

## **SUBJECT: QUAQE March Monthly Newsletter!**

Hello QUAQE members & allies! Please find below our exciting highlights for this month!

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### **1. QUAQE Logos Voting Outcome**

Logo voting closed on Wednesday February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2021. The most voted for option was:



Queen's University Association for Queer Employees

The QUAQE Organizing Committee will now be taking this to our Sponsor Unit, the Faculty of Arts & Science for approval.

### **2. NEW – Social & Work Lunches**

The QUAQE Organizing Committee would like to invite all QUAQE members to join us at our work/social lunches! These lunches will take place twice per month, with one being a “working lunch” and one being a “social lunch”. At the working lunch you will be able to hear from our Organizing Committee about items we are currently working on and provide us with your feedback.

These are the dates for March and what we're working on! You can find the Zoom Links in the “Calendar” on MSTeams.

- **March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2021 – 12:00 – 1:00PM – Working Lunch**

At this lunch the Organizing Committee will be working on the QUAQE Terms of Reference (TORs) for the subcommittees to be presented at the April AGM. Come and provide your input and feedback!

- **March 19<sup>th</sup> 2021 – 12:00 – 1:00PM – Social Lunch**  
Come join fellow QUAQE members for a social lunch to connect and build community!
- **March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021 – 12:00 – 1:00PM – Working Lunch**  
Come join your QUAQE Organizing Committee to provide input on our ongoing projects.

### 3. **NEW – Social Event – PAINT NITE!! – Sat Mar 13<sup>th</sup>**

Need a creative outlet in your life? Want to have some fun? Come to our first QUAQE Paint Nite on Saturday March 13<sup>th</sup> starting at 5:00pm!

#### **What you'll Need:**

- Stretched Primed Canvas - you can get any size, the painting is landscape and the size used in the example video is 16x20
- Brushes: 1 inch flat bristle, bristle fan brush, #6 (medium) round
- Acrylic Paint:
  - enough black to paint your whole canvas
  - white
  - **Whatever colours you want!** Want to make rainbow fireworks? DO IT!  
Trans Flag Fireworks? YES!
    - Colours used in the example video: deep yellow, cobalt blue, fluorescent pink, fluorescent violet, fluorescent green, fire red,
- Other: palette (this can be a plastic plate, old frisbee, normal plate covered in wax paper), cup of water for washing brushes, paper towel for drying brushes

#### **Where to get Supplies:**

- if you don't already have painting supplies you can get the following items at the **Dollar Store**:
  - Canvas (usually about \$3)
  - Paint Brushes
  - Acrylic Paint
  - Plastic plate or palette

Here's a sample of the image we'll be making:



Join us on Zoom:

Queen's University Association for Queer Employees is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: QUAQE Paint Nite - Fireworks!

Time: Mar 13, 2021 05:00 PM America/Toronto

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://queensu.zoom.us/j/96731282705?pwd=cmNxcEhRd2ppaEowcDVwcFJvUDVTZz09>

Meeting ID: 967 3128 2705

Passcode: 538653

#### 4. Reminders

##### a. **March Friday Happy Hour!**

First Friday Happy Hour continues, **so please join us for our Happy Hour this Friday March 5<sup>th</sup> from 4:30pm – 6:00pm.** Recall you can see upcoming social events on the QUAQE MS team's Social Calendar (click Calendar tab at the top of the Social channel). You can also add this calendar to your outlook if you're forgetful like me!

- b. Our next Annual General Meeting (AGM) date has been set, it will take place on **April 15<sup>th</sup> from 3-4:30pm.** Please mark your calendars! Your organizing committee has been working on reviewing and creating Terms of Reference for subcommittees. You can join us at our March 2<sup>nd</sup> working lunch above to have your input!

#### 5. QUAQE Advocacy Updates

- a. **Release Time** - no new updates, a positive initial response was received from Deputy Provost Teri Shearer's office, awaiting further information.
- b. **SEEC (Senate Educational Equity Committee)** - Representatives from QUAQE's Organizing Committee have been invited to speak to the SEEC to join in a conversation with them as they examine the educational supports and resources available to 2SLGBTQ+ students, staff and employees.
- c. **Collaboration with Faculty of Arts & Science (FAS)** - Dean Barbara Crow and Assistant Dean Anita Jack-Davies have reached out to the Organizational Committee and will be attending a future QUAQE Organizing Committee Meeting to get a better understand of how QUAQE fits into FAS, how FAS can support QUAQE, and how we can collaborate.

## 6. What's On the Calendar in March

See below some National and International commemorative days taking place in March:

- a. March 10<sup>th</sup> – National Women and Girls HIV/AIDS Awareness Day
- b. March 20<sup>th</sup> – National Native HIV/AIDS Awareness Day
- c. March 31<sup>st</sup> – International Transgender Day of Visibility

## 7. Resources for the QUAQE Community

- a. Queen's lists of Queer-positive resources can be found in the following places:
  - Queen's University Positive Space Resource List:  
<https://www.queensu.ca/positivespace/resources>
  - Queen's Positive Space COVID-19 LGBTQ+ Resources and Supports:  
<https://www.queensu.ca/positivespace/covid-19-lgbtq-resources-and-supports>
  - Inclusive Queen's Gender and Sexuality Resource List:  
<https://www.queensu.ca/inclusive/resources/gender-and-sexuality>
  - Queen's Department of Gender Studies Student Resources:  
<https://www.queensu.ca/gnds/about-us/resources>
- b. Queer resources in the Kingston Community can be found in the following places:
  - Ontario Public Interest Research Group (OPIRG) Kingston  
<https://www.facebook.com/OpirgKingston/>
  - Kingston PRIDE <https://www.kingstonpride.ca/>
  - TransFamily Kingston <http://www.transfamilykingston.com>
  - Coming Out Living After (COLA) <http://comingoutlivingafter.yolasite.com/>
  - Out/In Kingston <https://outin.ca/>
  - Beers for Queers <https://www.facebook.com/kingstonb4q/events/>
  - Reelout Queer Film Festival <http://www.reelout.com/>

- Transgender Health Care (Kingston Community Health Centres)  
<https://kchc.ca/weller-avenue/transgender-health-care/>