

## SUBJECT: QUAQE May Monthly Newsletter!

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

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1. **UPDATE** – QUAQE 2021 AGM review

Thank you to all who came out to our AGM on April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021. Attached to this email you will find a PDF copy of the slides as well as the minutes from the meeting. If you require an alternative format, please email us at [quaqe@queensu.ca](mailto:quaqe@queensu.ca).

2. **Get Involved (Survey)** – Register for more information on Subcommittees

At the AGM we had some great conversations about the subcommittees we are hoping to fill to help QUAQE be more active and sustainable!

If you would like to get involved in one of the below subcommittees, or would just like more information, **please fill out our [MS Form survey](https://forms.office.com/r/gJcpagxzTG)**. (https://forms.office.com/r/gJcpagxzTG). All members who fill out this survey will get a doodle poll to participate in choosing the time of the first meeting and will be invited to attend the first meeting to learn more! Attending the first meeting does not commit you to continuing to support the subcommittee.

<p>Join the QUAQE Organizing Committee</p> <p> If you...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>→ Have an interest in strategic planning</li><li>→ Enjoy making connections with the wider university-community</li><li>→ Have an interest in community-building and queer advocacy</li></ul> <p></p>	<p>Join the QUAQE Communications Committee</p> <p> If you...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>→ Have an interest and/or experience with digital marketing</li><li>→ Have an interest or talent for crafting correspondence, developing questionnaires, writing reports</li><li>→ Have an interest in community-building &amp; queer advocacy</li></ul> <p></p>	<p>Join the QUAQE Events Committee</p> <p> If you...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>* Enjoy bringing people together and facilitating interactions</li><li>* Have an interest and/or experience with successful event planning</li><li>* Have an interest in community-building and queer advocacy</li></ul> <p></p>
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## Join the QUAQE Member Support & Advocacy Committee



- Have an interest in or experience with professional development, advocacy needs or mentoring programs
- Solicit ideas and suggestions from the wider QUAQE community for support that they might need and ways to advocate for them.
- Have an interest in community-building & queer advocacy



## Join the QUAQE Education & Outreach Committee



- Solicit ideas and suggestions from all stakeholders for opportunities to provide education-related activities and support.
- Assists with the planning and organization of educational activities and events.
- Have an interest in community-building and queer advocacy



### 3. Survey – Social & Work Lunches

The QUAQE Organizing Committee continues 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.

**We are looking to set the dates for our Lunches for the Summer Term – let us know what works best for you in this [short survey!](https://forms.office.com/r/Qah2t5YsF3) (<https://forms.office.com/r/Qah2t5YsF3>)**

Once dates are chosen, these will be added to the QUAQE MS Teams Social Calendar (see 4b below!)

### 4. Reminders

#### a) Happy Hour

First Friday Happy Hour continues this coming **Friday May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021 from 4:30pm – 6:00pm.**

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://queensu.zoom.us/j/99849656981?pwd=am5VcXFKSjdrODJtdFlsS29MTFAzdz09>

- b) **MS Teams Social Calendar** – find our dates and links for the Social/Work Lunches, Friday Night Happy Hours, and any other events in the Social Calendar in MS Teams

### 5. What's On the Calendar in April:

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

- May 17<sup>th</sup> – International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia and Biphobia
- May 24<sup>th</sup> - Pansexual and Panromantic Awareness and Visibility Day

### 6. Resources for the QUAQE Community

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>

Queer resources in the Kingston Community can be found in the following places:

- Kingston Queer Women & Gender Diverse Group:  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/973351622872611>
- 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/>
- 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/>