



A SEXUAL CULTURE OF JUSTICE:

Strengthening LGBTQI & GBV Partnerships, Capacity & Efficacy to Promote & Protect Rights in T&T

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Continuing projects include the "Add All Three" campaign and advocacy for the LGBTI+ Policy Agenda.

The "Add All Three" campaign seeks to expand protections in the Equal Opportunity Act based on Age, Health Conditions, and LGBTI Status.

The Policy Agenda, created using project research and input from the community, targets government ministries and agencies who must do more to address the needs of LGBTI communities, to prevent violence, to protect rights, and to end discriminatory practices, related to employment, housing, healthcare, and social services.





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HIGHLIGHTS

- The "Add All Three to the EOA" campaign
- The 2020 Alliance for Justice and Diversity LGBTI Policy Agenda
- Lifestories research collected qualitative interviews of working-class LGBTQI people
- Teacher Training Workshops and the "Safer Schools Teacher Training" toolkit
- A National Survey of Bullying and Gender Based Violence of 40 secondary schools surveyed 2,285 students
- The Transforming Each Other's Advocacy (TEOA) Action-Learning Course
- Short Course on Diverse Genders and Sexualities in the Caribbean.
- The #PullUpYuhBredren Campaign
- Micro-financed five Action Campaigns.
- Psycho-social support for members of the LGBTQI community through the Stronger Families program

THE HOMOSEXUAL AGENDA

- 1. Buy Crix
- 2. Spend Time with Family
- 3. Work for Equality



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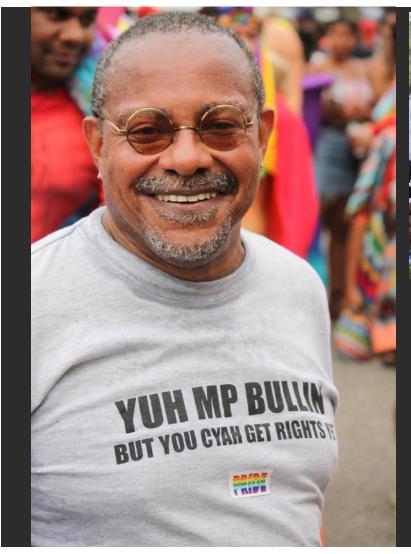
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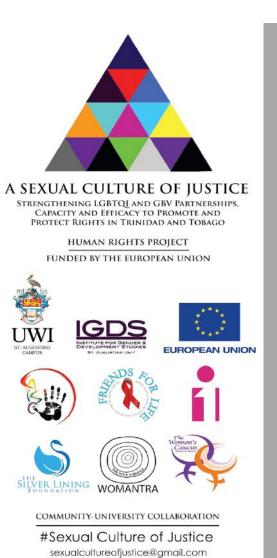
About the Project

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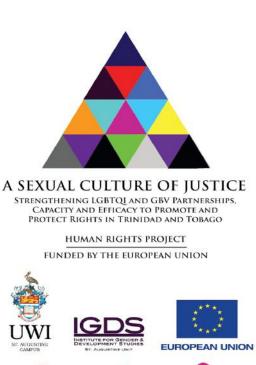


Description & Methodology

The project produced new local/regional analysis and solutions for ways to approach and mitigate gender based violence and LGBTQI discrimination.

These approaches were developed and showcased through the intersectional action campaigns, education materials, training toolkits and workshops, as well as the research activities that produced data needed to support calls for gender and sexual justice policy and legislative changes.

The methodology of the activities were rooted in transformational education, empowerment, Caribbean feminist praxis, and self-directed and creative action.















COMMUNITY-UNIVERSITY COLLABORATION

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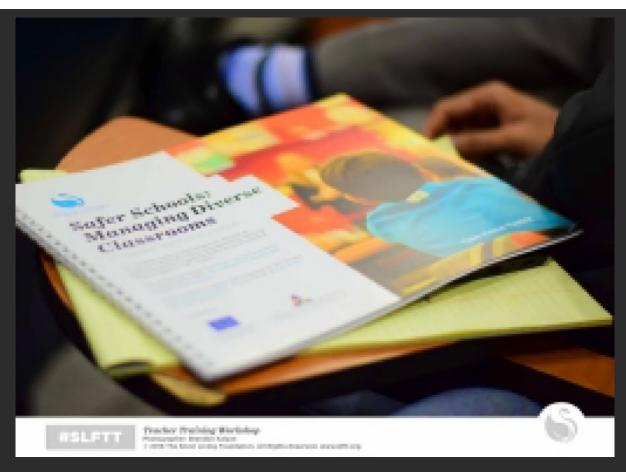
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Teacher Training Toolkit

"Safer Schools: Managing Diverse Classrooms"

Quantitative Survey

"National School Climate Survey on Bullying & GBV in Secondary Schools"

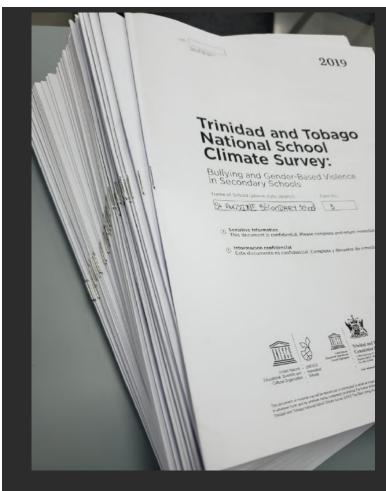


https://portal.caribbeansexualities.org/safer-schools-managing-diverse-classrooms-a-teacher-training-workshop/



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Teacher Training Workshop
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https://portal.caribbeansexualities.org/national-school-climate-survey/



2019 Trinidad and Tobago National School Climate Survey Report



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Surveys collected in 42 Secondary Schools. A 3.5x larger sample than in 2016.

The survey measured the types of bullying to which students are subjected and those they perpetrated.



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About 5.1% of students admitted **forcing someone to perform sexual acts** on themselves or others.

Boys were more likely to use cell phones and social media for teasing, name-calling and rumours, while girls were more likely to be the targets of such actions.



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2019 Trinidad and Tobago National School Climate Survey Report

Boys more reported touched in private body areas without consent.



Greater percentages of boys reported being touched in private body areas without consent and of receiving sexually explicit gestures, than girls, although boys also did most of the touching.



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Without proper sex education, students rely on other means like peers, media, or pornography



Without proper sex education, students rely on other means, like peers (46%), media (45%), or pornography (30.7%) to answer questions.



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More students noted the value of sex education, for helping them feel prepared for sexual situations

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GBV Training, Media Creation & Community Actions



Say Something T&T, TogetherWI & CariMAN Leave She Alone PSA 2017 https://fb.watch/9M4HUtQAwK/

Campaign - Carnival 2017

Leave Me Alone Campaign

Leave Me Alone is a campaign using Calypso Rose's 2017 song "Leave Me Alone" to bring attention to Gender Based Violence within the Carnival space. We partnered with SaySomething and CariMAN to launch this campaign on 14 February, 2017, where we went to the Brian Lara Promenade and asked the general public some questions related to street harassment and violence against women.

LEAVE ME ALONE





















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"ONE OUT OF THREE WOMEN IN T+T WILL EXPERIENCE PHYSICAL OR SEXUAL VIOLENCE IN HER LIFETIME"

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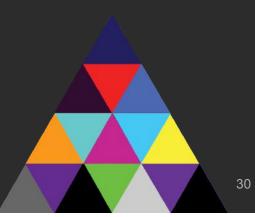
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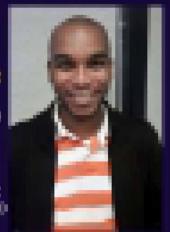
Documenting the Experiences and Needs of Working-Class LGBTIC+ people living in Trinidad and Tobago



Dr Angelique Nixon & Mr Luke Sinnette Sexual Culture of Justice Project

Wednesday 2 December 2020 12 Noon to 1 PM

Register in advance for this meeting:







Overview of Lifestories Research

- Lifestories of 18 Working Class LGBTIQ people in Trinidad and Tobago.
 These stories document experiences with family, support systems and violence, as well as priority needs and ideas for social change.
- This community-based research ensured that the experiences of working-class LGBTIQ persons guided other activities within the project, namely policy agenda work and related activities on GBV.
- Overview of the research findings and how these influenced key aspects of the linked activities - available on the Knowledge E-Portal and other publications in progress - journal article and highlights of lifestores.
- Key Research findings include the range of experiences of Gender Based Violence and discrimination faced by working-class LGBTIQ+ people and their various strategies of resilience and healing.



The 2020 LGBTI Policy Agenda

13-Point Action Plan 2.0

(Revised October 2020)

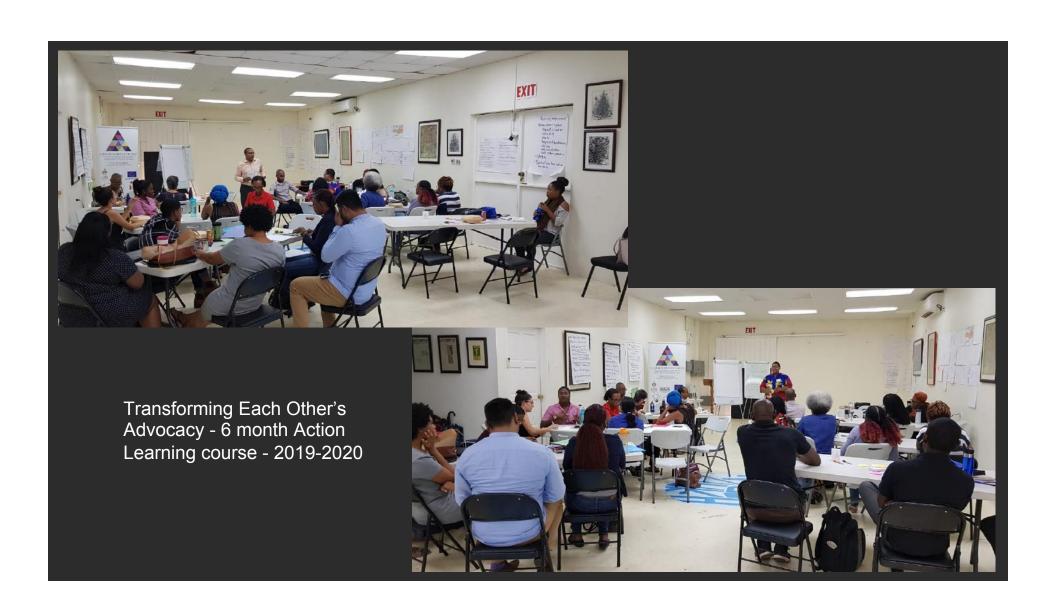
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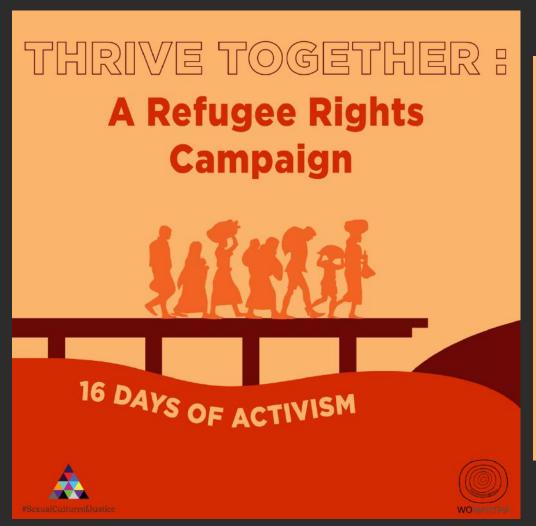
- 1. Include LGBTI Communities In Meaningful Dialogue.
- 2. Invest in NGO Shared Services and Accountability.
- 3. Strengthen National Human Rights Machinery.
- 4. Outlaw Discrimination In Employment, Housing, Insurance & Services: "Add All Three to the EOA" Age, Health Conditions, LGBTI Status.
- 5. Address Poverty and Homelessness caused by Homophobia and Transphobia: Financial Support for Housing Services.
- **6.** Tackle Employment Bias through Economic Development.
- 7. Investigate and Prosecute Gender-Based and LGBTI Violence.
- 8. Provide Sex Education For All. (Age Appropriate & Comprehensive)
- 9. Stop Withholding Critical Medication for HIV Prevention.
- 10. Foster Gender-Sensitive Healthcare inclusive of Trans and Intersex needs.
- 11. Enable Autonomy of Gender Identity.
- 12. Decriminalize UnCoerced Teen Sexual Exploration.

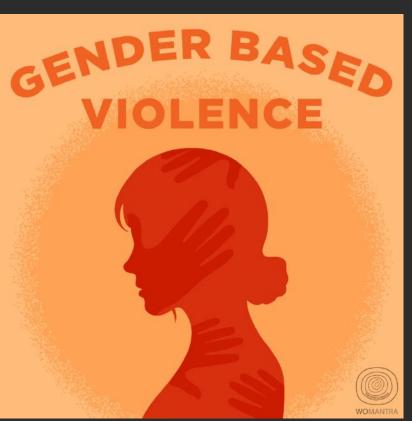
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EDUCATION & CAMPAIGNS

- Transforming Each Other's Advocacy
 - Course & Action Campaigns
- #PullUpYuhBredren
- Add All Three to the EOA
 - Radio Ads & Animation







ENSURING A CULTURE OF CARE

FREE HEALTHCARE TRAINING ON **SEX & GENDER DIVERSITY**

January 25 - 29, 2021 10:45 am - 12 noon 5 Virtual Sessions via Zoom

Course Modules:

- 1. Intro to Sex, Gender and Sexuality
- 2. Barriers and Discrimination Debunking
- 3. Mental Health & Well Being
- 4. Respect and Empathy
- 5. Making Change

Facilitators:

Dr. Katija Khan, Dr. Angelique Nixon, Rae Alibey, and Marcus Kissoon

To Register visit https://forms.gle/k9aAasr82EsqzV7F6



Certificate of participation with 100% attendance







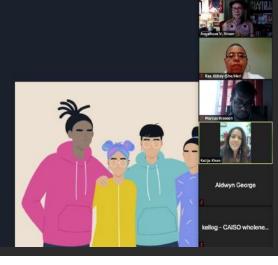
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Discuss Existing Policies & Needed Changes

The absence of policy in the healthcare system can render LGBT people, families, and communities invisible, fearful and perpetuate health disparities.

Don't blame the person, change the system.



Men Speak Up!

Champions Against Gender Based Violence

#SexualCultureOfJustice #PullUpYuhBredren #I6DaysofActivism #EndGBV

















ADD ALL THREE Amend the EOA

Age | Health Conditions | LGBTI status



https://portal.caribbeansexualities.org/add-all-three/

Add All Three Campaign - Radio Ads & Animation featuring champion voices - check Facebook @addallthree



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IGDS SAU SHORT COURSE 2021 Open to all. Online Delivery via Zoom

COURSE MODULES

- 1.Understanding Sex, Gender, and Sexuality - Concepts & Contexts | Intersectionality
- 2. Critical Sexuality Studies | Caribbean Queer Studies | Sexual and Queer Politics
- 3. Transgressive Sexualities and Genders | The Body, Personhood, Representation | Working Towards a Sexual Culture of Justice
- 4. Sexual Rights and Justice in the Caribbean | Regional LGBTQI+ Advocacy & Activism | Navigating Cultural and Legal Landscapes
- 5. The Problem of Sex: Work, Labour, Trafficking and Silences | Sex Work Activism
- 6. Transformational Leadership and Human Rights Activism | LGBTQI+ Community Building and Empowerment | Social Justice Coalition Building

Diverse Genders and Sexualities in the Caribbean

Facilitator: Angelique V Nixon

Guest Speakers: Kamala Kempadoo, Rosamond S. King,

Nikoli Attai & Tracy Robinson

16-27 February 2021

Course Description: This is a short course on Caribbean sexualities with a focus on LGBTQI+ experiences and research in the Caribbean. It will address topics such as sex, gender and sexuality, Caribbean sexuality studies, sexual and queer politics, and diverse genders an sexualities. The course will also offer engaging discussion and learning on regional LGBTQI+ activism and advocacy and navigating Caribbean cultural and legal landscapes. Finally, the course will include guest speakers who will present on a range of issues such as transgressive sexualities, sex work and labour, and sexual rights and justice in the Caribbean. Sessions will be held online using zoom and be very interactive using online technologies and time for discussion and group work as well as presentations by facilitators and special guest speakers.



A SEXUAL CULTURE OF JUSTICE RESEARCH PROJECT

A Community-University Collaboration Closing Activities Dedicated to Colin Robinson



Reflections, Challenges & Lessons . Working Towards a Sexual Culture of Justice

CURATED CONVERSATIONS

Moderator: Angelique V. Nixon, Project Lead Researcher

Wednesday 24th March 2021. 12noon-2pm
HOW DO WE TRANSFORM
APPROACHES TO
GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE
& LGBTI DISCRIMINATION?

Speakers:

Renuka Anandjit - IGDS Ignite

Jeremy Edwards - Silver Lining Foundation

Stephanie Leitch - WOMANTRA

Èlysse Marcellin - CAISO & WOMANTRA

Amilcar Sanatan - Commonwealth Student Association

Attillah Springer - Say Something TT

Wednesday 31st March 2021. 12noon-2pm

WHAT'S NEXT
ON THE LGBTI+ AGENDA
FOR JUSTICE?

Speakers

Transgender Coalition & CAISO - Rae Alibey

Silver Lining Foundation - Earl Edmund

CAISO - Elron Elahie

WOMANTRA - Johannah-Rae Reyes

Transgender Coalition - Brandy Rodriguez

Friends For Life - Luke Sinnette

IGDS Lunchtime Seminars . For more information email: igds.outreach@sta.uwi.edu | www.sta.uwi.edu/igds/ | https://portal.caribbeansexualities.org/

ZOOM LINK REGISTER in advance for this session

https://uwi.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJwsdOmgrjwpEtorOAzl5VjYtgOjVknCbmYA

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Let's Talk Consent & CSE

8 DECEMBER 2021 12 NOON

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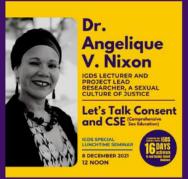
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Join us for a Discussion on Tools for Preventing GBV through frameworks of sexual rights and sex positivity — using knowledge and materials created through "A Sexual

Culture of Justice" Project.



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Let's Talk Consent and CSE (Comprehensive Sex Education)

This seminar presentation will be an interactive discussion on tools for preventing gender based violence through frameworks of sexual rights and sex positivity. The presenters will share knowledge and materials created through the completed human rights project "A Sexual Culture of Justice" and advocacy for social change and advancement of sexual rights. This seminar will offer practical engagement in how we transform harmful gender and sexual norms, and relatedly, how we build a culture of consent and empowerment around sex and sexuality. Community based actions on GBV prevention and research findings on gender based bullying in schools will provide evidence and offer pathways for new approaches in our work to end GBV.

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#endGenderBasedViolence #endLGBTIdiscrimination #SaferTogether #JusticeDiversityTT

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Sexual Rights and Justice

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5 Why Sexual Rights and Justice?

As scholars, practitioners, and activists have argued, the control over women and girls' bodies and sexuality increases gender-based violence and places severe limitations on mobility, education, employment, and participation in public life. In similar ways, lesbians, gay men, bisexual people, transgender and gender non-conforming people, intersex people, sex workers, and others who transgress sexual and gender norms face greater risk of violence, stigma, and discrimination as a result of controlling mechanisms around sex and sexuality. Sexual and reproductive health professionals, sexual rights activists, and feminist scholars have long agreed that sexual rights underpin the enjoyment of all other human rights and are necessary for equity and justice for all.



Institute for Gender and Development Studies, St. Augustine Unit, Trinidad & Tobago Prepared by Angelique Nixon and Psyche Gonzales. Published December 2021. Sexual rights are deeply connected to understandings of sexual citizenship, which means our rights and protection under the law related to sexuality. Human rights and LGBTQI activist Colin Robinson argues that we must not place too much emphasis on law and litigation in our struggles for sexual autonomy, but rather be guided and led by local and regional solutions. Transforming cultural norms related to gender and sexuality are just as important as law and litigation.







6 Why Comprehensive Sex Education (CSE)?

Young people must negotiate complex social, technological, sexual, and gendered spaces. The IGDS Break the Silence Research Project supports long standing and global research that shows CSE can prevent child sexual abuse, incest, sexual bullying and teenage pregnancy. CSE can help young people understand their bodies and sexualities, and empower them to make more informed decisions about sex, relationships, and consent.



In two recent reports in Trinidad and Tobago, the evidence is compelling that young people need and want access to comprehensive sex education. The 2020 Report on Legal Barriers to Sexual and Reproductive Health for Adolescents shows that young people lack access to information and services which has devastating effects on their well being. The National Climate Survey 2019 Report found that 65% percent of students surveyed believe that with CSE they will be better prepared to handle sexual situations.



Comprehensive Sex Education (CSE) means teaching and understanding consent, bodily autonomy, and mutual respect. These reports reveal how necessary it is for young people to be empowered and included in the creation of an enabling and safe learning environment for all students. This means teachers and counsellors must be supported and better to provide equipped emotional, and social justice learning, as well as creative strategies and restorative justice approaches to dealing with violence.





7 What is "A Sexual Culture of Justice"?

"A Sexual Culture of Justice: Strengthening LGBTQI & GBV Partnerships, Capacity & Efficacy to Promote & Protect Rights in T&T" (2017-2021) was an EU-funded human rights project implemented by the UWI IGDS in partnership with several civil society organisations. The project focused on the intersections of gender and sexual justice. We envisioned this "sexual culture of justice" as advocacy for social change to gender norms and sexual rights. This collaboration provided four years of support for long-standing and new efforts to transform approaches to violence, homophobia, bullying and policing, while building organisational capacity.

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CSE - CALL TO ACTION!!!

- ★ Support Comprehensive Sex Education in Schools
- ★ Support Teaching Consent and Understanding GBV in Schools
- ★ Talk about Consent, Sex and Sexuality in Positive and Affirming ways (in our communities, families, workplaces, with people in our lives, with friends and colleagues)
- ★ Stay informed, Share with others
- ★ Take Action in Your Community
- ★ Hold Leaders Accountable
- ★ Speak Out Against all Forms of Gender Based Violence
- ★ Support Organisations working for Sexual Rights & Justice
- ★ Use Research and Evidence to Support your Actions SCJ Project Portal for Research, Education, Campaigns & other Resources: portal.caribbeansexualities.org.



Caribbean Sexualities - Knowledge E-Portal https://portal.caribbeansexualities.org/

