Rainbow Ranges: Co-creating digital tools for vitalism with LGBTQI youth

Piloting participatory creative-arts methods with LGBTQI youth in rural Victoria to co-create digital resources that may disrupt the dominant narrative of distress and vulnerability, foster a sense of belonging, promote social connections and improve mental health.

1. Listen
Met with young people to explore themes of vitalism, connection, place and ways of working together.

2. Share
Participants created animations and recorded stories exploring identity, relationships and experiences.

3. Connect
Participants connected stories to place by taking researchers on a walking tour of Kyneton, mapping meaningful places and experiences.

4. Disrupt
Co-design a digital prototype to share LGBTQI regional youth stories and create community via QR codes, a virtual map, Insta & messenger group.

5. Next steps...
Design a prototype & seek funding partners to support a Linkage grant.

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