

# PALM SPRINGS SET TO SIZZLE WITH LGBT EVENTS THIS YEAR







Left to right: The Dinah, The White Party, Greater Palm Springs Pride

**XX March 2019** – Palm Springs is set to continue its reign as a destination leader for LGBT events this year with the return of the ever-popular Jeffrey Sanker's White Party, The Dinah, Cinema Diverse and Greater Palm Springs Pride.

To help travellers make the most of the city's LGBT celebrations of diversity, equality and solidarity, Palm Springs has rounded up some of the events that are sure to bring the city to life this year:

## The Dinah (3-7 April 2019)

Returning to Palm Springs for the 29<sup>th</sup> consecutive year this April, <u>The Dinah</u>, also so known as The Dinah Shore Weekend, is considered to be one of the largest lesbian events in the world. Presenting eight parties over five days, the celebrations begin with The Official Dinah Pre-Party on April 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Palm Springs Hilton, before continuing with a fantastic range of pool parties, evening events and comedy shows.

Attendees of the 2019 event will be treated to another powerful all-female line-up, with performances by Kodie Shane, Diiamond Royalty, Grammy award-winning Daya and many more! Entirely produced by women, The Dinah has long been at the forefront of championing and celebrating women and continues to be a world-class tradition Palm Springs is exceptionally proud of.

## Jeffrey Sanker's White Party (26-29 April 2019)

2019 marks the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of <u>Jeffrey Sanker's White Party</u>, one of the world's premier gay dance festivals and a true highlight of the Palm Springs calendar. The ever-popular and world-renowned LGBT event will kick off on April 26<sup>th</sup> with its new Day Club Pool Party at Palm Springs Hilton. Featuring a newly-designed stage, poolside dance floor and luxurious cabanas, the pool party is the perfect way to get the celebrations started.

As usual, the culturally-significant celebration will play host to a range of exciting events, welcoming super-star DJs Dan Slater, Nina Slater and DJ Aron, as well as presenting mesmerising performances by Nikki Valentine and Amanda, as well as Beth Anne Sacks, creating another unmissable event!

Cinema Diverse (20-23 September 2019)

A truly unique silver screen celebration, the annual <u>Cinema Diverse Film Festival</u> is solely dedicated to showcasing the best of LGBT cinema from around the world. Presenting a diverse range of short films, documentaries, biopics and feature films over three days every September, the festival always delivers engaging works that inspire its audiences and spark every emotion in its viewers.

Presented by the Palm Springs Cultural Centre, a not-for-profit organisation, the festival raises funds to advance education, nurture participation in arts and support scholarships to highly-deserving individuals, making this an inspiring and culturally-enriching experience in more ways than one.

## **Greater Palm Springs Pride (1-3 November 2019)**

Southern California's longest-running and ever-popular LGBT festival, Greater Palm Springs Pride is back this November. This year, downtown Palm Springs will play host to a vibrant two-day Pride Festival on November 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>. Offering a wonderfully diverse range of performances from artists and entertainers, refreshing beverage gardens and an eclectic range of stalls selling jewellery, snacks, sweets and other items, this year promises to be another amazing event.

At 10am on November 3<sup>rd</sup>, the dazzling 2019 Pride Parade will take to the streets of Palm Springs. With over 60,000 spectators expected to gather under the city's blue skies, along the palm tree-lined streets to cheer on the local organisations and colourful themed floats, it promises to be another amazing highlight of the LGBT events calendar.

Boasting a fantastic range of unmissable LGBT events and more than a dozen exclusive LGBT resorts and guesthouses, Palm Springs provides the LGBT community with a safe, fun and welcoming destination. Couple that with 360 days of sunshine, a dynamic new downtown, stylish restaurants, beautiful desert oasis landscapes and the city's unique ambiance, the city of Palm Springs is perfect for a LGBT holiday at any time of year!

For more information on the city of Palm Springs, visit: <a href="www.visitpalmsprings.com">www.visitpalmsprings.com</a> or <a href="www.visitgaypalmsprings.com">www.visitgaypalmsprings.com</a>

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## **About Palm Springs**

One hundred miles east of Los Angeles, Palm Springs is a desert playground with year-round sunshine, blue skies and stunning natural beauty. Nestled beneath California's San Jacinto Mountains, the city is famed for its Hollywood legacy, Native American heritage and huge collection of mid-century modern architecture. The desert oasis boasts a wealth of adventurous hiking trails and historical canyon tours, as well as chic boutiques, world-renowned golf courses and unique experiences, including the chance to stay in the former homes of Marilyn Monroe and Elvis Presley. For more information see <a href="https://www.visitpalmsprings.com">www.visitpalmsprings.com</a>.

Going the extra mile for travellers, Palm Springs Bureau of Tourism offers dedicated LGBT information outlets, including the VisitGayPalmSprings.com website, <u>Facebook page</u> and <u>YouTube</u>

<u>channel</u>. The majority of the bureau of tourism's employees have worked with the LGBT market and clearly understand the demographic.

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