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## Greetings from Boston Pride,

**T**his year's Boston Pride week theme, "Celebrating 30 Years of Worldwide Pride Movement," pays tribute to the founding of InterPride, the International Association of Pride organizers, in Boston in 1982. We are thrilled to recognize the international Pride movement, both during Pride Week in June, and during the 30th Anniversary InterPride Conference that we're hosting in October.

You probably already know that Pride Week runs from June 1-10 this year, but you should also mark your calendars to attend and participate in this global conference, which will take place from October 3-7 at the Sheraton Boston in the Back Bay. Stay tuned to [www.interpride2012.org](http://www.interpride2012.org) for more info on this historic event.

As we were knee-deep in Pride planning, we couldn't help but be inspired and energized by President Obama's validation that he supports marriage equality. However, we know that there are battles still to be waged both here in the states, as well as across the globe. So far in 2012, we've heard troubling news out of Liberia, Moscow, Nigeria, Iraq, Kenya, Moldova, Libya, and Tunisia. And troubling sometimes, means violent and deadly. These events underscore the need for continuing our efforts to provide visibility for our community as we fight for equality and civil rights at all levels. We must be vigilant in our actions to bring to light stories of human rights abuses and we must never forget our LGBT brothers and sisters who continue to live in fear and discrimination.

The recognition that our important work must continue does not dampen our enthusiasm for a tremendous Boston Pride celebration. With the help of our community partners, friends, and sponsors, Boston Pride aims to bring us together, stir your mind, shake up the dance floors, create safe and health spaces and make an impact. In addition to our big weekend on June 9 and 10, where we come together for the Parade and Festival followed by our two signature block parties on Sunday, here are some other highlights you should jot down in your calendar:

-On Friday June 1, the new Revere Boston hotel hosts a Pride Kick Off Party in the trendy and hip Emerald Lounge. (Think The Wizard of Oz!)

-Boston Pride scouts for talent on Mon. June 4 and Wed. June 6 at our long-running Royal Pageant and Pride Idol extravaganzas. Don't be fooled by impersonators. These are the original and the official events that support Boston Pride's work, mission, and activities.

-International comedian Pam Ann performs at the Wilbur on Thurs. June 7 and on Sat. June 9, Boston Pride throws its 3rd annual Youth Dance at Faneuil Hall Marketplace.

So many events. So many parties. So many opportunities to find your happy place. We hope you'll join us!

Sincerely,

*Keri Aulita*

Keri Aulita  
Director of Development

For a full list of Pride Week events:

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**Thomas M. Menino**

June 2012

Dear Friends:

On behalf of the City of Boston, it is my distinct pleasure to extend a warm welcome as you gather for the 42nd Annual Boston Pride Week.

Boston Pride week is more than just a celebration. It is a visible and palpable statement by Boston's lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) community. In the tradition of the few brave folks who initiated the first Pride celebration in 1971, today's LGBT community stands up for what they believe in by actively participating in Pride Week.

As Mayor, I am proud to be associated with Pride Week. I choose to participate because I want to show that the City of Boston welcomes diversity. In fact, I have had the honor of leading the Pride Parade every year that I have been in office, and I intend to for as long as I can.

Boston is known for its revolutionary history and this year's theme, "Celebrating 30 Years of Worldwide Pride Movement," is particularly fitting. It pays tribute to the pioneers of Boston Pride who, thirty years ago, joined together with their peers New York, San Francisco, Chicago, San Diego and Los Angeles to found InterPride, the international association of Pride organizers. Boston is proud to host the 2012 Annual World Conference of InterPride this October.

Boston Pride Week has grown to be one of the largest all-volunteer gay pride festivals in the world. I invite you to participate in any way you can. Please enjoy everything that the City of Boston has to offer and always remember to show your pride.

Sincerely,

Thomas M. Menino  
Mayor of Boston



# Commonwealth of Massachusetts



## A Proclamation

His Excellency Governor Deval L. Patrick

**Whereas** Massachusetts is home to a vibrant and diverse population. This week we welcome and join all members of the GLBT community in celebrating their diversity and their involvement in our Commonwealth; and

**Whereas** All citizens come before their government as equals and government cannot discriminate against its citizens; and

**Whereas** This year we mark the seventh anniversary of marriage equality in the Commonwealth, a result of the decision in *Goodridge v. Department of Public Health*, the landmark Supreme Judicial Court case that stated that same-sex couples have the right to marry; and

**Whereas** This year's Pride Week, themed "Celebrating 30 Years of World Wide Pride," recognizes another successful year of Boston Pride and invites us all to get out and create change and raise our voices in the name of equality, dignity and progress; and

**Whereas** We are thankful for the many contributions members of the GLBT community continue to make within our Commonwealth,

**Now, Therefore, I, Deval L. Patrick**, Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, do hereby proclaim June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2012, to be,

## PRIDE DAY

And urge all the citizens of the Commonwealth to take cognizance of this event and participate fittingly in its observance.

Given at the Executive Chamber in Boston, seventeenth day of May, in the year two thousand and twelve, and of the Independence of the United States of America, the two hundred and thirty-fifth.

By His Excellency



DEVAL L. PATRICK  
GOVERNOR OF THE COMMONWEALTH

WILLIAM FRANCIS GALVIN  
SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH

God Save the Commonwealth of Massachusetts



# Human Rights in Pride – for Pride Week and Beyond

By: Linda DeMarco, President of Boston Pride

**P**ride Week is finally almost upon us and 2012 is already promising to be an important year for an emerging consensus around rights for our community. President Barack Obama's recent statement affirming his support for marriage equality – the first sitting president to do so – is an important step in achieving the goal that so many of us have looked for – equal rights and protections under the law in a whole host of matters, especially related to families.

But the truth is that we know we still have a long, long way to go to achieve the kind of equality, regardless of identity and orientation, which we are seeking. As a



Linda DeMarco

Photo: Joel Benjamin

movement, we continue to strongly believe that providing education and information is an important part of what we do. In the past year,

we have embarked on a human rights listening tour around the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and we've learned a lot from members of the community from Northampton to the South Shore to Boston about what social issues continue to concern you.

During Pride Week, the Boston Pride Human Rights and Education committee will host a forum on the question of teaching LGBT history in Massachusetts schools. Last year, the state of California passed legislation that seeks to add to the California public school social science curriculum information on the contributions and roles of various groups (including LGBT individuals) in California and throughout the country. Our event will include representatives from The Boston Alliance of Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender

Youth (BAGLY), MassEquality, Fenway Health, and others discussing the question of adding such a provision to Massachusetts's educational curriculum. We invite you to join us at this forum at the Fenway Health Auditorium on the evening of Tuesday, June 5th from 7 – 9 p.m.

Once the Pride Parade floats are broken down and the Festival and block party performers are heading home, there is still much to be done to keep the Pride movement vibrant and pertinent to the times, which is part of the reason why we are so excited to be hosting the education forum during Pride Week. As soon as Pride Week concludes, we will be turning our attention to the annual InterPride conference, which we are sponsoring this

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# Boston Pride Theme 2012

**T**his theme pays tribute to InterPride ([www.interpride.org/](http://www.interpride.org/)), the international association of Pride organizers, which was founded in Boston in 1982. Boston Pride is a founding member of InterPride, along with committees in New York, San Francisco, Chicago, San Diego, and Los Angeles.

"We are excited to pay tribute to the pioneers who founded InterPride in 1982 with our Parade and Festival," said Linda DeMarco, president of Boston Pride. "We are pleased to have a chance to honor that organization's work and mission. We are also happy that we have the opportunity to honor the revolutionary role that Boston has played in the Pride movement."

Boston Pride has been selected as the host of the 2012 Annual World Conference of

InterPride, which will be held October 3-7th at the Sheraton Boston Hotel. The Annual World Conference gathers Pride organizers from around the world for 5 days of learning, networking and coordination. More information about the InterPride conference can be found at [www.InterPride2012.org](http://www.InterPride2012.org).

"The issues of our community go beyond the Greater Boston area to global human rights," said Sylvain Bruni, a member of Boston Pride's board of directors. "The InterPride organization and the annual conference help our supporters and the public understand the challenges our community faces internationally."

Pride participants and attendees are invited to illustrate this theme during the Pride Week celebration.



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# America's Got Talent Alexis Jordan to headline Pride

TRT caught up with the star in this exclusive

By: Emily Scagel/TRT Reporter

**A**lexis Jordan rose to fame only a few years ago at the young age of 14, making it all the way to the semi-finals of *America's Got Talent*. Her YouTube videos rapidly received millions of hits, grabbing the attention of superstar Jay-Z, who then signed her to the StarRoc/Roc Nation record label. Opening up for legend Smokey Robinson at a Stevie Wonder tribute when she was only 12, the confident and talented Alexis Jordan is well on her way to fame. Her songs focus on empowerment and girl power, conveying an important message that she feels is missing from popular music today. She is sure to impress and inspire this year at Boston Pride. TRT caught up with Alexis Jordan right before her performance in Boston.

**Q: Promoting positivity and self-respect are said to be important elements of your music. What does this mean to you? How does this message apply to the LGBT community?**

A: Everyone should always love themselves. If you don't love and respect yourself, how can you truly spread positivity and love to others?

**Q: Being at the forefront of your career, where do you see yourself in 5 or 10 years?**

A: In 5 or 10 years I see myself still singing, making albums, touring around the world, winning Grammys, and making movies.

**Q: You were a contestant on America's Got Talent, and then you were discovered on YouTube. How has your music and career evolved since then?**

A: What hasn't evolved? This



has been an enlightening journey so far. I've traveled to so many amazing places and been exposed to different sounds and artists. As people mature and have new life experiences everything evolves to reflect those changes.

**Q: As a young artist, you are**

**careful to not use profanity in your songs. Why do you choose to do so?**

A: I don't use profanity in everyday life. So the music is a reflection of me. Also, I want my music to be accessible to all ages.

See Alexis on page 10



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## Rye Rye Unafraid: Singer will make you want to dance all day long

By: Emily Scagel/TRT Reporter

**M**ulti-talented Rye Rye has exploded onto the club scene with her bold new style and rhymes. She was named one of Billboard's "21 Under 21" and for good reason. She sings, dances, and recently made her acting debut. Her music can't simply be classified as pop or hip hop; it is much more complex, sounding like "life." As a female artist, her fresh take

on mainstream music, along with her vision, sound, and ambition, is sure to lead to great success. She's come a long way, from pulling herself out of the Baltimore projects, to being signed to M.I.A.'s record label. You won't be able to stand still when Rye Rye takes the main stage at Boston Pride!

In this TRT interview, Rye Rye opens up about her background, upbringing and how she made it all by herself, almost.

**Q: Your music has been described as sounding like "life." What does that mean?**  
A: Sounding like life means it gives my fans everything ... in a good way! You need it to live [laughs]— it just feels good!

**Q: How did you get started with music in Baltimore?**

A: I just rapped a song on DJ Blaqstarr's voicemail; had seen him at the club ... and eventually I ended up getting in the studio with him!

**Q: What can we expect from your new record? Is there a theme to it?**

A: The theme is just fun! It's me talking about what I do— life in the club scene, my teenage life as a club hopper, etc., but it shows that being a girl from the hood you can still make it by just being yourself and not having to be exposed as a sex symbol!

See Rye Rye on page 18

Alexis from page 8

**Q: How does the LGBT community fit into what you represent as an artist?**

A: As an artist my music represents positivity and having love for everyone.

**Q: What can your fans expect from your Boston Pride performance?**

A: My fans can expect to have a lot of fun, great energy, dancing, and singing.

**Q: Other than performing at Boston Pride, what other ex-**

**citing endeavors do you have planned for the year?**

A: I am currently still recording and writing on my second album, which will be the first album for the United States and performing all over the world.

Watch for Alexis Jordan's United States album debut, due out later this year. Don't miss her main stage performance at Boston Pride, and be sure to check out [www.alexisjordanofficial.com](http://www.alexisjordanofficial.com) for updates.

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- June 11th for the Pride parade and Chandler St Block Party



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# Marshals for Boston Pride 2012 Pride Parade

**B**oston Pride is pleased to announce that Mix 104.1's Fast Freddy and the Massachusetts Transgender Political Coalition have been named Grand Marshals of the 2012 Boston Pride Parade. Additionally, the late Brendan Burke has been chosen as an Honorary Marshal.

The Boston Pride Parade is a march to celebrate and promote equal rights for the region's gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender communities and is the staple event of Pride Week. As one of the most popular and scenic gay pride marches in the country, organizations and individuals from around New England will walk together to advocate for inclusivity, equality

and respect. The theme of the Boston Pride Parade this year is "Celebrating 30 Years of Worldwide Pride Movement" in honor of the annual InterPride conference, which will be held this year in Boston in October.

Fast Freddy was selected through an online vote by supporters of Boston Pride and members of the community. Fast Freddy is a week-day afternoon on-air

personality, with Gregg Daniels and Sue Brady, at Mix 104.1, one of the most popular radio stations in the region. He began his career in radio as an intern for local legend, Sunny Jo



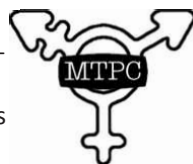
White and has worked for Mix since 2005. More information on Fast Freddy can be found at the Mix 104.1 web site.

The Massachusetts Transgender Political Coalition (MTPC) was chosen by the Boston Pride Board of Directors in recogni-

tion of their work supporting the Transgender Equal Rights Bill, which was signed into law by Governor Deval Patrick in January. The law made Massachusetts the 16th state to add non-discrimination laws for gender identity in employment, housing, K-12 public education, and credit.

Additionally, Massachusetts hate crimes laws were also updated to include gender identity. More information on MTPC can be found at their Web site ([www.masstpc.org](http://www.masstpc.org)).

The community also voted to name Brendan Burke as an Honorary Marshal, which is given posthumously. Burke, who was an athlete and student manager of the Red-Hawks ice hockey team at Miami University (Ohio),



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# Latin@ Pride 2012: Latin culture, food and flavor in your LGBT menu

By: Grisel M. Ocasio\*/TRT Publisher

**L**GBT Hispanic communities face different family, cultural and ethnic adversities than those faced by the mainstream LGBT community. Having a bilingual, multi-cultural family and culture adds to the complexities that LGBT Latinos experience in the mainland and outside of it. Recognizing the importance of offering a safe and welcoming place to thousands of LGBT Latinos, Boston Pride created Latin@ Pride.

**Se crea el evento.** Its creation gave life to the Latin@ Pride week celebration, a vibrant 5-day gathering of all Latinos, their families, friends and allies.

**Mujeres al Comando.** Latin@ Pride was created to fulfill the unique role of creating specific events by and for the Latino queer community," said Marta Perrupato, Co-Chair, Latin@ Pride. "We are here to create spaces where our community can connect and celebrate together. Having separate Latin@ Pride events allows us to see our strength in numbers and find each other in the larger sea of pride events."

**Fecha.** This year the event will take place in September,



2012, according to Co-Chair Patricia Arevalo, and although it is still in the early stages of planning, the Chairs already know that they would like to emulate this year's InterPride theme, "Celebrating 30 Years of Worldwide Pride."

Said Arevalo: "We would like to mirror the InterPride theme and create a celebration of all the countries and nationalities of Latinos in the Boston area."

**Tema.** The theme is not the only aspect of Latin@ Pride that reflects the diversity and sense of cohesion of the event—it is palpable in the mix of nationalities of the Co-Chairs, committee members and volunteers, and its mission.

"The

Latin@ Pride Committee exists to provide educational and social events for the greater Boston Latin@ LGBT community and allies," said Perrupato. "Our goal is to create a welcoming, supportive, inclusive environment for Latin@ LGBT people to gather, thrive, network and forge community connections."

**¡Más envueltos en la comunidad!** Latin@ Pride 2012 will enhance its reach in collaboration with other community organizations to diversify and increase its reach and offer more culturally-centered entertainment to and for Latinos.

"We hope to have even more diversity in our events this year," said Arevalo. "For example, it will be the first time we collaborate with Dyke Night Productions to

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have a specific Latina women's dance night. We also want to emphasize Latin music at all of our Latin@ Pride dance nights during pride week. In addition, we are planning events outside of pride week— like marching in the Boston Pride parade.”

Inglés También. Although the Latin@ Pride Co-Chairs express a desire to offer more Latino events, they also embrace everyone at the celebration.

“Our goal is to make everyone feel welcome and included,” said Perrupato. “With that in mind, we will have some events that will be bilingual friendly, but you don’t need to know Spanish to attend and participate.”

**Alerta a Jóvenes.** The Latin@ Pride Co-Chairs are interested in making the event one that is also sought after by LGBT

Latino youth.

“We have not planned a specific youth event to address this issue, but we are interested in providing more opportunities for queer Latino youth to feel connected and engaged in their peer community,” said Arevalo.

Latin@ Pride Committee members Henry Paquin, Jonathan Kindron, Daniella Sousa and Juan Boria, along with the Co-Chairs and volunteers continue to work and bring forth ideas to make the 2012

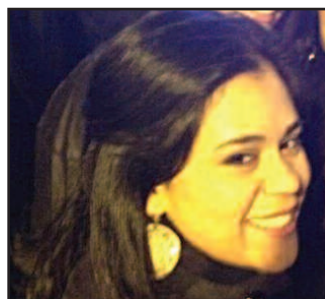
Latin@ Pride a success.

**¡Orgullo Latino!**

According to Perrupato, it is “wonder-

ful to be Latino and queer and to have this opportunity to show how proud we are. We

are very excited to be planning a week of activities from Sept 25 to Sept. 30.”



**Patricia Arevalo**

“Also, don’t forget, you can join us on June 9th at the

Boston Pride parade,” said Arevalo. “We will be marching in be-



hind a large Latino Pride/Orgullo Latino banner. Let’s show up and be loud and

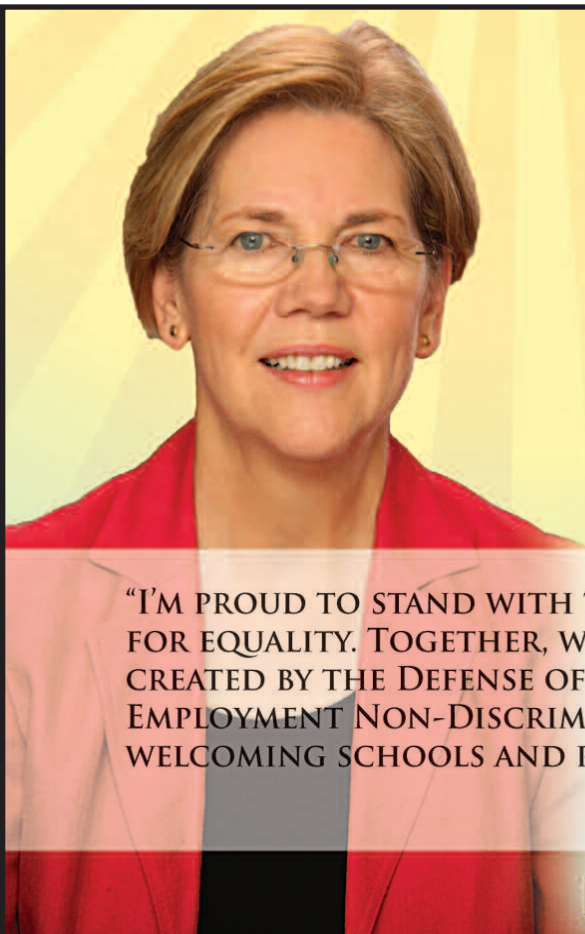
proud!”

**Menú Latino.** If Latin culture, food and flavor are a part of your LGBT menu, spend September 25-30th, celebrating Latin@ Pride.

Latin@ Pride planning is already underway. If you are interested in helping with this year’s Latin@ Pride events, you can join them every other Thursday from 6-8 p.m. at the Non-Profit Center, 89 South Street, Boston.

For more info contact Latin@ Pride at: latino-pride@bostonpride.org or visit [www.BostonPride.org](http://www.BostonPride.org).

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**7-10PM: KICKOFF EVENT**

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**10PM: PRIDE @ NIGHT:**

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## SATURDAY

**10AM-5PM:**

**PRIDE DAY @  
FANEUIL HALL**

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## SUNDAY

**LGBT SENIOR  
DANCE**

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## MONDAY

**6:30PM:**

**ROYAL PAGEANT**

Machine Nightclub

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## TUESDAY

**HUMAN RIGHTS  
DISCUSSION**

**7-9PM:** Fenway Health Auditorium

**10PM: PRIDE @ NIGHT:**

Paradise Nightclub, Cambridge

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## WEDNESDAY

**6:30PM: PRIDE IDOL  
FINALE**

The Revere Hotel

**10PM: PRIDE@NIGHT**

Latin Night @ Rumor

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## THURSDAY

**8PM: BOSTON PRIDE  
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Wilbur Theatre

**10PM: PRIDE @ NIGHT:**

Glamlife @ Estate

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## FRIDAY

**6PM: DYKE MARCH**

Boston Common Bandstand

**10PM: PRIDE @ NIGHT:**

Boston's Queer Friday @ Guilt

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## SATURDAY

**12PM: PARADE & FESTIVAL**

Copley Sq. to City Hall Plaza

**2PM: ESME WOMEN'S  
BLOCK PARTY**

Boylston Alley

**7-11PM: YOUTH DANCE**

Quincy Market Rotunda

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## SUNDAY

**12PM: PRIDE  
BLOCK PARTIES**

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**10PM: PRIDE @ NIGHT:**

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year. To be held in Boston in the fall, the conference brings many of the world's Pride committees together in one place to share ideas and inspiration.

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**Q: You have collaborated with international superstar Robyn. What was that like for you?**

A: It was an amazing experience! Robyn is so nice ... too nice! She's amazing and of course she's been in the game for a while so she knows exactly what to say if you have any questions.

**Q: How does the LGBT community fit into what you represent as an artist?**

A: I'm a different artist and I'm not afraid to be me ... of course the gay community gets judged a lot and I love that they can be themselves and not give an eff! I think that's the biggest thing we're not afraid to be us no matter how different it is and we just don't do us thinking about fun first!

**Q: What was it like to be the first artist signed to M.I.A.'s record label? How did that**

**impact your career?**

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**unique style and your sound?**

A: My sound, I'm just inspired by a bunch of Baltimore DJs & party music in general! M.I.A.'s style kinda rubbed off

that's the amount of years the movement been standing strong or if that's what they're aiming for? I'm going with the first one because I know they want this forever and my audience is mainly gay so I support them 100 percent.

**Q: What can your fans expect from your Boston Pride performance, and what would you like to say to them?**

A: They can expect me to serve as usual! High energy, great dancing, bossy fun lyrics, high fashion gritty bass & just real "Life!" I just wanna tell them to keep it cute [smiles].

For the latest updates on Rye Rye, check out [www.ryeryemusic.com](http://www.ryeryemusic.com). Don't forget to pick up a copy of her debut album, Go! Pop! Bang! available now.

**"... but it shows that being a girl from the hood you can still make it by just being yourself and not having to be exposed as a sex symbol!"**

you never know, but yeah it changed my life in so many ways. I'm much more mature now, and I got the opportunity to put out an amazing album and a bunch of other amazing things I've been doing!

**Q: Who, or what, is your inspiration for both your**

on me after her dressing me a lot, but now I evolved into my own style.

**Q: The theme of Boston Pride this year is "30 Years of Worldwide Pride Movement." Is this message of solidarity one that you can relate to? If so, how?**

A: I'm not sure if it means

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# Determined Bateman: Lesbian cancer survivor turned music star

By: Emily Scagel/TRT Reporter

**E**dgy and emotional singer/songwriter Lauren Bateman will be rocking Boston Pride this year. Quitting her job as a scientist to become a star, there is no stopping this dedicated and determined musician. Since playing her first show in Boston in 2006 armed with only her guitar and PA, her sound has now evolved into a full-band experience that is sure to delight and captivate.

**Q: What can fans expect from your new album?**

A: This album digs a little more into my rock roots. I am highly influenced by artists like Pat Benatar, Melissa Etheridge, Stevie Nicks and Brandi Carlile, so that energy comes out in this album. I did not have a band for my first album, so this new release sounds very cohesive and tight. I have gotten a lot of

great feedback from listeners saying that they love the mood and rocking feel of the album. I am happy that people are really digging it.

**Q: How did you decide to pursue a career in music, after previously being employed as a research scientist? What was that transition like for you?**

A: I originally worked for a pharmaceutical company in cancer research. I am a cancer survivor myself, so I thought it was a good calling for me. I really enjoyed the work; it's just music spoke to me more. I went on a cruise that hosted many musicians like the Indigo Girls, Patti Griffin, Shawn Mullins and other great artists. It was an amazing experience. I even got to perform for my idol, Brandi Carlile, which was probably the most nervous I have ever been performing. I was so moved by this experience that when I got home, I knew



I had to do music for the rest of my life. I could seriously do music 12-16 hours a day and never get bored. It never feels like work to me and that's how you know you made the right decision. It was not a hard transition to make. It was deciding that that's the direction I was going to take with my life that

was tough. I was going to move from a great job with amazing benefits to being a full-time musician. Some people tried to convince me otherwise, but it was the best decision I have made in my life, other than picking up a guitar.

**See Bateman On Page 22**

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**Q: The theme of Boston Pride this year is "30 Years of Worldwide Pride Movement." What does that statement mean to you?**  
A: This statement means a lot to me. It means I got to grow up in a world that was a lot more tolerable of gay and lesbian culture. Things have even come further along since I was in high school. It means that I get to be an artist open about my sexuality and not worry that people are judging. I am sure there will still be people judging me, but I can be who I am and sing about what I want and it is very freeing.

**Q: How does the LGBT community fit into what you represent as an artist?**  
A: I love working with LGBT groups. As a lesbian artist, I

appreciate the support from the community and think it is important to have figures like myself, even if I am not super famous, out there saying, "Hey this is who I am. Take it or leave it." I think it is also good for people to feel like

**"It is a very different experience when performing for the LGBT community. You just know how much people appreciate and respect you."**

they have an artist that truly understands them and connects with them on that level. It is a very different experience when performing for the LGBT community. You just

know how much people appreciate and respect you.

**Q: Besides playing at Boston Pride, what else do you have planned for this year?**  
A: The band and I cannot wait to start promoting the new album. We have an amazing show coming up at the Middle East Upstairs in Cambridge on August 11th with the band Cahill. I have seen perform many times and I am honored to grace the stage with them. We will also be playing the Rainbow Riverfest in Holyoke, MA on Sept. 22nd which is always a fun time.

Check out [www.laurenbateman.com](http://www.laurenbateman.com) for show dates and other information, including a free download of a song from her new album when you join the mailing list.

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# BOSTON PRIDE 2012

## ENTERTAINMENT



### ALEXIS JORDAN

After a highly praised appearance on the first season of America's Got Talent, Alexis Jordan's YouTube videos started accumulating millions of hits. Once Sony Music-affiliated label, StarRoc/Roc Nation – a joint venture between Stargate and Jay-Z's Roc Nation caught wind the viral sensation, they signed Jordan to their label at barely 18 years old. Since then, Jordan has released her first album, self titled Alexis Jordan, and has recently announced that her second album will be released this year. Jordan promises to inspire and entertain everyone at Boston Pride with her music.



PERFORMERS



### RYE RYE

Rye Rye, was the first artist to sign with M.I.A.'s record label N.E.E.T., an imprint of Interscope Records. At just 21 years old she is currently working on her debut album *Go! Pop! Bang!* which is set for release on May 15th. Rye Rye likes to think of her music as a variety of things, but most importantly it is about fun for everyone and she is thrilled to share it at Boston Pride.

### SABRINA BLAZE

Sabrina Blaze, Often referred to as Rhode Island Royalty has been delighting audiences for more than ten years. Her live vocals, comic wit and bigger than life glam have made her a house hold name. Winning the crown Of Miss gay RI in 2003 and many other awards for her tireless fundraising efforts.

She can be seen at the Dark Lady in Providence Every Saturday night as the hostess of their Drag show and the Queen of their infamous Tuesday Karaoke night. She's a regular at The Comedy Connection and the Hostess for Theater by the Sea's Fabulous Cabaret. It's the most untraditional RI summer Tradition. You can also catch her again this year at Six Flags Out in the Park Celebration this September.



**BOSTON PRIDE 2012**  
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**KERLI**

**At the age of 18, Estonian recording artist Kerli moved from Elva, Estonia to the United States and just one year later in 2006, she was signed to Island Def Jam Music Group by LA Reid. By 2008, she released her debut album, *Love is Dead* which charted at 125 on the Billboard 200 that July. Kerli is currently working on her second album set to release later this year. Kerli also was a DJ on the program *New Now Next* show on the LOGOTV network. Kerli believes that "All humans need to have equal rights, straight or gay," and she is excited to celebrate pride by performing for Boston during the festival.**

## PERFORMERS

## JUSTIN UTLEY

**In 2002, he was a featured performer at the Salt Lake City 2002 Winter Olympics and earned numerous awards during his time in Utah, including "Best Singer and Songwriter" by Salt Lake City Weekly and "Best New Artist" by Indie Review Monthly. The Utah native also composed and performed the theme song to the Emmy Award-winning PBS movie "The Shadow of Light", as well as other independent films.**

Justin became a noted activist and advocate for civil rights and LGBT equality in the United States, and in June 2010, Utley released "Stand for Something" — a single written to inspire and motivate to take action towards securing LGBT equality in America, ending youth homelessness, and increasing community awareness. The single was nominated by the LGBT Academy of Recording Arts for 4 Out Music Awards, including Best Songwriter and Artist of the Year, winning Best Country/Folk Song of the Year.



## MOD GUN

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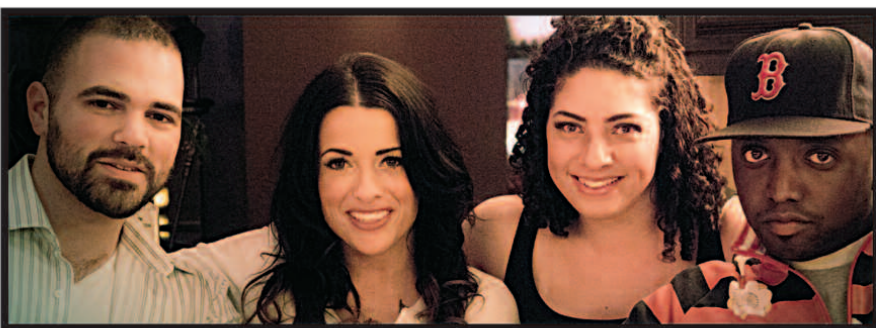
### LAUREN BATEMAN

Boston recording artist Lauren Bateman is not only a prolific songwriter and musician, she is also an entrepreneur that left behind her lab coat and goggles for a fulfilling life in music. Retiring from her day job at the age of 27, Lauren is no stranger to the Boston music scene.

Lauren released her debut full length album, "I've Been Waiting," in the spring of 2010. Lauren's songs have been featured on WMFO 91.5FM Tufts radio, Live 365 internet radio, LG73 Radio, as well as the 5 Speed Cassette podcast. Lauren was also a feature artist on Alternative Addiction for the month of June 2010 and was a contestant on the New England Talent search show "Community Auditions" in December of 2011.

Still living in the Boston area, Lauren just seems to keep going and growing on that long musical road. Inspired by artists like Brandi Carlisle, Melissa Etheridge, and Sheryl Crow, Lauren is currently finishing up her second CD release entitled "Here I Am," due out spring 2012.

Lauren played at Faneuil Hall day in 2011 and is looking forward to performing with her band on the Festival stage Boston Pride 2012.



### MOB MUSIC

Mike Flanagan and Lisa Bello, two of Boston's heavy hitters on the music scene, joined forces with Justin Waithe and Sheree Dunwell to perform a weekly show on Thursday nights at Club Cafe in Boston. Mike released a debut album in 2010 entitled "Elevator Music" and has also arranged music for the Boston Symphony Orchestra touring the United States in past years. Lisa was vocally recorded on Lisa 'Left Eye' Lopes album and is heard almost every morning on Boston's own Jam'n 94.5 radio. She has been featured in almost every news publication in Boston. Justin Waithe grew up directing music in church, attended Berklee College of Music, and has sung the National Anthem for the beloved Boston Celtics on many occasions. Sheree Dunwell grew up singing classical music as well as opera. She has an incredible vocal range and can harmonize through songs by the likes of Whitney Houston, Aretha Franklin, Chaka Kahn, Stevie Wonder, to name a few. Collectively they are known as "Mob Music."



### ARIEL APARICIO

Back to Boston by popular demand, Cuban born-raised in Miami-Ariel was constantly surrounded by the rhythms of salsa, funk and disco. He moved to NYC as a young man sowing his oats where he got accustomed to the punk and new wave sounds of the Ramones, Blondie, Grave Jones, Talking Heads and the B-52's at local underground clubs.

In 2005, the "Advocate" named him as the most watched rising star to watch out for. His version of Jim Carroll's classic "People Who Died" won an OUT-Music Award in 2010 for outstanding Rock Song

and Ariel was also the subject of OUT-Music's "Freedom of Expression" campaign, which is an effort to end the silent discrimination against openly gay artists in the entertainment industry. One of his cover songs "Pretty In Pink" was voted the 3rd most requested song of the year in 2010 on LOGOTV.





# BOSTON PRIDE 2012 ENTERTAINMENT

## GRYGIEL

Grygiel is a freelance photographer, musician and an LGBT Social activist based in Boston. Her work has been featured in numerous publications including: the Boston Metro, Time Out Boston, the Weekly Dig and the Noise. Grygiel is available for portrait, editorial and corporate assignments. She is also a web designer, a multimedia consultant, and is the founder of Karousel Magazine.

Just recently as of March 10, 2012, Grygiel has teamed up with New England-based music retailer, Newbury Comics, to donate proceeds from her "EP GRYGIEL" to the It Gets Better Project, which seeks to help LGBT youth envision a life worth living. The EP is being sold at Newbury Comics' 29 retail stores throughout New England.



## PERFORMERS

### AEROCHIX

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Aerochix was formed in 2009 and includes band members Joni Simone, Rachel Clayton, Lisa Raven, Sara Leketa, and Justine Klein. Aerochix headlined the Matt Brown Gala at Gillette Stadium in Foxboro on April 2010 having over 5,000 people in attendance to help raise over \$750,000 for the foundation.

In November of 2010, Aerochix headlined the sold-out WAAF Miss Mantown Calendar Event at Showcase Live.

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# Kerli from Estonia to the U.S.: Singer's Courage leads to success Preps to blast Boston Pride this year

By: Emily Scagel/TRT Reporter

International sensation Kerli came to the United States when she was only 18. Her single "Army of Love" hit #1 on the Billboard Dance/Club charts only a few years later. What is unique about her? She dazzles the crowd with her unique style and sound, and was hand-picked by Tim Burton to be featured on the soundtrack "Almost Alice." Kerli interacts directly with her ever-growing fan base, called "Moon Children," through her partnership with the web's largest social magazine written by members for members, buzznet.com, which garnered 2.5 million views in her first month alone. Those who consider themselves "Moon Children" will surely expand this June at her center stage 2012 Boston Pride performance!

**Q: What can we expect from your second album, due out later this year?**

A: Lots of hot beats to dance to and lots of fragile songs to cry to. I was inspired by the EDM scene for the sounds but tried to mix in some ethereal and fantastical elements and put a lot of attention into the lyrics. I wanted the lyrics to be able to stand on their own as a poem if you happened to read them and the melodies to be able to stand on their own completely if you played the songs on a piano.

Half way through the album, I stumbled on my dream team – they're called seventy eight and they're these amazingly talented kids from Sweden. We ended up doing more than half of the album together and we'd just throw parties in the studio while we worked and had all our friends over. The air is always charged with electricity and



thick of excitement when we're together and we're like little kids so open to magic that it shows up every time. I put a lot of joy into this album and I hope it comes through when people listen to it.

**Q: You have been compared to Bjork and Annie Lennox.**

**How do you feel about that?**

A: These comparisons are so flattering 'cause both of these women are my heroes. Bjork is my favorite artist in the world, inspiring me with her fearless approach to making music but I am so inspired by so many people.

*See Kerli on page 38*

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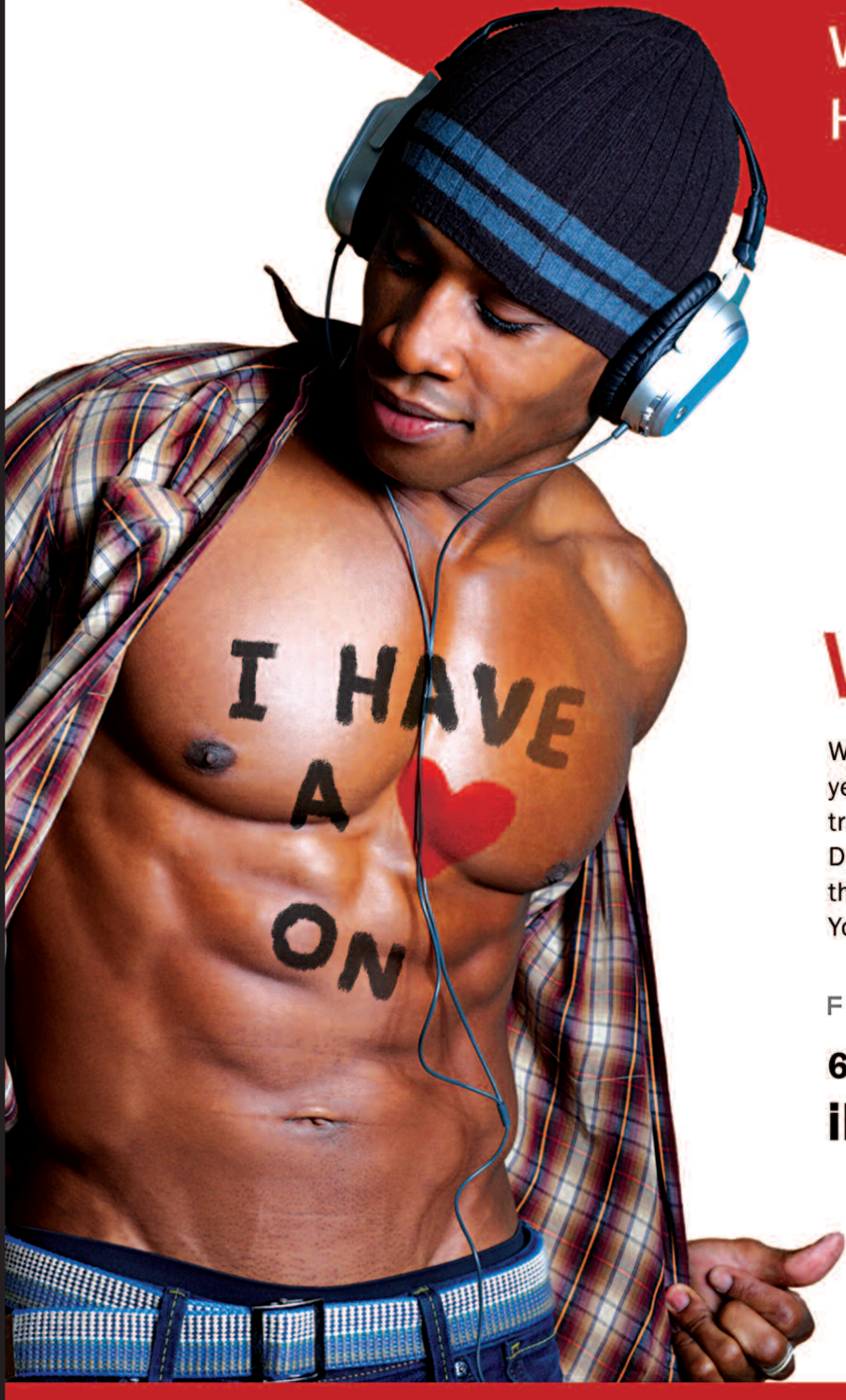
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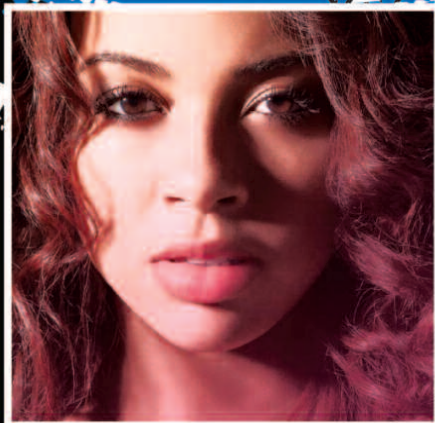
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A: I actually dropped out of school when I was 16 and started traveling and writing music with people so I had to learn to not really count on anyone from a very early age. My parents lived and still live a very humble life in a very small town in the woods and I always knew that there had to be something else I could be experiencing.

I moved to LA alone with two suitcases full of books without knowing anyone here—so probably more than it directly has influenced my music, it has influenced my journey to who I am as a person today. At this point I feel like nothing surprises me and there's nothing that I can't do.

**Q: Your childhood is described as one of "tough love." What is the biggest**

**obstacle you have overcome? How does it factor into who you are today?**

A: I guess the biggest obsta-

cle is that they don't believe it's possible. So leaving home and being stubborn enough to just keep going every time

**"... the biggest obstacle altogether is becoming the person I want to become against all odds. People don't come from where I come from and do what I do and the only reason why that is, is that they don't believe it's possible."**

cle altogether is becoming the person I want to become against all odds. People don't come from where I come from and do what I do and the only reason why that is, is

it seemingly wasn't working out, being a teenager in a city where you don't really know anyone and have not much else than faith—it makes you tough.

**Q: How does the LGBT community fit into what you represent as an artist?**

A: I just believe in love and can't stand injustice or discrimination towards any living thing. So the LGBT community has my undying support.

**Q: Having performed at pride events around the country, what can we expect from your Boston Pride performance?**

A: You can expect some fun outfits and all my energy. I love playing prides cause the vibe is free and non-judgmental. See you guys there!

Kerli will be performing on the main stage at Boston Pride. For more information about her upcoming album and other projects, please visit [www.kerlimusic.com](http://www.kerlimusic.com).

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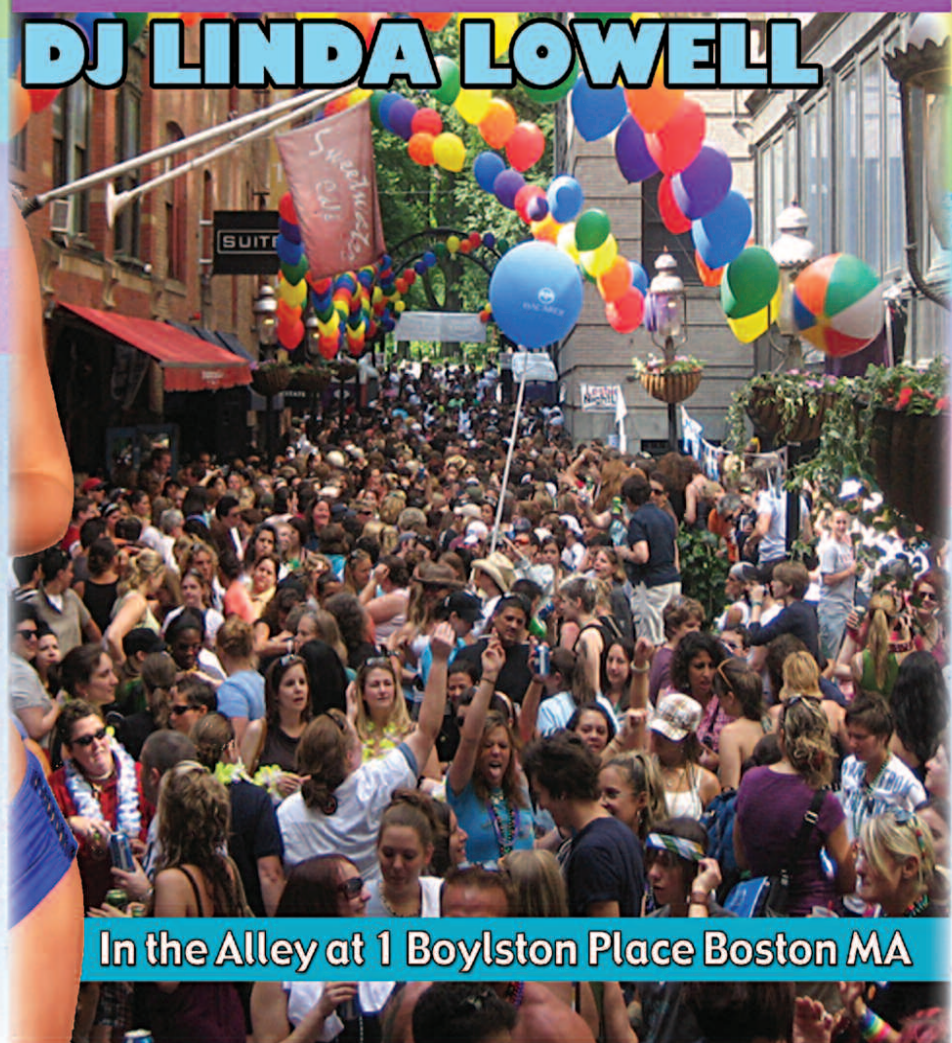
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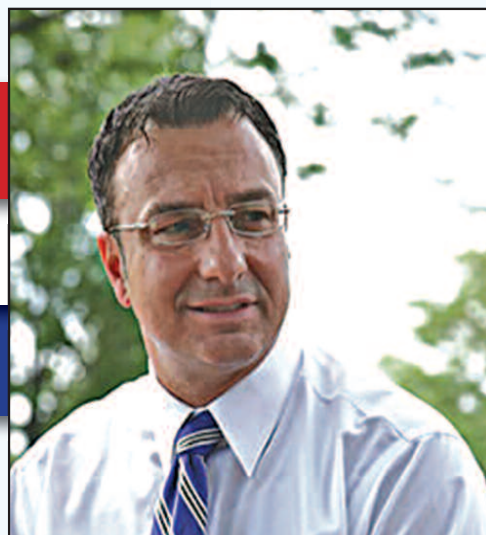
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- In 1987, Delta Airlines apologized for arguing in plane crash litigation that it should pay less in compensation for the life of a gay passenger than for a heterosexual one because he may have had AIDS?
- More than 70% of the thousands of calls to the 24/7 Trevor Lifeline (a national organization that provides crisis

intervention and suicide prevention to the LGBTQ community) come from the southern and central regions of the United States?

- The planet Mercury is a symbol used by the transgendered community? The sign for Mercury is a crescent shape and a cross, which represents the male and female principles in harmony in an individual. Additionally, the god Mercury fathered Hermaphroditus, who had both male and female sex organs!
- In 1948, the Kinsey Institute published its groundbreaking study of sexual behavior in American men? Kinsey's research helped foster a sense of community and self-acceptance among homosexuals.

• In 1629, the Virginia Court recorded the first instance of gender ambiguity among the American colonists? A servant named Thomas/Thomazine Hall is officially declared by the governor to be both "a man and a woman" and ordered to wear articles of each sex's clothing.

- The first published piece about homosexuality by an African American writer is the short story "Smoke, Lilies and Jade" by Bruce Nugent?
- The first U.S. lesbian magazine was titled Vice Versa and was written by the pseudonymous Lisa Ben (an anagram for "lesbian")?
- In 1968, Dr. John Money performed the first complete male-to-female sex-change operation in the United States at Johns Hopkins University?
- Gilbert Baker, also known as the "Gay Betsy Ross," designed the rainbow flag, or

Pride Flag, in San Francisco in 1978. The flag is the most prominent symbol of lesbian and gay pride. The colors, red, orange, yellow, green, blue, indigo, and violet represent sexuality, life, healing, the Sun, nature, art, harmony, and the spirit, respectively.

- A lavender rhinoceros has been often used to signify the lesbian community? A rhinoceros was chosen because it is generally docile, but when it is provoked, it can become ferocious. Lavender is often used to represent the GLBT community, because it is a mixture of red and blue, which represents the female and male principles, respectively.
- Hitler first curtailed, then prevented, and finally persecuted German homosexuals between 1933 and 1945.

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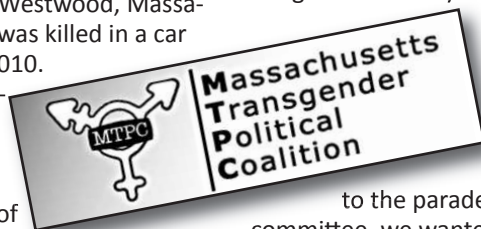
made international headlines in 2009 for coming out as a sophomore in college and for advocating tolerance in professional sports. Burke, whose hometown is Canton, Massachusetts and who graduated from Xaverian High School in Westwood, Massachusetts, was killed in a car crash in 2010.

Burke's father, Brian, is general manager of the Toronto Maple Leafs and of the US Olympic Hockey Team and USA Hockey established the "Brendan Burke Scholarship" in his honor. His brother Patrick Burke has established the nonprofit You Can Play, to ensure equality, respect and safety for all athletes, without regard to sexual orientation.

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- The entire species of the dwarf chimpanzee is bisexual? Lions have also exhibited homosexual behavior. Homosexual behavior has been observed in 1,500 animal species and is

most widespread among animals with a complex herd life. d

- The Harlem Renaissance was not only a seminal moment in African American history, but it also was a significant moment in the history of gay African Americans? Both black lesbians and gay men played a crucial role in the literary and musical renaissance that made Harlem famous in the 1920s.

- While lesbian refers only to female homosexuality, the term "gay" can refer to all members of the LGBTQ community? Some argue that the term "homosexual" should be avoided because the word refers only to sexual behavior rather than complex human romantic feelings. c
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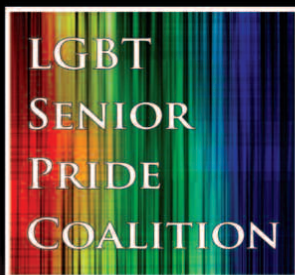
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