

# SHAUN DELLENTY ARCHIVE

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## DELLENTY Shaun Dellenty Archive 2009-2020

Name of Creator: Dellenty, Shaun (b 1968) LGBTQ+ educator and activist

#### Extent: 1 Box

Administrative/Biographical History: Shaun Dellenty is a speaker and internationally celebrated, multi-award-winning teacher-trainer who has been facilitating LGBT+ inclusive learning communities since 2009, Shaun Dellenty trained as a primary school teacher while also working as a presenter, corporate host, actor and stand-up comedian. The two halves of Dellenty's professional life collided when he began performing and directing Theatre In Education (T.I.E.). After a year in full-time teaching, he left to pursue an acting career, working for the next five years with national Shakespeare tours, voiceovers, TV presenting work, adverts and television roles.

After a stint playing Dr Steven Rawson on the TV soap 'Emmerdale', Dellenty moved to London, where he found more and more teaching work. In late 2009 his school undertook pupil surveys with primary aged pupils. The data revealed that 75% of pupils were experiencing homophobic bullying on a daily basis, regardless of whether they identified as LGBT+ or not: the homophobia was targeted at any child who simply didn't fit perceived social 'norms'. Dellenty decided to 'come out' as gay to the whole school community in an assembly. He then wrote a compassionate LGBT+ inclusion teacher-training strategy called 'Inclusion For All' aimed initially at primary schools and subsequently for faith and secondary schools and teacher-training faculties. Delivered first at his own school with great success, over the next ten years he delivered the training to over 65,000 UK educators. National and international organisations including Stonewall, Amnesty International, Church of England, Kidscape, Show Racism The Red Card, NSPCC, teacher trade unions and politicians worked with Dellenty to develop their own LGBT+ inclusion offers.

Inclusion For All and Celebrating Difference (a revised version of the training, launched as a business in 2016) is rooted in the realisation that all human beings experience bias and prejudice. In 2016 Dellenty was awarded the Mayor of Southwark's Highest Civic Honour at Southwark Cathedral and given the Freedom of Southwark, was named 'Education Champion2016' at the national Excellence In Diversity Awards and was presented with a 'Points of Light Award' by the Prime Minster for services to education and LGBT+ communities. He has written extensively for journals including the Huffington Post and the Guardian, and his book 'Celebrating Difference' was published by Bloomsbury Education in 2019.

**Custodial History:** Deposited with Bishopsgate Institute by Shaun Dellenty, 5 August 2020.

**Scope and Content:** Books, papers, press clippings, correspondence, blog posts and ephemera regarding the work, publications, training events, conferences, awards, speaking engagements and collaborative projects of

educator and LGBTQ+ activist Shaun Dellenty. Includes material regarding his initiatives Inclusion For All and his published work 'Celebrating Difference', articles writen by Dellenty, articles and interviews about Dellenty, awards and recognition for his work, transcripts of certain speaking engagements and work helping to establish inclusion resources with organisations including Transport for London, Church of England, Amnesty International and Stonewall, [2009-2020]

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No further arrangement required.

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#### **DELLENTY/1** Activities and Engagements

Typescript list of Shaun Dellenty's professional engagements and activities, including articles published and speeches given [18pp]; also printed invitation to the wedding of Dellenty and Michael Donovan (16 July 2016), [2009-2016] **OPEN** 

#### DELLENTY/2 Inclusion For All

Inclusion For All was the name of Dellenty's initial suite of compassionate LGBT+ inclusion work, devised over Christmas and New Year 2009-2010 in response to the high incidence of homophobic bullying and language in the London school at which he was teaching, Alfred Salter Primary School, [2011-2016]

Includes:

- letter from an ex-pupil who was in the school assembly when Dellenty came out as gay to the whole school community, [14 October 2016]

- original declaration by the steering group of Inclusion For All, [17 May 2012]

- sample feedback, Torridon Junior School, [2012]

IFA stickers created by Richard Whent of Transport for London for Pride events
early mailshot ('That's So Gay') sent to local schools regarding IFA training, [2011]

early flyers/booking form for IFA training
advert for IFA conference at Liverpool Hope

University, [2014]

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#### **DELLENTY/3** Training events

2010-2015

Dellenty's training event materials, [2010-2015] Includes:

Dellenty's first LGBT+ inclusion training event, held at Alfred Salter Primary School, [04 January 2010]
advert for pilot training in Southwark [2010]

- advert for pilot training in Southwark, [2010]

- training flyer for Camden conference, [2012]

2009-2016

2011-2016

report from the Parliamentary LGBT Network Parliout citing Delleny's visit to deliver training, [2014]
training flyer for Osiris Education, [2015] OPEN

#### **DELLENTY/4** Speaking engagements

2012-2017

Papers and recording regarding Dellenty's speaking engagements, [2012-2017] Includes:

- Warwickshire Pride speech, [2012]

- speech for the It Gets Better project, [2012]

- flyer for Dellenty's talk at Warwickshire

Police, [23 February 2013]

- DVD of Dellenty's talk at the Open University, [17 July 2014]

- flyer from an events at Bluecoats Academy, Nottingham, [2015]

 flyer for talk at Transport for London's IDAHOBIT (International Day Against Homophobia, Biphobia and Transphobia), [17 May 2016]

- colour photocopy of image of Dellenty in 2016, when he was invited to light the candle of remembrance at the Imperial War Museum, London, to commemorate National Holocaust Day

flyer from event at University of Brighton with Dr Joe Hall, [24 March 2016]
colour photocopies of images from Pride in London, [2016-2017]
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#### **DELLENTY/5** Collaborative projects

2011-2019

Papers regarding Dellenty's work for and with other LGBT educational projects and organisations, [2011-2019] Includes:

letter from Stonewall head Ben Summerskill, thanking Dellenty for his help devising Stonewall's own offer for primary education and for taking part in their filmed resource for schools, [30 November 2011]
profile of playwright E V Crowe regarding

her work, including her play 'Hero' and the contributions made to it by Dellenty, [2012] - papers regarding Dellenty's help with the Church of England's LGBT inclusion resource, [2014]

- LGBTI Rights Pack for use by Amnesty International, which Dellenty helped to write, [2015]

- papers regarding Dellenty's collaboration with Hyperfusion Theatre on a Theatre in Education project, [2015]

- papers regarding Dellenty's work with the Open University to create an online resource, [2016]

papers regarding Dellenty's collaboration with the Isle of Man Education Department to introduce LGBT+ inclusive education across the entire Isle of Man education system, [2016-2019]
certificates regarding Dellenty's involvement

in the pan-European 'Homopoly' project, [2018-2019] **OPEN** 

#### **DELLENTY/6** Articles by Shaun Dellenty

2012-2020

Writings by Shaun Dellenty for various newsmedia (print articles and blog posts) including 'Teach Primary' magazine, The Guardian, The Huffington Post, Leadership Focus magazine, Times Educational Supplement, Out in the City magazine, We Are Family magazine, I Live in SE16 and TeachWire. Also Dellenty's Introduction for the book 'International Insights: Equality in Education' by Chiou, Holz, Erturk and Shelton, [2012-2019]

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#### **DELLENTY/7** Awards and recognition

2013-2020

Awards and recognition given to Dellenty for his work, [2013-2020] Includes: - Southwark Council Good Practice Award, [2013] - press clipping regarding Dellenty's nomination for a National Diversity Award, Leicester Mercury, [19 February 2014]

- typescript list of votes for Dellenty from members of the public submitted to the Excellence in Diversity Awards, [2015] - colour photocopy of the image of Dellenty as 'one of London's #PrideHeroes' - photocopies of certificates from Excellence in Diversity, National Diversity Awards and Out in the City, [2014-2018] - press clipping and papers regarding Dellenty being awarded the Freedom of Southwark, [2016] - papers regarding Points of Light Awards, [2016-2020] - Certificate of Recognition from 3FF (Three Faiths Forum) for 'services to and for faith and belief communities in Greater London' - colour photocopy of a Highly Commended award, received by Dellenty at the 2019 Global Equality and Diversity Awards - certificate regarding Dellenty being made a Fellow of the Chartered College of Teaching for services to education [2020] OPEN **DELLENTY/8** Inclusion For All t-shirt 2013-2016 Grey/marl cotton t-shirt, size L. On the front is the IFA logo and website address, and the words 'Positively Preventing Prejudice in Education'. On the back is a contact address for Dellenty's Facebook site, [2013-2016] OPEN 2013-2016 **DELLENTY/9** Articles about Shaun Dellenty Photocopied articles about and interviews with Shaun Dellenty, in journals including Leadership in Focus, Pink Parenting, Evening Standard, The Independent, Gay Star News, School Improvement News, Southwark News, South London Press, Daily Telegraph, [2011-

#### 2020] OPEN

#### DELLENTY/10 Correspondence

Correspondence to and about Dellenty, [2012-Includes: 2012-2017

- photocopies of tweets by celebrities praising Dellenty's work, including Armistead Maupin, Martina Navratilova, David McAlmont and Lynne Featherstone

- letter from Nick Gibb MP, [June 2012]

- photocopy of note from Stonewall thanking Dellenty for participating in their 'Celebrating Difference' DVD, [2012]

- letter from Simon Hughes MP, [February 2013]

- invitation from Lord Storey to speak at the House of Lords, [2013]

- letter from Prince Harry's office, [2017]

- letter from the office of Sadiq Khan, [2017]

- three Thank You cards from Harrow

School, Amnesty International and London 2018 [the organisation bidding for the 2018 Gay Games]

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#### DELLENTY/11 Celebrating Difference

2017-2019

Publications and papers regarding Dellenty's book, 'Celebrating Difference', published by Bloomsbury, [2017-2019] Includes:

 signed copy of the paperback 'Celebrating Difference: A whole-school approach to LGBT+ inclusion' (Bloomsbury Education, 2019)

- teachers' resource pack included with each copy of the book

- print-out of online article regarding the book

- signed postcard 'Thank You for Your

Support'

- Celebrating Difference wristband

- postcards produced by Bloomsbury to accompany the book

- A3 poster produced by Bloomsbury,

'LGBT+ Teachiing Ideas Across the Curriculum'

 event listing for the screening of the film 'Pride' at the book launch at the Regent Street Cinema

- example of the certificate awarded to schools after completion of Dellenty's Celebrating Difference training offer - print-out of online review of the book from UKEdChat

 page of 'I Celebrate Difference' stickers produced for the book launch

- three case studies used by Dellenty as part of his research for the book, from Victoria Road Primary (Isle of Man), the Open University and Liverpool John Moore University, [2018]

- typescript original proposal for the book, [2017]

- copy of the official Parliamentary Hansard report in which Lord Cashman recommends the book during the House of Lords debate on LGBT inclusive sex and relationships education, [April 2019]

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