

Lez Read Xmas took place on
14th December 2023 at The
Queer Emporium Offices, Cardiff.

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THE QUEER EMPORIUM

LEZ
READ

XMAS

14.12.23

Dear 'Readers',

We can barely believe we've made it another year! We've seen so many wonderful new faces, and a big shout out to all of our regulars too, thank you all for attending and making Lez Read such a beautiful community. Thank you for sharing so openly and always humouring our silly questions.

This year had some special highlights, including our very own Rachel helping us host Lez Read Dawson, and of course our sapphic pilgrimage to Gay On Wye! We also had a special treat from Liz (@abstract_akerele) who designed and handcrafted our beautiful bookmarks.

A special thanks to Yan at The Queer Emporium for hosting, Dan at Paned o Ge for supplying our books, and Books Council Wales for our funding that has helped us to offer extra financial help and buy extra books! Remember we are taking January off as usual to recover, but are hyped for what 2024 will bring... including our bumper zine and Lez Read website!

Merry Christmas,
Zara and Nazmia

Tuesday 21st February
7 - 8:30pm
The Queer Emporium
Royal Arcade
Cardiff
£4 (Book online)

LEZ
READ
#10

Your favourite literary salon for lesbians (& lesbian adjacent folks) who enjoy gossiping about the love lives and sordid choices of queer writers. No pre-reading required. Bring along a book you won't mind for our new regular book swap.

No pre-reading required but the text is freely available online if you fancy it. Bring along a book you want to offer for our new regular book swap feature.

Advance booking only. No one turned away for lack of funds, email us if you need a hand with getting a ticket.

Come early, we start at 7pm prompt. Stick around for a drink and a chat after until 9pm.

Contact us at lezreadcardiff@gmail.com

What we're reading:

SCUM MANIFESTO

VALERIE SOLANAS



Tuesday 28th March
7 - 8:30pm
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What we're reading:

FLUSH

VIRGINIA WOOLF



Wednesday 26th April
7 - 8:30pm
The Queer Emporium
Royal Arcade
Cardiff
Book in advance, £4

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What we're reading:

MY LIFE HAD STOOD
A LOADED GUN

EMILY DICKINSON



Thursday 20th July
7 - 8:30pm
The Queer Emporium
Royal Arcade
Cardiff
Book in advance, £4

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What we're reading:

THE WELL
OF LONELINESS

RADCLYFFE HALL



Wednesday 23rd August
7 - 8:30pm
The Queer Emporium
Royal Arcade
Cardiff
Book in advance, £4

LEZ
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#14

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What we're reading:

DYKES TO
WATCH OUT FOR

ALISON BECHDEL



Thursday 21st September
7 - 8:30pm
The Queer Emporium
Royal Arcade
Cardiff
Book in advance, £4

LEZ
READ
#15

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Come early, we start at 7pm prompt. Stick along with your copy to get signed or buy a copy at TQE with a discount.

Come early, we start at 7pm prompt. Stick around for a drink and a chat after until 9pm.

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What we're reading:

NEON ROSES

RACHEL DAWSON



Monday 16th October
7 - 8:30pm
The Queer Emporium
Royal Arcade
Cardiff
Book in advance, £3.50

LEZ
READ
#16

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What we're reading:

LITTLE TALES
OF MISOGYNY

PATRICIA HIGHSMITH



Thursday 30th November
7 - 8:30pm
The Queer Emporium
Royal Arcade
Cardiff
Book in advance, £3.50

LEZ
READ
#17

A literary salon for lesbians & lesbian adjacent folks who enjoy gossiping about the love lives and sordid choices of queer writers. No pre-reading required. Bring along a book for our optional book swap.

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What we're reading:

UNREAL SEX

A QUEER
EROTIC ANTHOLOGY



WORDSEARCH

We've hidden 19 words! How many can you find?

S	A	E	T	S	A	O	R	T	U	N	K	S	B
E	Y	S	N	E	T	R	A	M	C	O	D	T	S
D	S	E	I	N	A	E	B	G	L	S	C	F	A
R	S	V	V	F	A	M	E	R	D	V	Y	A	E
E	V	T	C	I	H	P	P	A	S	I	R	R	P
Y	S	E	R	H	I	K	I	N	G	O	E	C	K
R	A	R	S	A	O	C	B	O	A	L	T	H	C
O	S	E	A	T	P	A	E	L	O	E	T	C	I
M	B	S	S	G	S	D	N	A	P	T	O	T	H
A	V	I	B	R	A	T	O	R	S	S	P	I	C
Y	D	A	E	R	B	A	N	A	N	A	B	W	F
L	C	A	R	O	L	S	F	L	A	N	N	E	L
O	S	S	G	A	B	E	T	O	T	O	T	L	U
P	N	P	O	E	T	R	Y	N	B	A	I	E	E

Shoutout to Jennie Copeland for making this and helping with the crossword!!

LEZ BINGO

can't drive	vans	weird relationship w/ gender	multiple piercings	will watch anything that has lesbians
short nails	cat person	into astrology	birks	has a carabiner on keys
into sports	has dated a girl they met online	flannels	has u-hauled	timbs
docs	into "dyke drama"	has been in a LDR	was a tomboy as a kid	short hair
has seen the L word	denim jackets	converse	vegetarian or vegan	doesn't shave

YEARBOOK

Time to rate your fellow book club attendees! Feel free to draw a little picture, or just write the name of your 2023 yearbook winners.



Teacher's Pet



Biggest Book Nerd



Best Would-Be Couple



Most Likely To
Be Famous



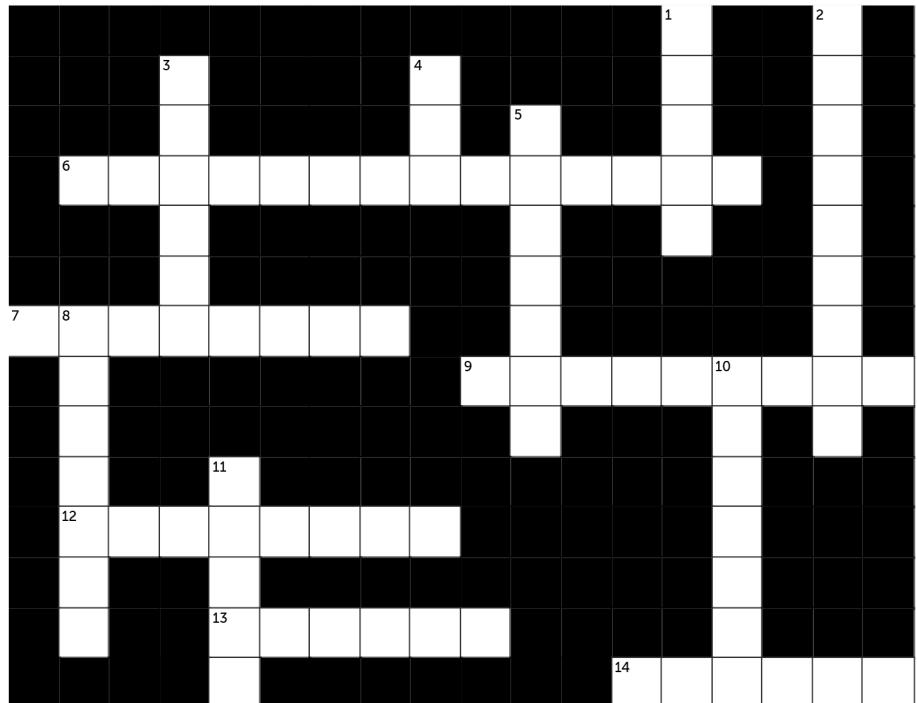
Most Likely To
Get Arrested



Best Cat

CROSSWORD

Can you solve these cryptic sapphic clues? Prizes for the winner!



Across

- 6 Lesbian Christmas movie
- 7 Queer bookshop
- 9 Dawson's debut novel
- 12 "Bigamy is having one wife too many. ___ is the same"
- 13 Double-headed axe
- 14 On a nature walk

Down

- 1 Highsmith novel
- 2 Climber's clip
- 3 Had a school in Mytilene
- 4 Furry purrer
- 5 Author of DTWOF
- 8 Goddess of the hunt
- 10 Vegan latte option
- 11 Wrote a biography of a Spaniel

