**LGBTQIA+ Voices**

A selected list of recommended books by LGBTQIA+ creators for kids of all ages. This list may be updated as new titles are added to our collection.

**Board books**

*Daddy, Papa, and Me* by Leslea Newman, illustrated by Carol Thompson (book)

*Mommy, Mama, and Me* by Leslea Newman, illustrated by Carol Thompson (book)

*Our Rainbow* by Little Bee Books and GLAAD (book)

*Pride Colors* by Robin Stevenson (book)

*Pride 1 2 3* by Michael Joosten, illustrated by Wednesday Holmes (book)

**Picture books**

*The Answer* by Rebecca Sugar, illustrated by Elle Michalka and Tiffany Ford (book)


*Call Me Max* by Kyle Lukoff, illustrated by Luciano Lozano (book)

*A Church for All* by Gayle E. Pitman, illustrated by Laure Fournier (book, Hoopla e-book)

*Grandad's Camper* by Harry Woodgate (book)

*Heather Has Two Mommies* by Leslea Newman, illustrated by Laura Cornell (book)

*The Hips on the Drag Queen Go Swish, Swish, Swish* by Lil Miss Hot Mess, illustrated by Olga de Dios (book)

*I Am Jazz* by Jessica Herthel and Jazz Jennings, illustrated by Shelagh McNicholas (book)

*I Am Perfectly Designed* by Karamo Brown and Jason “Rachel” Brown, illustrated by Anoosha Syed (book)


*Maiden & Princess* by Daniel Haack and Isabel Galupo, illustrated by Becca Human (book)

*My Maddy* by Gayle E. Pitman, illustrated by Violet Tobacco (book)

*My Rainbow* by Trinity and DeShanna Neal, illustrated by Art Twink (book)

*Peanut Goes for the Gold* by Jonathan Van Ness, illustrated by Gillian Reid (book)

*Prince & Knight* by Daniel Haack, illustrated by Stevie Lewis (book)

*Real Sisters Pretend* by Megan Dowd Lambert, illustrated by Nicole Tadgell (book, Hoopla e-book)
Rainbow: A First Book of Pride by Michael Genhart, illustrated by Anne Passchier (book)
Sam! by Dani Gabriel, illustrated by Robert Liu-Trujillo (book)
This Day in June by Gayle E. Pitman, illustrated by Kristyna Litten (book)
When Aidan Became a Brother by Kyle Lukoff, illustrated by Kaylani Juanita (book)
When We Love Someone We Sing to Them / Cuando Amamos Cantamos by Ernesto Javier Martinez, illustrated by Maya Gonzalez (book)

Middle grade
Better Nate Than Ever by Tim Federle (book, OverDrive e-book, OverDrive audiobook, Hoopla audiobook)
Cattywampus by Ash Van Otterloo (book)
Drum Roll, Please by Lisa Jenn Bigelow (book, OverDrive e-book)
George by Alex Gino (book, OverDrive e-book, OverDrive audiobook, Hoopla audiobook)
A High Five for Glenn Burke by Phil Bildner (book)
How to Become a Planet by Nicole Melleby (book)
Hurricane Child by Kacen Callender (book, OverDrive e-book, OverDrive audiobook, Hoopla audiobook)
Ivy Aberdeen’s Letter to the World by Ashley Herring Blake (book, OverDrive e-book, OverDrive audiobook)
Kenzie Kickstarts a Team by Kit Rosewater, illustrated by Sophie Escabasse (book, Hoopla e-book)
King and the Dragonflies by Kacen Callender (book, OverDrive e-book, OverDrive audiobook, Hoopla audiobook)
The Mighty Heart of Sunny St. James by Ashley Herring Blake (book, OverDrive e-book, OverDrive audiobook)
Rick by Alex Gino (book, OverDrive e-book, OverDrive audiobook, Hoopla audiobook)
Too Bright to See by Kyle Lukoff (book)
The Whispers by Greg Howard (book)
**Graphic novels**

*Beetle & the Hollowbones* by Aliza Layne ([book](#))

*The Breakaways* by Cathy G. Johnson ([book, OverDrive e-book](#))

*The Deep and Dark Blue* by Nikki Smith ([book](#))

*Lumberjanes Volume 1: Beware the Kitten Holy* by Noelle Stevenson and Grace Ellis, illustrated by Brooke Allen ([book, Hoopla e-book](#))


*Princess Princess Ever After* by Katie O'Neill ([book, Hoopla e-book](#))


*Steven Universe: Warp Tour* by Melanie Gillman, illustrated by Katy Farina ([book, Hoopla e-book](#))

*The Tea Dragon Society* by Katie O'Neill ([book, Hoopla e-book](#))

*The Witch Boy* by Molly Knox Ostertag ([book, OverDrive e-book](#))

**Nonfiction**

*People of Pride: 25 Great LGBTQ Americans* by Chase Clemesha ([book](#))

*Pride: Celebrating Diversity & Community* by Robin Stevenson ([book, OverDrive e-book](#))

*Pride: The Story of Harvey Milk and the Rainbow Flag* by Rob Sanders, illustrated by Steven Salerno ([book](#))

*Rainbow Revolutionaries: 50 LGBTQ+ People Who Made History* by Sarah Prager, illustrated by Sarah Papworth ([book](#))

*Sewing the Rainbow: The Story of Gilbert Baker and the Rainbow Flag* by Gayle E. Pitman, illustrated by Holly Clifton-Brown ([book](#))

*Sex Is a Funny Word* by Cory Silverberg (book, Hoopla e-book)


*Stonewall: A Building, An Uprising, A Revolution.* by Rob Sanders, illustrated by Jamey Christoph ([book](#))

*They, She, He, Me: Free to Be!* by Maya and Matthew Gonzalez ([book](#))


*Who Are You?: The Kid’s Guide to Gender Identity* by Brook Pessin-Whedbee, illustrated by Naomi Bardoff ([book](#))

**Additional Recommended Titles**
Baby's First Words by Stella Blackstone and Sunny Scribens, illustrated by Christiane Engel (book, Hoopla e-book)

Billy Jean!: How Tennis Star Billie Jean King Changed Women’s Sports by Mara Rockliff, illustrated by Elizabeth Baddeley (book)

Born Ready: The True Story of a Boy Named Penelope by Jodie Patterson, illustrated by Charnelle Pinkney Barlow (book)

Bunnybear by Andrea J. Loney, illustrated by Carmen Saldana (book, Hoopla e-book)

The Cardboard Kingdom by Chad Sell (book, OverDrive e-book)


Happy Birthday, Alice Babette by Monica Kulling, illustrated by Qin Leng (book, Hoopla e-book)

Harriet Gets Carried Away by Jessie Sima (book)

A House for Everyone: A Story to Help Children Learn About Gender Identity and Gender Expression by Jo Hirst, illustrated by Naomi Bardoff (book)

The Important Thing About Margaret Wise Brown by Mac Barnett, illustrated by Sarah Jacoby (book)

It Feels Good to Be Yourself: A Book About Gender Identity by Theresa Thorn, illustrated by Noah Grigni (book)

Jacob’s Room to Choose by Ian and Sarah Hoffman, illustrated by Chris Case (book)

Jack (Not Jackie) by Erica Silverman, illustrated by Holly Hatam (book)

Love Makes a Family by Sophie Beer (book)

Meg, Jo, Beth, and Amy by Rey Terciero (book)

The Misadventures of the Family Fletcher by Dana Alison Levy (book, OverDrive e-book, OverDrive audiobook)

My Footprints by Bao Phi, illustrated by Basia Tran (book)

Neither by Airlie Anderson (book)

Papa, Daddy, and Riley by Seamus Kirst, illustrated by Devon Holzwarth (book)

A Plan for Pops by Heather Smith and Brooke Kerrigan (book, Hoopla e-book, Hoopla audiobook)

Plenty of Hugs by Fran Manushkin, illustrated by Kate Alizadeh (book)

P.S. I Miss You by Jen Petro-Roy (book, OverDrive e-book, OverDrive audiobook, Hoopla audiobook)

Puberty Is Gross But Also Really Awesome by Gina Loveless, illustrated by Lauri Johnson (book)


Star-Crossed by Barbara Dee (book, OverDrive e-book)
Updated 5/7/21


Worm Loves Worm by J. J. Austrian, illustrated by Mike Curato (book)

Even more LGBTQIA+ children's authors and illustrators

Ann M. Martin
Arnold Lobel
Brian Selznick
Christian Robinson
Dana Simpson
Edward Gorey
James Howe
James Marshall
Jacqueline Woodson
Jillian Tamaki
John Steptoe
Lil Nas X
Louisa May Alcott
Louise Fitzhugh
Lucy Knisley
Margaret Wise Brown
Maurice Sendak
Mike Curato
Richard Peck
Tomie dePaola
Yoon Ha Lee