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INTRODUCING Q MINNESOTA

Gateway Media Set to Launch New Monthly LGBTQ+ Magazine & Website

MINNEAPOLIS / SAINT PAUL, August 10, 2026 – Gateway Media is proud to introduce **Q Minnesota and Qminnesota.com**, the new statewide LGBTQ magazine and website. With the closure of Minnesota’s only LGBTQ+ print/digital magazine, community need and opportunity have come together to create Q Minnesota.

Launching October 2026, Q Minnesota will publish a monthly magazine and annual directory. Beautiful and engaging, Q Minnesota will use long-form storytelling to amplify the life experiences and diversity within the LGBTQ+ community. And since real life can be political, Q Minnesota will lean into those stories.

Each issue will be available as a digital edition and a premium-finish, full-color print edition, free at high-traffic pickup points across the Twin Cities metro and greater Minnesota.

Rather than simply replicating the magazine online, Qminnesota.com will carry online-exclusive content across a range of topics and formats — including video, guides, store and an events calendar — plus a digital flip-through edition of each issue.

Q Minnesota is set on elevating the status of the queer media experience to meet people where they are in 2026. Its content will have breadth and depth, with intersectionality at its core — acknowledging both the complexity and the compassion of this community.

“The community has had its own published media for 47 years. Losing it wasn’t an option, so we picked up the baton — with more experience and a real sense of urgency about getting it right,” says Andy Lien, editor-in-chief and publisher.

Sign up for the newsletter at qminnesota.com to be the first to know when the website launches. Those interested in writing for Q Minnesota, advertising with Q Minnesota or pitching a story can reach the team at info@qminnesota.com.

About Gateway Media

Gateway Media LLC was founded by Barry Leavitt (he/him), vice president of sales and events; Nell Gelhaus (she/her), vice president of digital content and marketing; Andy Lien (she/her), editor-in-chief and publisher; and Brad Leventhal (he/him). While working at Lavender Magazine, Barry, Nell and Andy were part of the team when Lavender was honored as Minnesota’s 2016 Magazine of the Year. Their hard work also helped produce Lavender’s Pride Edition, annually recognized as America’s largest Pride publication. Brad Leventhal, local restaurateur and real estate developer, has enthusiastically thrown his support behind this new venture as an investor and business mind, finding it crucial for Minnesota’s LGBTQ+ community to have a trusted media source.

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