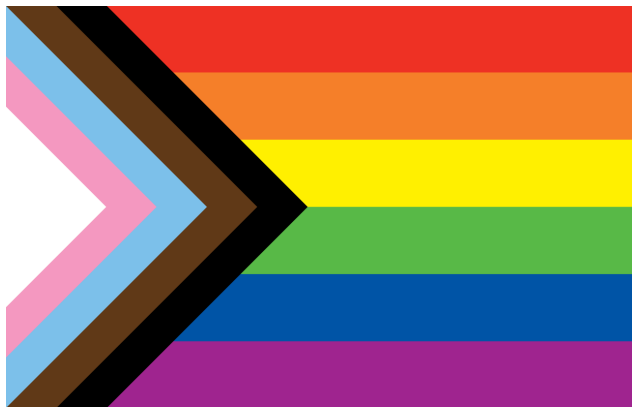


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LGBTQ BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS

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The following titles can be found in the Young Adult Fiction Section

Albertalli, B. Simon vs. the Homo Sapiens Agenda

Sixteen-year-old, not-so-openly-gay Simon is blackmailed into playing wingman for his classmate or else his sexual identity--and that of his pen pal--will be revealed.

Brennan, S. In Other Lands

When Elliot's class goes on a field trip and he can see a wall that no one else can see, he is given the chance to go to school in the Borderlands. Classes involve a lot more weaponry and fewer mermaids than he expected. But then there's Serene-Heart-in-the-Chaos-of-Battle, a beautiful elven warrior and her human friend Luke: sunny and annoyingly likeable. There's even the chance Elliot can change the world.

Daniels, A. Dreadnought

Danny Tozer's main problem was trying to *keep* people from realizing she's transgender. Until she suddenly gains the powers of Dreadnought, which also gives her what she always needed: a girl's body. Now all she has to do is find and stop Dreadnought's murderer...

Dugan, J. Hot Dog Girl

Jennifer Dugan's sparkling debut coming-of-age queer romance stars a princess, a pirate, a hot dog, and a carousel operator who find love--and themselves--in unexpected people and unforgettable places.

Garvin, J. Symptoms of Being Human

Riley runs a blog to document what it's really like being genderfluid. After moving to a new school and having a politician father running for reelection, this is the perfect way to let those

feelings out. Until someone at school discovers the blog and connects it with Riley, threatening exposure. Riley now has to choose – come out and keep the lifeline the blog has created or walk away?

Gilbert, K. Picture Us in the Light

Artist Danny Cheng has a lot on his plate. He's trying to get into his top art school and figuring out whether his feelings for his best friend Harry might be more than just friendship when he finds himself on the trail of a family secret that could change his life forever.

Gregorio, I.W. None of the Above

A groundbreaking story about a teenage girl who discovers she's intersex...and what happens when her secret is revealed to the entire school.

Hawkins, R. Her Royal Highness

Millie can't believe her luck when she's accepted into an exclusive boarding school in the rolling highlands of Scotland. But Millie's roommate Flora is a total princess - and an actual princess. At first, the girls can barely stand each other, but before Millie knows it, she has a sort-of-best-friend/sort-of-girlfriend. Even though Princess Flora could be a new chapter in her love life, Millie knows the chances of happily ever afters are slim . . . after all, real life isn't a fairy tale . . . or is it?

Hutchinson, S. We Are the Ants

Henry has spent years being periodically abducted by aliens. Then the aliens tell him the world will end in 144 days, and all Henry has to do to stop it is push a big red button. Except life hasn't always been great for him, so he's not sure that he wants to. Henry is left with the

ultimate choice: push the button and save the world...or let everything, including his pain, be destroyed forever.

Konigsberg, B. The Music of What Happens

Seventeen-year-old Maximo offers to help Jordan, a fellow student in high school, with his late father's food truck, which may be the only thing standing between homelessness for Jordan and his mom. The boys are strongly attracted to each other, but as their romance develops it is threatened by the secrets they are hiding...

LaCour, N. We Are Okay

Marin has left everything behind to go to college on the other side of the country, and no one knows why. Not even her best friend, Mabel. But when Mabel comes to visit over winter break, will the truth finally come out?

Lo, M. Last Night at the Telegraph Club

America in 1954 is not a safe place for two girls to fall in love, especially not in Chinatown. Red-Scare paranoia threatens everyone. But Lily and Kath, after meeting under the lights of a lesbian nightclub called the Telegraph Club, are determined that nothing will ever get between them.

Rowell, R. Carry On

Simon Snow is sure he isn't meant to be the Chosen One. He's doubly sure he wasn't meant to be rooming with a vampire who hates him. But as the school year goes on, he realizes he isn't sure about anything – especially about how he feels about his roommate, Baz.

Russo, M. If I Was Your Girl

Amanda has just moved in with her dad for senior year. All she wants is to make friends and fit in. But she moved for a reason: she's transgender,

and this school offers a fresh start. She makes friends, even finds a potential boyfriend, and wonders all along how to tell anyone the truth – or even if she should.

Saenz, B. Aristotle and Dante Discover the Secrets of the Universe

Fifteen-year-old Ari Mendoza is an angry loner with a brother in prison, but when he meets Dante and they become friends, Ari starts to ask questions about himself, his parents, and his family that he has never asked before.

Sharpe, T. The Girls I've Been

Nora O'Malley's been a lot of girls. As the daughter of a con-artist who targets criminal men, she grew up as her mother's protégé. But when mom fell for the mark instead of conning him, Nora pulled the ultimate con: escape. For five years Nora's been playing at normal. Until she gets taken hostage at a bank robbery.

Silvera, A. They Both Die at the End

In a near-future New York City where a service alerts people on the day they will die, Mateo and Rufus meet using the Last Friend app and are faced with the challenge of living a lifetime on their End Day. Soon to be a TV series!

Talley, R. Lies We Tell Ourselves

It's 1959. Sarah is one of the first black students to attend the local all-white high school. Linda is the daughter of one of the town's most vocal opponents of racial integration. Neither of them want to work together on a school project. But it leads them to confront everything they believe - and how they feel about each other.

The following titles may be found in the graphic novel section.

Oseman, A. Heartstopper

Charlie Spring is in Year 10 at Truham Grammar School for Boys. The past year hasn't been too great, but at least he's not being bullied anymore, and he's sort of got a boyfriend, even if he's kind of mean and only wants to meet up in secret. Nick Nelson is in Year 11 and on the school rugby team. He's heard a little about Charlie - the kid who was outed last year and bullied for a few months - but he's never had the opportunity to talk to him. That is, until the start of January, in which Nick and Charlie are placed in the same form group and made to sit together. They quickly become friends, and soon Charlie is falling hard for Nick, even though he doesn't think he has a chance. But love works in surprising ways, and sometimes good things are waiting just around the corner...

Tamaki, M. Laura Dean Keeps Breaking Up with Me

Laura Dean was Freddy's dream girl: charming, confident, and SO cute. There's just one problem: Laura Dean is maybe not the greatest girlfriend. Reeling from her latest break up, a mysterious medium leaves Freddy some cryptic parting words: break up with her. But Laura Dean keeps coming back. As their relationship spirals further out of her control, Freddy has to wonder if Laura Dean is really the problem.

Wang, J. The Prince and the Dressmaker

By day, Prince Sebastian is the heir to the throne, preparing to marry the girl his parents pick for him. By night, he is Lady Crystallia, fashion icon. The only person who knows is his best friend – and master dressmaker – Frances. But Frances wants her dresses to be more than a secret. Can she protect her friend's secret while still achieving her dreams?