

STATEMENT

Eric Sorenson Has Extreme Ideas When It Comes To Children. He Supports Giving Permanent Sex Change Drugs And Performing Transgender Surgeries On Children. He Has Even Appeared At Events Dressed In Drag, And Hosted Youth Drag Shows For Children, Exposing Young Children To Adult Sexual Content, And Encouraging Children To Tip The Performers.

Verification

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VIDEO: Sorensen: “The Understanding Of A Child As They’re Growing Into An Adult, It Doesn’t Happen At This Arbitrary 18-Year Mark. It Happens As A Youngster.” [\(C-SPAN, 6/7/23\)](#) Minute: 18:52-19:03

HEADLINE: “Dem Rep. Sorensen: Can’t Ban Kids From Gender Transitions, ‘Understanding’ As They’re Growing Doesn’t Happen At ‘Arbitrary 18-Year Mark’” (Ian Hanchett, “Dem Rep. Sorensen: Can’t Ban Kids from Gender Transitions, ‘Understanding’ as They’re Growing Doesn’t Happen at ‘Arbitrary 18-Year Mark’,” [Breitbart](#), 6/8/23)

DEM REP. SORENSEN: CAN’T BAN KIDS FROM GENDER TRANSITIONS, ‘UNDERSTANDING’ AS THEY’RE GROWING DOESN’T HAPPEN AT ‘ARBITRARY 18-YEAR MARK’

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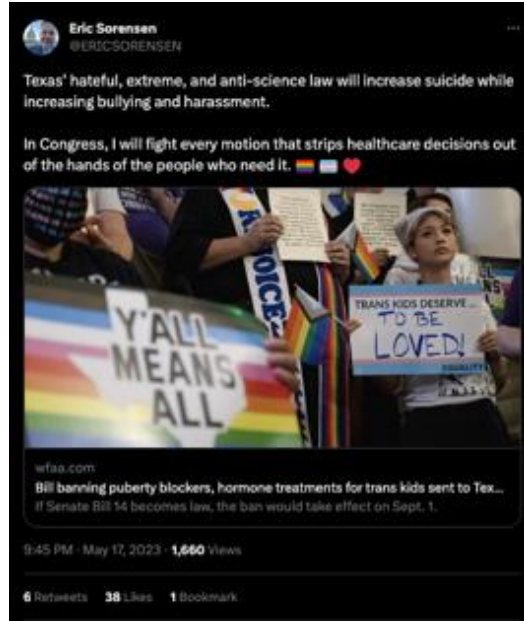
“On Wednesday’s broadcast of C-SPAN’s ‘Washington Journal,’ Rep. Eric Sorensen (D-IL) argued that children can’t be denied access to hormones for gender transition ‘Because we have to understand that the understanding of a child as they’re growing into an adult, it doesn’t happen at this arbitrary 18-year mark.’” (Ian Hanchett, “Dem Rep. Sorensen: Can’t Ban Kids from Gender Transitions, ‘Understanding’ as They’re Growing Doesn’t Happen at ‘Arbitrary 18-Year Mark’,” [Breitbart](#), 6/8/23)

Sorensen Went On To Claim Without The Hormones Kids Would “Give Up On Their Life.” “Sorensen answered, ‘Because we have to understand that the understanding of a child as they’re growing into an adult, it doesn’t happen at this arbitrary 18-year mark. It happens — as a youngster, I knew I was growing up different when I was probably eight, nine, or ten years old. And I did everything — I was going to a Catholic school, and I was trying everything I could to live my life differently. But there was no way for me to change. There’s no way for these trans kids to change. And so, the problem that we have today is if we don’t allow families to make the right decisions for their kids, then we’re going to have too many of these kids that give up on their life.’” (Ian Hanchett, “Dem Rep. Sorensen: Can’t Ban Kids from Gender Transitions, ‘Understanding’ as They’re Growing Doesn’t Happen at ‘Arbitrary 18-Year Mark’,” [Breitbart](#), 6/8/23)

Sorensen Opposed Legislation To Ban Puberty Blockers And Hormone Treatments For Children And Opposes Bans On “Gender Affirming Care”

In May 2023, Eric Sorensen Opposed A Texas Law Banning Puberty Blockers And Hormone Treatments For Children, Claiming It Was A “Hateful, Extreme, And Anti-Science Law Will Increase Suicide While Increasing Bullying And Harassment.” “Texas’ hateful, extreme, and anti-science law will increase suicide while increasing bullying and harassment.

In Congress, I will fight every motion that strips healthcare decisions out of the hands of the people who need it. 🏳️‍🌈 🚩 🧑‍🚫 ❤️” (Eric Sorensen, [Twitter](#), 5/17/23)



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In March 2023, Eric Sorensen Opposed Bans On “Gender Affirming Care,” Claiming The Bans Solve “Made-Up Problems” And Will “Cause More Death By Suicide.” “Parents should be able to decide what’s best for their kids, not the government. These bans solve made-up problems. These bans will cause more death by suicide.” (Eric Sorensen, [Twitter](#), 3/5/23)



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“Gender-Affirming Care” Includes Medical Care, Including Puberty Blockers And “Hormone Therapy” And In Rare Instances Can Include “Gender-Affirming Surgeries” For Minors, Including “Top Surgery” To Make Changes To The Chest And “Bottom Surgery” To Make Changes To The Genitals

According To The Human Rights Campaign, “Gender-Affirming Care” Includes Medical Care. “Gender-affirming care, sometimes referred to as transition-related care, is life-saving healthcare for transgender people of all ages. It is not a single category of services but instead is a range of services, including mental health care, medical care, and social services. At all ages, clear, well-established, evidence-based standards of care exist for who can access what form of gender affirming care, and when they are eligible to receive it.” (“Get The Facts On Gender-Affirming Care,” [Human Rights Campaign](#), Accessed: 3/30/24)

On The Human Rights Campaign’s Resource On “Gender-Affirming Care” They List Puberty Blockers, Which Delay Puberty, As A Form Of Such Care. (“Get The Facts On Gender-Affirming Care,” [Human Rights Campaign](#), Accessed: 3/30/24)

What are puberty blockers? Why are they used? Are they safe?

“Puberty blockers” (or simply “blockers”) are a type of medication which can temporarily [pause puberty](#) and are fully reversible.

For transgender and non-binary youth who are aware of their gender at a young age, going through puberty can [cause intense distress and dysphoria](#), as it leads their body to develop into a gender that is not theirs — including in ways that are irreversible, or only reversible with surgery. For example, teenage transgender boys who do not have access to blockers will have to go through a puberty that includes growing breasts and later in life will require surgery.

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On The Human Rights Campaign’s Resource On “Gender-Affirming Care” They List Surgeries Including “Top Surgery” To Make Changes To The Chest And “Bottom Surgery” To Make Changes To The Genitals. “There is no single gender-affirming surgery — nor does a person have to have any surgery, or a specific surgery, to be transgender. Gender-affirming surgery includes a wide range of procedures such as plastic surgery to change features in the face to be more typically masculine or feminine, ‘top surgery’ to make changes to the chest or torso or ‘bottom surgery’ to make changes to genitals.” (“Get The Facts On Gender-Affirming Care,” [Human Rights Campaign](#), Accessed: 3/30/24)

The Human Rights Campaign Notes That Transgender And Non-Binary Individuals Do Not Typically Have “Gender-Affirming Surgery” Before 18, Though There Have Been Exceptions Made For 16 And 17 Year Old’s. “Transgender and non-binary people typically do not have gender-affirming surgeries before the age of 18. In some rare exceptions, 16 or 17 year-olds have received gender-affirming surgeries in order to reduce the impacts of significant gender dysphoria, including anxiety, depression, and suicidality. However, this is limited to those for whom the surgery is deemed clinically necessary after discussions with both their parents and doctors, and who have been consistent and persistent in their gender identity for years, have been taking gender-affirming hormones for some time, who have undergone informed consent discussions and have approvals from both their parents and doctors, and who otherwise meet standards of care criteria (such as those laid out by WPATH).” (“Get The Facts On Gender-Affirming Care,” [Human Rights Campaign](#), Accessed: 3/30/24)

According To The AAMC, “Gender-Affirming Care” Includes Medical Interventions. “Gender-affirming care, as defined by the World Health Organization, encompasses a range of social, psychological, behavioral, and medical interventions ‘designed to support and affirm an individual’s gender identity’ when it conflicts with the gender they were assigned at birth. The interventions help transgender people align various aspects of their lives — emotional, interpersonal, and biological — with their gender identity. As noted by the American Psychiatric Association (APA), that identity can run anywhere along a continuum that includes man, woman, a combination of those, neither of those, and fluid.” (Patrick Boyle, “What Is Gender-Affirming Care? Your Questions Answered,” [AAMC](#), 4/12/22)

According To The AAMC, Interventions For Children Include “Hormone Therapy,” Whereas Surgeries Are “Rarely” Provided To People Under 18. “The interventions fall along a continuum as well, from counseling to changes in social expression to medications (such as hormone therapy). For children in particular, the timing of the interventions is based on several factors, including cognitive and physical development as well as parental consent. Surgery, including

to reduce a person's Adam's Apple, or to align their chest or genitalia with their gender identity, is rarely provided to people under 18." (Patrick Boyle, "What Is Gender-Affirming Care? Your Questions Answered," [AAMC](#), 4/12/22)

A Study From A Pediatric Organization Found That "Puberty Blockers And Cross-Sex Hormones Have No Demonstrable, Long-Term Benefit On The Psychosocial Well-Being Of Adolescents With Gender Dysphoria" And Such Care Was Linked To A Higher Need For Psychiatric Care

According To The American College Of Pediatricians, "Social Transition, Puberty Blockers And Cross-Sex Hormones Have No Demonstrable, Long-Term Benefit On The Psychosocial Well-Being Of Adolescents With Gender Dysphoria." "The American College of Pediatricians (ACPed), based in Florida, released a position statement on Feb. 7 stating that 'social transition, puberty blockers and cross-sex hormones have no demonstrable, long-term benefit on the psychosocial well-being of adolescents with gender dysphoria.'" (Melissa Rudy, "Gender-Affirming' Treatments Don't Benefit Youth, Says Pediatricians Group: 'Irreversible Consequences'," [Fox News](#), 2/8/24)

According To The Vice President Of The American College Of Pediatricians, A Review Of 60 Research Papers Demonstrated No Benefit To Social Affirmation, Puberty Blockers, Cross-Sex Hormones, Or Surgical Interventions For Youth. "A review of at least 60 research papers demonstrates no benefit to social affirmation, puberty blockers, cross-sex hormones or surgical interventions for these youth,' lead author and vice president of ACPeds, Dr. Jane Anderson, wrote in an email to Fox News Digital." (Melissa Rudy, "Gender-Affirming' Treatments Don't Benefit Youth, Says Pediatricians Group: 'Irreversible Consequences'," [Fox News](#), 2/8/24)

The American College Of Pediatricians Found That The Use Of Puberty-Blocking Drugs Did Not Have Significant Benefits For Youths Experiencing Gender Dysphoria. "In terms of specific therapies, the researchers found that the use of puberty-blocking drugs — medications that delay puberty in children — did not have significant benefits for youths experiencing gender dysphoria." (Melissa Rudy, "Gender-Affirming' Treatments Don't Benefit Youth, Says Pediatricians Group: 'Irreversible Consequences'," [Fox News](#), 2/8/24)

The American College Of Pediatricians Found That The Use Of Cross-sex hormonal interventions Had Little Mental Health Benefit And Were Linked To A Higher Need For Psychiatric Care. "Cross-sex hormonal interventions — treatments that trigger a transition to a desired gender — were also shown to have 'little mental health benefit' and were even linked to a higher need for psychiatric care, ACPeds stated." (Melissa Rudy, "Gender-Affirming' Treatments Don't Benefit Youth, Says Pediatricians Group: 'Irreversible Consequences'," [Fox News](#), 2/8/24)

In 2022, Sorensen And His Campaign Held A Meet And Greet At An Event That Included An "All-Ages Drag Show"

In August 2022, Eric Sorensen Held A Meet And Greet At BloNo Pridefest, Which Included An "All-Ages Drag Show." (Eric Sorensen, [Facebook](#), 8/11/22)



(Eric Sorensen, [Facebook](#), 8/11/22)

Clock Inc. And The Project Have Held Multiple Youth Drag Shows Which Eric Sorensen Attended And Helped Lead, Including One Where Attendees Were Encouraged To “Bring \$\$\$ To Tip The Youth”

On June 18, 2022, Clock, Inc. And The Project Hosted A Youth Drag Workshop And Show. “It’s BACK! The Project of the Quad Cities and Clock, Inc are partnering to put on our Youth Drag Workshop & Show at Pride at Bass Street Landing on June 18th. Go to clockinc.org to register today!” (Clock, Inc LGBT+ Community Center, [Facebook](#), Accessed: 5/4/22)

- **NOTE:** *the June 18th event was canceled due to threatening emails received.*



(Clock, Inc LGBT+ Community Center, [Facebook](#), 5/4/22; Clock, Inc LGBT+ Community Center, [Facebook](#), 5/4/22)

On June 5, 2021, Sorensen Helped Lead A “Youth Drag Event.” “I was so honored to help lead a youth drag event in downtown Moline, Illinois today. I love the kids who threw caution to the wind to be themselves. I love my city and the people in it so so much! #Pride2021” (Eric Sorensen, [Twitter](#), 6/5/21)



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On October 27, 2019, Sorensen Attended A Drag Event Hosted By Clock, Inc. To “Help Kids Come Into Their Shells” And Claimed That It Was “So Amazing To See Kids Being Their Authentic Selves!” “Thank you to @clockincLGBT for the fabulous drag event to help kids come into their shells. So amazing to see kids being their authentic selves!” (Eric Sorensen, [Twitter](#), 10/27/19)



(Eric Sorensen, [Twitter](#), 10/27/19)

On October 27, 2019, Clock, Inc. Hosted A “Youth Drag Show” And Encouraged Attendees To “Bring \$\$\$ To Tip The Youth!” “Come out tomorrow at 4:30pm and support our youth in their first DRAG SHOW!! - Suggested Donation - Bring \$\$\$ to tip the youth!” (Clock, Inc LGBT+ Community Center, [Facebook](#), 10/26/19)



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In The Past, Sorensen Has Also Engaged In Drag / Crossdressing

Photos Of Eric Sorensen In What Appears To Be Women's Clothing. (Mike Sorensen, [Facebook](#), 10/31/09)



(Mike Sorensen, [Facebook](#), 10/31/09; Mike Sorensen, [Facebook](#), 10/31/09)



(Mike Sorensen, [Facebook](#), 10/31/09; Jane Hart, [Facebook](#), 9/21/13)



(Marsha Chosnyk, [Facebook](#), 9/21/14)

- **Sorensen Complained About The Pain The Dress Was When He Was Trying To Pee.** “Sometimes I think we need to recreate this...and then I remember the pain that dress was when trying to pee.” (Marsha Chosnyk, [Facebook](#), 9/21/14)



(Marsha Chosnyk, [Facebook](#), 9/21/14)

In 2019, Clock Inc. Hosted A Drag And Burlesque Show That Included A Man In Just His Underwear And A Mask, A Topless Woman Wearing Nipple Tassels, And Apparent Stripping In The Presence Of Children

On February 9, 2019, Clock, Inc. Hosted A Drag And Burlesque Show At Baked Beer & Bread Company In Davenport Iowa. (Clock, Inc LGBT+ Community Center, [Facebook](#), 1/22/19; (Clock, Inc LGBT+ Community Center, [Facebook Event](#), 2/9/19)



(Clock, Inc LGBT+ Community Center, [Facebook](#), 1/22/19)

PHOTOS: The Event Included A Man In Just His Underwear And A Mask, A Topless Woman Wearing Nipple Tassels, And Apparent Stripping. (Clock, Inc LGBT+ Community Center, [Facebook](#), 2/15/19; Clock, Inc LGBT+ Community Center, [Facebook](#), 2/15/19; Clock, Inc LGBT+ Community Center, [Facebook](#), 2/15/19; Clock, Inc LGBT+ Community Center, [Facebook](#), 2/15/19)



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PHOTOS: The Event Included Drag Queens And Drag Kings. (Clock, Inc LGBT+ Community Center, [Facebook](#), 2/15/19; Clock, Inc LGBT+ Community Center, [Facebook](#), 2/15/19; Clock, Inc LGBT+ Community Center, [Facebook](#), 2/15/19; Clock, Inc LGBT+ Community Center, [Facebook](#), 2/15/19)



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PHOTOS: Children Appeared To Be At The Event. (Clock, Inc LGBT+ Community Center, [Facebook](#), 2/15/19; Clock, Inc LGBT+ Community Center, [Facebook](#), 2/15/19)



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According To The Project Of The Quad Cities’ 990 For Fiscal Year Ending June 2020, Sorensen Was A Member Of The Board. (The Project Of The Quad Cities, “Return Of Organization Exempt From Tax Form (990),” [Internal Revenue Service](#), Filed: 5/12/21)

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On December 9, 2019, Clock, Inc. Announced That Sorensen Joined As A Board Member. "We are very excited to announce that Jane Tiedge and WQAD Eric Sorensen have joined Clock, Inc's Board of Directors!" (Clock, Inc. LGBT+ Community Center, [Facebook](#), 12/9/19)



(Clock, Inc. LGBT+ Community Center, [Facebook](#), 12/9/19)

Sorensen Joined Clock, Inc's Board Of Directors To Support The Mission Of Clock, Inc. And To Provide A Safe Place For LGBT+ Youth. "Eric is the morning and midday Meteorologist for ABC WQAD News 8 in Quad Cities IL/IA. He reports that coming out as gay was still the hardest thing he has ever done in his life, and he cries thinking of the people who feel that they can't. Eric joined Clock, Inc's board of directors to support the mission of Clock, Inc and to provide a safe place for LGBT+ youth that he was not fortunate to have himself growing up." ("Meet The Team," [Clock, Inc.](#), Accessed Via Wayback: 7/28/21)

In 2020, Sorensen Was Listed As A Director For Clock, Inc. (Internal Revenue Service, Clock, Inc., [990-EZ](#), Filed: 9/13/21)

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Paula Randall	0.00	0	0	0	0	
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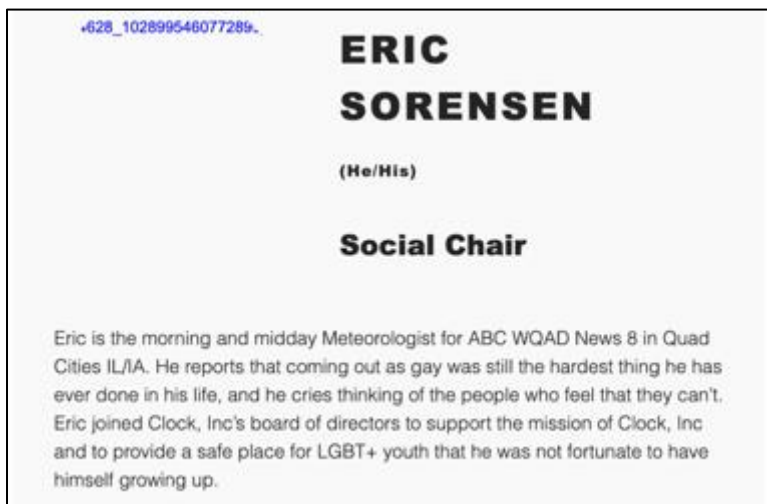
(Internal Revenue Service, Clock, Inc., [990-EZ](#), Filed: 9/13/21)

In January 2020, Sorensen Claimed He Was “Proud To Be On The Board Of Clock.” “Did you know Clock, Inc. is the only LGBTQ resource center in the Quad Cities? I’m proud to be on the board of Clock and a host for this event. It will be a special evening celebrating community, inclusiveness, and FOOTBALL! (Not to mention, I’ll be serving up some of my favorite chili recipes!) Bring your White Claw and a dish to pass, but neither is essential. No bottles please. We will have everything you need to have a great time. \$10 donations for the community center are encouraged per person. Help me spread the word! And see you then.” (Eric Sorensen, [Facebook](#), 1/21/20)



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As Recently As July 28, 2021, Sorensen Was Listed As A Social Chair For Clock, Inc. (“Meet the Team,” [Clock, Inc.](#), Accessed Via WayBack: 7/28/21)



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Sorensen Worked On Social Events And Planned Fundraisers For Clock, Inc. “We're back with another week of getting to know the Clock Crew!! First up is someone you may have seen giving your morning weather updates - Eric Sorensen! - What is your role/position at Clock, Inc? I am the guy who works on connecting us socially. Basically, the guy that acts as the glue to keep all of our

functions and people together. I plan fundraisers and have helped us weather the storm of Covid-19.”
(Clock, Inc LGBT+ Community Center, [Facebook](#), 1/18/21)

PHOTO: Sorensen At A Clock Inc. Event. ([Clock Inc.](#), Accessed: 4/23/24)



([Clock Inc.](#), Accessed: 4/23/24)

PHOTOS: Sorensen Speaking On A Panel At A Clock Inc. Event. ([Clock Inc.](#), Accessed: 4/23/24; [Clock Inc.](#), Accessed: 4/23/24)



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PHOTO: Sorensen And Shawn Starks At A Clock Inc. Event. ([Clock Inc.](#), Accessed: 4/23/24)



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([Clock Inc.](#), Accessed: 4/23/24)

Clock, Inc. Celebrated The Election Of Sorensen And Since Coming To Congress, He Appears To Still Be Involved With The Group

Clock, Inc. Celebrated The Election Of Sorensen. “We are sending a hearty congratulations to Representative Eric Sorensen! Today, he will be sworn in as the first LGBT+ Congressperson from Illinois! Eric spent years as our trusted meteorologist in the Quad Cities but more importantly served on our Board of Trustees for Clock, Inc. We're proud to know him, thankful for the work he did here at Clock, Inc and the future work he'll put in for the people of IL-17 and LGBT+ Americans!” (Clock Inc LGBT+ Community Center, [Facebook](#), 1/3/23)



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In April 2023, Sorensen Attended An Event With Clock, Inc. “Major thanks to our panelists at last night’s Transgender Visibility Panel- Representative Kurth, Alderwoman Swanson, State Senator Winckler, and Congressman Sorensen. Trans rights MATTER- and it’s great knowing we have elected officials fighting for us at all levels of government!” (Clock Inc LGBT+ Community Center, [Facebook](#), 4/8/23)



(Clock Inc LGBT+ Community Center, [Facebook](#), 4/8/23)

In June 2021, The Project Hosted Pride At Bass Street Landing, Where Clock, Inc Sponsored A “Youth Drag Workshop” And Performances Led In Part By Sorensen

On June 4 And June 5, 2021, The Project And ReCept Pharmacy Hosted Pride At Bass Street Landing. (“Pride At Bass Street Landing,” [Visit Quad Cities](#), Accessed: 4/22/24)

The Project and ReCapt Pharmacy invite you to Pride at Bass Street Landing! This event is FREE to the public and will include: Food, Drag performances, Live music, Education, and our outreach team will be on-site providing free HIV/STD testing.

Hours - Friday 9-11 pm and Saturday 12-11 pm

(“Pride At Bass Street Landing,” [Visit Quad Cities](#), Accessed: 4/22/24)

During The Morning Portion Of June 5, Clock, Inc. Sponsored A “Youth Drag Workshop” And Performances. (“Pride At Bass Street Landing,” [Visit Quad Cities](#), Accessed: 4/22/24)

Saturday, June 5:
Youth Drag Workshop & Performances sponsored by Clock, Inc. - time TBD

(“Pride At Bass Street Landing,” [Visit Quad Cities](#), Accessed: 4/22/24)

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Clock, Inc LGBT+ Community Center
May 24, 2021 · 🌐

Register today for our youth drag workshop on June 5th from 9:30am - 3:30pm and join us for the youth drag show starting at 4:00pm!

Register for the workshop at:
www.clockinc.org/youthdrag



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On June 5, 2021, Sorensen Posted From Bass Street Landing, Claiming He Was “So Fortunate” To Celebrate On Stage With Candi Stratton And Said The “Kids Are So Brave For Taking The Stage And Being Loud And Proud!” (Eric Sorensen, [Facebook](#), 6/5/21)



(Eric Sorensen, [Facebook](#), 6/5/21)

On June 5, 2021, Candi Stratton Hosted Youth Drag Performances At Pride At Bass Street Landing. (Candi Stratton, [Facebook](#), 6/4/21)



(Candi Stratton, [Facebook](#), 6/4/21)

PHOTO: Sorensen Taking A Selfie With Children Participating In The Youth Drag Show Event. (Christine Hawes, “Pride At Bass Street Landing-2021,” [TheRealMainstream.com](#), 6/22/21)

- **NOTE:** Sorensen’s selfie can be [found here](#).



(Christine Hawes, "Pride At Bass Street Landing-2021," [TheRealMainstream.com](https://www.therealmainstream.com), 6/22/21)

PHOTO: Sorensen Watching Children In Drag Dance On Stage. ([Clock, Inc.](https://www.clockinc.com), Accessed: 4/23/24)



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PHOTOS: Participants In The Youth Drag Show. (Christine Hawes, "Pride At Bass Street Landing-2021," [TheRealMainstream.com](https://www.therealmainstream.com), 6/22/21)



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(Christine Hawes, "Pride At Bass Street Landing-2021," [TheRealMainstream.com](https://www.therealmainstream.com), 6/22/21)

PHOTOS: Participants In The 2021 Youth Drag Event Posted To Clock, Inc.'s Website.

([Clock Inc.](#), Accessed: 4/23/24; [Clock Inc.](#), Accessed: 4/23/24; [Clock Inc.](#), Accessed: 4/23/24; [Clock Inc.](#), Accessed: 4/23/24; [Clock Inc.](#), Accessed: 4/23/24; [Clock Inc.](#), Accessed: 4/23/24)



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Both Nights Of Pride At Bass Street Landing Included Drag Performances, Where Young Children Were In Attendance And Tipping Drag Queens

Both Nights Featured Drag Performances. (“Pride At Bass Street Landing,” [Visit Quad Cities](#), Accessed: 4/22/24)

PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE:
Friday, June 4:
Been There Done That - 6-8 p.m.
Drag Performances - 8:30-10:30 p.m.
• Ginger Snaps - emcee and host
• Bentley Balenciaga
• Lyrica Simone
• Logan Blewz
• Decevia Mann
Saturday, June 5:
Youth Drag Workshop & Performances sponsored by Clock, Inc. - time TBD
Live Band TBD - 6-8 p.m.
Drag Performances - 8:30-10:30 p.m.
• Ginger Snaps - emcee and host
• Barbara Bush Light
• Dementia Jaide
• Lucas Blewz
• Milange Cavalli

(“Pride At Bass Street Landing,” [Visit Quad Cities](#), Accessed: 4/22/24)

VIDEO: On June 7, 2021, The Project Of The Quad Cities Appeared To Post A Recap Video From The Events. (The Project Of The Quad Cities, [Facebook](#), 6/7/21)



(The Project Of The Quad Cities, [Facebook](#), 6/7/21) Minute: 0:02



(The Project Of The Quad Cities, [Facebook](#), 6/7/21) Minute: 0:04



(The Project Of The Quad Cities, [Facebook](#), 6/7/21) Minute: 0:05



(The Project Of The Quad Cities, [Facebook](#), 6/7/21) Minute: 0:06