

# Jacob Edward

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## **Projects**

*One-off projects I've been part of as a freelancer*

- **BBC Radio 1 guest presenter during the 2019 talent search**
- Co-creator of two audio packages about Trans Pride for UK Radio Pride
- Host on Mermaids charity stream at the start of COVID\_19
- LGBTQ+ role model at various panels/events run by Stonewall
- Hosted NHS England's 'Long Term Plan' Video Series
- Produced multiple podcast episodes for National Student Pride - *#QueerAF*
- Part of several Stonewall social media campaigns throughout 2017/18
- Part of a Just Like Us video series on LGBTQ+ Role Models
- Blogged for SafeLives - Importance of Relationship and Sex Ed for LGBT youth
- Part of Gay Star New's video 'Older gays prank young blind daters'

## **Work**

*Current employment, projects and freelance work*

### → **Gaydio: Presenter**

Currently hosting drivetime on Gaydio Manchester. Creating appropriate content for the world's largest LGBTQ+ radio station during the global pandemic.

### → **YoungMinds: Amplified Programme Youth Advisor**

The NHS England funded programme working to develop the participation of children, young people and their families at every level of the mental health system. As an expert by experience, I offer the insight of a young person on how mental health services can better involve young people in decisions that affect their care and the service as a whole. I do this by sitting in on meetings, co-facilitating workshops, and events and communicating ideas to the core staff at YoungMinds.

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## **Previous Work**

### → ***BBC Radio 1: Christmas Guest Presenter***

Hosted two Radio 1 Anthems shows over the festive period. Working alongside BBC producers to create appropriate links and talking points to encourage audience interaction.

### → ***akt: LGBTQ+ Youth Engagement Worker***

Expanding the charities Youth Engagement Programme to become a national project. Working across Manchester and the North East to organise activities, workshops and training.

### → ***National Citizens Service: Workshop Facilitator***

Hosting workshops on storytelling and communication skills to groups of up to 90 young people aged 15-17 years old during the NCS summer and autumn programs. (currently out of season)

### → ***BBC Radio Leeds: Mental Health Show***

Worked on a one-off LGBTQ+ mental health special with the team a BBC Radio Leeds. Organising guests and interaction for the show which ended up being cut due to the coronavirus outbreak.

### → ***Snowdome: Team Member***

Seasonal worker in Santa's Winter Wonderland. Helped children with equipment from sledging, operating the sleigh camera and helping customers when they needed it.

### → ***Stonewall: Youth Campaigner***

Alumni of Stonewall's Youth Campaigner Programme, which saw me create presentations for schools and attempt to make small changes in my local community to make it more LGBTQ+ friendly.

### → ***YoungMinds: Amplified Champion***

Prior to becoming a Youth Advisor on this programme, I was part of their pool of volunteers, who supported the main team from within our own communities.

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→ ***Radio Tamworth/TCR FM: Head of Music & Production***

I organised tracks, created adverts, troubleshooted output software issues and crafted the station sound. The bulk of my station sound created for the re-brand can still be heard on Radio Tamworth today!

## ***Personal Projects***

→ ***Queer Podcast Network: Co-manager***

Developing a network of LGBTQ+ podcast creators in order to boost original LGBTQ+ audio content. Co-project being managed alongside Holly Morsley.

→ ***Queer Culture: Host***

A podcast which dives deep into all things Queer Culture. Weekly episodes cover the latest LGBTQ+ news and our queer lives. Podcast airs as a weekly Radio Show on Glitterbeam Radio as of February 2020.

→ ***Queer Confessions: Host***

Entertaining and meaningful conversations around various different queer experiences, some widely relatable, others less so, all important. A podcast hosted and fully produced by Jacob Edward.

## ***Education/Training***

→ ***BTEC Level 3 Diploma***

Creative Media with the final grade Distinction Star, Distinction, Distinction.

→ ***GCSEs***

Grade C or above in English, Maths, Science, Geography and Media Studies

→ ***Bauer Academy***

Alumni of Bauer Media's 'Produce & Present' course