



OUR LIVES OUR VOICES

BURLINGTON YOUTH EMPOWERMENT SERIES

HOSTED BY: BURLINGTON PARTNERSHIP FOR A HEALTHY COMMUNITY,
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JOIN US FOR THIS SERIES OF WORKSHOPS, SOCIAL TIME & MORE!

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Our Lives Our Voices (OLOV) is an online series to support local youth with tools to be successful leaders and advocates for positive change in their community. The series explores topics related to advocacy, community education, self-growth, and positive decision-making.

OLOV is open to all students at Hunt and Edmunds Middle Schools and Burlington High School.

BENEFITS OF JOINING

- Raffle prizes
- Monthly social events
- Resume/college application builder
- Opportunity to meet new friends
- Learn leadership skills
- Learn advocacy skills - to be the change you wish to see!

"The skills and information I learned has given me, and many others, a voice. I have used that voice to help my community stay safe and healthy."

Shamura Awayle, BHS student



Signing up gives you access to our Google Classroom where you can find out more about our 3 monthly activities.

Monthly activities include:

- 1 leadership workshop with guest speakers,
- 1 mini-workshop and virtual discussion room,
- 1 physically-distanced social activity in BTV

Each time you participate in any of the monthly activities you will be entered in our raffle. If you participate in all activities in the OLOV Series you'll earn a certificate of completion as well the most chances at winning the grand finale raffle prize of a \$200 Visa Gift Card!

QUESTIONS? EMAIL OR CALL REAGAN AT
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WORKSHOP DESCRIPTIONS

FALL 2020 SERIES

SATURDAY, Oct 17

1 - 3:30PM

FIRE UP ABOUT YOUTH ADVOCACY WITH LINCOLN MONDY

Lincoln Mondy is passionate about utilizing communications to amplify the voices of commonly excluded groups of people and cultivating stories that educate, inspire, and mobilize. In his workshop Lincoln will share the film he created to raise awareness and prompt critical questions about activism, public health, and the worth of the black body in the United States of America. He will ask you to think about what you've been taught about power, and who holds it, and what those with power look like. Power and shifting relationships of power are central to organizing for positive change. One of the primary goals of the conference is providing you with skills to effectively organize, and Lincoln will spend the remainder of his talk focusing on how you can get the most out of the conference by knowing and using your power, being intentional, and asking for help.

SATURDAY, Oct 24

1 - 2:30 PM

TELLING YOUR STORY WITH COLIN RYAN

Communication expert Colin Ryan is on a mission to connect important messages to the audiences who need to hear them. Drawing on 10+ years experience as a professional speaker, Colin now trains students, educators and professionals in the skills of authenticity (telling stories, adding humor, strategic vulnerability, empathetic listening) that transform unrelatable experts into unforgettable ambassadors.

This keynote will teach attendees how to connect, communicate, and foster change. **Skills covered:** Sharing your "Why" Story (because why you personally care about what you're saying is often your best argument); How to be Respectfully Funny (and why humor is an important tool that strengthens your impact, undercuts over-earnestness, and makes your message memorable.)

WEDNESDAY, Nov 18

4 - 6:30 PM

YOUTH ORGANIZING WITH VICTORIA PEARSON

Since 1989, Outright Vermont has been building hope, equity, and power with LGBTQ+ youth in Vermont. Founded by a small group of queer adults, after a national survey discovered that queer youth were dramatically at higher risks of suicide than their heterosexual peers, Outright Vermont has built up programming that now includes queer youth spaces, education and outreach work statewide, and annual large scale events for queer youth & the larger queer community. In this workshop led by Outright's statewide youth organizer, you will understand the basics of organizing a project or group, feel empowered to make a difference in your community, hear examples from youth organizers, and learn about how we can make things better for queer youth in our schools and community.

WEDNESDAY, Dec 16

4 - 6:30 PM

SOCIAL JUSTICE ART TOUR

Burlington is home to many pieces of public art. Have you ever wondered what they mean or how they got there? In this webinar students will learn about positive and negative messages in their community through harmful marketing campaigns as well as inspirational public art. Take a virtual tour of Burlington through art and learn about it's meaning and how you can leave a positive message in your community.

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PRESENTER BIOS



LINCOLN MONDY

[ADVOCATESFORYOUTH.ORG](https://advocatesforyouth.org)

Lincoln Mondy is the Associate Director for Strategic Projects at Advocates for Youth. Lincoln drives campaigns, media outreach, and partnerships focused on young people's sexual and reproductive health and rights. Prior to Advocates, Lincoln was a Senior Account Executive at BerlinRosen, a public relations firm where he supported progressive organizations on a range of issues including criminal justice, reproductive health, and racial equity. He is the filmmaker behind Black Lives / Black Lungs, a short film investigating the infiltration of the black community by the tobacco industry, which received media attention from NPR, HuffPost, AJ+, and other media outlets under his direction.

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REAGAN MURPHY [BURLINGTONPARTNERSHIP.ORG](https://burlingtonpartnership.org)

Reagan is a self-proclaimed "poster child for prevention work." After attending the New Hampshire Teen Institute Leaders in Prevention Conference in 8th grade she has been involved in activism, youth empowerment, volunteering, and prevention ever since! Eventually she moved on to intern and then work with the NH Teen Institute, designing workshops and leading teens to become advocates for healthy choices. Born and raised in northern NH, she received a Bachelors in Communication from Southern New Hampshire University in 2018 and moved to Burlington to pursue a career in nonprofit development. Reagan is excited to return to her roots in prevention as the Youth Programming Coordinator for BPHC.

Pronouns: she / her



V PEARSON

[OUTRIGHTVT.ORG](https://outrightvt.org)

Victoria Pearson is the Statewide Youth Organizer at Outright Vermont. "I have a passion for building community, skill, and power with all folks who are seeking to make the world a better place. My studies in Philosophy and Feminist Liberation Theologies inform that passion. Cornel West's words guide me: "Never forget that justice is what love looks like in public." I have worked with youth on the farm, in youth groups, as a dorm parent, as an organizer and facilitator in high schools and colleges. I love spending time with people learning about what their heart needs to feel safe and powerful. I love ending the story that we are alone and our dreams are only that, dreams. Let's make our dreams for a better world into reality, shall we? Let's do this!"

Pronouns: she / they



COLIN RYAN

[COLINRYANSPEAKS.COM](https://colinryanspeaks.com)

Colin Ryan's fusion of stand-up comedy, storytelling, interactive discussion, and radical authenticity has drawn national attention, and put him on stages in front of half a million students and adults. He has spoken at universities like Duke, Purdue and The New School, and keynoted conferences like the National Jumpstart Conference, the Collaborative, and the National AFCPE Symposium. His stories have been featured on PBS, NPR, The Moth Radio Hour, and in Reader's Digest. Most recently, he served as the only male commissioner on the Vermont Commission on Women.

Pronouns: he / him



JILL BADOLATO

[JILLBADOLATO.COM](https://jillbadolato.com)

"Jill Badolato is a creative community builder at heart, as well as pioneer of emerging technologies. After starting her career in interactive design during the Dot Com Boom in San Francisco, Jill relocated to Vermont to start the brand and marketing department at Dealer.com where she initiated, envisioned and grew Dealer.com's Corporate Social Responsibility from the ground up. She has worked closely with the Vermont community, bringing her creative and innovative approach to bridging relationships with business, art, the non-profit sector. She has been recognized nationally by Americans for the Arts, was hailed as an "art instigator" for spearheading the first international graffiti festival in the state and has been celebrated for her commitment to community and the non-profit sector.

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