



World AIDS Day 2019

Programme of events

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Thank you.

World AIDS Day takes place on 1 December each year. It's an opportunity for people worldwide to unite in the fight against HIV, to show support for people living with HIV, and to commemorate those who have died from an AIDS-related illness.

Founded in 1988 by two people who were working in the World Health Organisation. The premise was simple: to raise awareness and to dispel stigma.

Communities Make The Difference

The theme of this year's World AIDS Day is "Communities make the difference".

This year it is important to recognise the essential role that communities have played and continue to play in the HIV/AIDS response at the international, national and local levels.

Communities contribute to the HIV/AIDS response in many different ways. Their leadership and advocacy ensure that the response remains relevant and grounded, keeping people at the centre and leaving no one behind. Communities include peer educators, networks of people living with or affected by HIV, such as gay and bisexual men and other men who have sex with men, people who inject drugs and sex workers, women and young people, counsellors, community health workers, voluntary & community sector organisations, and grass-roots activists.

World AIDS Day offers an important platform to highlight the role of communities at a time when reduced funding and a shrinking space for civil society are putting the sustainability of services and advocacy efforts in jeopardy. Greater mobilization of communities is urgently required to address the barriers that stop communities delivering services, including large scale commissioning, reductions in funding and decommissioning of specialist services. The strong advocacy role played by communities is needed more than ever to ensure that HIV/AIDS remains on the political agenda, that human rights are respected and that decision-makers and implementers are held accountable.

Please read on for information about the programme of events we have put together in partnership with a number of great community organisations as well as people living with HIV – communities really do make the difference! Hope to see you at one or more of our events this World AIDS Day

Team Brigstowe x

brigstowe+

local HIV services

Brigstowe have been delivering HIV specialist services in Bristol and surrounding areas for over 23 years. As the landscape of HIV has changed, so have our services but still retaining a core aim: to improve the lives of people living with HIV.



We support, advise and empower

Our support and advice services include a nationally recognised Peer Support Service and specialist service for migrants and asylum seekers who are living with or affected by HIV. All our services are tailored to individual need. Our aim is to improve the lives of people living with HIV.

We deliver specialist training

We deliver HIV Awareness Training to community groups, organisations and institutions.

We campaign and raise awareness

We campaign for the rights and entitlements of people living with HIV on a local and national level. We raise awareness of the facts of HIV, challenging stigma and encouraging testing.

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- ⊕ If you are living with HIV and would like to access help and support...
 - ⊕ If you are an organisation or community group wanting to learn more about HIV...
 - ⊕ If you are an individual keen to lend their voice to campaign for HIV issues...

Please get in touch. Our team would be happy to hear from you.

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World AIDS Day Programme of Events

November 15th – December 7th 2019

The programme includes a wide range of events, all aimed at promoting awareness and reducing stigma. We are proud to live in a city that supports people living with HIV.

Friday 15th November – 1pm – City Hall

Flag Raising and Networking

To mark the start of HIV National Testing Week and to commemorate World AIDS Day, join us outside City Hall where the Lord Mayor will be raising the Red Ribbon Flag to commemorate World AIDS Day. This will be followed by light refreshments and networking in the Lord Mayor's Chapel.

Thursday 21st November – 7pm to 8pm – Your Home!

ShoutOut Radio: World AIDS Day Takeover 2.0

Join the regular ShoutOut Team and Aled as they takeover this well-loved show for an hour of HIV and AIDS themed conversation and, to be honest, some outstanding song selections.

Friday 22nd November – 7pm to 9pm - Watershed

The Grass Is Always Grindr- Film Screening and Q & A

Brigstowe and 56 Dean Street partner up to screen The Grass Is Always Grindr- an action packed and thought provoking contemporary drama set in London. The screening will be followed by a panel discussion.

This event is kindly being supported by Watershed and DAC Beachcroft

Please register for this event on Eventbrite:

<https://thegrassisalwaysgrinder.eventbrite.co.uk>

Need an HIV Test?

Here is where you can get one

Sunday 17th November: 6pm -10pm

Queen Shilling, 9 Frogmore Street, Bristol BS1 5NA.

Walk-in.

Self-identifying men only.

Monday 18th November: 11am - 3pm

University of Bristol.

Undergraduate and postgraduate students only.

All genders welcome.

Please call 07545 614535 for specific site location.

Monday 18th November: 5pm- 7pm

PRISM, 23-25 Midland Rd, Old Market St, Quarter, Bristol BS2 0JT

All genders welcome. By appointment only: 07545 614535.

Tuesday 19th November: 10am - 12.30pm

Malcolm X Centre, 141 City Road, Bristol BS2 8YH.

Walk-in.

All genders welcome and sexualities welcome.

Wednesday 20th November: 5pm- 7pm

LADS Locker Room, 19-21 West St, Bristol BS2 0DF.

Walk-in.

Self-identifying men only.

Saturday 23rd November, 11am - 4pm

Trans Pride, Silver St, Bristol BS1 2AG



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**Thursday 28th November – 6pm to 9pm
Grimsbury Community Farm**

Facts, Fiction & Myth Busting

The Diversity Trust are proud to work with Brigstowe, The Eddystone Trust, Unity Sexual Health and South Gloucestershire Disability Equality Network to put on a public event to mark World AIDS Day. The focus this year will be on information sharing. As well as a myth-busting session on HIV/AIDS and prevention, we will be joined by LeaSuwana Griffith, a woman who is HIV+ presenting on 'Highlighting the Experiences of Women Living with HIV'.

Please register for this event on Eventbrite:

www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/world-aids-day-event-facts-fiction-myth-busting-tickets-78597161225

Friday 29th November – 10pm til late – Queenshilling

WAD Takeover

Join Brigstowe and THT as we takeover the Queenshilling for a night of dancing, great tunes and fabulousness all whilst raising money for Brigstowe & THT. Price: £5 on the door

Saturday 30th November - World AIDS Day Vigil and Procession followed by The Celebration

Vigil and procession: Meet at St James' Priory, 1 Whitson St, BS1 3NZ – 5.15pm to 5.40pm followed by procession to the Watershed

Celebration: Watershed – 6pm to 8.30pm

To mark World AIDS Day, for those wanting to attend we will be holding a candle lighting vigil at St James' Priory for a quiet moment of reflection and remembrance, before taking a visible and proud walk through Bristol. The procession will end at the Watershed for a drinks reception, light buffet, talks and Bristol Mayor, Marvin Rees, will sign the declaration for Bristol to be a Fast Track City.

No need to register for attendance at The Vigil.

Please register for The Celebration on Eventbrite:

<https://worldaidsday2019.eventbrite.co.uk>



The Diversity Trust

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wellbeing Event

Do you want to improve your wellbeing? Do you feel your sexual orientation and gender identity is a barrier to accessing mainstream services? Come and meet other LGBTQ+ people, explore barriers, learn about what helps improve and maintain good emotional wellbeing. Book your free place at <https://bit.ly/2JNnINw> or email wellbeing@diversitytrust.org.uk with your name, contact number and any dietary requirements. This session is run by the Diversity Trust on behalf of Southern Brooks Community Partnerships and South Gloucestershire Council.



Date: Sunday 24th November 2019

Time: 1pm - 4pm

Location: Armadillo Cafe, Station Road, Yate, Bristol BS37 4FW

HIV Testing Event

HIV affects people of all ages and effective treatments now mean that life expectancy has significantly increased for people with HIV. The Eddystone Trust is offering free, discreet, confidential, friendly and regular rapid HIV testing, with results within 20 minutes. This is an anonymous drop-in testing session.



Date: Sunday 24th November 2019

Time: 12pm - 5pm

Location: Armadillo Cafe, Station Road, Yate, Bristol BS37 4FW

World AIDS Day Event

Join us to talk facts, challenge fiction and bust some myths around HIV and AIDS. This year we're focusing on information sharing. We know that there are still a lot of myths and misunderstandings and we want to help change this. We're keeping things simple – offering a space for you to learn, ask questions and develop your knowledge of HIV and AIDS. Register at <https://bit.ly/338tYap>.



Date: Thursday 28th November 2019

Time: 6pm - 9pm

Location: Grimsbury Community Farm, 90 Grimsbury Road, Bristol BS15 9SD

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Saturday 30th November - 10pm til late - Queenshilling

Club Night and Cabaret: Temptation Seduction Show

Hosted by UWE LGBT+ Society and open to everyone, Temptation Cabaret Show returns for a 3rd year! Hosted by Roxy Stardust and with even more entertainment, seduction and controversy. An eyebrow raising night all in aid of THT & Brigstowe.

Price: Tickets from £5, please visit <http://hdfst.uk/E58538> to book

Sunday 1st December - 5pm til late - Bristol Bear Bar

World AIDS Day Cabaret: Cookie MonStar

Join the Bristol Bear Bar as they kindly play host to Cookie MonStar for a night of love, joy and laughs on this special day. Showtime is 6pm

Saturday 7th December - 9pm til late - Phoenix Pub

DTYM Brigstowe Fundraiser

Price: £6 on the door

After the huge success of last year DTYM + FRIENDS are putting on a night of dancing and celebration- and of course it's a Brigstowe Fundraiser. This is House DTYM. This house holds ideas about compassion, acceptance, equality and most of all LOVE. This house is community. This is our house.





Bristol Health Partners



FAST-TRACK CITIES

Register:

<https://worldaidsday2019.eventbrite.co.uk>

Join us as Bristol commemorates and celebrates World AIDS Day 2019. It will be a packed evening where Bristol is signing up to be a Fast Track City (www.fast-trackcities.org) to improve our local response to HIV and AIDS.

5.15 - 6pm – To mark World AIDS Day we will be taking a visible and proud walk through Bristol before ending at the Watershed for the main event.

Please meet at St James' Priory at 5.15pm where there will be time for reflection and lighting candles. We will then leave St James' Priory at 5.40pm and walk through the Centre towards The Watershed.

6 - 8.30pm - Join us for a very special evening as the people of Bristol come together for an evening of commemoration and celebration to mark World AIDS Day 2019 as well as the official signing of the declaration for Bristol to become a Fast Track City.

This is a partnership event in conjunction with:

- Bristol City Council
- Brigstowe
- Terrence Higgins Trust (THT)

The programme for the evening will consist of:

- Personal Stories
- The importance of Peer Mentoring
- Prevention
- Fast Track Cities Declaration Signing by The Mayor
- A performance by Sing Out Bristol

The Registration is only for the Celebration at The Watershed - if you wish to attend the procession please feel free to just come along!

We are pleased to announce that this event is being supported by The Watershed

Also a huge thank you to The Bank Tavern who have sponsored the refreshments.



“ I lost my job as a teacher and ran out of money. I lived in my car for three years. ”
Kevin*

#ScienceNotStigma

HIV related stigma is still a massive problem. Medical advancements have progressed at an incredible pace but societal attitudes towards HIV have not.

Kevin was diagnosed with HIV in 2008. He explains that: “Stigma is still there in the bucket loads. It’s not something that is easy to live with. I lost my job and lived in my car for 3 years. I was pulled back from the edge by the people at Brigstowe. If it wasn’t for Brigstowe, I’d be dead.”

With Brigstowe’s help, Kevin managed to secure Local Authority Housing, secure income through relevant benefits and has access to a good GP.

Your support this Christmas will mean more people like Kevin will get the help they need. Please donate here:

<http://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/fund/BrigstoweChristmasCampaign>

Together lets end HIV Stigma! #ScienceNotStigma

Brigstowe are a Bristol based charity who support people living with HIV. We continually challenge the outdated narrative surrounding HIV by attending community events, lobbying the press and working collaboratively with organisations to review and amend policies to prevent HIV related stigma.

*Although a pseudonym has been used Kevin’s story remains true.



Would you like to influence the perception of sexual health and HIV within your community?

Do you want to be a changemaker?

Join our new project to empower people from BAME communities across Bristol to make that change. We are working with community groups, faith leaders, students and BAME individuals to train community champions to:

- Challenge HIV stigma
- Promote good sexual health
- Be a supportive voice within your community
- Develop leadership skills
- Make a difference

We will support you to promote HIV and sexual health awareness in your community. Check our website for upcoming dates.

Not BAME but still interested in training?

We are also available to deliver awareness training and information sessions for local organisations, services and community groups working with and for BAME communities. Visit our website for more details.

Email: champions@tht.org.uk

Call: 07768 607350

Visit: www.tht.org.uk/champions



Be Informed.
Be Safe.
Be In Control.

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Undetectable=Untransmittable

People living with HIV on effective treatment cannot pass on HIV.

Help us to spread this message by donating a regular gift and becoming a Friend of Brigstowe

Please visit: www.brigstowe.org/donate

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local HIV services

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