Phyllis Lyon and Del Martin, Daughters of Bilitis
Early Gay Pride Parade, 1970
Martha Shelley, “Gay is Good” (1969)
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■ Were there pivotal turning points or was this a slow gradual shift?
The Crowd at Woodstock 1969
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m7t9YlMxWoE
Details in Betty's Face Construction:

1. 6 eye lashes above, 5 below on close-ups, and 5 above, 4 below on long shots.
2. Note position of eye-brows—about half-way between eyes & hair, space between brows evenly divided by dotted line.
3. Fourth curls set on earring.
4. Eyes separated by width of eye.
5. Eyes almost round.

Eye balls well rounded.

Up curve on cheek at mouth.

Nose just below bottom of eye.

Height 3 1/4 heads.

Garter on left leg.

Note: Distance from shoulder to crotch... hips to knees...... knees to toes... are nearly equal.

http://archive.org/details/bb_bamboo_isle?start=419.5
Betty Boop in “Housecleaning Blues” (1937)
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Mattachine Foundation, an organization of homosexuals, reported to have been formed in Los Angeles, California and to have spread to other West Coast cities. The leader of the Foundation in the San Francisco Bay Area region reported to be [illegible] a professor at the University of California, Berkeley, California, but who in 1950 was reported to not have been employed by the University of California for refusal to sign the loyalty oath. Names of individual attending Mattachine Foundation in San Francisco Bay Area set forth.

This investigation was predicated upon receipt of information received from San Francisco of unknown reliability but who was in a position to know, that the San Francisco Bay Area Section of the Mattachine Foundation, an organization of homosexuals, was headed by a former professor at the University of California, Berkeley, California. This professor was reported to have been dropped from the University of California faculty for refusal to sign the loyalty oath.

SR advised on May 28, 1953, that there was being established in San Francisco, California, a chapter of the Mattachine Foundation, and...
”… immoral, or notoriously disgraceful conduct, habitual use of intoxicants to excess, drug addiction, [or] sexual perversion.”

From Eisenhower’s Executive Order No. 10450
http://youtu.be/17u01_sWjRE?t=56s
Senator, homosexuals are not homosexual 24 hours a day 365 days a year. We are not distinguishable from heterosexual people in any visible way. . . . Thousands of graves in France, many many thousand more graves on South Pacific Islands and beneath the seas, contain the sad remains of men who were brave soldiers, airmen, sailors and marines first and homosexuals second.

The Society believes homosexuals can lead well-adjusted, wholesome, and socially productive lives. . . . The Society, to these ends, is in the process of developing a homosexual ethic . . . disciplined, moral, and socially responsible.

Mattachine Society Statement of Purpose (1951)
The Baby Boom

- Between 1946 and 1954: over 3.4 million babies born a year
- Between 1954 and 1964: more than 4 million per year
I Was a Nude Model
(and this is what happened)

Rona Jaffe Probes
Barbra Streisand

Legs a Man Can’t
Forget—They Can
Be Yours

65 Depressed
Celebrities
Tell How
They
Fight the
Glooms

Hip Girl’s
Guide to L.A.,
N.Y., Chi., San Fran.

My Husband Taught
Me To Drive
(right up the wall!)

Those Gorgeous
Movie-Star Wives
of Plain Men—What
Really Goes On
WHAT SORT OF MAN READS PLAYBOY?
When I got together with the woman that I was with—it was really mid-’60s—we were kicked out of the first commune that we lived in. We were asked to leave. People said that what was happening between us was unacceptable.

Amber Hollibaugh
Two Factors in Radicalization of New Left

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- Splintering of the Civil Rights movement
Black Panther Party Poster
We’re going to make our own revolution because we’re sick of revolutionary posters which depict straight he-man types and earth mothers, with guns and babies. We’re sick of the Panthers lumping us together with the capitalists in their term of universal contempt—“faggot.”

Martha Shelley, “Gay is Good” (1969)
In the past year there has been an awakening of gay liberation ideas and energy. How it began we don’t know; maybe we were inspired by black people and their freedom movement; we learned how to stop pretending form the hip revolution. Amerika in all its ugliness has surfaced with the war and our national leaders.