## Welsh Castles lit up to celebrate LGBT History Month

LGBT History month aims to increase the visibility of LGBT people, their history, lives and experiences in our communities. This year's theme is Geography: Mapping the World.

The National Assembly for Wales has also organised for the Senedd in cardiff Bay to be lit up with the rainbow flag colours.

Leader of the House, Julie James, said:

"As well as celebrating the contribution LGBT people have made to our communities, LGBT History Month provides an opportunity to reflect on the history of discrimination and prejudice LGBT people have faced, and for us to show our commitment to tackle these inequalities.

As this year's theme is Geography: Mapping the World, I'd like to recognise and celebrate with those countries around the world who are advancing equality for LGBT people, like Australia who have recently passed a bill allowing same-sex marriage. But there are also countries where LGBT citizens are not afforded the same rights as the UK and our thoughts are with those communities."