



IN THE LIFE

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THIS JANUARY, IN THE LIFE EXPLORES BEING YOUNG AND GAY IN AMERICA

This January, In the Life, America's gay and lesbian newsmagazine, presents "THE PRINCIPLES OF YOUTH," an episode dedicated entirely to stories about LGBT youth. Hosted by Grammy® Award-winning songwriter and performer Ani DiFranco, this month's In the Life gives voice to an often unheard and overlooked population.

There are roughly 3,000 gay-straight alliances (GSAs) in high schools across the country. These student-run groups help to promote dialogue, understanding and safe environments for all youth in schools across the nation. In some schools they have been openly welcomed, in others, bitterly opposed. In "I'm Still Emily," In the Life travels to rural Iowa to meet 17-year-old Emily Frerichs, the only person to publicly come out in her community. Her efforts to start a GSA offer a window into what it means to be young, gay, and a devout Christian in America's heartland.

Online journals, known as "blogs," have inspired the imaginations of a new generation of activists. In "Good as You," In the Life, takes us inside the apartment and mind of 26-year-old "blogger" Jeremy Hooper. In the wake of a painful family experience, Jeremy has created something positive - a website that attacks bigotry with humor and wit.

In 1990, pop icon Madonna brought voguing, a unique and expressive dance tradition born in the '80's gay "ballroom" scene, to the mainstream. In "Miss Elizabeth Latex," In the Life follows Liz, a transgendered youth, on an intriguing journey to fame through New York City's ballroom community. And she is fierce.

Finally, In "Coming Out Stories," three LGBT youth share their experiences of "coming out of the closet."

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About IN THE LIFE

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