# Pride at SAIT Newsletter

Welcome! Pride at SAIT works towards building a community on campus that is inclusive of and accessible to all individuals regardless of gender expression, gender identity or sexual orientation. We hope to share resources and important information for our 2SLGBTQ+ community through our monthly newsletter and effect positive change!

June is Pride Month! To celebrate and honour our <u>2SLGBTQ+ community at SAIT</u>, we've connected with a few members to share what Pride means to them. You can read the piece here: https://www.sait.ca/news/2023/06/pride-shines-bright-in-the-2slgbtg-community-at-sait

## Important dates in June:

June 1-30: National Indigenous History Month

June 1-30: Pride Month

June 2: International Sex Worker's Day

June 19: International Day for the Elimination of Sexual Violence in Conflict

June 20: World Refugee Day

June 21: National Indigenous Peoples Day

June 23: National Day of Remembrance for Victims of Terrorism

June 27: Canadian Multiculturalism Day

\*This will be our final issue until September

RECAP: May 17<sup>th</sup> - International Day Against Homophobia, Biphobia, and Transphobia (IDAHOBIT)

The Pride at SAIT Committee wants to send out a huge THANK YOU to everyone that was able to attend our event on May 17th. We served over 200 ice cream cones within the hour and held incredible conversations with countless students and staff. It warmed our hearts to see that our "Wall of Care" poster was filled with notes of kindness, care and compassion. Thank you!



Stay tuned for details about the June Inclusion talk which will focus on the intersection of Indigenous identities within the 2SLGBTQ+ community!

If you missed these events, no worries! Pride at SAIT will be back in September with new updates and ways to get involved!

# Queer Inclusion and Belonging at SAIT: Creating an Inclusive Classroom (PERS 143)

PERS 143 is a course that introduces participants to equity, diversity, and inclusion, with a focus on the 2SLGBTQ+ community.

You can still register for Module 1 of the course by completing an <u>online form</u> for students while employees can access the course through <u>PeopleNOW</u>. The next offering of Queer Inclusion and belonging module 2 is currently on hiatus until September. Stay tuned for more updates!

Students and faculty can register using the following link:

https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/queer-inclusion-and-belonging-at-sait-creating-an-inclusive-classroom-tickets-591456250567

# Tips & Tricks to Support Someone's Coming Out Journey

When someone comes out as part of the 2SLGBTQ+ community, it is essential to provide them with support, understanding, and acceptance. By fostering an inclusive environment, we can create a workplace or educational institution where everyone feels valued and respected!

Check out the tips and tricks on the Pride at SAIT webpage by following this link: <a href="https://www.sait.ca/about-sait/equity-diversity-and-inclusion/pride-at-sait">https://www.sait.ca/about-sait/equity-diversity-and-inclusion/pride-at-sait</a>

# Books for Pride Month

June is Pride Month so let's celebrate!

Head on over to the fiction area of the library (on Level-1) where we'll be displaying a selection of 2SLGBTQ+ fiction and non-fiction reads for the month of June.

# Summer Events Happening in Our Community!

### Calgary:

Jinkx Monsoon Tour (June 16)
Legends Live with Shayla Shenanigans (June 16)
NGM Talks Masculinity, Pride & Humility (June 1)
We are Pussy Riot or Everything is P.R. (June 21-24, 27 – 29)
25th Annual Fairy Tales Queer Film Festival (June 9 – 18)
A variety of events at Twisted Element! (All month of June)

### Airdrie:

Airdrie Pride 2023 (June 17)
Queer Prom (June 3)
Pages of Pride (June 5)
Board Gay-mers Night (June 10)
Pride Pups (June 11)
Pink Unicorn (June 16-18)
PRYSM (June 19)
Parenting with Pride (June 19)

### InnisFail

Innisfail Pride (June 23-24)

### Okotoks

Okotoks Pride Week 2023 (June 4-11)