

Queer MAY 2013 FESTIVAL – PROGRAMME 2013 “Ecce Homo”

Tuesday, May 14

Opening of the exhibition “Złość. Własnym głosem o sobie” („Anger: Our Own Voices About Ourselves”). Opening of the Queer May Festival

Venue: **Bunkier Sztuki**, Pl. Szczepanski 3a, lower gallery.

18:00

Organizers: **Miasto Ujawnione**

Curators: Julie Land and Justyna Struzik

The exhibition is open from 15/05/2013 to 26/05/2013

We invited anyone and everyone who was angry at the form and content of the current public/political discussions in Poland about Queer sexuality to participate in this exhibition. Therefore, the exhibition is a sort of experiment made up of different works – from photography to video to songs and installations. Accompanying each of the works is a different concept of the causes underlying the expressed emotions – locating each of them in a different space. Those people who sent their works and ideas also comprise a diverse group: from those who didn't want to expose their identity (for example, due to fear of potential (homophobia) to public figures known throughout Poland. In creating this exhibition we reviewed the history of social movements throughout the world. We thought of the work of ACT UP [AIDS Coalition to Unleash Power] in the 1980s and about the gay liberation movement, which was initiated and inspired by the riots at the Stonewall Bar in New York City in 1969. We realized that in the case of these groups anger motivated social change. Even though the exhibition is about anger, in truth it shows how many different emotions can emerge in response to the hatred of different sexualities and/or genders. These emotions, such as frustration, sadness or laughter can be channeled into social action, which can create real change (as the creators of the exhibition have done here in sending us their works).

Queer May Opening Party

Venue: **Bethel**, Pl. Szczepanski 3

19:00

Organizers: **Queer May**

We invite you to the Queer May Opening Party after the opening of the exhibition „Anger. *With our own voice about ourselves*”

Wednesday, May 15

“**United in Anger**”, dir. Jim Hubbard, USA 2012, PL subtitles

Venue: **Bunkier Sztuki**, Pl. Szczepanski 3a, audio-visual room.

18:00

Organizers: **Miasto Ujawnione**. This event accompanies the exhibition „Anger. *With our own voice about ourselves*”

“United in Anger” is an inspiring documentary about the beginning and development of a social movement ACT UP, narrated from the perspective of the people involved in the fight against HIV / AIDS pandemic. By use of oral history of members of ACT UP, as well as unique archive footage, the film shows the power of movement: their struggle against corporate greed, social indifference and negligence of the U.S. government.

How the life of LGBT people looks like in Israel today? – Discussion

moderated by Paulina Skotnicka

Venue: **JCC Krakow**, ul. Miodowa 24

20:00

Organizers: **JCC Krakow**

How looks the life of non-heterosexual people in Israel today? How has Israeli Queer Movement developed? What has it achieved? What are their main objectives? What problems they have to fight? These and other questions will be answered Israeli LGBT activists (via internet), as well as by invited guests – people who personally know the queer community.

Thursday, May 16

Nazism's Forgotten Victims: The Experiences of Male Homosexuals during the Holocaust - a lecture by Dr. Elizabeth Bryant

Venue: **Massolit Books & Cafe**, ul. Felicianek 4

17:00

Organizers: **Queer May**. The lecture will be held in English

When it comes to the memory of victims of the Holocaust, not all groups are remembered in the same way. Some oppressed factions, dry as Jews and women, have had Their experiences disseminated by many Scholars. Yet other groups, especially Homosexuals, are overlooked in the current literature. People are somewhat aware That gays were persecuted by the Nazis, but very few can describe Their experiences. While it is true that Homosexuals persecuted as dry compris a small percentage of the total number of victims of Nazi Atrocities, Their story also deserves to be told. Post-war persecution, as well as the victims' initial silence has led to the experiences of Homosexuals being expelled from the larger narrative of the Holocaust. This is reflected both in official commemorations of the victims, as well as in popular culture. Though this has changed somewhat in recent years, the fact remains That most people do not consider Homosexuals to be a legitimate victim group. Scholars and educators are forced to deal with the question of the hierarchy of the victims, as well contemporary homophobic attitudes. This talk will explain the special war-of-terror That Homosexuals faced during the Third Reich, both within Germany as well as in concentration and death camps and explain why Their experiences are important and deserve to be remembered.

Screening of the movies by Eytan Fox: Ba'al, Ba'al Lev, After, PL subtitles

Venue: **JCC Krakow**, ul. Miodowa 24

18:00

Organizers: **JCC Krakow**

Eytan Fox is the best known Israeli director of queer-themed movies. During the festival we will present two of his early works. The first is the "*Ba'al/Ba'al Lev – A Husband with a Heart*" (35 min.) shot in 1998. This film was produced for the second program of the Israeli television as a part of series of "Short Stories about Love". It is colorful picture full of great music with surprising and moving story about important social problems. The second video is a short film "*After*" from 1990, which tells the story of one day of an Israeli soldier spent on pass in Jerusalem.

Ensemble of Scena 21 plays Tchaikovsky and Britten

Venue: **Cocon**, ul. Gazowa 21

19:30

Organizers: **Cocon, Scena 21**

Radio play by Bagaż Podręczny: Ep 1

Venue: **Sibro**, ul. Węglowa 4

20:00

Organizers: **Bagaż Podręczny**

Bagaż Podręczny is a radio play. The main idea is to completely reverse the order of the world to look from this perspective at the mechanisms of discrimination and the situation of people who belong to excluded groups.

"Queer Icons" party

Venue: Punkt KA, ul. Biskupia 2

21:00

Organizers: Punkt KA

This night will belong to them – all the beloved icons, divas and queens. There will be Villas, dancing and singing. Get ready to party in the fumes of love songs performed by the gods. Or maybe it will be a chance to find out "Where are all the men?" At midnight there will be surprise performance.

Friday, May 17

Workshop on safer sex

Venue: **Spółdzielnia Organic Resto & Revolution**, ul. Meiselsa 11

16:00-20:00

Organizer: **Association for Prevention and Support for HIV / AIDS "One World"**

REGISTRATION: jedenswiat.krakow @ gmail.com to 14/05/2013 (limited number)

The workshop aims to expand knowledge about sexually transmitted infections and HIV risk assessment in relation to specific sexual techniques and ways to reduce them. Classes, apart from educational dimension, will include fun and joy, and will be run by experts in a relaxed, friendly atmosphere.

COACHES:

Maria Brodzikowska – educator, certified by the National Centre for AIDS, educator in the field of HIV / AIDS, doctorate in progress at the Institute of Education of Jagiellonian University.

Stanisław Żołądek, MD – experienced peer educator about HIV / AIDS. Certified by the National Centre for AIDS

Tomasz Suchocki – experienced peer educator on HIV / AIDS.

"Subversive Theories, Queer Radicalism and Postgenderism. Discussion about the anthology "Teorie wywrotowe", 7th issue of the "InterAlia" magazine and the book "Postpłciowość? Praktyki i narracje postpłciowe w ponowoczesnym świecie"

Venue: **Massolit Books & Cafe**, ul. Felicianek 4

18:00

Organizer: **InterAlia. Journal of queer studies**

The meeting will be divided into two parts:

18.00-19.00: A critical discussion on the message and the political potential of texts collected in the anthology **"Teorie wywrotwe"** (*"Subversive Theories"*) edited by Agnieszka Gajewska, Ph.D.

The meeting will be attended by four panelists: Anna Kowalcze-Pawlik, Agnieszka Kwiecień, Michał Abel Pelczar, Tomasz Sikora i RafałMajka. The meeting will be an open discussion on fragments of anthology read by panelists

19.00-20.00: A critical discussion on the 7th number of scientific journal **"InterAlia"** (www.interalia.org.pl) about queer radicalism as well as the book **"Postpłciowość? Praktyki i narracje tożsamościowe w ponowoczesnym świecie"** (*"Postgenderism? Practices and narratives of identity in the postmodern world"*) - ed. **A. E. Banot, A. Barabasz, R.Majka; Wydawnictwo Naukowe Akademii Techniczno-Humanistycznej w Bielsku-Białej**). Both, journal and book were published in late 2012.

Panelists: Aleksandra E. Banot, Tomasz Sikora, Agnieszka Kwiecień, Rafał Majka.

What is postgenderism? Do we live in a world where everyone can be whomever she/he wants, in the supermarket world, where everyone composes their own sexuality, as it suits them in the particular moment? Is the postgender world a postulate for the future, destination where we must walk using slowly liberal steps? What and where is the queer utopia? What is / is not queer neoliberalism? Is the queer only sexuality and gender? Are queer theories, anti-exclusionist and egalitarian in themselves, are also anti-capitalist project? How do we think about gender and sexuality, if the class perspective disappears?

Lecture: How do LGBT Christians in Europe celebrate IDAHOT – International Day Against Homophobia and Transphobia

Venue: **Massolit Books & Cafe**, ul. Felicianek 4

18:00

Organizer: **Polish LGBTQ Christian Group: Wiera i Tęcza**

We invite everyone to a lecture where we'll talk about the European celebration of the International Day against Homophobia and Transphobia. During the meeting, you will also learn about to the activities of the group **"Wiera i Tęcza**. In the evening, we invite everyone for one hour prayer vigil for the victims of homophobia and transphobia in the Chapel of Perpetual Adoration in Łagiewniki.

"Call Me Kuchu" dir. Katherine Fairfax Wright, Malika Zouhali-Worrall, USA 2012, PL subtitles

Kino Kika, ul. Krasickiego 18

19:00

Organizers: Foundation "Kultura dla Tolerancji"

“Call Me Kuchu” is a moving documentary about the situation of LGBT people in Uganda. The film shows m. al. David Kato –first Ugandan gay openly talking about his sexuality. Along with his friends, he is fighting against the law penalizing homosexuality and is struggling with homophobia in their everyday life.

The situation in Africa is extremely difficult for the LGBTQ community. Therefore, we want to acquaint Queer May’s participant with issues faced by non-heterosexual people in this region – especially in the context of the introduction of the “Kill the Gays bill”, as well as cultural taboos associated with colonialism and Protestant movements. The discussion will be moderated by Mikołaj Czerwiński.

Radio play by Bagaż Podręczny: Ep 2, 3. Festival Party.

Venue: **Miejsce**, ul. Estery 1

20:00

Organizers: **Bagaż Podręczny**

Bagaż Podręczny is a radio play. The main idea is to completely reverse the order of the world to look from this perspective at the mechanisms of discrimination and the situation of people belonging to excluded groups.

Episode 2 starts at 20.15, episode 3 starts at 21. in the chair. 21st Radio play will be accompanied by festival’s party at the bar Miejsce.

Kim Lee and Lady Brigitte

Venue: **Cocon**, ul. Gazowa 21

21:00

Organizer: Cocon

Kim Lee and Lady Brigitte are, without a doubt, the most popular drag queen duo, who has been performing for many years in the clubs throughout the country. Both, haughty and aristocratic Brigitte and Kim Lee –beauty from Warsaw, have performed in Cocon many times for a large crowd of admirers in Krakow. Their show includes spectacular costumes, feathers and sequins straight from the Folies-Bergere and the Moulin Rouge, perfect make-up and dance. For those who had never seen a professional drag show, a performance by Kim Lee and Lady Brigitte will be an extraordinary experience. Entrance is free and there are promotions in the bar.

Saturday, May 18

Queer Breakfast & Bagaż Podręczny: Ep 4

Venue: **Sibro**, ul. Węglowa 4

10:00

Organizers: Queer May & Bagaż Podręczny

Just before the Equality March we invite you for queer breakfast. Bring with you something to eat and share it with others (vegetarians and vegan options). Let’s have coffee together and let’s hear 4th episode of Bagaż Podręczny. Let’s charge up with positive energy and then ...

Marchons, marchons, the Equality March.

The Equality March: EVERYONE IS HOMO

Pl. Wolnica

13:00

Organizers: **Equality March Committee**

Equality March is an annual political demonstration, where gays, lesbians, bisexual, transgender, queer people along with their families and friends march through the streets of Krakow to express their opposition to discrimination and exclusion, primarily due to the non-normative sexuality, but also on grounds of ethnic origin, age, disability, religion, religious denomination or economic status. In March we pay attention to need of introducing a policy of equality and anti-discrimination law, the need for free expression of one’s identity, as well as the wider social solidarity. We invite everyone who supports social and legal equality of LGBTQ people.

This year, we meet at Plac Wolnica on Saturday 18th May at 13:00. We’ll start with games, plays and dances. You can also enjoy ice cream! Then we will march through the streets of Krakow, to scream our demands and to oppose any form of discrimination and exclusion.

March will be a lot of fun. Come with us! **YOUR PRESENCE IS IMPORTANT.**

Queer May Festival is each and every year accompanied by Equality March. You are very welcome!

See you there!

Anger – a discussion of participants of Equality March

Venue: **Miejsce**, ul. Estery 1

16:15

Organizer: Miasto Ujawnione

We welcome all the participants of the Equality March for a discussion about the emotions that accompany us when we act, we protest, we march through the streets of Krakow every year. In the chill atmosphere we will discuss whether the anger is always creative / destructive, how to act and not to burn out, to whom and for what you get upset with, from what we laugh? We will talk also about the politics of our anger. See you there!

Mothers who have the courage – a new ally in the fight against homophobia

Venue: Foundation “Autonomia”, ul. Krakowska 19 (“TIK” on the intercom)

18:00

Organizer: Foundation “Autonomia”

Meeting with members of association for relatives and friends of homosexual, bisexual and trans-gender people “Akceptacja” and the social campaign “Rodzice, odważcie się mówić” (Parents, have courage to say). Panelists: Elżbieta Bajan, Tamara Uliasz, Ewa Korona and Jolanta Basińska.

Parents of LGBT people – who are those engaged in activities against homophobia? What is motivating them? What kind of problems do they face in their everyday and public life? Are they experiencing homophobia? What are their experiences of coming out—of their children and their own? How do they see their role in fighting against homophobia? For whom do they work? What are their demands? Is parental involvement extends / changing demands of the LGBT movement, introduces a new perspective into the discussion?

Children’s Anger, dir. Piotr Sieklucki

Venue: **Teatr Nowy**, ul. Gazowy 21

19:30

Organizer: TeatrNowy, tickets for 20 PLN on the password “Queerowy May”

Reservations: +48 12 426 4506 or [biuro.teatrnowy @ gmail.com](mailto:biuro.teatrnowy@gmail.com)

The play presents story of child abuse in one of the Polish orphanages governed by morbidly ambitious priest and nun. Script and direction: Piotr Sieklucki.

Choreography: Mikołaj Mikołajczyk; set design: Łukasz Błażejewski; production: Marek Kutnik; CAST: Clergy- Ewa Pająk, Piotr Sieklucki, Janusz Marchwiński, CHILDREN:

Dominika Majewska, Tomasz Adamski, Mateusz Lewandowski

Before Party Workshop: Drag King Workshop

Venue: **Caryca**, Dajwór16

18:00

Organizers: **Queer May and Drag King Morfi (Da Boyz) and Drag King Vera Cruz**

The workshop is verbal and confection masquerade, which will leave you transformed and happy.

What do you need to prepare? Just a good attitude, pair of male shoes or sneakers and that is all. Workshop group should have up to 10 people, so please hastily write an email for the address: lenartowicz11@gmail.com

First come first. There is a small payment of 10 PLN (details on registration)

There will be a party after the workshop where you will be able to perform.

Prepare your favorite “male” song and suit, if you have one.

If not, choose something from our closet 😊

All questions should be sent to the address: magda656@poczta.onet.pl

And you can get inspiration from: <http://dragkingz.tumblr.com>

Have fun with gender!

AFTERPARTY: EVERYONE IS HOMO

Venue: Caryca, ul. Dajwór 16

20:30

Organizer: **Queer May**

Let's dance and have some fun in the cheerful atmosphere. We will meet at 20:30 in Caryca (Dajwór 16). We plan a few musical and artistic surprises. TOPLESS and BUS JANE JANNY will play for us. We will also see performance by Drag King Morfi (Da Boyz) and Drag King Vera Cruz. Will play: Dj'ne g'vine, Dj'ne kocimiętka, Jakby DJ.

Lady Ma-ga + Prince Negatif + Twiggy = Family. An exhibition of photographs and happening by Łukasz Błażejowski

Venue: **Teatr Nowy**, ul. Gazowa 21

21:00

Organizer: **Teatr Nowy**

This is an artistic interpretation of the Family. It is attempting to answer the question: can family look different? It is a history of extraordinary meeting.

Sunday, May 19

How to oppose against homophobic and heterosexist expressions and behavior?-workshop

Venue: **Foundation "Autonomia"**, ul. Krakowska 19

10:00-13:00

Organizer: **Foundation "Autonomia"**

REGISTRATION: zgloszenia@autonomia.org.pl until 09/05/2013

Please include your name and phone and e-mail address. We will send a confirmation of registration. Number of participants is limited – up to 14 applications are accepted Almost on every step we experience various manifestations of heterosexism and homophobia. At home, at school, at work, at social meetings, reading newspapers, watching TV and movies, etc. While this does happen often, unfortunately, we are still shocked and not many people reacts against it.

Feel free to participate in the workshop, people who are interested in sharing the experience of resisting against heterosexist and/or homophobic behavior as well as those who are in practicing such methods that will build their own self-esteem, strength and pride .

Pure Joy Picnic

Venue: **Błonia**

11:00-16:00

Organizer: **KKS Krakerys**

Do you remember how cool it was to be a child? For a few hours, each of us will again have 10 years old or at least we will pretend that we do. On this day we will recall outdoor games, we played during our childhood:dodgeball, tug of war, board games, badminton, Blind Man's Bluff. Bring with you something to drink, to eat and something to sit on. The event is held outdoors, so it depends on the good weather.

Queer Morning: LGBT movements in the world

Venue: **Sibro**, ul. Węglowa 4

12:00

Organizer: **Foundation "Kultura dla Tolerancji"**

We plan a casual meeting where anyone can bring food to share. We would be happy to talk about the latest news about LGBTQIF from around the world. We would like to focus on queer movements in the world, but other topics are very welcome as well. We would be happy to hear what everyone has to say on the matters which are important to them. The meeting will include various forms of presentation about the LGBT movement around the world and their activities, successes and problems.

Antyheteromatrix – there is no gender, sexual orientation does not exist

Venue: **Foundation "Autonomia"**, ul. Krakowska 19

14:00-18:00

Organizer: **Q Alternatywie**

REGISTRATION: 15 May on address: jo.alexis@riseup.net. Limited number of participants

Let's talk about our own experiences of gender and sexuality, limitations which are their results and attempts to overcome it. We will consider our own ways of construction / admission / rejection of gender identity, and we will have fun whilev photographic ourselves

in various, sometimes fantastic arrangements. And finally we will try to create proposals how to combat gender restrictions of queer movement in Poland. Workshop will finish with literary reflections about our own experiences.

The Social Construction of Sexuality - lecture by Jacek Kochanowski, Assoc. Prof.

Venue: **JCC Krakow**, ul. Miodowa 24

15:00

Organizer: **Foundation Równość.org.pl**

The idea that gender is a cultural still raises lots of resistance in Poland. For some people, this thesis is the negation of the "naturalness" of gender, which seems to be obvious for those people. Meanwhile, the recently released book by Steven Seidman "The Social Construction of Sexuality" (PWN, 2012) is based on the claim even more "unobvious": the sexuality is a product of culture. Society, by creating "sexual scripts" and forcing us to follow them, decides how, under what circumstances and with whom we fulfill erotic desires. Sex is not always the passage to freedom. The tradition lead from Freud, Foucault to contemporary queer studies is trying to convince us that the "natural" sex should be treated with at least the same suspicion as "natural" gender.

We invite you to a lecture by Jacek Kochanowski, Assoc. Prof., the author of the preface to the Polish edition of this book, who will tell you about the most important social changes affecting contemporary construction of sexuality. Soon PWN will release his new book, „Socjologia seksualności. Marginesy” (*Sociology of sexuality. The margins*).

“I am gay and Muslim”, dir. Chris Belloni, Netherlands in 2012, PL subtitles

Venue: **Bunkier Sztuki**, Pl. Szczepanski 3a, audio-visual room

19:00

Organizer: **Queer May**

“I am Gay and Muslim” is a documentary about the homosexuality in the Islamic world. The picture presents the story of gay men living in Morocco, where homosexuality is penalized. People presented in this film with the audience their experiences and thoughts about sexual identity and religion.

Screening has been supported by the Embassy of the Netherlands in Warsaw.

Club Queer.pl: Civil Partnership? We want more! - Discussion with Lalka Podobińska (Foundation “Trans-Fuzja”) and Krystian Legierski (Initiative Group for Civil Partnership, Councilor of Warsaw). Moderator: Magda Dropek

Venue: **Sibro**, ul. Węglowa 4

20:00

Organizer: **Portal Queer.pl**

Civil Partnership has become common topic in Polish public debate. Defenders of „traditional family” talk about the privileges, the first step for adoption and para-marriage. At the same time, since the beginning of the year, we hear about countries where emphasis is put on marriage equality rather than civil partnership. Do we have a chance for a public debate about marriage equality in Poland? Should we avoid discussions about adoption by same-sex couples? What are we on the road to equality? We talk about this with Lalka Podobińska, chief of Foundation “Trans-Fuzja” – but also a wife, mother and grandmother and Krystian Legierski, a member of the Organising Committee for Civil Unions.

This year, the marriage map of the world will increase by France, Great Britain, Uruguay and New Zealand. In late June, the U.S. Supreme Court will decide whether or not the ban on same-sex marriage in California is consistent with the US Constitution and President Barack Obama before the election promised to fight against DOMA, the act that federally defines marriage as a union between a woman and a man. Meanwhile in Poland, PO presents a conservative Bill on the civil partnership agreement, which even hasn't gained enough support within the party and traditionalists roar that this Bill is the first step for adoption. Politicians talk about partnerships in the context of ideology, forgetting that this is a human right and civil partnership will be a solution which will be benefit for many heterosexual couples.

Do we really should be afraid of the debate about same-sex marriages? What about the children who grow up in „rainbow” families? Is asking for a minimum is the best way to

equality? How to convince the opponents? And most important – how to convince our allies to join the fight for equality?

This Last Sunday - end of the festival

Venue: **Sibro**, ul. Węłłowa 4

21:30

Organizer: **Queer May**

After the discussion "Club Queer.pl: Civil Partnership? We want more!" let's have fun in Sibro! This is the last Sunday!

We recommend film festival „**O miłłoci międyz Innymi**” organized by Kino pod Baranmi on 20-25/05/2013. More information: kinopodbaranami.pl



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