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#### Nakshatra Bagwe Receives The India Symposium Fellowship 2024

Nakshatra Bagwe (he/him), award-winning filmmaker and founder of The BackPack Travels, received the 2024 India Symposium Fellowship for his commitment to safe, inclusive LGBTQ+travel. He shared valuable insights at the 2024 LGBTQ+ Travel Symposium in India.





#### LGBTQ+ Travel Symposium in India February 2024

The second #LGBTQ+ Travel Symposium in New Delhi, organized by the IGLTA Foundation, saw increased participation from **Indian tourism** leaders. Supported by the **Keshav Suri Foundation and The Lalit New Delhi**, it marked a significant step in advancing LGBTQ+ travel in India, with plans for ongoing collaboration.



# Celebrating Women in Travel International Women's Day

Analise Samantha Delphine Sesay (she/her) was awarded the IGLTA Foundation's wmnsWORK scholarship for the September 2024 cohort.

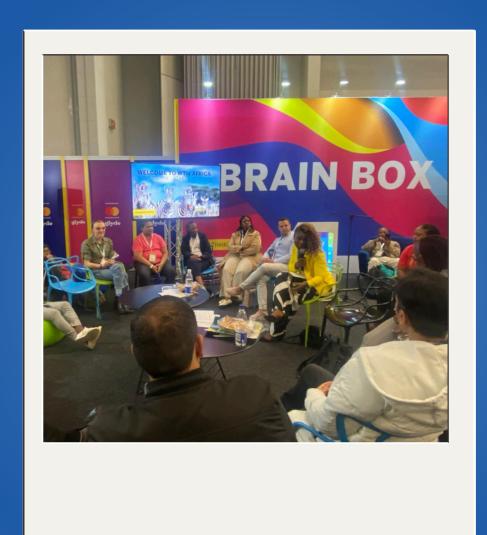


## State Policy Impact Report

The IGLTA Foundation's report examining the impact of Florida's anti-LGBTQ+ legislation on tourism provides practical guidance for destinations around the world that are facing similar challenges.



The IGLTA Foundation's inaugural **Brain Box Workshops**, a huge success, focused on authentic, inclusive LGBTQ+ marketing for **African tourism**, led by Aisha Shaibu-LeNoir (she/her) and Michael Gladwin (he/him).



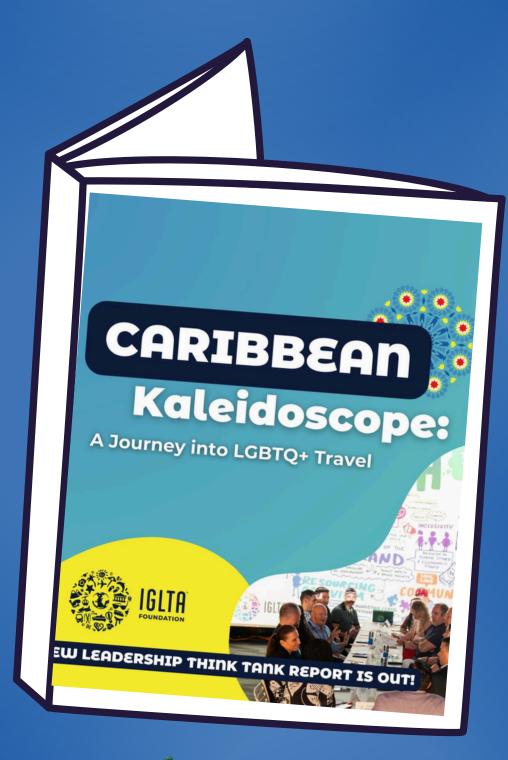


The Equal Africa Fellowship was awarded to Njeri Gachuhi (she/her), founder of **The Travelling Wakili** who shared her passion in creating safe and inclusive travel experiences for LGBTQ+ travelers across Africa.

#### State Policy Impact Webinar

In June, the IGLTA Foundation hosted a webinar discussing the findings from the State Policy Impact on LGBTQ+ Tourism Survey!





# Caribbean Kaleidoscope: IGLTA Foundation Think Tank Report

The IGLTA Foundation released the report Caribbean Kaleidoscope: A Journey into LGBTQ+ Travel, which offers practical strategies for Caribbean destinations to embrace LGBTQ+ travelers. The report includes solutions for legal frameworks, cultural sensitivity, and infrastructure gaps that address the unique needs of LGBTQ+ travelers.







## Pride Campaign with AWAY

The Pride Collection Launch with AWAY and Willie Norris raised over **US\$30,000**, to support the IGLTA Foundation.

#### **Pride Auction**

The IGLTA Foundation's Pride Auction was a record-breaking success, raising over US\$26,000 to support LGBTQ+ travel initiatives.





### Marketing Webinar with UpHouse

UpHouse and TJ Chernick (he/him) of the IGLTA Foundation hosted the "Pride in Practice" webinar. The panel discussed LGBTQ+ expectations from brands during Pride and authentic marketing strategies.



#### IPW in Los Angeles

over 800 IPW attendees danced under the largest disco ball in LA at the 2024 **Pride Celebration** organized by our Global Partner, **Destination DC!** 

This incredible event raised **US\$25,000** for the IGLTA Foundation!

#### Renaming of the Transgender Advisory Group

The Transgender Advisory Group was renamed to the **Gender Diverse Travel Advisory Group** to better reflect the inclusive nature of the work.





## Cleveland ROCKED!

The 19th Annual LGBTQ2IA+ Party at ASAE's Annual Meeting was a hit! Thanks to CO-HOSTS **Meet**Minneapolis, Delta Air Lines, and the ASAE Research Foundation, we raised over US\$15,500 for the ASAE and IGLTA Foundations!



# IGLTA foundation and UN Tourism Webinar

In September, the IGLTA Foundation partnered with the UN Tourism Organization for a webinar on The Impact of LGBTQ+ Tourism on Destinations.

#### AT THE IGLTA's Record-Breaking Global Convention in Osaka

575

Attendees

Countries/ Territories represented **26** 

Sponsors

365

LGBTQ+ Welcoming Businesses 17

Think Tank Global Leaders 51

Media Outlets, Freelancers & Influencers

#### IGLTA foundation Think Tank

Sponsored by Simpleview, the Think Tank brought together 17 global leaders to discuss LGBTQ+ workplace inclusion, with a focus on Asia.



#### **IGLTA Foundation Impact Award**

The 2024 Impact Award was presented to First Nature Tours and founders Kieron (he/him) and Cameron Wilde (he/him), recognizing their outstanding achievements in promoting responsible LGBTQ+ tourism.





#### Fellowship & Emerging **Destinations Program**

In addition to our fellowship program, which sponsors LGBTQ+ professionals to attend the IGLTA Global Convention, the IGLTA Foundation, in partnership with the Asian **Development Bank**, expanded its **Emerging Destinations Program** to include five LGBTQ+ professionals from **SOUTH Asia**.

#### **Global Debut**

The IGLTA Foundation presented research from their joint survey with IEC on LGBTQ+ travel for young adults (18-35)



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#### Voyage Fundraiser

The annual Voyage fundraiser, hosted by the Osaka Convention & Tourism Bureau and presented by Airbnb, raised over **US\$80,000** to support LGBTQ+ inclusive travel.

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# First Leadership Think Tank in Brazil!

This event brought together industry leaders from top organizations like Accor, WTM Latin America, Orinter, and LGBT Turismo Expo to discuss the future of LGBTQ+ tourism in Brazil.

#### New LGBTQ+ Data!

Building Cultural Immersion, Connections, and Confidence for LGBTQ+ Travellers aged 18-35 in collaboration with IEC





#### Launch of Tackling LGBTQ+ Workplace Challenges in Asian Tourism

Developed from the IGLTA Foundation Think Tank in Osaka, this report highlights practical strategies for tourism businesses to create more inclusive and supportive workplaces for their employees.

# Celebrating Impact at the IGLTA Foundation: Empowering Change from Within

The IGLTA Foundation proudly celebrated the remarkable journeys of individuals who have advanced from fellowship recipients to pivotal leaders. Their transitions reflect not only their personal growth but also the profound impact of the Foundation's mission.

#### Danny Guerrero (he/him)

From Fellowship Recipient to Board Member, bringing bold, innovative leadership to our strategic vision.



#### Aisha Shaibu-Lenoir (she/her)

From Fellowship Recipient to Board Member, exemplifying unwavering commitment to diversity and inclusion in every decision.

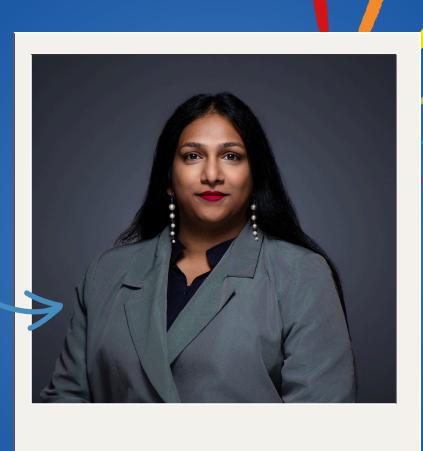


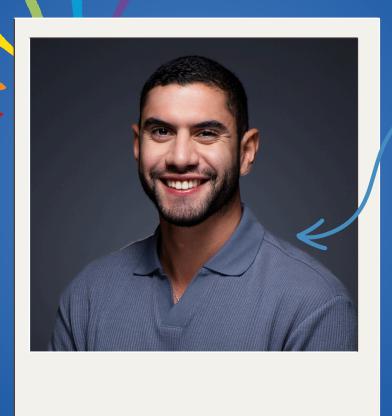
#### Sonali Khan (she/her)

From IGLTA Intern to Foundation Coordinator, leading with passion and dedication to elevate the Foundation's initiatives globally.



From Fellowship Recipient to active member of the Gender Diverse Travel Advisory Group (GDATG), amplifying the voices of marginalized communities. and Think Tank Co-Moderator





# Amine Gabbouj (he/him)

From IGLTA Foundation Intern to Program Manager and winner of the Pacific Asia Travel Association Recognition on Sustainability, leveraging his expertise to drive transformative change in LGBTQ+ tourism.

Each of these individuals has become a cornerstone in the Foundation's legacy, propelling us toward a more inclusive, equitable future for all travelers.







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