

BEIJING'S UNFINISHED BUSINESS: ADVANCING LGBTQI+ JUSTICE

Capturing stories and history of queer activism so we know what we're building on and can see the regression as much as the progress.

Holding the door open for more young people to join, because one person cannot represent the diversity of our experiences and identities.

Making womxn's and queer spaces as **inclusive** as they can and should be.

Accepting our own lived experience as the starting point for resisting the walls that are being built to divide our fights.

Creating policies and decisions that take into account the **complexity of our existence**.

We must not stop fighting- not only to expand our rights, but also to safeguard what we have won.

Recognising that our liberation is entwined with labour rights, housing rights, disability rights, racial justice, environmental protection, access to healthcare and right to bodily autonomy.

Joining struggles against the corporate capture of the UN and multilateralism, with the struggle against the infiltration of the anti-gender movement at the UN.

Developing links with trade unions at national, regional and international levels. Example: The **ITUC delegation to CSW included an LGBTQI+ contingent for the first time**.

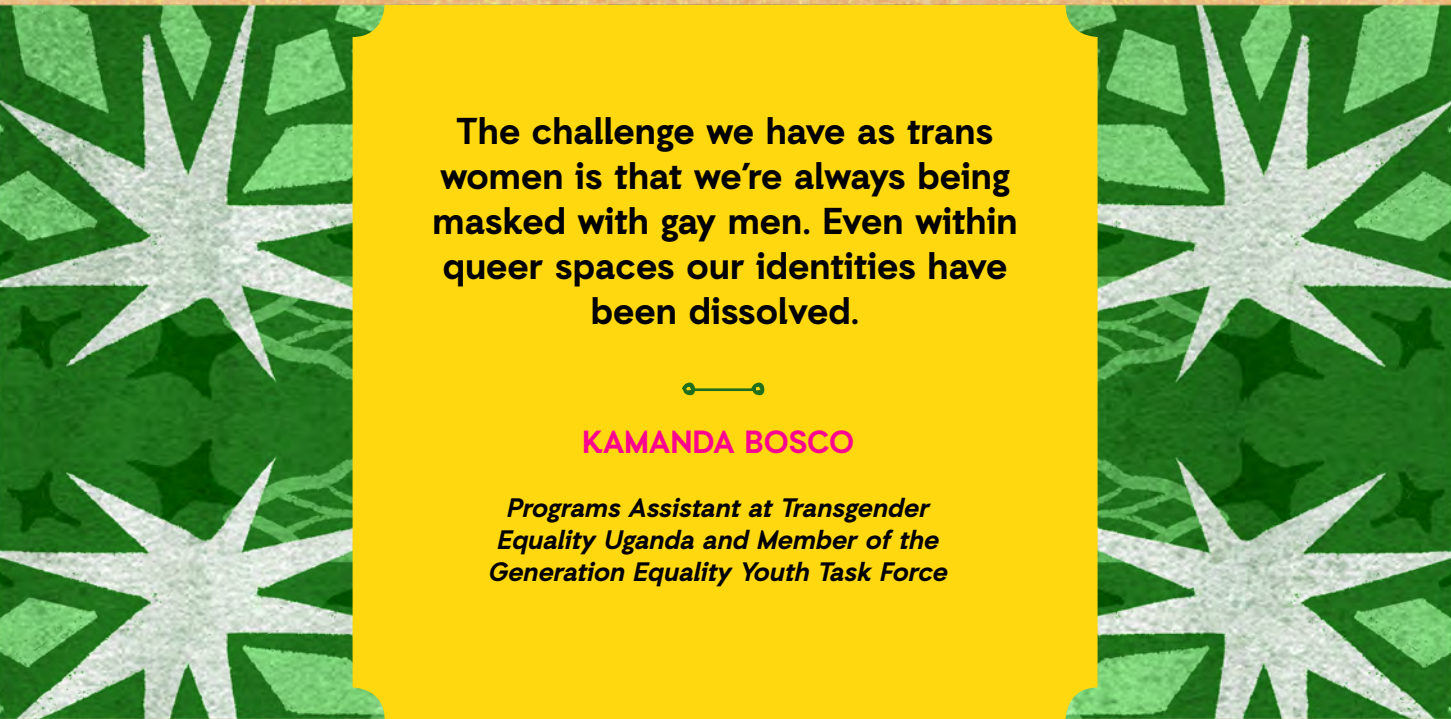
Putting **sexuality on the agenda** at a global level across sectors and spheres.

Bringing our **knowledge of international treaties and tools** to the work of local organisations that help foster the rights of LGBTQI+ people.

We don't want to absorb queer, trans and gender diverse people into the mainstream. We want to queer the mainstream for everyone.

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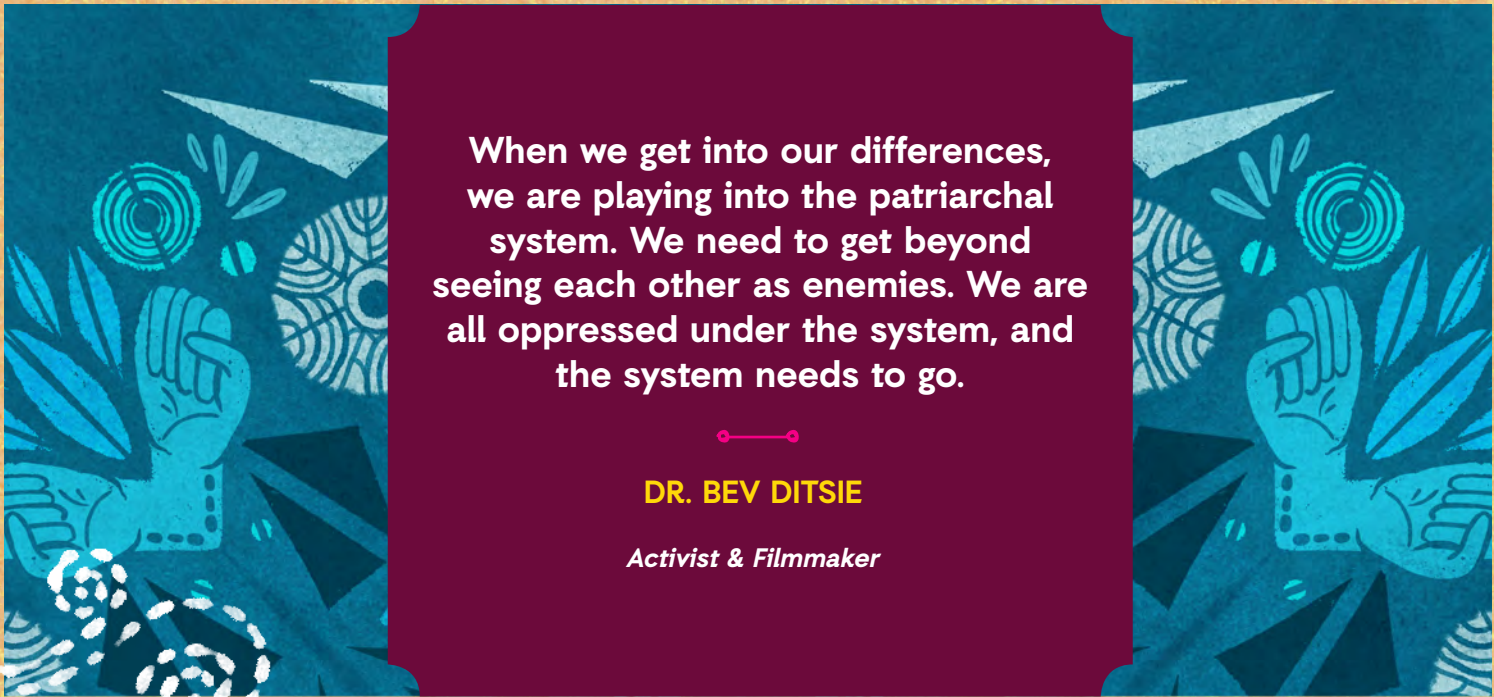
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The challenge we have as trans women is that we're always being masked with gay men. Even within queer spaces our identities have been dissolved.

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Programs Assistant at Transgender Equality Uganda and Member of the Generation Equality Youth Task Force




When we get into our differences, we are playing into the patriarchal system. We need to get beyond seeing each other as enemies. We are all oppressed under the system, and the system needs to go.

DR. BEV DITSIE

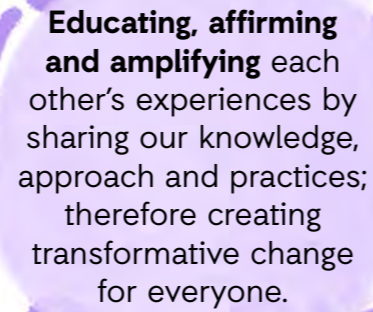
Activist & Filmmaker




Taking up space across the board: the more visible we are, the more we are able to overcome the invisibility that is allowing discrimination to continue.




Challenging the bureaucracy of UN spaces where older activists hold decision making powers.



Educating, affirming and amplifying each other's experiences by sharing our knowledge, approach and practices; therefore creating transformative change for everyone.



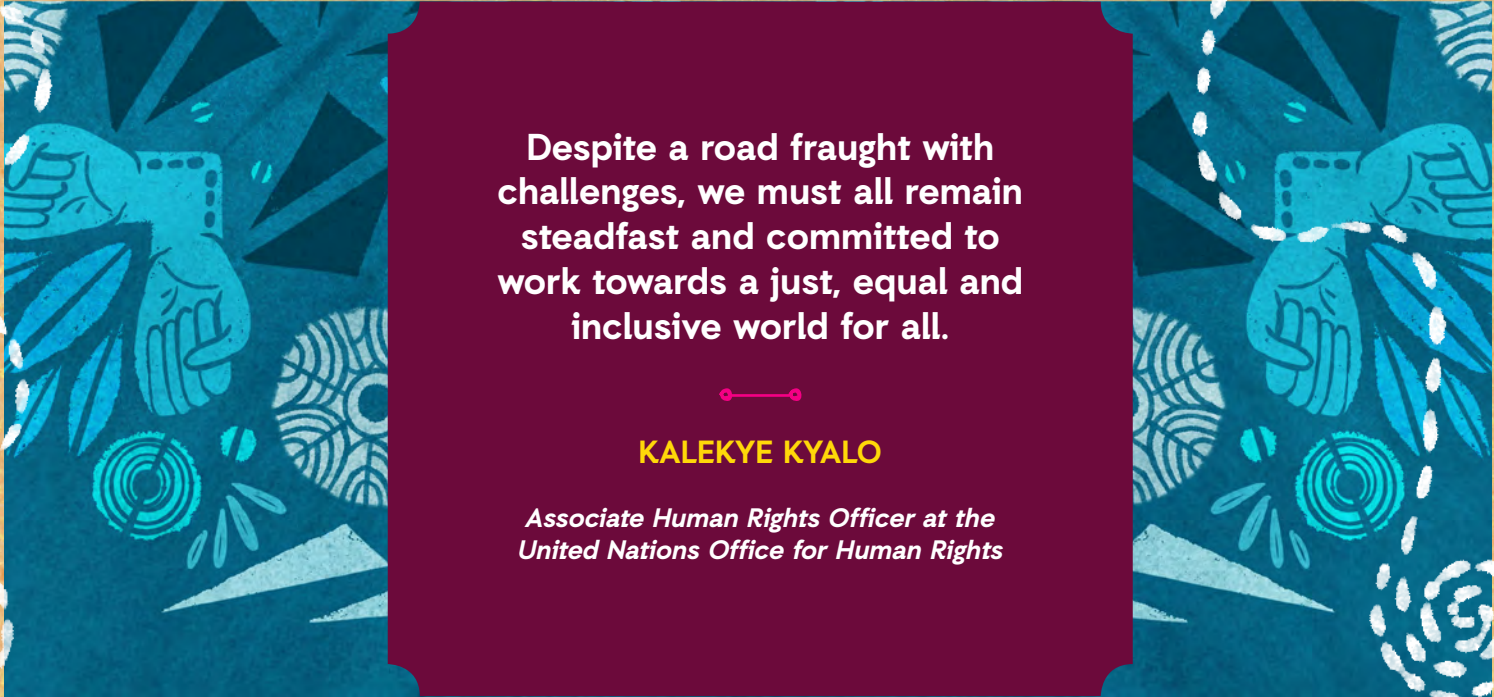
Building international, intergenerational, cross movement solidarity is key for advancing our struggle for self determination and a feminist future.



Conservative groups have begun speaking the language of human rights. We need to be alert and have stronger articulation among ourselves to understand their strategies and confront them.

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Coordinator of Fundacion Arcoiris - Mexico



Despite a road fraught with challenges, we must all remain steadfast and committed to work towards a just, equal and inclusive world for all.

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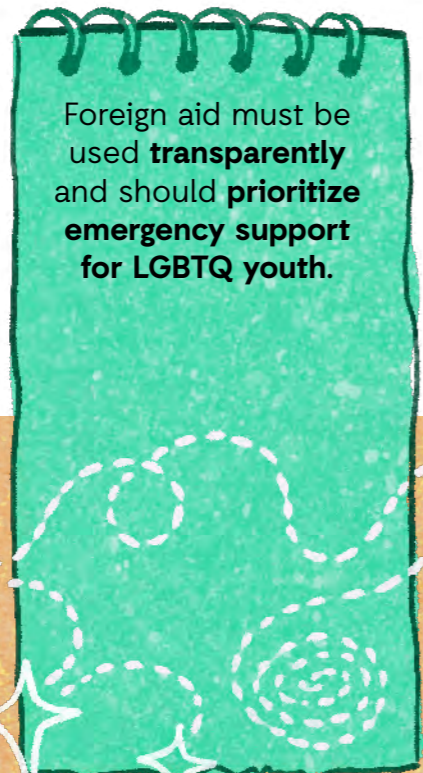
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QUEER YOUTH VOICES at the GENERATION EQUALITY FORUM

Building stronger civil society groups and holding governments accountable.



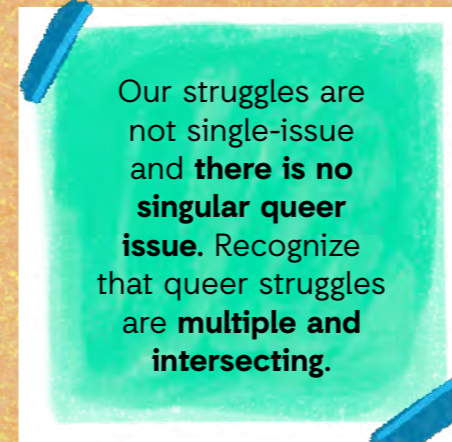
Foreign aid must be used **transparently** and should **prioritize emergency support** for LGBTQ youth.



Ensuring that **information about health**, especially relating to COVID19 is **timely, widely accessible, queer and youth friendly**.



Our struggles are not single-issue and **there is no singular queer issue**. Recognize that queer struggles are **multiple and intersecting**.



Creating spaces to build **healing justice and support** within communities.



Moving beyond **buzzwords** — advancing diversity and inclusion must be meaningful.



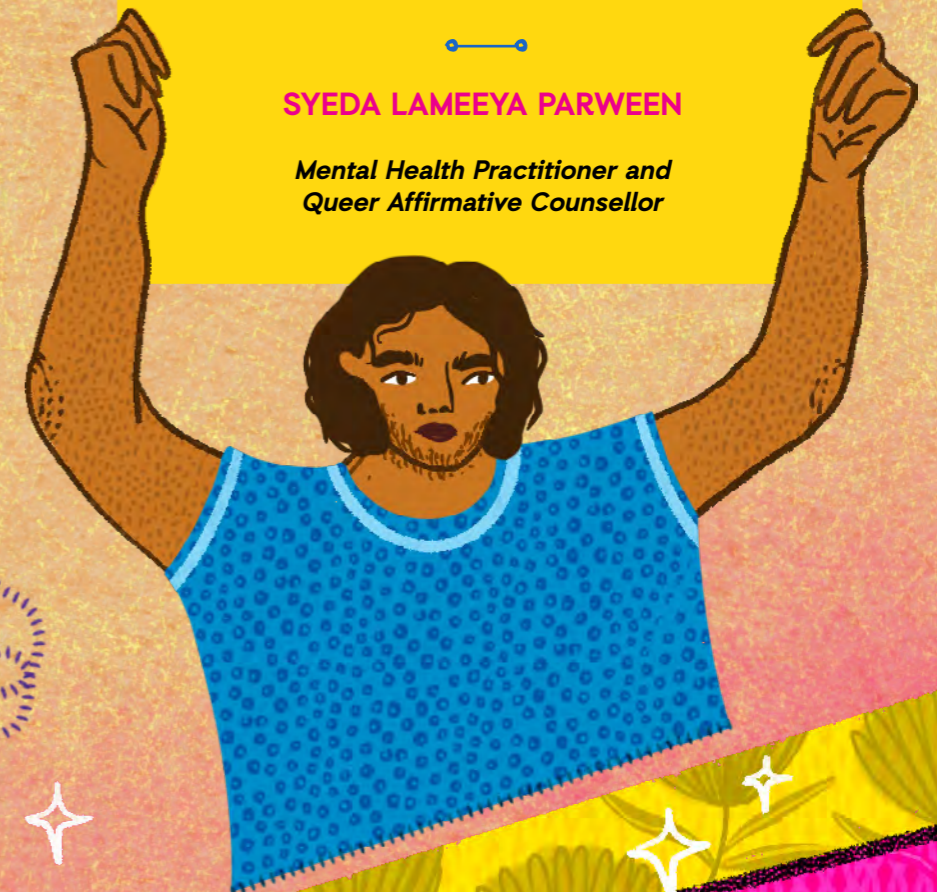
Ensuring educators and educational spaces use **gender affirming language**.



There is no single queer Muslim story - there is so much diversity even within this specific identity. We need more opportunities for self-representation for queer youth Muslim voices to be platformed.

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We're looking at sustainability for young people and that involves investing in livelihoods so young people can sustain themselves.

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In Europe, you have to spend years and a lot of money convincing cis people that you are valid in your identity for them to consider changing your documents. This is so isolating.

SHAY PATTEN WALKER
Creative, Speaker and Digital Media Student



When we're talking about root causes of gender inequality or GBV, we cannot exclude LGBTQI+ realities. We're all affected by it but some of us are more affected by it than others.

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Program Officer at OutRight International and Action Coalition Leader



Reframing the conversation around Generation Equality to reflect **equality for all genders, not just men and women.**

Holding space for **intergenerational dialogue and building solidarity** between queer people across all ages, movements and regions



Providing more **opportunities for self-representation** of young queer folk from religious minorities.



Working towards **dismantling the structures** and processes that hinder us from leading fulfilling lives.



We've heard all the commitments, now **we need actions and accountability.**



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