LGBT History Month
Makaton Symbols and Signs

Ally

Courage/ Bold/ Brave

Let’s talk Makaton

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To Celebrate

Hands move up with twist movements at the wrist

Fancy/Attracted To

Index finger brushes up chest keeping in contact with body, then moves away from body and stops level with shoulder. Facial expression important

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To Feel (emotional / physical sensations)

Flag

Middle finger moves up centre of chest

Flag

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History

Identity

To Love

To Love

Repeat same movement to show relevant...
Man

Stroke beard. Hand comes a short distance off the

Man

Arms swing alternately backwards and forwards

Parade / March

Parade / March
Person

Hand moves down slightly

Person

Thumbs brush down chest as hands circle alternately in towards body

Proud

Rainbow

Rainbow

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Locked hands move forward and back repeatedly. This is a directional sign.
Right, A/ Rights

Bring hand into chest

Self

Index finger moves towards person, then makes small downward
You can find additional vocabulary in the Personal, Social and Health Care resource such as; ‘Long Term Relationship’, ‘Steady Relationship’, ‘Partner’, ‘To Kiss’, ‘Honest’ and many more.

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