

### White Mountains Pride June 2024 Events and Activities



Pride Festival June 29, 2024 10am – 4pm

North Conway
Community Center Park



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What is White Mountains Pride? A celebration of the diversity of sexual orientation and gender identity for all lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer (LGBTQ) people, and their friends and family, in the White Mountains region.

Why Pride? Since 1969 the month of June has been named Pride month, a time to recognize the continued importance that LGBTQ people have had on our history and culture, as well as to take a positive stance against the discrimination and violence the community faces. White Mountains Pride seeks to affirm New Hampshire's tradition of continuing the fight for equal rights for all citizens and fostering a community where all LGBTQ members feel valued, included, and safe.

**The Colors of Pride** Since June 1978 the Pride flag has been a beacon of Pride movements worldwide. Designed by Gilbert Baker, the flag



debuted at the San Francisco Gay Freedom Day Parade. The six colors each represent a different meaning:

Red: life

Orange: healing Yellow: sunlight Green: nature Blue: harmony Purple: spirit.

Just as the Pride flag cannot be complete without each symbolic color White Mountains Pride depends on a diverse community to succeed.

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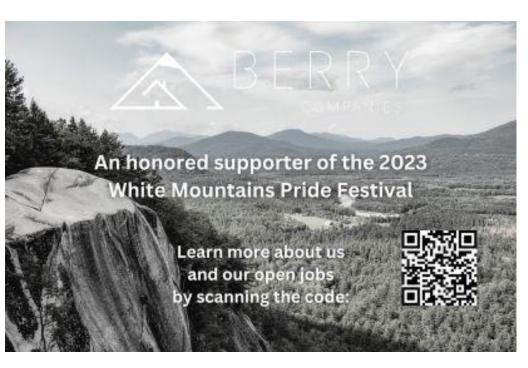
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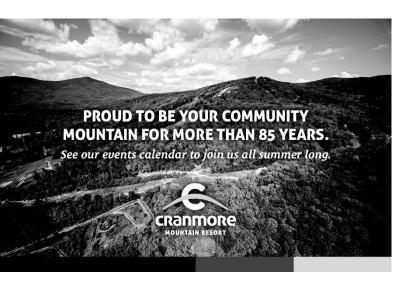
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### White Mountains Pride Festival The North Conway Community Center

Saturday June 29th 10:00am-4:00pm

78 Norcross Circle North Conway

A free family-friendly afternoon of fun, entertainment, games, food, and vendors as we celebrate everything PRIDE!

### **Entertainment Schedule and Line-up**

Interfaith Blessing w/ Community Spiritual Leaders & Emcee Reverend Yolanda 9:55

Reverend Yolanda 10:00

Reverend Yolanda & Lady Vanessa 10:40

Kenzie Jacobsen 11:00

Jessye DeSilva 11:45

Lady Vanessa 12:25

The Bad Judies 12:45

Chrysalis 1:30

Lady Vanessa 2:15

Tommi Aura 2:30

Lady Vanessa 3:05

Food For Bears 3:20

### **Reverend Yolanda (Emcee and Performer)**

Rev. Yolanda is a trans femme gender queer singer/songwriter/performance artist & interfaith minister, originally from Muscle Shoals, Alabama- The Hit Recording Capital of the World. Rev. Yolanda has been making music/theater/TV/film/performance art



for well over 40 years, winning the NYC MAC Award twice and inducted into both the NY Blues Hall of Fame and StoneWall Society LGBTQ+ Hall of Fame, as well as winning the OutMusician of The Year Award and several other music awards in NYC.

### Lady Vanessa (Co Emcee and Performer)

Lady Vanessa is a community leader in North Conway and instrumental in bringing drag related entertainment to the area. She has won 2 Mouth Off competitions and is thrilled to be back at White Mountains Pride Festival with her classic and vibrant style of Drag performance.



God's love is for everyone; we're going to speak up about it.

Happy Pride!

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Summer Fun @ Wildcat Open Friday-Sunday 10am-5pm Scenic Chairlift Rides | Disc Golf Hiking & Dining with a View!





### **Indigo Ansin**

Known professionally as "chrysalis," Indigo is a Boston-based singer-songwriter and recent graduate of Berklee College of Music. Heavily influenced by artists they grew up listening to such as Joni Mitchell and Simon & Garfunkel as well as contemporaries like Field Medic, Indigo de Souza, and Adrianne Lenker, chrysalis fuses together a unique blend of indie pop and folk



while occasionally adding elements of rock and soul to their sound. They strive to integrate their love for music with their passion for the liberation of oppressed peoples by writing about their life and making an effort to predominantly work with artists who are BIPOC and/or queer. als, Alabama- The Hit Recording Capital of the World. Rev. Yolanda has been making music/theater/TV/film/performance art for well over 40 years, winning the NYC MAC Award twice and inducted into both the NY Blues Hall of Fame and StoneWall Society LGBTQ+ Hall of Fame, as well as winning the OutMusician of The Year Award and several other music awards in NYC.

### **Tommi Aura:**

Tommi Aura is an androgynous artist takin g over pop music. Their sound can be described as experimental pop with elements of electronic and dance. Aura has an extensive career in modeling, having worked with clients such as Haus Labs by Lady Gaga, Vogue Magazine, Elle Magazine and Chanel just to name a few. Taking from their fashion experience, Aura merges the fashion with their music to create a dynamic experience for any observer of the Aura brand. Aura just released their debut EP titled, "AUDACITY". An immersive experience into a world of pop, electronic and



dance music. With stories of toxic relationships, self healing and embracing your confidence and who you are. Get ready to enter to the world of Tommi Aura.

### The Bad Judies

The Bad Judies bring you the baddest of the bad, with live music, vocals, dance, and lip-syncing. In addition to their first original song, "Bad Bad Judy," they perform hits by Lizzo, Elton John, Britney Spears, Kelly Rowland, and beyond. From New York City, the band includes three very different drag queens, Wesley, Worshiper, and Lyra Vega, each with their own styles and strengths. Together they find a unique blend of comedy, camp, color, fashion, music, and fun.



### WHITE MOUNTAINS PRIDE FESTIVAL JUNE 29, 2024

### Games and activities at White Mountains Pride Festival on June 29<sup>th</sup> 10am – 4pm

Join us at the gazebo area for kid Activities with Sarah!

Blow some bubbles. Coloring.
Giant Board games. Beads craft/bracelets.
Bean Bag throw. Ball toss game
Rainbow tattoos
Story time with a rainbow bookmark craft plus more!

### Restrooms

are located inside the North Conway Community
Center or at the rear of the New England Ski
museum building.

Special thanks to all the volunteers who make the Festival a wonderful and magical place full of smiles and joy!

Special thanks to Bellen Events LLC and Royal Bee Bartending for our Beer tent!



### Jessye DeSilva:

Jessye DeSilva (she/they) seamlessly blends theatrical pop elements with traditional folk and roots music to form her piano-driven alt-americana sound. She infuses hope into songs about religious alienation, mental health struggles, and societal injustice to create a uniquely queer and unholy ruckus. Their new album Renovations (July 2023) follows their '70s-rock-influenced 2022 release Landscapes, which earned them a nomination for Americana Artist of the Year at the 2022 Boston Music Awards. Her ability to seamlessly blend theatrical pop elements with the traditions of folk and roots music prompted No Depression to declare "Comparisons to Elton John and



Brandi Carlile are easy — DeSilva clearly takes a page from these idols, anchoring their songs in pop melody juggernauts, gauzy textures, and vocal bravado." American Songwriter has said their "catalog doesn't skimp on razorsharp lyrics, paired frequently with an almost ethereal vocal," and recently Nashville Scene named her a 2023 Artist To Watch, saying "DeSilva could inject new life into a genre that could definitely use a little more pretzel logic."

### **Food for Bears**

Food for Bears is a tight, semi-acoustic duo out of Conway, NH. A little folk, a little rock, a little singer-songwriter, Haley and Kyle reimagine everything from Fleetwood Mac to Foo Fighters, Maroon Five to Noah Kahan, and The Darkness to Brandi Carlile. When they aren't grooving, you'll find Haley and Kyle in the Valley playing with their dog, and the band's namesake, Koda-bear.



### Kenzie Jacobsen

Kenzie Jacobsen is a musician, activist and TikTok influencer dedicated to the trans community. She is passionate about leveraging her platform to spread awareness, empathy and education through her music.





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### **Inspirational Quotes**

"Hope will never be silent." - Harvey Milk

"We are powerful because we have survived." – Audre Lorde.

"If I wait for someone else to validate my existence, it will mean that I'm shortchanging myself." – Zanele Muholi

"Never be bullied into silence. Never allow yourself to be made a victim.

Accept no one's definition of your life. Define yourself." – Harvey Fierstein

"I think being gay is a blessing, and it's something I am thankful for every single day." –Anderson Cooper

"I believe that telling our stories, first to ourselves and then to one another and the world, is a revolutionary act." – Janet Mock

"Why is it that, as a culture, we are more comfortable seeing two men holding guns than holding hands?" – Ernest J. Gaines

"There will not be a magic day when we wake up and it's now okay to express ourselves publicly. We make that day by doing things publicly until it's simply the way things are." – Tammy Baldwin

"Gays are not interested in making other people gay...But homophobes are interested in making others homophobic." – Stephen Fry

"Being gay isn't something you choose, but you do face choices about whether and how to discuss it." – Pete Buttigieg

"No person is your friend who demands your silence, or denies your right to grow." – Alice Walker

"Love takes off the masks that we fear we cannot live without and know we cannot live within," – James Baldwin

"Love doesn't care how much money you have, who your parents are, if you're gay, straight, or transgender." – Rumer Willis

"Gay, straight, bi, whatever - it doesn't matter. Love is love." - Amber Liu



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### **Inspirational Quotes**

- "We are not actually equal humanity if we are not allowed to freely love one another." Lady Gaga
- "It matters not who you love, where you love, why you love, when you love, or how you love. It matters only that you love." John Lennon
  - "Marriage is a language of love, equality, and inclusion." Evan Wolfson
  - "Equality means more than passing laws. The struggle is really won in the hearts and minds of the community, where it really counts." Barbara Gittings
- "When all Americans are treated as equal, no matter who they are or whom they love, we are all more free." Barack Obama
- "Being gay is a natural normal beautiful variation on being human. Period.

  End of subject." Larry Kramer
  - "To love oneself is the beginning of a lifelong romance." Oscar Wilde
- "We are not what other people say we are. We are who we know ourselves to be, and we are what we love. That's okay." Laverne Cox
- "Owning our story and loving ourselves through that process is the bravest thing we'll ever do." Brené Brown
- "To be yourself is truly a revolutionary act, and I think more and more people should try it, because it's gotten me a pretty cool life." Lena Waithe
  - "Beauty begins the moment you decide to be yourself." Coco Chanel
    - "Heterosexuality is not normal, it's just common." Dorothy Parker
      - "People will stare. Make it worth their while." Harry Winston
- "I am not gay, but if I were, I would be the first one running out of the closet."

   Dolly Parton
  - "We are all doing drag. Every single person on this planet is doing it." RuPaul

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