

**From:** [Micaela Berry](#)  
**To:** [Priscilla Donovan](#)  
**Subject:** Fw: Drag Queen Storytime  
**Date:** Friday, May 24, 2019 8:46:04 AM

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**From:** Micaela Berry  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 23, 2019 11:54 AM  
**To:** Valeri Abrego-Liszewski  
**Subject:** Re: Drag Queen Storytime

I'm so sorry to do this but because of the controversy the city has faced the city council of Leander has decided to cancel our drag queen story hour event. I appreciate your support and regret that this had to happen.

Again, I'm so sorry.

Sincerely,

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**From:** Micaela Berry  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 23, 2019 11:26:11 AM  
**To:** Valeri Abrego-Liszewski  
**Subject:** Re: Drag Queen Storytime

Hello,

We've had some community push back and they are wanting to know if your performers have been background checked. If you have any information on this please let me know at your earliest convenience.

Thank you,

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**From:** Valeri Abrego-Liszewski <jinxlira@hotmail.com>

**Sent:** Saturday, May 18, 2019 5:43:37 PM

**To:** Micaela Berry

**Subject:** RE: Drag Queen Storytime

Awesome, it will definitely be my friend who is a Drag Queen, Ruby Dee. She is currently looking through the list of books. I would like to reserve Red: A Crayon's Story.

Valeri Abrego

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**From:** Micaela Berry <MBerry@leandertx.gov>

**Sent:** Monday, May 13, 2019 1:34:42 PM

**To:** Valeri Abrego-Liszewski

**Subject:** Re: Drag Queen Storytime

Valeri,

Thanks for getting back to me so quickly! I can place lgbtq titles on hold, pull family favorites, or you can browse our catalog [here](#) and let me know what you would like me to set aside!

I think one or two performers would be perfect for us, since we're a smaller library. We don't anticipate a huge crowd, but we're hoping to gain community support so we can make this a recurring event that gets larger every year.

The date of the event is June 15th at 10 AM.

Let me know if this works for you.

Best,

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**From:** Valeri Abrego-Liszewski [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, May 13, 2019 1:15 PM  
**To:** Micaela Berry  
**Subject:** RE: Drag Queen Storytime

Yes, I currently organize the Drag Storytime for BookPeople on Lamar downtown Austin. Let me know how many performers you would like to come out and read, the date and time we need to be there. Also, if you have a limited selection of books, just let us know the titles we can choose from. Thanks for getting in contact with me.

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**From:** Micaela Berry <MBerry@leandertx.gov>  
**Sent:** Monday, May 13, 2019 10:13:56 AM  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Drag Queen Storytime

Hello!

My name is Micaela and I'm the Children's Librarian at the Leander Public Library. My coworker Cindy had contacted you about performing at our drag queen storytime and I wanted to follow up and confirm. Cindy is no longer working here so I will be your point of contact. I was just wondering if you had any questions. Do you need me to select books for you? Have you ever done a drag queen storytime (or any storytime) before? I want to help you as much as I am able, and I'm here for you if you need anything at all.

Best,

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