



This vitrine contains materials related to Mission Requirement: QUEER.

Poster detailing the lack of representation in space travelers. But remember: representation alone will not save us.

Images from the Moonshadow newsletter of the Transsexual Action Organization, or TAO, active in the United States in the 1970s. The TAO was founded by Angela Douglas and contained artwork by Suzun David. More information can be found in the chapter “Trans History in a Moment of Danger: Organizing Within and Beyond ‘Visibility’ in the 1970s” written by AJ Lewis and found

in the collection *Trap Door: Trans Cultural Production and the Politics of Visibility* (2017), edited by Reina Gossett, Eric A. Stanley, and Johanna Burton. Courtesy of the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender Historical Society (GLBTHS).

Parable of the Sower, by Octavia E. Butler. Even in the darkest of times, the desire to travel to space can be a great motivator for living better here on Earth.

We are all Godseed, but no more or less so than any other aspect of the universe, Godseed is all there is—all that Changes. Earthseed is all that spreads Earthlife to new earths. The universe is Godseed. Only

we are Earthseed. And the Destiny of Earthseed is to take root among the stars.

To Be Taught, If Fortunate, by Becky Chambers. What are the ethics of travel to other planets? Should we transform the planet to suit ourselves? Or, instead, should we transform ourselves, via transdermal patches (not unlike how some trans women receive their estrogen), to the conditions of other worlds?

Images of AI-generated sigils for protection and joy. Prompts included: “transsexual sigil for the joy of traveling through the cosmos in unstable times towards our queer utopia, digital art”; “transgender protection sigil for travel-

ing through the cosmos in
unstable times towards our
queer utopia, digital art";
"queer protection sigil for
traveling through the cos-
mos in unstable times, va-
porwave"; and "high quality
photograph of queer astro-
nauts in outer space with a
magical sigil as a monolith
in the background".

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