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Friday MAY 31

Thursday MAY 30





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9 pm BEST OF HUMP Rated: R 7 PM YQMP PROGRAM PG 14

> 9 PM LOVE & LOSS SHORTS PG 14



## Saturday JUNE 1

Sunday JUNE 2

4-5pm

**ICE CREAM DAY** 

**2**pm

**IDENTITIES** 

SHORTS

PG

**1** PM PRIDE RIDE

**5** PM QUEERLY COMPLICATED PG 14

> **7**PM TELL IT TO THE BEES PG 14

**9** pm Gay chorus DEEP SOUTH PG 14

**10** PM VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION PARTY



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PROGRAMMER'S CHOICE AWARDS: BEST FEATURE FILM — The Garden Left Behind

BEST POCUMENTARY —The Fruit Machine BEST SHORT — Switch

AUDIENCE FAVOURITE AWARDS: BEST FEATURE FILM --

BEST POCUMENTARY -

BEST SHORT FILM -

Cast your ballots on our digital voting service with our wonderful volunteers in the lobby!

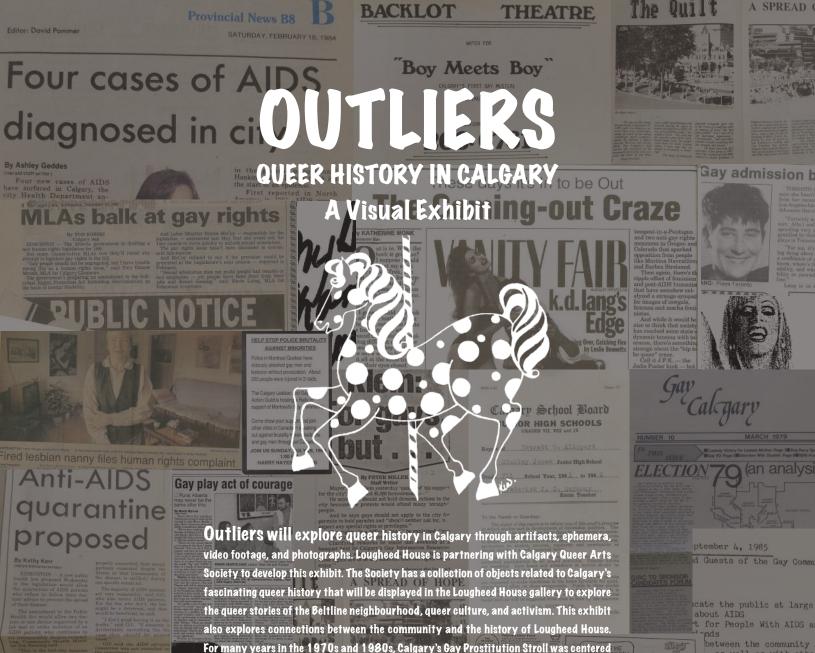
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# FAIRY TALES QUEER COMICS

From William Outcault's The Yellow Kid in the early 20th century to Trina Robbins' 1974 Girl Fight Comics to 2017's Love is Love, the comic strip and comic book have provided space for subversive and marginalized voices for more than a century. Increasingly in Western Culture we are expected not only to be literate with the printed word, but also with the language of pictures, a language that can clearly and precisely communicate representation or its lack. Drawing (pun intended) on a vast archive of queer publications from the last 45 years, the Fairy Tales Comic Exhibit demonstrates some of the ways in which this marginalized art form has given voice to marginalized queer communities. The exhibit traces some local cartoons (The Chosen Family, Doc and Raider), national and international pieces (Dykes to Look Out For), and even some mainstream representation from such powerhouse publishers as Marvel Comics and DC Comics, in an effort to showcase how queerness and queer people have been represented in the hybrid medium of comics. Such hybridity meshes nicely with concerns of queerness. The comic or cartoon is neither visual art nor literature. It stands somewhere between, able to comment on and engage with both. In many respects, the comic itself is a queering of literature. Comics and comic strips that appeared in queer magazines provided a creative venue for artists with no requirement of encoding for heterosexual audiences. These comics clearly and brilliantly illustrate both the triumphs and tragedies of being a queer person at a time when our existence was barely, if at all, acknowledged.

> Tom Miller B.A., M.A. Exhibit Curator and Comic Scholar



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MAY 9, 5:30 - 8:00 pm Outliers exhibit launch party (free, no rsvp required) MAY 14, 6:30 - 9:00 pm Living Library Panel Talk MAY 17, 6:00 - 1 1:00 pm A Tribute to Club Carousel

MAY 18, 1:00 - 2:00 pm Reading with Royalty MAY 30, 5:30 - 9:30 pm Parkside Pride

# LOUGHEED HOUSE May 8-June 8 2019

For many years in the 1970s and 1980s, Calgary's Gay Prostitution Stroll was centered around the Lougheed House gardens, known within the gay community as "the Fruit Loop". This exhibit will explore a narrative that is currently untold within the House, bringing awareness to and centering an important story in the House's history.

Curated by Tom Miller and James Demers with respect for, and support of our queer heroes and leaders; their memories, struggle and triumph. Without your commitment and dedication we would not have this history to showcase. Thank you.

# STOPPING

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FILM COLLECTIVE

7 pm - The New Central Library

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# DEEP INSIDE CLINT STARR

ANNIVERSARY SCREENING

9 pm - The New Central Library 7 pm - The New Central Library 7 & 9 pm - The PLAZA Theatre 7 pm - The New Central Library RATED: R

YOUTH MEDIA PROGRAM

Friday, May



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# TICKET AND PASS INFORMATION!

#### WE RECOMMEND MAKING LIFE EASY WITH ONE PURCHASE!

#### FESTIVAL PASS

Early-bird \$100 before May 4th! The beauty of simplicity: Includes VIP gala & all screenings. Poes not include HUMP.

# PLAN AHEAD:

Get your tickets online: **www.calgaryqueersartssociety.com** Screenings - \$10 Students/Seniors | \$15 Adults Best of HUMP Screening - \$25 **OTHER PASS OPTIONS:** 3-Film Pass (3 regular screenings) - \$40.00

Regular Festival Pass - \$120.00

#### OTHER WAYS TO BUY:

IN PERSON (from May 15-May 23) #103, 223 12th Ave. SW.

BOX OFFICE HOURS: Mon-Wed-Fri, 12pm -3pm

#### YOUR SHOWPASS TICKETS:

In order to gain entry at the door, please arrive at least 15 minutes early and present your printed ticket(s) OR show our lovely staff your tickets on your mobile device.

**PASSHOLDERS:** Please arrive 15 minutes before the first event you would like to attend to pick up your pass by presenting your Ticket or ID to our box office staff. Once you have your pass, simply flash it at our priority line-up, and you're in! Please note, for busy screenings, reserved passholder tickets are released 10 minutes prior to show time - if you arrive later, we cannot guarantee seats will still be available.

Pon't hesitate to get in touch with any questions about your order: 403.244.1956 or tickets@calgaryqueerartssociety.com

# OR DON'T PLAN AHEAD:

LIBRARY BOX OFFICE Open 30 minutes prior to shows, cash OR credit accepted. First-come, first-serve.

SCREENINGS AT THE POOR \$10 Students/Seniors/CQAS Club Members/CJSW Friends | \$15 Non-members The Best of HUMP - \$25

# ALL SEATING IN EVERY VENUE IS ON A FIRST-COME, FIRST-SERVE BASIS!

#### FAIRY TALES QUEER FILM FESTIVAL

is presented by

THE CALGARY QUEER ARTS SOCIETY:

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www.calgaryqueerartssociety.com



#### REFUNDS, EXCHANGES & SCHEDULE CHANGES

Please read all film descriptions carefully and review the film's rating before purchasing your ticket. We cannot offer refunds once a screening has begun. Exchanges can be made through the advance ticket sales box office only. Please see the Eventbrite page for our return policy.

#### FILM RATINGS

Fairy Tales Queer Film Festival rates films in accordance with the parameters outlined in the Film and Video Classification Act and Regulations. Ratings ensure all patrons have an enjoyable experience while making sure the audience is age-appropriate.

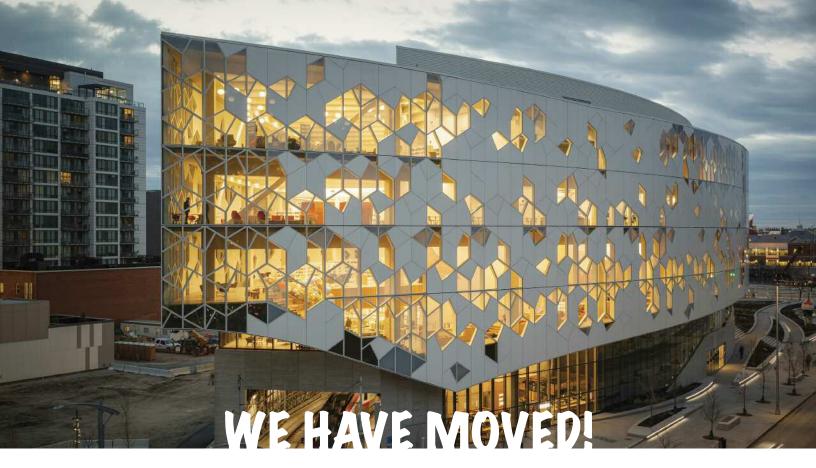
PLEASE CHECK ONLINE OR WITH THE APVANCE TICKET SALES BOX OFFICE TO PETERMINE THE RATING FOR EACH SCREENING. All screening ratings will be strictly enforced at the door, if you have a tap on the fountain of youth: earry your IP!

#### IT PAYS TO BE A FAIRY TALES TICKET HOLDER! SHOW YOUR PRINTED OR MOBILE TICKETS TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THESE GREAT DISCOUNTS DURING THE FESTIVAL!

10% off food and drink at The King Eddy

15% off admission at Studio Bell, Home of The National Music Centre

- 10% off 10 class yoga and pilates passes and 10% off single month unlimited yoga and pilates passes at Junction 9.
- 15% off tin of tea at The Naked Leaf
- 15% off at The Eden
- 10% off at Plant
- 10% off a The Beltliner 4pm-close (excludes happy hour items)
- 10% off at Eighty-Eight Brewing Co. tap room
- 10% off at Vine Arts



#### In 2019 we are thrilled to open our doors on the Fairy Tales 21st Annual Queer Film Festival in the New Central Library!

Congratulations to Calgary Queer Arts Society on a successful Fairy Tales Film Festival.

Calgary Public Library is proud to partner with Calgary Queer Arts Society to ensure that our 21 locations are welcoming and inclusive spaces. We applaud the voice they give to LGBT2S+ communities and their stories, and are grateful for their expertise, passion and experience.

Creating welcoming spaces is an active and thoughtful process. It takes listening, understanding and a willingness to keep working to make things better. And we can't do it alone. Community partnerships help the Library to be responsive to community needs, support inclusivity, and drive innovation.

Remember, the Library belongs to you and it remains one of the few free and safer spaces for all Calgarians. I invite you to learn more about the Library at calgarylibrary.ca and provide us feedback on what we can do better.

> Bill Ptacek CEO, Calgary Public Library

# to the **21** st Fairy Tales Film Festival!

#### A NOTE FROM The Programming Committee

The Programming Committee is excited to welcome you to the 21st annual Fairy Tales Queer Film Festival! Over the past 9 months, committee members have watched, rated, and discussed hundreds of hours of film. By the beginning of March, the committee boiled down those films to the selection that we thought was the very best! This process resulted in frequent jokes, and perhaps one or two arguments. Many considerations were taken into choosing this year's selection. Our critiques ranged from production quality and storyline, to representation of diverse communities, and the now famous "Is it Queer enough?" question. This year's committee members are: Pavid Melrose, Crystal Johanson, Amber Nicole, Ian Krell, James Pemers, Aaron Baranec, Charlotte Mitchell, Mike Horne, Nat Ellis, Norma Kimber, Shelby Adams, Rebecea Holm, Robyn Paul s, Aaron Baranec, Amy Pyck, and Pevang Sampat.

Part of this year's program brings you stories that highlight Queer Histories, such as the treatment of Canadian public service-people in the armed forces in The Fruit Machine (Friday May 24th); and the significance of lesbian representation in the film in Pykes, Camera, Action (Saturday May 25th). Set in 1950s small town Britain, our historical feature film is the visually appealing Tell It to the Bees (Saturday June 6th).

Historical films were balanced with a look at contemporary issues facing Queer Communities. Tackling Life (Friday May 24th) documents Germany's first gay rugby team, Gay Chorus Deep South (Saturday June 1st) uses song and celebration to respond to the wave of discriminatory anti-LGBTQ laws in the Southern U.S., and Transmilitary (Wednesday May 29th) follows U.S. military members fighting for the equal right to serve. The feature film The Garden Left Behind (Saturday May 25th) portrays the life of a Latinx trans woman and her grandmother, while the documentary Mr. Gay Syria (Saturday March 25th) showcases two Syrian refugees who are trying to rebuild their lives through the lens of a "Mr. Gay" competition.

Creating the short packages is an especially lively debate for the programming committee, and we are delighted to present 3 packages this year! The T and Other Tales (Wednesday May 29th) explores trans people's relationships with their partners, family, friends, medical professionals, and social media. Love and Loss (Friday May 3 1st) is an emotional collection addressing life's challenges and joys, including a fictional short film about asexuality. Queerly Complicated (Saturday June 1st) tells unique and absorbing stories of sex and dating.

This year's Guest Programmers are also bringing some great content including partnerships with The Treaty 7 Film Collective (Sunday May 26th), The HUMP! Film Festival (Thursday May 30th), the Youth Queer Media Program (Saturday June 1st), and Telus Storyhive (Sunday June 2nd).

Whether you're excited about a film, want to process what you saw, or wish to (kindly) challenge us on a selection, we warmly invite you to join us after the film for a Programmer's Corner in the theatre lobby.



# Special thanks

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Thank you to our CQAS Club Members! The Calgary Queer Arts Society Membership Club is a new initiative for 2019 that allows you to get involved and support CQAS while accessing great perks like ticket discounts, festival swag, access to our massive DVD library of gueer film and more! Visit www.calgaryqueerartssociety.com/become-a-member to learn more! Thank you to our first CQAS club members! DANIEL JOHNSON, ALEX NAYLOR, JOHN & ULAK, SAMANTHA JENKINS

In addition to the above people we extend our sincere gratitude to: To anyone we may have inadvertently missed, we apologize and thank you. We would like to thank all the incredible volunteers for the 2019 festival, who are amazing but could not be listed above due to print deadlines.

#### A NOTE FROM The Fairy Staff

Welcome to the 21st annual Fairy Tales Queer Film Festival!

We are so thrilled you are here. And we are so thrilled to be here too, 21 years after the 'The Fire Inside' (the first Fairy Tales Film Festival) ran for two days with the support of The Glenbow Museum (despite threats of protest and violence). 21 years later, Fairy Tales and The Calgary Queer Arts Society are not only existing and surviving, but truly flourishing and thriving. Our community has grown and diversified in that time, it has become larger, prouder and more inclusive. We know this is an ongoing journey, but one that warms our hearts and invigorates us on a daily basis.

Fairy Tales has grown to be so much more than a film festival under our new parent brand' The Calgary Queer Arts Society. We are amplifying queer voices and queer stories in so many ways - whether it's through diversity education in our OutKeels program or our annual ally-ship conference, supporting young artists through The Youth Queer Media Program, or giving a stage to everyday queer stories at The Coming Out Monologues, YYC. We continue to believe and demonstrate why these stories matter, why they belong in our communities and institutions and why they are everyone's stories.

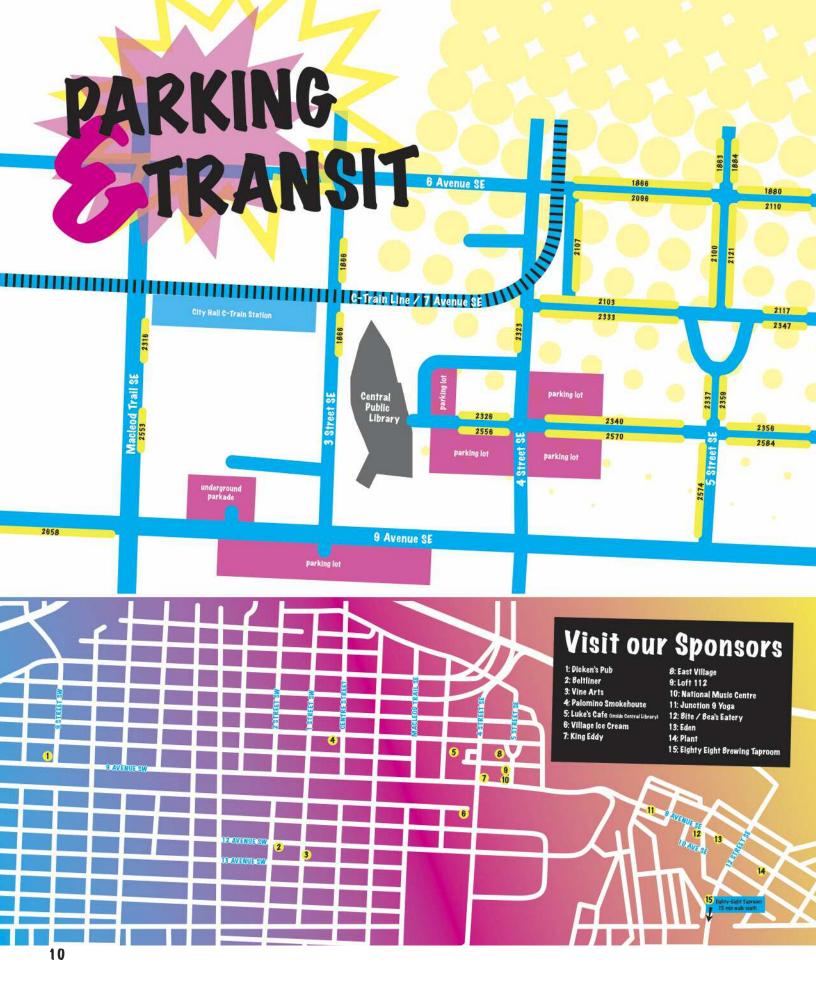
We are thrilled by the support we have seen from the community and are proud to welcome two new major program sponsors in 2018/19, including Telus Storyhive who are supporting our Youth Queer Media Program and share our values of diverse filmmaking and storytelling, and Norton Rose Fulbright LLP, who are supporting our OutReels program, ensuring diversity education is available for more Albertans who need it. We've also launched the new CQAS Membership Club and invite you to get involved and help to support our programs and initiatives year-round.

What does the next twenty years hold? Although there are challenges ahead, we continue to remain optimistic that love wins, that there is more that connects than divides us, and that our community and our world will continue to progress. Take heart, stay strong, we're in this together and there are super-queeros' everywhere!

So join us as we celebrate 21 years of heroes!

The Calgary Queer Arts Society staff





#### Thank you to our Sponsors & Donors Fairy Tales thrives because of our generous funders, sponsors and donors!



# Thursday, May

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Following Glamorous Ladies of Calgary RuPaul's Drag Race Viewing Party and Drag Show

9pm - Dickens Pub

#### 1h 19m - RATED: PG 14

(World Premiere Outfest 2018 Best Narrative Audience Award and International Feature Grand Jury Prize) Pirected by Jamie Patterson

When veteran drag queen Jackie Collins receives a diagnosis with six weeks to live, all he wants to do is perform his long-running act and behave as if all is normal. But between a surprising new friendship with a rising young queen and unfinished business with his estranged daughter, he may just have the most eventful month and a half of his life.

# Friday, May

# 7 PM - The New Central Library

# THE FRUIT MACHINE - 1h 21m - Rated: PO 14

**Directed by Sarah Fodey** 

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The documentary focuses on first person accounts of some of the thousands directly affected by the purge of gays and lesbians from the Canadian public service and armed forces in the period 1954-1989. From suspicion to surveillance to interrogation and release from employment for no other reason than sexual orientation, thousands of careers and lives were destroyed. A truly sad chapter in Canadian history. This documentary should form part of the curriculum in all Canadian high schools.

> Everett Klippert was a Calgary bus driver. He was also the last Canadian to be jailed for homosexuality. Kevin Allen, of the Calgary Gay History Project, tries to understand Klippert and his place in LGBTQ history.

#### Love Letter Rescue Squad - 7m Pirected by Megan Rossman

17m - Directed by Laura O'Grady

"Our history was disappearing as quickly as we were making it." With that realization, Peborah Edel and Joan Nestle co-founded the Lesbian Herstory Archives, the world's largest collection of materials by and about lesbians. More than 40 years later, Peb must consider the future of the collection.

GROSS INDECENCY: THE EVERETT KLIPPERT STORY

## 9 PM - The New Central Library

Germany - 2018 - 1h 33m - Rated: PG 14 - Sponsored by The Calgary European Film Festival Directed by Johannes List

Adam, Nico and Su are members of Germany's first gay rugby team, the Berlin Bruisers. Tackling Life portrays their everyday lives and follows them into the world of this dangerous niche sport, showing their struggle for recognition - in competition with the hetero regional league teams - as well as their community involvement: gathering money at colorful fundraisers and visiting schools to give anti-bullying workshops.



# Saturday, May

## 2-3 PM - The New Central Library



Inclusive & Accessible Yoga sponsored by Junction 9 Yoga and Pilates - Teacher: Alex Naylor

Junction 9 Yoga & Pilates welcomes you to an all levels, accessible and inclusive yoga class. Alex will lead a gentle yoga practice to get you into your body, out of your mind, and feeling more confident in where you are. This class was created to be gender-inclusive and open for any ability. Led from a trauma-informed background to create a sacred and trustworthy space, you can come as you are and your practice will be supported.

Poses can be modified to be conducted sitting in a chair or wheelchair, and the space is wheelchair accessible. Folding chairs will be provided as an option for those who wish to practice sitting down, and modifications will be offered for all poses to either add more challenge or provide more support. Please bring a mat, but if you forgot yours, Junction 9 will have several on hand. As a thank-you for joining us, participants will receive a complimentary Junction 9 tote and class card to a tend a class at our studio in Inglewood. Visit The Calgary Queer Arts Society Website to reserve your spot.

## 5 PM - The New Central Library

(World Premiere SXSW 2019) - 1h 28m Rated: PG 14 Sponsored by The Calgary International Film Festival



**Directed by Flavio Alves** 

Synopsis: This powerful film traces the relationship between Tina, a young Latinx trans woman, and Eliana, her grandmother, as they navigate Tina's transition and struggle to build a life for themselves as undocumented immigrants in New York City.

Due to the subject matter of The Garden Left Behind as well as some graphic content that could be triggering for some folks, the programing committee took pause to acknowledge the mixed emotions that were sparked when viewing it. The film maker showed an accurate portrait of the highs and lows of a transgender person's life while also addressing the dangerous realities that the transgender community faces everyday. While these realities are very troubling the programming committee felt it important to give voice to such stories and acknowledge them. The film touches on the intersectionality that exists in queer community that can cause barriers to accessing support systems.

**Rebecca Holm- Programming Committee** 

THE GARDEN LEFT It's HER Life, It's HER Dream BEHIND



# Saturday, May

# 7 PM - The New Central Library



Pirected by Ben Edelberg Put the Playboy centrefold in the hands of a Pyke and she will make her into a monster. A pulsating world of bug-eyed lesbian sasquatehes and vaginal caves created from reclaimed textiles. Visual artist Allyson Mitchell's shape shifting materials and colors explode off the screen on hand processed and scratched 16mm film. (World Premiere Frameline 2018) - 61m- PG 14 Sponsored by

Calgary Society of Independent Filmmakers



Directed by Caroline Berler Lesbians didn't always get to see themselves on screen. But between Stonewall, the feminist movement, and the experimental cinema of the 1970s, they built visibility, and transformed the social imagination about queerness. Filmmakers Barbara Hammer, Su Friedrich, Rose Troche, Cheryl Dunye, Yoruba Richen, Desiree Akhavan, Vicky Du, film critic B. Ruby Rich, Jenni Olson, and others share moving and often hilarious

stories from their lives and discuss how they've expressed queer identity through film. A history of queer cinema from the women who made it happen.

## 9 PM - The New Central Library

# MR GAY SYRIA

Sponsored by Centre for Newcomers logo 1hr 27m - Rated: PG 14 - Directed by Ayse Toprak

Mr. Gay Syria follows two gay Syrian refugees who are trying to rebuild their lives. Husein is a barber in Istanbul, living a double life between his conservative family and his gay identity. Mahmoud is the founder of Syria's LGBTI movement and is a refugee in Berlin. What brings them together is a dream: to participate in an international beauty contest as an escape from their trapped lives and an answer to their invisibility. Will the dream come true or will the refugee crisis and the harsh consequences of being gay in the Muslim world shatter it to pieces?



Sunday, May

# 11 AM - The New Central Library READING WITH ROYALT

Reading with Royalty is an initiative created from a partnership between Calgary Pride, The Calgary Public Library, Calgary Queer Arts Society and ATB Financial. It celebrates diversity and encourages children to look beyond gender stereotypes and embrace exploration of self. Through a story read by a drag performer, participants are able to see people who interpret gender and imagine a colourful world where people can express their identity freely.

Spark your imagination and celebrate inclusion and diver sity with our new glamourous family-friendly storytime program, led by local drag queens, kings and monarchs. FREE. Open to all ages.

# Sunday, May

# 7 PM - The New Central Library

Content Warning: Some films include violence and/or nudity. This shorts package is recommended for viewers 16+

# HERE N' QUEER: NOT GOING ANYWHERE

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#### Sponsored by Making Treaty 7 Cultural Society

Panni Black/Sui Taa Kii is a Niitsitapi Filmmaker, storyteller, indigiqueer, and matriarch in the making. She graduated from the Adam Beach Film Insitutute in Winnipeg, and founded the Treaty 7 Film Collective in Móhkinstsis, an extension of the Indigenous Filmmakers Association. The goals of the collective is deeply rooted in empowering representation. Run by four women of colour, Treaty 7 Film is dedicated to uplifting the stories of local filmmakers from the Indigenous, Black, POC, immigrant, and L&BTQ2S\* communities. The collective is a grassroots, PIY initiative that chooses to create media that represents our histories and identities, allowing our members to be unapologetically themselves not just on screen, but within society as a whole.

Treaty 7 Film Collective would also like to acknowledge the support of Carolyn Wu in selecting these films!



DEGAGA Thoko Masikini - 4:21 m

Pe-&aga is a proof of concept for a sitcom that follows the lives of four queer friends of colour as they navigate life, love, sex, career and what it means to be an adult in a world that is in flux. Pe-&aga as a piece of work sheds a light on a generation and collective that has been underrepresented. Ultimately Pe-&aga is a conversation piece that is bold, brash and unapologetic.

#### LATER, IN THE LIFE Tamai Kobayashi - 9:55 m

Two middle-aged butch lesbians of colour, once activists, come to a crossroads in their friendship when one of them starts dating.

NITE RIDE Danni Black & Olivia Golosky - 13 m Four friends go on an evening bike ride while, unbeknown to them, they are being followed by supernatural creatures of the night.



#### WHO WILL HEAR MY SIGH

Mel Vee - 5:12 m A woman, reflecting on her experiences as a maid in Canada, wonders who will listen to her story; who will hear her sigh?

TWISTED MACHINE Carolyn Wu (trailer) - 2:37 m A Chinese-Canadian lesbian teenager captains her hockey team against the will of her mother, while dating her powerhouse jock of a teammate in secrecy.



EMERGE: STONE BRAIDS Evelyn Pakinewatik - 8:37 m Pocumenting the lives of loved ones during the inaugural Indigenous Fashion Week

#### **POSITIONS** Justin Ducharme - 12 m

A simple and naturalistic approach to a day in the life of an indigiqueer, male sex worker as he visits his clients. Positions is an unapologetic and realist exploration of sexual desire, the quest for financial stability, and the pursuit of agency over one's own body.

LOCAL DEGENERATES Nofac3/Khrysta Lloren - 5 m Local Pegenerates is a documentary web series that features Calgary's Queer Underground scene. From drag events such as Pink Flamingos, to queer pop-up dance parties like Fudge Packer Friday, the series explores a collective of artistic, fashion-conscious underground subculture that encourages weirdness and experimentation.

#### WHEN WINDS CRASH

Ryan Cooper - 5 m When Winds Crash is a short documentary exploring the life of John Paul, a makeup wearing genderfluid diva living on reserve.



Sunday, May



FATF\*CK Oliver King - 5 m Korvan Little-Feather is a has-been Indigenous child star vying to revive his past experiences as a celebrity but he is finding quickly that to be who he wants he has to change everything about himself.

# Sunday, May This event is free to attend or pay-what-you-can!

9 PM - The New Central Library



# DEEP INSIDE CLINT STARR

Pirected by Clint Alberta - 1h 28min - RATED: PG 14

Sponsored by Sled Island and Media Queer, Courtesy of the National Film Board Take a hilarious and bittersweet journey into the hearts and minds of some very ordinary, extraordinary young Canadians with this feature-length documentary. The filmmaker, assuming the role of Clint Star, seeks out his far-flung buddies, young Natives like himself. They talk about sex and life, love and abuse, and 500 years of oppression—all with humour, grace and courage.



# Monday, May

## 7 PM - The New Central Library - BMO Community Room



**Facilitated by JAMES DEMERS** 

This workshop is an introduction to the language, context, and history of the LGBTQ2+ community, including resources for youth, teachers, and families. Free and open to the public.

9 PM - The New Central Library

## **PAPI CHULO**

Directed by John Butler - RATED: PG 14 Sponsored by

The Calgary Underground Film Festival A solitary and alienated television weatherman "hires" a middle-aged Latino migrant worker to be his friend, in this darkly comedic reflection on class, ethnicity, and companionship in contemporary Los Angeles.



## 7 PM - The New Central Library

# Wednesday, May

Shorts Package

# THE T AND OTHER TALES 92 min (RATER FO 14



#### THE T - Episodes 1-2

**Directed by Daniel Kyri and Bea Cordelia** Synopsis: Winner of the coveted Streamy Award for best Indie web series, THE T follows Jo and Carter, a young trans woman and gueer Black man, as they learn how to be best friends in the wake of their romantic relationship and Jo's transition

Framing Agnes - 20m **Directed by Chase Joynt, Kristen Schilt** 

In the late 1950s, a woman named Agnes approached the UCLA Medical Center seeking sex reassignment surgery. Her story was long considered to be exceptional and singular until never-before-seen case files of other patients were found in 2017. Watch as preeminent trans culture-makers of our time breathe new life into those who redefined gender in the midcentury. Starring Zackary Drucker (Transparent), Angelica Ross (Pose), Silas Howard (By Hook or By Crook), and Max Wolf Valerio (The Testosterone Files).



THE T - Episodes 3-4 **Directed by Daniel Kyri and Bea Cordelia** 

In Mv Mother's Closet - 13m Pirected by Adri Almeida & Carolyn Wu In My Mother's Closet' explores the intersections of being brown, trans, and a woman. Through song, Adri reconciles the struggle of wanting to belt out her truth while not wanting to risk her relationship with her religious mother. With the support of her best friend, she perseveres.

SOCIAL JUSTICE NIGHT

THE T - Episodes 5-6 **Directed by Daniel Kyri and Bea Cordelia** 



Missed Connections - 15m **Directed by Brandon Ho** Two strangers meet and form a bond at a festival,

but they forget to exchange contact info. As they search for one another in the real world, their posts go viral, as they navigate their careers, lives, and society's expectations of them as Black, female, and transgender. An LGBT love story.



## 9 PM - The New Central Library



#### Pirected by Gabriel Silverman - 1h 32m

Around 15,500 transgender people serve in the U.S. military, where they must conceal their gender identity because military policies ban their service. TRANSMILITARY chronicles the lives of four individuals defending their country's freedom while fighting for their own. They put their careers and their families' livelihoods on the line by coming out as transgender to top brass officials in the Pentagon in hopes of attaining the equal right to serve. The ban was lifted in 2016, but with President Trump now trying to reinstate it, their futures hang in the balance again.

World Premiere: SXSW 2018, Audience Award Winner Poc Feature

## 7 & 9 PM - The Plaza Theatre

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See our HUMP! guide for details!

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for learning, discussion and empathy.

#### **OUTREELS WORKSHOPS:**

#### LGBT 101:

This workshop is an introduction to the language, context, and history of the LGBTQ2+ community, including resources for youth, teachers, and families.

#### LGBT 101 for GSA's:

This workshop is an introduction to the language, context and identities, for Jr High to High School age students, teachers and GSA's

#### **Developing Ally-Ship:**

This workshop includes ways to engage in effective ally-ship, both in a personal and professional context, as well as tools to help develop new relationships with the community.

#### Trans & Non-Binary 101:

This workshop will explore the language, lived experience, and context of Trans people and their families. The workshop is an open braver space learning opportunity, all participants are welcome.

#### Trans & Non-Binary 101 in the Workplace:

This will include social and professional capacity building for working with Trans/Non-Binary co-workers, friends, family members, as well as addressing myths and challenges. This is a HR competency building workshop and can be paired with policy consultation.

**Diversity Education Program** 

<sup>-</sup> Reels

If you are interested in booking an OUTReels event, please contact James Demers at:

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you to facilitate a discussion on a topic of your choice. Our films,

and the remarkable dialogue that follows, will stimulate, inspire,

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# 7 PM - The New Central Library

# Friday, May

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This year's YOUTH QUEER MEPIA PROGRAM gives you the opportunity to look through the eyes of our emerging filmmakers, seeing what life looks like from their point of view. This year, the films include original music and animation, with a unique perspective on queer identity in a contemporary world, these filmmakers will make you see and think in new ways. Come champion young filmmakers at their world premiere!

Reaching Out empowered young activists in Metro Vancouver Pride Clubs and Gender & Sexuality Alliances (GSAs) to produce and share videos aimed at making change and building networks of allies within their local communities. This project engaged youths in Vancouver, Coquitlam, and Burnaby, providing them with extensive professional support and mentorship from filmmakers and educators. Through this project, young people created videos to communicate important social justice messages, and to engage their school and communities.

#### Bobbi and Sheelagh - 12m Directed by Barb Taylor

Bobbi meets a mythological creature whose ancient battle for acceptance helps Bobbi overcome her own fears of being herself - a young lesbian. This animated short has been created in a traditional method with thousands of hand painted cells and pencil crayon backgrounds. Featuring Canadian actor Nisha Ahuja and Irish actor Mel Bradley.

#### Silvia In The Waves - 13m

Pirected by Giovana Olmos Noa struggles to honor the identity of his recently deceased parent while his mother tries to uphold the appearance of a conventional family. Grief and fantasy entwine to reveal the complex relationship between history and erasure, identity and memory.

# Siblings In Transition

#### Freaky Friends

#### By Nicholas Tufts and Aidan Vair

A conservationist/cryptozoologist and his begrudging co-host help local Canadian cryptids with their problems, all while educating kids on wildlife, healthy relationships, nutrition and acceptance.

The Evening Botanists are a Calgary-based artist group consisting of Aidan Vair and Nicholas Tufts. They began collaborating during their time at Alberta University of the Arts. Their work is defined by its experimentation, often changing and combining multiple mediums. Freaky Friends is their first foray into filmmaking.

#### The Lying Truths

A young child finds themself at a mysterious desert oasis and must confront a monster to find freedom

Matthew Oliver van Piepen is a drag performer, artist and poet currently residing in Calgary. He has a passion for the fellow Pisabled Queer Performers he has found himself surrounded by, and can't wait to see all the mind-blowing beauty they're creating on a daily basis. Find more about him online as Naphtal 2 on Patreon, oliver\_twirl on Instagram, or at many upcoming Calgary drag shows as Oliver Twirl.





OUTReels and the YOUTH QUEER MEPIA PROGRAM are supported by our generous partners at: EMMEPIA & NORTON ROSE FULBRIGHT CANAPA LLP

"Could a greater miracle take place than for us to look through each other's eyes for an instant?" -Henry Pavid Thoreau

# Friday, May

## 9 PM - The New Central Library

#### Shorts Package LOVE AND LOSS 91 min - RATED: P@ 14

Appel en Absence (Missed call) - 1m Directed by Kevin Cappel A voicemail from Mom asking if her son has a girlfriend, as he is taking makeup off of his face.

#### LIFE AFTER - 13w Directed by Ria Tobaccow

"Life After" is about Nisha, a single mother and Indian immigrant, who travels to New York City to clear out her daughter Zara's apartment. Out of her element in the big city. Nisha discovers surprising new details about Zara. With help from her best friend and a stranger. Nisha uncovers the truth about her daughter's life.

#### First Girl I Loved - 5m Directed by Anna Yuen

Content Warning: Discussions of Domestic Violence A short documentary interviewing queer women about the first girl they loved.

#### Teddy - 1 1m

Directed by Christopher Sweeney What would you sacrifice for the ones you love? The tragic events

of one night have robbed Paul of almost everything, and now he must decide if he is ready to step up and honour his best friend's final wish. The debut short film from filmmaker Christopher Sweeney, a touching L&BTQ drama about love and friendship.

#### End Conversion Therapy - 8m

Pirected by Zachary Clarence, Miranda Huba Content warning: Contains scenes of shock therapy and abuse A survivor of conversion therapy navigates the New York dating scene.

#### Infinite While it Lasts - 18m

**Director and Screenplay by Akira Kamiki** 

Synopsis: After falling in love at a party, Danny and Seiji Just want to be together. However, their differences might prove stronger than their feelings. The first fiction film about asexuality.

## 1-3:30PM - East Village

#### PRIDE RIDE

Sponsored by East Village, Bass Bus & Bike Calgary, get out your bike and join us for a family-friendly inclusive bike ride along Calgary's beautiful river paths! Meet at The Plaza Theatre (1 133 Kensington Road NW) at 1pm where you'll enjoy some lovely riding with your guides at Bike Calgary, ending up in C-Square in the East Village, where you'll enjoy tunes courtesy of Bass Bus and snack on some of Calgary's best food trucks. THIS EVENT IS FREE TO ATTEND!



# 5 PM - The New Central Library Shorts Package QUEERLY COMPLICATED

RATED: PG 14

Threesome - 3m Pirected by Jessica King F\*ck Yes is a modern sex ed series focused on improving communication (and sex) between consenting adults. In this episode, a couple negotiates a threesome.

#### Switch - 18m

Pirected by Marion Renard Puring her first sexual experience, a teenager discovers she has an unsettling peculiarity. A modern-day tale of sexual development and self-acceptance.

#### Fuck The Boxes - 10m

Pirected by Abel Rubinstein Fuck The Boxes is about a gay teen Dan who falls in love with a non-binary female friend Ray, dealing with his first ever vagina! We want to portray non-binary people in a realistic way whilst challenging the labels of many sexualities. Gender is becoming more fluid, does this mean our sexuality will too? It certainly does for our protagonist, Dan. Our relatable comedic drama aims to entertain, sometimes outrageously, whilst tackling these issues.

**Positions** - 12m Directed by Justin Ducharme A simple and naturalistic app

A simple and naturalistic approach to a day in the life of an indigiqueer, male sex worker as he visits his clients. Positions is an unapologetic and realist exploration of sexual desire, the quest for financial stability, and the pursuit of agency over one's own body.

Maybe Today - 3m Pirected by Sarah Rotella The lines between reality and fantasy become blurred, when a woman who has feelings for her best friend imagines what their relationship could be if she acted on them.

#### ENGAGED (2019) - 16m Directed by Pavid Scala A guy tries to propose to his bf multiple times, but it's never as perfect as he had imagined.

The Things You Think I'm Thinking (2017) - 14m Pirected by Sherren Lee A black male burn-survivor and amputee goes on a date with

a regularly-abled man for the first time since his accident.

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Saturd<mark>ay</mark>, June

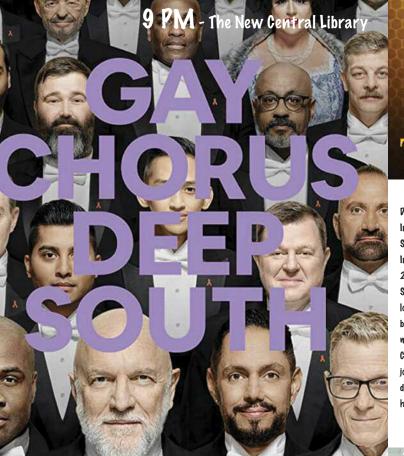
# Saturday, June

## 7 PM - The New Central Library



#### Sponsored by Femme Wave

Directed by Directed by Annabel Jankel - 1h 48 - RATED: PG 14 Based on the novel by Fiona Shaw, Tell It To The Bees is a story of courage in the face of terrifying intolerance. Award winner Anna Paquin and Holliday Grainger star in this wrenching drama of a shunned small-town doctor and beekeeper in postwar Britain who befriends a struggling mother and son, helping them discover that love can be found in many forms.



#### ACADENY ANALOS WITTE ANNA PAQUIN HOLLIDAY GRAINGER

A FILM BY ANNABEL JANKEL

Directed by David Charles - RATED: PG 14 In partnership with the Calgary Men's Chorus Sponsored by The National Music Centre



In response to a wave of discriminatory anti-LGBTQ laws in Southern states and the divisive 2016 election, the San Francisco Gay Men's Chorus embarks on a tour of the American Deep South. Joined by allies The Oakland Interfaith Gospel Choir, they bring a message of music, love and acceptance, to communities and individuals confronting intolerance. The journey brings them into people's homes, churches and concert halls, for a celebration of the power of music to unite us in a time of difference. The trip also forces Tim and a handful of other Chorus members who fled the South, to confront their own fears, pain and prejudices, on a journey towards reconciliation. What emerges is a less divided America, where the lines that divide us; faith, politics, sexual identity are erased through the soaring power of music, humanity and a little drag.



#### CLOSING NIGHT & VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION PARTY featuring WARES!

Sponsored by The King Eddy

You've worked hard, you've played hard...now it's time to play some more! Join us for our closing night and volunteer appreciation party at The King Eddy. Featuring a performance by Edmonton-based rock band WARES and PeVery Bess PJ spinning tunes, this event is

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Kick back, relax and celebrate with new and old friends of Fairy Tales!



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## Sunday, June

#### **Shorts Package**

# TES 2PM - The New Central Library - RATED: PG

sponsored by Telus Spectrum in partnership with Humainologie

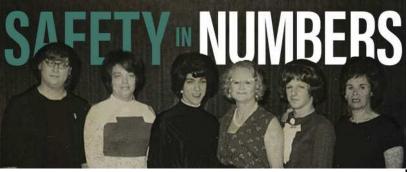


#### **The Mind Place**

Momo Movement presents The Mind Palace, a contemporary, co-created performance exploring the inner workings of the ensemble members' imaginations. This fantastical show will take you on a journey through the landscapes, emotions and visions of each individual. Prepare for the unexpected. Featuring set design and costume pieces by artists from the Indefinite Arts Centre, music by Eric Smith, and an accessible theatre experience for every body made possible by Inside Out Theatres', Good Host Program.

Concept co-created by the ensemble and Kyra Newton, choreography by Kathy Austin, Shannon Parker, Chawna Exner and Kyra Newton.

Contact the Momo office at 403-452-1220 to arrange to buy tickets in cash or visit the link to buy online now.



Pirected by Melinda Friedman - 16 min

What was it like to be transgender before there was such a thing as a trans community? Pioneers who grew up in the 1950s and 1960s reflect on their personal experience, while young people in the community today offer their own stories.



SP Holman self-identifies as "butch," a label that she and others in her community have reclaimed. Her inspiring story has challenged traditional definitions of masculinity and femininity in surprising ways.

#### THE TWO HUMANOLOGY PROJECT

#### under an umbrella we met I OLIVER

Actor, dancer, singer, animator, filmmaker, artist, advocate, volunteer, sibling, partner. These are all terms Oliver uses to describe himself. He also claims the identities of drag monarch, transgender, and queer. Oliver knew at a fairly young age that he would make the transition, and wants to be identified as trans for the rest of his life. He recognizes that he is who he is because of his lived experience, which is deeply rooted in where he came from and the journey he is on.

#### under an umbrella we met I BREE

Bree is Calgarian. She is an avid gym-goer, she has completed a bunch of obstacle courses and she loves her family and her dogs. She also happens to be trans and lesbian. Bree didn't always identify with those labels. Finding herself and taking the steps to be her authentic self has been an ongoing process and the most challenging thing she has encountered in her life.



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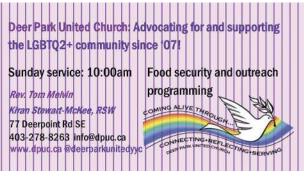
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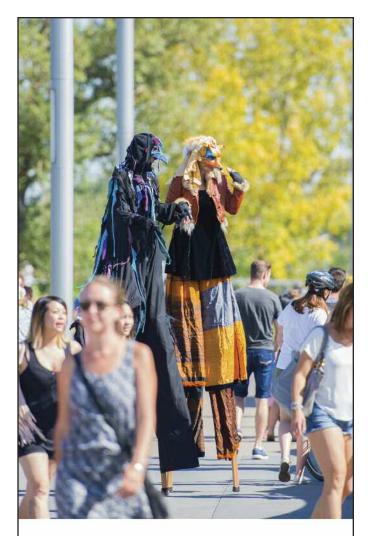






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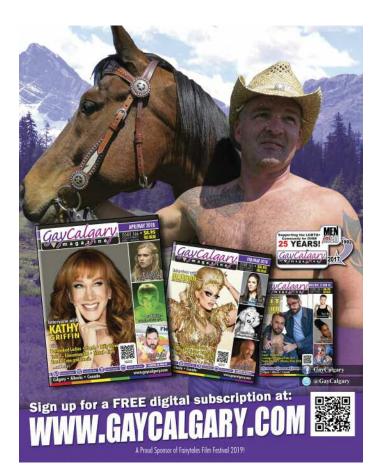
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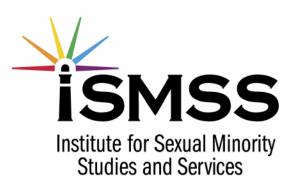
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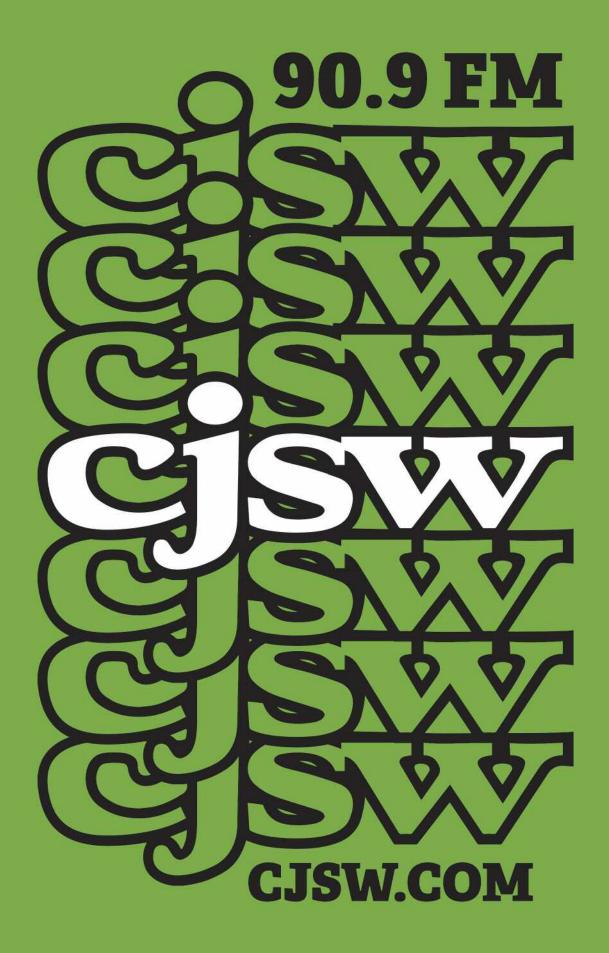
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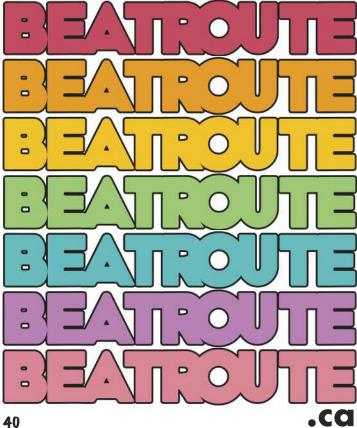
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