Safety, Belonging, Wellbeing & Place:

A Photovoice Research Project with Trans* & Gender Nonconforming People



What makes a place feel safe and that I belong? What does wellbeing look like to me?
What needs to change to create more safety, belonging and wellbeing for
trans* & gender nonconforming people in our community?

Who is eligible?

Trans* and/or gender nonconforming people; 19 years of age or older; living in Vancouver, unceded Coast Salish Territories; interested in photography; and issues of safety, belonging & wellbeing.

What is Photovoice?

Photovoice is a participatory action research approach where co-researchers tell stories through photos and words for the purpose of social change.

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What is expected of participants?

- You will be given a digital camera & will be invited to take photos depicting your experiences related to the topic.
- * You will meet in a group with other participants over 4-5 workshop sessions to learn about Photovoice, discuss your photos, & discuss sharing the research.
- You will receive a digital camera & honorarium of \$50 at the end of the study. Transit tickets & food provided.





Trans* is an umbrella term often used to describe people whose gender identity &/or gender expression differs from what they were assigned at birth. This includes many diverse experiences & identities including but not limited to: transgender, transsexual, Two-Spirit, MTF, FTM, transitioned, gender variant, gender fluid, bigender, non-binary, non-gendered, third gender, or genderqueer. Gender nonconforming refers to people who express their gender in ways that differ from societal expectations &/or stereotypes of the sex & gender assigned to them at birth. These definitions do not include all of the identity words or experiences of the diversity of people who are trans* &/or gender nonconforming.