

Happy Pride Month from nglccNY!

Dear nglccNY Members,

We wish you a reflective Pride Month as peaceful protests against racism continue across the nation in the wake of the murders of George Floyd, Rayshard Brooks, and countless other Black lives that have been taken.

On June 4th nglccNY, NGLCC and all members of the National Business Inclusion Consortium released a statement condemning racism and racial violence. It reads in part: “The time is now for us to stand as one unified community to demand action and declare together that discrimination and bigotry against any fellow human being is wrong and will not be tolerated.” We invite you to read the [full statement here](#) and view the rest of our expansive June Newsletter, which includes our [positive reaction](#) (with Out Leadership) to the landmark Supreme Court Ruling that extends workplace protections to LGBTQ people.

Thank you for being an integral part of our chamber family, even though we are still physically separated in the time of COVID-19.

Yours in service,

TJ Chernick, Director of nglccNY

nglccNY Celebrates SCOTUS Workplace Protections

Title IIV Now Includes LGBT Workers!

The National LGBT Chamber of Commerce (NGLCC), along with its partner Out Leadership, a certified LGBT Business Enterprise, are elated the Supreme Court has ensured a state-sanctioned license to discriminate will not be issued in this country’s workplaces. The LGBT community is a vital part of the American economy and deserves equal treatment under the law. The NGLCC and Out



Leadership will continue to advocate for our community's right to live their lives free from discrimination in their places of business and in their local communities, which this decision now affirms.

This decision is a step forward for LGBT rights in the United States, and reminds all of us that the protections for other minority groups, including people of color, the differently-abled, and women, must also be upheld and strengthened.

[Read NGLCC's statement](#)



nglccNY Virtual Biz Pitch 2020

Congratulations to Bokksu!

BOKKSU

On Jun 11, Bokksu was selected to advance to the final round of the third annual nglccNY & EY Biz Pitch competition. Bokksu is the world's first subscription box and e-commerce platform for Japanese snack food discovery and authentic storytelling. Our mission is to connect people

and sustain culture through food and media, which is why we directly partner with local family makers across Japan to deliver both their artisanal snacks and their rich stories to people everywhere. This in turn sustains and empowers local communities while spreading their traditional craft, culture, and history to the world.

NGLCC Certified LGBTBE® companies gave a ten-minute presentation and received ten minutes of constructive feedback on style, content, presentation skills and communication. A winner will be selected from each of the four pre-qualifying rounds to compete in the finals in December 2020. Bokksu will be moving onto the next round.

[Learn more about the event](#)



June's Ambassador of the Month

Congratulations, Vincent Moy!

This month we are pleased to bestow our Ambassador of the Month honor upon Vincent Moy. Vincent is a cherished member of our chamber family as well as an expert in market research and consumer insights. He is a customer intelligence manager at the Wall Street Journal where he focuses on media & communications. He is also the co-lead/founding member of Asian@DJ at Dow Jones.

[Read more](#)



How Larry Kramer Influenced nglccNY Member Michael Venturiello

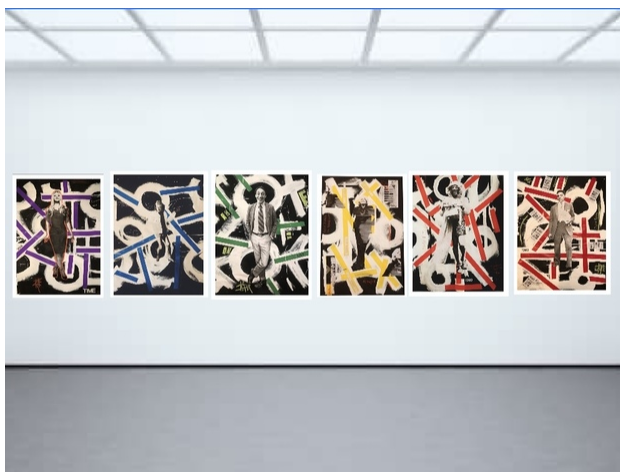
On May 27 when news broke that the iconic HIV and AIDS activist Larry Kramer had passed away, nglccNY member Michael Venturiello took to Facebook to share a heartfelt message of love. He explained the impact Larry had on his personal and professional life, as the owner of Christopher Street Tours, a Certified LGBTBE® that “focuses solely on LGBTQ walking tours and experiences.”

[Read more](#)

nglccNY Member, The Leslie-Lohman Museum of Art, Announces Pride 2020 Programming



The Leslie-Lohman Museum of Art, an esteemed member of nglccNY, announced its schedule of online programming to mark the 50th anniversary of the Pride March. It was created to offer solace, joy, community, and connection during its temporary closure, and to help contain the spread of COVID-19. It follows a [statement of solidarity](#) made by the Museum calling for racial justice and an end to all forms of oppression. A vibrant, edgy, and diverse schedule of interdisciplinary art, special events, and free, public activities that honor queer culture and platform multi-faceted queer perspectives began Wednesday, June 10 on the Museum's new and expanded website. [Visit the site](#) for more information.



Artist Shines Light On Heroes Of LGBTQ+ History For Pride Month

Looking to shine a light on the rich diversity and legacy of the LGBTQ+ community, artist Rachel Wilkins debuts a new series entitled 'Shoulders of Giants.' The 30-piece (one for each day of Pride month) multi-media body of work pays homage to the advocates, change-makers, and unsung heroes, whose tireless efforts helped to bring about social and political progress for LGBTQ+ people.

[Read more](#)

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Helping your business thrive online

As we shift to a virtual business world during the COVID-19 pandemic, Team NGLCC is by your side and preparing opportunities to continue to elevate you and your company.

We are thrilled to provide online learning opportunities for you to attend and share within your networks.

Upcoming Webinars:

Wednesday, June 24: Black. Queer. And Successful: A Discussion on Pride, Race & Business Opportunity

As the NGLCC celebrates Pride Month and also commits to service to elevate Black leaders in the LGBT business community, the NGLCC Communities of Color Initiative (CoCi) and Trans Inclusion Task Force (TITF) have teamed up for a special presentation on Wednesday, June 24. In order for all of us to achieve our maximum potential as business owners, corporate leaders, advocates, and citizens, we must grapple with the systemic racism and race-based biases that have kept us apart. Join us for a conversation with two Certified LGBTBE® owners as they discuss their journeys in launching and growing their companies as Black LGBTQ entrepreneurs with members of the NGLCC Supplier Diversity and Stakeholder Engagement Center teams.

[Register now!](#)

A promotional graphic for NGLCC Sip & Pitch Fridays. It features a dark wooden background with a laptop, a smartphone displaying the NGLCC logo, a glass of red sangria with a lime wedge, and a small potted plant. The text is written in a mix of bold, sans-serif and script fonts. The main title 'nglcc Sip & Pitch Fridays' is at the top. Below it, 'When: Last Friday of the Month' and 'When: 3 - 6 PM EST' are listed. The event schedule is divided into two sections: 'SIP & PITCH: 3pm - 5pm EST' with the description 'Pitch your business or listen in for invaluable feedback from corporate procurement experts.', and 'COMMUNITY & CONVERSATION: 5pm - 6pm EST' with the description 'An online nglcc "family reunion"'. At the bottom, it says 'Learn more at nglcc.org/SipAndPitch or email education@nglcc.org'.

NGLCC's LGBT Sip & Pitch

An online NGLCC family reunion!

NGLCC invites you to take advantage of what we do best: bring business leaders together and create new relationships. Even in this time of social distancing, virtual meetings allow us to be closer than ever.

[Join us on June 26](#) from 3 PM EST to 6 PM ET as the NGLCC brings together LGBT business owners, local affiliate members and corporate procurement experts.

Sip & Pitch is a chance to informally present your business to a panel of experts and your fellow business owners for positive, constructive feedback and new ideas. If you have a 5 minute (or less) presentation with all the bells and whistles: great! If not: that's great, too! Simply bring your "elevator pitch" and any messaging you'd like to work on with our experts.

Remember: You do not need to present a pitch to join us!

[Learn more about the event](#)



LIVE FABULOUSLY, NOT FABULOUSLY BROKE

Queer Money Podcast

Learn about the **LGBT Financial World!**

The Curious Thing about Polyamory Finance

This week's Queer Money is about financial discussions in polyamorous relationships. We speak with financial coach Michelle Waymire, founder of Young + Scrappy. She offers financial planning and business coaching to young professionals, LGBTQ+ and polyamorous clients. Michelle also provides insight into her own polyamorous relationship and the best approach to ensure that goals represent the interests of all.

[Listen now](#)

9 Fun Ways to Stay Sane During Quarantine

Learn about the nine things to help you stay sane during quarantine, with books, TV shows, movies and podcasts to stay inspired right now. The hosts will share the benefits of eating healthy and maintaining an exercise program, offering tips on how to work out without the luxury of a gym—and forgive yourself for the occasional afternoon of Netflix with Ben & Jerry, plus a couple more fun topics.

[Listen now](#)

Upcoming Events



NEWS BLOG

- June 24: Black. Queer. And Successful: A Discussion on Pride, Race & Business Opportunity (Webinar)
- June 26: NGLCC's LGBT Sip & Pitch

[click to learn more and register](#)



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