

October is **LGBTQ+** History Month

Why is LGBTQ+ History Month Important?

LGBTQ+ History Month is celebrated both nationally and internationally and has become a crucial tool in ensuring that queer history is shared, taught, and celebrated, as it is rarely included in school curricula.

Thus, LGBTQ+ students are often unaware of the fact that many figures they study in school were in fact LGBTQ+. They also miss out on learning about the LGBTQ+ rights movement and the many figures who have fought heroically for LGBTQ+ equality.

LGBTQ+ History Month is a way to encourage schools, media, and other institutions devoted to sharing knowledge to amplify the important stories of the LGBTQ+ community.

But isn't June Pride Month?

Yes, June is Pride Month but the focus in October is different. LGBTQ+ History Month focuses on the achievements of the LGBTQ community.

Pride month in June, on the other hand, originated with the 1969 Stonewall Uprising and is about uplifting the LGBTQ+ rights movement.

Pride is more focused on rebellion and the continued fight for LGBTQ+ rights, whereas LGBTQ+ History Month focuses on honoring the past.

Pride is a protest, a battle cry, whereas History Month is a celebration.