



Coming Out Together: Parenting Your Magical LGBTQIA+ Kid

The Binary:

- Gender as a spectrum
- Sexuality as a spectrum

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- Cisgender (Sense of self aligns with biology/gender label (male or female))
- Transgender (Sense of self does not align with biology/gender label)
- Non-binary, gender-fluid, gender neutral (does not identify with either male or female, identifies with both or neither)
 - Agender, pangender, genderqueer, two-spirit, third gender, all or a combination
 - Intersex

Sexual Orientation is about who you want to be with emotionally, physically, romantically and sexually

- Heterosexual, straight
- Homosexual, gay, lesbian
- Bisexual
- Pansexual
- Asexual
- Etc.

It takes an incredibly brave parent to seek out and accept information that contradicts their past parenting choices. Instead of putting on blinders to protect their ego, they face the truth in order to protect their children.

Gender Expression

- Clothes, hair, body hair etc.
- How we attach external expression to the gender binary
- Femme/masculine

Pronouns

- Can foster inclusion, affirm and honor identity, and help people feel respected and valued
 - she/her/hers
 - he/him/his
 - they/them/theirs
 - zie/zir/zirs





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