A Huge Thanks to Our Board and Staff

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12:00-9:45 p.m.
BARS OPEN
Three Locations! Charles & 22nd, Charles & 21st, Charles & 20th

12:30 p.m.
High Heel Race- Men make a dash for the finish line in not-made-for-racing heels (at least two inches high), signaling the beginning of the merry chaos that Pride weekend always delivers. 25th St. and Charles.

1:00 p.m.
Pride Parade- Floats, music-makers, civic leaders and tons of just-plain-happy folks will be heading South on Charles Street, from 33rd Street to 23rd Street. It’s loud, it’s colorful and it’s campy, in the best possible sort of way. This year’s Grand Marshall Is

1:00 p.m.
PET PARADE Charles St Between 24th and 25th Streets

1:00 p.m.
Pre-Pride Extravaganza – A variety of local artists. 22nd St. and Charles St.

2:30 p.m.
Special Guest Announcement

3:30 p.m.
DJ Dance Stage – The fun continues with music and dancing. Some of Baltimore’s hottest DJ’s tear up the turn tables and bring you the ultimate dance party in a club without walls. 22nd St. and Charles St.,

12:00 p.m. – 9:45 p.m
Vendors between 22nd and 20th St. on Charles St.

Baltimore Pride Block Party Entertainment
4:00 Host- Jay Will
4:05 Announcements
4:20 Queen of Pride- Miss Bambi Galore
4:40 Dj set- Dj Cuzin B
5:05 Boomscat
6:00 King of Pride

6:20 Septimius the Great
6:55 YaeDee
7:10 Club /House Dance Party
8:15 Kandie
9:05 Dej Loaf
Baltimore Pride 2019
Saturday Block Party
June 15

Performances by:

Bambi Galore
Boom Scat
Justin Sane

Septimius The Great
Yae Dee
Kandi
Dej Loaf

DJ Cuzin B

Club and House Party

More information: www.baltimorepride.org
12:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Sunday Pride at the Park Druid Hill Park

Family Pride – Enjoy Family Pride

12:00 p.m. – 5:45 p.m.
Lady Lisa Drag Stage

12:00 – 6:00 p.m.
**Elder Pride** – Meet Elders from our community and learn about our amazing history!

12:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Vendors offering food and novelty items.

**Sunday Pride Park Festival Entertainment**

12:00 Host-BamBam
12:05 Tiana Asili
12:40 Ms. Kelli
1:00 Be Steadwell
1:35 Tom Goss
2:10 Brody Ray
2:45 Dj set Dj Mazi
3:40 Jennifair
4:30 1st Annual Pride Ball
Baltimore Pride 2019
Sunday Park Festival
June 16
Performances By:

Taina Asili
Ms. Kelli
Be Steadwell

Tom Goss
Brody Ray
JenniFair
Dj Mazi

Hosted by Bam Bam

More Information: www.baltimorepride.org
PRIDE CHAIR & EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE PCOM

MIMI DEMISSEW
LETTER FROM THE PRIDE CHAIR, MIMI DEMISSEW

Welcome to Baltimore Pride 2019, Unity Through Diversity the Remix is finally here. Pride is the largest cultural celebration for our diverse community. It has grown from a protest demanding rights to a large celebration of our lives, accomplishments and a call to action of the road still yet ahead. Baltimore Pride 2019 has several Pride events leading up to the weekend and more events after the weekend. Since joining the Center in 2016 the planning of Pride has been one of the most challenging and rewarding endeavors that I have taken on at the Center. Baltimore Pride 2017 was the first Pride held under my leadership. That year the planning of Pride changed, the leadership of the Pride Planning Committee became more inclusive and representative of the community we serve. We had women, trans and non-binary people and people of color taking on leadership positions as committee chairs. In 2018 and 2019 that trend continued and continues to grow and the difference shows. Each year we grow the attendance of Pride the diversity of people present at Pride.

I want to take the time to also thank the sponsors of Pride. Every dollar raised at Pride helps to support The Pride Center of Maryland’s programming and services that are all free to the public. However supporting the community goes past a single weekend and single event. Support needs to be sustained and demonstrate a real investment in the community. That is why we held the inaugural Pride Sexual and Gender Minority Job fair in 2019 and will continue to do so each Pride. This year I asked all of our Pride sponsors to participate in this job fair in order to hire from our community. We had 22 Pride Sponsors present and over 60 people in the community who attended. I want to also thank all of the vendors who vend at Pride. Baltimore Pride is another way that the Center helps to give back to our beloved Baltimore City. This event allows us to bring over 30,000 people to come to the city and spend money in Baltimore. Baltimore Pride weekend helps provide a much needed economic push to the city and supports Maryland’s local businesses. I love that the majority of the businesses that vend at Baltimore Pride are Maryland businesses among which most are from Baltimore. This is important because supporting local businesses is one way to strengthen the community that we serve and help it grow.

Baltimore Pride weekend is an amazing and vibrant weekend full of activities for young and old. We have the traditional high heel race kicking off the day on Saturday followed with the Pet Parade on the other end of the Parade route while the main Parade route launches to a start with Dykes on Bikes on Charles and 33rd Street. The Saturday Block party will have Youth Pride on the 23rd Street side and the Main Stage on The North Avenue side of the block party. We have the DJ dance space in the middle of the block party and Lez Lot (Pride Tailgating Lot) next to us. Sunday has Family Pride and Elder Pride events at the festival. The Lady Lisa stage will promote our local artists while Main Stage will continue to showcase some amazing head liners from the nation.

It has been a great honor to serve in my role as Executive Director of the Pride Center of Maryland alongside a group of talented and dedicated staff without whom none of this would be possible. So a very big thank you goes out to each staff member and every single committee member who puts in the hard work of getting this event to fruition. I also want to thank our partners Chase Brexton and Star Track who have taken a major lead in putting Elder Pride and Youth Pride together respectively.

Baltimore Pride is a wonderful weekend to celebrate who we are, who we love and how we live. This weekend is ours, all of ours... to be free, seen and heard. We have come a long way in securing rights and privileges and we still have a long way to go. Let this weekend continue to be a celebration and reminder of all our journeys. Thank you for your support and I hope to see you this weekend.

[Signature]
LaKesha Davis, your 2019 Pride Coordinator, Entertainment and Family Pride Co-Chair, is a Baltimore native, a wife, and mother of 5 who loves to give back to her community by building her brand and making relevant connections. LaKesha is a graduate of the Master’s of Human Services Administration program, a Coppin/UB collaborative. She also holds an Associate’s and Bachelor’s Degree in Criminal Justice. To complete her collegiate journey, LaKesha is pursuing her PhD in Organizational Leadership and anticipates adding the title of Dr. to her long list of accomplishments. Her book LED: for Those Who Suffer Among Us will be published by the end of the summer. You can listen to her online radio show, Open Wide with Neeuq, Monday nights from 7-11 on wmskonlineradio where she talks about Real Topics in Real Communities Searching for Real Solutions. Check out the website to her service organization (patdavisbaltimore.org) to see how to collaborate in an effort to end teen pregnancy, welfare dependency and broken families and encourage the growth and development of youth in Baltimore. You can even sign up to get CPR/A.E.D and First-Aid training.
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Moveable Feast
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Hearts and Ears
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Peace Corps
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Unity Fellowship Church of Baltimore
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ShipMates of Baltimore
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Native American LifeLines
Booz Allen Hamilton GLOBE of Central Maryland
Community College of Baltimore County
JUMP
Charm City Volleyball
VA Maryland Health Care System
Moms Demand Action for Gun Sense in America
Bingo World
Charm City Kitty Club
The Ace and Aro Advocacy Project
Baltimore Office of Promotion & The Arts
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Kamala Harris for the People
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Baltimore County Executive Johnny Olszewski
410 CrossFit
Enoch Pratt Free Library
Toros Bar and Grill
Planned Parenthood of Maryland
ANSWER Coalition
Old St. Paul's Episcopal Church of Baltimore
Divine Light inc
Youth Empowered Society - YES Drop-In Center
Clipper City CrossFit
Homewood Friends Quaker Meeting
The REACH Initiative of The Johns Hopkins School of Nursing
Fluid Movement
Rare Form Marching Band
Nacho Mama’s
Mr. & Miss MGEB Pageant Headquarters
The Rowan Tree Tavern
Unite Here Local 7
OLK9MD
Chesapeake Women's Rugby Club
Baltimore Reclaiming
LGBTQ Student Union
B and Dee's Baltimore Love
Baltimore OUTloud
The Keystone State Gay Rodeo Association
Eagle Bar, LLC
Leather Contingent
Mr. Maryland Leather, 2019
Senator Mary Washington is an advocate for Maryland’s 43rd District as a legislator, professor, ally, public policy leader and trailblazer. In 2010, she made history becoming the first openly LGBT African American elected official in Maryland – and only the second such state legislator in the country. As a current Senator and over her two-terms as a member of the Maryland House of Delegates, she has distinguished herself as a leader fighting for affordable access to water, protecting families at risk of losing their homes to unfair tax sales and foreclosures, making sure Baltimore City Schools get the fair and equitable funding they deserve and helping unaccompanied homeless youth get the services and support they need.

2019 Grand Marshal- Senator Mary Washington

Maggie McIntosh represents Baltimore City’s 43rd Legislative District in the Maryland House of Delegates where she serves as chair of the Appropriations Committee. Delegate McIntosh has been at the forefront of legislative and political action to expand LGBTQ rights in Maryland. She is the first openly LGBTQ member of the Maryland General Assembly. She has helped lead on legislation to enact marriage equality and to protect Marylanders from discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation and gender identity. In 2013, she was honored by the Mautner Project for her leadership on the Question 6 campaign to secure marriage equality.

2019 Grand Marshal- Delegate Maggie McIntosh

Kelly Cross is a resident of the Old Goucher neighborhood in Baltimore City. After moving to Baltimore in 2010, Kelly and his husband began a project to help build Old Goucher into a diverse, equitable, and LGBTQ-friendly urban neighborhood. Kelly has spearheaded a major greening and street-scaping initiative, supported the opening of several new neighborhood businesses, and collaborated on ArtSite Old Goucher. As president of the Old Goucher Community Association, he continues to press for grassroots community development in the community. Kelly holds a B.A. in Germanic Languages and Literatures from Princeton University and a joint JD from the University of Virginia School of Law and Bucerius Law School in Hamburg, Germany.

2019 Activist of The Year- Kelly Cross
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