



ONE ARCHIVES FOUNDATION'S LGBTQ+ PODCAST PERIODICALLY QUEER RETURNS FOR SEASON TWO DURING PRIDE MONTH

Hybrid Launch Party to Take Place on June 29

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Los Angeles, CA (June 14, 2023) — ONE Archives Foundation announced today Season Two of *Periodically Queer*, a podcast on the history of LGBTQ+ print media from the 1950s & 1960s. The new season will premiere on June 21, in honor of Pride Month, on Spotify, Apple Podcasts, and other major audio streaming platforms.

The Periodically Queer Launch Party will take place on June 29, 6pm at the Junipero Serra branch of the Los Angeles Public Library. The event is free and open to the public. Each episode of *Periodically Queer* takes listeners into the history of LGBTQ+ publications, and features excerpts of rare archival and oral history recordings, commentary from expert historians, and first-hand stories of queer life, love, resistance, and hope.

"*Periodically Queer* reminds us that not too long ago, mainstream media refused to report on LGBTQ+ lives," said ONE Archives Foundation Executive Director Tony Valenzuela. "This Pride season, in the midst of a renewed wave of conservative moral panic, we honor our historical struggle to make queer humanity visible and celebrate our right to live and love out loud. These are rights that cannot be taken for granted."

This season of *Periodically Queer* spotlights the community-building power of ONE Archives Foundation's very own *ONE Magazine*, the first publicly distributed gay and lesbian magazine in the country. Celebrating its 70th anniversary this year, ONE Magazine was first published in 1953, more than 15 years before the historic events at Stonewall. The groundbreaking magazine's public discourse on LGBTQ+ life was a catalyst in the movement for LGBTQ+ free speech rights.

This two-episode season of *Periodically Queer* will also highlight the activist publication *Vanguard Magazine*, and the radical legacy of the unhoused queer and trans youth activists from San Francisco's Tenderloin District who were involved in its creation in the 1960s. Listen to the Season Two trailer here: <u>onearchives.org/periodicallyqueer</u>

"For Season Two, we offer a rich set of stories that recount the triumphs of ordinary people, from gay court clerks and street youth organizers," said Umi Hsu, producer of *Periodically Queer* and Director of Content Strategy at ONE Archives Foundation. "These stories reveal the inner workings of mid-century LGBTQ+ activism, from the Civil Rights-era media-savvy protest strategies to the ingenuity behind winning the first Supreme Court case on freedom of LGBTQ+ expression in United States history."

The **Periodically Queer Launch Party** will be available for both in-person and online audiences. The free event will take place on Thursday, June 29 at 6pm PT at the

Junipero Serra branch of the Los Angeles Public Library at 4607 S. Main Street. Los Angeles, CA 90037. At the launch party, the show's producer, Umi Hsu, will sit down with host traci kato-kiriyama, podcast interviewees including Joseph Hawkins and Jeremy Sass, and behind-the-scenes contributors, and offer audiences exclusive commentary and stories from the podcast team. Streaming link will be provided upon registration.

RSVP: onearchives.org/periodicallyqueer.

Episodes of **Periodically Queer: Season Two** will be released weekly on Spotify, Apple Podcasts, and all podcast distribution platforms starting with the launch of episode 1 on June 21, 2023. To listen and learn more about each episode, including excerpts and illustrations from each publication, visit <u>onearchives.org/periodicallyqueer</u>.

Periodically Queer: Season Two features traci kato-kiriyama as the host, with special guests Craig Loftin, David Hensley, David Moore, Joseph Hawkins, Loni Shibuyama, Mike Oliveria, Megan Rohrer, Joseph Plaster, and Jeremy Sass. The episodes also feature oral histories with Adrian Ravarour, Larry Mamiya, Joel Roberts, and Mark Forrester.

Periodically Queer is a project by ONE Archives Foundation, produced by Umi Hsu with assistant producer Shei Yu, audio editing by Quincy Surasmith, scripted by Umi Hsu, Shei Yu, and Rozanna Leo-Fields. Theme music by Analog Tara; episode music by Matthew Ivler. Graphic design by Saphir Davis. Research by Sela Kerr. Story consultation by Sayre Quevedo.

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About ONE Archives Foundation

Founded in 1952, ONE Archives Foundation is the oldest active LGBTQ organization in the United States, and is dedicated to telling the accurate stories and history of all LGBTQ people and their culture. As an independent nonprofit, ONE Archives Foundation promotes ONE Archives at the USC Libraries — the largest repository of LGBTQ materials in the world — and provides innovative educational initiatives, public exhibitions, and community programs.

The curatorial and educational choices made by ONE Archives Foundation are guided by our commitment to social equity and justice. We engage with the complexity of LGBTQ history and representation through highlighting the intersectional and authentic narratives of Black, Indigenous, people of color (BIPOC), women, gender-nonconforming and transgender people, people of various abilities, youth, and elders across all socio-economic classes.

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