

Hello all!!

For those of you who don't know me, my name is King Julez (or Julian), my pronouns are they/them, I am a drag performer, United Church of Canada Ministry Candidate, and a masters student at Emmanuel College in Toronto. I am emailing you to let you know about an amazing summit that is coming to Toronto next fall- the Drag and Spirituality Summit. <https://dragandspirituality.com/>

The Drag & Spirituality Summit invites drag artists, spiritual leaders, and community members from around the globe to support the exploration and celebration of the intersections of drag, queerness & spirituality. All are welcome. This will be hybrid (in-person and virtual), with closed captions, ASL and other language Interpretation where needed. Please let us know your access needs.

The Drag & Spirituality Summit consists of panel discussions, workshops, vendors, keynote speakers & performances. There are many roles behind the scenes to make the summit run successfully. These volunteer positions include cooking, running tech, spiritual care, welcoming/guiding, and much more. We are also looking for folks who are willing to offer billets to performers/participants from out of town, and those who are willing to donate or sponsor the summit financially.

Dates will be in October 2024, at the end of the University of Toronto Fall 2024 Reading Week (TBD, likely the last week of October or the first week of November). Specific dates are still to be determined and will be released as soon as possible. The event will run on a select: Thursday evening, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday.

This is where you and your communities come in:

We are looking for help! We need to build a planning team, performers, keynotes, workshop facilitators, sponsors, and a large team of volunteers to make this summit a success. I am asking that you please share information about this summit with your community and your social circles to see who would be interested in being a part of this amazing opportunity.

Here is the link to our preliminary Expression of Interest form:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScfbwFGwlh7X8HCmJlniUg5dGn1ardE40nADenwRPLZDNlufw/viewform?usp=sf_link

If you have any questions, please feel free to send them my way. You have my consent to share my email address with folks who may want more information or who have questions about the summit. I hope to hear from you and see you next fall at DR&SS 2024!

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