

MJC LGBTQ+ DIVA AWARD

Diversity, Inclusion, Vision, & Advocacy

The Marylou Hacker DIVA (**Diversity, Inclusion, Vision & Advocacy**) Award is created in honor of the work started by retired Faculty member, Marylou Hacker, in service and advocacy to the LGBTQ+ community at MJC. MJC LGBTQ+ Advocates recognize people and organizations who have moved the goals of the LGBTQ+ community forward on campus in the community. Recipients of the DIVA Award were nominated and confirmed by vote of the MJC LGBTQ+ Advocates.



MARYLOU HACKER ROUSSEAU

Retired MJC Professor, 1st Advisor to MJC's LGBTQ+ Club

Marylou created a safe space at MJC during a time when being a member of the LGBTQ+ Community was not as accepted in the Central Valley as it is today. During her tenure at MJC, Marylou was the first club advisor to the LGBTQ+ focused student organization, "The Rainbow Club".



REBECCA REYES

English Professor, Member of MJC LGBTQ+ Advocates

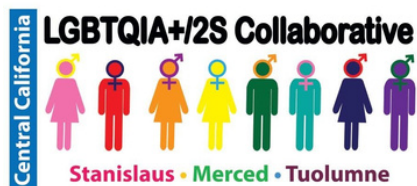
As a member of the LGBTQ+ Advocates, Rebecca was a champion for creating student supportive spaces. Rebecca was leading the charge on further developing curriculum with a focus on LGBTQ+ Studies. Rebecca's gentle spirit and energetic allyship will be missed!



DR. JENNIFER ZELLET

MJC Vice President of Instruction, member of MJC LGBTQ+ Advocates

Dr. Jennifer Zellet is a long time supporter of the LGBTQ+ Community at MJC, offering professional, personal, and institutional support to employees and students alike. Dr. Zellet served as an inaugural mentor to students in the MJC LGBTQ+ Mentorship Program. Additionally, Dr. Zellet dedicated her PURDY monetary Award to the work of the MJC LGBTQ+ Advocates. Dr. Zellet is a fierce advocate in creating spaces and services for the LGBTQ+ community at MJC.



LGBTQIA+/2S COLLABORATIVE

www.lgbtqcollaborative.org

The Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Allies, Two-Spirited and other identity persons (LGBTQIA+/2S) Collaborative is an association dedicated to Education, Advocacy and Training for inclusion of ALL in the community at large. Multiple members of the agency are involved on MJC LGBTQ+ Advocate committees, and provide valuable wrap-around service to the extended LGBTQ+ Community.