

LGBTQ Young Adult Literature & Links

FICTION

Sparks / *S.J. Adams (Grades 8+)*
Simon vs. the Homo Sapiens Agenda / *Becky Albertalli (Grades 8+)*
The Book of David / *Anonymous (Grades 9+)*
David Inside Out / *Lee Bantle (Grades 9+)*
One Man Guy / *Michael Barakiva (Grades 6+)*
I am J / *Cris Beam (Grades 9+)*
Great / *Sara Benincasa (Grades 9+)*
Vintage: A Ghost Story / *Steve Berman (Grades 9+)*
The Sin Eater's Confession / *Ilsa Bick (Grades 9+)*
The Darkest Part of the Forest / *Holly Black (Grades 8+)*
Boy2Girl / *Terence Blacker (Grades 6+)*
5 to 1 / *Holly Bodger (Grades 7+)*
Will / *Maria Boyd (Grades 7+)*
Beauty Queens / *Libba Bray (Grades 9+)*
The Blood Between Us / *Zac Brewer (Grades 8+)*
Brooklyn Burning / *Steven Brezenoff (Grades 10+)*
Georgia Peaches and Forbidden Fruit / *Jaye Robin Brown (Grades 9+)*
Alex as Well / *Alyssa Brugman (Grades 9+)*
The Vast Fields of Ordinary / *Nick Burd (Grades 9+)*
Someday This Pain Will Be Useful to You / *Peter Cameron (Grades 10+)*
How Beautiful the Ordinary: Twelve Stories of Identity / *Michael Cart (Grades 9+)*
My Best Friend, Maybe / *Caela Carter (Grades 9+)*
Tumbling / *Caela Carter (Grades 7+)*
The Perks of Being a Wallflower / *Stephen Chbosky (Grades 9+)*
Look Both Ways / *Alison Cherry (Grades 9+)*
Mortal Instruments Series / *Cassandra Clare (Grades 8+)*
Freakboy / *Kristin Clark (Grades 8+)*
Jess, Chunk and the Road Trip to Infinity / *Kristin Clark (Grades 8+)*
Naomi & Ely's No Kiss List / *Cohn & Levithan (Grades 9+)*
Notes from the Blender / *Trish Cook (Grades 9+)*
Labyrinth Lost / *Zoraida Cordova (Grades 9+)*
Of Fire and Stars / *Audrey Coulthurst (Grades 8+)*
Beautiful Music for Ugly Children / *Kirstin Cronn-Mills (Grades 8+)*
The Miseducation of Cameron Post / *Emily Danforth (Grades 9+)*
Dreadnought / *April Daniels (Grades 9+)*
Happy Families / *Tanita Davis (Grades 8+)*
Look Past / *Eric Devine (Grades 9+)*
Of All the Stupid Things / *Alexandra Diaz (Grades 9+)*
Down to the Bone / *Mayra Lazara Dole (Grades 9+)*
I'll Get There. It Better be Worth the Trip / *John Donovan (Grades 7+)*
The Culling / *Steven Dos Santos (Grades 8+)*
Otherbound / *Corrine Duyvis (Grades 9+)*
Wildthorn / *Jane Eagland (Grades 9+)*
Moon at Nine / *Deborah Ellis (Grades 9+)*
South of Sunshine / *Dana Elmendorf (Grades 9+)*
No Holding Back / *Kate Evangelista (Grades 9+)*
If You Could Be Mine / *Sara Farizan (Grades 9+)*
Tell Me Again How a Crush Should Feel / *Sara Farizan (Grades 9+)*
With or Without You / *Brian Farrey (Grades 9+)*
Better Nate Than Never / *Tim Federle (Grades 5+)*
Five, Six, Seven, Nate! / *Tim Federle (Grades 5+)*

The Great American Whatever / *Tim Federle (Grades 10+)*
Tessa Masterson Will Go to Prom / *Emily Franklin (Grades 8+)*
Secrets of Truth & Beauty / *Megan Frazer (Grades 9+)*
Keesha's House / *Helen Frost (Grades 7+)*
Annie On My Mind / *Nancy Garden (Grades 9+)*
Say the Word / *Jeannine Garsee (Grades 8+)*
Symptoms of Being Human / *Jeff Garvin (Grades 9+)*
The Difference Between You and Me / *Madeleine George (Grades 8+)*
Lily and Dunkin / *Donna Gephart (Grades 5+)*
George / *Alex Gino (Grades 4-7)*
Girl Mans Up / *M-E Girard (Grades 9+)*
King of the Screwups / *K.L. Going (Grades 8+)*
Two Parties, One Tux and a Very Short Film About the Grapes of Wrath / *Steven Goldman (Grades 8+)*
Sister Mischief / *Laura Goode (Grades 9+)*
Whatever / *S.J. Goslee (Grades 9+)*
Will Grayson, Will Grayson / *John Green & David Levithan (Grades 9+)*
None of the Above / *I.W. Gregorio (Grades 9+)*
Everything Changes / *Samantha Hale (Grades 9+)*
Been Here All Along / *Sandy Hall (Grades 9+)*
Nothing Pink / *Mark Hardy (Grades 8+)*
Shadow Walkers / *Brent Hartinger (Grades 7+)*
Three Truths and a Lie / *Brent Hartinger (Grades 9+)*
Me Being Me is Exactly as Insane as You Being You / *Todd Hasak-Lowy (Grades 8+)*
Spirit Level / *Sarah Harvey (Grades 8+)*
M+O4evr / *Tonya Hegamin (Grades 9+)*
Promposal / *Rhonda Helms (Grades 7+)*
The Other Boy / *M.G. Hennessey (Grades 5-7)*
Ask Me How I Got Here / *Christine Heppermann (Grades 10+)*
Bombay Blues / *Tanuja Desai Hidier (Grades 10+)*
Otherwise / *Linda Oatman High (Grades 7+)*
A Love Story Staring My Dead Best Friend / *Emily Horner (Grades 8+)*
Totally Joe / *James Howe (Grades 6+)*
Freaks and Revelations / *Davida Hurwin (Grades 9+)*
We Are the Ants / *Shaun David Hutchinson (Grades 9+)*
Becoming Chloe / *Catherine Ryan Hyde (Grades 9+)*
If I Lie / *Corrine Jackson (Grades 9+)*
Stained / *Jennifer Jacobson (Grades 9+)*
Skyscraping / *Cordelia Jensen (Grades 9+)*
The Summer Prince / *Alaya Dawn Johnson (Grades 9+)*
The Bermudez Triangle / *Maureen Johnson (Grades 9+)*
Exit, Pursued by a Bear / *E.K. Johnston (Grades 9+)*
Almost Perfect / *Brian Katcher (Grades 8+)*
Run / *Kody Keplinger (Grades 9+)*
Ask the Passengers / *A.S. King (Grades 10+)*
See You at Harry's / *Johanna Knowles (Grades 6+)*
Love Drugged / *James Klise (Grades 7+)*
My Most Excellent Year: A Novel of Love, Mary Poppins, & Fenway Park / *Steve Kluger (Grades 7+)*
Promise Me Something / *Sara Kocek (Grades 9+)*
Boy Girl Boy / *Ron Koertge (Grades 9+)*
Personal Effects / *E.M. Kokie (Grades 10+)*
Openly Straight / *Bill Konigsberg (Grades 9+)*
The Porcupine of Truth / *Bill Konigsberg (Grades 9+)*
Everything Leads to You / *Nina LaCour (Grades 9+)*
You Know Me Well / *Nina LaCour (Grades 9+)*
We Are Okay / *Nina LaCour (Grades 9+)*
Absolutely, Positively Not / *David LaRochelle (Grades 7+)*

Absolute Brightness / *James Leceane (Grades 8+)*
Boy Meets Boy / *David Levithan (Grades 9+)*
Every Day / *David Levithan (Grades 9+)*
Hold Me Closer: The Tiny Cooper Story / *David Levithan (Grades 9+)*
Love is the Higher Law / *David Levithan (Grades 9+)*
Two Boys Kissing / *David Levithan (Grades 7+)*
Wide Awake / *David Levithan (Grades 9+)*
You Know Me Well / *David Levithan & Nina LaCour (Grades 9+)*
Draw the Line / *Laurent Linn (Grades 9+)*
Ash / *Malinda Lo (Grades 8+)*
Huntress / *Malinda Lo (Grades 9+)*
Adaptation / *Malinda Lo (Grades 8+)*
Inheritance / *Malinda Lo (Grades 9+)*
True Letter from a Fictional Life / *Kenneth Logan (Grades 9+)*
Proxy / *Alex London (Grades 7+)*
Guardian / *Alex London (Grades 8+)*
Twelve Long Months / *Brian Malloy (Grades 8+)*
Pretty Things / *Sarra Manning (Grades 9+)*
Without Annette / *Jane B. Mason (Grades 9+)*
About a Girl / *Sarah McCarry (Grades 10+)*
When the Moon Was Ours / *Anna-Marie McLemore (Grades 8+)*
Hero / *Perry Moore (Grades 9+)*
Marco Impossible / *Hannah Moskowitz (Grades 6+)*
Not Otherwise Specified / *Hannah Moskowitz (Grades 9+)*
Kissing Kate / *Lauren Myracle (Grades 8+)*
I'll Give You the Sun / *Jandy Nelson (Grades 9+)*
More Than This / *Patrick Ness (Grades 10+)*
October Mourning: A Song for Matthew Shepard / *Leslea Newman (Grades 9+)*
Away We Go / *Emil Ostrovski (Grades 10+)*
M or F?: A Novel / *Lisa Papademetriou and Chris Tebbetts (Grades 8+)*
Sprout / *Dale Peck (Grades 9+)*
Between Mom and Jo / *Julie Anne Peters (Grades 8+)*
Far From Xanadu / *Julie Anne Peters (Grades 9+)*
Grl2girl / *Julie Anne Peters (Grades 9+)*
It's Our Prom (So Deal With It) / *Julie Anne Peters (Grades 9+)*
Keeping You a Secret / *Julie Anne Peters (Grades 9+)*
Lies My Girlfriend Told Me / *Julie Anne Peters (Grades 9+)*
Luna: A Novel / *Julie Anne Peters (Grades 9+)*
Any Other Girl / *Rebecca Phillips (Grades 9+)*
What Happened to Lani Garver / *Carol Plum-Ucci (Grades 9+)*
Gracefully Grayson / *Ami Polonsky (Grades 6+)*
Gabi, A Girl in Pieces / *Isabel Quintero (Grades 9+)*
Scars / *Cheryl Rainfield (Grades 9+)*
When Everything Feels Like the Movies / *Raziel Reid (Grades 9+)*
Last Seen Leaving / *Caleb Roehrig (Grades 9+)*
My Awesome/Awful Popularity Plan / *Seth Rudetsky (Grades 7+)*
If I Was Your Girl / *Meredith Russo (Grades 9+)*
Saints of Augustine / *P.E. Ryan (Grades 9+)*
Gemini Bites / *Patrick Ryan (Grades 9+)*
The Rules for Hearts: A Family Drama / *Sara Ryan (Grades 10+)*
Tag Along / *Tom Ryan (Grades 7+)*
Aristotle & Dante Discover the Secrets of the Universe / *Benjamin Alire Saenz (Grades 9+)*
Boyfriends with Girlfriends / *Alex Sanchez (Grades 9+)*
Rainbow Road / *Alex Sanchez (Grades 9+)*
So Hard to Say / *Alex Sanchez (Grades 6+)*
Drag Teen / *Jeffery Self (Grades 8+)*

Far From You / *Tess Sharpe (Grades 9+)*
Wandering Son series / *Takako Shimura (Grades 9+)*
History is all You Left Me / *Adam Silvera (Grades 10+)*
A Really Nice Prom Mess / *Brian Sloan (Grades 9+)*
A Tale of Two Summers / *Brian Sloan (Grades 9+)*
Grasshopper Jungle / *Andrew Smith (Grades 10+)*
Stick / *Andrew Smith (Grades 9+)*
Winger / *Andrew Smith (Grades 9+)*
Forgive Me If I've Told You This Before / *Karelia Stetz-Waters (Grades 10+)*
The Raven Cycle series / *Maggie Stiefvater (Grades 9+)*
Freak Show / *James St. James (Grades 9+)*
As I Descended / *Robin Talley (Grades 10+)*
Lies We Tell Ourselves / *Robin Talley (Grades 9+)*
Our Own Private Universe / *Robin Talley (Grades 9+)*
What We Left Behind / *Robin Talley (Grades 10+)*
Saving Montgomery Sole / *Mariko Tamaki (Grades 7+)*
The Inside of Out / *Jenn Marie Thorne (Grades 7+)*
Fan Art / *Sarah Tregay (Grades 9+)*
Coda / *Emma Trevayne (Grades 8+)*
Fat Angie / *E. E. Charlton-Trujillo (Grades 9+)*
Boy Minus Girl / *Richard Uhlig (Grades 8+)*
American Girls / *Alison Uminger (Grades 9+)*
Summer I Wasn't Me / *Jessica Verdi (Grades 9+)*
Shallow Graves / *Kali Wallace (Grades 8+)*
Anything Could Happen / *Will Walton (Grades 7+)*
Bleeding Earth / *Kaitlin Ward (Grades 9+)*
Afterworlds / *Scott Westerfeld (Grades 9+)*
Highly Illogical Behavior / *John Corey Whaley (Grades 9+)*
Playing a Part / *Daria Wilke (Grades 8+)*
The Art of Being Normal / *Lisa Williamson (Grades 9+)*
What They Always Tell Us / *Martin Wilson (Grades 9+)*
Love & Lies: Marisol's Story / *Ellen Wittlinger (Grades 9+)*
Parrotfish / *Ellen Wittlinger (Grades 9+)*
The House You Pass on the Way / *Jacqueline Woodson (Grades 6+)*
Putting Makeup on the Fat Boy / *Bill Wright (Grades 8+)*

NONFICTION

Gay America: Struggle for Equality / *Linas Alsenas (Grades 7+)*
Some Assembly Required: The Not-So-Secret Life of a Transgender Teen / *Arin Andrews (Grades 8+)*
Stonewall: Breaking Out in the Fight for Gay Rights / *Ann Baumum (Grades 9+)*
Transparent: Love, Family, and Living the T with Transgender Teenagers / *Cris Beam (Adult with crossover appeal)*
Queer: The Ultimate Guide for Teens / *Kathy Belge and Marke Bieschke (Grades 9+)*
Milk: A Pictorial History of Harvey Milk / *Dustin Lance Black (Adult with crossover appeal)*
LGBTQ+ Athletes Claim the Field: Striving for Equality / *Kirstin Cronn-Mills (Grades 6+)*
Transgender Lives: Complex Stories, Complex Voice / *Kirstin Cronn-Mills (Grades 9+)*
This Book is Gay / *James Dawson (Grades 9+)*
Let's Get this Straight: The Ultimate Handbook for Youth with LGBTQ Parents / *Tina Fakhrid-Deen (Grades 5+)*
Rapture Practice: A Memoir / *Aaron Hartzler (Grades 9+)*
Dear Bully: Seventy Authors Tell Their Stories / *Megan Kelley Hall and Carrie Jones (Grades 8+)*
Rethinking Normal: A Memoir in Transition / *Katie Rain Hill (Grades 8+)*
Being Jazz: My Life as a (Transgender) Teen / *Jazz Jennings (Grades 8+)*
Beyond Magenta: Transgender Teens Speak Out / *Susan Kuklin (Grades 8+)*
Gay Power!: The Stonewall Riots and the Gay Rights Movement, 1969 / *Betsy Kuhn (Grades 9+)*

The Full Spectrum: A New Generation of Writing about Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender, Questioning, and Other Identities / *David Levithan and Billy Merrell (Grades 8+)*
Happy Accidents / *Jane Lynch (Adult with crossover appeal)*
What if Someone I know is Gay?: Answers to Questions about What it Means to be Gay and Lesbian / *Eric Marcus (Grades 7+)*
Me / *Ricky Martin (Adult with crossover appeal)*
Talking in the Dark: A Poetry Memoir / *Billy Merrell (Grades 9+)*
The Letter Q: Queer Writers' Notes to Their Younger Selves / *Sarah Moon (Grades 9+)*
Becoming Nicole: The Transformation of an American Family / *Amy Ellis Nutt (Adult with crossover appeal)*
Gay in America: Portraits / *Scott Pasfield (Adult with crossover appeal)*
Tomboy: A Graphic Memoir / *Liz Prince (Grades 9+)*
Being Transgendered / *Robert Rodi (Grades 9+)*
It Gets Better / *Dan Savage and Terry Miller (Adult with crossover appeal)*
Branded by the Pink Triangle / *Ken Setterington (Grades 8+)*
The Meaning of Matthew: My Son's Murder in Laramie and a World Transformed / *Judy Shepard with Jon Barrett (Adult with crossover appeal)*
Please Don't Kill the Freshman: A Memoir / *Zoe Trope (Grades 10+)*
The Gallup's Modern Guide to Gay, Lesbian & Transgender Life Series / *Various Authors (Grades 7+)*
Transgender Life / *Various Authors (Grades 8+)*

ONLINE RESOURCES

American Library Association's Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender Round Table

<http://www.ala.org/glbtrt/>

Family Equality Council

<http://www.familyequality.org/>

Gay, Lesbian & Straight Education Network

<http://glsen.org/>

The Gay-Straight Alliance Network

<http://www.gsanetwork.org/>

GLBT National Help Center

<http://www.glbtnationalhelpcenter.org/>

GLBT National Youth TALKLINE

<http://www.glnh.org/talkline/>

GLBTRT's Rainbow Lists

<http://glbtrt.ala.org/rainbowbooks/>

Human Rights Campaign (HRC)

<http://www.hrc.org/>

LGBTQI Resource Guide (State of New Jersey: Department of Children & Families)

<http://www.state.nj.us/dcf/adolescent/lgbtqi/Northern%20Region%20Pride%20Guide.pdf>

Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG)

<http://home.pflag.org/>

The Pride Center of New Jersey

<http://www.pridecenter.org/>

The Trevor Project

<http://www.thetrevorproject.org/>

Books can be found in Cliffside Park Public Library or can be requested from other BCCLS libraries!

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