

LGBTQ+ Young Adult Literature & Links

FICTION

Simon vs. the Homo Sapiens Agenda / *Becky Albertalli (Grades 8+)*
Leah on the Offbeat / *Becky Albertalli (Grades 8+)*
The Upside of Unrequited / *Becky Albertalli (Grades 9+)*
The Book of David / *Anonymous (Grades 9+)*
David Inside Out / *Lee Bantle (Grades 9+)*
One Man Guy / *Michael Barakiva (Grades 6+)*
Wonders of the Invisible World / *Christopher Barzak (Grades 9+)*
Girls Made of Snow and Glass / *Melissa Bashardoust (Grades 8+)*
I am J / *Cris Beam (Grades 9+)*
Great / *Sara Benincasa (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+)*
Girl Made of Stars / *Ashley Herring Blake (Grades 8+)*
How to Make a Wish / *Ashley Herring Blake (Grades 9+)*
5 to 1 / *Holly Bodger (Grades 7+)*
Nothing Happened / *Molly Booth (Grades 9+)*
Will / *Maria Boyd (Grades 7+)*
Beauty Queens / *Libba Bray (Grades 9+)*
The Diviners series / *Libba Bray (Grades 9+)*
In Other Lands / *Sarah Rees Brennan (Grades 8+)*
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+)*
Felix Yz / *Lisa Bunker (Grades 6+)*
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+)*
The Pants Project / *Cat Clarke (Grades 4+)*
Naomi & Ely's No Kiss List / *Cohn & Levithan (Grades 9+)*
Little & Lion / *Brandy Colbert (Grades 10+)*
Notes from the Blender / *Trish Cook (Grades 9+)*
Labyrinth Lost / *Zoraida Cordova (Grades 9+)*
Inkmistress / *Audrey Coulthurst (Grades 8+)*
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+)*
Sovereign / *April Daniels (Grades 9+)*
Happy Families / *Tanita Davis (Grades 8+)*
Look Past / *Eric Devine (Grades 9+)*
Love Interest / *Cale Dietrich (Grades 9+)*
The Culling / *Steven Dos Santos (Grades 8+)*

Boomerang / *Helene Dunbar (Grades 8+)*
Otherbound / *Corrine Duyvis (Grades 9+)*
Wildthorn / *Jane Eagland (Grades 9+)*
Moon at Nine / *Deborah Ellis (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+)*
Better Nate than Never / *Tim Federle (Grades 5+)*
Five, Six, Seven, Nate! / *Tim Federle (Grades 5+)*
The Great American Whatever / *Tim Federle (Grades 10+)*
Willful Machines / *Tim Floreen (Grades 9+)*
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+)*
Picture us in the Light / *Kelly Loy Gilbert (Grades 9+)*
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+)*
Love and other Carnivorous Plants / *Florence Gonsalves (Grades 9+)*
Sister Mischief / *Laura Goode (Grades 9+)*
Whatever / *S.J. Goslee (Grades 9+)*
The Handsome Girl & the Beautiful Boy / *B.T. Gottfred (Grades 10+)*
Get it Together, Delilah / *Erin Gough (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+)*
Looking for Group / *Rory Harrison (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+)*
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+)*
At the Edge of the Universe / *Shaun David Hutchinson (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+)*
Skyscraping / *Cordelia Jensen (Grades 9+)*
The Summer Prince / *Alaya Dawn Johnson (Grades 9+)*
Exit, Pursued by a Bear / *E.K. Johnston (Grades 9+)*
That Inevitable Victorian Thing / *E.K. Johnston (Grades 9+)*
Fire Song / *Adam Garnet Jones (Grades 9+)*
Let's Talk About Love / *Claire Kann (Grades 9+)*

Almost Perfect / Brian Katcher (Grades 8+)
Run / Kody Keplinger (Grades 9+)
Ask the Passengers / A.S. King (Grades 10+)
Dear Rachel Maddow / Adrienne Kisner (Grades 8+)
See You at Harry's / Johanna Knowles (Grades 6+)
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+)
Honestly Ben / Bill Konigsberg (Grades 9+)
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+)
Autoboyography / Christina Lauren (Grades 10+)
Absolute Brightness / James Lecesne (Grades 8+)
Not Your Villain / C.B. Lee (Grades 9+)
The Gentleman's Guide to Vice and Virtue / Mackenzi Lee (Grades 9+)
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+)
Adaptation / Malinda Lo (Grades 8+)
Ash / Malinda Lo (Grades 8+)
Huntress / Malinda Lo (Grades 9+)
Inheritance / Malinda Lo (Grades 9+)
A Line in the Dark / Malinda Lo (Grades 9+)
Proxy / Alex London (Grades 7+)
Guardian / Alex London (Grades 8+)
10 Things I Can See From Here / Carrie Mac (Grades 9+)
Reign of the Fallen / Sarah Marsh (Grades 8+)
Without Annette / Jane B. Mason (Grades 9+)
About a Girl / Sarah McCarry (Grades 10+)
When the Moon Was Ours / Anna-Marie McLemore (Grades 8+)
Wild Beauty / Anna-Marie McLemore (Grades 8+)
One of us is Lying / Karen McManus (Grades 8+)
People Like Us / Dana Mele (Grades 9+)
Cut Both Ways / Carrie Mesrobian (Grades 10+)
Mask of Shadows / Linsey Miller (Grades 9+)
All Out: The No-Longer-Secret Stories of Queer Teens Throughout the Ages / Sundra Mitchell (Grades 9+)
Hero / Perry Moore (Grades 9+)
Marco Impossible / Hannah Moskowitz (Grades 6+)
Not Otherwise Specified / Hannah Moskowitz (Grades 9+)
Ramona Blue / Julie Murphy (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+)
Release / Patrick Ness (Grades 9+)
October Mourning: A Song for Matthew Shepard / Leslea Newman (Grades 9+)
Meg & Linus / Hanna Nowinski (Grades 8+)

Tash Hearts Tolstoy / *Katie Ormsbee (Grades 9+)*
Anger is a Gift / *Mark Oshiro (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+)*
The Best Man / *Richard Peck (Grades 4+)*
Between Mom and Jo / *Julie Anne Peters (Grades 8+)*
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+)*
Perfect Ten / *L. Philips (Grades 10+)*
Sometime After Midnight / *L. Philips (Grades 9+)*
Any Other Girl / *Rebecca Phillips (Grades 9+)*
What Happened to Lani Garver / *Carol Plum-Ucci (Grades 9+)*
Like Water / *Rebecca Podos (Grades 8+)*
Gracefully Grayson / *Ami Polonsky (Grades 6+)*
Gabi, A Girl in Pieces / *Isabel Quintero (Grades 9+)*
Noteworthy / *Riley Redgate (Grades 8+)*
Last Seen Leaving / *Caleb Roehrig (Grades 9+)*
White Rabbit / *Caleb Roehrig (Grades 9+)*
My Awesome/Awful Popularity Plan / *Seth Rudetsky (Grades 7+)*
If I Was Your Girl / *Meredith Russo (Grades 9+)*
Tag Along / *Tom Ryan (Grades 7+)*
Aristotle & Dante Discover the Secrets of the Universe / *Benjamin Alire Saenz (Grades 9+)*
Fans of Impossible Life / *Kate Scelsa (Grades 9+)*
Lizard Radio / *Pat Schmatz (Grades 8+)*
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+)*
More Happy than Not / *Adam Silvera (Grades 9+)*
They Both Die at the End / *Adam Silvera (Grades 9+)*
A Really Nice Prom Mess / *Brian Sloan (Grades 9+)*
Grasshopper Jungle / *Andrew Smith (Grades 10+)*
The Last to Let Go / *Amber Smith (Grades 9+)*
Stick / *Andrew Smith (Grades 9+)*
Winger / *Andrew Smith (Grades 9+)*
The Summer of Jordi Perez / *Amy Spalding (Grades 7+)*
Beast / *Brie Spangler (Grades 9+)*
Forgive Me If I've Told You This Before / *Karelia Stetz-Waters (Grades 10+)*
Dress Codes for Small Towns / *Courtney Stevens (Grades 9+)*
Lumberjanes series / *Noelle Stevenson (Grades 4+)*
The Raven Cycle series / *Maggie Stiefvater (Grades 9+)*
Freak Show / *James St. James (Grades 9+)*
It's Not Like it's a Secret / *Misa Sugiura (Grades 9+)*
The Dangerous Art of Blending In / *Angelo Surlmelis (Grades 10+)*
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+)*
Drama / *Raina Telgemeier (Grades 5+)*
Who's that Girl / *Blair Thornburgh (Grades 8+)*
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+)
The Backstagers series / James Tynion (Grades 7+)
Boy Minus Girl / Richard Uhlig (Grades 8+)
American Girls / Alison Umminger (Grades 9+)
Summer I Wasn't Me / Jessica Verdi (Grades 9+)
Shallow Graves / Kali Wallace (Grades 8+)
Anything Could Happen / Will Walton (Grades 7+)
Spinning / Tillie Walden (Grades 8+)
Bleeding Earth / Kaitlin Ward (Grades 9+)
Afterworlds / Scott Westerfeld (Grades 9+)
Highly Illogical Behavior / John Corey Whaley (Grades 9+)
The Bright Siders / Jen Wilde (Grades 9+)
Queens of Geek / Jen Wilde (Grades 9+)
Playing a Part / Daria Wilke (Grades 8+)
The Art of Being Normal / Lisa Williamson (Grades 9+)
We Now Return to Regular Life / Martin Wilson (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+)

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 Baumsum (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+)
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+)
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+)
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)
Queer, There, and Everywhere: 23 People Who Changed the World / Sarah Prager (Grades 7+)
Tomboy: A Graphic Memoir / Liz Prince (Grades 9+)
Living Proud! Growing up LGBTQ Series / Robert Rodi (Grades 8+)
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)
Honor Girl / Maggie Thrash (Grades 9+)
The LGBTQ+ Guide to Beating Bullying / Various Authors (Grades 7+)
Transgender Life Series / 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/>

LGBT National Help Center

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

LGBT 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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