



Hastings and Rother Rainbow Alliance What's On for the rest of November, and December 2025

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Here is the monthly list of HRRRA and other local LGBTQIA+ events that we are aware of. If you know of any events and want them included here, please email chrissy@hrra.org.uk

Please note that after eight years, Chrissy is standing down as a HRRRA trustee. We shall need someone to compile this monthly HRRRA What's On list, from January 2026. You don't have to be an HRRRA trustee, just someone interested in the local queer community and its events! If that sounds like you, please email info@hrra.org.uk

Rest of NOVEMBER

Wednesday 12th November, 7pm, *An Evening with Misan Harriman: Shoot the People*, The De La Warr Pavilion, Bexhill, A film screening in collaboration with Playing the Race Card and Ten66 Television Ltd Tickets £10, £5, or free <https://www.dlwp.com/event/an-evening-with-misan-harriman-shoot-the-people>

Saturday 15th November to Sunday 14th December, *Electric Palace annual youth project* running through Nov/early December - with a specific target of reaching under 30s and over 60s! Too Much: BFI Melodrama Season - Electric Palace Cinema. all details at <https://www.electricpalacecinema.com/latest/too-much-season>

Youth-led, curated events, flyer and podcasts. First weekend: Classic Melodrama and Homage. Too Much: Zine and badge-making workshop. Second weekend: Queer Gaze, Solo, Johnny Guitar. Third weekend: Mother/Daughter Relationships I, Tonya, Mildred Pierce. Final weekend: Chick Flicks? The Notebook, Brief Encounter

Sunday 16th November, *HRRRA walking group*, This month will be a walk in Robertsbridge followed by a pub lunch. Email walking@hrra.org.uk for details

Sunday 16th and Monday 17th November, 7.30. *Ascension, a queer historical drama*. A play by Dan Hazelwood based on the life and diaries of 18th century castaway Leendert Hasenbosch. The Stables Theatre, Hastings.
<https://stablestheatre.ticketsolve.com/ticketbooth/shows/873678837>

Thursday 20th November, 7 to 9 pm, *Transgender Day of Remembrance*, vigil and gathering organised by Trans Pride Hastings, at St Andrew's Mews, Hastings.

Sunday 23rd November, 1030 a.m *Commemoration Service* St Johns Church LGBT+ Group invite you to join us for Mass in St Johns Church, Pevensey Rd, St Leonards. People from all faiths and none are welcome. You will be welcome to come forward for a blessing at the time of the Communion if you so wish. The service will commemorate those who have been lost to HIV/AIDS and highlight the ongoing work to eradicate HIV/AIDS worldwide. Please stay for coffee and cake after the service.

Sunday 23rd November, *Queer Ass Folk open mic*, The St Leonards Pub. See www.instagram.com/queerassfolkmusic

Tuesday 25th November, 13.00 to 14.00, *Webinar, International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women*. The 16 Days of Activism is an international campaign against gender-based violence that runs annually from November 25th to December 10th. It aims to raise awareness, strengthen local work on the issue, and advocate for the elimination of all forms of violence against women and girls. The campaign starts on the International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women and Girls and concludes on Human Rights Day. Webinar: Donna Anne Pace - Motivational speaker, author, domestic abuse survivor and advocate. Sign up at <https://events.teams.microsoft.com/event/529c1b7f-872a-42de-a560-29090abda7da@37c354b2-85b0-47f5-b222-07b48d774ee3>

Wednesday 26th November, 7pm, *Hastings Queer Book Club*, 7 for 7.30pm start at The Good Place Cafe, Hastings. Meetings are on the last Wednesday of each month. November's book is Open Throat by Henry Hoke. (There is no meeting in December, so the next one will be 26 January). www.instagram.com/hastingsqueerbooks

Thursday 27th November, 6.30 to 7.30pm, Samphire Sauna, a new, monthly, queer sauna event on Hastings Pier, started on 23rd October. Held on the last Thursday of each month. www.instagram.com/samphire_sauna

Thursday 27th November, 7pm, *Queer Cxntry*, White Rock Theatre Hastings. Accessible Toilets, Relaxed Performance, Step Free Access, Wheelchair Accessible. £10 to £25. A boot-stomping night of queer country music, cabaret and DJs. All wrapped in fringe, denim and rhinestones. "Saddle up! The legendary Margate club night created by Pink Suits is coming to Hastings. Whether you're a seasoned cowboy or a first-time rider, throw on your cxntry best for a fun night of live music, dancing, performances and new connections. The evening kicks off at 7.15pm with a line dancing workshop led by the Little Gay Line Dancing Club so arrive early to learn some classic moves and routines to be danced throughout the night. Full line-up revealed very soon but here is the lowdown on what to expect on the night: Live music from Pink Suits and The Northdown Rodeo, Cabaret performances, Costume contest with prizes to be won, DJs spinning queer country anthems till late." <https://www.outsavvy.com/event/29860/queer-cxntry>

DECEMBER

Thursday 4th December, 2 to 4pm. *HRRA Bexhill Women's Afternoon Tea*. The Front Room, 71 Devonshire Road, Bexhill TN40 1BD. Join fellow lesbians for a cuppa and a chat. Contact mary@hrra.org.uk

Thursday 4th December *Rainbow Book Group* meeting at 5.30 p.m. Meeting in Hastings Old Town to talk about Precipice by Richard Harris. "It is based upon the true episode of 60-year-old prime minister HH Asquith's infatuation with an aristocratic young woman 35 years his junior, to whom he wrote more than 700 letters over a three-year period – sometimes as many as three letters a day Asquith was prime minister during the First World War and throughout those first two catastrophic years of combat still found time to compose handwritten notes during cabinet meetings in Downing Street; letters that frequently contained the most confidential information on British strategy and affairs of state." (Review from The Independent) Please email michael.moor@btinternet.com for details of the meeting. All members of The Rainbow Alliance are very welcome to join us.

Sunday 7th December, 2pm, *HRRA Bridge group*. Join our friendly HRRA Bridge group in a relaxed environment. Beginners and experienced welcome. Email bridge@hrra.org.uk

Wednesday 10th December, 7pm, *Hastings Queer Film Club*, 7 for 7.30pm start at The Good Place Cafe, Hastings. Meetings are on the second Wednesday of each month. Watch the film at home and come along to discuss it. An offshoot of Hastings Queer Book Club www.instagram.com/hastingsqueerbooks December's film is Tangerine, that classic Xmas queer movie ☐ ☐

Friday 12 December, 1pm, *HRRA Christmas lunch at Bella Vista*, St Leonards' sea front. The meal costs £28.95 for three courses plus drinks and service. Guests can pay individually according to the drinks they choose and the tip they wish to give. Menu choices have to be made in advance. The menu can be viewed at <https://static1.squarespace.com/static/677ac5d1df0aec797c00f702/t/68b597f635469924900a3786/1756731382198/2025+CHRISTMAS-6.pdf> Please contact Richard Jones on info@hrra.org.uk by Monday December 1st if you wish to attend.

Tuesday 16th December, from 7 pm, *HRRA Christmas Social*, Forbidden Fruit, St Leonards On Sea. Come along and have a festive drink and chat with fellow HRRA members. For members, prospective members, friends and families.

Sunday 21st December, *HRRA walking group*, Email walking@hrra.org.uk for details

Wednesday 31st December, *Queer Ass Folk x Laundry Day- New Queer's Eve*, from 7pm, French's, 24 Robertson St, Hastings. "We are back back back again after last year's SELLOUT New Year's Eve party! Two of Hastings biggest nights celebrating QUEER talent join forces to ring in 2026 the only way we know how, by being fucking fabulous! We have a jam-packed night full of love music, drag, gogo dancers and DJs for 8 hours of pure JOY Start the night from 7pm for chill party VIBES and mega happy hour! Live music brought to you by the Queer Ass Folk team starts at 8.30pm, exciting sounds to get you moving from already confirmed @lez_iz_more and @icycalisto Laundry Day then takes us through the night from 10.30pm with DJs @theemptypage_ @max.load @djeveyzy @mattht and extra special guest @tikoda_ Drag performances from @thekikiara and @theekally, plus more TBC. As well as gogo dancers galore from confirmed @spiritdoll.uk and more TBC. Tickets available via OutSavvy - limited early bird tickets on sale now so get them while you can!" £25 to £45 <https://www.outsavvy.com/event/31450/queer-ass-folk-x-laundry-day-new-queers-eve>

Every Monday, an *LGBTIAQ Group for people aged over 50* meets starting at 2.00pm until 4.00pm. There is a good cafe where an inexpensive meal / snack is available beforehand. Venue details: Isabel Blackman Centre, Winding Street, Hastings Old Town, TN34 3AT.

Every Wednesday evening, *Quiz at the Forbidden Fruit*, <https://tffhastings.co.uk>

Every Thursday evening, 7.30 to 8.30 pm, *Hastings Rec FC* at Horntye Park Sports Complex, Trans, enby and GNC inclusive football group, www.instagram.com/hastingsrecfc#

Hailsham Queers hold a variety of regular social events, details at www.meetup.com/hailsham-queers/events

Bourne this Way is an LGBTQ+ Parent support group based in Eastbourne. They aim to provide a non-judgmental, friendly, inclusive space open to all LGBTQ+ parents and their children, as well as prospective parents. <https://bournethiswaylgbtparents.co.uk>

Eastbourne Lunch Positive offer healthy & enjoyable community lunches, drop-ins and support groups, and plenty of opportunities to socialise with other people living with HIV.
<https://lunchpositive.org>

Current HRRRA social media pages

<https://www.instagram.com/hastingsrotherrainbowalliance>

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1830049603905430/user/100064445632300>

(HRRRA public FB page)

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/UnderTheRainbowHRRRA> (HRRRA private group)

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/hrrrat> (trans and non binary private group)

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/907801485993622> (HRRRA Walking group)