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Queer Communities in Academic Libraries

#critlib 6/6/17

Pre-Discussion/Intros



Kate Kitchens
@Infinity_Dots

Join us tonight 8PM CT for a riveting discussion on queer communities in academic libraries!
critlib.org/queer-communitit... #critlib #queerspaces

 9 MONTHS AGO

ONE DAY IT OCCURRED TO ME THAT I
COULD ACTUALLY LOOK UP HOMOSEX-
UALITY IN THE CARD CATALOG.



From [@AlisonBechdel](https://twitter.com/AlisonBechdel)'s "Fun Home" #critlib #queerspaces pic.twitter.com/7ulbStAi4f

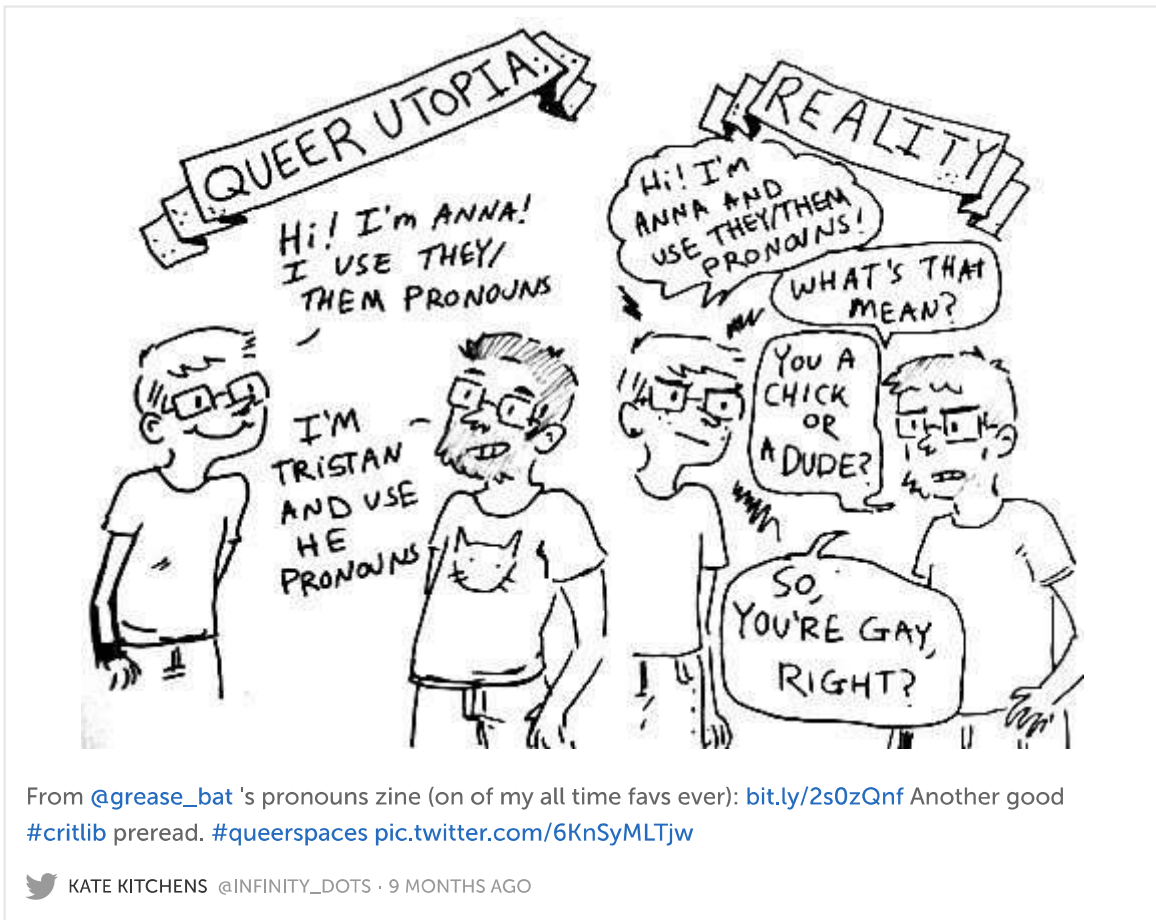
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@Infinity_Dots


For ideas on how academic libraries can support queer communities b4 the #critlib chat, check out this storify: bit.ly/2rp8zu1


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 **Kate Kitchens**
@Infinity_Dots


ATTN:   #critlib discussion in 15 min (8:00CT, 1:00 Zulu time) w/me & @brinepond

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 **lasagna del rey**
@brinepond

HI Y'ALL welcome to tonight's #critlib about queer communities in academic libraries, time to introduce yourselves!!

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@brinepond

for a list of q's/readings for tonight's #critlib, please go here: critlib.org/queer-communit...

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Greg Bem
@bembrarian

Greg Bem from @learningcommons (@TheLWTech). Faculty librarian! #critlib
twitter.com/brinepond/stat...

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Aman
@akaur0

@Infinity_Dots @brinepond hi! im excited to learn from this #critlib discussion!

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lasagna del rey
@brinepond

also moderating tonight's #critlib is @Infinity_Dots! as a note we're using "queer" for anyone who IDs as LGBTQIA+

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Aman
@akaur0

@brinepond hello! im a librarian in Philly. #critlib

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Kate Kitchens
@Infinity_Dots

Also I'd like to take a leaf out of @zinelib's book & offer an option for people to tweet semi-anonymously #critlib

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Kate Kitchens
@Infinity_Dots

If you have something you'd like to tweet anonymously email me at this temporary address:
infinitydotsforever@gmail.com #critlib

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Violet Fox
@violetbfox

@Infinity_Dots Folks can do that or use the anonymous relay form here to post anonymously to the chat: script.google.com/macros/s/AKfyc... #critlib

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Greg Bem
@bembrarian

For anon tweeting tonight. This is just one of the many reasons why #critlib is the best. twitter.com/violetbfox/sta...

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Violet Fox
@violetbfox

@bembrarian Thanks for the anonymous relay go to the fabulous @metageeky! #critlib

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@brinepond

anyway i'm kelly and i'm a presently unemployed librarian/archivist future paralegal student in detroit #critlib

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Aman
@akaur0

@ForeverBren_x @TrippTuttle @uncsils @xoxoMattyBoy Tonight's #critlib discussion has started and goes until 10pm EST. Feel free to join if you would like!

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Lisa Hubbell
@lisahubbell

Hey #critlib I'm Lisa, an academic librarian in California.

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Kelly McElroy

@kellymce

Hi #critlib, I'm Kelly, an academic librarian in Oregon!

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Question 1: What do you do (or plan to do) to support queer communities on your campus?



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Q1. What do you do (or plan to do) to support queer communities on your campus? #critlib

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Rachel Wexelbaum

@voxpathulare

Queer communities in libraries: mostly I see the community of queer librarians, but not so much students in libraries--you all? #critlib

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Rachel Wexelbaum

@voxpathulare

I am doing my dissertation research on queer undergraduates and their perceptions of library spaces #critlib

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Kate Kitchens

@Infinity_Dots

@voxpathulare I know we have a lot of queer students on our campus because I advise the queer student org which meets in the library! #critlib

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Rachel Wexelbaum

@voxpathulare

Right now it's outreach to the LGBT resource center, women's center, and classes that cover queer/gender/sexuality studies #critlib twitter.com/brinepond/stat...

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Aman
@akaur0

[@brinepond](#) Every summer, libs & HR sponsor Safe Space Training. The LGBT Center has an intensive workshop geared towards lib staff. [#critlib](#)

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Kelly McElroy
@kellymce

A1: some is explicit, like our Pride Month book display or providing space for QTPOC student group [#critlib](#)

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Kate Kitchens
@Infinity_Dots

[@voxpathulare](#) Yay collaboration! I've worked with the counseling & career services departments on queer themed panel discussions/events. [#critlib](#)

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Aman
@akaur0

[@brinepond](#) In addition, libs work w/ the LGBT Center to make sure students' preferred names show up in course sites & lib accounts. [#critlib](#)

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Anonymous Critlib
@CritLib_anon

A1 I do collection development projects to specifically add queer novels and nonfiction, using the Lambda and Stonewall lists [#critlib](#)

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Rachel Wexelbaum
@voxpathulare

June is a terrible month--most students away, so no big Pride celebration here [#critlib](#)

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Kelly McElroy

@kellymce

A1: also, a lot of queer library workers doing their own visibility and culture change [#critlib](#)

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Kate Kitchens

@Infinity_Dots

A1 attending queer themed events on & off campus is important I think to show students that librarians care. [#critlib](#) a physical presence

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doing the deity's work here [#critlib](#) twitter.com/CritLib_anon/s...

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Kelly McElroy

@kellymce

A1: we have a lot of queer collections to support academic study -- students have told me they're surprised by how much we have [#critlib](#)

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Kate Kitchens

@Infinity_Dots

A1 little things like putting your pronouns in your email signature can have a lot of meaning for other queer stu, fac, staff [#critlib](#)

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Lindsey Taggart

@gooseybill

A1: Partnering w/ Women's and Gender Studies program, Student Alliance for Gender Equality to open a new resource room/safe space [#critlib](#)

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Lisa Hubbell
@lisahubbell

A1. We have a lot of psych students. Fellow librarian screened a doc called "Trans Clients Speak".
[#critlib](#)

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Aman
@akaur0

[@voxpopulare](#) students dont generally say theyre queer & using the libs. they tend to open up about identities during diversity events/talks. [#critlib](#)

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Kelly McElroy
@kellymce

A1: also, just building community with queer students, staff, and faculty -- be seen and be available [#critlib](#)

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Aman
@akaur0

[@voxpopulare](#) It's possible they have their own designated signature events during the academic year. [#critlib](#)

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Question 2: Looking @ Q1 who's being left out? (due to race, ethnicity, age, socioeconomic status, non-trad students, +)



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@brinepond

Q2. Looking @ Q1 who's being left out? (due to race, ethnicity, age, socioeconomic status, non-trad students, +) [#critlib](#)

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Rachel Wexelbaum
@voxpopulare

[@akauro](#) Yes I know--I go to them--and our town does Pride in September when the students return [#critlib](#)

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Kelly McElroy

@kellymce

Of course, that is *if* they can find them in the stacks...#critlib

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Kate Kitchens

@Infinity_Dots

A2 Distance students are often left out, which is why have a good queer resource guide online is helpful #critlib

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Aman

@akaur0

The LGBT Center had presented a Diversi-tea, where students & staff conversed about how the libs can support the LGBT community #critlib

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Rachel Wexelbaum

@voxpathulare

Question to folks--how many of you have an LGBT resource center on your campus? How does it impact queer student library use? #critlib

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Max Bowman

@maxgbowman

Hi #critlib I'm Max & I'm a little late 🧑🏻♂️ and I'm an academic librarian in VA.

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Zoe Fisher

@zoh_zoh

getting a late start but I'm here--zoe, academic librarian, denver, hella queer. #critlib

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Zoe Fisher
@zoh_zoh

A1 I gave a talk in the library September for #bannedbooksweek about LGBTQ books, students came (!!) and they loved it #critlib

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Kelly McElroy
@kellymce

A2: most of the concrete programs we do are in partnership with existing groups, so, folks who are already connected to a group #critlib

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'80s Dance Hits

By Google Play Music

In the '80s, rock & roll borrowed elements of R&B, disco, and funk to create an undeniably danceable decade of popular music. Get into the groove with this playlist of hits from the decade of MTV.

ADD TO LIBRARY SHARE

my soundtrack for tonight's #critlib chat pic.twitter.com/qSII5lmFqt

ZOE FISHER @ZOH_ZOH · 9 MONTHS AGO



Kate Kitchens
@Infinity_Dots

@akauro great idea! This could be helpful for int'l students who might have a harder time breaking into the queer communities on campuses #critlib

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Question 3: What can librarians do to show support for transgender students, faculty, staff in particular?



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@brinepond

Q3. What can librarians do to show support for transgender students, fac, staff in particular? #critlib

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Lindsey Taggart
@gooseybill

Our campus had [@ryansallans](#) give a talk on transgender awareness, and this was a point he stressed [#critlib twitter.com/akauro/status/...](#)

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Kelly McElroy
@kellymce

[@voxpopulare](#) yep, and no idea. How would we know? [#critlib](#)

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Zoe Fisher
@zoh_zoh

my slides from my 2016 [#bannedbooksweek](#) talk about books that are "unsuited for age group" (eg queer) [#critlib quickaskzoe.files.wordpress.com/2016/10/unsuit...](#)

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Aman
@akaur0

lib can be a mtg space 4 campus resource cntr staff 2 plan services 4 queer students, other marginalized pop, nontrad students, etc [#critlib](#)

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Greg Bem
@bembrarian

[@LWTEchCL](#) we should think about this! [#critlib twitter.com/akauro/status/...](#)

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Anonymous Critlib
@CritLib_anon

We have an active campus lgbt center + partner with them on stuff. Ahem. They're good at reminding us that not all queer folk r yt. [#critlib](#)

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Zoe Fisher
@zoh_zoh

A3 I'd really like to see public svcs & instruction librarians be mindful of the pronouns they use with students, fac, staff #critlib

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Zoe Fisher
@zoh_zoh

A3 bathrooms are really contested spaces right now--I'd like to see academic librarians do more to make bathrooms safe for all #critlib

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Max Bowman
@maxgbowman

@brinepond A1. Being visible, vocal, & available in an explicit way. Working w/ my colleagues to ensure that they're comfortable supporting, #critlib

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Kelly McElroy
@kellymce

A3: I've been heartened by increased and authentic practice around pronouns of reference on my campus #critlib

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Zoe Fisher
@zoh_zoh

A3 curious how many folks have gender neutral bathroom facilities in their libraries--we have one but it's not easy to access. #critlib

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Zoe Fisher
@zoh_zoh

A3 do you say "you guys" when referring to groups? maybe don't. #critlib

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Kelly McElroy

@kellymce

Totally. Want all bathrooms to be safe, not just on a couple floors. [#critlib](#)
twitter.com/zoh_zoh/status...



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Aman

@akaur0

[@Infinity_Dots](#) Each sem, we host 6 teas. at each, a campus resource cntr staff & students present about the center and how to partner w/ the libs [#critlib](#)



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Rachel Wexelbaum

@voxpopulare

[@zoh_zoh](#) We have one but it's in the coffee shop, which people think is closed over the summer [#critlib](#)



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lasagna del rey

@brinepond

[@zoh_zoh](#) i remember one library on campus had a handicapped restroom that *could* be GN but it was all the way on the 1st floor [#critlib](#)



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lasagna del rey

@brinepond

[@zoh_zoh](#) so not very convenient for those who need a single-stall room and/or the disabled [#critlib](#)



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Aman

@akaur0

[@Infinity_Dots](#) This past year, the libs won an inaugural Campus Diversity Award, because students like the Diversi-tea series. They nominated us. [#critlib](#)



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lasagna del rey

@brinepond

this is a habit that i really have to try hard to break, honestly [#critlib](#)
twitter.com/zoh_zoh/status...



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lasagna del rey

@brinepond

[@zoh_zoh](#) however the allied media conference is hosted at my once-uni and they intentionally block off gender neutral bathrooms [#critlib](#)



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Kate Kitchens

@Infinity_Dots

A3 it can be hard esp. in a rural place to know where to go for medical services if someone chooses to transition [#critlib](#)



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Kelly McElroy

@kellymce

A1: also, we have the Oregon State Queer Archives: guides.library.oregonstate.edu/osqa which hosts super fun events [#critlib](#)



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Max Bowman

@maxgbowman

Q1. our queer communities. This means talking about language. Language is fluid & contested & that often makes folks nervous, [#critlib](#)



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Kelly McElroy

@kellymce

[@brinepond](#) y'all / yinz!! [#critlib](#)



9 MONTHS AGO



Lisa Hubbell
@lisahubbell

@brinepond @zoh_zoh If only our small campus *had* a 1st floor. I try at least to tell people where both gendered bathrooms are when they ask. #critlib

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Zoe Fisher
@zoh_zoh

A3 I have my pronouns in my email signature--another common practice that can be a nice way to show that pronouns can't be assumed #critlib

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Zoe Fisher
@zoh_zoh

@lisahubbell @brinepond had this at my last job--men's one way, ladies the other. I always described directions to both both no matter who asked. #critlib

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Christina Bell
@librarybell

@zoh_zoh I'm lucky that we have a fully inclusive bathroom policy as a campus, I'm working this summer to make our signage less binarist. #critlib

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Question 4: Has anyone surveyed students, fac, staff to determine queer needs on campus?



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@brinepond

Q4. Has anyone surveyed students, fac, staff to determine queer needs on campus? #critlib

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Aman
@akaur0

I have a Safe Space Training sticker by my door #critlib

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Lisa Hubbell
@lisahubbell

A3. One faculty member is now famous in Sweden as a trans* role model. Happy to show up for previews of her TV appearances there. [#critlib](#)

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Zoe Fisher
@zoh_zoh

A4 our LGBTQ center has probably done this, but I'm not aware of their findings or the implications for the library. [#critlib](#)

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Lindsey Taggart
@gooseybill

Oof, good reminder. I'm not great at this [#critlib](#) twitter.com/zoh_zoh/status...

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Rachel Wexelbaum
@voxpopulare

This is usually LGBT Resource Center Director's job--unless institution has no LGBT resource center--libs can help of course [#critlib](#) twitter.com/brinepond/stat...

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Max Bowman
@maxgbowman

A3 Educate yourselves. If you're in a position of power (cannot stress this one enough) make it education/awareness a priority. [#critlib](#)

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Lindsey Taggart
@gooseybill

[@ryansallans](#) also [@ryansallans](#) is the besst, very thankful I got to attend. Hire him if you can! [#critlib](#)

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Christina Bell
@librarybell

[@kellymce](#) Yes! We have a monthly faculty/ staff social. So much of our work focuses on our students, it's nice to have some balance [#critlib](#)

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lasagna del rey
@brinepond

[@voxpopulare](#) perhaps an intentional collaboration btwn resource center and library is in order in some places? [#critlib](#)

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Rachel Gammons
@rwegammons

Today, I spent 4 hrs formatting tables in my CV & my soul is dead. So excited for the [#critlib](#) summer bookclub w/[@Linds_librarian](#) tomorrow!

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Anonymous Critlib
@CritLib_anon

A3. Be political. Advocate for housing, food security, OER textbooks for students. Seek out oral histories from trans people [#critlib](#)

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Zoe Fisher
@zoh_zoh

A4 at my prev job, I was fac advisor for the LGBTQ student group--they were v concerned about education, advocacy, and social opps [#critlib](#)

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Kate Kitchens
@Infinity_Dots

A4 I got an idea from a peer at [@ILAACRL17](#) to get student feedback on out queer resource guide [#critlib](#)

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Zoe Fisher
@zoh_zoh

A4 in terms of serving needs of queer comms, I think academic libraries could step up services and spaces--host events, be visible [#critlib](#)

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Aman
@akaur0

[@brinepond](#) LGBT Cntr has complimented libs 4 being 1 of the most queer friendly campus spaces. GN restrooms. preferred names. staff trainings. [#critlib](#)

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Christina Bell
@librarybell

[@kellymce](#) We call it the Bates Faculty/ Staff LGBTQIA Affinity Group. The name needs some work. [#queeratwork](#) [#critlib](#)

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Aman
@akaur0

[@brinepond](#) which means there is still work to be done! [#critlib](#)

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Max Bowman
@maxgbowman

A3 It's impossible to meet the needs of a community that you know nothing about. Best intentions are admirable, but not enough. [#critlib](#)

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Zoe Fisher
@zoh_zoh

A3 oh, and CHECK YOUR DISCOVERY TOOL FOR TOP SEARCH RESULTS--I was horrified by the top result for "transgender" recently [#critlib](#)

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Rachel Wexelbaum

@voxpopulare

@mbrookerob @kellymce The library survey would be about the library--but would collect demographic data. Most don't so we don't know what groups do what #critlib



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Aman

@akaur0

@zoh_zoh "You guys" flows better w/ my Jersey accent, but I slowly making the change to "y'all". #critlib



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Question 5: Moving forward what do you consider to be a primary need for the queer communities on your campuses?



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@brinepond

Q5. Moving forward what do you consider to be a primary need for the queer communities on your campuses? #critlib



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Zoe Fisher

@zoh_zoh

@bembrarian another librarian noticed that their top result was from "The Encyclopedia of Social Problems"--what does that tell trans students? #critlib



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Aman

@akaur0

@brinepond @voxpopulare Yes! Partner w. the Center, so the lib can be the pilot for new signage, events, etc. It'll encourage other depts to get involved. #critlib



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Zoe Fisher

@zoh_zoh

A5 physically prioritize the safety of your queer communities. folks should be able to pee, read, study, and browse without fear. #critlib



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Rachel Wexelbaum

@voxpatholare

@brinepond Unity. Our campus queer communities are diverse and scattered, so do not have big obvious asks #critlib

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Kate Kitchens

@Infinity_Dots

@zoh_zoh @bembrarian That's terrible! I'm going to look more closely at our discovery layers tomorrow... #critlib

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Zoe Fisher

@zoh_zoh

A5 I worry about queer students who 1) don't see themselves in our collex 2) feel unsafe in the bldg 3) get misgendered in classes #critlib

 9 MONTHS AGO



Lisa Hubbell

@lisahubbell

A1. Lots of pronoun orientation, at work and otherwise, on behalf of a non-binary loved one. "They" is not always plural or trans. #critlib

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Christina Bell

@librarybell

A5 I'm working on listening to my community and not making assumptions. My needs as a queer person aren't universal #critlib

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Rachel Wexelbaum

@voxpatholare

Another question--are queer social media using students even looking for books like we did (and still do)? #critlib twitter.com/zoh_zoh/status...

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Zoe Fisher
@zoh_zoh

A5 I was overwhelmed by how students responded to my short talk about queer books--they were SO glad to see a librarian as an ally. #critlib

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I Wanna Dance with Somebody (Who Loves...)
Whitney Houston - Whitney

this is the perf song as #critlib chat starts to wind down--for the record, I wanna dance with all y'all, any time #critlib pic.twitter.com/Yak8yy9wat

ZOE FISHER @ZOH_ZOH · 9 MONTHS AGO



Zoe Fisher
@zoh_zoh

@voxpopulare queer students are likely researching topics near & dear to them--do we have resources that reflect their lives & interests? #critlib

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Mario Macías
@andornotnear

A5 acquiring LGBT+ books that students will see and read is my main concern at my junior college #critlib

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Kate Kitchens
@Infinity_Dots

@zoh_zoh What venue did this talk take place? Was this in a class or a stand alone library event? Sounds awesome! #critlib

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Christina Bell
@librarybell

A5 Hold weekly office hours in the Diverse student center. Not everyone feels comfortable in the library #critlib

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Zoe Fisher
@zoh_zoh

@Infinity_Dots we have a "discovery wall" in the library--open presentation wall in the middle of the library. very public space #critlib

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Mario Macías
@andornotnear

A5 how do keep uptodate with new relevant queer books? #critlib Lambda Literary? GLBT Round Table?

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Rachel Wexelbaum
@voxpopulare

@zoh_zoh At my library we do--most academic libraries do nowadays, or can get them through ILL. #critlib

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Zoe Fisher
@zoh_zoh

@Infinity_Dots here's a pic of me presenting this talk at the discovery wall #critlib twitter.com/AurariaLibrary...

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Lisa Hubbell
@lisahubbell

@voxpopulare I've read about appreciation from queer teens that they can read YA romance as ebooks, without classmates seeing the covers. #critlib

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Aman
@akaur0

@librarybell Held by professional staff? student employees? or both? We have experimented w/ both. Students connect better w/ other students #critlib

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Rachel Wexelbaum
@voxpatholare

@andornotnear Follow all of them on social media! Also Publishing Triangle and others #critlib

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Mario Macías
@andornotnear

A5 i try to make sure that we put up good displays for Pride and LGBT history month (basic level outreach, right?) #critlib

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lasagna del rey
@brinepond

any last thoughts for tonight? would anyone like to volunteer to storify this, pretty please? #critlib

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Zoe Fisher
@zoh_zoh

@andornotnear rainbow list! glbtrt.ala.org/rainbowbooks/ and pay attention to what students are researching, how they describe their topics #critlib

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Zoe Fisher
@zoh_zoh

A5 for example, students may be confused why "reassignment surgery" brings back more results than "gender confirmation" #critlib

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Mario Macías
@andornotnear

A3 i gotta follow up to see how my library is doing on getting Gender Neutral restrooms... stuck in bureaucracy i feel [#critlib](#)

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Lindsey Taggart
@gooseybill

[@voxpopulare](#) [@andornotnear](#) didn't know about Lambda Literary or Publishing Triangle, thanks for this! [#critlib](#)

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Max Bowman
@maxgbowman

A5 We, collectively, need to do the work so queer communities don't have to. Be proactive, not reactive. [#critlib](#)

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Aman
@akaur0

[@librarybell](#) That's wonderful that you're consistent with the hours of the service! [#critlib](#)

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Mario Macías
@andornotnear

A2 i had to explain to my supervisor how having trans women in the Women's History Month display was not out of scope [#critlib](#)

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Rachel Wexelbaum
@voxpopulare

[@maxgbowman](#) Most of the folks who have historically done this work were, are, and have been queer librarians--hard to take it from us :) [#critlib](#)

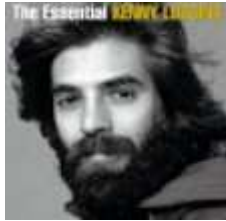
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Max Bowman
@maxgbowman

A5 There have been many occasions where,we've tried to educate ourselves in response to a problem. #critlib

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Footloose

Kenny Loggins - The Essential Kenny Loggins

just want you to know that kenny loggins & I love you just the way you are #critlib
pic.twitter.com/7TCqwHeg4W

 ZOE FISHER @ZOH_ZOH · 9 MONTHS AGO



Max Bowman
@maxgbowman

A5 But the message that sends is that queer communities are creating the problems/are the problem. #critlib

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Kate Kitchens
@Infinity_Dots

A5 having a platform to meet others who share a similar identity as us is vital for our own mental health IMO #critlib

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Mario Macías
@andornotnear

A1 visibility is still important (i heard some librarians wear rainbow stuff at public service points) #critlib

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Zoe Fisher
@zoh_zoh

[@andornotnear](#) I have a giant rainbow flag in my office. I get questions about it regularly (incl. from coworkers!) [#critlib](#)

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Kate Kitchens
@Infinity_Dots

Thanks everybody for a productive, thought-provoking discussion! [#critlib](#)

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Lisa Hubbell
@lisahubbell

[@andornotnear](#) Thanks for chipping away at the learning curve. [#critlib](#)

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Kate Kitchens
@Infinity_Dots

Any Storify volunteers for tonight's chat? Second call? [#critlib](#)

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lasagna del rey
@brinepond

that's all for tonight folks, thanks for the chat! still looking for a kind soul to storify! [#critlib](#)

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Aman
@akaur0

[@Infinity_Dots](#) Thank you for co-moderating! [#critlib](#)

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Jean
@je4n_01iv0

A1 Ranges from visibility of staff to our preferred pronouns indicated on our nameplates at the desk or office doors. [#critlib](#)

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Mario Macías
@andornotnear

yes, one time i overheard a male student say "that's not a woman" referring to a feminine student who walked by... #critlib [twitter.com/maxgbowman/sta...](https://twitter.com/maxgbowman/status/1234567890)

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Rachel Wexelbaum
@voxpathulare

I think we need another one of these queer community in the library chats, in a month other than June #critlib

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Kate Kitchens
@Infinity_Dots

[@brinepond](#) If we don't get any Storify volunteers I can sleuth through it tomorrow morning and share the link! #critlib

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Kate Kitchens
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[@voxpathulare](#) I agree. And one for public libraries too! #critlib

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Lisa Hubbell
@lisahubbell

[@voxpathulare](#) [@maxgbowman](#) This has long been one of my areas of practice as an ally, learning at the feet of folks like Holly Near as a teenager. #critlib

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Jean
@je4n_01iv0

A2 QPOC might feel excluded, so having more resources/guides etc. across the board #critlib

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Kelly McElroy

@kellymce

@zoh_zoh @andornotnear yeah, I have a pronoun button from @autostraddle on my cardigan and students have recognized it #critlib

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Kelly McElroy

@kellymce

Thanks to @brinepond and @Infinity_Dots for moderating! #critlib

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Zoe Fisher

@zoh_zoh

@kellymce @andornotnear @autostraddle in case anyone else needs pronoun pins or a scissoring t-shirt ;) #critlib hellomerch.com/collections/au...

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Also, seems appropriate that a coworker brought me this back from a conference today #critlib pic.twitter.com/22H55qNVxG



KELLY MCELROY @KELLYMCE · 9 MONTHS AGO



Kelly McElroy

@kellymce

@zoh_zoh @andornotnear @autostraddle conveniently, the scissoring stuff is also very zinester appropriate #critlib

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Jean

@je4n_01iv0

A3 Having relevant & up to date resources accessible. We added a lot of new materials thanks to feedback #critlib

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Max Bowman

@maxgbowman

@kellymce @brinepond @Infinity_Dots Yes! Thanks to y'all! I think that's the most I've ever said in a #critlib meeting 😂

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Lisa Hubbell

@lisahubbell

@kellymce @brinepond @Infinity_Dots Yes! ❤️🧡💛💚💙💜 Thanks to @brinepond @Infinity_Dots and all y'all for great #critlib chat tonight.

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@brinepond

here's the storify for tonight's #critlib! storify.com/brinepond/crit...

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Liz McGlynn Bellamy

@thelizbrarian

@zoh_zoh 🧑 at least one on all 5 floors. One of the reasons I decided to work where I do now (though ofc there's still more work to be done) #critlib

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Desmond

@desmondcwong

Hello long time [#critlib](#) listener first time responder

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Pride Library

@pridelibrary

This [#critlib](#) is our wheelhouse, sorry we missed it but much thanks for the storify twitter.com/brinepond/stat...

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Desmond

@desmondcwong

A2 (7) As librarians we need to find those nuances and lean into our discomfort to seek POCq voices, recog & act on our privileges [#critlib](#)

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Desmond

@desmondcwong

A3 (5) I've said this many times but our spaces and our collections send very explicit msgs about who we are & what we stand for [#critlib](#)

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Pride Library

@pridelibrary

[@brinepond](#) A2 [#critlib](#) we see disabled students being left out due to our culture's application of asexuality to them

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Desmond

@desmondcwong

Thank you [@Infinity_Dots](#) and [@brinepond](#) for such wonderful questions and the labour of moderating - 1st [#critlib](#) convo was 🙌

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Debbie Richards
@amdial

#queer #lgbtq #libraries #critlib twitter.com/brinepond/stat...

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Brett D. Currier
@brettdcurrier

For those of you who need continuous evidence that libraries aren't neutral. #critlib [twitter.com/AmeliaNGibson/...](https://twitter.com/AmeliaNGibson/)

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Desmond
@desmondcwong

@Infinity_Dots @brinepond In light of #critlib tonight, I would recommend "Love Beyond Body, Space, and Time" hopenicholson.com/projects/love-...

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Queer communities in academic libs: tonight's #critlib topic. Similar chat for public #libraries? #publibchat #librarylife #LGBTQ #Pride2017 pic.twitter.com/ooftisWfAe

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