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## PRESS RELEASE

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## RÉVEILLER L'ANDROGYNE. REVIVING THE BOOKSTORE.

Collective exhibition from January 29 to April 11, 2026

This group exhibition brings together **nine queer artists** who each revisit L'Androgyne, Québec's first gay, lesbian, and feminist bookstore, active from 1973 to 2002. Serving simultaneously as a site for the circulation of ideas, a space for encounters, and a hub of political engagement, the bookstore played a central role in shaping queer communities at a time when visible spaces of sociability were rare and often precarious.

Drawing on this legacy, the artists –who never experienced L'Androgyne as an active space– set in motion **intergenerational transmission**, offering traces in which erased narratives resurface. The exhibition thus examines the persistence of queer memory and considers how a place that no longer exists continues to generate meaning, connection, and collective forms of gathering.

### Artists

fernando belote · naakita f.k. · Lou Fozin  
Em Laferrière · Lucas LaRochelle  
kimura byol lemoine · Flora Nwakobi  
Joshua Schwebel · Lou Sheppard

### Opening

Thursday, January 29, 6pm until late

- Performance by fernando belote
- Launching of SKOL bookstore
- Launching of café SKOL

**Opening hours : Wednesday to Saturday, 12pm to 5:30pm**

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