

## Out After Carleton Winter News

### Heal. Home. Hope.

Join us for the **7th Out After Carleton Family Reunion Sept 29 - Oct 1, 2023**.

Through storytelling, activities, and socials, we will explore how LGBTQIA+ communities ground ourselves in place and practice while acknowledging our increasingly fragile environment and queer culture's connection to the Earth.

We also want to emphasize that all are welcome, whether you came out before, during, or after your time at Carleton. If you're wondering if there is a place for you, we promise that there is! This weekend will focus on fellowship, learning, and lots of fun, including some Carleton summer camp-themed vibes. We hope to see you back on campus in the fall.

More information on programming and registration will be available on the [website](#) in the coming months. Please share this news far and wide with your own alumni network.

**Diana Fraser '14 & Michael Wickersheimer '92**—Family Reunion Committee co-chairs

### Out After Carleton celebrates community

LGBTQIA+ alumni, friends, and allies gathered recently in San Francisco, Washington DC, and New York City to reconnect, celebrate community, and learn more about the upcoming Out After Carleton Family Reunion.



## Campus News

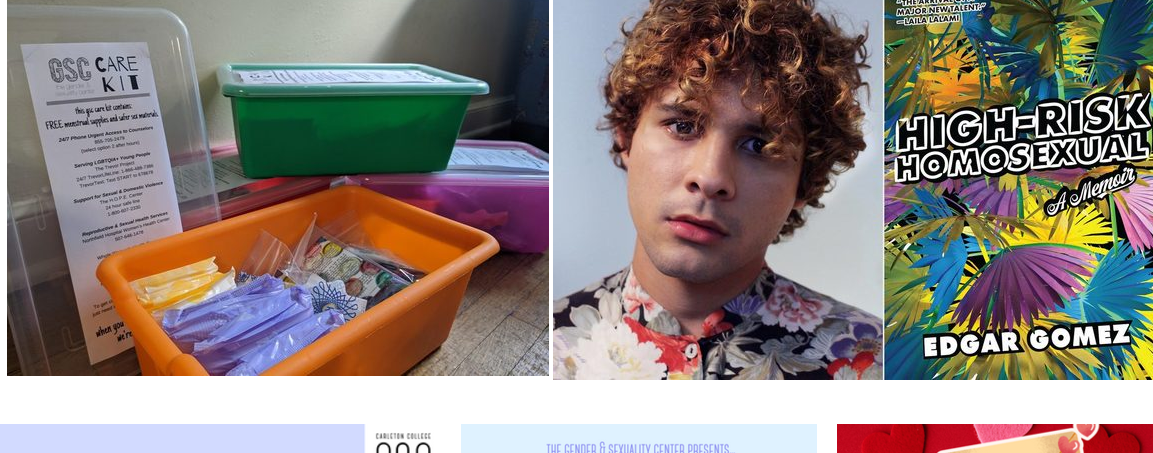
### Updates from the Gender & Sexuality Center (GSC)

Winter term 2023 started off fast for the GSC!

- We have resumed our weekly Tea Times on Friday afternoons and have been exploring how to make new treats like chocolate covered strawberries and ginger molasses cookies.
- The GSC is also in the midst of its 3rd annual Winter Term Book Club with the reading of Edgar Gomez's debut memoir *High Risk Homosexual*.
- The GSC has restocked and restored our GSC Care Kits for all RA's. Each kit is stocked with free safer sex kits and menstrual products that students can access in their residence halls.
- This winter, the GSC will publish the 4th edition of *Exhale*—a series designed to allow our community to explore interpersonal themes through creative expression. This year's theme is **To Be Loved**. What does it mean to be loved? How have we viewed love in our past and present lives? How have we experienced love communally, platonically, romantically, spiritually? **We want to hear from alumni!** Use the form below to submit a work of art (written, poetry, photography, etc.) which speaks to how your identity/ies relate back to the topic.



Submit to Exhale by February 17



## Out After Carleton Member Highlights

### Scholarship and activism in the world of dance

**Phil Chan '06** returned to Carleton this fall as the Benedict Distinguished Visiting Professor. Phil's course, *Performing the Orient*, explored over 300 years of "exotic" portrayals of "Orientals" on the Western ballet and opera stages. The course also took cues from the organization he co-founded, [Final Bow for Yellowface](#)—profiled in the summer 2019 edition of [the Voice](#)—as he led his students through the creative process of adapting Eurocentric works of art for multiracial audiences. [Read the full story.](#)



### Will Betke-Brunswick '11 publishes memoir

Tin House recently published a graphic memoir from **Will Betke-Brunswick '11** titled *A Pros and Cons List for Strong Feelings*. The graphic novel concerns Betke-Brunswick's relationship with their mother and covers the 10 months when she was dying after she was diagnosed with cancer during Betke-Brunswick's sophomore year at Carleton.

Will is a cartoonist and after graduating from Carleton, received their MFA from the California College of the Arts. Will's work has appeared in the new print edition of *Trans Bodies, Trans Selves*; *Trans to Wait: An Anthology of Transition*; and the websites INTO and Autostraddle. A former high school math teacher, Will lives in Boulder, CO. [Read more about the memoir.](#)



### Why I volunteer

I've volunteered on the board as a student, young alumni, and now as a member of Carleton's staff. In each instance I've benefited from being connected to the Carleton LGBTQ+ community and see my service as the most direct way I can contribute to making its resources available to even more queer students and alumni. — *Gavin Young '21*

## Other ways to connect

### Out After Carleton is looking for volunteers!



- Join the **Out After Carleton Family Reunion Planning Committee**.  
Do you love planning events? Do you like building queer community spaces? Did you miss your class reunion because of the pandemic? Do you want to meet more LGBTQIA+ alumni? Help us plan Family Reunion 2023: September 29-October 1.
- Join the **Out After Carleton Board**.  
Out After Carleton currently has openings for alums and current students on the Board and is currently seeking volunteers. Candidates should demonstrate a commitment to Out After Carleton and to serving Carleton while representing the interests and concerns of LGBTQIA+ and QTBIPOC+ alumni and friends.

Learn more

## Share Out After Carleton

Do you know a classmate that should receive Out After Carleton updates?

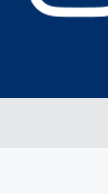
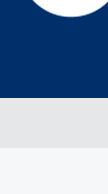
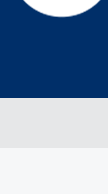
Please forward the newsletter and encourage your classmates to join the [Out After Carleton communication list](#).

*Out After Carleton is for all Carleton alumni, students, faculty, staff, family, and friends who identify as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Gender Non-Binary, Queer, Questioning, Asexual, Aromantic, and Other Marginalized Sexual Orientations and Gender Identities (LGBTQA+) or are allies of this community. We are open and inclusive, and we welcome anyone who is interested in being a member of our community.*

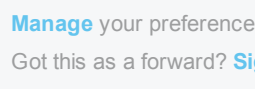
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