



SUMMER ADULT PROGRAMS AT THE NYPL

Saturday, June 2, 2:00 p.m.

A Moment of...Loud: *Growing Up Gonzalez*

Inwood Library, 4790 Broadway (near Dyckman St.), New York, NY

FREE

The critically acclaimed hit off-Broadway play *Growing Up Gonzalez* arrives at the New York Public Library for a special pop-up performance. Hailed by the *New York Times* and the *New York Daily News*, the play is a bittersweet comedy of two brothers growing up in the Puerto Rican section of the Bronx, whose coming of age is marked by the untimely death of their father. The performance will be followed by a talkback with writer, director, producer and founder of Reel Players and Poets Club, **Felix Rojas** and performer, **Andres Chulisi Rodriguez**.

For more information, contact Souleo, info@souleouniverse.com

Monday, June 4, 5:00 p.m.

The Last Taboo: LGBT Hip-Hop

Tompkins Square Library, 331 East 10th Street (near Avenue B), New York, NY

FREE

Cultural critic, **Greg Tate**, and CEO of Digiwaxx Media, **Corey "CL" Llewellyn**, will join LGBT talent, including award winning electro and hip-hop artist, **Baron**, and Baltimore's openly gay lyricist, **Go DDm** to discuss the challenges faced by the LGBT community as they aim to rebel against stereotypes, challenge gender norms and expand the hip-hop genre. The panel will conclude with a hip-hop freestyle presentation featuring select LGBT rappers. The performance will be recorded live and available for free download online at *SouleoUniverse.com*. **DJ Baker**, creator/producer/host of *Da Doo-Dirty Show*, currently the longest running LGBT-gearred daily urban syndicated radio program, will moderate the conversation.

For more information, contact Souleo, info@souleouniverse.com

Tuesday, June 5, 6:30 p.m.

It Gets Better: Healing Through Improv

Mid-Manhattan Library, 455 Fifth Avenue (at 40th Street), New York, NY

FREE

The popular and hilarious **National Comedy Theatre** presents an interactive program where improvisational actors will recreate scenes from the LGBT experience based off of suggestions from library patrons. Bring your sense of humor as we give voice to a variety of LGBT experiences and inspire healing in the process through comedic moments.

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Thursday, June 7, 2:00 p.m.

Styled by Literature

Seward Park Library, 192 East Broadway (at Jefferson St.), New York, NY

FREE

Literary inspired makeovers will be given by some of NYC's top drag queens including **"Showbiz Spitfire" Paige Turner**, **Ebonee Excell** and **Yuhua Hamasaki**, while special guest **Mr. Mickey**, *Paper Magazine* editorial director, provides expert style tips in this fun, fabulous and fierce interactive event. Raffle giveaway prizes include Sephora make-up and other gifts.

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Monday, June 11, 5:00 p.m.

I Love You, Now Marry Me: Marriage in the LGBT Community

Tompkins Square Library, 331 East 10th Street (near Avenue B), New York, NY

FREE

Before you walk down the aisle heed the words of **Dr. Darcy Smith Sterling**, contributing writer for *Psychology Today* and columnist for *GO Magazine*. **Dr. Darcy** will provide patrons with expert advice on how to know when it's the right time to marry, what to prepare for and how to make it last after the honeymoon.

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Tuesday, June 12, 6:30 p.m.

Love & Money

Seward Park Library, 192 East Broadway (at Jefferson St.), New York, NY

FREE

Jacquette M. Timmons, behavioral finance enthusiast and financial intimacy expert, will provide public counseling services to couples and singles dealing with financial issues that are affecting their romantic relationships or lack thereof. When it comes to love and money everyone deserves abundance, so don't shortchange yourself.

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Thursday, June 14, 6:30 p.m.

It Gets Better: Healing Through Improv

**Jefferson Market Library, 425 Avenue of the Americas (at 10th St.), New York, NY
FREE**

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Friday, June 15, 6:30 p.m.

Styled by Literature

**Jefferson Market Library, 425 Avenue of the Americas (at 10th St.), New York, NY
FREE**

Literary inspired makeovers will be given by some of NYC's top drag queens including six-time Drag Queen of the Year Award-winner (*HX magazine*), **Hedda Lettuce**, **"Showbiz Spitfire" Paige Turner** and **Yuhua Hamasaki**, while special guest **Bevy Smith**, social media socialite, provides expert style tips in this fun, fabulous and fierce interactive event. Raffle giveaway prizes include Sephora make-up and other gifts.

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Saturday, June 16, 2:00 p.m.

The Last Taboo: LGBT Hip-Hop

**Riverside Library, 127 Amsterdam Avenue (at W. 65th St.), New York, NY
FREE**

VIBE Senior Editor, **Clover Hope**, and **Kathy Iandoli** (Music Editor of *HipHopDX* and writer for MTV, MSN Music, *VIBE* and *The Source*) will join LGBT hip-hop artists **Foxxjazell** and **Soce The Elemental Wizard** to discuss the challenges faced by the LGBT community as they aim to rebel against stereotypes, challenge gender norms and expand the hip-hop genre. The panel will conclude with a hip-hop freestyle presentation featuring select LGBT rappers. The performance will be recorded live and available for free download online at *SouleoUniverse.com*. **DJ Baker**, creator/producer/host of Da Doo-Dirty Show, currently the longest running LGBT-gearred daily urban syndicated radio program, will moderate the conversation.

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Saturday, June 16, 2:00 p.m.

Love Thy Diva: Madonna & Bette Midler

Tompkins Square Library, 331 East 10th St., New York, NY

FREE

Madonna impersonator, **Vivian Belle**, Bette Midler impersonator, **The Divine Grace**, and **Clay Cane**, radio host of *Clay Cane Live* on WWRL 1600AM and entertainment editor at *BET.com*, critique, analyze and celebrate diva worshipping in the LGBT community. *Village Voice* columnist and author, **Michael Musto**, moderates the discussion.

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Tuesday, June 19th, 6:30 p.m.

Expre\$\$ Yourself: Reinventing Yourself for Financial Stability

Seward Park Library, 192 East Broadway (at Jefferson St.), New York, NY

FREE

It takes the skill of reinvention to stay alive financially in a city where competition is stiff. In this workshop, **Roy Cohen**, career coach and author of *The Wall Street Professional's Survival Guide* (FT Press), will help patrons discover the best ways to reinvent themselves and transfer skills into other sectors for extra income.

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Wednesday, June 20, 5:30 p.m.

I Love You, Now Marry Me: Marriage in the LGBT Community

Mulberry Street Library, 10 Jersey Street (Between Lafayette & Mulberry Streets), New York, NY

FREE

Before you walk down the aisle heed the words of **Charlie The Matchmaker**, *Huffington Post* blogger, professional matchmaker and relationship expert. **Charlie The Matchmaker** will provide patrons with expert advice on how to know when it's the right time to marry, what to prepare for and how to make it last after the honeymoon.

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Friday, June 22nd, 5:30 p.m.

Styled by Literature

Mid-Manhattan Library, 455 Fifth Avenue (at 40th Street), New York, NY

FREE

Literary inspired makeovers will be given by some of NYC's top drag queens including **"Showbiz Spitfire" Paige Turner**, **Yuhua Hamasaki** and **Miles DeNiro**, while certified image consultant and owner of personal styling and shopping franchise including, Style Me ASAP, **Lindsay Weiner** provides expert style tips in this fun, fabulous and fierce interactive event. Raffle giveaway prizes include Sephora make-up and a private consultation from Style Me ASAP.

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Saturday, June 23rd, 2:00 p.m.

Live Like a Millionaire on \$7.25/Hour

St. George Library, 5 Central Avenue (near Borough Hall), Staten Island, NY

FREE

You can still live fabulously while being fabulously broke, especially in the Big Apple. **Max Levitte**, founder and CEO of *Cheapism.com*, will inform patrons on how they can get the most out of their meager wages when it comes to entertainment, shopping, travel and more. Who says living like a millionaire actually requires a million dollars in the bank?

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Saturday, June 23rd, 2:00 p.m.

Love Thy Diva: Whitney Houston & Beyonce

Riverside Library, 127 Amsterdam Ave., New York, NY (at W. 65th St), New York, NY

FREE

Whitney Houston impersonator, **Tyra Ross**, Beyonce impersonator, **Charley Marie**, and **Edward Wyckoff Williams**, political analyst (MSNBC, *TheGrio.com* & *Huffington Post*) critique, analyze and celebrate diva worshipping in the LGBT community. **Clay Cane**, radio host of *Clay Cane Live* on WWRL 1600AM and entertainment editor at *BET.com*, moderates the discussion.

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Saturday, June 23rd, 2:00 p.m.

A Moment of...LOUD: Lip-Syncing w/John Epperson (Lypsinka's Maid)
Webster Library, 1465 York Avenue (near E. 78th St.), New York, NY
FREE

Legendary drag entertainer, **John Epperson (Lypsinka's Maid)**, conducts a lip-syncing workshop using literary inspired music in this master class celebrating the art of lip-syncing.

For more information, contact Souleo, info@souleouniverse.com

Saturday, June 30th, 2:00 p.m.

A Moment of...LOUD: A Fashion Reinvention w/Beau McCall
Riverside Library, 127 Amsterdam Avenue (at W. 65th St.), New York, NY
FREE

Reinvent your old and worn T-shirts in this interactive fashion workshop led by creative artist, stylist and fashion designer, **Beau McCall** (featured in *Women's Wear Daily*). Patrons are advised to bring their favorite large sized T-shirt, a pair of scissors and a seam ripper. T-shirts will be made available for sale to those that wish to purchase ready-to-wear items.

For more information, contact Souleo, info@souleouniverse.com

Tuesday, July 10th, 1:00 p.m.

A Moment of...Loud: Cirque du Monde w/The POINT
Macomb's Bridge Library, 2650 Adam Clayton Powell, Jr. Blvd. (between W. 152nd & 153rd Sts.), New York, NY
FREE

The circus arrives at the New York Public Library for this special outdoor workshop designed to teach circus tricks. With tight wire, diablos, juggling balls, plate spinners and more, this event promises to bring out the clown in you.

For more information, contact Souleo, info@souleouniverse.com

Thursday, July 12th, 11:30 a.m.

Live Like a Millionaire on \$7.25/Hour
George Bruce Library, 518 West 125th Street (at Amsterdam Ave.), New York, NY
FREE

You can still live fabulously while being fabulously broke, especially in the Big Apple. **Joyce Moy**, award-winning financial expert, will inform patrons on how they can get the most out of their meager wages when it comes to entertainment, shopping, travel, and more. Who says living like a millionaire actually requires a million dollars in the bank?

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Thursday, July 12th, 1:00 p.m.

A Moment of...Loud: Harlem Arts Alliance TBD

Countee Cullen Library, 104 West 136th Street (near Lenox Ave.), New York, NY

FREE

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Saturday, July 14th, 2:00 p.m.

Financial (APP)titude

St. George Library, 5 Central Avenue (near Borough Hall), Staten Island, NY

FREE

Within the digital realm exists a wealth of financial resources that have the ability to empower individuals. In this presentation, **Christen Rochon**, publisher of *DivasandDorks.com*, will educate patrons on the most innovative and useful digital tools to budget, raise funds, stay on top of bills, and more.

For more information, contact Souleo, info@souleouniverse.com

Thursday, July 19th, 2:00 p.m.

Fame & (Mis)Fortune: Full Force

Mott Haven Library, 321 East 140th Street (at Alexander Ave.), Bronx, NY

FREE

Iconic production team and recording artists **Full Force** has received many gold and platinum record plaques resulting from their work with superstars such as Rihanna, Britney Spears, the Black Eyed Peas, and others. Still, they faced financial challenges and managed to overcome those odds. Now **Full Force** members **Bowlegged Lou**, **B-Fine** and **Paul Anthony** are ready to reveal their journey through fame and (mis)fortune. Event/media content producer and founder of Souleo Enterprises, LLC, Souleo will lead the discussion.

For more information, contact Souleo, info@souleouniverse.com

Tuesday, July 31st, 6:00 p.m.

Fame & (Mis)Fortune: Meli'sa Morgan & Christopher "Play" Martin

Bronx Library Center, 310 East Kingsbridge Road (at Briggs Avenue), Bronx, NY

FREE

In the 1980's/early 1990's R&B songstress, **Meli'sa Morgan** was on top of the charts. Simultaneously, **Christopher "Play" Martin** of hip-hop/comedy duo, **Kid'n Play** was part of successful record and film industry franchise. Still, both artists faced financial challenges and managed to overcome those odds. Now **Meli'sa Morgan** and **Christopher "Play" Martin** are ready to reveal their journey through fame and (mis)fortune. Event/media content producer and founder of Souleo Enterprises, LLC, **Souleo** will lead the discussion.

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Thursday, August 2nd, 11:30 a.m.

Love & Money

George Bruce Library, 518 West 125th Street (at Amsterdam Ave.), New York, NY

FREE

Demetria Lucas, author and relationships/lifestyle editor (*The Root*, *Essence.com*, *Clutch magazine*, *A Belle in Brooklyn*) will provide public counseling services to couples and singles dealing with financial issues that are affecting their romantic relationships or lack thereof. When it comes to love and money everyone deserves an abundance, so don't shortchange yourself.

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Tuesday, August 7th, 6:00 p.m.

Financial (APP)titude

Bronx Library Center, 310 East Kingsbridge Road (at Briggs Avenue), Bronx, NY

FREE

Within the digital realm exists a wealth of financial resources that have the ability to empower individuals. In this presentation, **Tiffany "The Budgetnista" Aliche**, author of *The One Week Budget*, will educate patrons on the most innovative and useful digital tools to budget, raise funds, stay on top of bills, and more.

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Wednesday, August 8th, 5:30 p.m.

A Moment of...Loud: From Ink to Juice w/Brandi Kowalski

Hamilton Grange Library, 503 West 145th Street, New York, NY

FREE

Take inspiration from your favorite literary works of art and transform it into refreshing summer drinks in this interactive juice-making workshop. Expert mixologist, **Brandi Kowalski**, leads this event where patrons will learn how to make healthy drinks. Samples of the drinks are available on a first come, first served basis.

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Thursday, August 16th, 2:00 p.m.

Expre\$\$ Yourself: Reinventing Yourself for Financial Stability

Mott Haven Library, 321 East 140th Street (at Alexander Ave.), Bronx, NY

FREE

It takes the skill of reinvention to stay alive financially in a city where competition is stiff. In this presentation, **George C. Fraser**, Chairman & CEO of FraserNet, Inc. and one of the foremost authorities on networking and building effective relationships, will help patrons discover the best ways to reinvent themselves and transfer skills into other sectors for extra income.

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Saturday, August 25th, 2:00 p.m.

A Moment of...Loud: Get Gong'd w/Rashu Aten

George Bruce Library, 518 West 125th Street (at Amsterdam Ave.) New York, NY

FREE

Gong master, **Rashu Aten**, brings this sacred instrument into the library for an interactive workshop where patrons will create their own healing sound vibrations using gongs.

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