# Trans Masculine Alliance Houston

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## **Leadership Team**

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# Want to get involved?

As we move into the new year, more than ever we need folks to help present or co-lead meetings, as well as tell us what topics they'd like us to focus on. If you'd like to help out or want to share an idea, please contact one of the members of the leadership team.



## What we've been up to...

December was an awesome month, full of fun, entertainment, and new developments in TMAH's future. Our white elephant gift exchange/game night was on the 16<sup>th,</sup> and it was great to see so many partners, friends, and family join in the fun. We met again on the 29<sup>th</sup> to visit the Museum of Natural Science and contemplate how to escape Jurassic Park. Due to declining attendance, the decision was made to stop holding virtual meetings. Vieno Carson of Trans-Cendence International, a group based in the Dallas-Fort Worth area, leads a virtual meeting for transmasculine individuals on the second Wednesday of every month. You can find out more here. Myles and Nexus are accepting submissions for our second Zine. "Bones." More information is on page 2 of the newsletter. Lastly, the amazing drag performer Ivanna Cupcake has come onto the scene to support Trans Masculine Alliance Houston.

# **January Calendar**

**January 6 Regular Meeting** 6:30-8:30pm in Room 111 of the Montrose Center. We will discuss body positivity and positive sexuality for trans men

January 20 Clothing Swap 6:30-8:30pm Room 106 of the Montrose Center. Bring clothing, shoes, and accessories to exchange. Items should be clean and in good condition. Please remove clothing from hangers, as we do not have display racks. No used underwear, lingerie, or cloth masks please! We'll have snacks and games too for those who want to hang out but not shop.

**January 29** Picnic at Menil Park 2:00-4:00pm. Bring good conversation, something nice to eat, and a friend! This picnic is open to the whole transgender community. There is street parking. Look for the large trans flag when you arrive.

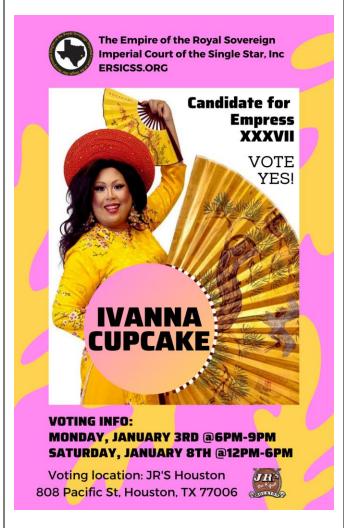
### **TMAH Zine #2**

Submissions for the newest edition of the TMAH Zine are now open until January 23rd!

This edition of the TMAH zine will be "Bones", focusing on the hard parts of being transgender and transitioning. This will include difficult and sometimes triggering topics such as discrimination. dysphoria, medical bias, etc. The bones of our experience are difficult to acknowledge, the rotten flesh that sits on them hindering and poisonous. Still, these bones are a part of us and of our life experience-they aren't going anywhere, so it is important to analyze and understand these parts of the trans experience so that we may heal, help others, and better understand ourselves. For more information detailing some examples of these sorts of experiences, visit the #zine channel on our discord server or our FB group page.

Submissions from our members can include any sort of creativity—art pieces, photography, comics, essays, poetry, song lyrics and more. Please email your submissions or any questions to <a href="mailto:tmahzine@gmail.com">tmahzine@gmail.com</a> by January 23rd or reach out via email for your copy of the first edition. *METAMORPHOSIS*.





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Ivanna Cupcake, drag performer, is an advocate and ally of the transmasculine community and is running for Empress. Let's all go out and support her candidacy!