



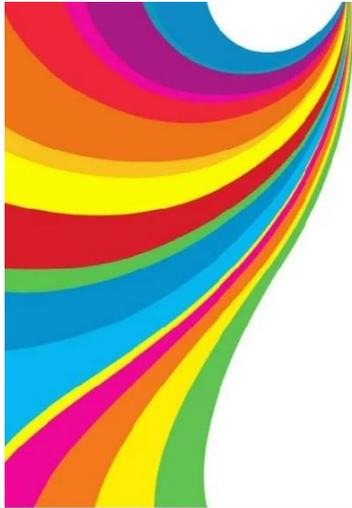
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Youth Vocational Conference 2022



Date: Saturday, April 23, 2022

Time: 9:00AM to 3:00PM

Location: Niagara Pride (inside St. Peter's Episcopal Church) 140 Rainbow Blvd., Niagara Falls, NY 14303

Cost: Free

Only 30 attendee spots available - only the first 30 registered attendees can participate. Registration at <https://forms.office.com/r/j4PQHshtMW>

An Open Letter to WNY GSA's & Other Community Providers Serving LGBTQ+ Youth:

Niagara Pride, Inc. is thrilled to create and host the first ever WNY LGBTQ+ Youth Vocational Conference. Niagara Pride believes that for many, work is a fundamental aspect of one's identify. The quest to find employment that aligns with and enriches an individual's life can be a daunting and stressful task for anyone.

This is particularly the case for young people who are LGBTQ+, who often face unique challenges in their search to find employment that best aligns with their goals and aspirations. Recognizing these unique considerations, Niagara Pride is committed to supporting LGBTQ+ youth in finding and fulfilling their life-long passions while also being able to express and live their authentic lives while part of the workforce.

In pursuit of this mission, Niagara Pride is hosting the WNY LGBTQ+ Youth Vocational Conference in Spring 2022.

Conference Information:

- **Date:** Saturday, April 23, 2022
- **Time:** 9:00AM to 3:00PM
 - A boxed lunch will be provided to attendees free of charge
- **Location:** Niagara Pride (inside St. Peter's Episcopal Church), 140 Rainbow Blvd, Niagara Falls, NY 14303
- **Cost:** Free

During the conference, there will be four presenters from various local agencies who specialize in employment services, providing information on topics such as, but not limited to the following:

- How to conduct a self-directed vocational searches;
- to effectively utilize Career Assessments, O*Net, and local community-based job seeking resources;
- Resume writing, interview skills, and other job seeking soft-skills;
- Employment laws, discrimination, and LGBTQ+ challenges when seeking employment; and
- Diversity and inclusivity in the workforce.

Attendees for the conference must be:

- Between the ages of 15 and 21
- Identify as LGBTQ+
- Have transportation to and from the conference
- Be vaccinated for COVID-19

For the safety all attendees and presenters, all participants will be required to wear a mask during the conference.

In order to main safe social distancing during this event, the WNY LGBTQ+ Youth Vocational Conference can only accept 30 participants. All participants need to complete a registration form online at <https://forms.office.com/r/j4PQHshtMW> Space is limited, and attendees for the event will be based on the first 30 registrations received. Day of the event sign up is not permitted; pre-registration is required.

Final day to register for the WNY LGBTQ+ Youth Vocational Conference is 5PM on Friday, April 1, 2022.

Please share this information with your LGBTQ+ youth.

Thank you.



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