

This year marks the 9th annual LGBTI+ Awareness Week in Cork City: in recognition of the work done by the LGBTI+ Inter-Agency Group since its inception, it was awarded the Ally Award at the GALAS - Ireland's LGBTI+ Awards. This year we celebrate the many Allies we have made in Cork.

In 2002 Cork City was the only local authority in the country to include an LGBTI+ specific objective in its development plan and created an Inter-Agency Group to advance this objective: *“Objective 86 The gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender communities will be enabled to fully participate in the social, cultural and economic life of Cork City.”* This objective is re-affirmed in Pure Cork: An Action Plan for the City 2016-2021.

Since 2011 the Inter-Agency group has organised an LGBTI+ Awareness Week in May to coincide with the International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia and Biophobia IDAHO/ IDAHOBIT Day to demonstrate that it's the job of the city, its public agencies and communities to challenge homophobia, biophobia and transphobia and not just the job of LGBTI+ organisations or individuals. Cork can take pride in the alliances it has fostered locally, nationally and internationally.

In 2014 Cork City made history by becoming the first local authority to fly the Rainbow Flag formally from a civic or public building on the island of Ireland. This Rainbow Flag, gifted by the City and County of San Francisco our twin city, has been flown for every significant occasion since including LGBTI Awareness Weeks, Pride festivals and to signal solidarity with LGBTI+ communities.

We've continued to build on those links with our sister city: in April a Memorandum of Understanding was to pursue exchanges and co-operation to increase awareness and inclusion of LGBTQ+ communities and to pursue membership of the International Rainbow Cities Network.

LGBTI+ organisations, public agencies, elected representatives and community organisations within the city have flown the flag for LGBTI+ inclusion, this year we invite you to join us as an ally and fly the flag too to help create a city that is truly a republic of equals & allies.

We are delighted that LGBTI+ Awareness Events will take place right across the city and in Cork County in academic, civic, community, corporate and cultural spaces.

Our warm thanks to Cork City Council, Cork County Council, Cork City Central Library, Triskel Arts Centre, St Annes Inclusive Church Shandon, Cumann na Daoine Youghal, Nano Nagle Place, Crawford Art Gallery, LINC and Republic of Work for hosting LGBTI+ awareness events.

Throughout Cork LGBTI+ Awareness Week agencies and communities will distribute the specially designed posters, leaflets and flags to enable you to signal your support as an Ally for LGBTI+ Inclusion.

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Siobhán O'Dowd, Chair

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**LGBTI+ AWARENESS WEEK**  
MAY 11<sup>TH</sup> - 18<sup>TH</sup>, 2019

{ Cork LGBTI+ Inter-Agency Steering Group }

AT HOME, AT SCHOOL, AT WORK OR AT PLAY  
WE NEED ALLIES

AND ALL OF US CAN BE ALLIES!!

#AlliesForInclusionCork

#ProudToBeAnAllyCork



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## SUNDAY MAY 12TH

10.15am **IDAHOT/IDAHOBIT DAY SERVICE**  
*with congregation of St Annes Shandon, Rev Sarah Marry, LGBTI+ community members, family and friends*

Venue: St. Annes Inclusive Church  
Music: Choral Con Fusion

## MONDAY 13TH MAY

4.45pm **CORK LGBTI AWARENESS WEEK LAUNCH**

4.45pm **CEREMONIAL RAISING RAINBOW FLAG AT CORK CITY HALL**  
*Followed by Formal launch of LGBTI Week by Lord Mayor Cllr Mick Finn*

Music: Choral Con Fusion  
Venue: Atrium, Civic Offices, Cork City Hall  
Acknowledging our LGBTI Inter Agency - Allies

5.45pm **Reception**

## TUESDAY 14TH MAY

11-1pm **ALLIES RAISE THE RAINBOW ACROSS CORK CITY & COUNTY**

11am **County Mayor Cllr Patrick Gerard Murphy raise Rainbow Flag over Cork County Hall followed by raising of flags Cork County Council divisional Offices**

11.30am **President Barry O'Connor raises Rainbow Flag with Allies in Cork Institute of Technology**

12pm **Representatives of Tusla and HSE raise the Rainbow Flag at Arás Slainte, Wilton Rd.**

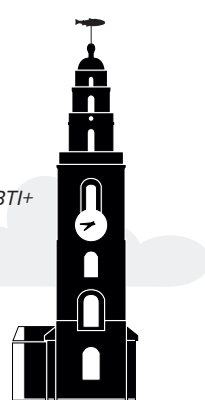
12.30pm **English Market Traders raise Rainbow Flags in the English Market**

1pm **Newbury Community group raises Rainbow Flag**

6.30pm **STONEWALL EXHIBITION – CORK CITY CENTRAL LIBRARY**  
*Formal opening: Lord Mayor Cllr Mick Finn*

Speakers: Orla Egan Cork LGBTI+ Archive & Padraig Rice Gay Project

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## WEDNESDAY 15TH MAY

2.15- 5pm **ALLIES FOR YOUTH BRIEFING ON LGBTI+ YOUTH STRATEGY**  
Presentations: LGBTI+ InterAgency Group, UpCork LGBTI+ Youth Project, Gay Project, LINC, CIT LGBTI+ Schools project & Sexual Health Centre.

**Briefing: Olive McGovern, Principal Officer Department of Children & Youth Affairs**  
Venue: Nano Nagle Place  
Contact: Padraig Rice / padraig@gayproject.ie

5.15 -7pm **NATIONAL LGBTI+ YOUTH STRATEGY BRIEFING FOR YOUNG PEOPLE**  
by Olive McGovern, Department of Children & Youth Affairs  
Venue: LINC  
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## THURSDAY 16TH MAY

9.30 -1pm **LGBTI+ ALLIES AT WORK - WHAT WORKS IN THE WORKPLACE? LAUNCH OF ALLIES POSTER**

Venue : Republic of Work



Series of presentations from different workplace initiatives including Dublin City Council LGBTI+ Staff Network, UCC LGBTI+ Allies Scheme, HSE National LGBTI+ Network, inputs from private sector workplaces and employees and from IBEC, Chamber of Commerce and One Movement - the trade union alliance in Cork. All generating a useful conversation on how being an LGBTI+ inclusive workplace works for both employees and employers."

Admission free but you must book » Eventbrite link : <https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/lgbti-allies-what-works-in-the-workplace-tickets-60740244707>

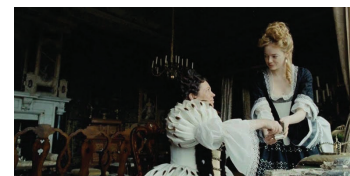
2.30pm **LGBTI+ ALLIES IN ART**  
Explore the LGBTI+ themes in the Mary Swanzy/Voyages and Andrew Kearney/Mechanism Exhibitions and in the Crawford's permanent collection with Assistant Curator Michael Waldron

Venue : The Crawford Art Gallery

## FRIDAY 17TH MAY

6.30pm - 9 **CULTURE NIGHT AT TRISKEL SCREENING THE FAVOURITE**

6.30pm Wine Reception sponsored by Coolgrey Creative Agency.



Admission free but you must book » Eventbrite link: [https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/lgbti-awareness-week-culture-night-screening-of-the-favourite-tickets-60574468867?utm\\_term=eventurl\\_text](https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/lgbti-awareness-week-culture-night-screening-of-the-favourite-tickets-60574468867?utm_term=eventurl_text)



## SATURDAY 18TH MAY

2-5pm **RAINBOW PICNIC IN THE PEOPLES PARK**  
Family fun day with Food market and musical performances from Barrack St Band, Shandon UKE Ensemble and Cork Academy of Music.

2.15-4.15 **PLAYFUL PARADIGM**  
introducing an added fun dimension this year with the help of Cork Sports Partnership.

3-4pm **OUT-LIT OUTSIDE**  
LGBTI+ Bookclub – Reading in the Park



## CORK COUNTY LGBTI+ AWARENESS EVENTS



### Saturday 11th May :

3-5pm **YOUGHAL LGBTI+ NETWORK**  
LGBTI+ Pop –Up Café:  
Meet up and learn about the events taking place during Cork LGBTI+ Awareness Week

Venue: Cumann na Daoine, Catherine St, Youghal

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7pm **FROM THE BOG TO THE MOON -**  
Alisha Doody & Hayley Fox Roberts present multi-media performance exploring LGBTI+ rural lives.

Further performances to follow in Skibbereen & Mallow

Venue: Cumann na Daoine, Catherine Street, Youghal

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