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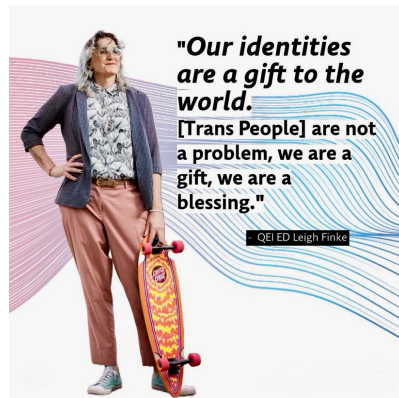
QEI HOSTS TDOV RALLY ON THE NATIONAL MALL

The Queer Equity Institute (QEI) and the National Center for Transgender Equality (NCTE) are partnering to hold a rally on the National Mall, Sunday, March 31, 2024, to commemorate International Trans Day of Visibility. The “TRANSform the Vote Rally” will feature historic elected officials from across the country, including Andrea Jenkins (*she/her*), Leigh Finke (*she/her*), and Liish Kozlowski (*they/them*). They will be joined by some of the nation’s foremost trans activists, artists, and performers, in an event that will celebrate the entire community, the joy of trans liberation, the need for trans refuge from violence, and encourage civic participation as a way to achieve those goals.



QEI Organizes Meeting on the Hill with 2S+TGNC Minnesota House Delegation

Queer Equity Institute is honored to support the first ever transgender/gender non-conforming contingent of the Minnesota State Legislature — Reps. Brion Curran (*they/she*), Liish Kozlowski (*they/them*), and Leigh Finke (*she/her*) — in sharing their experiences with folx on the Hill.



MN Queer Youth Trans Refuge Coalition

In collaboration with trans movement leaders, young advocates, queer & allied organizations from across Minnesota, we are embarking on a journey to develop a comprehensive legislative agenda that will make good on the promise of the Trans Refuge Bill.

The Minnesota Queer Youth Trans Refuge Coalition is a multi-year civic engagement and advocacy program. We will launch this work on April 10, 2024, to lay out the vision for a long-term commitment to queer equity.

Meet our Fellowship Committee



We are proud to introduce our first round of fellows! Roxanne “Rox” Anderson (*they/them*), Alfred Walking Bull (*they/he*), and Xay Yang (*she/her*), have a proven record of service to our community. That’s why we have selected them to serve as QEI’s foundational fellowship committee; together they will define QEI’s fellowship application process and select the remaining seven fellows this fiscal year.

Queer Youth Portal

With interactive educational modules and easy to parse information relating to 2SLGBTQ+ rights in the United States, QuYP will be a digital hub of free resources for new & soon-to-be voters to participate more equitably in our democracy. A place for youth to share in their struggles, develop solutions, advocate for their needs, organize for their rights, and rise as leaders in our community.