

MOVING TRANS HISTORY FORWARD 2025 PRESENTER INFORMATION

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Andrychowicz, Patrycja

Sociologist and activist from Poland, currently based in Sweden. Member of Polish Society of Sexual and Reproductive Health.



Arnold, Trina

Trina, RN, MPH is a senior instructor and director, faculty development in the College of Nursing at the University of Manitoba. She supports leadership and oversees faculty onboarding and mentorship.





Bakaitis, Elvis

"Bakaitis serves on the University LGBTQ Council and as a board member of CLAGS: The Center for LGBTQ Studies, advocating for queer, trans and gender non-conforming students across CUNY.



Bessette, Raphaël

Raphaël Bessette is completing their PhD at Concordia University in the Humanities program on the parallel practices of direct animation and trans prosthetic design.



Bhana, Kiran

Kiran Bhana (they/them) is a first year MA student in the UBC History Department. They study gender deviance and the colonial British state in nineteenth-century Punjab under Dr. Anne Murphy.





Billund-Phibbs, Myra

Myra Billund-Phibbs is a historian, library worker, and PhD student in History at the University of Minnesota.



Blacklock, Trinity

Trinity Blacklock is a history student at UVic. They are the current UVSS Board Representative for the Pride Collective and are passionate about making campus a safe and inclusive space.



Bošnjak, Eva

Eva Bosnjak is an equity, diversity, and inclusion practitioner working to identify drivers of exclusion to increase experiences of inclusion and belonging in organizations across Canada.





Brightwell, Laura

Dr. Laura Brightwell writes about femmephobia, queer mothering, and queer history. She is interested in networks of femme knowledge creation and building more femme theories.



Burnett, Alex Melody

Alex Melody Burnett (she/hers) is a PhD candidate in the joint History and Women's and Gender Studies program at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.



Chen, Yo-Ling

Yo-Ling Chen is an aspec trans nonbinary activist and independent scholar based in Taipei who specializes in transgender studies, asexuality studies, Taiwan studies, and intellectual history.





Choquette, Elio

Elio's work mixes architecture, photography & writing. They curate Here We Will Be, a queer joy archive funded by Canada Council. Their work on queer space has been featured in journals & anthologies.



Ciavarella, Sophia

Sophia Ciavarella is an MSW student at UVic. She has an extensive background in community care. She is passionate about uplifting 2S/LGBTQIA+ community knowledge and the ways we care for each other.



Clark, Dr. Marty

Dr. Marty Clark is an Associate Professor in the Department of Health and Physical Education. Marty's teaching and research focuses on the sociohistorical analysis of sport.





Crompton, Constance

Constance Crompton, Canada Research Chair in Digital Humanities at uOttawa, directs the Humanities Data Lab and researches LGBTQ+ data projects, including the Transgender Media Portal.



Denny, Dallas

Dallas Denny was the first voice thousands of transpeople heard when they reached out for help. She writes prolifically and has led several national nonprofits and conferences. See www.dallasdenny.com



Dolcecore, Gio

Mx. Gio Dolcecore is an assistant professor in the Department of Child Studies and Social Work. Clinical Social Worker and educator, Gio's research focuses on equity and inclusion of all people.





Dragushan, Sky

Sky Dragushan (they/them) is currently completing their BA in Art History at UVic. Passionate about Trans+ ephemera and Libraries, Sky is a VKURA Scholar, Lowens Fellow, and fantasy book enthusiast.



Evoy, Jacob

Evoy (they/them) is a recent Ph.D. graduate who examines experiences and identities that meet at the intersection of intergenerational trauma and queerness.



Feir, Donn

Donn L. Feir is a Professor of Economics at the University of Victoria. Donn is an applied econometrician and labour economist who studies group-based inequality.





findlay, barbara

barbara findlay is a fat old white cisgender queer lawyer with disabilities, who was raised working class and christian in Regina. She has been working on trans legal issues for more than 30 years.



Finlay, Toby Anne

Toby Anne Finlay is a Vanier Scholar who studies the histories of trans healthcare and activism in Toronto. Toby Anne is co-editing a special issue of Australian Feminist Studies about Susan Stryker.



Gannon-Day, Jada

Jada Gannon-Day is an M.A. student in anthropology and CSPT. Jada's research centres on the political implications of cyber-capitalism, including employer and state surveillance of migrant workers.





Gould, Wren Ariel

Wren A. Gould is a PhD Candidate in Social and Behavioural Health Sciences at the University of Toronto and a co-researcher on the DARE study.



Green, Jamison

Jamison Green is an author, activist, legal scholar, and peripatetic West coast inhabitant.



Gümüşpala, Şansal

Şansal is a PhD student from Türkiye focusing on gender, sexuality, and immigration. They have been participating in civic engagement for queer rights through academic and artistic means.





Haefele-Thomas, Ardel

Chair of LGBT Studies at City College of San Francisco. Author of Introduction to Transgender Studies and numerous essays on trans literature and culture.



Haimson, Oliver

Oliver Haimson is Assistant Professor at University of Michigan, author of Trans Technologies, and a social computing researcher focused on how marginalized people use and envision technologies.



Hamaguchi, Ren (Hama)

Hama is a 2024 Community-based Fellow and Queer Senior Trans who has been involved in LGBTQ activism in Japan for over twenty years and worked at the first LGBT counselling hotline for over ten years.





Harton, Megan

Megan Harton (they/them), a Canadian artist, crafts works exploring people, place, and memory. Their interdisciplinary work spans international platforms, bridging art, technology, and society.



Hill, Rae

Rae is the founder of Origami Customs, a trans clothing brand and community program in Montreal. This program provides life-changing items to people facing financial barriers.



Horak, Laura

Laura Horak directs Carleton University's Transgender Media Lab and Portal. Author of "Girls Will Be Boys," she researches film history in the US, Canada & Sweden.





Jacobsen, Kai

Kai (they/them) is a trans nonbinary PhD student in Interdisciplinary Studies at UBC. Their research focuses on improving gender-affirming care using strengths-based, patient-centered approaches.



Jefferies, Daze

Daze Jefferies is coauthor of Autoethnography and Feminist Theory at the Water's Edge (Palgrave 2018) and her multidisciplinary work has exhibited at galleries across Canada.



Jordans, Samantha

Am transgender woman born in Uganda, a social worker by professional and Human rights advocates for Queer rights with six years of experience. Am Executive Director of the FIL Center.





Jussila, Utu-Tuuli

Utu-Tuuli Jussila (aka Jussi Lautu) is a visual artist and PhD researcher based in Helsinki, Finland. Their research focuses on the visual representations of non-binary genders.



Kia, Hannah

"Access to healthcare for transgender people in Argentina: Debates about medical authority"

This presentation explores the discourses of health professionals regarding their experiences when caring for transgender patients in Argentina within the context of the crisis of medical authority. It is based on an article published in the Revista Interdisciplinaria de Estudios de Género (Farji Neer, 2022).

I hold a PhD in Social Sciences from the University of Buenos Aires and I am an Assistant Researcher at the National Council for Scientific and Technical Research (Argentina).



Kinsey, R.L.

R. L. Kinsey is a Black trans archival scholar. By exploring the material legacies of his queer progenitors, he strives to encourage new perspectives on what is possible to recover about the past.





Laterra, Pato

Pato is an economist and a PhD candidate in social sciences (Universidad de Buenos Aires). He combines feminist economics and trans studies to explore the social organization of care of trans people.



Lee, Maxine

Maxine J. Lee is an Associate Professor of Economics at San Francisco State University. Maxine's primary research interest is in investigating the economic disparity by gender and sexual identity.



Lefebvre, Danielle

I'm a Registered Psychologist and 5th year PhD Counselling student at the University of Calgary. My areas of interest are body image, gender, and gender euphoria. I also enjoy reading and hiking.





Lubinsky, Noah

Noah Lubinsky is a queer autistic person interested in the trans ordinary. They work with South African Jews for a Free Palestine and lectur sociology part time at the University of Witwatersrand.



MacKinnon, Kinnon

Kinnon Ross MacKinnon (any pronouns) is an Assistant Professor at the School of Social Work at York University.



Manjhi, Dr. Anil

Dr Anil Manjhi specializes in Gender Studies, TG Narratives & India's sociolegal framework. He is a member of Chhattisgarh's TG Policy Committee & authored 10 research articles, & book chapters.





Marshall, Zack

Zack Marshall (he/him) explores interdisciplinary connections between community engagement, knowledge co-production, and research ethics in queer and trans communities using digital methods.



McCarthy, Lou

Lou McCarthy joined The LGBT Community Center in 2017 as the first staff archivist to helm its community archives, founded in 1990 to collect and preserve the records of queer New York.



Morgan, Cheryl

Cheryl Morgan studies the lives of trans people in history. She has written for venues such as Notches, History Matters, the CUCD Bulletin, and Introduction to Transgender Studies.





Murakami, Maddie

Maddie Murakami (he/him), a transgender Computer Science student at Carleton, leads backend development for the Transgender Media Portal, specializing in XSLT and workflow design.



Nagasawa, Kimiko (長澤紀美子)

Kimiko Nagasawa is a Professor of Social Work at Univ. of Kochi, in Japan (Ph.D.). She conducts research on training for social workers who work with trans+ people and trauma-informed social work.



Pang, Dr. Celeste

Dr. Celeste Pang is an Assistant Professor in Women's & Gender Studies. Trained as a sociocultural anthropologist, Celeste's research focuses on 2SLGBTQIA+ access and equity, aging, and disability.





Pickett, Brent

Brent Pickett serves as a dean and professor of political science at the University of Wyoming. He is the author of The Transgender Encyclopedia (Rowman & Littlefield, 2024).



Rawson, K.J.

K.J. Rawson is Professor of English and Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies at Northeastern University, Director of the Humanities Center, and Director of the Digital Transgender Archive.



Reid, Holly

Holly is a trans occupational therapist and PhD candidate of Red River Métis and Scottish ancestry, living on WSÁNEĆ territory. Their community-based research engages with 2S/LGBTQ+ Indigenous folks.





Rollmann, Rhea

Rhea Rollmann is an award-winning journalist and author of A Queer History of Newfoundland (Engen Books 2023). She's also a labour organizer and queer/trans activist.



Romero, Francisco Fernández

Francisco holds a PhD in geography (Universidad de Buenos Aires) and is a postdoctoral researcher at CONICET, Argentina. His work intersects geography, trans studies and disability studies.



Rosen, Maddie





Rudd, S



Rutherford, Leo

Leo L. Rutherford holds a PhD from the University of Victoria. His work is focused on transgender health and gender-affirming care broadly and more specifically patient-reported experiences.



Sabol, Jay

Jay Sabol is a graduate student at Widener University's Institute of Graduate Clinical Psychology. Jay has been out as a transgender man for the last 5 years.





Saccucci, Brent

Brent Saccucci is an educator, equity consultant, and teacher-educator focusing on queer and trans issues in education. He is also a doctoral student in EDI education at Western University.



Shepard, Nikita

Nikita Shepard is a PhD candidate at Columbia University and a historian of trans/queer lives & movements. Their dissertation is "Embodied Politics: A Social Movement History of the Public Bathroom."



Sinclair-Palm, Julia

Julia Sinclair-Palm is an Associate Professor in the Department of Curriculum and Pedagogy and the Director of the forthcoming Robert Quartermain Centre for SOGI-inclusive Excellence in Education.





Slovin, LJ

LJ Slovin is an assistant professor in the School of Child and Youth Care at the University of Victoria. They are the author of Fierce, Fabulous, and Fluid.



Smith, Adrienne

Adrienne Smith is a transgender human rights activist and social justice lawyer. They appeared at all levels of court in BC, and the Supreme Court of Canada. Adrienne works at CWHWC.com.



Starkweather, Orvis

Like many trans people, Orvis Starkweather (settler responsibilities, they/them) has lived experience with how data can erase and harm. They work to shift the power dynamics behind data practices.





Steele, Sarah

Dr. Sarah M. Steele (they/them) is a postdoctoral scholar for the Chair in Transgender Studies at the University of Victoria with a PhD in Sociology from the University of Illinois, Chicago.



Suwannanon, Chanathip (Esther)

Chanathip (Esther) Suwannanon is a Thai kathoey trans woman scholar. At present, she is a PhD student in Interdisciplinary Studies (INTD) at the University of Victoria.



Swanson, Raegan

Raegan Swanson is Executive Director of The ArQuives:Canada's LGBTQ2+ Archives. She has an MA of Information from U of Toronto and is a PhD Candidate at U of Dundee in Archives and Records Management.





Szpilka, Jay

Jay Szpilka is a post-doctoral fellow at the SWPS University in Warsaw, where she is working on a project on the affinities and tensions between trans femininity and BDSM.



Takeuchi, Kyoko

Kyoko Takeuchi is a sociologist and an Assistant Professor at Kwansei Gakuin University. Ph.D. (Sociology). They conduct research on the history of trans/nonbinary activisms in Japan.



Tiwari, Mr. Rahul

Mr Rahul Tiwari researches TG Rights, & policy impacts in India. He is a member Chhattisgarh's TG Policy Committee and has authored 03 research papers, a book chapter, & presented at 11 conferences.





Toorenburgh, Lydia

Lydia (they/them) is a Two-Spirit Métis and mixed-settler visitor on ləkwəŋən and WSÁNEĆ lands. They are a PhD student in Anthropology and Indigenous Nationhood at the University of Victoria.



Trianon, Celeste

Celeste Trianon is a transfeminine jurist and activist based in Tio'tiá:ke/Montréal. She runs a legal clinic for trans folk in Québec and N.S., and maintains the Canadian Anti-Trans Risk Map.



Uttmark, Gwyn

Nonbinary anthropologist, programmer, and artist focused on autonomous trans medical care, 20th-century trans history, and contemporary trans community.





Vipond, Evan

Evan Vipond is the Research Officer at ODLAN, where they engage in community-based research to promote digital safety and combat anti-2SLGBTQIA+ online hate. They are PhD Candidate at York University.



Wang, Heng

Heng Simone Wang \pm \boxtimes (they/she) is a PhD student in the Institute for Gender, Race, Sexuality and Social Justice at The University of British Columbia.



Warren, Hope

Artist, advocate, and adventurer with experience in carpentry, service provider, addiction, and recovery. A volunteer dedicated to inclusivity, harm reduction, and the preserving of Trans+ history.



Weaver, Brody

Brody Weaver works in archives and collections, academic/arts-based research, and facilitates art/community-based education programs



Wilchins, Riki

Author of 12 books on trans theory/politics, Her latest book is "BAD INK: How the NYT Sold Out Trans Kids." She covers breaking news at @rikiwilchins.bsky.social and blogs at medium.com/@rikiwilchins



Williams, Zavier Lord

Zavier Lord Williams, a Transman, is a pediatric Speech Pathologist in California and a doctoral student in educational leadership. He is a Co-President of Alpha Omega Nu a Transmasc fraternity.





Wilson, Lara

Lara Wilson holds an MA (Art History & Visual Studies) from UVic, and an MA (Archival Studies) from UBC. Lara has been involved in the Transgender Archives acquisitions initiative since 2007.



Wolff, Christopher

Christopher Wolff (they/he) is a PhD candidate in the Humanities program at Concordia University, Montréal. Their doctoral research investigates international trans media activism and histories.



Yoxon, Renée

Renée Yoxon is a gender-affirming voice teacher who has helped thousands love their voice. They create online courses that make trans voice education accessible, clear, and easy to follow.