



Taiwan Pride, Taipei, Taiwan, 30th October to 1st November 2026

It's sad that so many LGBTQ venues are closing

LGBTQ+ venues across the UK are in serious trouble. Greater London data shows London's venues fell from 125 in 2006 to 50 in 2023. Rising rents, gentrification, higher running costs and the cost-of-living squeeze are the main culprits. Brighton's R-Bar, along with Charles Street Tap, both citing dramatically rising costs.

Queer venues have had little access to grants or support schemes. These spaces matter because they act as community hubs, and campaigners want stronger planning protection and financial help. Meanwhile, pop-up queer club nights are emerging as an alternative.

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Featured venue: The Royal Vauxhall Tavern, London, England



The Royal Vauxhall Tavern (RVT) was built in 1865 and has been known as an LGBTQ+ cabaret venue since the 1980s. Open 7 nights a week we are recognised globally for providing an

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Featured UK pride: Coast is Queer,

THE COAST IS QUEER Brighton, England

The Coast is Queer takes place from the **15th to 18th October 2026**.

It is Brighton's annual festival of LGBTQ+ writing. The festival creates a space for queer

readers, writers and allies to come together in a celebration of the written word.

[More about The Coast is Queer.](#)

[See all PinkUK's events in October.](#)