

Youth Groups

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gendered intelligence
increasing understandings of gender diversity

If you'd like to chat **1-2-1** with a youth worker, we're here for you! This can be a worker with similar identities/experiences as you.

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london in-person

Weekdays: Caxton House Comm. Centre, N19 3RQ

Weekends: Prospex, Underground Youth Ctr. N78TQ

18-30s Group: London LGBTQ+ Centre, SE1 9JH

8-12s second saturday of each month, 12-3pm
jan 14 / feb 11 / mar 11 - prospex

11-16s third wednesday of each month, 5-8pm
jan 18 / feb 15 / mar 15 - Caxton house

16-20s third tuesday of each month, 6-9pm
jan 17 / feb 21 / mar 21 - Caxton house

18-30s third monday of each month, 6-8pm
jan 16 / feb 20 / mar 20 - lgbtq centre

tpoc second friday of each month, 5.30-8.30pm
13-17s jan 13 / feb 10 / mar 10 - Caxton house

tpoc 5.30-8.30pm, QueerCircle, SE10 0BN
16-25s jan 10 / feb 14 / mar 14 - queer circle

community saturdays last saturday each month, 1-4pm.
Siblings aged 11-25 welcome.
11-25s jan 28 / feb 25 / mar 25 - prospex

swimming second and last saturday of each
month, 4.30-6.30pm, South London.
8-25s jan 14 / feb 11 & 25 / mar 11 & 25

GI walk-in days come chill out with us at the
Email youthwork@ London LGBTQ+ Centre!
for more info. jan 16 / feb 20 / mar 20

families and carers

online third thursday of each month 8-9.30pm
jan 19 / feb 16 / mar 16

london last saturday of each month 1.30-4.30pm
jan 28 / feb 25 / mar 25

Email families@genderedintelligence.co.uk.

online

8-12s third friday of each month, 5.30-7.30pm
jan 20 / feb 17 / mar 17

11-16s last friday of each month, 5.30-7.30pm
jan 27 / feb 24 / mar 31

16-20s first thursday of each month, 6-8pm
jan 5 / feb 2 / mar 2

18-30s last tuesday of each month, 7-8pm
jan 31 / feb 28

nature connections third wednesday of each month,
6-8pm. Trips TBC
14-25s jan 18 / feb 15 / mar 15

tpoc first tuesday of each month 5.30-7.30pm
18-30s feb 7 / mar 7

transfemmes monthly first wednesday 6-8pm
13-25s jan 4 / feb 1 / mar 1

transitions monthly last thursday 6-8pm
16-25s jan 26 / feb 23 / mar 30

youth board second and last monday of each month,
6.30-8.30pm. More info click here.
jan 9 & 30 / feb 13 & 27 / mar 13 & 27

leeds in-person

8-12s second saturday of each month 2.30-5.30pm
Woodhouse Community Centre, LS6 2NY
feb 11 / mar 11

12-21s second tuesday of each month 6-8.30pm
Yorkshire Dance, LS9 8AS
jan 10 / feb 14 / mar 14

swimming pilot at Bramley Baths, LS13 3DF
jan 15 / feb 19 / mar 19

community saturdays last saturday every other month,
1-4pm. Yorkshire Dance, LS9 8AS
feb 25

In-person Groups

Whether in London or in Leeds, our in-person spaces give young trans people the opportunity to get together, meet other trans, non-binary and gender-exploring people, and speak to trustworthy adults who are also trans.

After arrivals each group starts with an (optional) opening circle in which everyone gets to introduce themselves with their name and pronouns. After that, there are activities planned by youth workers you can join, do arts and crafts, take part in conversations, eat snacks, or just enjoy the space and chill. You get to choose what you want to do in the group, and your youth workers will be there to support you to make the group work for you and your needs.



Online Groups

In online groups you'll be able to meet other young trans, non-binary gender gender-exploring people across the UK. You can choose to have your microphone and camera on or off, type in the chat or just observe how the group is for the first couple of sessions.

Each group starts with an optional go-around in which you can share your name and pronouns. Across the year our youth workers will prepare sessions based on different themes, including Pride, relationships, self-care and games. You can join in discussions, share your own experiences, make new friends or just have fun and play some games together. If you're not familiar with Zoom, one of our youth workers can help you with it before the group begins.



Camp and Residential

Every summer we take a group of young trans people camping with us. At the camp, you get to spend more time with other trans, non-binary and gender-exploring people, have fun, join in activities like raft building or archery, make your own food, share stories around a campfire, and sleep in a tent. We also have a swimming pool booked just for us! Our camps are suitable for experienced campers as well as people who have never slept in a tent before. We can also provide some indoor sleeping options for those who need access. On top of our annual camps, we also provide other residential for different groups, identities and geographical locations.

Community Saturdays

Our Community Saturdays for 11-25 year olds are now running in person on the last Saturday of each month. The groups is a space for trans, gender variant and questioning young people between the ages of 11-25.

You do not have to be accompanied by a parent or carer, however if you are under 18, a youth worker will need to take the contact details of a next of kin in case of emergencies. There is no need to register in advance - just turn up on the day.

Transitions Group

A space to talk about and explore medical and social transition. More info coming!

Transfem

Our transfem group meets once a month to provide a space for transfeminine people aged 13-25 to connect, build friendships, play games, share experiences and have a laugh together. On top of that, there are different special projects and in-person meet ups across the year. The group is aimed at young trans women, trans girls, and non-binary people who were registered male at birth.

There is no right way to be a transfeminine person and we proudly welcome people with a variety of different gender expressions, and people at different points of their trans journeys.



Trans People of Colour (TPOC)

Our TPOC groups are a space for joy, sharing, getting creative and feeling inspired! Full of great vibes and even greater snacks (usually). We understand trans and nonbinary people of colour can experience additional barriers and stigma, even within the trans community. We want to be mindful of the impact of things like colourism within our space. So we invite all people who identify as a Black and/ or a Person of Colour or questioning around that identity. If you are unsure whether these groups are for you or not, we are always open to having conversations and helping you to explore this aspect of your identity, so please reach out!



Swimming

Gendered Intelligence runs different swimming sessions for young trans people between the ages of 8-25, with sessions operating in both London and Leeds. These operate twice a month. Sessions are run/accompanied by youth workers. Wear whatever you like as long as your bottom half is covered. Check out our youth page for more information.

Nature Connections

We run an online space for us to slow down as a community together and connect with the world around us, and trips will be arranged as part of the group. We share animal facts, contemplate natural structures, share poetry, watch videos, and discuss our latest nature findings. The group has a calm atmosphere and is a nice way to chill out on a Saturday afternoon.

Parents and Carers

The Families Group is open to all parents and carers of young trans, non-binary or gender questioning people. The monthly forum for parents and carers provides a safe space, both online nationally and in-person (London & Leeds), where practical information is exchanged, and empathetic support given. There is no agenda, but people bring challenges as well as uplifting stories.

Youth Board

The Youth Board is your place to have a say in how GI is run, to create projects, and share your ideas with other young people. Feedback about GI can be taken back to our workers and board of trustees through our youth representatives and youth trustees, or through Robin, our Senior Practitioner for Youth Voice. You can also get involved with reviewing GI documents and with helping us recruit new staff. Some of our Youth Board sessions are paid. You do not have to be elected to attend our Youth Board, you just need to show up!