

A Vote for Matt



Is a Vote for Me

"I'm not old enough to vote in this election, but that doesn't mean that its outcome doesn't affect me directly. In the last 4 years, civil rights have been quietly overturned by this administration. I am fortunate enough to live in a state with progressive non-discrimination laws. But I'm also using my voice to speak for those who aren't.

Congress has not been able to pass the Equality Act which prohibits discrimination against LGBTQ+ people for federal funding, it's shocking to know that this was first proposed in 1974 and Congress has still not been able to pass it. Why aren't all people equal?

My generation has the most diversity in race and gender ever. We are watching. We are connected like no generation before us. Matthew Shepard was not only killed by bigotry, he was also killed by ignorance and fear. 'Voting for Matt' protects kids like me. Isn't it about time?

-- Ophelia Peaches

Advocate, emcee, teen drag queen — at age 15, Ophelia Peaches' message has been clear from the start: Youth self expression through the performance art of Drag is coming! It's a message about love, acceptance and the spotlight. For more on this teen queen, visit opheliapeaches.com.