

News From ONE Archives at the USC Libraries and the ONE Archives Foundation

September 2015

Hello!

ONE is excited to close the summer next Wednesday with an insightful dialogue with Alan Bell, Cynthia Wang, Andy Rutkowski, and Joseph Hawkins about space in the queer community at Mapping Queer Terrains: Telling Stories from the Local to the Global. Enjoy the early Autumn days at Grand Park LA and support the LGBTQ community at one of their PROUD Series events. And coming up in October, dare to be scared at KillJoy's Kastle: A Lesbian Feminist Haunted House.

Find out more about these exciting programs below. We hope you can join us!

Mapping Queer Terrains: Telling Stories from the Local to the Global



Mapping Queer Terrains: Telling Stories from the Local to the Global with Alan Bell, Cynthia Wang, Andy Rutkowski, and Joseph Hawkins

Wednesday, September 30, 2015, 6pm ONE National Gay and Lesbian Archives 909 West Adams Boulevard Los Angeles, CA 90007 (Entrance on Scarff Street)

Admission is FREE.

Queer stories are everywhere. While the advent of digital media has transformed the ways we make connections between people, places, and collections, the material ephemera grounds stories in physical place. Organization, activism, and the

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exchange of knowledge between LGBTQ communities and individuals now happens at greater speeds and across greater distances, allowing people to participate and engage with each other on the unprecedented levels. The rapid expansion highlights how the everyday practices of local communities are necessary to make sense of these broader cultural shifts.

Join Alan Bell, Cynthia Wang, Andy Rutkowski at ONE for an engaging conversation, moderated by Joseph Hawkins, about place, location, and the interconnected space in queer communities and add your stories to the existing digital map!

For more information about the event, visit our event page <u>here</u>. RSVP for Queer Terrains on Facebook <u>here</u>.



PROUD Series at Grand Park LA Patnership

ONE Archives Foundation is excited to announce our partnership with **Grand Park LA!** Starting this Summer, Grand Park will be hosting **PROUD SERIES**, a collaboration uniting and reflecting the diverse interests and experiences of the LGBTQ Angeleno community. The Proud Series launched its first event **Proud Picnic** on August 22!

Enjoy a beautiful day at the park at the next event, <u>Proud Stories</u>. Join us and hear stories of love, acceptance, and joy through the powerful voices of the LGBTQ community and allies.

ONE in the Headlines

September 9, 2015

KPCC Air Talk:
Acclaimed historian
and LGBT archivist
discuss the history of
gay Los Angeles

September 4, 2015

KPCC Off-Ramp: How
Gay Rights Got Its

Start in Science Fiction

August 30, 2015
Los Angeles Times:
What it was like to be
gay in 1944 -- and other
historic lessons in a
USC archive

August 8, 2015

Edge Media Network:

ONE National Gay and

Lesbian Archives - Our

Shared History

August 6, 2015
California LGBT Arts
Alliance: Past Alliance
Events

Saturday, October 3, 2015, 2-6pm Grand Park's Performance Lawn and Olive Court 200 North Grand Avenue Los Angeles, CA 90012

Admission is FREE.

For more information and to RSVP for the event, visit the event page here.

Stay tuned for future events at Grand Park!



KillJoy's Katle: A Lesbian Feminist Haunted House



KillJoy's Kastle: A Lesbian Feminist Haunted House

Plummer Park, West Hollywood Long Hall 7377 Santa Monica Boulevard West Hollywood, CA 90069

OPENING Friday, October 16, 2015, 5:30-9:30PM CONTINUES from 6:30-9:30pm Saturday & Sunday, October 17 & 18 Thursday through Sunday, October 22-25 Wednesday through Friday, October 28-30

Lesbian Rule.

Forget the dead this Halloween. Feel the pulsing throb of something larger than life in KillJoy's Kastle.

Each Halloween radical evangelical groups build hell houses. These performer-animated installations showcase a gruesome retribution for the sins of fornication, abortion, suicide, occultism, and-of course-same-sex relationships. This Halloween, Toronto based-artists **Deirdre Logue** and **Allyson Mitchell** reclaim this hellish scenario with their sex positive, trans inclusive, queer lesbian-feminist-fear-fighting celebration *KillJoy's Kastle: A Lesbian Feminist Haunted House* organized by ONE Archives in West Hollywood. Designed to pervert, not convert, this haunted house of freaky feminist skill sharing and paranormal consciousness-raising reanimates the archive of lesbian herstory with all its wonders and thorny complications. Expect horror.

For more information about the event, visit our page <u>here</u>. RSVP for *KillJoy's Kastle* on Facebook <u>here</u>.







Images: Installation photographs from prior installation of KillJoy's Kastle in Toronto, October 2013. Courtesy of the artists

ONE Out and About



Nepantla and Red Hen Press Issue Release Celebration

In late August, ONE hosted **Nepantla:** A **Journal Dedicated to Queer Poets of Color** for their release of Issue Two with Red Hen Press. The event featured insightful poems by **Joshua Jennifer Espinoza**, reflective words by **Imani Tolliver**, passionate shouts from **Ryka Aoki**, **Margaret Rhee**'s memories of San Francisco, and humorous writings by **Myriam Gurba**. Audiences shared laughs, tears, and experiences through the empowering readings that explored the diversity within the queer community.



Uniquely Nasty: The U.S. Governments War on Gays screening with Michael Isikoff, Alice Echols, and Charles Francis

Two weeks ago, *Uniquely Nasty* had participants cringing in their seats as they learned about a dark and secretive past in U.S. history dating back to the Cold War. The audience listened to untold personal stories and read governmental documents that asserted homosexuals were "not suitable" for federal employment. Following the screening, participants explored history further through an in-depth conversation with **Michael Isikoff**, **Alice Echols**, and **Charles Francis**. Isikoff plans to continue investigating to find documents that will help the LGBTQ community gain rights.

Images: (Top) Joshua Jennifer Espinoza at Nepantla: A Journal for Queer Poets of Color reading at ONE Archives, August 21, 2015; (Bottom) Michael Isikoff, Alice Echols, and Charles Francis at Uniquely Nasty screening and dialogue at Doheny Library, September 10, 2015.

Make A Difference Now!

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