

LGBT History of Brisbane Timelines

How to View, Comment and Add Timelines



As part of the LGBT History of Brisbane project, we have begun gathering together online timelines of the history of LGBT Brisbane - recording people, places and key events.

You are invited to view the timelines already listed, add your own or make a comment or correction to the timelines listed. By enabling lots of people to contribute to and comment on the timelines, we hope they will be as comprehensive and accurate as possible.

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We are using a free internet site called www.xtimeline.com to build and host the timelines. We have created a group on the site called 'LGBT History of Brisbane' which can contain many timelines. You are invited to create your own timeline and add it to the group, or view and comment on the timelines of others.

Please note these timelines are public and may be used as part of QAHC's LGBT History Project, so please do not add anything you wouldn't want others to know.

To View & Comment:

You can view existing timelines without signing up as a user of the site.

1. Go to www.xtimeline.com
2. Type *LGBT Brisbane* into the search box and press enter.
3. Click on the 'Groups' tab, then click on the green link **LGBT History of Brisbane**
(You can also go to www.qahc.org.au/history which links you straight to the page).
4. You are now on the LGBT History of Brisbane group page, where you will see info about the group, timelines already added to the group, discussion on the timelines and members of the group.
5. Click on any of the timelines to view them, either as a visual timeline (use the green button at the bottom left to slide along the timeline) or use the 'Event List' tab to view a list of events.
6. You can make a comment on the whole timeline using the **Post to Discussion** box towards the bottom of the screen. You do not need to be logged in or a user of the site to make a comment or add to the discussion.
7. Click on any of the events to see more information about the event, picture and links (including video, photos, and websites).
8. At the bottom of the page you can make a comment about the event using the **Post a Comment** box.

To Create Your Own Timeline:

You can create your own timeline and add it to the LGBT History of Brisbane group. The timeline could be about you, your organisation/group or significant places or events for LGBT people in Brisbane.

1. Go to www.xtimeline.com or the 'LGBT History of Brisbane' page as per instructions above.
2. Click the **Sign Up** link in the top right of the page.

3. You will be asked for an email address, user name and password and once signed up you can add further information about yourself and add a picture. (To add or change a picture at a later time, click on the 'Hi <your name>' link at the top on the page and click 'Edit Account').
4. Click on the 'Create a Timeline' link to the right of the page.
5. Enter the requested information about your timeline.
6. At the bottom of the page you can decide on who can edit, view and discuss your timeline. We recommend leaving the settings as they are (i.e. new editors to your timeline must be approved by you, anyone can view your timeline and anyone can post a discussion item about your timeline).
7. You can now add events to your timeline using the 'Add a Quick Event' box to the right of the page or click on the 'Add Event' button towards the left of the page.
8. Enter a name for your event, date (or date range), 'tags' (words which help people search for the event), upload images, imbed flash, videos or photos and enter a description of your event. You can also add the source of information for your event (e.g. a newspaper story).
9. Note: You can also upload multiple events using a spreadsheet .csv file. Click on the 'Event List' tab, click the 'Upload Events' link then click on the 'help' link for more information.

To Add Your Timeline to the LGBT History of Brisbane Group:

1. Sign in to www.xtimeline.com using the username and password created above.
2. Go to the LGBT History of Brisbane group page (see above).
3. You need to join this group before you can add a timeline. Click on the 'Join this Group' link (in the yellow box towards the top right of page).
4. On the LGBT History of Brisbane group page, click the button 'Submit Timeline'. You will then be taken to a page where you can select any of your timelines to add the group.
5. The moderators of the LGBT History of Brisbane Group (i.e. QAHC) will give permission for timelines to be added to the group. This is to prevent inappropriate content being added.

Guidance:

- These timelines are public and may be used as part of QAHC's LGBT History Project, so please do not add anything you wouldn't want others to know.
- Please do not put very personal or libellous information in your timeline, comments or discussion, including contact details or private photos that are not of you.
- People who abuse the site will be removed as group members.

If you have any questions or need further assistance contact pmartin@qahc.org.au