

Justice is the Pointe: Pride and Solidarity

Five summers ago, families throughout the Pointes gathered to celebrate the LGBTQ+ community during the inaugural Grosse Pointe Pride March by WE GP.

We unified as a community to create a safe, welcoming and inclusive environment for all. Businesses sponsored the event and people of all ages and backgrounds stood together in solidarity for GP Pride. This event has proven to be a beloved celebration and rally of voices and colorful signs promoting inclusion, respect and equality.

A lot has happened in the intervening years, particularly over the past year. We have all faced an indiscriminating virus that impacts each of us in disparate and inequitable ways. As a nation, we also began anew to confront racial injustice.

Millions of Americans – Black, Brown and white, young and old, gay and straight – came together to protest police brutality and racial injustice when former officer Derek Chauvin knelt on George Floyd’s neck for nine and a half minutes while he struggled for his last breath. In response to this murder, people came together in solidarity to recognize the importance of fighting for anti-racism, justice, and respect for all in the same spirit of Pride March.

This year, as we adorn houses and trees with rainbow flags and ribbons, let’s not forget that Black Lives Matter signs took longer to gain traction. While we embrace individual identities, both visible and invisible, let’s view every person’s struggle as our own. And while we bring the community together to celebrate our shared humanity and stand in solidarity, let’s take time to pay homage to the civil rights heroes whose shoulders we stand on to see the way forward.

Join us for Pride March by WE GP Saturday, June 26, at 10 a.m. More details are at: we-gp.org



We welcome your thoughts, questions, requests for signs, solidarity and financial donations at:

we-gp.org/Justice-is-the-Pointe



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