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# 6 Exciting Things To Do During Pride Month

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Somehow, it's June. You know what that means — it's time for SF Pride. Here's a roundup of events to help you celebrate.



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Pride Month is here, and you know that means it's a special time in SF. Yes, there's a parade going down June 25th, but you can also celebrate by checking out local LGBTQIA+ owned businesses and heading to events scheduled all month. Below is a roundup of a few drag shows, queer proms, and

other special nights happening across town. We'll update this list as more information comes our way. Have a suggestion? Email us at [sanfrancisco@theinfatuation.com](mailto:sanfrancisco@theinfatuation.com).

## THE EVENTS

### CAN'T DRAG US DOWN AT SHAKEWELL

Shakewell, the tapas spot in Oakland, is hosting a “Can’t Drag Us Down” drag show on Sunday, June 11th (admission is \$25). No food will be served, but you can bring in outside food. Try nearby [Rico Rico Taco](#), and then wash it all down with one of their special pride-themed cocktails.



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### DRAG ME DOWNTOWN PRIDE CELEBRATIONS





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The Downtown SF Partnership district is hosting celebrations every Thursday in June with pop-up drag performances at a variety of venues. Locations range from [Schroeder's](#) to [Pagan Idol](#). The event is free, but if you pre-register [online](#) you'll get a fan and feather boa. All pre-registration proceeds benefit [Trans Thrive](#), a trans-centric nonprofit with the goal of creating safe spaces for the trans/gender non-conforming community.

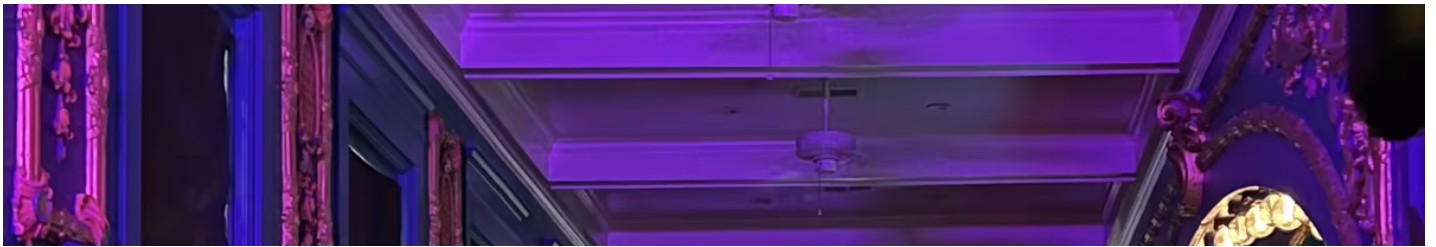




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## QUEER EMO NIGHT AT MOTHER

Mother is a new femme-centered queer bar in the Mission, and one of our new favorite spots to meet our future ex. Expect plenty of events throughout the month of June—and beyond—such as Queer Emo Night on Tuesday, June 6th, and the Queer Exposure photo show reception on Thursday, June 22nd at 7pm. Don't forget to run to the Pride Month kick-off, which includes a DJ and live burlesque performance, on Sunday, June 4th at 5pm.



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## QUEER PROM AT THE CHAPEL

On Saturday, June 3rd, The Chapel, a live music venue in the Mission, is hosting Queer Prom 2023 in conjunction with local queer community group [ImpulseSF](#). Expect prom-themed drag and a set of surprise performances. Doors open at 8pm, and the first 200 people in will get a free drink ticket and some light bites. Kick-off is at 9pm, with drag performances starting at 10:30pm.

## SAPPHIC PRIDE AT THE COMMUNE & EL AFTERS

Commune is an events venue in downtown Oakland that's hosting Sapphic Pride night on Saturday, June 3rd from 10pm-4am. Expect multiple floors playing rap, afrobeats, and techno. They're also working in conjunction with nearby events venue/warehouse nightclub vibe space El Afters to host a day party before from 5pm-10pm. Food and drinks will be available for purchase.

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This is just the beginning of many events happening this month for Pride, but as you're waiting for those last-minute events to pop up, also check out some of the [amazing queer bars](#) that we're so fortunate to have in this city. They're gonna be packed all month long—well, as packed as SF apparently gets these days.

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