

# Persons of confirmed homosexual or bisexual orientation

The following list includes those people who have confirmed their homosexual or bisexual orientation or whose homosexual or bisexual orientation is not debated.

A

- [Louise Abbéma](#), French painter.
- [Berenice Abbott](#), American photographer.
- [Roberta Achtenberg](#), American politician.
- [Jean Acker](#), American actress.
- [J. R. Ackerley](#), British writer and arts editor of *The Listener*
- [Peter Ackroyd](#), English author.
- [Sir Harold Acton](#), British art writer, aesthete.
- [Jane Addams](#), American social reformer.
- [Alvin Ailey](#), American dancer and choreographer.
- [Edward Albee](#), American Playwright (*Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?*).
- [Francesco Algarotti](#), Italian academic.
- [Michael Alig](#), American club icon and murderer. [*citation needed*]
- [Chad Allen](#), American actor
- [Peter Allen](#), Australian entertainer.
- [Ted Allen](#), American food and wine guru on *Queer Eye for the Straight Guy*.
- [Waheed Alli](#), [Baron Alli](#)<sup>+</sup>, British TV industry executive and life member of the [House of Lords](#)
- [Marc Almond](#), British singer, formerly of [Soft Cell](#).
- [Pedro Almodóvar](#) Spanish director, Oscar winner.
- [Scott Amedure](#), American victim in the "[Jenny Jones Murder](#)".
- [Alejandro Amenábar](#), Spanish director, Oscar winner.
- [Hans Christian Andersen](#), Danish author of fairy tales. Sexuality subject of widespread speculation, but no direct first-person statements.
- [Enza Anderson](#), Canadian drag queen and political gadfly. [*citation needed*]
- [Jerzy Andrzejewski](#), Polish writer.
- [Kenneth Anger](#), American filmmaker.
- [Steve Antin](#), American actor. [*citation needed*]
- [Antinous](#), lover of Roman military commander and emperor [Hadrian](#). (anachronistic)
- [Gloria E. Anzaldúa](#), American writer
- [Alistair Appleton](#), British television presenter
- [Marshall Applewhite](#), American cult leader.
- [Aleksey Apukhtin](#), Russian poet.
- [Louis Aragon](#), French poet, bisexual. Documented in Ruth Brandon's "Surreal Lives".
- [Gregg Araki](#), American director of *The Doom Generation* and *The Living End*
- [Reinaldo Arenas](#), Cuban poet, author of *Before Night Falls* (*Antes que anochezca*)
- [Valerie Arkell-Smith](#), British soldier
- [Neil Armfield](#), Australian theatre director. [*citation needed*]
- [Billie Joe Armstrong](#), lead singer and guitarist of American punk band "Green Day," bisexual.
- [Alexis Arquette](#), American actor
- [Dorothy Arzner](#), American film director in classic Hollywood (*The Bride Wore Red*,

*Christopher Strong)*

- [John Ashbery](#), American poet.
- [Sir Frederick Ashton](#), British choreographer.
- [Othniel Askew](#), American assassin
- [Kutlug Ataman](#), Turkish artist
- [Kevyn Aucoin](#), American celebrity makeup artist
- [W. H. Auden](#), British poet
- [Kevin Aviance](#), American dance music singer.

B

- [David Bacon](#), American film actor.
- [Francis Bacon](#), [British](#) painter
- [Francis Bacon](#), [English](#) philosopher
- [Joan Baez](#), American singer, bisexual.
- [Paul Bailey](#), British author.
- [Josephine Baker](#), American singer, actress, French resistance member during WWII, bisexual. [*citation needed*]
- [Long John Baldry](#), British singer, musician, bisexual. [*citation needed*]
- [Claire Balding](#), [BBC](#) sports presenter and journalist
- [James Baldwin](#), American author
- [Tammy Baldwin](#), member of the [United States House of Representatives](#) (D - [Wisconsin](#))
- [Alan Ball](#), American writer (*American Beauty*, *Six Feet Under*)
- [Baltimora](#), Northern Irish pop singer. [*citation needed*]
- [Brent Bambury](#), Canadian journalist for [CBC](#). [*citation needed*]
- [Tallulah Bankhead](#), American actress.
- [Samuel Barber](#), American composer.
- [Jillian Barberie](#), American tv hostess, actress, bisexual
- [Alexander Bard](#), Swedish musician, bisexual (*Army of Lovers*, *Vacuum*).
- [Clive Barker](#), British/American author, director, artist, known primarily for his work in the [horror](#) genre.
- [Djuna Barnes](#), American novelist, bisexual.
- [Fred Barnes](#), British music hall singer.
- [Tim Barnett](#), New Zealand member of parliament.
- [Nathalie Barney](#), American poet.
- [Jean Barraqué](#), French composer.
- [Amanda Barrett](#), American musician, member of [Ditty Bops](#)
- [John Barrowman](#), American actor.
- [Michael Barrymore](#), British comedian
- [Drew Barrymore](#), American actress, bisexual
- [Paul Bartel](#), American filmmaker.
- [Roland Barthes](#), French literary theorist
- [Jurgen Bartsch](#), German serial killer.
- [Jean-Michel Basquiat](#), American artist
- [Katharine Lee Bates](#), American writer of *America the Beautiful*
- [Terry Baum](#), American playwright and congressional candidate
- [Gary Beach](#), American Broadway and cinema actor
- [Billy Bean](#), American former major league baseball player
- [Amanda Bearse](#), American actress (*Married... with Children*), director
- [Cecil Beaton](#), British photographer, [Tony Award](#)-winning set designer and [Academy Award](#)-winning costume designer

- [Maria Beatty](#), American filmmaker
- [Simone de Beauvoir](#), French philosopher and novelist, bisexual [*citation needed*]
- [Alison Bechdel](#), American cartoonist (*Dykes to Watch Out For*)
- [Lucius Beebe](#), American author
- [Brendan Behan](#), Irish writer
- [Andy Bell](#), British singer
- [Linda Bellos](#), British black and LGBT activist and politician
- [Bruce Benderson](#), American novelist, essayist and translator, bisexual
- [A C Benson](#), British writer of the words 'Land of Hope and Glory'; 2 of his brothers (sons of the Archbishop of Canterbury) were also gay
- [Gladys Bentley](#), American blues singer
- [Helmut Berger](#), Austrian actor, bisexual
- [Nate Berkus](#), American interior designer and regular guest on *The Oprah Winfrey Show*
- [Greg Berlanti](#), American film and screenwriter, director and producer (*Everwood*)
- [Christopher Bernau](#), American stage actor known for his [Shakespearean](#) roles, as well as roles on soap operas (Alan Spaulding on *The Guiding Light*)
- [Ruth Bernhard](#), photographer
- [Sandra Bernhard](#), American comedian, singer, author and actor, bisexual or pansexual
- [Leonard Bernstein](#), American composer and conductor, bisexual
- [Thane Bettany](#), English actor, bisexual
- [Sarah Bettens](#), Belgian singer (*K's Choice*)
- [Ole von Beust](#), German mayor of [Hamburg](#)
- [Thomas Bezucha](#), American screenwriter and director
- [James Bidgood](#), American photographer and filmmaker (*Pink Narcissus*)
- [Elizabeth Birch](#), American former head of [Human Rights Campaign](#), longtime partner of Hillary Rosen
- [Jón Þor Birgisson](#), Lead singer of Icelandic band [Sigur Rós](#).
- [Marie-Claire Blais](#), Quebec novelist
- [Ross Bleckner](#), American artist
- [Marc Blitzstein](#), American theater composer
- [Anthony Blunt](#), British art-historian and spy
- [Sir Dirk Bogarde](#), British actor
- [André Boisclair](#), Canadian politician, leader of the [Parti Québécois](#)
- [Florinda Bolkan](#), Brazilian actress
- [Chastity Bono](#), American activist, daughter of [Cher](#) and [Sonny Bono](#)
- [William Bonin](#), American serial killer
- [Lizzie Borden](#), bisexual filmmaker
- [Francisco Bosch](#), Spanish ballet dancer
- [Sandro Botticelli](#), Italian painter
- [Michel Marc Bouchard](#), Canadian playwright (*Les feluettes*)
- [Pierre Boulez](#), French composer and conductor.
- [Matthew Bourne](#), British choreographer
- [Leigh Bowery](#), Australian performance artist, fashion designer, and nightclub promoter.
- [Jane Bowles](#), American author, married to [Paul Bowles](#)
- [Paul Bowles](#), American expatriate author
- [Karin Boye](#), Swedish poet and novelist
- [E. E. Bradford](#), British [Uranian](#) poet
- [Ben Bradshaw](#), British politician
- [Christopher Bram](#), American writer
- [Wilfrid Brambell](#), British actor (*Steptoe & Son*)

- [Dionne Brand](#), Trinidad and Tobago-born Canadian lesbian writer and filmmaker
- [Marlon Brando](#), American actor, bisexual
- [Johnny Brandon](#), British singer popular in the 1950s
- [Allison Brewer](#), Canadian politician, leader of the [New Brunswick NDP](#)
- [James Bridges](#), American screenwriter and film director (*The China Syndrome*)
- [Scott Brison](#), Canadian member of Parliament and Minister of Public Works and Government Services
- [Benjamin Britten](#), British composer
- [David Brock](#), American journalist and author
- [Romaine Brooks](#), American painter, bisexual
- [Nicole Brossard](#), [Quebec](#) poet and novelist
- [Bob Brown](#), Australian senator
- [Rita Mae Brown](#), American author
- [Robin Barney Brown](#), Northern Irish Clarinetist and feminist
- [Tammy Bruce](#), American author and feminist
- [Erik Bruhn](#), Danish ballet dancer
- [Jack Buetel](#), American film actor
- [JM J. Bullock](#), American tv personality
- [Lady Bunny](#), American drag performer
- [Guy Burgess](#), British traitor, spy
- [Glenn Burke](#), American baseball player
- [Ronnie Burkett](#), Canadian puppeteer
- [Pete Burns](#), British singer (*Dead or Alive*)
- [Chandler Burr](#), American author and journalist
- [Raymond Burr](#), American actor (*Perry Mason* & *Ironside*)
- [William S. Burroughs](#), American [Beat](#) author (*Naked Lunch*, *Junky*)
- [Saffron Burrows](#), British actress
- [Gary Burton](#), American jazz vibraphone musician
- [Richard Burton](#), Welsh actor, bisexual [*citation needed*]
- [Dan Butler](#), American actor
- [Judith Butler](#), American academic
- [Octavia Butler](#), American science fiction author
- [Spring Byington](#), American actress
- [Lord Byron](#), British poet, bisexual

## C

- [Paul Cadmus](#), American painter
- [John Cage](#), American composer of [aleatoric music](#) and partner of [Merce Cunningham](#).
- [Andrew Calimach](#), American author
- [Simon Callow](#), British actor
- [Jean Jacques Régis de Cambacérès](#), French lawyer and statesman, author of the Code Napoléon
- [Rhona Cameron](#), [British](#) Comedienne, TV Presenter
- [Tevin Campbell](#), [American R&B](#) musician
- [Daniele Capezzone](#), secretary of Italian Radical Party
- [Truman Capote](#), American author
- [Capucine](#), French actress (*The Pink Panther*), (*Walk on the Wild Side*)
- [Scott Capurro](#), American comedian and writer
- [Gia Carangi](#), American fashion model, widely considered the world's first supermodel
- [Michelangelo Merisi da Caravaggio](#), Italian Renaissance artist

- [Edward Carpenter](#), British poet and activist
- [Chris Carter](#), New Zealand Minister of Conservation, Minister of Local Government and Minister for Ethnic Affairs
- [Nell Carter](#), American actress/singer (star of *Gimme a Break*)
- [Giacomo Casanova](#), Italian seducer - bon vivant, bisexual
- [Michael Cashman](#), British actor and politician, member of the European Parliament
- [Maggie Cassella](#), Canadian comedian
- [Cazuza](#), Brazilian singer and poet
- [Luis Cernuda](#), Spanish playwright
- [Richard Chamberlain](#), American actor
- [Graham Chapman](#), British comedian, member of "[Monty Python's Flying Circus](#)"
- [Tracy Chapman](#), American singer/songwriter
- [Charles IV of Spain](#), Spanish king
- [Ian Charleson](#), Scottish actor
- [Mary Cheney](#), daughter of U.S. vice-president [Dick Cheney](#)
- [Marc Cherry](#), American creator of *Desperate Housewives*
- [Leslie Cheung](#), Hong Kong singer/actor
- [John Cheever](#), American writer, bisexual
- [Margaret Cho](#), American comedian, bisexual
- [Wayson Choy](#), [Canadian](#) novelist
- [Nathan Christoffersen](#), American activist and journalist
- [Ralph Chubb](#), British poet, artist, printer, and prophet
- [David Cicilline](#), American politician; Mayor of Providence, Rhode Island
- [James Clark](#), British ambassador to [Luxembourg](#)
- [Cam Clarke](#), American actor/singer
- [Julian Clary](#), British comedian
- [Charles Clegg](#), American author and photographer
- [Montgomery Clift](#), American actor
- [Kate Clinton](#), American comedian
- [James Coco](#), American actor
- [Jean Cocteau](#), French director and artist, lover of [Jean Marais](#)
- [Benjamin Cohen](#) British internet entrepreneur and journalist
- [Roy Cohn](#), American lawyer and associate of U.S. Senator [Joseph McCarthy](#)
- [Claudette Colbert](#), French-American actress, bisexual
- [Samuel Taylor Coleridge](#), English romantic poet, bisexual
- [Colette](#) French novelist, music hall performer, bisexual
- [Cyril Collard](#), French writer, director (*Les Nuits Fauves*), bisexual
- [Bill Condon](#), American screenwriter and director
- [Russ Conway](#), British pianist popular in late 1950s and early 1960s
- [Nancy Cook suffragette](#), educator, and an intimate of [Eleanor Roosevelt](#)
- [Dennis Cooper](#), American novelist, poet, and critic
- [Gary Cooper](#), American actor [*citation needed*]
- [Aaron Copland](#), American composer (bisexual according to a biography)
- [John Corigliano](#), American composer
- [Dean Corll](#), American serial killer
- [Douglas Coupland](#), Canadian writer, author of *Generation X: Tales for an Accelerated Culture*
- [Noel Coward](#), British writer
- [Henry Cowell](#), American composer
- [Marton Csokas](#), New Zealand actor

- [William Craig](#), Canadian owner of [HARD on PrideVision](#) and [OUTtv](#)
- [Cheryl Crane](#), Lana Turner's daughter; killer of [Johnny Stompanato](#)
- [Nicky Crane](#), British co-founder of neo-nazi organization [Blood and Honour](#)
- [Darby Crash](#), lead singer of American punk band [The Germs](#)
- [Gavin Crawford](#), [Canadian](#) television comic
- [Rene Crevel](#), French surrealist author
- [Quentin Crisp](#), British actor, author, and wit
- [Richard Cromwell](#), American actor (*[Jezebel](#)* and *[Lives of a Bengal Lancer](#)*) bisexual
- [Rodney Croome](#), Australian gay activist
- [Aleister Crowley](#), British occultist, bisexual
- [Howard Cruse](#), American underground cartoonist
- [Wilson Cruz](#), American actor and activist
- [George Cukor](#), American film director
- [Alan Cumming](#), British actor, bisexual
- [Rebecca Cummings](#), American porn star, bisexual
- [Andrew Cunanan](#), American [spree killer](#), murdered [Gianni Versace](#)
- [Merce Cunningham](#), American choreographer and partner of [John Cage](#).
- [Michael Cunningham](#), American writer
- [Pam Currie](#), [Scottish Socialist Party](#) activist
- [Adrienne Curry](#), American model and reality television star, bisexual
- [John Curry](#), British figure skater, [1976 Winter Olympics](#) gold medalist
- [Catie Curtis](#), American singer-songwriter
- [Tony Curtis](#), American actor, bisexual [*[citation needed](#)*]
- [Charlotte Cushman](#), American stage actress
- [Julie Cypher](#), American former lover of Melissa Etheridge

## D

- [Jacques d'Adelsward-Fersen](#), French novelist and poet
- [Eva Dahlgren](#), Swedish singer.
- [Jeffrey Dahmer](#), American serial killer and cannibal
- [Dan Dailey](#), American actor and dancer
- [Stephen Daldry](#), British gay film director
- [Dalida](#), Egyptian singer.
- [Joe Dallesandro](#), American actor and [Andy Warhol](#) protégé
- [Brian Dannelly](#), American writer/director (*[Saved!](#)*)
- [Dave Davies](#), [British](#) rock musician ([The Kinks](#))
- [Libby Davies](#), Canadian member of parliament
- [Peter Maxwell Davies](#), British composer
- [Ron Davies](#), former MP and former member of Welsh Assembly
- [Russell T. Davies](#), British television producer and screenwriter
- [Mercedes de Acosta](#), American author and socialite
- [James Dean](#), American actor, bisexual
- [Dean DeBlois](#), Canadian animator and director (*[Lilo & Stitch](#)*)
- [Frank DeCaro](#), American writer/performer
- [Jeanine Deckers](#), Belgian nun and singer-songwriter
- [Edgar de Evia](#), Mexican-born American photographer, writer, artist
- [Ellen DeGeneres](#), American writer, comedian and actress
- [Baron Nicolas de Gunzburg](#), American and French socialite, editor, actor, producer and mentor to: [Calvin Klein](#), [Bill Blass](#) and [Oscar de la Renta](#)

- [Michelle Deighton](#), American fashion model, former contestant on *America's Next Top Model*, bisexual
- [Andreas Deja](#), Polish-born German character animator for The Walt Disney Company
- [Bertrand Delanoë](#), mayor of Paris
- [Samuel Delany](#), American science fiction author
- [Lea DeLaria](#), American comedian, jazz singer, author
- [Robert Denning](#), American interior designer, socialite in New York City and Paris and protégé of [Edgar de Evia](#)
- [Denice Denton](#), American university chancellor
- [Drea de Matteo](#), American actress, bisexual
- [Portia de Rossi](#), Australian-born actress
- [Abby DeWald](#), American musician, member of [Ditty Bops](#)
- [Elsie de Wolfe](#), American socialite and interior decorator
- [Sergei Diaghilev](#), Russian art critic, patron, ballet impresario and founder of the [Ballets Russes](#)
- [Guillermo Diaz](#), American actor
- [Andy Dick](#), American actor and comedian
- [Marion Dickerman](#) suffragette, educator, vice-principal of the [Todhunter School](#) and an intimate of [Eleanor Roosevelt](#)
- [Janice Dickinson](#), American model (claims to be 1st supermodel), bisexual
- [Dave Dictor](#), frontman of American hardcore punk band [MDC](#)
- [Marlene Dietrich](#), German actress, bisexual
- [Ani DiFranco](#), American folk singer, bisexual
- [Diane DiMassa](#), American cartoonist and author, *HotHead Paisan*, *Homicidal Lesbian Terrorist*
- [Elio Di Rupo](#), Belgian politician
- [Thomas M. Disch](#), American writer of science fiction and horror
- [Divine](#), American actor (in many of [John Waters's](#) films)
- [Emma Donoghue](#) Irish-born author and essayist
- [Tom Dooley](#), American Catholic who became a national hero for his humanitarian work in Vietnam during the 1950s and early 1960s.
- [Candas Dorsey](#), Canadian science fiction author
- [Joseph Doucé](#), French [psychologist](#) and [Baptist](#) minister, founder of the [International Lesbian and Gay Association](#)
- [Lord Alfred Douglas](#), British poet and author, [Oscar Wilde's](#) lover.
- [Kyan Douglas](#), American grooming guru on [Queer Eye for the Straight Guy](#)
- [Brian Dowling](#), 2001 British [Big Brother](#) winner
- [James Dreyfus](#), British film and television actor
- [Carol Ann Duffy](#), Scottish poet and feminist
- [Diane Duane](#), American author, bisexual
- [Alan Duncan](#), British politician
- [Don Dunstan](#), Australian Labor politician, Premier of South Australia; married twice; bisexual
- [James Duval](#), American actor, bisexual
- [Clea DuVall](#), American actress, bisexual
- [Andrea Dworkin](#), American feminist

E

- [Angela Eagle](#), British [Member of Parliament](#)
- [Edward II](#), king of England, bisexual

- [Hilton Edwards](#), Irish actor, co-founder of Dublin's Gate Theatre, partner of [Micheál MacLiammoir](#)
- [Elagabalus](#), Roman emperor
- [Cássia Eller](#), Brazilian musician
- [Bret Easton Ellis](#), American writer, gay
- [Ruth Ellis](#), lesbian matriarch and only known African-American centenarian lesbian
- [Julian Eltinge](#), American vaudeville performer, drag queen, and film actor
- [Brian Epstein](#), British, manager of [The Beatles](#)
- [Epaminondas](#), Theban military commander and statesmen
- [Bülent Ersoy](#), Turkish transexual musician
- [Melissa Etheridge](#), American musician
- [Uzi Even](#), first openly gay member of the Israeli [Knesset](#)
- [Kenny Everett](#), British DJ and comic
- [Rupert Everett](#), British actor

## F

- [George Faludy](#), Hungarian poet and writer (*My Happy Days in Hell*), bisexual.
- [Justin Fashanu](#), British footballer.
- [Rainer Werner Fassbinder](#), German movie director.
- [Mark Feehily](#), Irish singer, [Westlife](#).
- [Ferdinand I of Bulgaria](#), former Tsar of Bulgaria.
- [Harvey Fierstein](#), American actor, playwright (*Torch Song Trilogy*).
- [Thom Filicia](#), American home design guru on [Queer Eye for the Straight Guy](#).
- [Timothy Findley](#), [Canadian](#) novelist and playwright.
- [Leslie Fish](#), SF writer, folk musician and political activist, bisexual.
- [Fannie Flagg](#), American author, [Fried Green Tomatoes](#).
- [Maile Flanagan](#), American film, television, and voice actress.
- [Laura Flanders](#), American host on [Air America Radio](#).
- [Gary Floyd](#), American frontman of hardcore punk band [The Dicks](#).
- [Mark Foley](#), member of the [United States House of Representatives](#) (R-FL).
- [Tom Ford](#), American fashion designer.
- [E. M. Forster](#), British author.
- [Jackie Forster](#), American TV news presenter/journalist and [Minorities Research Group](#) member.
- [Pim Fortuyn](#), assassinated Dutch politician.
- [Vincent Fourcade](#), French American interior designer and socialite.
- [Xavier Fourcade](#), French American contemporary art dealer and proprietor of the Xavier Fourcade Gallery
- [Per-Kristian Foss](#), Finance Minister of [Norway](#).
- [Michel Foucault](#), French scholar, partnered with [Daniel Defert](#) from 1963 till his death, Aldrich, Robert and Wotherspoon, Gary (Eds.) (2001). Also dated [Jean Barraque](#).
- [Samantha Fox](#), British model and one time pop singer.
- [Virgil Fox](#), American organist.
- [Simon Fowler](#), British vocalist for rock band [Ocean Colour Scene](#).
- [Barney Frank](#), American congressman (D-MA).
- [Sidney Franklin](#), American matador.
- [Robert Fraser](#), English art dealer and producer .
- [Peter Frechette](#), American film, stage and television actor.
- [Aaron Fricke](#), American gay rights activist who successfully sued his high school for the right to bring his boyfriend to the senior prom.



- [Donald Friend](#), Australian artist.
- [Stephen Fry](#), British actor, comedian, novelist and wit.

## G

- [John Wayne Gacy](#), American [serial killer](#)
- [Rudy Galindo](#), American figure skater
- [Jeff Gannon](#) (James Dale Guckert), American journalist involved in a scandal around [White House](#) press credentials (bisexual) [\[35\]](#)
- [Robert Gant](#), American actor (*[Queer As Folk](#)*)
- [Greta Garbo](#), Swedish actress, bisexual
- [Federico García Lorca](#), Spanish poet and playwright, martyred in the [Spanish Civil War](#)
- [Stephen Gately](#), Irish singer and ex member of the boyband [Boyzone](#)
- [Mark Gatiss](#), British comedian and writer [*[citation needed](#)*]
- [Jean-Paul Gaultier](#), French fashion designer
- [Piers Gaveston](#), French-born lover of [Edward II](#)
- [Janet Gaynor](#), American film actress
- [Will Geer](#), American actor (Grandpa Walton, *[The Waltons](#)*)
- [David Geffen](#), American music producer and record executive
- [Jean Genet](#), French writer
- [Kitty Genovese](#), American crime victim
- [Chrissy Gephardt](#), American daughter of U.S. congressman [Dick Gephardt](#)
- [Boy George](#), British musician
- [David Gerrold](#), American science fiction writer, inventor of [Tribbles](#)
- [Malcolm Gets](#), American actor
- [Gian Gastone de' Medici](#), Grand Duke of Tuscany
- [André Gide](#), French novelist and [Nobel Laureate](#)
- [Sir John Gielgud](#), British theater and film actor
- [Sara Gilbert](#), American television actress, series *[Roseanne](#)*
- [Rolf Gindorf](#), German sexologist
- [Candace Gingrich](#), American activist, half-sister of former U.S. Speaker of the House [Newt Gingrich](#)
- [Allen Ginsberg](#), American Beat poet ("Howl").
- [Judy Gold](#), American comedienne
- [Andrew Goldstein](#), professional lacrosse player
- [Claudia Gonson](#), musician, collaborator with [Stephin Merritt](#) and [the Magnetic Fields](#)
- [Felix Gonzalez-Torres](#), American artist
- [Julie Goodyear](#), British television actress (*[Coronation Street](#)*)
- [Lesley Gore](#), American singer
- [Gorgidas, Theban](#) military leader of the [Sacred band](#) of elite troops of paired gay lovers.
- [Juan Goytisolo](#), Spanish writer
- [Judy Grahn](#), American poet
- [Barbara Graham](#), American burglar, had a well-publicized relationship with fellow inmate Donna Prow
- [Farley Granger](#), American actor
- [Duncan Grant](#), Scottish painter and member of the Bloomsbury group
- [Brian Greig](#), [Australian senator](#).
- [Athen Grey](#), American [photographer](#)
- [John Greyson](#), Canadian filmmaker (*[Zero Patience](#)*, *[Proteus](#)*)
- [Gustaf Gründgens](#), German actor and stage director
- [Michael Guest](#), [former U.S. ambassador](#) to [Romania](#).

## H

- [Fritz Haarmann](#), German serial killer
- [Marilyn Hacker](#), American poet
- [Hadrian](#), Roman military commander and emperor
- [Leisha Hailey](#), American musician and actress
- [William Haines](#), American actor
- [Rob Halford](#), British singer ([Judas Priest](#))
- [Kristen Hall](#), American musician and songwriter, formerly of [Sugarland](#)
- [Radclyffe Hall](#), British lesbian, author of [The Well of Loneliness](#)
- [Marc Hall](#), Canadian student and activist
- [Vincent Hanley](#), Irish radio DJ who died of an [AIDS](#)-related illness
- [Kathleen Hanna](#), American musician, bisexual
- [Lorraine Hansberry](#), American playwright ([A Raisin in the Sun](#))
- [G. H. Hardy](#), British mathematician
- [Billy James Hargis](#) American televangelist.
- [Keith Haring](#), American artist
- [E. Lynn Harris](#), American writer
- [Lou Harrison](#), American composer
- [Randy Harrison](#), American actor ([Queer As Folk](#))
- [Deborah Harry](#), American singer, [Blondie](#). [*citation needed*]
- [Lorenz Hart](#), American Broadway lyricist, who penned his work with [Richard Rodgers](#)
- [Marsden Hartley](#), American painter
- [Nina Hartley](#), American porn actress
- [Patrick Harvie](#), [Scottish Green Party Member of the Scottish Parliament](#), bisexual
- [Bill Hastings](#), Chief Censor of New Zealand
- [Richard Hatch](#), American contestant and winner of reality tv series [Survivor](#)
- [Hurd Hatfield](#), American actor
- [Sophie B. Hawkins](#), American musician, bisexual
- Sir [Nigel Hawthorne](#), [British](#) actor
- [Charles Hawtrey](#) (George Hartree), British actor (not to be confused with [Sir Charles Hawtrey](#), the Victorian stage actor)
- [Harry Hay](#), American [gay rights](#) activist, founder of the [Mattachine Society](#)
- [Todd Haynes](#), American film director
- [Edith Head](#), American costume designer, winner of 8 [Academy Awards](#)
- [Anne Heche](#), American actress, bisexual
- [Michael Hendricks](#), Canadian gay rights activist, half of first couple to [legally marry](#) in Quebec
- [Nona Hendryx](#), American singer ([Labelle](#)), bisexual
- [Hans Werner Henze](#), German-italian composer
- [Hephaestion](#), Alexander The Great's lover and best friend. Military officer.
- [Jerry Herman](#), American composer and lyricist ([Hello Dolly!](#))
- [Ty Herndon](#), American Country & Western singer, bisexual
- [Sighsten Herrgård](#), Swedish designer, trendsetter. Became the face of [AIDS](#) in Sweden.
- [Frank Hershey](#) (aka [Franklin Q. Hershey](#)) American automotive designer (1949 Cadillac, 1955 [Ford Thunderbird](#))
- [Ralph Hexter](#), American educator, President of [Hampshire College](#)
- [Hibiscus+](#), American founder of the all-drag [The Cockettes](#)
- [Patricia Highsmith](#), American writer, bisexual
- [Hildegarde](#), American cabaret singer, lesbian partner of Anna Sosenko
- [Magnus Hirschfeld](#), German sociologist, formed the possible first gay rights organization,

the Scientific Humanitarian Committee in 1897.

- [Billie Holiday](#), American blues singer, bisexual
- [Alan Hollinghurst](#), British author (*The Swimming Pool Library*)
- [Dave Holmes](#), American TV personality, former [MTV](#) VJ
- [Philippe Honoré](#), French-born violinist, life-partner of Indian novelist [Vikram Seth](#)
- [John Holmes](#), American porn actor, bisexual
- [James Hormel](#), former [U.S. ambassador](#) to [Luxembourg](#). Appointed by President [Bill Clinton](#) in 1999.
- [Horst P. Horst](#), American photographer
- [A. E. Housman](#), British poet
- [Frankie Howerd](#), British actor
- [Rock Hudson](#), American actor
- [Tanya Huff](#), Canadian author
- [Michael Huffington](#), American politician
- [Langston Hughes](#), American author, poet
- [Simon Hughes](#), British politician (bi)
- [Jerry Hunt](#), American composer
- [Tab Hunter](#), American actor/singer
- [Chris Hyndman](#), Canadian tv personality
- [Nicholas Hytner](#), British theater and film director

## I

- [Janis Ian](#), American singer/songwriter
- [Norman Iceberg](#), Canadian singer/songwriter
- [Witi Ihimaera](#), New Zealand author, *Whale Rider*
- [William Inge](#), American dramatist
- [John Inman](#)<sup>+</sup>, British actor
- [Sharon Isbin](#), American classical guitarist
- [Christopher Isherwood](#), British novelist
- [James Ivory](#), American director, producer, and screenwriter

## J

- [Tony Jackson](#), American pianist and composer
- [Max Jacob](#), French poet
- [Marc Jacobs](#), American fashion designer
- Sir [Derek Jacobi](#), British actor and director
- [Cheryl Jacques](#), American politician
- [Paco Jamandreu](#), Argentine fashion designer and actor
- [James I of England](#), James VI of Scotland
- [Jenna Jameson](#), American adult-film actress, bisexual
- [Tove Jansson](#), Finnish author of the [Moomin](#) books
- [Derek Jarman](#), British film director, artist and writer
- [Michael Jeter](#), American actor, "[Mr. Noodle's brother Mr. Noodle](#)" of *Sesame Street*
- [Sarah Orne Jewett](#), American author [*citation needed*]
- [Patria Jimenez](#), Mexican politician - [PRD](#) member of Mexico's Chamber of Deputies - first openly lesbian member of Mexico's National Legislature.
- [Phil Jimenez](#), American comic artist
- [Jobriath](#), American rock singer
- [Edmund John](#), [Uranian](#) poet

- [Elton John](#), [British](#) singer, musician, composer
- [Jeffrey John](#), [Church of England](#) dean
- [Jasper Johns](#), American pop artist in the 1960s
- [Holly Johnson](#), British lead singer for [Frankie Goes to Hollywood](#)
- [Philip Johnson](#), American architect, bisexual
- [Angelina Jolie](#), American actress, bisexual
- [Bill T. Jones](#), American dancer and choreographer
- [Cherry Jones](#), American actress
- [Grace Jones](#), Jamaican-born actress and singer [*citation needed*]
- [Jim Jones](#), American cult leader [*citation needed*]
- [Janis Joplin](#), American singer, bisexual
- [Barbara Jordan](#), American congresswoman
- [Leslie Jordan](#), American character actor; *Will & Grace*, *Sordid Lives*
- [Mychal F. Judge](#), American Franciscan priest, [WTC](#) terrorism victim
- [Miranda July](#), American performance artist and film director, bisexual

## K

- [Frida Kahlo](#), Mexican artist, wife of Diego Rivera, bisexual
- [Chris Kanyon](#), American wrestler
- [Gorden Kaye](#), British actor
- [Johan Kenkhuis](#), Dutch Olympic swimmer
- [Brian Kennedy](#), journalist and activist, helped set up the London Lesbian and Gay Centre
- [Brian Kennedy](#), Irish singer, songwriter and novelist
- [Graham Kennedy](#), Australian television personality
- [Jack Kerouac](#), American author, bisexual
- [Maya Keyes](#), American daughter of U.S. politician [Alan Keyes](#)
- [John Maynard Keynes](#), British economist
- [Larry Kert](#), American Broadway stage performer
- [Udo Kier](#), German actor
- [Bernard King](#), Australian tv personality, celebrity chef
- [Billie Jean King](#), American tennis player, bisexual
- [Florence King](#), American writer and columnist, bisexual
- [Andrew Kinloch](#), British member of [boy band Phixx](#)
- [Alfred Kinsey](#), American scientist, sexologist, founder of the [Institute for Sex Research](#), bisexual
- The Hon. Justice [Michael Kirby](#), Justice of the High Court of Australia
- [Robert Kirby](#), American cartoonist (*Curbside*)
- [Tommy Kirk](#), American actor
- [Tim Kirkman](#), American writer and film director
- [James Kirkwood, Jr.](#), American playwright (*A Chorus Line*)
- [Jim Kolbe](#), member of the [United States House of Representatives \(R-Arizona\)](#)
- [Jeffrey Kofman](#), Canadian journalist at [ABC](#)
- [David Kopay](#), American football player
- [Dave Koz](#), American [jazz](#) musician and radio host
- [Larry Kramer](#), American novelist and playwright
- [Ronnie Kray](#), British gangster
- [Carson Kressley](#), American style guru on *Queer Eye for the Straight Guy*
- [Sheila Kuehl](#), [California State Senator](#) and former [teenage](#) actress
- [Michael Kühnen](#), German neo-nazi leader

- [Nancy Kulp](#), American actress (*The Beverly Hillbillies*)
- [Elvira Kurt](#), Canadian comedian
- [Tony Kushner](#), American playwright (*Angels in America*)
- [Mikhail Kuzmin](#), Russian novelist and poet
- [Stanley Kwan](#), [Chinese](#) filmmaker

## L

- [Touko Laaksonen](#) (Tom of Finland), Finnish artist
- [Bruce LaBruce](#), Canadian filmmaker
- [David LaChapelle](#), American photographer
- [Gavin Lambert](#), British screenwriter, novelist and biographer
- [Wanda Landowska](#), Polish harpsichord, companion of [Denise Restout](#)
- [Nathan Lane](#), American actor and singer
- [k.d. lang](#), Canadian country and blues singer.
- [Tom Lanoye](#), Belgian writer.
- [Laurier L. LaPierre](#), Canadian broadcaster and [Senator](#)
- [Jack Larson](#), American actor, screenwriter and producer
- [Danny La Rue](#), Irish-born comedian and [drag queen](#)
- [Derek Laud](#), British political activist and *Big Brother* contestant
- [Charles Laughton](#), British actor, possibly bisexual
- [Lonnie Latham](#) disgraced minister [*citation needed*]
- [Chris Lea](#), former leader of the [Green Party of Canada](#), first openly gay party leader in Canada
- [René Leboeuf](#), Canadian gay rights activist, half of first same-sex couple to [legally marry](#) in Quebec
- [Mark Leduc](#), Canadian Olympic medallist/boxing, 1992
- [Violette Leduc](#), French author
- [Sook-Yin Lee](#), Canadian tv personality, former *MuchMusic* VJ, bisexual
- [Leonardo da Vinci](#) (1452–1519), *doubtful*: imprisoned on *suspicion* of homosexuality, but not convicted; "repressed homosexual" according to [Sigmund Freud](#),<sup>[11]</sup> but the scientific reliability of Freud's analysis is disputed.
- [Eva Le Gallienne](#), British-born American actress and screenwriter
- [Annie Leibowitz](#), American photographer. [*citation needed*]
- [Robert LePage](#), Canadian playwright, actor and film director [*citation needed*]
- [José Lezama Lima](#), Cuban poet
- [Liberace](#), American musician (denied by Liberace himself; died of complications resulting from HIV) [*citation needed*]
- [Jesse Liberty](#), American writer, bisexual
- [Ivri Lider](#), Israeli singer
- [Iyari Limon](#), American actress, bisexual
- [Janine Lindemulder](#), American porn actress, bisexual
- [Brian Linehan](#), Canadian tv personality [*citation needed*]
- [Alain Locke](#), first African-American [Rhodes scholar](#) [*citation needed*]
- [Kristanna Loken](#), American actress, bisexual
- [Audre Lorde](#), American poet, author
- [Lance Loud](#), American [reality television](#) show *An American Family*, rock singer (Lance Loud and the Mumps)
- [Greg Louganis](#), U.S. Olympic high-diver
- [Craig Lucas](#), playwright, theatre and film director
- [Matt Lucas](#), British comedian

- [Ludwig II](#), German King of Bavaria (Builder of Neuschwanstein)
- [Ernst Ludwig](#), German Grand Duke of Hesse and The Rhine [*citation needed*]
- [Jean-Baptiste Lully](#), French baroque composer, bisexual
- [Paul Lynde](#), American actor and comedian
- [Jane Lynch](#), American actress ("[The 40-Year-Old Virgin](#)")
- [Andreas Lundstedt](#), Swedish musician (*[Alcazar](#)*, *[Six4one](#)*)

## M

- [Ann-Marie MacDonald](#), Canadian author and playwright
- [Ashley MacIsaac](#), Canadian [fiddler](#) from [Cape Breton](#)
- [Cameron Mackintosh](#), British theatrical producer
- [Mary MacLane](#), British Edwardian-era writer
- [Micheál MacLiammoir](#), Irish actor and co-founder of Dublin's Gate Theatre
- [Rachel Maddow](#), American talk show host, *[Air America Radio](#)*
- [Gregory Maguire](#), American author (*[Wicked](#)*), married to painter Andy Newman
- [Tony Malone](#), British graphic designer and typographer
- [Peter Mandelson](#), Britain's EU commissioner
- [Marjorie Main](#), American actress best known for portraying [Ma Kettle](#)
- [Irshad Manji](#), Canadian journalist, author, and "Muslim Refusenik".
- [Erika Mann](#), German cabaret producer, actress, author
- [Klaus Mann](#), German author
- [Thomas Mann](#), German author
- [Robert Mapplethorpe](#), American artist, photographer
- [Jean Marais](#), French actor, lover of [Jean Cocteau](#)
- [Josie Maran](#), American model, bisexual
- [Marilyn](#), [British](#) pop star and [musician](#)
- [Beatriz Marinello](#), President of [United States Chess Federation](#)
- [Christopher Marlowe](#), British [Elizabethan](#) playwright
- [Del Marquis](#), American, bass player in [Scissor Sisters](#)
- [David Marr](#), Australian author, broadcaster and media commentator
- [David Marsden](#), Canadian radio broadcaster and music promoter
- [Andy Martin](#), British musician (*[The Apostles](#)*, *[Academy 23](#)*), editor (*[SMILE](#)*) and writer
- [Jake Maskall](#), [British](#) actor from *[EastEnders](#)*
- [Heather Matarazzo](#), American actress
- [Johnny Mathis](#), American singer
- [William Somerset Maugham](#), British writer and dramatist
- [Armistead Maupin](#), American writer (*[Tales of the City](#)*)
- [Amélie Mauresmo](#), French tennis player
- [Jenny McCarthy](#), American actress and model, bisexual [*citation needed*]
- [Roddy McDowall](#), British actor and photographer
- [Frank McGuinness](#), Irish playwright
- [Jonny McGovern](#) ("The Gay Pimp"), American comedian and singer
- [Jim McGreevey](#), American former governor of [New Jersey](#)
- Sir [Ian McKellen](#), British actor, gay rights campaigner
- [Terrence McNally](#), American playwright
- [David McReynolds](#) - first openly gay man to run for USA Presidency
- [Margaret Mead](#), American anthropologist, bisexual
- [Gian Gastone de' Medici](#), [Grand Duke of Tuscany](#), last Medici ruler of [Tuscany](#)
- [Joe Meek](#), British record producer

- [Armin Meiwes](#), German cannibal
- [Meleager \(general\)](#), Greek military commander
- [George Melly](#), British jazz-singer and writer
- [Réal Ménard](#), Canadian member of parliament
- [Gian Carlo Menotti](#), American composer
- [Rick Mercer](#), [Canadian](#) television comedian
- [Ismail Merchant](#), Indian-born British film director, producer, and screen witer
- [Freddie Mercury](#), British musician ([Queen](#))
- [James Merrill](#), American poet
- [Stephin Merritt](#), American singer/songwriter for [the Magnetic Fields](#), [the Sixths](#), and [the Gothic Archies](#)
- [Metrobius](#), ancient Roman actor
- [George Michael](#), British singer ([Wham](#))
- [Tammy Lynn Michaels](#), American actress, partner of Melissa Etheridge
- [Harvey Milk](#), American, was member of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors, assassinated in 1978
- [Eric Millegan](#), American actor
- [Merle Miller](#), American presidential biographer
- [Kate Millet](#), American author
- [Scott Mills](#), British Radio DJ
- [Vincente Minnelli](#), American husband of Judy Garland, father of Liza Minnelli, bisexual
- [Sal Mineo](#), American actor
- [Yukio Mishima](#), Japanese author
- [Jerry Mitchell](#), American [Tony Award](#)-winning choreographer
- [John Cameron Mitchell](#), American writer and director. Creator of [Hedwig and the Angry Inch](#)
- [Isaac Mizrahi](#), American fashion designer, television show host
- [Dave Moffatt](#), Canadian singer
- [Albert Mol](#), Dutch actor
- [Brian Molko](#), Belgian-born singer of British rock band [Placebo](#), bisexual
- Comte [Robert de Montesquiou](#) poet, writer, set designer, patron of the arts
- [Amanda Moore](#), American fashion model
- [Gene Moore](#) leading window dresser first at Bonwit Teller then at Tiffany
- [Tyria Moore](#), American love partner of serial killer [Aileen Wuornos](#)
- [Cherrie Moraga](#), American author on lesbian Hispanic themes
- [Richard Morel](#), American singer, music producer
- [Chris Morgan](#), British powerlifting champion
- [Paul Morrissey](#), American filmmaker
- [Rudolph Moshhammer](#), German clothing designer
- [Bob Mould](#), American rock musician, former member of [Hüsker Dü](#) and [Sugar](#)
- [Megan Mullally](#), American actress, bisexual
- [Misty Mundae](#), American actress, bisexual
- [Murathan Mungan](#), Turkish author, playwright and poet
- [Saki](#) (real name H.H. Munro), British Edwardian writer
- [Glen Murray](#), Canadian former mayor of [Winnipeg, Manitoba](#)
- [Michael Musto](#), American columnist, TV personality

## N

- [Kathy Najimy](#), American actress, bisexual
- [Martina Navratilova](#), Czech-born American tennis player

- [Alla Nazimova](#), Ukrainian born American silent film actress
- [Ted Nebbeling](#), Canadian politician, first Cabinet Minister to legally marry his same sex partner.
- [Mike Nelson](#), American politician. Five-term mayor of [Carrboro, NC](#); first openly gay mayor in the American South.
- [Beverley Nichols](#), British writer, playwright, actor, novelist and composer
- [Vaslav Nijinsky](#), Russian ballet dancer, choreographer
- [Dennis Nilsen](#), British serial killer
- [Cynthia Nixon](#), American actress
- [Klaus Nomi](#), German singer
- [Peter North](#), Canadian born adult-film actor who predominantly appears in heterosexual porn
- [Graham Norton](#), Irish comedian and television personality
- [Henri Nouwen](#) (1932-1996), probably, according to Michael Ford in *Wounded Prophet : A portrait of Henri J.M. Nouwen*, 1999, [ISBN 038549372X](#)
- [Ramon Novarro](#), Mexican-American silent screen actor
- [Ivor Novello](#), British stage and film actor
- [Richard Bruce Nugent](#), American author, wrote first description of homosexuality in African-American literature.
- [Terri Nunn](#), American singer, [new wave](#) band [Berlin](#), bisexual
- [Rudolf Nureyev](#), Russian ballet dancer
- [Laura Nyro](#), American singer

## O

- [Mark Oaten](#), British politician
- [Sinéad O'Connor](#), Irish singer, bisexual (Ryan Confidential, broadcast on [RTÉ 1](#) on [May 29, 2003](#))
- [Daniel O'Donnell](#), American politician, brother of Rosie O'Donnell
- [Rosie O'Donnell](#), American comedian
- [Eoin O'Duffy](#), Irish police commissioner, leader of the 'Blueshirts' and aide to [Michael Collins \(Irish leader\)](#)
- [Paul O'Grady](#), [British](#) television performer
- [Denis O'Hare](#), American Tony Award-winning actor
- [Andrew Olexander](#), [Australian](#) politician, current member of the [Victorian Legislative Council](#)
- [Mary Oliver](#), American poet
- [Pauline Oliveros](#), American composer
- [Laurence Olivier](#), British actor, bisexual
- [Brian Orser](#), Canadian silver medalist at both the [1984 Winter Olympics](#) and the [1988 Winter Olympics](#)
- [Joe Orton](#), British playwright
- [Cathal Ó Searcaigh](#), Irish poet
- [Kanako Otsuji](#), Japan's 1st openly lesbian politician
- [François Ozon](#), French writer and film director
- [Ferzan Ozpetek](#), Turkish-Italian screenwriter and film director

## P

- [Brian Paddick](#), British police commander
- [Hugh Paddick](#), British actor



- [Camille Paglia](#), American author and social critic, bisexual
- [Peter Paige](#), American actor (*Queer as Folk*)
- [David Paisley](#), British actor
- [Pai Hsien-yung](#), Taiwanese writer
- [Chuck Palahniuk](#), American writer, *Fight Club*
- [Chuck Panozzo](#), American musician (*Styx*).
- [Carl Panzram](#), American serial killer
- [Antonia Pantojas](#), Puerto Rican educator
- [Antonio Pantojas](#), Puerto Rican actor
- [Benito Papazón](#), Mexican journalist and politician.
- [Bob Paris](#), American bodybuilder
- [Annise Parker](#), American activist/politician
- [Alex Parks](#), British singer/songwriter
- [Matthew Parris](#), British journalist and former politician
- [Harry Partch](#), American composer and [just intonation](#) instrument inventor
- [Pier Paolo Pasolini](#), Italian director and writer
- [Robert Patrick](#), American Off-Off Broadway playwright
- [Paul Patrick](#), British LGBT activist
- [Pat Patterson](#), professional wrestler
- [John Paulk](#), American former leader of the ex-gay movement and ex-president of [Exodus International](#)
- [Sarah Paulson](#), American actress
- [Graham Payn](#), British actor and singer
- [Douglas Pearce](#), British musician best known for his work as [Death In June](#).
- [Peter Pears](#), British singer
- [Alfonso Pecoraro Scanio](#), Italian politician, secretary of the Green Party, bisexual
- [Queen Pen](#), American bisexual rapper
- [Anthony Perkins](#), American actor, bisexual
- [Linda Perry](#), American singer
- [Roger Peyrefitte](#), French diplomat and writer
- [Dean Phoenix](#), pornographic actor
- [Philip II of France](#), French monarch
- [Philippe](#), French Duke of Orléans under [Louis XIV](#)
- [Phranc](#), American singer/songwriter, musician and artist
- [Samantha Pike](#), American Actress, bisexual
- [Pink](#), American pop singer, bisexual
- [Doug Pinnick](#), American singer and musician, [King's X](#)
- [Danny Pintauro](#), American actor (*Who's the Boss?*)
- [Miguel Piñero](#), Puerto Rican playwright, bisexual
- [Prince Edmond de Polignac](#), French composer
- [Marcel Proust](#), French author
- [Carole Pope](#), Canadian rock singer
- [Cole Porter](#), American composer and lyricist (*Anything Goes*)
- [Michael Portillo](#), British politician and journalist
- [Francis Poulenc](#), French composer
- [Vincent Price](#), American actor [*citation needed*]
- [Manuel Puig](#), Argentine writer

Q

- [Colin Quinn](#), American comedian and actor, acknowledges several same-sex encounters in his late teens and early twenties.
- [Sara Quin](#), Canadian singer/songwriter, member of the band [Tegan and Sara](#)
- [Tegan Quin](#), Canadian singer/songwriter, member of the band [Tegan and Sara](#)

## R

- [Justin Raimondo](#), American writer
- [Gilles de Rais](#), [French](#) nobleman and [serial killer](#)
- [Richard Ramirez](#), American serial killer, bisexual
- [Anthony Rapp](#), American actor and singer
- [Terence Rattigan](#), British playwright
- [Robert Rauschenberg](#), American artist
- [Amy Ray](#), American singer, The [Indigo Girls](#)
- [Nicholas Ray](#), American film director, bisexual
- [John Rechy](#), American author
- [Robert Reed](#), American actor (*[The Brady Bunch](#)*)
- [Charles Nelson Reilly](#), American actor and former game-show regular
- [George Reinholt](#), American [soap opera](#) actor (Steve Frame on *[Another World](#)*)
- [Jennifer Diane Reitz](#), American computer programmer, cartoonist and gender rights advocate, bisexual.
- [Rio Reiser](#), German musician ("[Ton Steine Scherben](#)"), bisexual
- [John Reith, 1st Baron Reith](#) British founder of the [BBC](#)
- [Mary Renault](#), South African novelist
- [Denise Restout](#), French companion of [Wanda Landowska](#)
- [Gerard Reve](#), Dutch writer
- [Cecil Rhodes](#), British financier and colonizer of Africa
- [Christopher Rice](#), American author (son of [Anne Rice](#))
- [Adrienne Rich](#), American poet and critic
- [Sviatoslav Richter](#), Russian pianist
- [Marlon Riggs](#), American author and producer of *[Tongues Untied](#)*
- [Arthur Rimbaud](#), French poet
- [Herb Ritts](#), American fashion photographer
- [Bobby Rivers](#), American TV personality [*[citation needed](#)*]
- [Jerome Robbins](#), American choreographer. [*[citation needed](#)*]
- [Ian Roberts](#), Australian [Rugby League](#) player
- [Angela Robinson](#), American film director
- [Anwar Robinson](#), [American Idol](#) contestant
- [Gene Robinson](#), American [Episcopal bishop](#) of [New Hampshire](#)
- [Svend Robinson](#), former Canadian member of parliament
- [Tom Robinson](#), British rock musician
- [Roland Rocchiccioli](#), Australian performer and television personality
- [Roche-sur-Yon](#), French prince and King of Poland
- [Jai Rodriguez](#), American "culture guru" on *[Queer Eye for the Straight Guy](#)*
- [Ernst Röhm](#), German leader of the [Nazi SA](#) (Brownshirts)
- [Anthony Romero](#), first Hispanic and openly gay Executive Director of the [ACLU](#)
- [Cesar Romero](#), American actor
- [Ned Rorem](#), American composer,
- [Seraphim Rose](#), informal [saint](#) of the [Russian Orthodox Church](#); had longterm same-sex relationship in his youth later converted to Orthodox Christianity and became celibate in order to live according to the rules of the faith.

- [Hilary Rosen](#), American former CEO of the [RIAA](#), longtime partner of Elizabeth Birch (see above)
- [Jane Rule](#), Canadian author
- [RuPaul](#) (RuPaul Andre Charles), American singer, actor
- [Joanna Russ](#), American science fiction/fantasy author and feminist
- [Craig Russell](#), Canadian female impersonator
- [Bayard Rustin](#), American [civil rights](#) activist, organizer of the 1963 [March on Washington](#), introduced [Martin Luther King Jr.](#) to the writings of [Mahatma Gandhi](#) and [non-violence](#), fired for being gay

## S

- [Mário de Sá-Carneiro](#), Portuguese modern poet
- [Steven Sabados](#), Canadian TV personality
- [Vita Sackville-West](#), British author and poet
- [Marquis de Sade](#), French author and philosopher, bisexual
- [Leontine Sagan](#), Austrian film-maker
- [Emily Saliers](#), American singer, [The Indigo Girls](#)
- [Jari Sillanpää](#), Finnish singer
- [Victor Salva](#), American writer/director ([Jeepers Creepers](#))
- [Alex Sanchez](#), Mexican author.
- [Ben Sander](#) (Brini Maxwell), American drag performer and television host
- [Sue Sanders](#), British LGBT activist
- [Emmanuel Sandhu](#), Canadian figure skater
- [Jeremy Sapienza](#), American [anarcho-capitalist](#)
- [Dick Sargent](#), American actor, (second "Darrin" on [Bewitched](#))
- [Siegfried Sassoon](#), British poet
- [John Saul](#), American novelist
- [Dan Savage](#), American columnist
- [Francesco Scavullo](#), American fashion photographer
- [John Schlesinger](#), British film director ([Midnight Cowboy](#), [Sunday Bloody Sunday](#))
- [Fred Schneider](#), American lead singer of [The B-52's](#)
- [Joel Schumacher](#), American filmmaker ([The Phantom of the Opera](#))
- [David Sedaris](#), American essayist and radio personality
- [Pierre Seel](#), French concentration camp survivor
- [Shyam Selvadurai](#), Sri Lankan-Canadian novelist ([Funny Boy](#))
- [Hong Seok-cheon](#), Korean actor
- [Vikram Seth](#), Indian novelist, poet, biographer-memoirist, travel writer and librettist ([A Suitable Boy](#), [An Equal Music](#), [From Heaven Lake](#), [Golden Gate](#))
- [Adam Shankman](#), American director.
- [Eric Shanower](#)<sup>+</sup>, American writer and illustrator
- [Penny Sharpe](#), Australian politician
- [Clay Shaw](#), the only American tried for conspiracy in the assassination of President John F. Kennedy
- [Fiona Shaw](#), Irish actress
- [Jake Shears](#), American singer for the band the [Scissor Sisters](#)
- [Pete Shelley](#), British singer of the punk band [The Buzzcocks](#)
- [Matthew Shepard](#), American hate crime victim, violently murdered in Wyoming, subject of [Emmy](#) winning films [The Laramie Project](#) and [The Matthew Shepard Story](#)
- [Jeremy Sheffield](#), British actor
- [Ned Sherrin](#), British broadcaster

- [Randy Shilts](#), American author, journalist and [AIDS](#) activist
- [Henry Sidgwick](#), British utilitarian philosopher
- [Michelangelo Signorile](#), American columnist, advocate, and pundit
- [Bill Siksay](#), Canadian member of parliament
- [Mario Silva](#), Canadian member of parliament
- [Roy Simmons](#), American football player
- [Bryan Singer](#), American movie director (*Superman Returns*, *X-Men*)
- [Winnaretta Singer](#), patron of the arts, heir to the Singer sewing machine fortune
- [Jeffrey Smart](#), Australian painter
- [Ali Smith](#), British writer
- [Andrew Hayden-Smith](#), British TV presenter.
- [Bessie Smith](#), American blues singer.
- [Chris Smith](#), first openly gay British MP
- [Liz Smith \(actress\)](#), British actress.
- [Liz Smith](#), American gossip columnist, bisexual
- [George Smitherman](#), Canadian politician ([Ontario](#) cabinet minister)
- [Melvin Sneedly](#), a character from [Captain Underpants](#)
- [Jack Snow](#), American writer of science fiction, fantasy, and horror
- [Valerie Solanas](#), American cult writer, feminist, attempted to assassinate [Andy Warhol](#).
- [Simeon Solomon](#), British artist associated with the Pre-Raphaelites and the Aesthetic art movement
- [Jimmy Somerville](#), British singer ([Bronski Beat](#), [The Communards](#))
- [Stephen Sondheim](#), American [musical theater composer](#) and [lyricist](#)
- [Susan Sontag](#), American essayist and novelist
- [Dusty Springfield](#), British pop singer
- [Annie Sprinkle](#), American adult-film actress, performance artist
- [Pam St. Clement](#), British television actress (*EastEnders*)
- [James St. James](#), American author and former [New York](#) party icon.
- [Robert Stadlober](#), German actor and singer, bisexual
- [Darren Star](#), American television producer and screenwriter
- [David Starkey](#), British historian
- [Gertrude Stein](#), American [expatriate](#) author, partner of [Alice B. Toklas](#)
- [Eric Stenbock](#), Swedish poet and writer
- [Michael Stipe](#), American singer ([R.E.M.](#)), film producer
- [Kim Stolz](#), American fashion model, former contestant on *America's Next Top Model*
- [Jim Stork](#), American politician
- [Billy Strayhorn](#), American jazz composer, lyricist, arranger, and pianist (Duke Ellington Orchestra)
- [Jeff Stryker](#), American adult-film actor
- [Sylvester](#), American singer
- [Gerry Studds](#), American politician
- [Lucius Cornelius Sulla](#), Roman dictator
- [Andrew Sullivan](#), British-born American conservative journalist [Retr](#)
- [Ben Summerskill](#), British gay activist, Chief Executive of [Stonewall](#)
- [Terry Sweeney](#), American writer and actor who was a *Saturday Night Live* cast member in the mid-1980s
- [Sheryl Swoopes](#), American [WNBA](#) basketball player
- [Algernon Swinburne](#), British poet
- [Karol Maciej Szymanowski](#), Polish composer and pianist

## T

- [George Takei](#), American actor (*Star Trek*)
- [John Tartaglia](#), American singer and actor
- [Peter Tatchell](#), Australian born LGBT activist and politician
- [Rip Taylor](#), American comic
- [Steve P. Taylor](#), British writer and prison reform campaigner
- [Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky](#), Russian composer
- [Neil Tennant](#), British musician (*Pet Shop Boys*)
- [Stephen Tennant](#), British aristocrat
- [Mark Tewksbury](#), Canadian gold medal winner in the [1992 Summer Olympics](#)
- [Jean-Yves Thibaudet](#), French pianist
- [George Thomas, 1st Viscount Tonypandy](#), British statesman
- [Scott Thompson](#), Canadian comedian and actor (*Kids in the Hall*)
- [Virgil Thomson](#), American theater composer and music critic
- [Jeremy Thorpe](#), leader of British [Liberal Party](#)
- [William Tatem \(Bill\) Tilden II](#), American tennis champion.
- [Tinky-Winky](#), one of the [Teletubbies](#).
- [Billy Tipton](#), American jazz musician, male impersonator
- [Colm Tóibín](#), Irish novelist
- [Alice B. Toklas](#), American author, partner of [Gertrude Stein](#), known for her cookbook that contains [Brion Gysin's](#) hashish brownies ([marijuana](#))
- [Sandi Toksvig](#), British comedian
- [Lily Tomlin](#), American comedian, actress
- [Noel Tovey](#), Australian actor, producer and write
- [Trajan](#), Roman emperor
- [Violet Trefusis](#), British lesbian daughter of King Edward VII's mistress [Alice Keppel](#); lover of [Vita Sackville-West](#)
- [Michel Tremblay](#), Canadian writer
- [Mark Trevorrow](#), Australian comedian
- [Tom Tryon](#), American actor and writer
- [Marina Tsvetaeva](#), Russian poet and writer
- [Esera Tuaolo](#), American former [NFL](#) player
- [Tommy Tune](#), American actor, dancer, singer, producer and choreographer
- [Alan Turing](#), British mathematician, computer scientist and theorist, [WWII](#) codebreaker
- [Colin Turnbull](#), British-born American anthropologist
- [Guinevere Turner](#), American actress and screenwriter
- [Stephen Twigg](#), British politician, MP, defeated [Michael Portillo](#) in [1997](#) election
- [Oras Tynkkynen](#), [Finnish](#) politician

## U

- [Karl Heinrich Ulrichs](#), German activist, author

## V

- [Urvashi Vaid](#), American former head of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force
- [Penny Valentine](#), British rock critic, music journalist
- [Pierre Vallières](#), Canadian writer, member of the terrorist [FLQ](#)
- [Gus Van Sant](#), American director
- [Chavela Vargas](#), Mexican singer, who came out as lesbian during an interview with

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- [Gianni Vattimo](#), Italian philosopher
- [Nichi Vendola](#), Italian communist politician
- [Paul Verlaine](#), French poet
- [Jim Verraros](#), American singer, actor, *American Idol* contestant
- [Gianni Versace](#), Italian [fashion designer](#)
- [Gore Vidal](#), American writer
- [Salka Viertel](#), Ukrainian-born Hollywood screenwriter
- [Bruce Vilanch](#), American comedy writer
- [Norah Vincent](#), American Journalist
- [Luchino Visconti](#), Italian director
- [Wilhem Von Homburg](#), German boxer and actor

## W

- [Tom Waddell](#), American athlete
- [Rufus Wainwright](#), Canadian singer
- [Alice Walker](#), American author, *The Color Purple*, bisexual
- [Rebecca Walker](#), American author, bisexual
- [Horace Walpole](#), British 4th Earl of Orford
- [Sophie Ward](#), British Film and Stage Actress
- [Andy Warhol](#), American artist and [pop art](#) icon
- [Patricia Nell Warren](#), American writer, *Front Runner*
- [Tony Warren](#), British scriptwriter (creator of *Coronation Street*)
- [John Waters](#), American film director (*Pink Flamingos*)
- [Sarah Waters](#), British author (*Tipping the Velvet*)
- [Edith Wharton](#), American novelist (*The House of Mirth*)
- [Aaron Webster](#), Canadian [hate crime](#) victim
- [Martin Webster](#), British [neo-nazi](#)
- [Apichatpong Weerasethakul](#)<sup>+</sup>, Thai experimental filmmaker (*Mysterious Object At Noon*, *Blissfully Yours*, *Tropical Malady*) and artist
- [Sumner Welles](#), American Under Secretary of State 1937-1943
- [John C. Wells](#), English phonetician
- [James E. West](#), American politician
- [Rosemary West](#), British serial killer
- [Guido Westerwelle](#), leader of the German political party [FDP](#)
- [James Whale](#), British film director
- [Diane Whipple](#), American victim in the Presa Canario dog mauling trial
- [Edmund White](#), American novelist (*A Boy's Own Story*)
- [Patrick White](#), Australian novelist and Nobel Prize winner(*The Twyborn Affair*)
- [Walt Whitman](#), American poet (*Leaves of Grass*)
- [Jane Wiedlin](#), American guitarist/singer for [The Go-Go's](#), bisexual
- [Tracey Wigginton](#), Australian "lesbian vampire murderer"
- [Oscar Wilde](#), Irish playwright and bon vivant, imprisoned after conviction for "gross indecency" for homosexual behavior
- [Thornton Wilder](#), American playwright (*Our Town*) and novelist
- [Kenneth Williams](#), British actor and diarist
- [Pete Williams](#), American journalist
- [Rozz Williams](#), American gothic music icon and musician, bisexual
- [Tennessee Williams](#), American playwright
- [Kevin Williamson](#), American screenwriter (*Scream*) and film director

- [John Wilmot, Earl of Rochester](#), Anglo-Irish poet and rake, bisexual.
- [Ricky Wilson](#), guitarist, American [new wave](#) band [The B-52's](#)
- [Johann Joachim Winckelmann](#), German classical archaeologist and art historian
- [Paul Winfield](#), American actor
- [Jeanette Winterson](#), British author
- [Dale Winton](#), British television presenter
- [Michał Witkowski](#), Polish writer
- [Ludwig Wittgenstein](#), Austrian philosopher
- [Monique Wittig](#), French-born American academic
- [B.D. Wong](#), American actor
- [David Wojnarowicz](#), American artist
- [Alexander Wood](#), Canadian merchant and magistrate, "Founder of Gay Toronto"
- [Virginia Woolf](#), British author
- [Klaus Wowereit](#), German mayor of [Berlin](#)
- [Alice Wu](#), American filmmaker [*citation needed*]
- [Aileen Wuornos](#), American serial killer

X

Y

- [Kenji Yoshino](#), American legal scholar, author, and social activist.
- [Will Young](#), [British](#) pop singer, winner of [ITV's 2001 Pop Idol](#), and singer of the million-selling [2002](#) single "Anything Is Possible / Evergreen"

Z

- [Pedro Zamora](#), Cuban-American [AIDS](#) activist, *[The Real World](#)* participant
- [Franco Zeffirelli](#), Italian film and opera director
- [Zhou Dan](#), Chinese lawyer and gay activist