

LGBTQIA+ HISTORY

LGBTQIA+ history has celebratory historical events as well as events that continue to negatively impact the LGBTQIA+ community. In this timeline we only go back 30 years to focus on the history which has lifted the LGBTQIA+ community.

1969 Stonewall Riots

Transgender and gender nonconforming people are among those who resisted arrest in a routine bar raid by police on June 28 on the Stonewall Inn in New York City's Greenwich Village, thus helping to ignite the modern LGBT rights movement.

1973 DSM-III Removal

As a result of this scientific research, the American Psychiatric Association removed homosexuality from the DSM-III in 1973.

1982 Wisconsin Civil Rights Bill

Wisconsin passes the first lesbian and gay civil rights bill in the United States. The law prohibits bias in housing, employment, and public accommodations.

1988 National Coming Out Day

The first National Coming Out Day is observed on October 11th to celebrate the one-year anniversary of the 2nd National March on Washington.

2008 Same-Sex Marriage

The California Supreme Court rules same-sex couples have a constitutional right to marry. California becomes the second state in the U.S. to legalize same-sex marriages later that year.