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NOTTS RAINBOW REVIEW

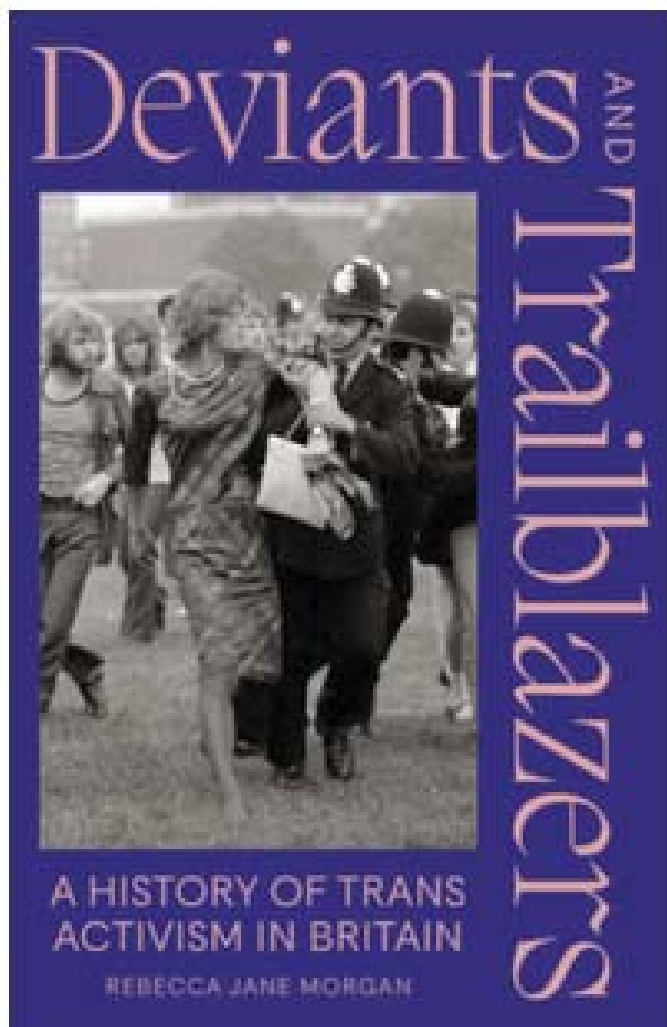
QUEER SUNDAYS AT FIVE LEAVES BOOKSHOP



Every Sunday in October join us for tea, cake, and insightful talks. Full details inside.

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QUEER SUNDAYS AT FIVE LEAVES

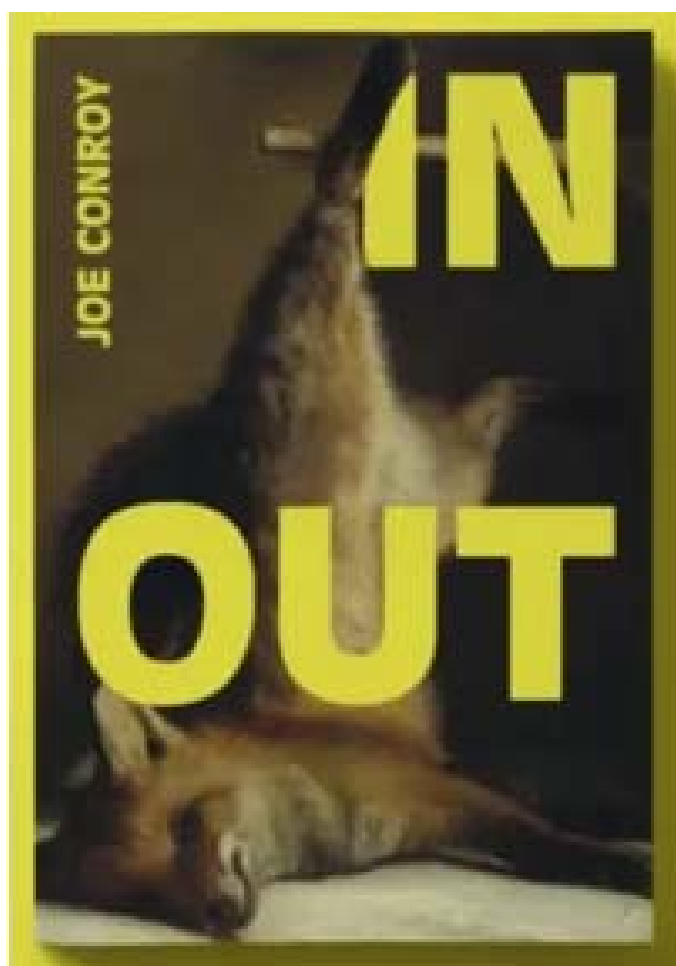


At a time when trans rights are under attack across Britain and beyond, *Deviants and Trailblazers* arrives as a powerful antidote, uncovering a rich, overlooked history. Spanning from the first legal gender changes in 1944 and the devastating *Corbett v. Corbett* ruling in 1970, to the groundbreaking Gender Recognition Act of 2004 and the ongoing battle for reform today, this is a gripping chronicle of resistance and radical change.

Far from being a recent invention or a niche concern, legal recognition of trans identities has been a demand of trans communities for generations. Rebecca Jane Morgan shows how that fight emerged, evolved, and was sustained by grassroots organising, court battles, and an unwavering demand by the trans community to be recognised by the very systems that so often try to erase them.

This authoritative and readable account of the movement to date offers clarity, context, and hope.

Sunday, 4th October, 2026
4:30 pm - 6:30 pm



This Sunday we're delighted to welcome Joe Conroy, author of *In Out* to discuss all things queer fiction, modern anti-heroes and mental health

It's the end of 2015. For our narrator, every day is mostly the same; a visit to the local corner shop to retrieve a blue plastic bag of wine and off-brand cheese puffs before falling into the sofa crevice to get drunk, get high, and stare at the television.

At once a propulsive and hilarious debut that charges towards oblivion, and a dissociated depiction of queer loneliness and self-destruction, *In Out* gives us a new kind of antihero grappling with life in the runup to the Brexit referendum, exploring what it means to be untethered along with ideas of masculinity, class, family, and addiction.

Sunday, 11th October, 2026
4:30 pm - 6:00 pm

QUEER SUNDAYS AT FIVE LEAVES

THE BED TRICK

Sex and
Deception
on Trial

Izabella Scott

She said she wore a blindfold at all times. She said she didn't know who she was really having sex with.

Two former best friends face each other in court at a sex offence trial. Miss X, making the accusation, claims she was tricked into queer sex, many times, by a best friend pretending to be her boyfriend. But that friend, Gayle Newland, tells a different story. They were secret lesbians, she says, lovers in the closet. The boyfriend was imaginary, and part of a role play that had been going on for years.

This astonishing case reached UK courtrooms twice in 2015 and 2017, capturing national attention. At both trials, Newland was convicted of a rare and controversial crime known as 'rape by deception'. In literature, the plot has been named 'the bed trick'.

As *The Bed Trick* unfolds the riveting story of Newland's trials – a case where reality was stranger than fiction – it also reveals the malleability of courtroom narratives, and the many myths, archetypes and stories embedded in the law.

Sunday, 18th October, 2026
4:30 pm - 6:00 pm

The fiercest battles over gender today aren't just about identity or womanhood—but about punishment, fear, and control. The twenty-first century "gender wars" have been driven by a powerful and seductive narrative: that safety can be secured through exclusion, surveillance, and the policing of difference. These punitive logics have gained momentum across the political spectrum, fueling an anti-trans backlash and distorting the meaning of safety itself.

Unsafe is a clear-eyed and decisive challenge to the toxic ideas at the heart of this backlash. With patient rigour, Lamble exposes how carceral approaches to safety fail to address root causes of harm, ultimately deepening social divisions and legitimising new forms of violence and control.

Drawing on feminist and queer traditions as well as their experience organizing against prisons and policing, Lamble makes a principled case for a different vision: one where safety is not built on punishment but on collective care, radical solidarity, and transformative justice.

Sunday, 25th October, 2026
4:30 pm - 6:00 pm

UNSAFE

sarah lamble

the carceral roots

of the anti-trans

backlash



PRESENTS

From
fuzzy
till
dawn

LINE UP

BALDJOE
MISS JAZZ HOT
KEEKS

31/10/26

8PM-2AM

EARLY TICKETS £8

GA £10

DOOR TICKETS £12

WE'RE BACK WITH A DARKER, SPOOKIER, LATER
EDITION OF FUZZY. COME DRESSED TO DISTRESS OR
JUST FOR THE VIBES. (CLOAKROOM AVAILABLE)



LORD ROBERT'S PROHIBITION BAR
24 BROAD ST, NOTTINGHAM NG1 3AN



TRANS AND NB INCLUSIVE



THE FIIRPY HEART OF NOTTINGHAM



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BETTER LEARNING



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WHEN:

Thursday 1st October
11:00am – 1:00pm



WHERE:

Zone 4 Clinical Skills

(D floor link corridor
between the Medical School and South Block)

Everyone
welcome –
no experience
needed!

18+

Must be
aged 18+



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upcoming examinations!

- 3 – 6 November 2026
- 10 – 13 November 2026

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LGBT+ participants sought. If you would like to get more information please contact the manager of the programme Sarah Watson using the email SP@nottingham.ac.uk



AroAce Notts

 **10.30am - 12.30pm**
every 1st Saturday of the month

 **Blend Cafe, Nottingham Contemporary, NG1 2GB**

 If you are in search of some ASpec community and connection, **all ages, genders, and abilities are welcome** - come along and have a drink and a natter, we would love to have you!

Look out for our logo 

Community ♠ Connection ➤ Belonging

AroAce Notts has been created to provide a safe, friendly, and welcoming space for all those who are (or think they may be) on the aromantic and/or asexual spectrum.

We are holding a monthly coffee morning on the first Saturday of every month from 10.30am - 12.30pm at Blend Cafe, Nottingham Contemporary, Weekday Cross, NG1 2GB. The first one will be on Saturday 3rd October.



WRITE QUEER

Issue 3 Launch

Nottingham Central Library
Saturday 24th October 1.00-2.30pm

Join us for spooky readings from our latest zine as we launch it just in time for Halloween!

Book and pre-order now using the link in the bio or by going to: writequeer.co.uk



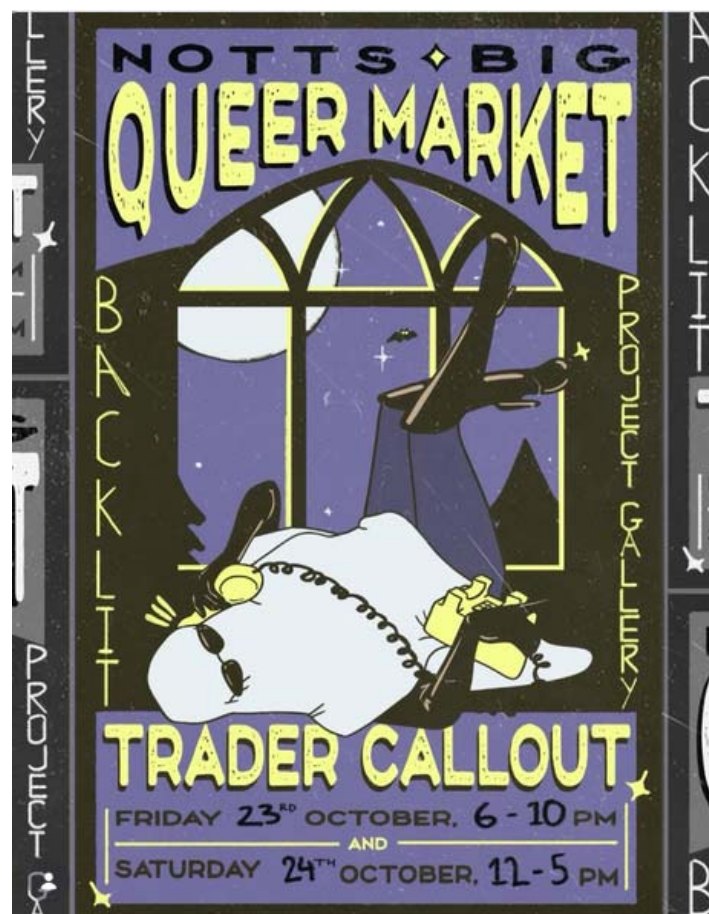

Liv PRESENTS

Thursday 17th September
PUB QUIZ

with extra special guest **BINBAG**

MALT CROSS

7.30pm-10pm



NOTTS BIG QUEER MARKET

BACKLIT PROJECT GALLERY

TRADER CALLOUT

FRIDAY 23RD OCTOBER, 6 - 10 PM
AND
SATURDAY 24TH OCTOBER, 11 - 5 PM

Where? The Project Gallery, Backlit, NG3 1JG .

We're looking for queer makers of any practice. Cards, prints, zines, tee-shirts, jewellery, plants, body art, plushies, snacks, services - we want it all. Bakers & drink makers very welcome. Applications close Thursday 25th September