

KEY THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT WHISTLER PRIDE AND SKI FESTIVAL

Whistler is hosting the 28th annual Whistler Pride and Ski Festival, one of the biggest and best gay and lesbian ski weeks in North America. The LGBT pride week features a packed events schedule of skiing, snowboarding, parties, arts & culture and social events.

EVENT DETAILS

- Dates: January 26 February 2, 2020
- Locations: Various Village locations and on-mountain
- Website: whistlerpride.com
- Social pages: Facebook: <u>facebook.com/whistlerpride</u> Instagram: @whistlerpride Twitter: @whistlerpride
- Hashtags: #whistlerpride #whistlerpride2020 #whistlerprideandskifestival
- Events: Schedule found <u>online</u>

TICKETS

- Tickets to individual events, passes, lift tickets, and discounted six-pack drink tickets are available <u>online</u>.
- Tickets can also be purchased on site at the Aava Hotel Will Call starting on Sunday, January 26, 2020.
- Ticketed events are 19+ but there are some free events open to the general public.
- Valid official government ID is required and must be presented upon request.
- Tickets are non-transferable. Legal name must be on tickets.

GUEST RELATIONS AND WILL CALL

- Location: Aava Whistler Hotel
 - Hours: January 26 2 8 PM
 - Jan. 27– Feb. 1 8 AM 6 PM February 2 10 AM – 1 PM (Lost and Found only)

FAMILY FRIENDLY EVENTS

- Alphabet Soup + Whistler Pride Film Screening: <u>KROW's TRANSformation</u>
 - Date/time: January 30 at 7 PM
 - Location: Whistler Public Library
- **Charity Ski Race** Raising money for Loving Spoonful. No race experience necessary, all are welcome.
 - Cost: \$5 Recommended Donation (cash or credit cards accepted). Race as many times as you feel like donating.
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 - Location: GMC Race Centre Blackcomb Mountain
- PARADE Day SkiOut and March: Whistler Blackcomb lift tickets are required for ski-out. Spectators are welcome.
 - Date/time: January 31 at 3:30 PM 5 PM
 - Location: Beginning at Mid Station on Whistler Mountain, slalom down the mountain to the village, where everyone is welcome to join the march through the village ending at the Whistler Pride Conference Centre. Adults +19 can enjoy drinks, dancing and free admission until 5:30 PM at the festival's T-Dance.

KEY EVENTS

- PAM ANN Whistler Night of Comedy: Tickets are available online, starting at \$55.
 - Date/time: January 29. Doors open at 7 PM, show starts at 8 PM
 - Location: Whistler Conference Centre
 - For more information on any of the below events, click <u>here</u>.
 - Free Daily Après, Cabin Nights, Sip 'N Dip, Comedy Night Afterparty, Splash Indoor Pool Party, Furrocious, Pride T-Dance, and Snowball - Main Event with DJ Tom Stephan

GUIDED SKI & SNOWBOARD GROUPS

- Free to Join. Gay and lesbian ski/snowboard guides are available every day for all levels as part of the complimentary mountain guide tours. Meet at 9:45 AM, tours depart at 10 AM.
 - Location: Whistler Mountain Meet at top near Roundhouse: Monday, Wednesday and Friday
 - Blackcomb Mountain Meet at top of Jersey Cream: Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday

DO'S + DON'TS OF LGBT

- If you plan to decorate your business and are using the Gay Rainbow Flag hang it correctly.
 - (Pink) Red at the Top; Purple at the bottom.
 - (Pink) Red hangs Left; Purple to the Right.
 - Be aware of your and your staff's language. Are you using inviting and inclusive language?
- Treat others how you would like to be treated.
- Ask the guest how they would like to be addressed especially the use of a pronoun.
- When speaking about Same-Sex Marriage, "Marriage-Equality" is the best term; more inclusive.