

APRIL 2016



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Dear Center Family,

Check out the video above to [find out more about what The LGBTQ Center of Long Beach can do for you!](#) We are dedicated to engaging, empowering and advocating to achieve a more equitable society and fostering an ever-improving quality of life for the LGBTQ community. Discover the vast array of services, groups and events offered through the Center.

Thank you to everyone who joined us at our [3rd Annual Black & White Ball](#) on March 12th! We are so proud to be a part of such a wonderful and supportive community. With your help, we were able to raise over

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\$200,000 to directly support our Programs & Services.

We have some great events coming up, and Long Beach Pride is just around the corner! Join us to march in this year's parade on Sunday, May 22nd.

Scroll below for more information on all of the upcoming Center and community events. We hope to see you there!

In Solidarity,



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Judah Peralta's Story



Judah Peralta, one of our former MYTE (Mentoring Youth Through Empowerment) Youth tells his story. We are so inspired by his positivity through adversity and his drive to benefit his community and the lives of those around him.

BDSM Workshop Series :Mummification Thursday, April 13, 6:30pm

The Center is happy to provide its 4th year long BDSM Workshop Series. The art of completely



immobilizing a person is explored with a technique that is easy and inexpensive. Once you learn how to mummify someone safely, we will explore how many wonderful things you can do once you have them completely helpless. The possibilities are endless!

Workshop Fee: \$10



MYTE SQUAD Fridays

Starting Friday, April 29th, 5PM

SQUAD stands for Supportive Queers United And Determined. Each Friday, there will be a general assembly starting at 5PM, during our MYTE Youth Program, which will function as a space for LGBTQ+ youth to discuss issues they face and ways to take action! The assembly will meet for one hour and be followed by dinner and socializing from 6PM-7PM.



Friends & Lovers Queer Speed Dating

Saturday, April 30, 7:00pm

Hayy queer Long Beach! If you're in and around your 20s and looking for ♥ or new frens, 20-Somethings at The LGBTQ Center of Long Beach is hosting a FREE speed dating soirée.



May is Mental Health Awareness Month

"We're All In This Together"

Monday, May 9th- Friday, May 13th

Join the Mental Health Services Program for a week long series of events celebrating Mental Health Awareness Month. We will be discussing the importance of Mental Health and our everyday wellness. Don't miss out! Schedule to be announced.



March With Us in The Long Beach Pride Parade

Sunday, May 22nd, 9:00am

We are your Center and would love to have you march with us in this year's Pride Parade. Come join our Center family and show your spirit as we march through the heart of Downtown Long Beach. All are welcome!

Marchers can meet us at our starting location along the parade route. Head down to Ocean Blvd. and look for us. We will be the big double decker red bus! More details to come!

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The Center Hosts: Sister Spit 2016



The 3rd Annual Black & White Ball



The 3rd Annual Black & White Ball Photobooth!

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Did you know that 70% of every dollar donated goes directly into our programs and services? Individual contributions are what keep our Center going! Will you please consider becoming a part of The Center's mission and vision? Please support us and your local LGBT community.

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**Center Hours: M-F 10AM - 9 PM, Sat 10 AM - 4 PM. Help Desk:
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