The first pride parade was a riot

Why we march

Content warnings: male and female nudity, violence, feminism
Yes, this is Jérémie (my boyfriend) and me.

Vancouver

Gregor Robertson, Mayor of Vancouver

Berlin

San Francisco

Tel Aviv

Amsterdam
LGBT
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Stonewall riots
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Stonewall Inn
53 Christopher Street, Manhattan, New York
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Comic panels from Mike Funk’s *Stonewall 1969*
https://www.flickr.com/photos/mkfunk/sets/72157634381061896/
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June 28, 1969
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The first pride march

Christopher Street Gay Liberation Day 1970
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— Rabbi Shai Piron
Former Minister of Education of Israel

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“The cruel irony of last week’s Supreme Court marriage decisions is that ... we still don’t have federal laws to ban employment discrimination, those same individuals could be fired from their jobs.”
— Rea Carey
Director of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force

“If [the other party] wins, your children will receive a serum injection that will turn them gay”
— A message in a Mandarin language election pamphlet during the 2015 municipal elections in Burnaby
Some LGBTQ issues

- Discrimination in the workplace, in education, in society
- Violence against LGBTQ
- Homophobia, transphobia
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- Mental health issues and suicide rates among LGBTQ are much higher than the average population
- Bi-erasure and other forms of sexuality or identity denial
So why do we march?

- Protest against discrimination (from within and without)
- Show that we exist, we have the right to exist, and there’s nothing wrong with us
- Show others (here and elsewhere in the world) who are struggling with their identity that it can get better
- Get allies (*like you!* ) that want to help us create a more welcoming world for everyone
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