

Love in a Dangerous Time

Stories of Resistance from
Canada's LGBT Purge.



During the Cold War, the Canadian government considered homosexuality to be a threat to national security.

Love in a Dangerous Time: Stories of Resistance from Canada's LGBT Purge draws on first-hand accounts to tell the story of how, from the 1950s to the 1990s, LGBTQ2+ members of the Canadian military, Royal Canadian Mounted Police and federal civil service were investigated, interrogated and removed from their jobs. The exhibition will also explore how LGBTQ2+ people resisted this "purge" through political activism and successful legal challenges that expanded human rights protections for all Canadians.

Encouraged to rethink the history of the Canadian state through a queer lens, visitors will also be inspired to help create a future in which the rights of LGBTQ2+ people are respected. This important story – brought to life through rich interpretive and mixed-media elements – looks at what can happen when rights are violated, and the power of those who resist injustice.

Space requirements

465 square metres (5,000 square feet)

Components

This exhibition is currently in development.

The travelling exhibition will include:

- All artifacts. Loan agreements for the artifacts will be the responsibility of the CMHR;
- Images, audio soundscapes, graphics, AV projections, digital interactives and accessibility features;
- IT/AV components. Remote IT/AV support will be provided;
- All physical graphic/environmental components (venues will be required to produce single-use graphics).

Note: Assets used within the exhibition will be licensed for exhibition use. Licensing for promotional use may be the responsibility of the venue.

Accessibility

All CMHR exhibitions follow inclusive design standards that facilitate interaction by visitors of all abilities in English and French.

Duration

Twelve-week suggested minimum.

Optional services

Exhibition layout design services can be provided by the CMHR for an additional cost.

Rental fee

TBD

For more information about this exhibition, or to be added to the CMHR's travelling exhibition mailing list, please email travellingexhibitions@humanrights.ca.

The Canadian Museum for Human Rights (CMHR) uses innovative storytelling to promote thought and conversation about the importance of human rights for all. One of Canada's six national museums, it is located in Winnipeg, Manitoba.

