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DIVERSITY IS
Beautiful!
Say NO to
Homophobia...

Speak up for an inclusive Australia.

thisoz.com.au is an online gallery that aims to make Australia a place where everyone belongs.

To get involved, simply upload a picture of yourself with a message that challenges homophobia and/or celebrates diversity. You'll then be part of a campaign to improve services and opportunities for all Australians.

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An International Day Against Homophobia (IDAHO) initiative in partnership with:

ACON (NSW's leading GLBT health promotion agency), Lesbian and Gay Anti-Violence Project, City of Sydney, NSW Police Force, NSW Attorney General's Department, Anti-Violence Project of Victoria, NSW Young Lawyers Human Rights Committee (Same-Sex and Anti-Discrimination Working Groups), Amnesty International Australia NSW LGBTQ Network, Diversity Council Australia, Twenty10, NSW Gay and Lesbian Rights Lobby, National LGBT Health Alliance, Metropolitan Community Church Sydney, The Gender Centre, Highschoolers Against Homophobia and others.

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BUILDING OUR COMMUNITY'S
HEALTH & WELLBEING

Siri, Sydney



Would you like to help overcome prejudice and discrimination in our community?

Would you like to support the rights of social minorities?

Would you like to speak up for an inclusive Australia?

Well, you can make a difference by taking part in *This Is Oz*.

WHAT IS THIS IS OZ?

This Is Oz is an online photo gallery where people can help fight discrimination against Australia's gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender (GLBT) community. Part art project, part human rights campaign, *This Is Oz* is aimed at making Australia a place where everyone belongs. It's a special initiative to mark this year's International Day Against Homophobia (IDAHO) which is held every year on May 17, the date in 1990 when the World Health Organisation removed homosexuality from its list of mental illnesses.

HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED?

Simply upload a photo of yourself with your own hand written message. Your message can celebrate diversity, challenge homophobia, or support GLBT rights – whatever YOU want to say.

WHAT DIFFERENCE WILL I MAKE?

By speaking up, you'll help to increase public support for equality, break down prejudice and improve services and opportunities for GLBT Australians.

WHEN CAN I SUBMIT A PHOTO?

Images can be uploaded anytime until the end of October 2009.

WHO ELSE IS INVOLVED?

As well as lots of everyday folk, we've got TV stars, sportspeople, politicians, musicians and lots of other high profile people on board. Check out the website to see who you recognise and keep visiting because new faces are being added every day.

WHAT CAN I DO TO GET OTHERS INVOLVED?

To upload pictures of other people you'll need to get their permission first – check out details of how to do this at thisisoz.com.au

- Upload your photo and then send the *This Is Oz* link to all your friends
- Use your photo as your Facebook profile picture and post the link on your page
- Set up a photo booth at your school or workplace, at a mall or local event, anywhere with a crowd
- Take a camera and sign-making materials around your school, campus or workplace
- Spread the word by printing out *This Is Oz* posters from our website and putting them up at your school or workplace
- Invite a guest speaker to your assembly or group to talk about *This is Oz*, homophobia, and/or social diversity
- Encourage your local community leaders to get involved and be positive role models for others. Invite your local Member of Parliament or Mayor, your school principal, the most famous person you know
- Display the images you create on a noticeboard, in a window, or as an exhibition

Check out the website for more ideas, to ask questions, and to share your ideas.

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