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QUEER HISTORIES FESTIVAL

Presented by ONE Archives Foundation
Open Call for Proposals 2023

Application Deadline: 11:59 PM PST on Monday, May 8, 2023.

All applications must be submitted via our online [Jotform application](#).

Please direct application inquiries to Sadie Buerker at askone@onearchives.org.

ABOUT CIRCA

Celebrating seven decades of service to the LGBTQ+ community, ONE Archives Foundation presents Circa, the first and only LGBTQ+ *histories* festival in the United States. Kicking off at the start of LGBTQ+ History Month, October 2023, the month-long programming series will showcase the trailblazing histories and vibrant cultural contributions of LGBTQ+ communities through the lens of present-day challenges and triumphs. Spanning the arts, humanities, politics, and culture, Circa will feature queer and trans thinkers and doers leading the movement for LGBTQ+ liberation.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Program proposals may be explicitly about queer historical events or individuals. We also welcome proposals that loosely, creatively, and expansively approach queer history.

What we mean by Queer Histories Programming

ONE Archives Foundation (ONE) invites queer, trans, and allied community members, artists, activists, scholars, youth, educators, cultural institutions, and community organizations to submit innovative, thought-provoking program proposals. We welcome proposals from across the arts, cultural, and humanities disciplines in the form of: performances, screenings, readings, lectures, dialogues, debates, podcasts, workshops, exhibitions, pop-ups, parties, happenings, multidisciplinary programs, and more. We are currently prioritizing in-person programs but will also accept virtual programs accessible to broader audiences.

How we define Queer History

We define queer history broadly, as *histories*, *herstories*, and *theistories*. Queer histories intersect everything in our lives. Consider submitting a festival program proposal on such themes as Activism, Solidarity, Liberation, Celebration, Inspiration, Lineage, Ancestry, Chosen Family, Sex Work, Humor, Introspection, Joy, Love, Resistance, Disability, Grief, Mourning, Death, Community, Outrage, Transgression, Intergeneration, Birth, Rebirth, Transition, Magic, Mysticism, Religion, Spirituality, Faith, Immigration, Amnesty, Labels, Pronouns, Language, Drag, Memory, and don't forget... Sex! Other thematic ideas are also welcome.