

COMING OUT DAY SCREENINGS + COFFEE
CHATS

QUEER INDIVIDUAL STORYTELLING IN AN ACADEMIC LIBRARY SPACE

Photocred: "Dig". Poster by Sadie Wendell Mitchell showing a woman sitting in a room filled with books reading a work titled Economy. A sign with text "Do It Now" hangs on the wall above the woman's head. Part of the artist's "Girls Will Be Girls" poster series. Chromolithograph by Close, Graham, & Scully, Inc., New York, 1909.

PRESENTED BY ADRIANNA MARTINEZ

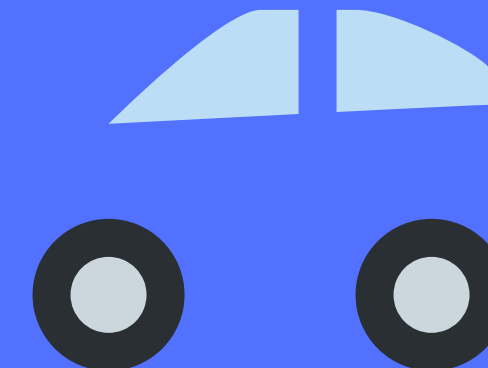
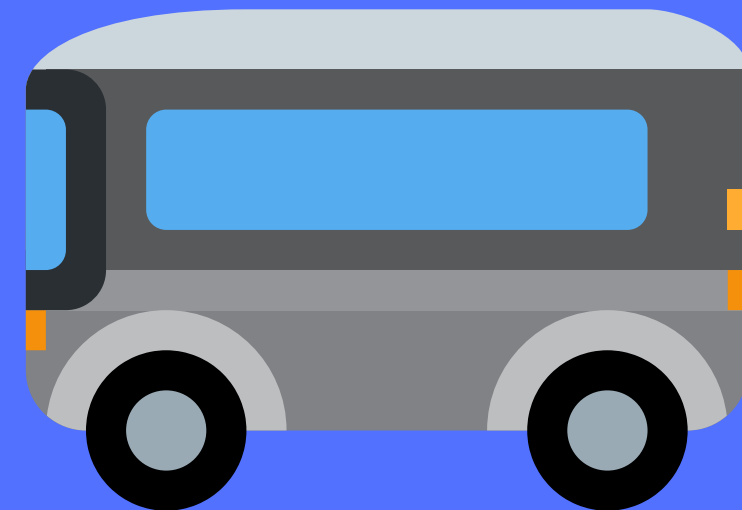
WHO AM I AND WHERE DID I COME FROM?

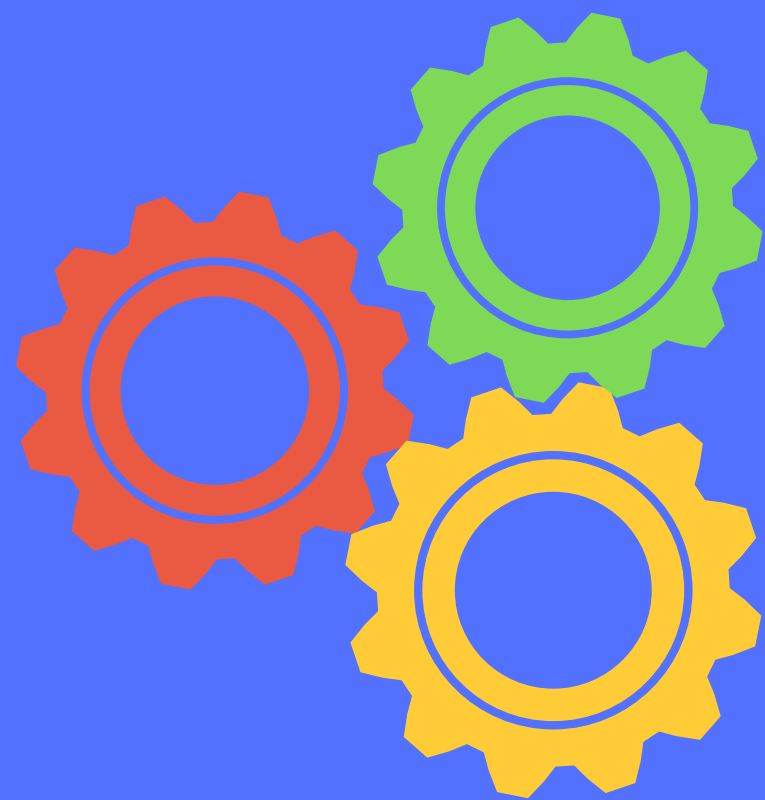
Pronouns: she/her
Latinx
New York Institute of Technology
Instruction & Reference
First year as a full time librarian
queer



photocred: Kristen Daniels, 2018. Shot on
Rollei 35T, Fujifilm Superia

NEW YORK INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY - LAWN GUYLAND





NYIT STUDENTS

Students are very diverse
Studying STEM as focus
International Students 30%
Domestic many from underrepresented groups



REPRESENTATION

Student Organizations...

There are a few that are very active, and some that are not so much...

PRIDE is one of them

Queer presence is almost nonexistent

WISSER LIBRARY

use the WISSER library as a community space
+
quiet study

lack of outreach of late
a space which was not active



photocred: Adrianna Martinez, 2018. Shot
on Canon AE -1, Ilford HP5

THE GAY AGENDA: OPERATION VISIBILITY

If the queers are too afraid to come to me, I will make myself available to them.

National Coming Out Day (October 11) was coming up and Wisser Library was coming out as a much needed ally on campus

NATIONAL COMING OUT DAY SCREENINGS: HOW

Needed to schedule an event that made space for queer folks to exist and hear stories reflecting their own. where can i access those? Youtube

Has anyone collected a bunch of those: It Get's Better Project

WISSER LIBRARY - GAYIFIED



Student Response

Faculty + Staff Responses

ACADEMIC LIBRARY PROGRAMING FOR A SPECIFIC PUBLIC

The idea of programming for a marginaized group is not new for public libraries - But it kind of is for academic ones.

The community of the academic library is one of individuals and also research oriented academics.

If we only cater to the research oriented parts of those individuals as exploring themselves, then there is an opportunity for improvement.

CAN YOU REPLICATE IT OR SOMETHING LIKE
IT?: YES!

Allyship!

Be the light in the dark!

Show support to communities that need it!

