



Pride Month JUNE 2022



CELEBRATE YOU

With a vibrant collection of cultures and activities, Greater Fort Lauderdale is the destination where everyone comes together, under the warm embrace of the sun. All are welcome to fly your flag high, make an impact and radiate life – because who you are is worth celebrating.

Create your own adventure at [VisitLauderdale.com/lgbt](https://www.visitlauderdale.com/lgbt)



Welcoming Destination

Broward County, aka **Greater Fort Lauderdale**, is Florida's LGBT+ capital and one of the most progressive destinations in the United States. Here, we celebrate inclusion and diversity in every way, each day. Pride is the daily way of life, embracing every segment of the **LGBT+ community** to make everyone feel welcome, comfortable and safe.

Broward County is home to 31 municipalities and is renowned for its **welcoming, authentic vibe**. You will find a thriving local LGBT+ community with the highest concentration of **same-sex couple households** in the country and hundreds of **gay-owned businesses**, many of which are centered around the Wilton Manors neighborhood.

Did you know?

Fort Lauderdale, Wilton Manors, Hollywood and Oakland Park earned a perfect score on the Human Rights Campaign's Municipal Equality Index.

What is the Municipal Equality Index?

It examines how inclusive municipal laws, policies and services are of LGBT+ people who live and work there. Cities are rated based on non-discrimination laws, the municipality as an employer, municipal services, law enforcement and leadership on LGBT+ equality.



Everyone Under The Sun

With a vibrant collection of cultures and activities, Broward County is the ultimate, **inclusive LGBT+** destination where **"Everyone Under the Sun"** is welcome. Watch the new Visit Lauderdale video, **"We Are,"** celebrating and supporting the area's diverse population and spreading the message that inclusion and acceptance are embraced across the County.





Stonewall National Museum

History Lives Here

Nowhere is the commitment to LGBT+ rights more apparent than at the **Stonewall National Museum & Archives** in Fort Lauderdale. The Museum is a nationally prominent monument to LGBT+ rights and history and arts & culture that every visitor should endeavor to experience.

Stonewall-Museum.org

Visit and support the **Pride Center at Equality Park** in Wilton Manors. An inclusive home that celebrates, nurtures and empowers the LGBT+ community. The Pride Center offers programming and events that reflect the ever-growing and dynamic LGBT+ needs of Broward County.

PrideCenterFlorida.org



Stop by the **World AIDS Museum and Educational Center**, the first museum in the world dedicated to the HIV/AIDS epidemic. Learn about the history of the disease and how to rise above it through dynamic and anecdotal storytelling.

WorldAidsMuseum.org



Check out Broward County's first **LGBT+ Visitor Center** and learn about the attractions of interest to LGBT+ visitors. The center is located in the **Greater Fort Lauderdale LGBT Chamber of Commerce** in the heart of Wilton Manors.

GoGayFortLauderdale.com/Visitor-Center



The **Sunshine Cathedral** is a different kind of church where the past is the past and the future has infinite possibilities. The world's largest progressive LGBT+ church is a positive, practical spiritual community that affirms the sacred value of all.

SunshineCathedral.org



Pride Events

June 11: FLoatarama is the official kick-off event to the Stonewall Pride Parade. A flotilla of **LGBT+ theme decorated boats** on the New River starts at 12:30pm at Esplanade Park in downtown Fort Lauderdale. At 2pm, dance away at the Sailor's T-Dance & Pool Party at Residence Inn by Marriott Fort Lauderdale Intracoastal/iL Lugano.

Floatarama.org

June 18: Stonewall Pride Parade & Street Festival celebrates the historic Stonewall Riots and the start of the LGBT+ human rights movement and how it has shaped our community. The annual **LGBT+ celebration** will unfold Saturday on Wilton Drive at 3pm with a street festival, live music and vendors, followed by a parade at 7pm.

StonewallPride.LGBT

July 9: FlockFest Beach Party invokes, promotes and celebrates **LGBT+ culture**. Grab your best sunglasses and bring your decorated winged floatie for a day of sun and fun on the beach.

Flockfestevents.org

August 26-27: Julian's 11th Annual Reverse Quinceañera is a fundraiser for Julian's Fountain of Youth (JFOY), a nonprofit charitable organization dedicated to creating opportunities for **LGBT+ youth** to reach their full potential through community involvement and experiential learning.

Jfoy.org

- SAVE THE DATE -

February 10-13, 2023: Pride of the Americas, an annual festival on Fort Lauderdale beach featuring a parade, world-renowned entertainers, local and national exhibitors and much more.

Pridefortlauderdale.org



Dates to Remember

National Coming Out Day (October 11):

An annual LGBT+ awareness day to support **LGBT+ people** to "come out of the closet."

Trans Awareness Week (November 13-19):

Raises the visibility of transgender people and addresses issues the **LGBT+ community** faces.



Transgender Day of Remembrance (November 20):

An annual observance that honors the memory of the transgender people whose lives were lost in acts of anti-transgender violence that year.

World AIDS Day (December 1):

An opportunity for people worldwide to unite in the fight against HIV, show support for people living with the disease, and to commemorate those who have died from an AIDS-related illness.



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