

GENDER DIVERSITY

2024
DANIELLE SMITH REVEALS A SET OF POLICIES TO LIMIT RIGHTS OF TRANS AND GENDER DIVERSE YOUTH IN ALBERTA.

2021
YUKON EXPANDS ITS HEALTH CARE TO COVER ALL TRANSITION-RELATED CARE.

2014
U OF A'S CATHY J. FITZPATRICK WINS C.F. VS ALBERTA, SOLIDIFYING A CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHT FOR TRANSGENDER ALBERTANS TO OBTAIN ACCURATE IDENTIFICATION.

2000s
CREE TWO-SPIRIT ARTIST KENT MONKMAN DEVELOPS HIS DRAG PERSONA, MISS CHIEF EAGLE TESTICKLE, GOING ON TO RECEIVE INTERNATIONAL RECOGNITION FOR HIS WORK.

1998
MIKE HARRIS'S GOVERNMENT SUSPENDS COVERAGE FOR GENDER AFFIRMING SURGERIES IN ONTARIO.

1990
ELDER MYRA LARAMEE COINS THE PAN-INDIGENOUS TERM "TWO-SPIRIT" AT THE INTERTRIBAL NATIVE AMERICAN/FIRST NATIONS GAY AND LESBIAN CONFERENCE IN WINNIPEG.

1979
VANCOUVER AND MONTREAL BECOME FIRST CANADIAN CITIES TO HOST OFFICIAL PRIDE MARCHES.

1969
NYC QUEER COMMUNITY FIGHTS COPS AT STONEWALL RIOTS, STREET TRANSVESTITE ACTION REVOLUTIONARIES IS FORMED.

1952
AMERICAN TRANS WOMAN CHRISTINE JORGENSEN BECOMES THE MOST WRITTEN-ABOUT TOPIC IN THE MEDIA.

1933
NAZIS BURN THE WORLD'S LARGEST LIBRARY OF BOOKS ON SEXUAL DIVERSITY AT HIRSCHFELD'S INSTITUTE.

1928
VIRGINIA WOOLF'S *ORLANDO: A BIOGRAPHY* IS PUBLISHED.

1900

1897
THE SCIENTIFIC-HUMANITARIAN COMMITTEE, THE FIRST LGBT RIGHTS ORGANIZATION, IS FOUNDED IN BERLIN.

1880s
DRAG BALLS BECOME A POPULAR GATHERING SPACE FOR QUEER COMMUNITIES IN THE U.S.

1859
DEATH PENALTY FOR HOMOSEXUALITY IS INSTATED IN CANADA.

1848
COLUMBUS, OHIO IS THE FIRST CITY TO PASS THE ANTI-CROSSDRESSING LEGISLATION IN THE U.S.

1836
MARY JONES, A BLACK TRANSGENDER SEX WORKER, IS ON TRIAL IN NEW YORK CITY AFTER PICKPOCKETING A CLIENT. SHE IS KNOWN AS THE FIRST GENDER-VARIANT PERSON IN NEW YORK HISTORY.

1820s
"LADY ROCKS" AN ANTI-COLONIAL CROSS-DRESSING IRISH FORCE BEGIN A GUERRILLA WAR CAMPAIGN AGAINST THEIR ENGLISH OPPRESSEORS, A TRADITION CARRIED ON BY THE "LADY CLARES" AND THE "MOLLY MAGUIRES."

1800

1776
AFTER A FEVER, A RELIGIOUS LEADER IN THE STATES BEGINS CALLING THEMSELVES THE "PUBLIC UNIVERSAL FRIEND," AND REJECTS USE OF ALL GENDERED PRONOUNS.

1746
HENRY FIELDING'S PLAY "THE FEMALE HUSBAND" OPENS, INSPIRED BY STORIES OF WOMEN LIVING THEIR LIVES AS MEN AND TAKING BRIDES, NOTABLY CHARLES HAMILTON (WHO TOOK 14 WIVES DURING HIS LIFE!)

1728
IN GLOUCESTER, BANDS OF ARMED MEN IN DRESSES AND WOMEN'S WIGS BEGIN A RASH OF TOLL GATE DEMOLITIONS THAT WILL CONTINUE ACROSS ENGLAND UNTIL 1749.

1707
SOCIETIES FOR THE REFORMATION OF MANNERS RAID MORE THAN 20 "MOLLY HOUSES" LEADING TO THE HANGING OF MANY TRANSGENDER WOMEN AND VIOLENT RESISTANCE.

1700

1645
"VIRAGO" (MASCULINE WOMAN) LA BRANLAIRE LEADS A TAX REVOLT IN MONTPELLIER.

1631
REBELS IN THE DAIRY AREAS OF WILTSHIRE RIOTED AGAINST THE ENCLOSURE OF THEIR FORESTS, WEARING SKIRT DRESSES AND WOMEN'S HATS.

1629
ALICE CLARK, A CROSS-DRESSED WOMAN, LEADS A CROWD OF WOMEN AND CROSS-DRESSING MALE WEAVERS IN A GRAIN RIOT IN ESSEX.

1604
CANADA'S FIRST EUROPEAN SETTLEMENT IS FOUNDED, AND COLONIZER SOCIETY'S ENFORCEMENT OF RIGID GENDER AND SEXUALITY NORMS ON THE INDIGENOUS POPULATION BEGINS.

1599
SHAKESPEARE WRITES "AS YOU LIKE IT," A PLAY KNOWN TODAY FOR ITS FLUID APPROACH TO GENDER.