

## **LGBT-106 Jeremy S. Boorum Collection**

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### **COLLECTION REGISTER**

Name:	Jeremy S. Boorum	<b>LGBT-106</b>
Material:	Papers and Artifacts (2006, 2018, 2021 – 2023)	
Volume:	0.5 linear feet (1 document box, 1 oversized folder, 2 artifacts, 1 book)	
Donation:	Donated by Jeremy Boorum, 2023	
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### **BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE**

Jeremy S. Boorum was born in 1997 in Rochester, New York. After completing his undergraduate education at Elmira College, Boorum briefly relocated to Central Pennsylvania in 2019 to begin a master's degree in American studies at Penn State Harrisburg, and later returned in 2021 to pursue a doctoral education in the same department.

As a doctoral student, Boorum became involved in the local LGBTQ+ community. During the Spring 2022 semester, Boorum led efforts to relaunch Pride at Penn State Harrisburg, the campus's LGBTQ+ student organization, and served as the group's president. Following his work with Pride, Boorum taught an undergraduate course about LGBTQ+ identity, culture, and the arts. Additionally, Boorum contributed to the LGBT Center of Central PA History Project and worked with the project's archival collections at Dickinson College for two summers. Boorum continues to serve on the project's steering committee.

In 2023, Boorum transferred to the University of Texas at Austin to continue his doctoral education in American studies.

### **COLLECTION DESCRIPTION**

This collection contains six series: Pride at Penn State Harrisburg; Penn State Harrisburg; Penn State University Park; Miscellaneous; Artifacts; and Book.

The first series contains documents, event flyers, email correspondences, news articles, media coverage, and photographs pertaining to the relaunch of Pride at Penn State Harrisburg during the 2021-

2022 academic year. The second series includes materials related to Boorum's involvement as an instructor and researcher in LGBTQ+ studies, as well as event programs, flyers, and news articles about DEI-focused campus events at Penn State Harrisburg. The third series features materials from Penn State University, including event flyers and training handouts from the Center for Sexual and Gender Diversity and the Gender Equity Center, as well as news articles about a controversial event featuring Milo Yiannopoulos during the Fall 2021 semester. The fourth series contains materials from various events and programs related to LGBTQ+ history and culture in Central Pennsylvania and nearby regions. The fifth series contains a t-shirt and a tote bag related to local Pride celebrations. The sixth series includes Alison Bechel's graphic memoir *Fun Home: A Family Tragicomic*.

## COLLECTION INVENTORY

### Series 1 Pride at Penn State Harrisburg

#### 1.01 General Business

- 1.01.01 Pride Constitution – Nov. 2018  
Pride Constitution – Jun. 2, 2023
- 1.01.02 Pride President Application Essay – Jan. 5, 2022  
Pride Social Hour Speech – Feb. 24, 2022
- 1.01.03 Sign-In Sheet – Spring 2022  
Meeting Slides – Feb. 24, 2022  
Meeting Slides – Mar. 24, 2022  
Meeting Slides – Apr. 14, 2022

#### 1.02 Event Flyers

- 1.02.01 Pride Interest Meeting Flyer – Feb. 24, 2022  
“Pride Bingo” Event Flyer – Apr. 15, 2022  
“Pride Movie Night” Event Flyer – Apr. 20, 2022  
“Celebrate Love!” Event Flyer – Apr. 27, 2022  
Pride Information Flyer – Apr. 27, 2022  
“Diversity is a fact” Sign – Apr. 27, 2022  
“Suicide Awareness & Prevention” Discussion Flyer – Feb. 24, 2023  
“Penn State Health Careers” Discussion Flyer – Mar. 17, 2023  
“Pride Prom: Love Out Loud” Event Flyer – Apr. 7, 2023

#### 1.03 Email Correspondences

- 1.03.01 Jeremy Boorum to Meghan Gonzales – Nov. 1, 2021  
Evan Williams to Penn State Harrisburg Students – Nov. 12, 2021

### Series 1 Pride at Penn State Harrisburg (cont.)

- Evan Williams to Pride at Penn State Harrisburg Members – Nov. 16, 2021
- Evan Williams to Pride at Penn State Harrisburg Members – Dec. 6, 2021
- Evan Williams to Pride at Penn State Harrisburg Members – Jan. 11, 2022
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### 1.03 Email Correspondences (cont.)

- 1.03.01 Evan Williams (on behalf of Jeremy Boorum) to Pride at Penn State Harrisburg Members – Feb. 3, 2022  
Evan Williams (on behalf of Jeremy Boorum) to Penn State Harrisburg Campus Community – Feb. 17, 2022  
Jeremy Boorum to Pride at Penn State Harrisburg Members – Feb. 25, 2022  
Evan Williams (on behalf of Jeremy Boorum) to Penn State Harrisburg Campus Community – Mar. 23, 2022  
Jeremy Boorum to Pride at Penn State Harrisburg Members – Mar. 25, 2022  
Jeremy Boorum to Pride at Penn State Harrisburg Members – Apr. 4, 2022  
Evan Williams to Penn State Harrisburg Campus Community – Apr. 11, 2022  
Jeremy Boorum to Pride at Penn State Harrisburg Members – Apr. 25, 2022  
Jeremy Boorum to Pride at Penn State Harrisburg Members – Apr. 28, 2022  
Jeremy Boorum to Pride at Penn State Harrisburg Members – Apr. 28, 2022  
Evan Williams to Penn State Harrisburg Campus Community – Jun. 1, 2022  
Jeremy Boorum to Evan Williams – Aug. 3, 2022  
Jeremy Boorum to Pride at Penn State Harrisburg Members – Aug. 4, 2022  
Evan Williams to Pride at Penn State Harrisburg Members – Aug. 18, 2022  
Evan Williams to Pride at Penn State Harrisburg Members – Mar. 25, 2023  
Evan Williams to Penn State Harrisburg Campus Community – Apr. 7, 2023  
Evan Williams to Penn State Harrisburg Campus Community – Apr. 18, 2023  
Evan Williams (on behalf of Pride at Penn State Harrisburg Executive Board) to Penn State Harrisburg Students – Apr. 20, 2023  
Justine Shultz to Pride at Penn State Harrisburg Members – Jun. 1, 2023

### 1.04 News Articles

- 1.04.01 “The Return of Pride,” *The Blue & White Journal* – Mar. 3, 2022  
“The Return of Pride,” *The Blue & White Journal* – Mar. 14, 2022 (oversized)  
“Pride at Penn State Harrisburg Celebrates Love,” *The Blue & White Journal* – Apr. 28, 2022  
“Pride at Penn State Harrisburg creates ‘brave space’ for students,” *Penn State Harrisburg News* – Jun. 22, 2022

### 1.05 Open Doors, Open Minds Documentary

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## **Series 1 Pride at Penn State Harrisburg (cont.)**

- 1.05.01 Matthew Zemba to Jeremy Boorum, email correspondence – Feb. 24, 2022  
Matthew Zemba to Jeremy Boorum, email correspondence – Jun. 10 and 24, 2022  
Professional Project Interview Questions for Faculty and Staff – Spring 2022  
Professional Project Interview Questions for Students – Spring 2022

### 1.06 Photographs

- 1.06.01 Pride members at “Celebrate Love!” – Apr. 27, 2022  
Jeremy Boorum with drag performers at “Celebrate Love!” – Apr. 27, 2022

## Series 2 Penn State Harrisburg

### 2.01 LGBTQ+ Identity, Culture, and the Arts

- 2.01.01 ART 207N/WMNST 207N Syllabus – Fall 2022  
Revised Reading Schedule – Oct. 3-17, 2022  
ART 207N/WMNST 207N Syllabus – Spring 2023
- 2.01.02 Student Questions/Course Feedback – Fall 2022
- 2.01.03 Student Questions/Course Feedback – Spring 2023

### 2.02 Academic Projects

- 2.02.01 “Queer New York, Rock Music, and 1970s U.S. Culture” Teaching Demo Slides – Nov. 17, 2021  
“York and Lancaster LGBTQ+ History Tours” Slides – Dec. 8, 2022  
“York and Lancaster LGBTQ+ History Tours” Reflection – Dec. 12, 2022
- 2.02.02 Interview Script, *Ambivalent Childhoods: Speculative Futures and the Psychic Life of the Child* – Mar. 1, 2022  
Podcast Episode, *Ambivalent Childhoods: Speculative Futures and the Psychic Life of the Child* – May 30, 2022  
Book Review, *Rocking the Closet: How Little Richard, Johnnie Ray, Liberace, and Johnny Mathis Queered Pop Music* – Fall 2022
- 2.02.03 *Out on Campus: A History of LGBTQ+ Activism at Pennsylvania Colleges and Universities* Exhibit Flyer – Feb. 20-Mar. 3, 2023  
“Library hosts ‘Out on Campus’ exhibition about state’s LGBTQ+ activism history,” *Penn State Harrisburg News* – Feb. 20, 2023

### 2.03 Campus Events

## Series 2 Penn State Harrisburg (cont.)

- 2.03.01 *Little Shop of Horrors* Program, Kulkarni Theatre – Apr. 6-9, 2022
- 2.03.02 “‘Experiences through Storytelling’ to mark National Coming Out Day,” *Penn State Harrisburg News* – Oct. 3, 2022  
“All Month Pride Month” Flyer – Apr. 2023  
“Multicultural & Lavender Graduation Celebration” Flyer – May 5, 2023
- 2.03.03 MLK Commemorative Banquet Program, Hershey Lodge – Jan. 15, 2023  
“Harrisburg’s inaugural MLK Day banquet celebrates ‘Champions for Social Justice,’” *Penn State Harrisburg News* – Jan. 27, 2023  
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### 2.03 Campus Events (cont.)

- 2.03.04 Kyera Singleton Event Flyer – Mar. 30, 2023

- “Kyera Singleton to present the American studies lecture at Penn State Harrisburg,” *Penn State Harrisburg News* – Mar. 20, 2023
- 2.03.05 Laura Gao Event Flyer – Apr. 6, 2023
- “Hanes Library welcomes author-illustrator, speaker Laura Gao April 6,” *Penn State Harrisburg News* – Mar. 3, 2023
- Emily Mross to Jeremy Boorum, email correspondence – Mar. 14 and 16, 2023

#### 2.04 Photographs

- 2.04.01 Jeremy Boorum and Mary Zaborskis at Student Awards Ceremony, Penn State Harrisburg – Apr. 28, 2023
- Jeremy Boorum at Student Awards Ceremony, Penn State Harrisburg – Apr. 28, 2023

### **Series 3 Penn State University Park**

#### 3.01 Center for Sexual and Gender Diversity

- 3.01.01 Alok Vaid-Menon Event Flyer – Oct. 13, 2021
- “Penn State Gayla: A Night Among the Stars” Event Flyer – Apr. 30, 2022
- “All Campus LGBTQ+ Welcome Reception” Event Flyer – Aug. 29, 2022
- “Pride at Penn State” Logo – Apr. 2023
- Penn State Pride Month Event Calendar – Apr. 2023
- Kevin Naff Event Flyer – Apr. 13, 2023
- 3.01.02 “Safer People, Safer Places” Decal – Spring 2022
- Foundations Workshop Training Materials – Spring 2022
- “Mindful of Language” Flyer – Spring 2022
- “Terms & Definitions” Information Sheet – Spring 2022

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### **Series 3 Penn State University Park (cont.)**

#### 3.02 Gender Equity Center

- 3.02.01 Ambassador Training Flyer – Jan. 2023

#### 3.03 News Articles

- 3.03.01 “Penn State officials denounce messages, campus visit of political commentator Milo Yiannopoulos,” *The Daily Collegian* – Oct. 25, 2021
- “Penn State’s Coalition for a Just University releases statement in opposition to the ‘Pray the Gay Away’ event,” *The Daily Collegian* – Nov. 2, 2021
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#### 3.03 News Articles (cont.)

- 3.03.01 “Students Against Sexist Violence at Penn State alters previous statements made about ‘Love is Louder’ event,” *The Daily Collegian* – Nov. 2, 2021
- “Message of solidarity: Penn State community unites for ‘Love is Louder,’ responds to Milo Yiannopoulos,” *The Daily Collegian* – Nov. 3, 2021
- “Penn State students condemn message of Milo Yiannopoulos’ ‘Pray the Gay Away’ event,” *The Daily Collegian* – Nov. 3, 2021
- “‘We are together’: Penn State SASV protests Milo Yiannopoulos, Uncensored America ‘Pray the Gay Away’ event,” *The Daily Collegian* – Nov. 4, 2021

#### **Series 4 Miscellaneous**

##### 4.01 LGBT Center of Central PA History Project

- 4.01.01 Jeremy Boorum to Barry Loveland, email correspondence – Nov. 1, 2021

##### 4.02 Queer & Trans Activist Leadership Summit / GSA Leadership Summit

- 4.02.01 GSA Leadership Summit Workshop Schedule – Apr. 7, 2022
- Queer & Trans Activist Leadership Summit Workshop Schedule – Apr. 8, 2022
- “Walking the Path of Progress: Transforming Community Leadership and Fostering Brave Spaces for Our Futures” Presentation Slides – Apr. 8, 2022

##### 4.03 Event Programs and Brochures

- 4.03.01 *Hairspray* Program, Hershey Theatre – May 3-8, 2022
- 4.03.02 Andy Warhol Museum Brochure – Spring 2022
- 4.03.03 “Visions Across the Rainbow: Generations of Pride” Exhibit Postcard – Oct. 21-Nov. 23, 2022
- Art Association of Harrisburg “News & Classes” Newsletter – Fall 2022
- 4.03.04 Charles Demuth Postcard – undated
- “Capturing Community: Inside an American Salon” Program, Demuth Museum – Jul. 8-Sep. 24, 2023

##### 4.04 Photographs

- 4.04.01 Mary Zaborskis and Jeremy Boorum at Harrisburg Area Roller Derby Booth, Pride Festival of Central PA – Jul. 30, 2022
- Penn State Harrisburg American Studies Department at *Out on Campus* Opening Reception, Historic Harrisburg Resource Center – Aug. 19, 2022

##### 4.05 York County Pride

This subseries contains items found inside a tote bag from York County Pride 2023. See artifact LGBT-106-AC02.

- 4.05.01 York County Pride “Save the Dates” postcard – 2023-2024
- 4.05.02 “The Future is Inclusive” notebook – undated

**Series 5 Artifacts**

LGBT-106-AC01 Pride Festival of Central PA “30th Anniversary” T-shirt – Jul. 30, 2022  
LGBT-106-AC02 “Born to Love” The Phluid Project Tote Bag with – Jun. 10, 2023

**Series 6 Book**

Bechdel, Alison. *Fun Home: A Family Tragicomic*. Boston: Houghton Mifflin, 2006.