

# Creating Inclusive, Intergenerational Spaces in the LGBTQIA+ Community

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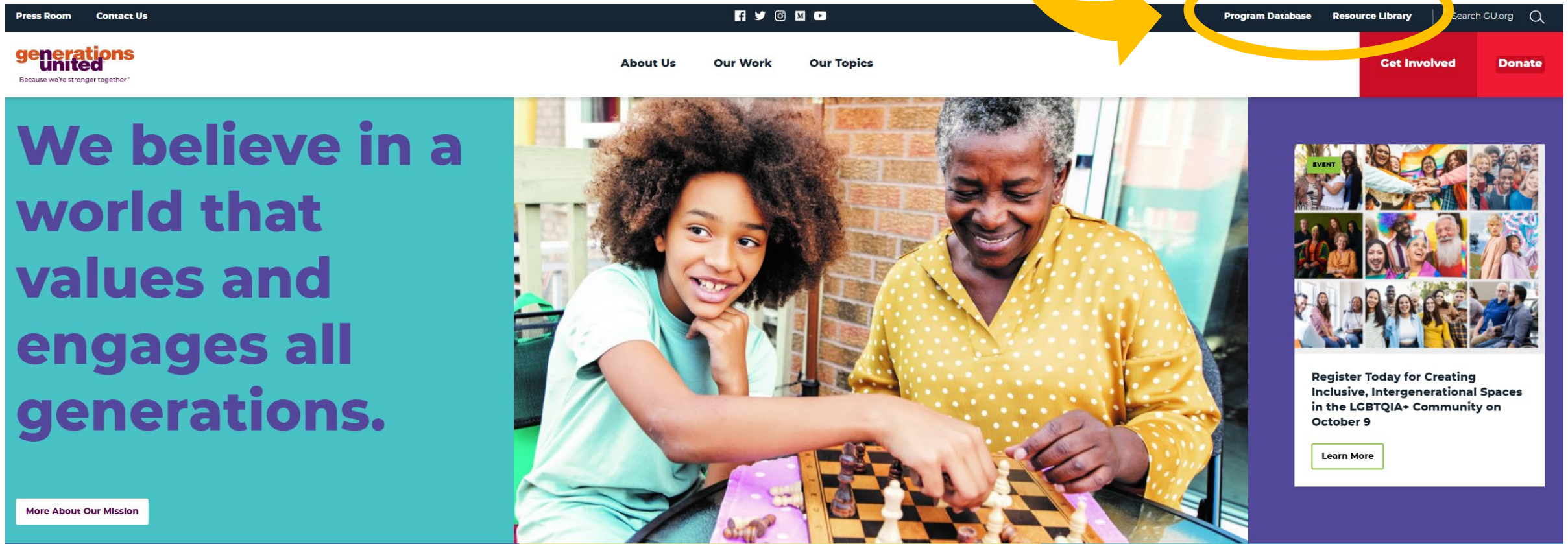


# Generations United

[www.gu.org](http://www.gu.org)

“We formed Generations United to argue for a caring society.”

- Jack Ossofsky



The screenshot shows the Generations United website homepage. At the top, there is a dark navigation bar with links for 'Press Room' and 'Contact Us' on the left, and social media icons (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, Medium, YouTube) in the center. On the right side of this bar, the links 'Program Database' and 'Resource Library' are circled in yellow, with a large yellow arrow pointing towards them from the quote area above. Below the navigation bar, the 'generations united' logo is on the left, followed by the tagline 'Because we're stronger together'. In the center, there are links for 'About Us', 'Our Work', and 'Our Topics'. On the right, there are red buttons for 'Get Involved' and 'Donate'. The main content area features a large teal banner on the left with the text 'We believe in a world that values and engages all generations.' and a 'More About Our Mission' button. To the right of the banner is a large photo of a young girl and an older woman playing chess. Further right is a purple sidebar containing a grid of event photos, a text box that reads 'Register Today for Creating Inclusive, Intergenerational Spaces in the LGBTQIA+ Community on October 9', and a 'Learn More' button.

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# Intergenerational Program Certification

## Applications Due November 7



# Generations United 23<sup>rd</sup> Biennial Conference

**SAVE THE DATES**

**June 25-27, 2025**

**Louisville, Kentucky**

**Co-hosted by Harbor House**

**Call for Sessions Due December 2, 2024**



# New Intergenerational Living Blueprint

Release event: October 24<sup>th</sup>  
2 PM ET

[Register Here.](#)



## Healthier Lives Across Generations

A BLUEPRINT FOR  
INTERGENERATIONAL LIVING



# Shared Site Learning Network

- Made possible with support from The Eisner Foundation
- Online Toolkit at [www.sharingourspace.org](http://www.sharingourspace.org)
- Recordings and materials from previous events at <https://www.gu.org/projects/shared-site-learning-network/>
  - Play
  - Arts Programming
  - Evaluation
  - Funding and Sustainability
  - Design
  - Staffing
- Quarterly newsletter – next issue on LGBTQIA+ Programs & Spaces



# AGEISM

## AWARENESS DAY



- [Webinar Recording: Intergenerational Solutions to Combatting Ageism Across the Lifespan](#)
- [World Health Organization's Global Campaign to Combat Ageism](#)
- [ASA Campaign Materials](#)

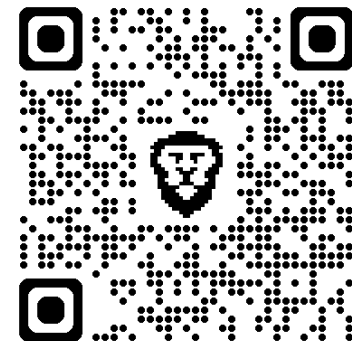
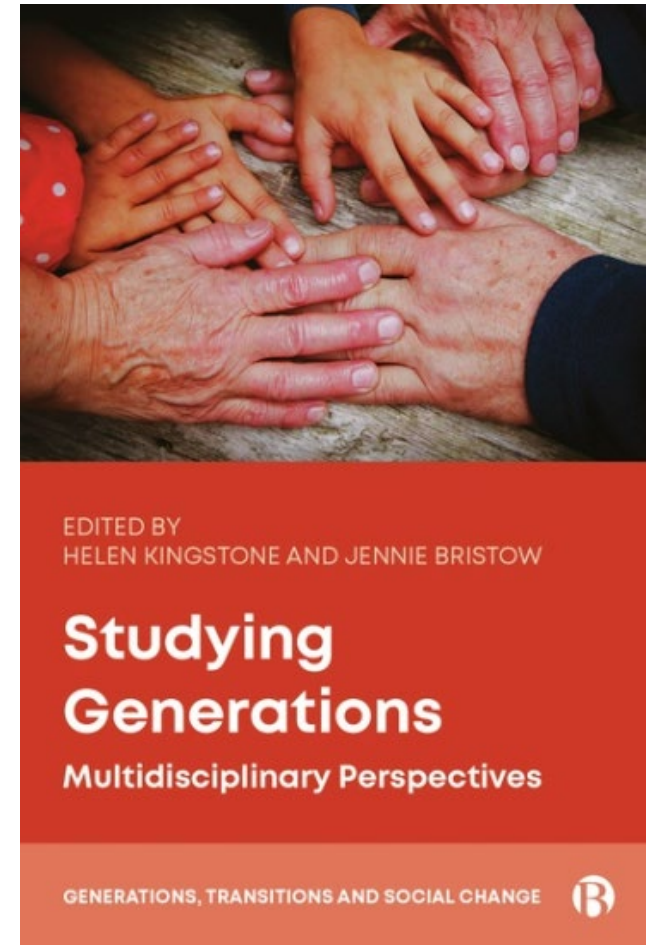
# Today's Presenters

- **Nancy Henkin**, Senior Fellow, Generations United
- **Phyllis Johnson**, Elder Liaison, [LGBTQ+ Intergenerational Dialogue Project](#)
- **Katia Elise Klemm**, Undergraduate Research Assistant, [LGBTQ+ Intergenerational Dialogue Project](#)
- **Adam Greteman**, Associate Professor of Art Education, School of the Art Institute of Chicago and Co-founder of the [LGBTQ+ Intergenerational Dialogue Project](#)
- **Andrew King**, Professor of Sociology, [University of Surrey](#), United Kingdom
- **Wilfred Labiosa**, Founder and CEO, [Waves Ahead](#), Puerto Rico



# LGBTQI+ Generations

- How might ideas about generations apply to LGBTQI+ lives?
- Rethinking the concept of generations from a queer (theoretical) perspective
- Generations and LGBTQI+ ageing



# LGBTQ+ projects with intergenerational exchanges



# Intergenerational exchange in LGBTQ+ communities project



## STAGE 3 Reflecting and visualising

Encourage all participants to draw the story of their life in the shape of a river (or using a metaphor that works well for them)

 Approx 30 minutes

### USEFUL PROMPT QUESTIONS TO USE AS YOU DRAW THE RIVER:

- ▶ When and how has your life changed direction?
- ▶ When has life flowed smoothly, or felt like a bumpy ride?
- ▶ When have you encountered joy or challenges?

#### TIP

If facilitating workshop with youth... Consider unpacking some questions further. For example, *who is important in their life? Friends? Family members?*

### POSSIBLE KEY MOMENTS YOU MIGHT INCLUDE IN THE LIFE RIVER:

- ▶ Becoming aware of your sexual orientation or gender identity
- ▶ 'Coming out' to different key people in your life
- ▶ Deciding you would start your transition journey
- ▶ Same-sex relationships
- ▶ Chosen families
- ▶ Moving to new places and environments.

#### TIP

Non-visual alternatives to this activity:

- ▶ Write a letter to your younger/older self
- ▶ Write a poem that expresses different periods in your life as an LGBTQ+ person

### RESOURCES CHECKLIST:

- ✓ A3 paper
  - ✓ Coloured pens/pencils
  - ✓ Pencil sharpeners
  - ✓ Printed instructions
- See our [downloadable printout](#)

