

Making Queer Faces and Voices Visible and Audible Online

The role of Wikipedia and Wikidata

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Queering Wikipedia

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Introduction

- 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



LGBT+ article on Wikidata

LGBT

Article Talk

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96 languages

Wikipedia article

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


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*

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Wikidata item

Commons

LGBT+ article on Wikidata (Q17884), Wikipedia, and Commons

The diagram illustrates the interconnectedness of three Wikimedia projects: Commons, Wikipedia, and Wikidata. A central red line connects three circular nodes. The top-left node contains the Wikimedia Commons logo and is labeled 'Media: Images, Audio and Videos'. The top-right node contains a globe icon representing Wikipedia and is labeled 'Articles'. The bottom node contains the Wikidata logo and is labeled 'Structured Multilingual Data'. The background features screenshots of the respective project pages for 'LGBT'.

Media: Images, Audio and Videos

Articles

Structured Multilingual Data

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LGBT [Collapse]
lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender persons

LGBT
From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

LGBT (Q17884)

LGBT+ (Q17884): multilingual information and statements

LGBT: Wikidata article (Q17884)

español	LGBT	grupo de personas con orientaciones sexuales o identidades de género no mayoritarias	LGBTI LGBTIQ LGTB GLBT altersexual LGTBI LGTBQ	Also known as
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

nature de l'élément	communauté
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LGBT+ (Q17884): statements

Wikidata article (Q...)

Language

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Description

Also known as

1

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Also known as

2

property (P...)

Value

property (P...)

Value

LGBT+ (Q17884): multi-value statements

Wikidata article (Q...)

Language

Label

Description

Also known as

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Language

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Description

Also known as

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LGBT+ (Q17884): statements and references

Wikidata article (Q...)

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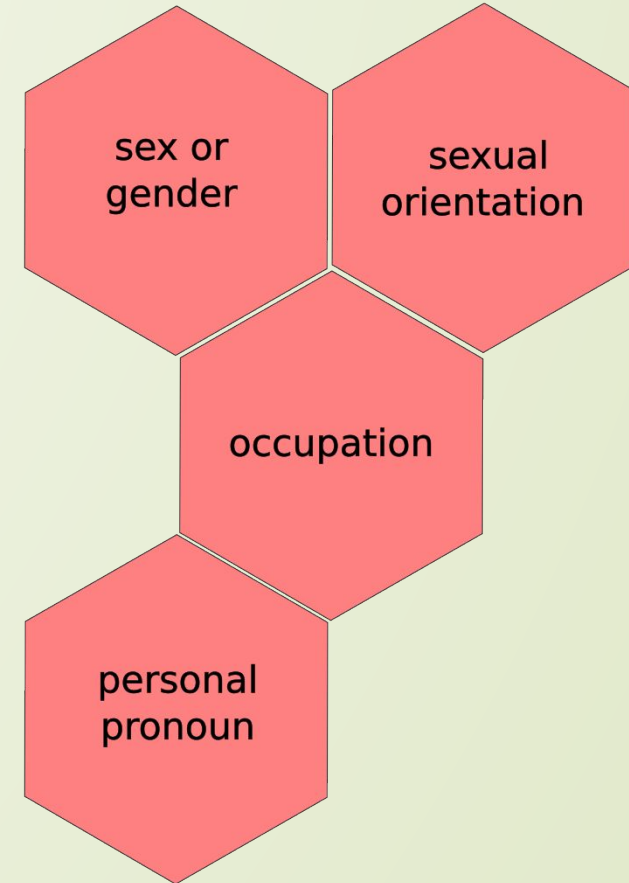
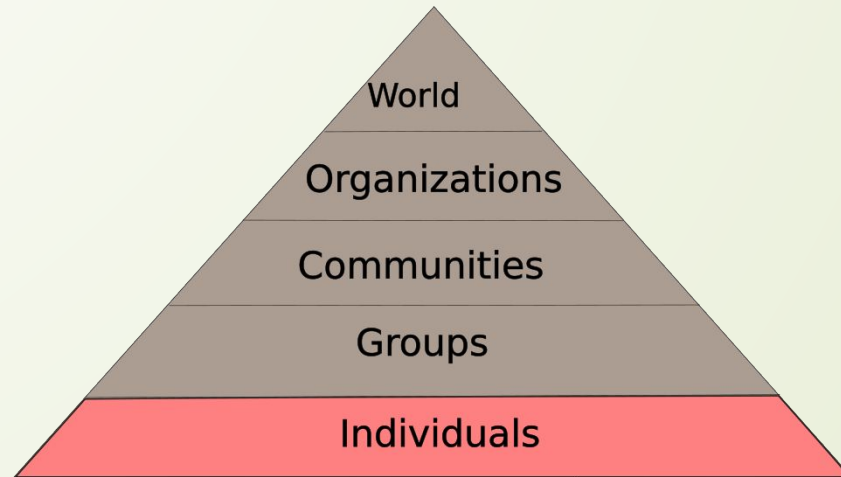
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Documenting Queer History: Individuals



Sex or gender (P21)



sex or gender	non-binary	 edit
	announcement date	16 March 2019
	▼ 3 references	
	type of reference	news article
	title	Sam Smith comes out as non-binary (English)
	language of work or name	English
	reference URL	https://consequenceofsound.net/2019/03/sam-smith-non-binary/
	publication date	16 March 2019
	retrieved	16 March 2019
	stated in	Consequence of Sound
	reference URL	https://www.bbc.com/news/newsbeat-47612616
	type of reference	news article
	title	Sam Smith comes out as non-binary: 'I'm not male or female' (British English)

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 (P91)

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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sexual orientation (P91, Q17888)

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 (P6553)

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)

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they 


announcement date 1 December 2020

▶ 1 reference

+ add value

personal pronoun (P6553)

personal pronoun

they 

start time 13 September 2019

▼ 3 references

tweet ID	1172519872464662530
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retrieved	13 September 2019
Twitter username	samsmith
retrieved	18 September 2019

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LGBT choir (Q1820625)



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New York City Gay Men's Chorus
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Oslo Fagottkor
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Portland Gay Men's Chorus
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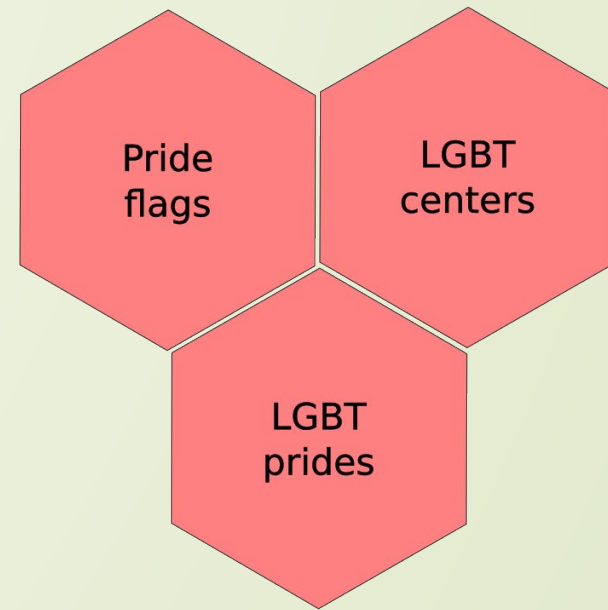
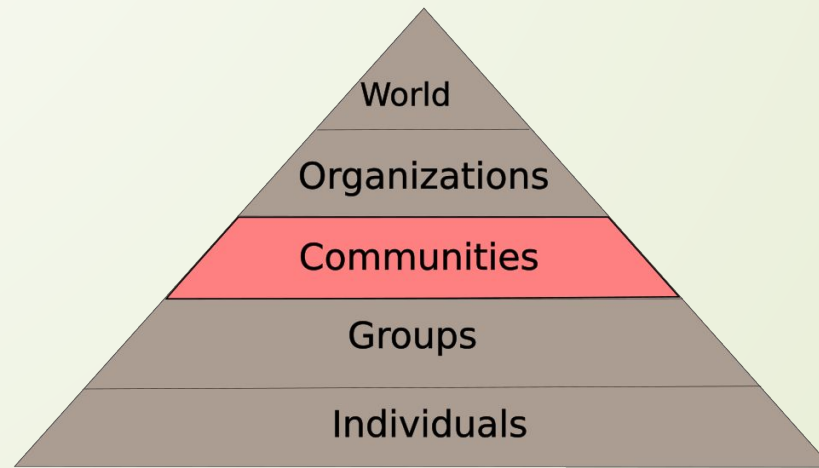


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RosaKehlchen
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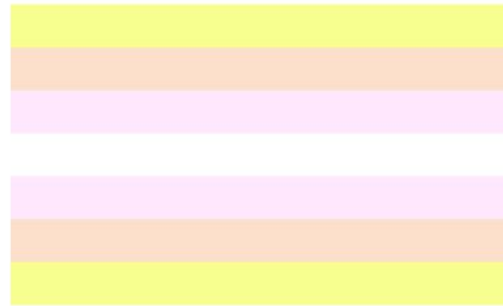
Documenting Queer History: Communities



Pride flags (Q7242811)



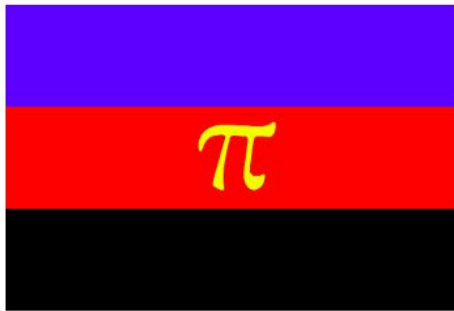
non-binary pride flag
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pangender pride flag
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pansexual pride flag
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polyamory pride flag
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polysexual pride flag
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pride flag of Canada
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LGBT centers (Q2945640)



Liège Rainbow House

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Los Angeles LGBT Center

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Q Center

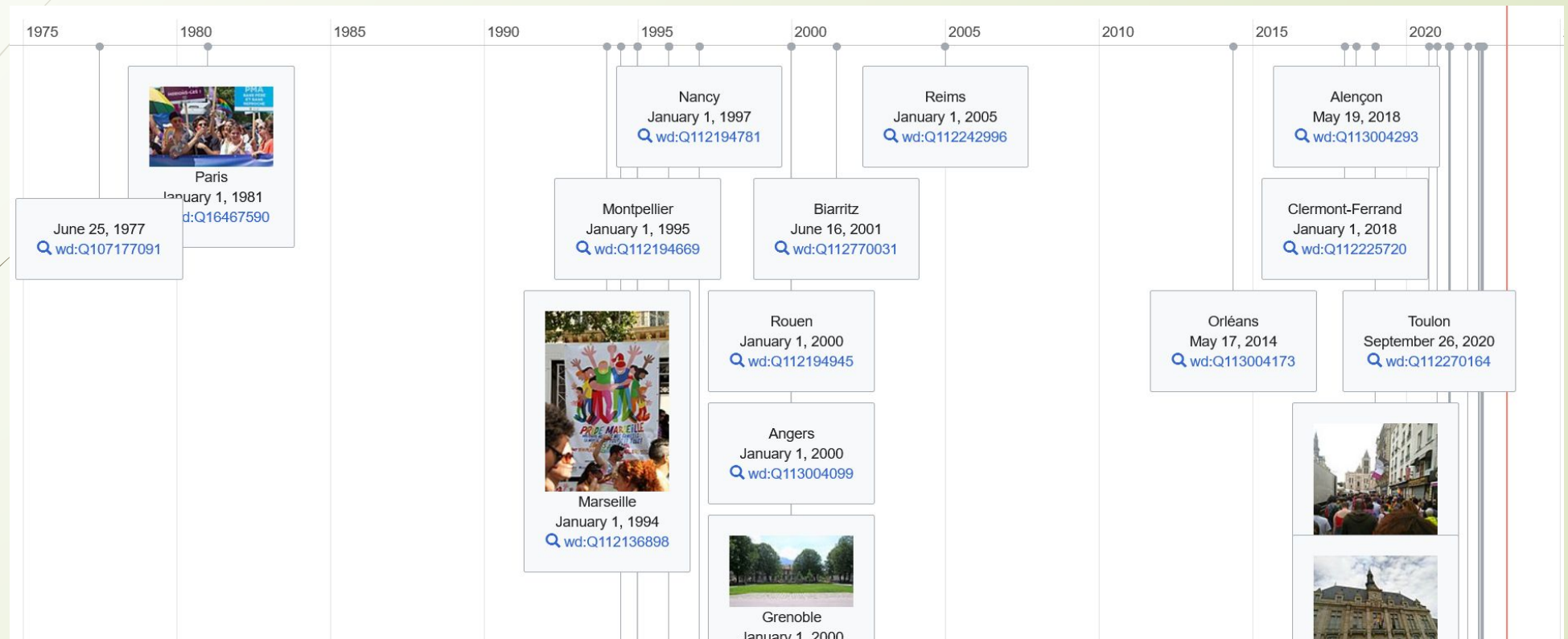
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LGBT pride (Q51404)



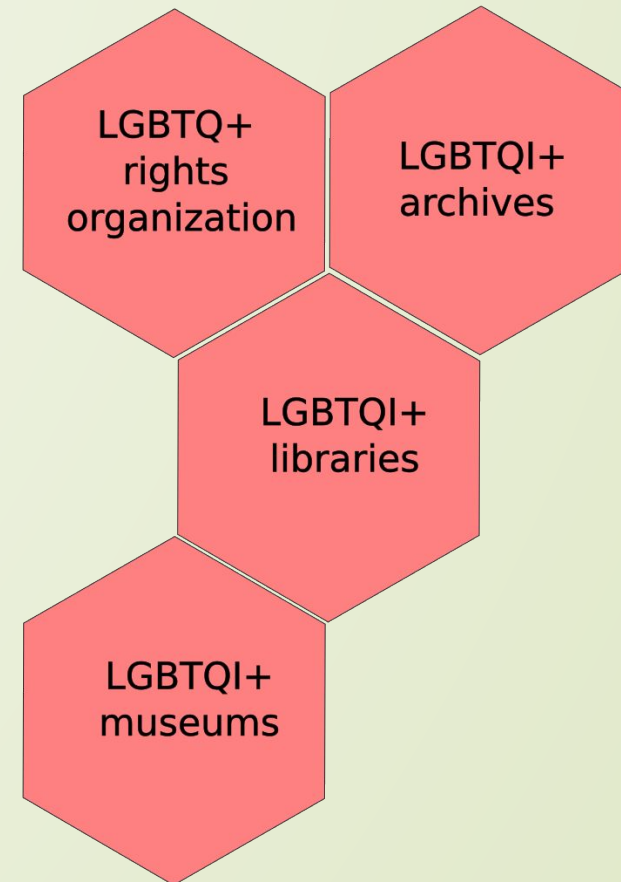
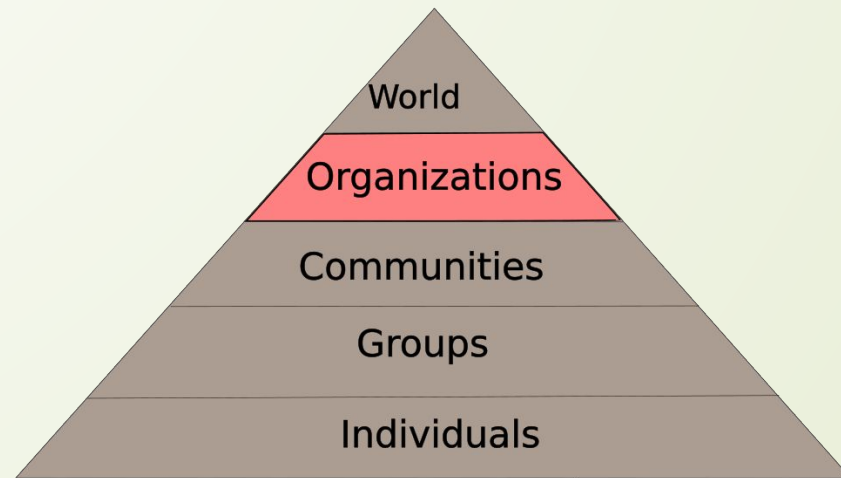
LGBT prides in France

LGBT pride (Q51404)



LGBT prides in France

Documenting Queer History: Organizations



LGBT+ rights organization (Q6458277)



European
Lesbian*
Conference

European Lesbian* Conference
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International Gay and Lesbian Travel Association
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NOH8 Campaign
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Rainbow Sash Movement
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Rišpet
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SOS homophobie
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Stonewall
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LGBTQI+ libraries (Q61696039)



Gay's the Word
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Les Mots à la Bouche
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Livresse
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LGBT archives (Q61710689)



Schwules Museum
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IHLIA LGBTI Heritage
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ONE National Gay & Lesbian Archives
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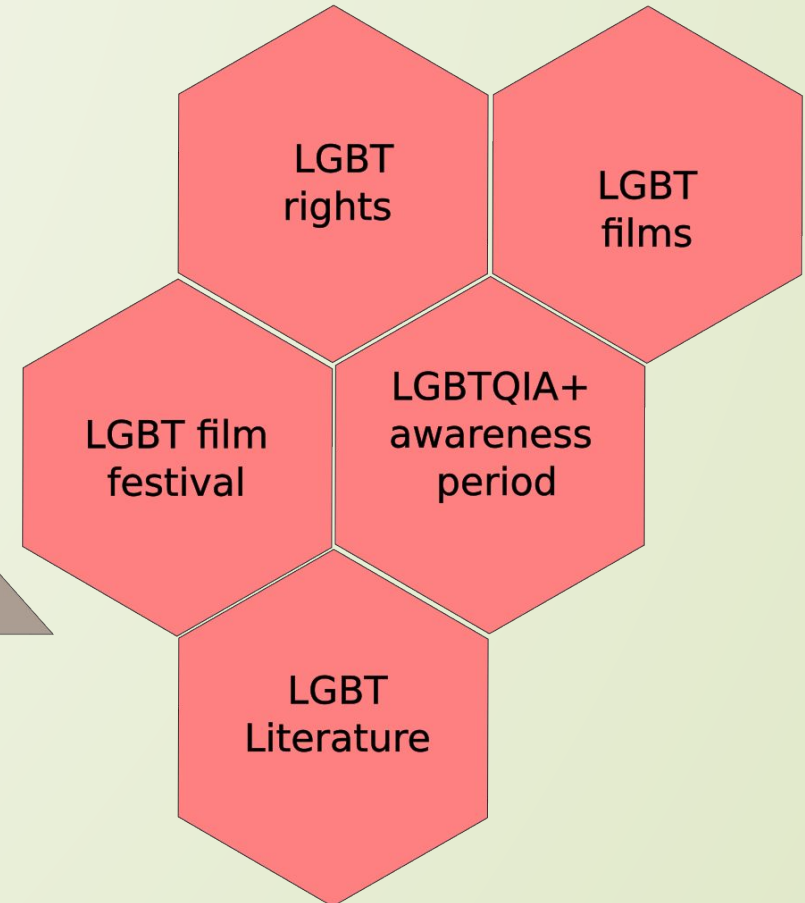
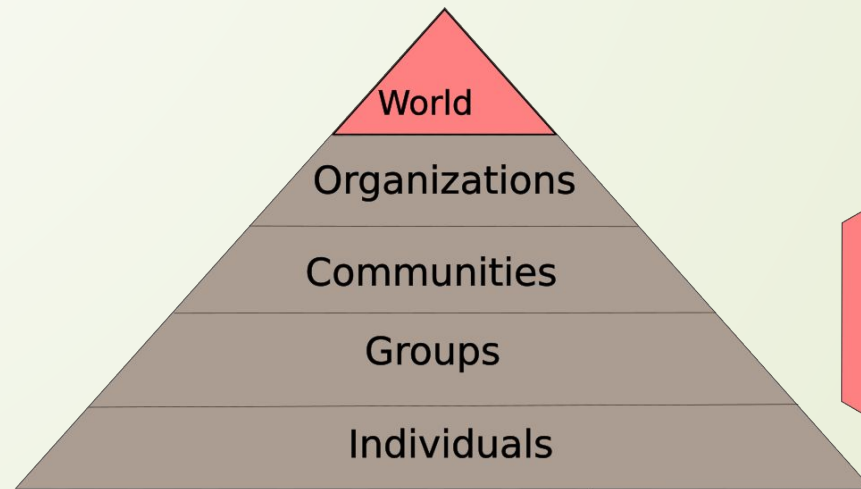
**GLBT
Historical
Society**
a home for our history

GLBT Historical Society
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Hall-Carpenter Archives
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Documenting Queer History: World




LGBT rights (Q17625913)



LGBT rights in Mexico


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LGBT rights in Mexico

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Documenting Queer History: LGBT+ rights around the world

LGBT film (Q20442589)



Bohemian Rhapsody

2 November 2018

 [commons:Bohemian Rhapsody cast on MTV Movies.jpg](#)

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A Fantastic Woman

12 February 2017

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LGBT film festival (Q62018250)



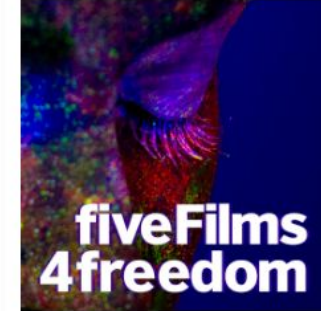
BFI Flare: London LGBT Film Festival
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Bangalore Queer Film Festival
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Chéries-Chéris
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FiveFilms4freedom
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Frameline Film Festival
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Gaze
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Outfest
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LGBTQIA+ awareness period (Q61740765)



**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

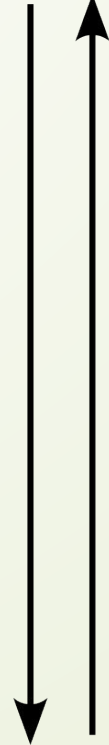
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Documenting Queer History: Impact and Notability

Impact



Notability

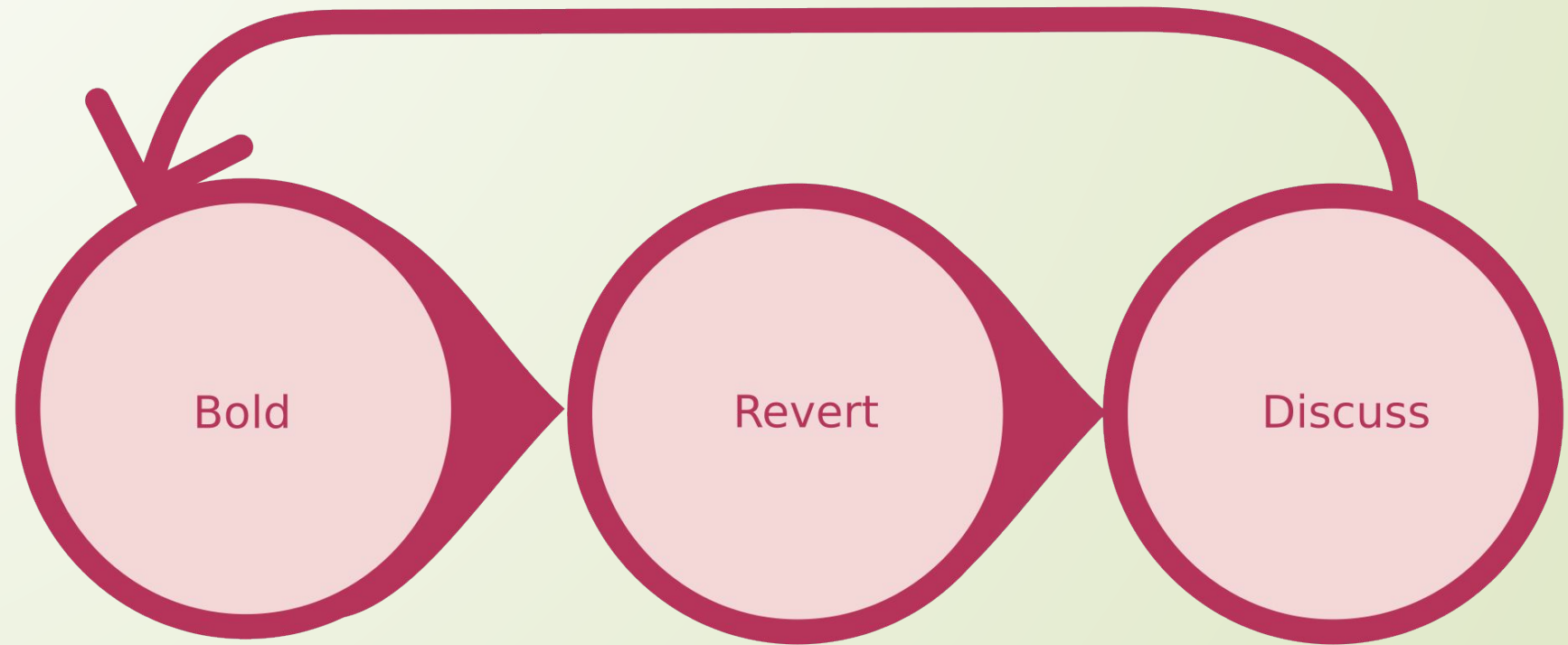





External identifiers

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
...	...

Documentation: Contribution Cycle (BRD): Bold - Revert - Discuss





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

Mois de l'histoire LGBTQ+



Conclusion

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





How to contribute?

1. Wiki Loves Pride 2023:
https://meta.wikimedia.org/wiki/Wiki_Loves_Pride/2023
2. Mois des fiertés 2023:
https://fr.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wikipédia:Mois_des_fiertés/2023
3. Projet:LGBT: <https://fr.wikipedia.org/wiki/Projet:LGBT>
4. Wikipedia: WikiProject LGBT studies:
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wikipedia:WikiProject_LGBT_studies
5. WikiProject LGBT: https://www.wikidata.org/wiki/Wikidata:WikiProject_LGBT
6. Wikimedia LGBT:
https://meta.wikimedia.org/wiki/Wikimedia_LGBT%2B/Portal



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Images

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



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Thank you

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Questions?