



Osh-Tisch (left) was baté, a Crow word that refers to a person who is male-bodied but takes part in social and ceremonial roles usually occupied by women. This was an esteemed position in Crow society, as they were regarded as the bridge between the two genders. Colonization forced baté into European gender roles, and Osh-Tisch was one of the last known baté for a long time.


March 31: International Transgender Day of Visibility



The International Transgender Day of Visibility is an annual observance designed to celebrate accomplishments of transgender and gender non-conforming people while also acknowledging the work that still needs to be done to achieve trans justice. Trans and non-binary individuals are facing significant political attacks in legislation as well as fatal violence, especially against Black and trans women of color.

We also acknowledge that, prior to European colonization, Indigenous cultures often were uplifting of Two-Spirit people and viewed them as sacred. We aim to dismantle colonial views of gender. Today and every day, we celebrate trans and non-binary people and stand firm against disinformation, discrimination, and hate impacting the community.

3 steps you can take to support Trans and Gender Nonconforming Folks

 **Educate** yourself and others about queer history and people. We especially recommend you read up on Two-Spirit and Indigenous views and history of gender.

<https://www.ihs.gov/lgbt/health/twospirit/>

<https://www.yesmagazine.org/social-justice/2021/06/07/trans-history-gender-diversity>


<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qRJJR6bGyL4>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NIDLJN3ci0Q>

<https://www.niwrc.org/speakers/lenny-hayes-ma>

https://www.washingtonpost.com/dc-md-va/interactive/2023/voices-post-kff-survey-transgender-americans/?itid=hp-top-table-main_p001_f003


<https://www.washingtonpost.com/dc-md-va/2023/03/23/transgender-adults-transitioning-poll/>

 **Advocate** for queer rights and justice.

<https://transequality.org/issues/resources/supporting-the-transgender-people-in-your-life-a-guide-to-being-a-good-ally>

<https://www.aclu.org/issues/lgbtq-rights/transgender-rights/three-ways-be-informed-advocate-transgender-people>

<https://www.plannedparenthood.org/blog/how-to-advocate-for-your-trans-loved-one>

 **Empower** and uplift trans and gender nonconforming people's voices.

<https://transempowerment.org/>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HbQZ7jAvgol>

<https://www.arcusfoundation.org/blog/none/tools-to-inform-and-empower-transgender-people-and-their-allies/>



Learn about other Indigenous Two-Spirit, trans, and gender nonconforming people here: <https://www.nativecenter.org/lgbtq2s>