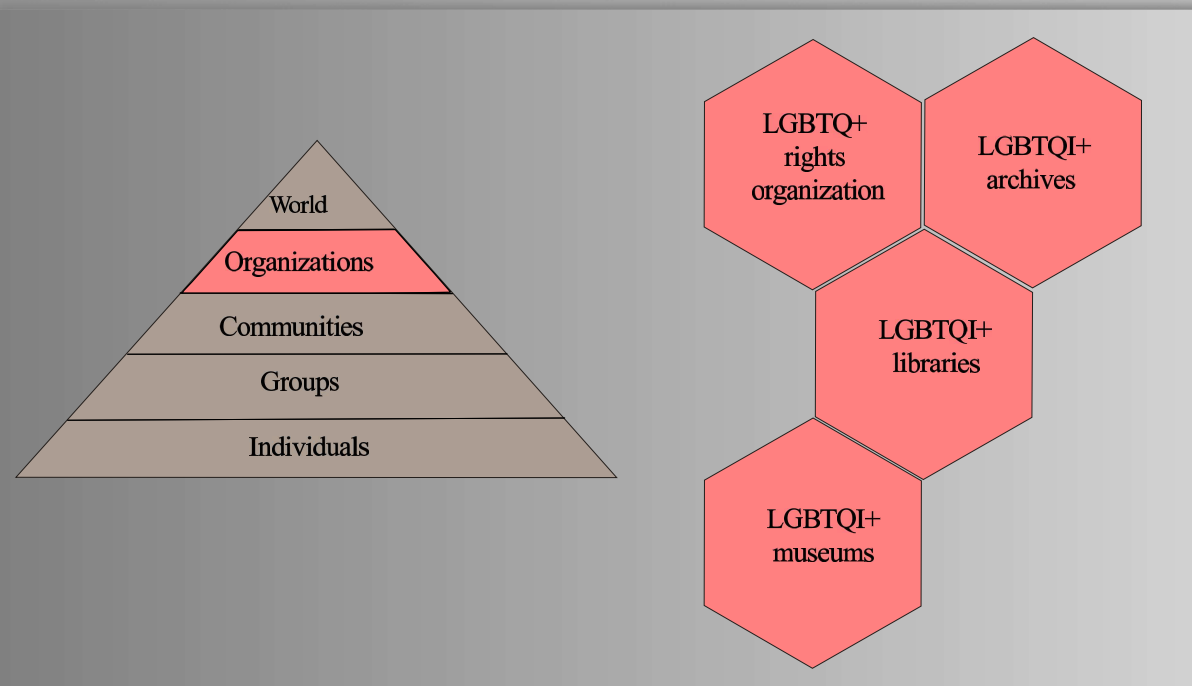
Documenting Queer History: LGBT+ community centers



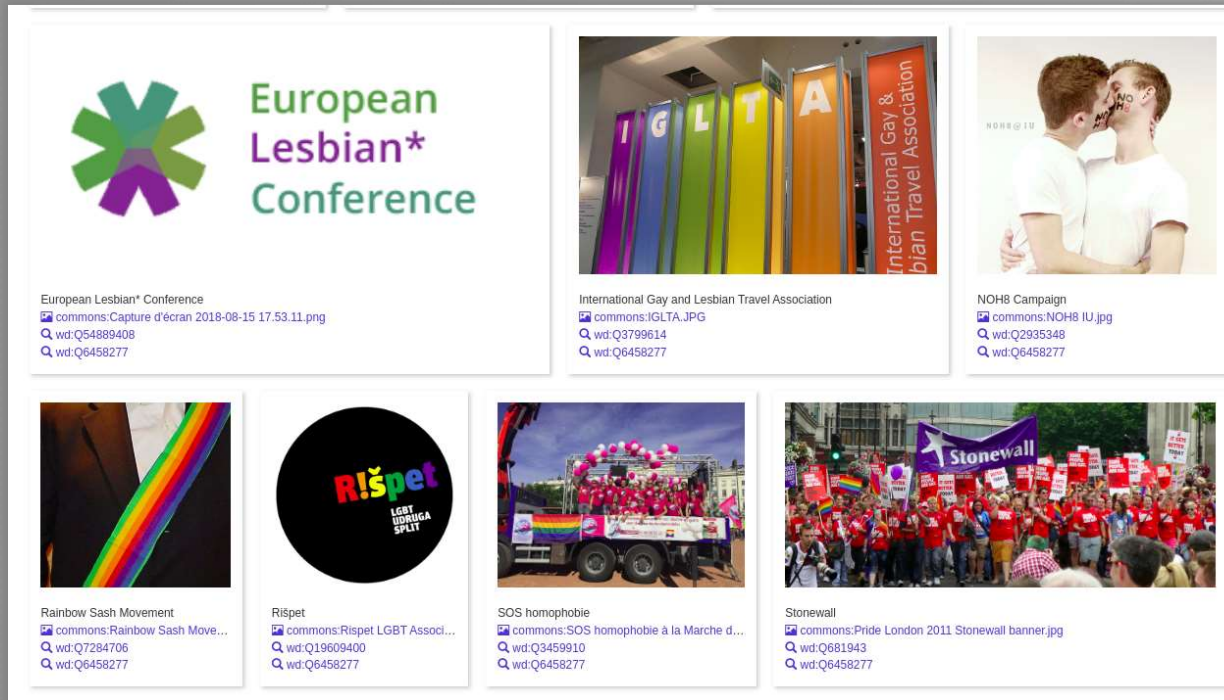
LGBT prides in France



LGBT prides in France



Documenting Queer History: Organizations



Documenting Queer History: LGBT+ rights organizations



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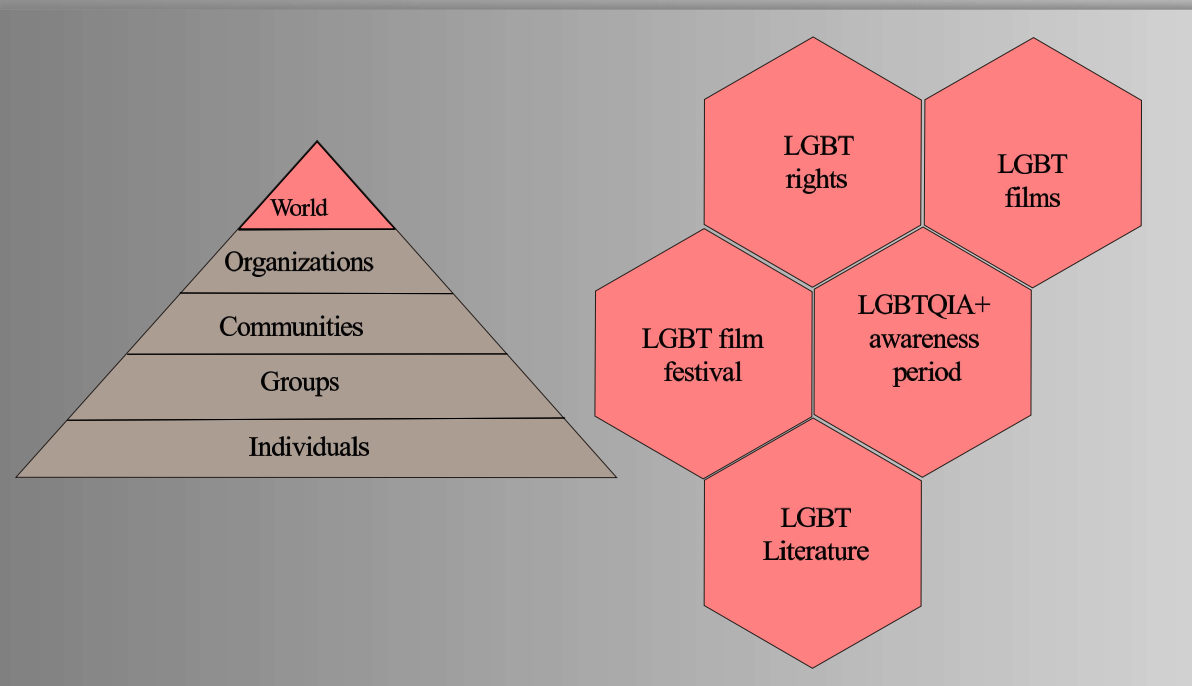


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Documenting Queer History: LGBTQ+ libraries



Documenting Queer History: LGBT+ archives



Documenting Queer History: World



LGBT rights in Mexico

[commons:LGBT flag map of Mexico.svg](#)

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LGBT rights in Mexico

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Documenting Queer History: LGBT+ rights around the world




Bohemian Rhapsody

2 November 2018

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A Fantastic Woman

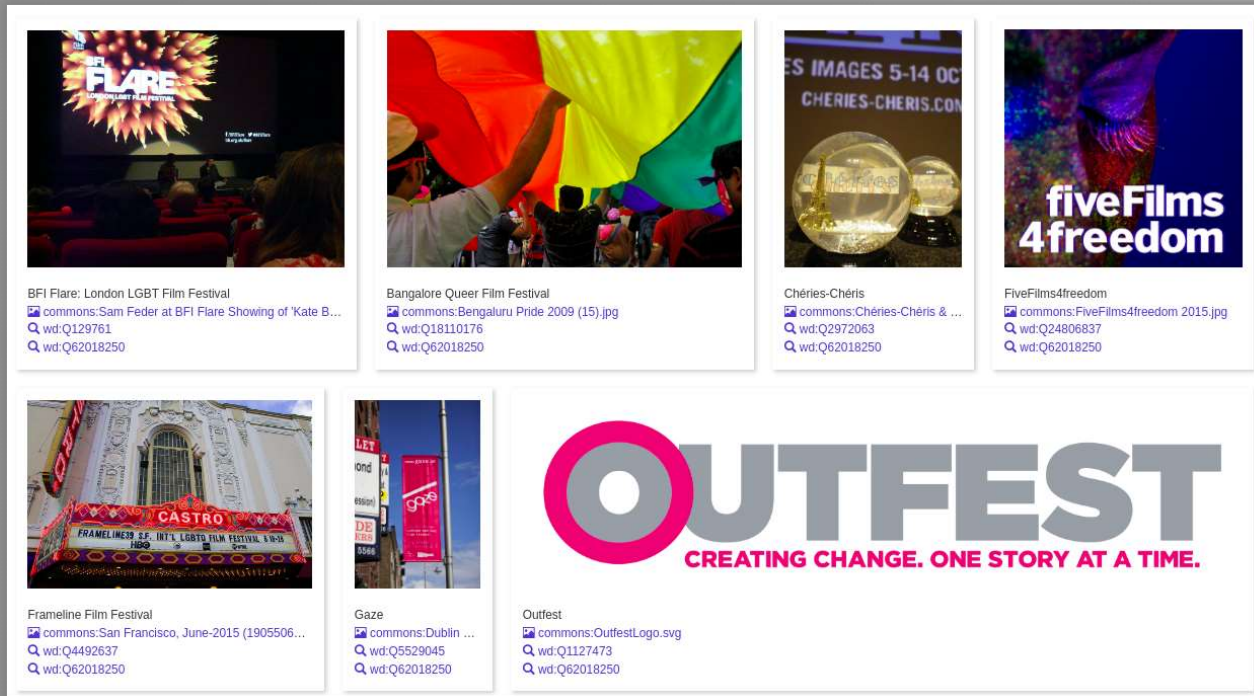
12 February 2017

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Documenting Queer History: LGBT+ films



Documenting Queer History: LGBT+ film festivals



**INTERNATIONAL DAY
AGAINST HOMOPHOBIA,
TRANSPHOBIA & BIPHOBIA**

A Worldwide Celebration of
Sexual and Gender Diversities

MAY 17

International Day Against Homophobia, ...

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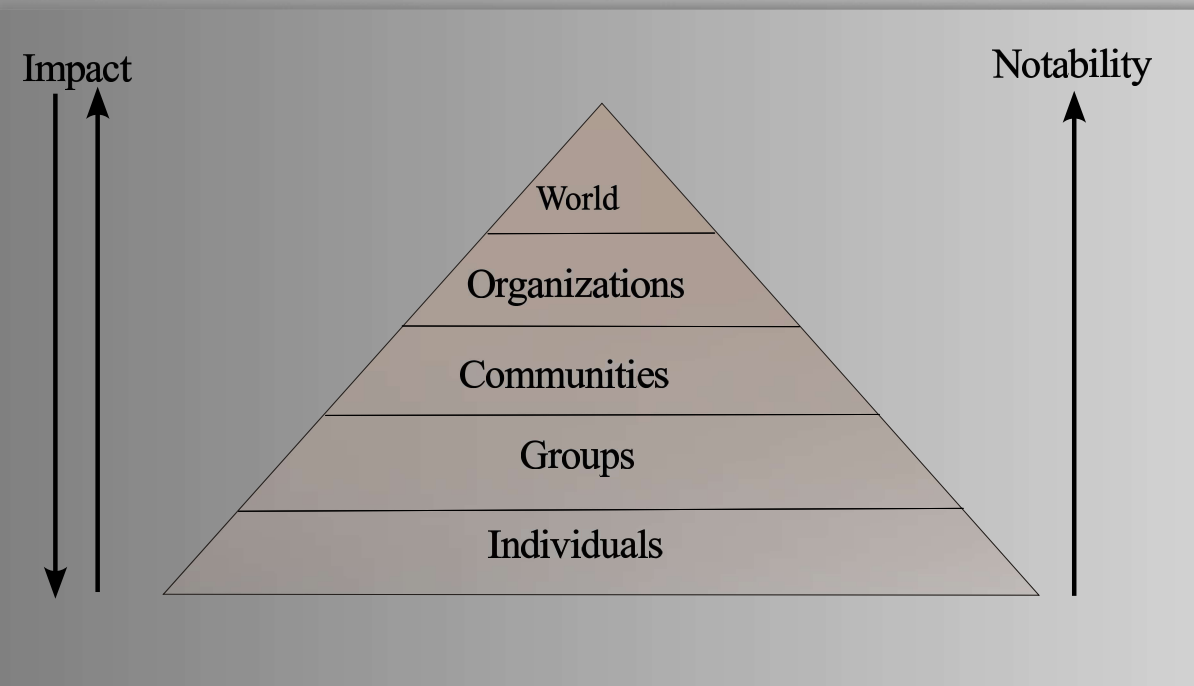
National Coming Out Day

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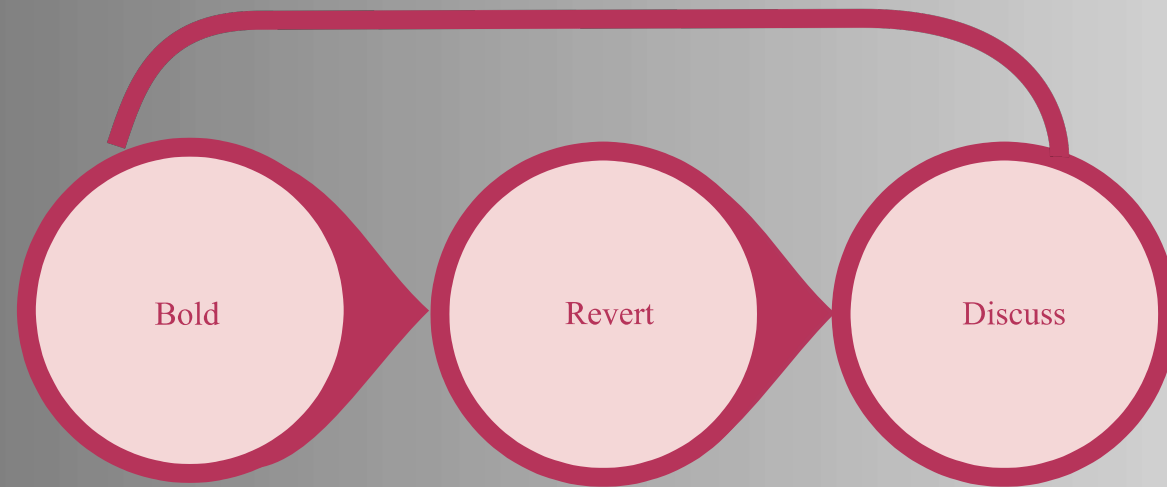
Documenting Queer History: LGBT+ awareness periods



Documenting Queer History: Impact and Notability

External Identifiers

Identifier	Usage count
Homosaurus ID (P6417)	611
Represent Me ID (P6554)	697
LGBTFansDB character ID (P6780)	68
LGBT Danmark online dictionary ID (P8285)	249
500 Queer Scientists profile (P8243)	24
GSSO ID (P9827)	313
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Documentation: Contribution Cycle (BRD): Bold - Revert - Discuss

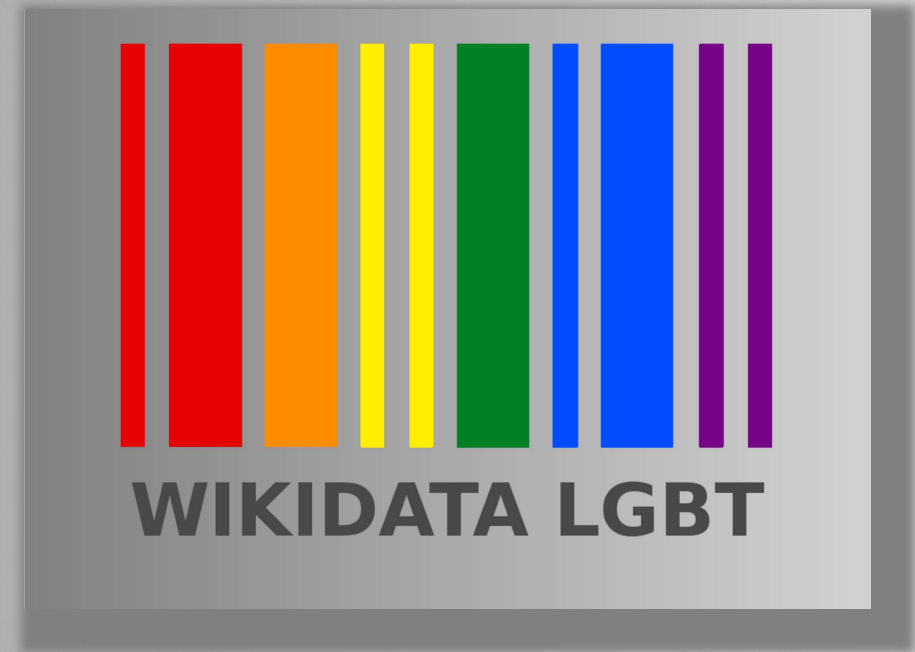
Mois de l'histoire LGBTQ+



Mois de l'histoire_LGBTQ+ 2022, 2023 (Wikimedia projects)

Conclusion

1. Usage of images, audio and video
2. Coverage of topics
 - LGBT+ history, Awareness days/months
 - Social media hashtags
 - ...
3. Notability
4. Role of external identifiers
5. Information quality



How to contribute ?

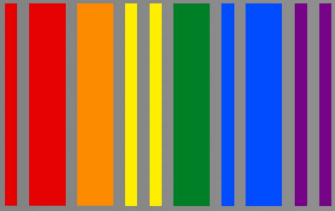
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- <https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Wikidata-logo-en.svg>



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Thank you

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Questions?