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April LGBTQ History Programs Highlight Impact of Historic Moments Today

San Francisco — The GLBT Historical Society will host a screening of the controversial broadcast, “Gay Power, Gay Politics” and open a new interactive exhibition in April. Both programs highlight the way moments and people from history shape the world we live in today. All events take place at the GLBT Historical Society Museum at 4127 18th St. in the Castro District. For more information, visit www.glbthistory.org.

Film Screening

Gay Power, Gay Politics: 44 Years Later

Thursday, April 4, 2024

6:00–8:00 PM

GLBT Historical Society Museum

4127 18th St., San Francisco

Admission: [\\$10](#) | [Free for members](#)

In 1980, documentary series *CBS Reports* broadcast an episode called “Gay Power, Gay Politics” which was so biased that the National News Council, a media watchdog organization, found that the CBS show misled viewers and violated journalistic standards. After widespread outrage, CBS apologized on air. Media historians recognize it as the first public apology for distorted coverage of gays and lesbians by a national news organization and a major turning point in coverage throughout the media. Biased coverage still abounds. What are the lessons for today?

This event will screen the entire broadcast, followed by a discussion reflecting on the circumstances of how the show came to be, the response from the LGBTQ community, and journalist Randy Alfred’s work that led CBS to apologize. Presenters include Randy Alfred (he/him) and Myron Caringal

(he/they).

Tickets are available online at www.glbthistory.org/events/2024/4/4/gay-power-gay-politics.

Opening Reception

You Are Here: Claiming your place in history

Thursday, April 11, 2024

7:00–8:30 PM

GLBT Historical Society Museum

4127 18th St., San Francisco

Admission: [\\$10](#) | [Free for members](#)

For hundreds of years, small minded groups have sought to erase LGBTQ people from the landscape and to write us out of history. At the same time as our enemies have sought to erase us, we have kept our stories alive for each other. Shared through oral traditions, hidden in plain sight through codes and secret languages, and carefully passed down from generation-to-generation we have kept our stories alive for centuries.

“You Are Here: Claiming your place in history,” is an intentionally incomplete exhibition, sharing a timeline of some important moments in LGBTQ history, and the work to preserve those stories. Visitors are invited to share a memory they want to live on by adding it to the timeline, or to help us imagine what comes next by declaring a hope for the future.

A public reception to celebrate the opening of the exhibition is set for 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 11. GLBT Historical Society curatorial staff will offer introductory remarks, and light refreshments will be served.

Admission is \$10.00; free for members of the GLBT Historical Society.

Tickets are available online at www.glbthistory.org/events/2024/4/11/exhibit-opening-you-are-here.

Additional information about the exhibition is online at www.glbthistory.org/you-are-here.

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ABOUT THE GLBT HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The GLBT Historical Society is a public history center and archives that collects, preserves, exhibits and makes accessible to the public materials and knowledge to support and promote understanding of LGBTQ history, culture and arts in all their diversity. Founded in 1985, the society is recognized internationally as a leader in the field of queer public history and maintains one of the world’s largest archival collections of LGBTQ historical materials. Our operations are

centered at two sites: the GLBT Historical Society Museum, located in the heart of San Francisco's Castro neighborhood; and the Dr. John P. De Cecco Archives and Research Center, open to researchers in the Mid-Market district. For more information, visit www.glbthistory.org.

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6-8 PM

GLBT HISTORICAL SOCIETY MUSEUM
4127 18TH STREET
SAN FRANCISCO, CA

GAY POWER, GAY POLITICS: 44 YEARS LATER
Screening and Discussion with **Randy Alfred** and **Myron Caringal**
Tickets are \$10, or free for members. Register at glbthistory.org/events.

Caption: Screenshot of Gay Power, Gay Politics, courtesy of Randy Alfred.



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Caption: Harvey Milk addressing crowd from the stage at the 1978 San Francisco Gay Day Parade; photograph by Marie Ueda, Marie Ueda Collection (2006-12), GLBT Historical Society.

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