

Post- Event Summary Report

Event Name: Pride Speaks: Our Layers of Humanity

Date of Event: June 25, 2022

Time of Event: 1:00pm- 6:00 pm

Location of Event: The Frida Cinema

305 E. 4th St #100, Santa Ana, CA 92701

Number of Persons Reached: 147

Sponsoring Organization: California LGBTQ Health and Human Services Network

Collaborators: UCI Gender and Sexuality Studies, The Frida Cinema, UCI Dream Center, OC Pride, California LGBTQ Health and Human Services Network, LGBTQ Center OC.

Volunteers: OC Pride- Total of 7 volunteers

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During OC Pride 2022, the Immigration Resources Department at the LGBTQ Center OC hosted Layers of Humanity: An Undocuqueer Art Exhibit. Hosted at the Frida Cinema and sponsored by the CA LGBTQ Health & Human Services Network and OC Pride, the event featured art pieces by Undocuqueer and immigrant artists as well as incorporating audiovisual sessions in the theater's movie room.

Session One of the event featured a video of the LGBTQ Center OC's Grupo La Familia - a social support group for parents, family, friends, and community members who have loved ones who identify as LGBTQ and need support navigating what that means.

In between sessions, we were able to open up the stage and host an "Open Mic," session while we prepared for the following session. The audience engaged in a meaningful conversation as they answered the following breakout question, "What does Pride mean to you?"

Session number two, included a speaker based in Fullerton CA, Ahmad Zahra from Zahra Productions. The session revolved around navigating their identity with religion, politics and sharing those stories with the rest of the world. This session included a feature, award winning film called "Three Veils." This film is the story of three young Muslim women whose lives unexpectedly intersect as they deal with issues of sexuality, tradition, and identity. To the outside world, they seem to be typical young college students dealing with the challenges of growing up and finding one's place in the world. But each girl has a story that, behind the veil, is brimming with desire.

Our Last session together, included Cuentos Con una Drag Queen featuring SoCal's tiniest raindrop, Miss April Showers. Our book readings included "Coqui in the City," by Nomar Perez and "Areli is a Dreamer," by Areli Morales.

During the day, folks were enthralled by the UndocuQueer art in the main lobby of the Frida Cinema. Art that was submitted by Undocuqueer artists, including one former intern of the Immigration Resources Department. Our partner organization, World Relief Southern California, an organization that focuses on helping asylum seekers and refugee seekers find representation to resettle in the United States, submitted a piece entitled " We Complete Each Other." This twenty-five-tile art piece is a symbol of community. It wears the colors of Unity and Diversity. It tells the story of human connection and our shared journey to belong. *We Complete Each Other* was brought to life by Santa Ana Artist Andres Rivera, children from Little Brushstrokes- Refugee Kids Art Program, people with DACA, and many more members of the community.

As a part of our event, the community decided to donate to support our work here at the LGBTQ Center OC's Immigration Resources Department. We were able to raise a total of \$80.15 during our event.

Included are some photos.

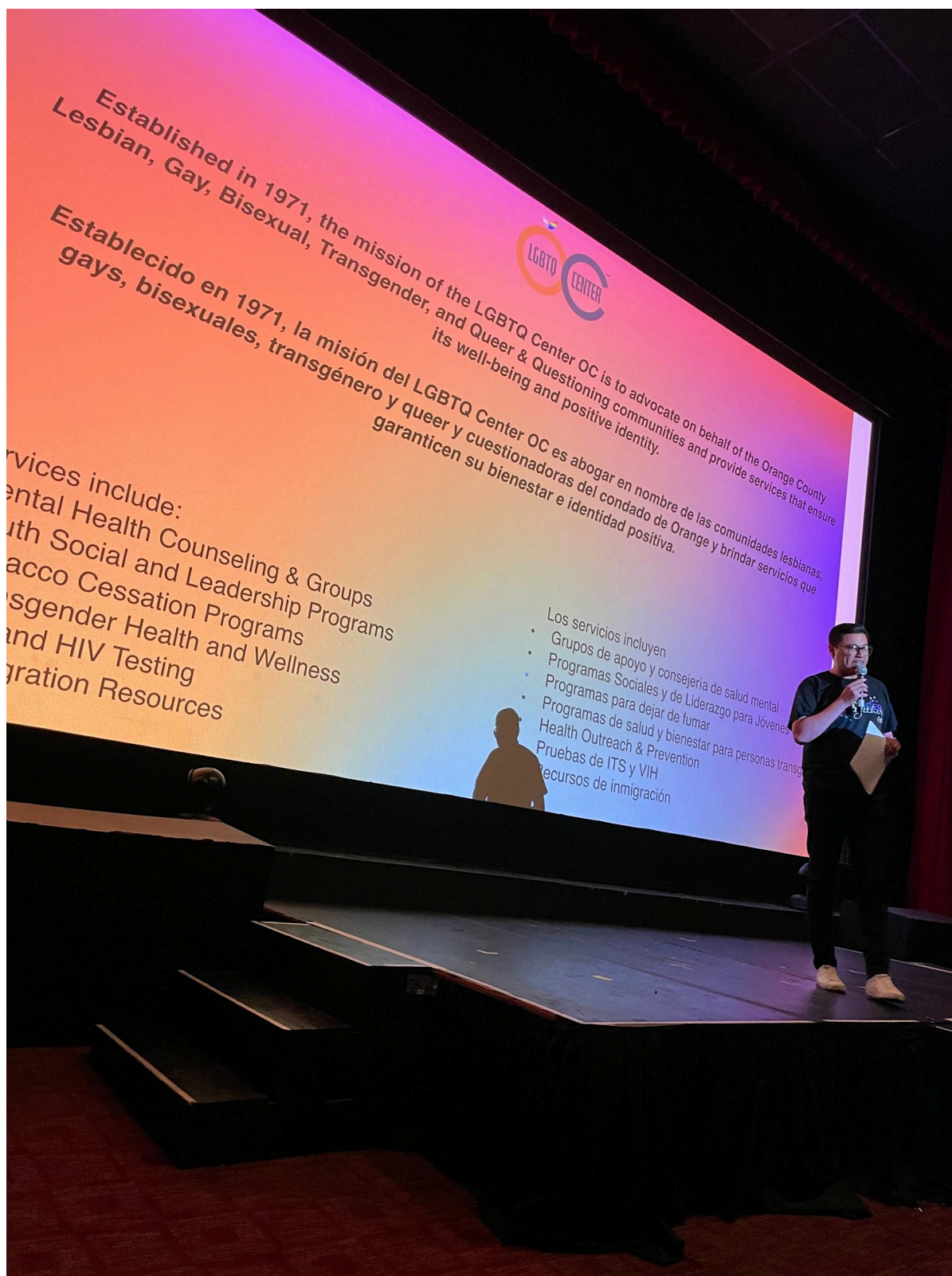
Event Photos



Cuentos Con Una Drag Queen with April Showers



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Juan Plascencia- Immigration Outreach Coordinator



Paty Vasquez- Grupo La Familia



Alondra Caballero with a community volunteer



April Showers and Juan Plascencia

EXAMPLES OF ART SUBMISSIONS



We Complete Each Other by World Relief Southern California & Andres Rivera



Beauty of Change by Alberto Donjuan



Photograph by Agustin Garcia Meza