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## Celebrity Focus:

### Why are LGBT celebrities important to us?

Being LGBT and out helps us feel like we are not alone and if they can do it so can we. As young people we look for role models to show us the way and have someone to look up to.



**Ellen DeGeneres** is an American comedian, television host, actress, writer, and television producer. She was the star in the popular sitcom *Ellen* from 1994 to 1998, and has hosted her talk show *The Ellen DeGeneres Show* since 2003. During the fourth season of *Ellen* in 1997, she came out publicly as lesbian in an appearance on *The Oprah Winfrey Show*.

Shortly afterwards, her character, *Ellen Morgan*, also came out to a therapist played by *Winfrey*, and the series went on to explore various LGBT issues including the coming-out process. This made her the first openly lesbian actress to play an openly lesbian character on television. In 2008, she married her long-time girlfriend *Portia de Rossi*.



## Portsmouth Film Society LGBT Film festival - Tomboy review

*We would like to say a big thank you to Portsmouth Film Society for inviting us to be their guests at a showing of the film Tomboy, which was shown as part of their celebration of LGBT History Month.*

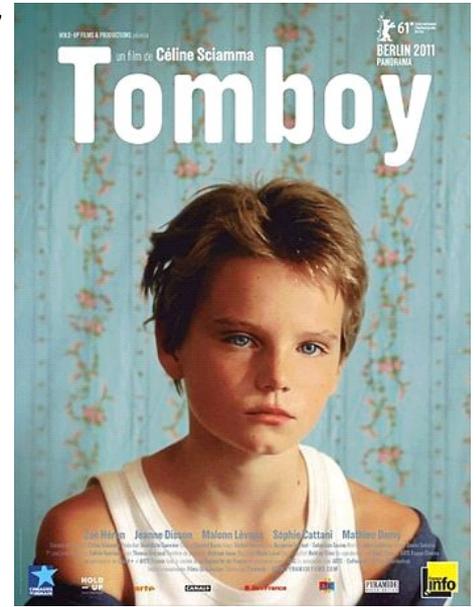
*The story follows 10-year-old Laure who, after moving with their family to a new neighbourhood introduces themselves to a new groups of friends as Mikael.*

*I thought it was really interesting how the film gave insight into growing up being ftm transgender in an unaccepting family.*

*I think the one aspect of the film that had the biggest impact on me is how Mikael's younger sister was completely accepting of him and his 'secret' identity, whereas Mikael's mother, who main obligation as a mother is to care and love her child no matter how they identify, vehemently denied his identity.*

*Very hard hitting but very enlightening.*

*Review by Ben*



## Your LGBT Youth Workers and why they do LGBT youth work

**Dawn Tracy** - LGBT Development Youth Worker: Works at Fareham, Gosport and Havant.

**Rob Collett-Armstrong** - LGBT Youth Worker: Works at Gosport.

**Lauren Starkey** - LGBT Youth Worker: Works at Fareham, Gosport and Havant.

We are involved in delivering quality LGBT youth work because we want to ensure that young people have the opportunity to explore their sexuality and identity in a safe and supportive environment. If young people can be themselves then they flourish. All young people need to be able to be who they are without fear of judgment, prejudice or discrimination.

**Y Services For Young People - Providing and developing quality youth work that meets the needs of local young people...**

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