

## Community and Cultural Programs

Center on Halsted offers numerous events and programs for a broad spectrum of interests. Cultural performances, education classes, and recreation opportunities are just some of the ways we help strengthen our communities. To learn more about current offerings or suggest an event or program, please [contact culture@centeronhalsted.org](mailto:contact_culture@centeronhalsted.org).

### Culture

#### CHATS

##### Quarterly

In this program, we interview local LGBTQ leaders and allies as they discuss some of today's most pressing topics.

#### LGBTQ ARTISTS GALLERY

##### Every 6 Weeks | Friday 7 PM

Our 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> floor galleries exhibit works by LGBTQ artists.

#### LIMELIGHT

##### Quarterly

This series places local artists and arts organizations in the spotlight, giving individuals a closer look at Chicago's diverse arts community.

#### SPEED DATING

##### Spring & Autumn

Whether looking for the love of your life or new connections in the city, we create safe and inclusive spaces to meet other male-, female-, and queer-identified individuals.

### Education

#### CYBER CENTER

##### Daily 8 AM–9 PM

The Dr. David J. Lochman Cyber Center provides technology training and internet access to the LGBTQ community.

#### GED PROGRAM

##### Tuesdays & Thursdays 12 PM

Our GED program helps students prepare to take the GED exam. Financial assistance for test fees and transportation is available. To register, please contact [GED@centeronhalsted.org](mailto:GED@centeronhalsted.org).

#### SILVER FORK

A nine-week culinary arts and job readiness program for LGBTQ adults and allies who are unemployed or underemployed. For more information, contact [silverfork@centeronhalsted.org](mailto:silverfork@centeronhalsted.org).

#### TRANSSAFE & TRANSWORKS

##### Mondays and Wednesdays 12 PM

In partnership with Chicago House, these programs provide resources for trans and gender non-conforming individuals through job readiness skill-building and peer support. Walk-ins welcome.

### Recreation

#### BIKES AND MICS

##### Meetup times at [bikesandmics.com](http://bikesandmics.com)

Bikes and Mics is a diverse community, committed to supporting a welcoming and fun environment for motorcycle riders of all genders, ethnicities, and experience levels. We ride our motorcycles around Chicago and beyond. No patches. No dues. Just fun.

#### CO-ED VOLLEYBALL

##### Mondays & Thursdays 6 PM

Play volleyball on one of three courts. All experience levels are welcome! Get a daily pass for \$7 (cash or credit at the door) or purchase a monthly pass for \$30 (community. [centeronhalsted.org/volleyball](http://centeronhalsted.org/volleyball)).

#### YARN YARN

##### 1<sup>st</sup> Saturdays

Knitting, crocheting, and craftivism. Bring your yarn project or a desire to start something. All ages and skill levels welcome.

### Women

#### WOMEN'S PLAYERS CLUB

##### 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesdays 7 PM

A fun, social space for queer and trans women to play board games and socialize.

#### L LOUNGE

##### Last Wednesdays 6 PM

An informal, social space for Lesbians to come together for friendship and support.

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## Men

### **GAY FATHERS OF GREATER CHICAGO**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Mondays 7:30 PM**

A gathering of gay men who have children to discuss relevant issues in a confidential and supportive environment.

### **GAY MEN'S BOOK GROUP**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays 7 PM**

A monthly discussion group on gay-related literature, both fiction and non-fiction.

### **MORE FOR GAY MEN MOVIE NIGHT**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Fridays 6:15 PM**

A monthly film screening, followed by an engaging discussion with group members.

## Bi

### **BI DISCUSSION GROUP**

**4th Saturdays | 7 PM**

A bi-weekly gathering to discuss upcoming events, express concerns, and answer each other's questions about the community.

### **BI MOVIE NIGHT**

**Bi-Weekly | Monday 7 PM**

A bi-weekly screening of a film that addresses themes of bisexuality.

## Queer

### **GENDERQUEER CHICAGO**

**Wednesdays 7 PM**

A community space for individuals to talk about, think about, explore, and express gender.

## Trans

### **COMMUNITY CAVE CHICAGO**

**Every Thursday 6:30 PM**

CommunityCave Chicago is a peer led group for individuals that were Assigned/Designated Female at Birth (A/DFAB) AND ALSO who identify as as anything other than cisgender. We seek to provide a safer space for meeting, discussing, learning, collaborating, socializing, mentorship, and the building of community.

### **TQI LOUNGE**

**1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays 4:30 PM**

A relaxed social environment with discussions about gender, sexuality, life, and more for people who identify as trans, queer, or intersex.

### **T-FEM: TRANSFEMININE ALLIANCE CHICAGO**

**Every 1st & 3rd Tues. | 7-8:30pm**

Transfeminine Alliance Chicago is a topic-driven, peer-led discussion group addressing transfeminine identity and experiences.

### **T-MAC: TRANSMASCULINE ALLIANCE CHICAGO**

**Every 1st, 3rd & 5th Friday (if applicable)**

Transmasculine Alliance Chicago is a topic-driven, peer-led discussion group addressing transmasculine identity and experiences.

## Intersex

### **INTERSEX CHICAGO**

**1<sup>st</sup> Tuesdays 6:30 PM**

Casual conversation group for those who identify as intersex or think they might be. Family, friends, and allies are encouraged to attend.

## Family

### **CHILD CENTER**

**Daily 8 AM-9PM**

The Butler-VanderLinden Child Center on the second floor is a playroom with toys, books, and games.

### **GIRL SCOUTS**

**1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> Mondays 6:15PM**

A Center on Halsted sponsored troop that meets regularly throughout the school year.

### **PFLAG**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays 2PM**

A space for uniting LGBTQ people with family, friends, and allies through support, education, and advocacy.

### **PARENTS OF TRANS INDIVIDUALS**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Thursdays 7PM**

A sub-chapter of PFLAG, this group meets to provide supportive conversation and education around parents of trans and gender non-conforming individuals.

### **STORY TIME WITH DRAG QUEENS**

**3rd Sundays 3-5pm**

Join Muffy Fishbasket and her Good Time Galz as they each read a classic bedtime story to a room full of children.

### **FRACTURED FAIRY TALES: A FAMILY FRIENDLY DRAG SHOW**

**May 21, Aug. 20, & Nov. 19**

**3-5pm**

Join Muffy Fishbasket and her Good Time Galz as they perform a traditional drag show, geared towards children.

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