

COMMUNITY LIFE IN THE DMV

IN THE MEMORY OF CHARLOTTE SMALLWOOD (1938-2010)

April 2016

Spreading News and Information to the Community since March 2005

CELEBRATING OUR 11TH YEAR OF PUBLISHING THIS YEAR

The **Community Life in the DMV** Newsletter (formerly named Community Life and News) was started in 2005. Its mission is to promote activities and events that will connect black lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) men and women in the Washington, DC metropolitan area and to celebrate their identity. This is a regular monthly E-mail newsletter that focuses on community issues and events of interest to those in the African American LGBT community in the DC metropolitan area. If you want your event to be included in a newsletter or to have your E-mail address added to our mailing list, please send an E-mail to CBW5355@aol.com.

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MCC 45 th Anniversary	May 22	National Press Club	6:30 pm -10:30 pm	3
DC Black Pride Events	May 26-29	Various Location s	Various Times	14-18
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Curtis Massey's Midnight Party	May 27	5509 Nannie Helen Burroughs Ave	TBA	15
DC Fellaz Afternoon Day Party	May 28	Bachelor's Mill	4 pm – 8 pm	15
Ebony Pyramid Party with Purpose	May 29	Bachelor's Mill	4 pm -9 pm	15
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GOOD PR VERSUS REALITY

At a very young age, my early twenties to be more specific, I came to understand the value of public relations (PR) and promotion. Washington, DC was in the early stages of a fiscal nightmare but the District's PR department created an image that all was well. Several years later the now defunct Lorton Correctional Facility, DC General Hospital and Saint Elizabeth Mental Institution was at the brink of financial ruin and still the PR forecasted things would get better. Not until the entire city was in severe crisis mode and the problem of fraud and corruption went all the way to the entire city government including Marion Barry's Administration.

We finally got the message and a fiscal administrator was appointed. Still after years of moderate successful of receivership the problem continues today. The Department of Health, the Administration for HIV and AIDS now known as HIV/AIDS, Hepatitis, STD and TB Administration (HAHSTA) and many prominent Community Based Organizations (CBOs) have many bouts of mismanagement and fraud.

Today we in the GLBTQ community sadly I believe have often mirrored some of that desire to maintain the status quo of theft, fraud and corruption. Is it because we still believe the PR or we refuse to go after the perpetrators? Many years ago when Black Congressman Adam Clayton Powell was censored amidst allegations of fraud many screamed racism and that may have been the case. Today, many in our Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender and Questioning (GLBTQ) community scream homophobia, and Tran phobia when held accountable for their own corrupted behavior. Personally, I screamed for investigation, audit and criminal prosecution.

I believe that being a member of the GLBTQ community does not give you a pass to run organizations in the ground.

In the 60's we had poverty pimps who received government monies for failed projects. In the 1980s and into now, we had AIDS and GLTB pimps who built careers of serving themselves more than the people who were suffering.

The PR no longer works!!!! Those of you who are responsible for the ending of well intended CBOs whether it is Transgender Health Empowerment or The HIV Community Coalition must be held accountable and those of you involved and leading new CBOs must realize the PR is not going to save you from your own illegal behavior!!!

I, for one, respect good PR, but not at the expense of delivering good quality care of our most vulnerable.

This article is an opinion of Dee Curry, long-time Community Activist.

CARE FOR OUR YOUNG AND THE OLD

"The moral test of government is how it treats those who are in the dawn of life, the children; those who are in the twilight of life, the elderly; and those who are in the shadows of life – the sick, the needy, and the handicapped."

Hubert H. Humphrey

Our Youth

The Wanda Alston Foundation opened its doors in 2008 as the only housing program in Washington, DC solely dedicated to offering pre-independent transitional living and support services to homeless or at-risk LGBTQ youth ages 16 to 24 in all eight wards. They have a group home in Ward 7. Over forty youths have passed through our doors before going on to find permanent housing and success in life. Many of the homeless youth are LGBTQ and thus are vulnerable to the streets.

<http://wandaalstonfoundation.org>

Our Elders

The vision of Mary's House is to create independent, communal housing in Washington DC for older adults that eliminates the intense isolation experienced due to aging, subtle and not so subtle discrimination and intolerance based on one's sexual/gender identity or orientation. Mary's House will be a model and set the standard for future housing of its kind, that is, to create a living environment that celebrates and honors the 'whole person' as they age, no matter who they are. The organization is fund raising to build a new home on its acquired property. <http://www.maryshousedc.org>

What you can do to help?

Make sure that your tax dollars support these organizations that are addressing a need in our community by volunteer your services, being an advocate, organizing and supporting fundraising events.

During the Black Pride Weekend a "party with a purpose" fundraiser will be held for both organizations at the **Bachelors Mill** on **Sunday, May 29** from **4 –9pm**, \$15 before 6 pm.

CHANGES AT WANDA ALSTON HOUSE

Ken Pettigrew, Executive director of Wanda Alston Foundation, has left to take new job with the D.C. Department of Health's HIV/AIDS, Hepatitis, STD, and Tuberculosis Administration, (HAHSTA). He has been director the past two years. The Wanda Alston Foundation, which provides housing-related services for homeless LGBT youth in D.C

Prior to joining the Wanda Alston Foundation, Pettigrew served as chief of programs at Metro Teen AIDS and as senior program director of Us Helping Us/People into Living. Ken passion for the House and making a difference in the lives of the young people it exists to serve." We wish him well in his job.

Veteran LGBT rights and volunteer advocate June Crenshaw will serve as its interim executive director. She is scheduled to begin as interim director on April 1. Many volunteer leadership roles in LGTB community including BLSG, Mayors LGTB Advisory Board, chair of Whitman Walker Board and the Human Rights Campaign.

MCC CELEBRATES

METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY CHURCH

WASHINGTON DC

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in
Celebrating
OUR
45th

"We've come
this far by
faith."

ANNIVERSARY

ELEGANT GALA EVENT

MAY 21, 2016

THE NATIONAL PRESS CLUB
529 14th St. NW, 13th Floor - Ballroom
Washington, DC 20045
6:30pm to 10:30pm

Tickets \$70 until April 1st

\$80 until May 2nd Ticket sales cutoff date

More information available at 202-638-7373 or mccdc.com

The Metropolitan Community Church of Washington (MCC Washington or MCC DC) was founded in 1970 by Rev. J. E. Paul Breton as the Community Church of Washington, D.C. It was chartered on May 11, 1971 by the Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches (UFMCC).

The church originally met in Rev. Paul Breton's home on Capitol Hill. In 1975, MCC moved to the chapel of the First Congregational Church at 10th and G Streets, N.W. Then they moved to a rehab building located at 415 M Street, NW. They outgrew that space and built a new facility from the ground up. On December 17, 1992, the congregation moved into its current location – 474 Ridge Street, NW.

Over the years, the congregation continued to grow to hundreds of members with several paid clergy staff, vibrant lay leadership, and extensive ministry programs. Through the leadership of various leaders throughout the years, the church continues to grow. Leaders such as Reverend John Barbone, Reverend Jack Isbell, Reverend Roy Birchord, Reverend Larry Uhrig, Reverend Steve Taylor, Reverend Candace Shultis, Reverend Elder Arehart and now Reverend J. Dwayne Johnson .. MCC has been place to open their doors to the community for annual events such as Transgender Day of Remembrance, Kwanzaa, Gospel Concerts, Christmas Toys and Gift Party. In addition, the church has been a place that facilitated community forums, conferences, a food bank, and support groups. We applaud MCC DC 45 Years of serving the community and making a difference in the lives of LGTBQ.

COMMUNITY NIGHT AT THE THEATRE



Community Night for Black Pearl Sings

April 21 2016 at 8 pm

Metro Stage, 201 North Royal Street
Alexandria, Virginia
Free Parking

Two extraordinary women in Depression-era Texas – an ambitious Library of Congress musicologist and her discovery of the musical gifts of an African American woman with a soulful voice and steely spirit. A powerful evocative story of how they must work together to fulfill both of their goals. A journey of race and reconciliation, religion and tenacity, historical origins of folk music, and ultimate healing and understanding. Based on the discovery of legendary folk singer/guitarist Huddie “Lead Belly” Ledbetter in prison by folklorist John Lomax and their subsequent musical partnership. Featuring over 20 American folk and spiritual songs.

<http://www.metrostage.org> for tickets

APRIL'S DAY PARTY



Saturday April 23, 2016

The Bachelor's Mill

1104 Eighth Street SE, Washington DC
Doors open from 4 pm until 8 pm
\$5 enter, \$10 after 6, DJ –Man

SAMPSON MCCORMICK A TOUGH ACT TO FOLLOW

Friday April 22, 2016
HRC Equality Center
1640 Rhode Island Ave, NW
9:00pm Film Screening

Sponsors: [Human Rights Campaign](#) & [AIDS Healthcare Foundation](#)



Sampson McCormick's Documentary A Tough Act To Follow

"A Tough Act to Follow" is a documentary film that follows some of the experiences of Sampson McCormick, (Sampson), a touring, black, LGBT stand-up comic and writer, who navigates the already difficult business, as well as many of the added hurdles and setbacks with lots of humor, a few tears, heartfelt honesty and admirable determination. Through humor as well as serious inquiry, it focuses on the homophobia, sexism and sometimes racism and other challenges that affect the level of visibility of diversity in comedy houses, television, on stages and opportunities for minority artists in the entertainment business.

The film, is produced by Sampson, co-produced by Emmy Award winning producer Todd Clark (The DC Place Films) and featuring interviews from notable television, film, stage and film stars including Darryl Stephens (Noah's Arc, Boy Culture), Adele Givens (Def Comedy Jam, Queens of Comedy), and others. Soundtrack provided by LGBT hip hop artists Bry'Nt, Kaoz, Tori Fixx, Marck Angel, Tim'm West, Nhojj and folk singer Toshi Reagon.

There will be a VIP catered cocktail reception
By Chef Tyonne
and
Q&A with Sampson
after the film's screening

Kimberley Bush – Kimberley@TheDCCenter.org
202-682-2245
[https://reelaffirmations-
thedccenter.nationbuilder.com/ticket_donate](https://reelaffirmations-thedccenter.nationbuilder.com/ticket_donate)

SAMPSON



Sampson, a popular and award winning stand-up comic and social justice advocate, who relocated to Oakland, CA in 2013 "visits home" for a special, intimate comedy concert performance

"B*!@! Better Have My Funny"

Sampson returns for a night of raucous laughter

Friday, April 8, 2016

Doors: 6:30PM/ Show Starts Promptly at 7:30PM

Bier Baron Tavern

1523 22nd Street, NW

Washington, DC 20037

Tickets Info:

*Pre-sale tickets are \$12 (2 for \$20) and guarantee you a seat in the venue. If the show does not sell out, tickets will be available at the door for \$18 in cash. Credit cards not accepted for door admission.

*Doors for the show will open at 6:30 p.m. and the show will start promptly at 7:30 p.m. This show is a One Night Only event.

Presale tickets available online at:

[http://www.lastresortcomedy.com/#!sampson-mccormick---
april-8/wpa4s](http://www.lastresortcomedy.com/#!sampson-mccormick---april-8/wpa4s)

Sampson has been performing comedy for over a decade, and uses humor as a platform to mix the silly with the serious, taking on serious issues such as religion, homophobia, race and sexuality, and has been a fierce advocate for LGBT homeless youth, people living with HIV/AIDS, and those affected by religious intolerance. He's written two books, "Taboo Village" and "Ebonic Faggotry," and in 2013 released a third live stand-up comedy album, "That B*!@! Better Be Funny," which was recorded in DC at the historic Howard Theater. In addition to sharing his personal experiences on stage, he has also been very vocal about the lack of opportunities for minorities in comedy and entertainment, and is releasing a new documentary, "A Tough Act to Follow."

BLACK TO SILVER A BLACK LGBT EXPERIENCE

Dissonance Dance Theatre latest production Black to Silver: A Black LGBT Experience! Black to Silver: A Black LGBT (now in its 4th year), is a multidisciplinary arts production that examines and explores interpersonal relationships, identity and love within the African-American LGBT community.

The goal of Black to Silver is to showcase unique, untold intimate experiences of LGBT African-Americans through text and contemporary styles of dance.

This year's show is **SLEEP**. In the African-American LGBT community, many choose to live in a "Never land" filled with vices that hinders personal growth paralyzed. SLEEP investigates the acts of casual sex, fear, solitude, and the ramifications of ageism as one matures in the community; causes that hinder Black gay men from achieving consciousness. With audience members flocking from far and wide to see it, Black to Silver is providing a different view of love, community and family.



Saturday, April 16, 2016, 8pm
Sunday, April 17 2016, 7pm

Online Ticket Price General Admission: \$15, \$18.
At the Door General Admission: \$25

Location: Joy of Motion Dance Center, The Jack Guidone Theater, 5207 Wisconsin Ave, NW, Washington, DC 20015

Dissonance Theatre/Ngoma Center www.ddtdc.org

A CELEBRATION OF SGL POETRY



April 2016

HONEY GROOVE FESTIVAL



Honey Groove is a festival that celebrates the talent of performing and visual artists who are queer and of color creating a new experience for music and arts enthusiasts

Saturday, April 9 starting at 4pm
Blind Whino: SW Arts Club
700 Delaware Ave, SW, Washington, DC 20024
<http://www.honeygroovedc.com/>

8 PERFORMING ARTISTS

5 DJs

5 VISUAL ARTISTS

LIVE PAINTING

VENDORS

FOOD TRUCKS

TWERKING

A FEW SURPRISES



HONEY GROOVE 2016 LINEUP

HOSTED BY SOLSIS

PERFORMING ARTISTS

REESA REENE || PINKY KILLACORN || BOOMSCAT

RA THE MC || BE STEADWELL || THE COOLOTS

J POPE AND FUNK FRIDAY || SMOOCHIE BLANCO

DJs

MANE SQUEEZE || DJ MIM || DJ LADY RYAN

DJ ROSIE || TEZRAH

VISUAL ARTISTS

KAYON Cox || SEKAYI FERNANDES || EMMA JOJO

MAD MOXIE || DAWN TREE

VENDORS

BOWTIE BEHAVIOR || DISTRICT SMOKE STYLES

FLAWLESS FACES MAKEUP ARTISTRY || FURTHERMORE...

THE HEALING SANCTUARY 444

INSPIRE BY TAD || MAD MOXIE || NOTE 2 SELF INC

ORIGAMIXX || QINGS AND KUEENS

UNCHAINED SPIRITUAL LIFE COACHING || WORN BY WRITTEN

FOOD TRUCKS

THE BIG CHEESE || DC POLLO || HEALTHY FOOL || ORANGE C

GLAA RATINGS OF CANDIDATES

Gay and Lesbian Activist Alliance Schedule

Tuesday, May 10	Candidate ratings meeting
Wednesday, May 11	Publish ratings on GLAA website, post to e-list, blog, etc.
Thursday, June 2	GLAA Ratings ad in <i>Metro Weekly</i>
Friday, June. 3	GLAA Ratings ad in <i>Blade</i>
Tuesday, June 14	Primary Election Day

Maryland Voter Information

The deadline to register to vote, change party affiliation, update an address, and request an alternate polling place for this election is **9:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 5, 2016.**

Tuesday April 26	Presidential Primary Elections
Tuesday, June 14	Election Day

Since July 2012, the State Board of Elections has made available an [Online Voter Registration \(OLVR\) System](#). From the Board's website, voters now can register to vote in Federal, State, County, and Municipal elections in Maryland.

elections.state.md.us

RELEASE PARTY



Swerv magazine celebrate the March/April Issue
 Bachelors Mill, 1104 8th Street SE
 April 5 at 7 pm
www.swervmagazine.com

NABWMT

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Voices from our past,
Voices for our future.



Bayard Rustin,
1963

July 13-16, 2016
Memphis, Tennessee

Voices from our past,
Voices for our future.

Every summer since 1981, the National Association of Black and White Men Together has convened an interracial group of gay men to explore the meaning of race in our communities and in our lives. We invite you to join the conversation in 2016 as we reconnect to the U.S. civil rights movement.

www.nabwmt2016.org

TAKING CHARGE

All sessions will be held at **IONA Senior Services**,
4125 Albemarle Street, NW, Washington DC 20016

Estate Planning for the Lesbian, Gay, Bi-Sexual, Transgender, and Questioning (LGBTQ) Community

Thursday, April 28, 3:30 - 5:30 PM

Speaker: Murray Scheel, Senior Staff Attorney, Legal Services, Whitman Walker Health

An overview of topics including healthcare power of attorney and advance directive; last will and testament; disposition of bodily remains, and more!

Free Online Learning Opportunities

Thursday, May 5, 3:30 - 5:30 PM

Speaker: Pam Holland of Tech-Moxie.com, Baby Boomer-friendly tech guru
 An introduction to online learning opportunities -- you can study at Ivy League Institutions in the comfort of your own home! Learn how to develop your skills and be a life-long learner in this workshop.

Understanding Public Benefits: Benefits and eligibility for the LGBTQ Community

Thursday, May 19, 3:30 PM - 5:30 PM

Speaker: Murray Scheel, Senior Staff Attorney, Legal Services, Whitman Walker Health

An overview of topics including retirement, social security, and supplemental security income; Medicare; Medicaid; Long Term Care Medicaid; Veterans Benefits, and more!

Health and Fitness: Developing Healthy Habits

Thursday, May 26, 3:30 - 5:30 PM

Speaker: Jason Dring, PT, DPT, GCS during & Associates Physical Therapy and Wellness

Physical Therapist Jason During will share tips for staying fit and active with simple home exercises, as well as provide an overview of the Go4Life toolkit from the National Institute on Aging.

There is a suggested donation of \$10 for all single-sessions

Are you ready to take charge of your aging? Enroll now and be a part of our growing Academy community! RSVP for one or more of our upcoming sessions by emailing community@iona.org or calling (202) 895-9420.

For more information, visit our [website](#).

BRUHS FEATURE

BRUHS

Book Reading Uplifts His Spirit

Exciting New Book Club with *The Ask Rayceen Show*

Our Monthly LGBT Community Outreach

Every First Monday at 6:00 pm

Book Talks and Film Screenings

For more information, call 202-727-1291

[Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Library](#)

901 G Street NW, Washington DC

A SPRING EVENING AT THE MANSION



Wanda Alston Foundation's

Spring Fling Fundraiser

April 28, 2016 @ 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm

Please join us for our Wanda Alston House 2nd Annual Spring Fling fundraiser at The Mansion on O Street. It promises to be an extraordinary evening of magic, mystery and entertainment!

In addition to raising much needed funds to support our LGBTQ youth and the Wanda Alston House, we will honor former board president Kevin Brunell and former Executive Director Kenneth Pettigrew for their outstanding contributions to the lives of homeless LGBTQ youth.

The Mansion, which has over 100 rooms and 70 doors, provides a unique and wonderful space to celebrate, support and to have fun. Last year, one of our guests was able to find 8 of the secret doors, which we are told is above average! Can you set the new record?

After exploring The Mansion, please join us in the ballroom for fabulous company & conversations over lite hors d'oeuvres. A cash bar will be available for you!

<http://wandaalstonfoundation.org>
or Facebook page

PARADOX TO CLOSE IN 2016

The club, which opened in 1991, thrived in Baltimore club's heyday and managed to endure over the years while other venues of its kind closed their doors.

The post announcing the closure on face book says it was Davis' goal to reach the 25-year mark, "overcoming the mercurial and ever changing dynamics of the entertainment business."

"With his dream fulfilled," it goes on to say, "Wayne would like to inform the Paradox family that mid-2016 (exact date to be announced) the doors of his storied nightclub will close forever."

Paradox's spacious warehouse interior and booming sound system made it a haven for dance-music enthusiasts and one of the best late-night party spots in the city. The fact that it was 18+ and didn't serve alcohol meant many parties went late into the morning, sometimes until 6 a.m.

The format for our music was predominantly house music. On Friday nights the crowd was very diverse party-gay, white, straight and very much a college crowd But on Saturday night the crowd was mostly black and gay and exceeding over 1,000 that played house music that follow in the tradition of the past east coast mega clubs: Paradise Garage, Tracks, Clubhouse, The Warehouse, Zanzibar, Club Fantasy, Shelter and the Octagon and Odell's for our community. Saturday night was memorable for the theme parties like Beach Party, White Affairs, Pajama Party and stellar performances from Barbara Tucker, CeCe Peniston and other disco divas of the era.

DINNER WITH THE DIVAS

Enter the magical world of illusion as your favorite divas dazzle right before your eyes. Tina Turner, Beyonce, Diana Ross, Dolly Parton, Chaka Khan, Liza Minnelli, Katy, Perry, Amy Winehouse, Jill Scott, Lady Gaga, Marvin Gaye, and Whitney Houston replicated by DC's top illusionist so well you will swear they are the real thing. Hosted by La Fontaine Blue & Party Club, Inc, this show takes on a Las Vegas/Atlantic City feel, and marks a milestone in history being the first female impersonation show at the venue, and a dream come true for it's creator, director, and cast member Shi-Queeta-Lee as seen on NBC's America's Got Talent season 4, ABC's Ugly Betty, reality shows DCTV's Drag City: DC and TVOne's R&B Divas. The glitz, glamour, and spectacular carefully duplicated performances will leave you amazed, intrigued, and completely blown away.

Doors Open at 5:00pm for Dinner & Drinks.
Show starts at 7:00pm

****VIP Tables for ten guests available for small parties to include one bottle of champagne and a 10" Round decorated cake to celebrate Birthdays, Bachelor/Bachelorette parties, or any type of celebration! ****

(Table of ten tickets must be purchased all at once for VIP consideration) Must Call 410-760-4115 for VIP tickets... All single ticket sales through event brite. Tickets are \$45.00 each. Advance purchase required. Regretfully, no exchanges or refunds.

WHEN: Sunday, May 1, 2016 from 5:00 PM to 8:30 PM
WHERE: La Fontaine Bleue - 7514 Ritchie Highway,
Glen Burnie, MD 21061 -

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/drag-dinner-with-divas-of-dc-tickets-21461172946?aff=erelexpmlt>

AFFIRMING THE SPIRIT

AFFIRMING THE FAITH

Bethel Christian Church

Pastor Darren W. Phelps -- 2217 Minnesota Avenue SE
(202) 560-5409 -- Sunday Service at 11:30 am
pastorphelps@aol.com -- www.bethelcd.org

Community Church of Washington DC

Pastor Aaron B. Jones-Wade
1610 T Street SE, Washington DC 20020 -- 202-709-0886
Sunday Service at 12 noon, www.ccwcdc.org

Covenant Baptist Church United Church of Christ

Pastors Revs. Dennis & Christine Wiley
3845 South Capitol Street, SW, Washington DC 20032
202-562-5576
Sunday Service at 11 -- <http://covenantbaptistdc.org/>

Empowerment Liberation Cathedral

Bishop Allyson Nelson Abrams
633 Sligo Avenue, Silver Spring, MD 20910 -- 301-925-6362
Sundays at 1 pm -- <http://empowermentliberationcathedral.org/>

Faith Temple

Pastoral Team – Robert Vanzant, Countess Clarke
& Jacqueline Dennis
New York Ave Presbyterian Church -- 1313 New York Ave, NW
Washington DC 20005 -- 202-232-4911
Sunday Service at 1 pm -- www.faithtempledc.com

Holy Redeemer – MCC

Reverend David North
4908 Niagara Road, Suite 102 College Park, MD -- 301- 982-5775
Sunday Service at 11 am -- www.hrmcc.org

Imam Daayiee Abdullah

Light of Reform Mosque
202-210-5134
daayiee@aol.com

Inner Light Ministries

Bishop Kwabena “Rainey” Cheeks
Sundays at Anacostia Art Center -- 1231 Good Hope Rd, SE
Services at 11am -- www.innerlightministries-dc.org

Lincoln Congregational Temple UCC

1701 11 Street NW, Washington DC 20001 -- 202-332-2640
Sunday Service at 11:00 am -- www.lincolntemple.org

Metropolitan Community Church

Pastor Dwayne Johnson
474 Ridge Street NW, Washington DC 20002 -- 202- 638-7373
Sunday Service at 9 am & 11 am -- www.mccdc.com

New Hope Baptist United Church of Christ

Pastor Kenneth King -- Sunday Service at 2 pm
First Trinity Lutheran Church Building, Wash DC 20001.
Office 240-284-6734 or contactus@newhopebucc.com
<http://www.newhopebucc.com>

SGI USA International (Buddhist)

D.C. Culture Center
3417 Massachusetts Ave, NW, Washington, DC 20007
Telephone: 202.338.5491
Email: dccenter@sgi-usa.org

Unity Fellowship Church, Baltimore

Founding Pastor Reverend Harris Thomas
Sunday Service at 11 am
3719 Old York Road, Baltimore MD
<http://www.ufcbaltimore.com>

Unity Fellowship Church, Wash D.C.

Founding Pastor, Rev. Dyan McCray-Peters
474 Ridge Street NW WDC
WORSHIP SERVICE EACH SUNDAY AT 3:00 PM
www.ufcdc.com for more info

GOSPEL VARIETY AND DINNER SHOW

A&M Productions
presents ...
A charitable fundraiser benefitting Anacostia-AMP Outreach & Empowerment Center, a 501(c)3 organization.

H.O.P.E. GOSPEL VARIETY & DINNER SHOW

Sat., April 2, 2016
2pm—6pm
(Doors open at 1:30pm; dinner served from 2:30-5:00pm)

Local Celebrity Hall
8579 Landover Rd
Hyattsville, MD 20785
ADM: \$20 in advance | \$25 at door (includes dinner)
For tickets and donations:
202-705-0321
202-604-8398

Cassandra Archer
Cospel Sinner

Sherita E.N.
Cospel Sinner

Frank C.C. Adams
Cospel Sinner

Michael Watkins
Sings, Word, Poet
Change Lives, Inspire Hearts, Heal

Tracy Euffio Adams
Cospel Sinner

Sinnes Adeniyi
Cospel Sinner

Robert Sumlin
Master of Ceremony

Esse Lemon
Cospel Sinner

Farrington Smallwood
Cospel Sinner

EMPOWERMENT

Empowerment Liberation Cathedral

Bishop Allyson Nelson Abrams
633 Sligo Avenue, Silver Spring, MD 20910 -- 301-925-6362
Sundays at 1 pm -- <http://empowermentliberationcathedral.org/>

- **A Night of Praise**, Friday, April 29, 2016 at 7:30p. ELC has invited affirming choirs & praise teams to help celebrate our 2nd Church Anniversary.

- **2nd Church Anniversary**, Sunday, May 1, 2015 at 1p. ELC celebrates 2 years of ministry in the DMV.

DR. RON SIMMONS

Dr. Ron Simmons, PhD will be retiring in 2016 after 24 years as the President/CEO of [Us Helping Us](#). He has made Us Helping Us, one of the oldest and largest black AIDS organizations in the United States that today serves gay and same-gender-loving men, lesbians, heterosexual men and women, transgender individuals, and youth.

Since 1992, Dr. Simmons has raised over \$16 million for the programs of UHU. UHU has over 10 programs and services, 15 full-time staff and an annual budget of \$1.5 million. In 2001, UHU was the first gay-identified AIDS agency in the country to purchase a building on for its headquarters and service facility.

In 2016, he wants to raise \$100,000 for an endowment that will sustain Us Helping Us as an institution. Please consider a donation toward that goal. Your support will ensure that a community-based organization with a unique mission and history will survive and thrive.

Thanks, Dr. Simmons, for a job well done and making a big difference in the lives of many LGTB persons.

AUTHORS COMING SOON



Frenzy, the sequel to Wyatt Evans' "**Nothing Can Tear Us Apart**" (novel about same gender domestic abuse).

R. L. Norman is a writer, performer and author of the popular series of novels entitled, "Honey Let Me Tell Tell You." The fourth and latest installment is "Love Is Complicated." The sequel will be available soon.

ELITE THROWBACK

K&C PRODUCTIONS AND THE GULFCOASTBOYZ HAVE TEAMED UP TO BRING THE DMV SOMETHING NEW!

WE PRESENT: "A LEAGUE OF OUR OWN"

ELITE THROWBACK@ THE FIREHOUSE (ENGINE 12) 1626 NORTH CAPITOL NW WDC

EVERY 2ND SATURDAY

11pm until 3am

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3LEVELS, GREAT SOUND, STRONG DRINKS
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MUSIC & HIP-HOP

PARTY 4 THE 25 AND UP!!!

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VIP TABLES & BOTTLE SERVICE AVAILABLE

COMMUNITY NOTES

Monthly meeting of the Mayor's Advisory Committee on LGBTQ Affairs. This meeting is open to the public and hosted at the Mayor's Office of LGBTQ Affairs.

Please email Deputy Director Terrance Laney with any community events you would like to have listed in our monthly newsletter: terrance.laney@dc.gov

US HELPING US RETREAT

Noir Reflections 3-Day Retreat for Black Men

For more info contact:

Brian Hamlet-- bhamlett@uhupil.org

Amati Ice -- aice@uhupil.org
202-446-1100 / 202-567-3159

Jonathan Wood -- jonathan.wood@smyal.org

BOOK CLUB FOR YOU READERS

BRUHS

Book Reading Uplifts His Spirit

Exciting New Book Club with *The Ask Rayceen Show*

Our Monthly LGBT Community Outreach

Every First Monday at 6:00 pm

Book Talks and Film Screenings

For more information, call 202-727-1291

[Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Library](#)

901 G Street NW, Washington DC

TRIANGLE



If you're into great storytelling that centers around love, deception and betrayal TRIANGLE the web series is the show for you! This is a story of a man named Jabril Anderson who gets himself caught up in his own web of deceit. Some of the character actors are in DMV.

Subscribe at <https://brtbv.vhx.tv>

HIV TESTING AT US HELPING US

Hours For HIV Testing at Us Helping Us, Inc.

Our free, confidential HIV testing (with results in 15 minutes or less) is now available:

- Mondays thru Wednesdays from 9:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.
- Thursdays from 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
- Fridays from 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
- Testing is also available on Saturdays, by appointment only. Please call our office at (202) 446-1100 to schedule an appointment.

BMX

Black Men's Xchange (BMX) Weekly Meetings DC
Each Saturday from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
The Black Men's Exchange at 202-505-2695
blackmensxchangedc@gmail.com

ON THE RADIO IN DC

JOIN UNITY FELLOWSHIP MONTHLY "SOUL CIRCLE" DISCUSSION SESSION FOR WOMEN AND THOSE WHO IDENTIFY AS WOMEN.
474 RIDGE STREET, NW WDC. THE TOPIC "DOMESTIC VIOLENCE"
REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED.
Church Phone: 202-827-7440
Website: www.ufcdc.com

WATCH IT IN ANACOSTIA

From the Writer and Producer of the award winning ANACOSTIA – the series follows the lives of four friends as they navigate through Love, Deceit, Betrayal, Sex and Death. The episode series has been filmed on location in several areas including Washington DC (Anacostia); Landover, Maryland; Baltimore, Maryland; Virginia; and New York City. This series include a positive Black Gay Male theme and Characters.

View on youtube.com

ON THE RADIO IN DELAWARE

LesBe Real Radio Talk
Serving the LGBTQ community in Delaware Valley!
LesBe Real is entertainment that's witty, candid and informative featuring discussion topics affecting same gender loving People and their allies. www.Gtownradio.com

SUPPORT FOR THE ELDERS

Date: 4th Monday of Every Month

Time: 6:00pm-9:00pm

Thomas Residences on Thomas Circle
14th & Mass Ave, NW

Please RSVP: sagemetrodc1@gmail.com

SAGE Metro DC provides support and advocacy for the aging LGBT populations of the DC metropolitan area and those who provide services

WHITMAN WALKER HEALTH

Whitman-Walker Health (WWH) opened its doors to patients at **1525 14th Street, NW**. The new 42,000 square foot facility (known as simply "1525") has six floors wholly dedicated to patient care, including a ground floor neighborhood pharmacy open to all. See more at: <http://www.whitman-walker.org>.

HIV Testing at Whitman-Walker Health, D.C.

- At the Elizabeth Taylor Medical Center
1701 14th St. NW -- 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.
- At the Max Robinson Center
2301 MLK Jr. Ave. SE -- 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

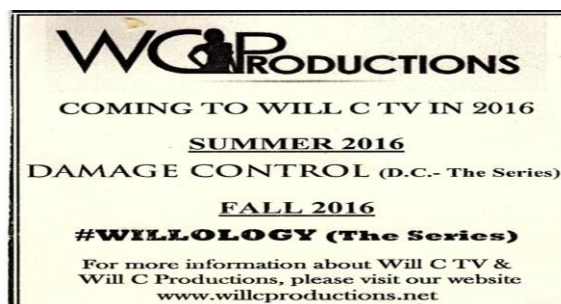
For an appointment call 202-745-7000 or visit whitman-walker.org.

WHORIZM – THE WEB SERIES



WHORIZM - This is a series about 4 friends who tackles the issues plaguing gay culture regarding sexual identity, promiscuity, and domestic violence. Directed and produced by Liam Caldwell, a DC based producer.

<http://www.willcproductions.net>



ON THE RADIO IN DC

"Life from the LGBT perspective"
On Air Every Tuesday 1pm-2pm WPFW 89.3 FM
To call in with questions: 202-588-0893

ADODI

ADODI-DC Black Same Gender Loving Men's social/spiritual group will host its bi-monthly potluck

First Fridays-NEXT April 1
MCC Church at 474 Ridge Street, NW from 7 - 9pm.
(Mt. Vernon Sq. Metro stop; 5th St between M and N St)

We will be screening the movie "Naz and Maalik." So please bring a dish to share and join us for food and fellowship.

MANDATE



MANDATE is typically held in the informal setting of a participant's home. Discussion topics are generated by the group and focus on a wide range of issues related to our health and wellness as individuals and as a community. Topics of discussion generally surround faith, general health, HIV, relationships, mental health, mentorship, and community.

Next meeting: April 2, 2016

First Saturday of each month at 7:00 pm
115 Mississippi Avenue, SE, Washington, DC 20032
<http://www.themandate-dc.com/#!who-we-are/cngp>

DRAG BRUNCH

Every Saturday 10:30 & 12:30 Every Sunday 10:30 -1pm
900 U st. N.W. Waashington, DC 20001 (202)332-6355

SUNDAYS IN THE PARK

**DARYL WILSON PROMOTIONS PRESENTS:
THE NEW ULTIMATE SUNDAY DAY PARTY**

@ THE PARK AT 14TH
920 14th Street NW. EVERY SUNDAY!
DOORS OPEN @ 3PM - 9PM.

Mingle on the sexy patio and party on 4 Sexy floors!!!
Free before 6pm and \$10 after

RUN FOR THE YOUTH



Join SMYAL as a Charity Runner at the DC Front Runners Pride Run 5K

SMYAL Thousands of runners, walkers, and enthusiastic supporters will kick-off Capital Pride week at the **DC Front Runners Pride Run 5K on Friday, June 10**. This year runners will once again have the chance to personally fundraise for SMYAL youth by engaging the support of friends and family in their race to the finish line. Being a charity runner is a simple way to show your commitment to LGBT youth leadership and advocacy. Sign up here to be a charity runner for SMYAL and raise money from your friends and family through our easy to use fundraising website.

smyal.org | supporterinfo@smyal.org

SMYAL | 410 7th St SE, Washington, DC 20003 | 202.546.5940

ASK RAYCEEN

Team Rayceen presents #AskRayceen
@AskRayceen

The Ask Rayceen Show

Wednesday, April 6, 2016

Annual #AskRayceen Mini-Ball
featuring guest DJ Vjuan Allure

Categories:
Best Dressed, Runway, Voguing with a Prop, Female Face, BQ Face, FQ Realness, Butch Realness.

Live music by Durell Arthur
Special performance by Usagi Bum Bum

Monthly event hosted by Rayceen Pendarvis featuring announcer Curt Mariah
Doors open 6pm • All are welcome • Admission is FREE
New location! MLK Library, 901 G St NW
Near Metro Center and Gallery Place/Chinatown Metro Stations
facebook.com/AskRayceen

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1607 Connecticut Ave NW
Washington, DC 20009
Phone number (202) 332-3757
Mobile 202-210-1282

RADIO TALK

The Wyatt O'Brian Evans Show – on the progressive PapichuloRADIO.com – makes its *righteous, raw* and *real* return on Sunday @9 PM ET/6 PM PT!

BACHELOR'S MILL

Bachelor's Mill
1104 Eighth Street, SE
Washington DC
202-546-5979

www.thebachelorsmill.com

*Dance floors are open Thursday-Saturday starting at 11pm.

Monday

Open 5:30 pm – 1:00 am
Half-priced drinks all night

Tuesday

Open 5 pm – 1:00 am
Half-priced drinks all night

Wednesday

Open at 5 pm – 1:00 am
Half-priced drinks all night
Movie night at 9 pm

Thursday

Happy Hour 5 pm -7:30 pm
Soulful House Music with
11:00 pm – 2 am, \$5 after 9
Hip Hop, R&B with DJ Cameron
& Rodney & DJ Freaky

Friday

Happy Hour 5 pm - 7:30 pm
(Freaky Friday)
Hip Hop, R&B, Go-Go,
Reggae 11 pm – 3am
DJ Freaky and Bling
(House)
DJ Tim-Nice (rotating)
Hip Hop, R&B
10 pm – 2 am

Saturday

Open at 5 pm
House Party, 11 pm – 3 am
\$ 10 after 9 ,DJ Cameron,
Freaky, Bladerunner, Time-
Nice

Sunday

Open at 5:30 pm
Drag Show at 8 pm, \$10
Karaoke Upstairs at 9 pm,
\$3 after 8
Hosted by DJ Dwayne

LADIES FIRST AND LAST

First and Last Fridays
Presented by Ladies First Entertainment



Ladies First Fridays

Bachelors Mill
1104 Eighth Street, SE
from 5:30 - 9:30 pm

DJ, Happy Hour/Half Prices till 7:30 pm
Free before 6 pm, \$5 after Free Raffle all night
Call or text for table reservations
301-775-8795 or 732-207-8433

ladiesfirstent.net@gmail.com

LAST FRIDAYS AT THE MILL



LADIES TAKE OVER

Last Fridays of the month
Bachelor's Mill
10 pm – 3 am

Women from all over will be in attendance. It's the new official
Social Club for the Professional Grown and Sexy Ladies

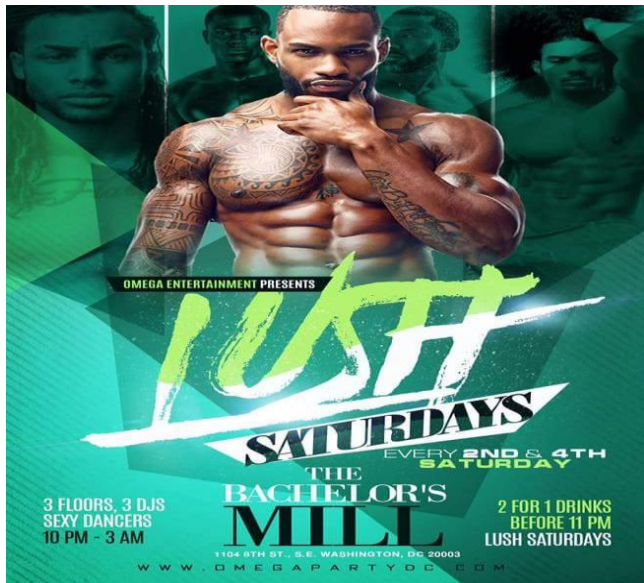
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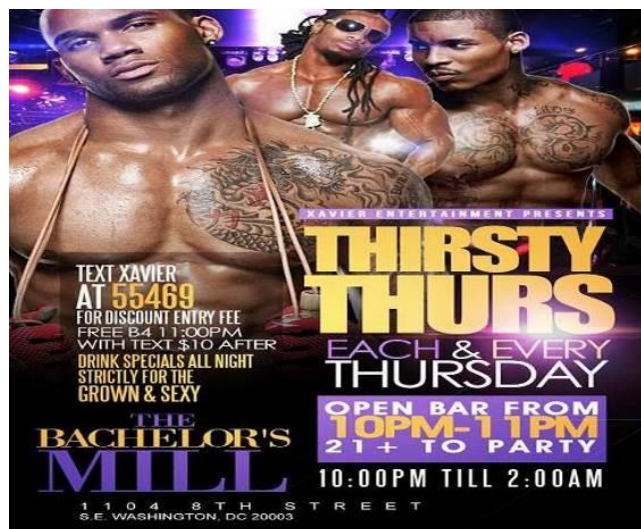
LUSH SATURDAYS



OLD SCHOOL VS. NEW SCHOOL



THIRTY THURSDAYS



SINFUL SATURDAYS



DMV TURNUP RED ALERT ON SATURDAYS

OMEGA ENTERTAINMENT & K&C PRODUCTIONS

THE BACHELOR'S MILL Text DMVLIVE to 545454 to stay in the "KNOW" of all the relevant parties & events of the DMV.

THE MILL, 1104 8TH ST SE. -- 10 PM - 3 AM. 2 FOR 1 DRINKS B4 11 PM. \$10 ALL NIGHT.

FIRST FRIDAYS AT THE MILL

DARYL WILSON PRESENTS 1ST FRIDAYS AT THE MILL



Bachelors Mill, 1104 Eighth Street, SE from 10 pm – 3 am

\$10 DJ SEDRICK, DJ UNKNOWN, And DJ MARIO W/ MC ROY JONES PACKED WITH SEXY MEN EVERYWHERE AND THE STRONGEST DRINKS IN THE City

MEATLOAF SATURDAYS

Omega Entertainment & K&C Productions present a one of a kind monthly day party, 3rd Saturday, we bring you the sexiest and most gifted male exotic dancers for a battle to the finish, and the only featuring legendary national DJ Angel X.

MEATLOAF EVERY 3RD SATURDAY.

Stadium Club, 2127 Queens Chapel Road NE

Doors open at 4 PM. Get there before 5 PM and get in for free with our text pass. Text DMVLIVE to 545454 for your free pass. \$10 after 5, VIP \$20. Showtime 6 PM. After the show,

we turn the lights down and we get back to party our asses off. Until 10 pm.

Drink & food special, \$5 rail, \$9 Long Islands, \$175 premium bottles, \$10 wings & fries platter. Private booths and suites available for privacy and private dances!

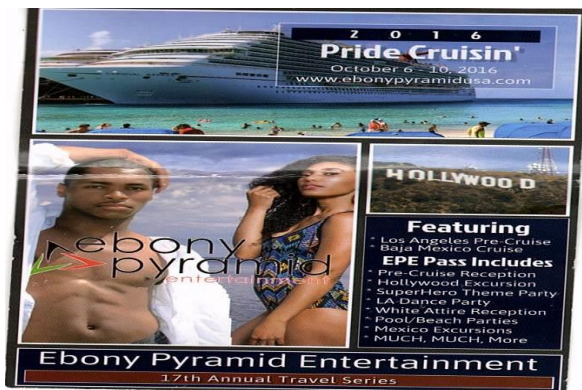
After party at the Bachelors Mill, 1104 8th St SE
10 pm – 3am

EBONY CRUISING

Cruise 2016

EPE is excited to announce the 2016 cruise will depart from Los Angeles, California (Pre-Cruise) and cruise to Ensenada, Mexico. The event is scheduled for October 6-10, 2016. Booking with Carnival Cruise Lines (CCL)

<http://www.ebonypyramidusa.com>



PRE PRIDE BIRTHDAY



Purple PrePride Birthday Event for Angela Kin,
Eman, SWAY 7 Kuroosity

Sunday, May 6 at 7 pm

Aqua Club and Lounge, 1818 New York Avenue, NW

BRUNCH CELEBRATING OUR FRIENDS

SAVE THE DATE

2nd Annual Memorial Brunch

Coming Back Together Again: Brunch: Recognizing
Club House Friends, Night Spots, Early Black Pride
Volunteers

Sunday, May 22

More Information to Come

DC BLACK PRIDE LOVE



May 27 - May 30

Since 1991, DC Black Pride (DCBP) has been held annually during Memorial Day Weekend in our nation's capital — Washington, D.C.

Year after year, more than 50,000 men and women from all over the world attend DCBP and experience the great culture and history of the Washington, DC area. Attendees have come to expect only quality social and non-social events.

Host Hotel: Hyatt Regency Hotel on Capitol Hill
400 New Jersey Avenue NW

Contact www.dblackpride.org for sponsorship, volunteering and vending

More details coming soon on events contact
info@dblackpride.org

US HELPING US EVENTS



Saturday Afternoon Block Party

Saturday, May 28

3636 Georgia Avenue, NW

Salute to Retiring CEO Ron Simmons

US HELPING US PICNIC

Monday, May 30

Fort DuPont Park

3600 F Street SE

BACK IN DAYS BRUNCH

2nd Annual Coming Back Together Again Brunch

Recognizing Club House Friends, Night Spots
and Early Black Pride Volunteers

Sunday, May 22

Time: TBA

DETAIL INFORMATION COMING

DC BLACK PRIDE LOVE

Sunday May 29, 2016
DC DAY PRIDE
Party & Fundraiser
 A Party With Purpose & PRIDE!
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House • Hip Hop • Karaoke
 Mr. Miss. & Plus Legendary International Showcase

Cruise Give-A-Way | Raffles | Karaoke Et Dance Contests | Silent Auction

Fundraiser For *The Details*

* Wanda Alston House | Bachelors Mill
 * Mary's House | 1104 8th St, SE DC
 4pm - 9pm | \$15 B4 6pm

www.EbonyPyramidUSA.com

Ebony Pyramid Entertainment
DC DAY PRIDE
 Party & Fundraiser
 Sunday, May 29, 2016
 4pm - 9pm
 \$15 Before 6pm

DJ Rodney **House** | DJ Toussant **The Show** | K-MAN **Karaoke**

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 THE BACHELOR'S MILL | ICONIC SOULS | Mary's House | The Wanda Alston House

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 DC Day Pride Fundraiser Party
Sunday May 29, 2016
 Bachelor's Mill
 1104 Eighth Street, SE

2 Rooms of Entertainment
 Live Music and Show and Karaoke
 4PM – 9 PM \$15 before 6

To benefit the Wanda Alston House
 and Mary's House for Older Adults

BLACK PRIDE SUNDAY DAY PARTY

D.C. FELLAZ ENTERTAINMENT
 *** PRESENTS ***

THURSDAY MAY 26
 WELCOME TO DC
 HAPPY HOUR
 5PM - 9:00PM
 5PM-7PM \$5
 \$10
 AFTER 7PM

SATURDAY MAY 28
 3RD ANNUAL
 MEMORIAL DAY
 PARTY
 4PM - 8PM
 2 BARS
 2 DJ'S
 \$10 ALL DAY

Memorial Day

GROWN & SEXY DAY PARTIES
THE BACHELOR'S MILL
 1104 8TH STREET, NE - WASHINGTON, DC

CHOCOLATE CITY LIBERATION WELCOME

LIBERATION DC
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 PRESENTS

BLACK PRIDE
2016

MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND

THURSDAY MAY 26 - MONDAY MAY 30
CHOCOLATE CITY
 WWW.LIBERATIONDC.COM

THE GENESIS, CHAPTER VII, 2 FLOORS, 2 DJ's, SEXY
 DANCERS, 9:30 PM - 2 AM.
 CITIES (AKA LOOK) NIGHTCLUB 1909 K ST, NW

AT MIDNIGHT

Curtis Massey Annual Midnight Party
 5506 Nannie Helen Burroughs Avenue, NE
Friday, May 27, 2016

DARYL WILSON PRODUCTION 2016



Greetings Everyone
Daryl Wilson and his awesome staff and promotional partners, welcome you to Washington DC. We are excited to have you apart of this amazing weekend of 5 Star Stellar events hosted by Karamo Brown.

- May 26 **Jump Off** at Stone Fish Lounge, 1208 L Street NW, 8 pm - 2 am
- May 27 **Happy Hour**, Hyatt Regency Hotel 8 pm -
- May 27 **Foxy Brown Live**, 930 Club,
- May 28 **The Chill out at the Park** on 14th
- May 28 **Epic** at Echo Stage
- May 29 Lil L\Kim, **Rock the Block** 3-9 at Arena Stage
- May 29 **Wet Dreamz: Mega party** at Park on 4
- May 29 **The Block Party**, The Fairgrounds
- May 30 **the Last Dance**, Bachelors Mill

ALL ACCESS PASSES available at www.darylwilsondc.com for \$150.00 until May 20th so get yours NOW...www.darylwilsondc.com

AFRICAN-AMERICAN COLLECTIVE THEATRE 2016

SAVE THE DATE!

ACT 24th Anniversary LGBTQ Theater Showcase

African-American Collective Theater (ACT) returns with its latest showcase of Black LGBTQ-themed Theater by founding artistic director, Alan Sharpe

Sunday, May 29, 2016.

In observance of DC Black Pride Weekend.

Anacostia Arts Center
1231 Good Hope Rd, SE
Washington, DC 20020

OMEGA PARTY 2016



FRIDAY MAY 27

THE WARMUP HAPPY HOUR,

MAIN PASS DISTRIBUTION EVENT.

THE BACHELORS MILL 1104 8TH ST SE. 2 FLOORS, 2 DJs. 4 PM - 9 PM. (INCLUDED FOR PASS HOLDERS WITH FREE FOOD & 2 COMP DRINKS)

THE ANNUAL 5000 MEN PRIDE MEGA PARTY, FEAT. GRAMMY AWARD WINNING SUPERSTAR MONICA,

BLISS SUPER NIGHTCLUB 2122 24TH PL NE. 4 FLOORS, 4 DJs, 15 SEXY DANCERS. 10 PM - 4 AM. (CUT LINE ADMISSION INCLUDED FOR PASS HOLDERS)

SATURDAY MAY 28

THE EUPHORIA GREAT OUTDOORS PRIDE FESTIVAL,

FEATURING AN ENTIRE CELEBRITY LINEUP, ALL PERFORMING LIVE. 3 DJs, SEXY DANCERS. 4 PM - 9:30 PM, FANTASTIC GATEWAY DC 2700 MARTIN LUTHER KING JR AVE SE. , FREE FOOD AND 1 HOUR OPEN BAR INCLUDED FOR PASS HOLDERS)Â

THE MAIN EVENT) THE 10K MEN TOTAL FREEDOM BLOCK PARTY, FEATURING THE REIGNING GODDESS OF R&B BRANDY. THE I (EYE) ST CORRIDOR BETWEEN 17 & 18TH ST NW. 3 ADDRESSES, 1714, 1716, 1720 I ST NW. 3 ADJOINING NIGHTCLUBS, 6 FLOORS, A MAGNIFICENT ROOFTOP, AND 1 HUGE OUTDOOR SETTING. 7 SUPER DJs PLAYING SIMULTANEOUSLY ON THEIR RESPECTIVE FLOORS. PARTY INDOOR! PARTY OUTDOOR, AS YOU PLEASE WITH 15 DANCERS & 10,000+ MEN FROM ALL OVER THE GLOBE. THE LARGEST BLOCK PARTY IN BLACK PRIDE HISTORY, ALSO FEATURING THE ANNUAL DASOUL UNDERWEAR FASHION SHOW. 10 PM - 5 AM. (CUT LINE ADMISSION INCLUDED FOR PASS HOLDERS)

SUNDAY MAY 29

THE MASQUERADE CARNIVAL DAY PARTY .

SHIRTLESS/TANKTOPS & CARNIVAL MASK RECOMMENDED
ULTRABAR, 911 F ST NW.
5 FLOORS, 5 DJs, SEXY DANCERS. CELEBRITY HOSTING (TBA),
4 PM - 9 PM.)

THE 2016 PRIDE CLIMAX SUPER PARTY. 10 PM - 4 AM. 2 LEVELS, 2 FLS, 4 DJs, SEXY DANCERS. CELEBRITY PERFORMANCE TBA, AT THE INCOMPARABLE OZIO SUPER LOUNGE, 1813 M ST NW. (CUTLINE ADMISSION AND 1 HOUR OPEN BAR INCLUDED FOR PASS HOLDERS)

MONDAY MAY 30

THE ANNUAL UHU PICNIC AT FORT DUPONT PARK. 11 AM - 4 PM. LIVE ENTERTAINMENT! (FREE FOOD & BEVERAGES FOR PASS HOLDERS UNDER THE OMEGA TENT)

THE TROPICAL BLISS ROOFTOP DAY PARTY. 5 PM - 9:30 PM. EDEN, 1716 I ST NW. (EXPRESS ADMISSION INCLUDED FOR PASS HOLDERS)

EVENT #10) APOCALYPSE CHAPTER VII. STADIUM CLUB 2127 QUEENS CHAPEL RD NE. NORMAL DANCE PARTY FEATURING OUR VERY BEST BLESSED GOGO DANCERS ALL IN THE NUDE. 10 PM - 2 AM.

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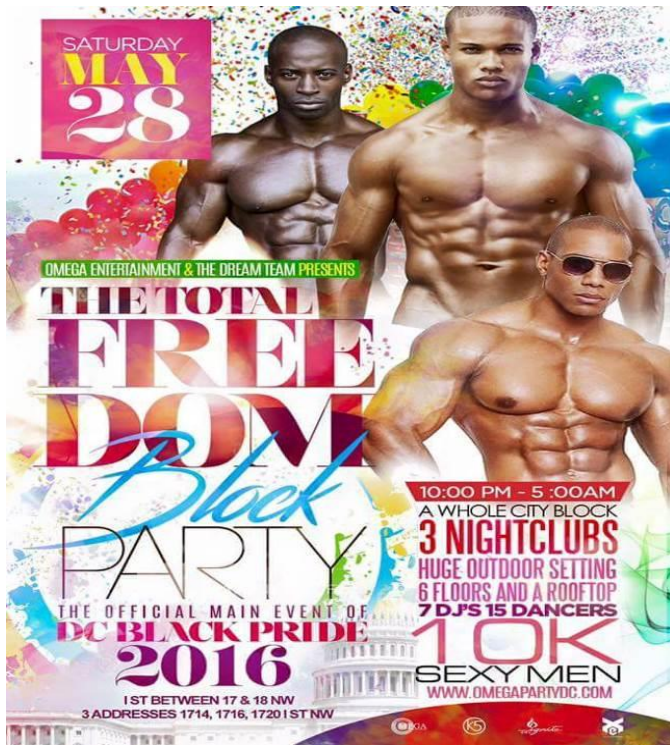
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OMEGA BLOCK PARTY ON I STREET



INNER LIGHT MINI-PARTY 2016

Friday, May 27- A Memorial Day Service at the Mayor's Office Building, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC, Room #G-9. We must remember our own. The names of LGBTQ persons who have died will be read. Send names of any LGBTQ person who has died to jyf20745@yahoo.com. It does not matter the kind of discharged they received only that they served.

Saturday, May 28 - A Memorial Celebration Party at the Home of Barbara Peoples, 1252 New Jersey Avenue, NW Washington, DC. Cost \$15. Contact POC, JoAnn Fisher, for tickets. jyf20745@yahoo.com.

Sunday, May 29 - A Memorial Day Service at Inner Light Ministries, 1231 Good Hope Road, SE, Washington, DC 20020. After the Service everyone is invited to attend a Memorial Day Brunch at the attendees' expense given by the Fresh Food Factory in the Art Center.

FRIDAY NIGHT



IGNITEDMV & K5 ENTERTAINMENT
"TEMPTATION FRIDAYS"!!
1101 K Street NW!
DOORS OPEN 11P - 3A

MAY DANCE PARTY



1,000 MEN MEGA PARTY

The Official Grand Opening
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1000 MEN MEGA PARTY

OLD VS NEW SCHOOL
4 FLOORS | 4DJS | TOP SHELF OPEN BAR 11P.M. 12A.M. | SEXY DANCERS 11:00P.M-4:00A.M | \$5 B4 12A.M W/ TEXT | TEXT XAVIER TO 64600

EVERY 1ST SAT.

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DJ BLADE RUNNER,
MC ROY JONES & MC SIX FIGURES 1716 I ST NW DC

FOR VIP TABLES OR BIRTHDAY PARTIES EMAIL US AT XAVIER4885@GMAIL.COM

AT THE FIREHOUSE IT'S HOT

KICKOFF PARTY 10-09-15 11PM UNTIL 3AM

K&C PRODUCTIONS AND THE GULFCOASTBOYZ
HAVE TEAMED UP TO BRING THE DMV SOMETHING NEW!

A LEAGUE OF OUR OWN
Elite Throwback
10-09-15

COME PARTY MONTHLY WITH THE GROWN, THE SEXY AND THE WELL ESTABLISHED!

TEXT THE WORD "THROWBACK" TO 545454 FOR FREE B4 12AM!

DJ DAMON
VIP TABLES & BOTTLE SERVICE AVAILABLE!

THE FIREHOUSE (ENGINE 12)
1626 NORTH CAPITOL ST NW
WASHINGTON, DC 20001

KC Productions and GulfCoastboyz at
The Firehouse Engine 12, 1626 North Capitol Street, NW
For the Grown, The Sex and the Well-established
DJ Dmon free before 12 am
Second Saturday of the Month

NEW AIDS CLINIC EAST OF RIVER

AHF Healthcare Center
H Street Corridor - Benning Road
1647 Benning Road NE
Suite 303
Washington, DC 20002
202-350-5000, 8:30 am to 5:00 pm

EVERY THIRD FRIDAY NIGHT

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EUPHORIA

THE MONTHLY LGBT EAST COAST REUNION

3 MAJESTIC FLOORS
THE SEXIEST DANCERS

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7/17, 8/21, 9/18, 10/16...
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LGBT COMMUNITY CENTER

The DC LGBT Center educates, empowers, celebrates, and connects the lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender communities. The center has programs and services for the community. They have a center web page for the black community of events.

The DC Center for the LGBT Community
(202) 682-2245
2000 14th Street NW, Suite 105
Washington, DC 20009
www.thedccenter.org

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BLACK GIRLS ROCK

Doors Open @ 7pm
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SUN APR 10TH
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EMANCIPATION DAY EVENTS

On April 16, 1862, President Abraham Lincoln signed the Compensated Emancipation Act, granting freedom to 3,100 enslaved persons in the District of Columbia. The act passed nine months before Lincoln's famous Emancipation Proclamation and granted freedom to enslaved persons in the District of Columbia as the country's first freed from the institution of slavery. In 2005, DC Emancipation Day which was spearheaded by Councilmember Vincent Orange was made an official public holiday. Each year, the city has educational and commemorative activities celebrating the end of slavery in the nation's capital.

The following is a listing of some of the events.

Emancipation Parade

April 16, 2016

Emancipation Day will begin with a parade at 11 a.m. along Pennsylvania Avenue. ABC 7's Sam Ford will serve as this year's Master of Ceremonies. Parade participants will include DCPS and College marching bands, dancers, all branches of the U.S. Armed Forces, children's characters and large balloon floats, auto clubs, numerous neighborhood and community associations, DC Statehood organizations, and much more.

Emancipation Day Concert

April 16, 2016: 6 – 8:30pm

[Freedom Plaza](#)

The star-studded DC Emancipation Day concert will begin with the DC's own Brian Lenoir and includes special performances by Eric Benet, Doug E. Fresh, Familiar Faces, Back Alley Band, Mali Music, Maysa, and Raheem Devaughn.. No tickets are needed for this event.

Emancipation Day Fireworks

April 16, 2016: 8:45 p.m.

[Freedom Plaza](#)

An impressive display of fireworks will light up the sky shortly after the concert ends.

Wreath Laying Ceremony

2016 Date to Be Announced: 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

[African American Civil War Memorial](#)

Vermont Avenue & U Street, NW

Free and open to the public.

Daily/Weekly Clubs and Events

MONDAY

Social/Rec/Support:

- [Us Helping Us](#), 3636 Georgia Avenue NW, Wash DC support Group for Gay & Bi Men at 7 pm (202) 446-1100

Club Events:

- [Fireplace](#) 22 & P Street NW, Wash, DC, 5 p – 2a, R&B Music (upstairs)

- [Bachelor's Mill](#), 1104 Eighth St. WDC, 5:30pm– 2am Happy Hour, Juke box, Half-priced drinks all night.
- [Cobalt](#), 17th and R Street, Drag Show featuring Jasmine Blue.
- [Nellie's Sports Bar](#), 900 U St. NW, 9 p-12 pm Free to Play, Prizes

TUESDAY

Social/Rec/Support:

- [SMYAL](#), 410 7TH Street SE, 5 pm -7 pm, Support group for GLTB youth ()
- [Denim \(Youth 19-29\)](#), Drop in Hours Tuesday-Friday 4-9pm 8240 Professional Place Suite 207 Landover MD 20785, 240.582.7264

Club Events:

- [Bachelor's Mill](#), 1104 Eighth St. WDC, 5:30pm– 2am Old School Happy Hour, Juke box, Pool, Half-priced drinks all night.
- [Fireplace](#), 22 & P Street NW, 5 pm – 2am
- [Nellie's Sports Bar](#), 900 U St. NW, 9 p-12 pm Free to Play, Prizes, Tuesday's Drag Bingo Hosted by Shi-Queeta-Lee, 6- 11 pm

WEDNESDAY

Social/Rec/Support:

- [Crystal Skates](#), 3132 Branch Ave, Temple Hills MD 20748 Skating Party for the Community. 301-894-8500 x3636
- [Sherwood Rec Center](#), 6:30 pm -8:30 pm, Volleyball Game, Presented by Brothers Reaching Out

Club Events:

- [Bachelor's Mill](#), 1104 8th St. NW, Wash DC, 5pm – 2am happy Hour, Juke box, Pool, Half-priced drinks all night.
- [Club Bunns](#) - 606 West Lexington St, Baltimore MD 9 pm – 2am -- Drag and Exotic Male Dancer Show, 11 pm, \$10 cover
- [Fireplace](#), 22nd and P Street NW, 4 pm – 2
- [Midtown](#) - 1219 Connecticut Ave, NW, DC 6:30 pm - 12 midnight -- 2nd and 4th Wednesday
- [Ziascoz](#), 1313 East Pratt Street, Baltimore MD 7 pm – 2 am

THURSDAY

Social/Rec/Support:

- [SMYAL](#), 410 7TH Street SE, 5 pm – 7 pm Chat it Up Support group for GLT youth

Club Events:

- [Bachelor's Mill](#), 1104 8th St. NW, Wash DC, 5pm – 2am Thirsty Thursday Soulful House Music w/DJ RODNEY & Hip-Hop R&B

- Fireplace (upstairs), 22 & P Street NW, 5 pm – 2am, R&B Music.
- Gallery, 8 pm–2am, 1735 Maryland Ave, Baltimore MD

FRIDAY

Social/Rec/Support:

- **Denim+BONDFire** 2nd and 4th Friday A medley of fun, social activities for young SGL men of color 6:30-9pm

Club Events:

- Aqua Club, 1818 New York Avenue NE, 11- 3am, Temptation Fridays
- Club
FREE DRINKS FREE ENTRY B4 11P.M
TEXT XAVIER TO 55469 NOW!
- Bachelor's Mill , 1104 8th Street, WDC, 5pm –2am, Hip-Hop, 1st and 3rd Fridays with Daryl Wilson, 10- 3 am, Jukebox, Freaky Friday's, Hip-Hop R&B, Reggae & Go-Go 11pm - 3am w/ DJ Freaky & DJ Tim-Nice DJ's
- Code Fridays, Capitale -1301 K Street NW, 11 pm – 3am
- Club Bunnys , 606 W. Lexington St, Baltimore MD 6 p–2a Old School House with DJ Tommy at 8pm ,Dining, Socialize, Dancing, 10pm - 3am, \$10, Free before 10pm Doors Open at 10pm Comp Admission till 11pm
- Eye Bar, 1716 I St NW, WDC 6 p – 11p
SEXY IN THE CITY-Just for Her Entertainment
Every 2nd Friday, Cover \$, 202-427-8913
- Fireplace, 2022 P Street NW, 5 pm– 2am
- Gallery, 1735 Maryland Ave, Baltimore MD 8 p – 2a
- Paradox, 1313 Russell St, Baltimore MD -11p – 6am, College Nite, Dancing, DJ, Snacks, thedox.com
- Town, 2009 8th Street NW (at Florida Ave)
Diva League with Shi-Queeta Lee and Friends
10 pm, Fri / Sat
- Ziascoz, 1313 East Pratt St, Baltimore MD, 7p–2a
9 pm – 2 am. DJ, Dancing, Juke Box

SATURDAY

Social/Rec/Support:

- Black Lesbian Support Group, Meets at University of DC, 4200 Connecticut Avenue NW, Bldg. 38, B level- 4.0 Lounge -- Meets 1st, 2nd & 4th Saturday at 3 pm -- <http://www.Blsg.org> -- (202) 797-3593

Club Events:

- Bachelor's Mill , 1104 8th Street, WDC, 5pm –2am
Hip-Hop R&B Reggae
- Fireplace, 22nd and P Street NW, 4 pm– 2a
- Shiquetta Lee Drag Brunch \$20

- Freddie's Beach Bar, 555 South 23rd Street, Crystal City VA -- Destiny B. Childs featuring Monet Dupree, Free 8 pm -10 pm.
- G2 Lounge, 2632 Georgia Ave NW, DC, 10 pm – 3am
- Gallery, 8 p–2a, Maryland Ave, Baltimore MD
- Paradox, 1313 Russell St, Baltimore MD 11p-6a, Dancing, DJs, Snacks, House, Dance, Hard House, Hip-Hop, Minimum age 18, Discount w/ college/mil ID BYOB 21+
- Pure Lounge, 1326 U Street NW, 6 pm -2am DOORS OPEN @6P HOOKAH BAR, HAPPY HOUR \$1 DRINKS 6P-9P, 2 FOR 1 DRINKS 9P-11P LADIES FREE WITH TEXT 202-459-8268
- Town, 2009 8th Street NW (at Florida Ave)
Diva League with Shi-Queeta Lee and Friends
10 pm, Fri / Sat
- Ziascoz, 1313 East Pratt St. Baltimore MD, 7 pm – 2 am
www.myspace.com/ziascoz
- Ziegfeld with Ella Fitzgerald, 1400 Half Street SW, 11:30 show

SUNDAY

Social/Rec/Support:

- Sunday Churches (See the list of [churches.](#))

Club Events:

- Bachelor's Mill, 1104 Eighth St NW, WDC, 5pm –1am
Sunday nite Drag at 8:30 pm
- Soulful Sundays Karaoke w/DJ Karlton -9 pm- 12am
- Club Bunnys, 606 West Lexington St, Baltimore MD
6 pm – 11pm, Drag show at 9 pm
- DAG Lounge 1318 9 street NW Every Sunday Omega and K & C Production Open at 10- 2 am, Free All night, open bar 10-11
- The Park on 14th, 920 14th Street NW.4 pm – 9pm
- The House Nightclub, 3530 Georgia Ave NW WDC. Rock Hard Sunday: Gay male strippers, BEER SPECIALS! \$5 Domestic - \$6 Import Showtime at 8pm. \$10 admission Rockharddc.com 7 pm- 12 midnight
- Fireplace, 22nd and P Street NW, 4 pm– 2a
- Nellie's Sports Bar, 9th & U St NW, 11 am – 3 pm

Community Groups

ARTS

- African American Collective Theatre
Showcasing BLGBT Life & Culture
www.Alansharpe.org
- Brave Soul Collective
Education, outreach, and support organization for GBQT living their lives in truth through the arts.
www.Bravesoulcollective.org
- Ngoma reader bimonthly online publication for dance artists in DC Area <http://www.ngomareader.org/>

YOUTH AND STUDENTS

- Coalition of Activist Students Celebrating the Acceptance of Diversity and Equality (CASCADE)
2397 6th St., N.W. Suite 117, Box 134, DC 20059
<http://www.facebook.com/cascade.hu>
- Delta Phi Upsilon Fraternity
Baltimore/DC Chapter
<http://www.dphiu.org>
- Developing & Empowering New Images of Men -- D.E.N.I.M. is a community center for 18 to 29-year-old gay, bisexual, and same gender loving men of color. Sponsored by Us Helping Us (202) 446-1100, www.Uhupil.org 6925 Blair Road NE, Suite B1, 202-627-2913
- Howard University School of Law (HUSL) Outlaw husloutlaw@gmail.com or HUSL Outlaw on Facebook Twitter: @HUSLOUTLaw Facebook: **HUSL OUTLaw**
- Sexual Minority Youth Assistance League (SMYAL)
Age 13-21 -- 410 7th Street SE, Washington DC 20003 202.546.5940 -- <http://www.smyal.org> --CFC # 8142
- Targeting a Dream
Phone: 703-683-0962; Fax: 703-683-0964
Provides scholarships and grants to Baltimore/Washington LGBT students. -- <http://www.targetingadream.org>
- Wanda Alston House Foundation
300 New Jersey NW.. Ste 900
Washington DC, 20001Tel: (202) 465-8794,
wandaalstonfoundation.org
- Youth Equality Project for LGBT Youth in PG County
301-209-0491 or staff@pgcase.org

MEN SOCIAL AND SUPPORT

- ADODI DC- www.adodionline.com.
- BLACK & WHITE MEN TOGETHER, DC
P.O. Box 77472 WDC 20013-8472
www.bwmtdc.org
- Black Men's Xchange (BMX) -
<http://www.facebook.com/BMXNDC>
- BRUHS -- BG book reading club [Facebook BRUHS](https://www.facebook.com/BRUHS)
- ONYX OF DC (Male I/I) - www.onyxdc.com
- SOGAA.org | A Social Organization for men who love men in Baltimore. <http://sogaa.org>

US HELPING US, Inc.

3636 Georgia Avenue NW, WDC 20011
HIV services/info, Support Groups, 7pm – 9pm:
Monday/BGM Support Group, Wednesday/Poz Men
(202) 446-1100, www.Uhupil.org

WOMEN

- BLACK LESBIAN SUPPORT GROUP
Meets at University of DC - 4200 Connecticut Avenue NW, Bldg. 38 B level- 4.0 Lounge,
Meets 1st, 2nd and 4th Saturday at 3 pm -- www.Blsg.org
- MAUTNER PROJECT
(Lesbian Health & Support)
202-332-5536
www.Mautnerproject.org. MOC-DC Moms of Color in DC
Moms group for other lesbian moms of color
Contact: dcmomsfromny@yahoo.com.
- PhatGirlChic
Website for DC lesbians of color
www.PhatGirlChic.com
- Tagg Magazine
Lesbians in the DMV
<http://www.taggmagazine.com>
- Women in the Life Association
(202) 541-9818
PO Box 21292, Washington, DC 20009
www.womeninthelife.com

Community and Social

- **Al Sura**
HIV education and advocacy and events
www.alSura.org
whiteattireaffairdc@yahoo.com
- **Best of Washington** Web site
www.bestofwashington.org
Community resources health, education and advocacy
- **Metro Circle of Friends**
The DC Metro, Circle of Friends can be contacted by email
DCMCircleofFriends2014@gmail.com and “friend” us on
Facebook at **DCM CircleofFriends**
- **Swerv** magazine
www.swervmagazine.com
- **Team Rayceen Talk Show and community events**
askrayceen@gmail.com , askrayceen@yahoo.com

Health and Community Services

- **AHF Blair Underwood Healthcare Center**
2141 K Street, NW, #606, Washington DC
202-293-8680
AHF Clinic 1647 Benning Road NE
Suite 303 Washington, DC20002
202.350.5000, 8:30- 5:00 pm
- **Baltimore Community Relations Commission**
Discrimination based on Sexual Orientation & Gender
10 North Calvert Street, Suite 915
Baltimore. MD. 21202
410-396-3141
- **Chase Brexton Health Care**
Mount. Vernon Center
1111 North Charles Street, Baltimore, MD
- **DC HIV/AIDS, Hepatitis, STD and TB Administration**
(HAHSTA) Phone: (202) 671-4900, 311 after hours
- **DC Office of Human Rights**
(Discrimination complaints prohibited by Human Rights
Law.)
441 4th Street, NW, Suite 570
Washington, DC 20001
(202) 727-4559
- **Gay and Lesbian Activist Alliance of WDC**
P.O. Box 75265, Washington, DC 20013
Voicemail: (202) 667-5139
E-Mail: equal@glaa.org
Website: <http://www.glaa.org>
- **Office of Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender Affairs**
Monday to Friday, 8:30 am to 5:30 pm
2000 14th Street, NW, Second Floor
Washington, DC 20009
Phone: (202) 727-9493
- **Prince Georges County Health Department**
HIV counseling and services.
301-583-3700
TTY: (202) 727-9493
Email: glbt@dc.gov
- **US HELPING US, Inc.**
3636 Georgia Avenue NW, WDC 20011
HIV services/info, Support Groups, 7pm – 9pm:
Monday/BGM Support Group,
- **Whitman Walker Health Clinic**
<http://www.whitman-walker.org>
1525 14th St., NW
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<http://www.whitman-walker.org/>
Elizabeth Taylor Medical Center
1701 14th St., NW Washington, DC 20009
Monday -Thursday | 8 am—8 pm
Friday | 8 am—6 pm
- **Whitman Walker Health Clinic**
Max Robinson Center
2301 Martin Luther King Jr. Ave., SE
Washington, DC 20020
Monday—Friday | 8 am—5 pm
202-745-7000
<http://www.whitman-walker.org/>