

AROMANTICISM WORKSHOP

- Discussion: What is attraction? What is romantic attraction?
 - In groups members were asked to discuss and ponder these questions.
 - There are a variety of types of attraction, and some are difficult to separate.
 - Suggestions for romantic attraction brought into question, how to define love. Be that someone you make more effort for, make dinner with candles for or just have “24/7 feels” for.
- Aromantic does not mean asexual.
 - Someone could be both, neither or one.
- Romance Repulsion
 - Some people have a varying degree of dislike for romance, that they feel uncomfortable and repulsed by it.
- Aromantic Spectrum
 - From Aromantic to Alloromantic. There are a variety of labels within the spectrum including “WTF-romantic”. Someone that doesn’t know when it comes to romance.
- Queerplatonic
 - A close emotional bond that is similar to a friendship or dating.
 - This is normally used to show a level of commitment.
- Identification
 - You never have to label yourself.
 - You can use umbrella terms if you do not wish to discuss the intricacies of how you identify.
- Misconceptions
 - Aromantic people are heartless.
 - Aromantic people are missing out.
 - Aromantic people can’t have meaningful relationships.
 - Aromantic people don’t experience discrimination.
 - Aromantic people just want casual sex.
- Coming Out
 - It can be difficult to come out as aromantic due to misconceptions.
 - No one should tell you whether or not you should come out.
 - People are people so treat them as such.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- Queer Boots
 - LGBT Lancaster are running a party night in D2 on Friday.
 - Tickets are £3 (not for profit).
- Canal Street
 - Next Friday
 - Tickets will be sold next week, details of where and when to be confirmed.
- Disability Forum
 - After this meeting there will be a Disability forum to discuss thoughts and ideas concerning issues facing people with Disabilities on campus.