

CURIOUSER AND CURIOUSER...

The Sixth Annual LGBT History and Archives Conference

Saturday 6 December 2008 9.30am - 4.30pm £10 | £7.50 (pre-booking essential)

London Metropolitan Archives 40, Northampton Road London EC1R 0HB

LGBT history and heritage ideas are going from strength to strength. But what are the challenges around collecting, conserving and communicating the history of LGBT people and who and what is that history for? Come and join us for a day of talks, Q&A sessions and workshops and find out more.



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BRITAIN'S MUSEUMS,
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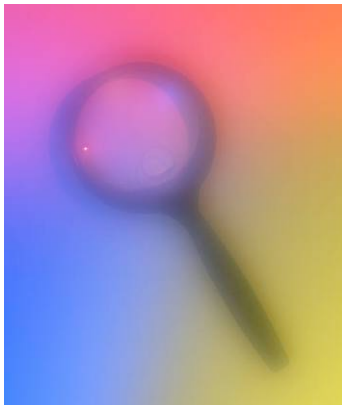
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Over the years LGBT communities have seen the development of a number of initiatives which set out to record, collect, celebrate and give access to important community histories. A lot of hard work has resulted in some highly successful projects, a number of which will be marked on the day.

But there is always room for debate and this year's conference sets out to open up some important questions.

Heritage Versus History.

'Heritage' is a term with real currency but do we want to be drawn into the 'Heritage' machine. Do modern heritage agendas reshape and distort history?

Preaching to The Converted?

What are the histories for and who is being reached?

Why Do You Want My Stuff?

Approaches to gathering histories – can these help or hinder? Collection? What collection?

Raising Awareness or Provoking a Reaction?

Have history based initiatives really changed things?

The day will explore a range of projects old and new and consider how different approaches to recording, collecting and making accessible meet the needs of the depositor, the community and those wanting to learn more from the material.

Important debates will be raised about the effectiveness of the current use and exploitation of 'heritage' as a means of social engineering, information exchange and revisiting / reshaping the past and the impact such approaches might have on a more formal view of history.

HOW TO GET TO LMA:

Tube: Farringdon (Circle, Metropolitan and Hammersmith and City lines), Chancery Lane (Central line) and Angel (Northern Line). All 10-15 mins walk.

Rail: King's Cross (15-20 mins walk); St Pancras (15- 20 mins walk); Euston (25-30 mins walk), Farringdon (10 mins walk)

Bus: 19, 38, 341 to Rosebery Avenue; 63 to Farringdon Road or 55 and 243 to Clerkenwell Green.

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