# **Websites**



https:// ctpridecenter.org/ "The Triangle Community Center aims to support LGBTQ competency trainings for education, service providers, and others in addition to providing mental health counseling services, and hosting events so that our communities are safe, and everyone in the LGBTQ community is treated with dignity and respect."



GLSEN the you https://www.glsen.org/

"GLSEN works to ensure that LGBTQ students are able to learn and grow in a school environment free from bullying and harassment. Together we can transform our nation's schools into the safe and affirming environment all youth deserve."



"A 501(c)(3) non-profit and a grassroots organization of children's book lovers that advocates essential changes in the publishing industry to produce and promote literature that reflects and honors the lives of all young people."



www.eastonctpride.org/

"A safe, supportive and empowering home for the Easton LGBTQ+ community. Easton Pride works to increase 2SLGBTQ+ visibility in Easton, and raise funds for programs and activities for the 2SLGBTQ+ community."

This bibliography is intended to expose young adult readers to books about the young adult LGBTQ+ experience. These titles are enlightening and entertaining for all readers but they also serve the important purpose of creating mirrors for LGBTQ+ readers and windows for other readers to better understand the lives of LGBTQ+ teens.

Many of these wonderful books are written and/or illustrated by people who are part of the community they are writing about. This lends the story authenticity.

Some of the titles listed are in the form of Playaways. These are preloaded audiobooks available for checkout at the Library. All you need are headphones.

For more titles or information on LGBTQ+ books and resources, please contact **Kristine Oulman**, the Youth Services Librarian.

**Happy Reading!** 



# EASTON PUBLIC LIBRARY YA LGBTQ+ READING AND RESOURCE LIST









# What If It's Us

by Becky Albertalli & Adam Silvera Arthur is only visiting New York for the summer, but a trip to the post office brings the teen face-to-face with a dreamy, box-carrying young man. Part feel-good, part star-crossed, all fun.



**Howl** by Shaun David Hutchinson A gripping, dynamic portrayal of the oftentimes traumatic experience of growing up...with a twist.



When You Call My Name by Tucker Shaw A heartrending novel about two gay teens coming of age in New York City in 1990 at the height of the HIV/AIDS epidemic.



**Blackwater** by Jeannette Arroyo & Rem Graham

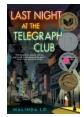
In this graphic novel developed from the hit webcomic, two boys fall for each other as they dig for clues to a paranormal mystery in the haunted town of Blackwater, Maine.



The Magic Fish by Trung Le Nguyen
Ti'n loves his family and his friends...but
Ti'n has a secret he's been keeping from
them, and it might change everything. A
stunning YA graphic novel that deals
with the complexity of family and how
stories can bring us together.



Kings of B'more by R. Eric Thomas Two Black queer best friends face their last day together with an epic journey through Baltimore before one of them moves away. Thoughtful, moving, and fun.



# Last Night at the Telegraph Club

by Malinda Lo

1954 is not a safe place for two girls to fall in love. Lily and Kath risk everything to let their love see the light of day.
Winner of the National Book Award.



**Squad** by Maggie Tokuda-Hall & Lisa Sterle

Using supernatural elements, this graphic novel deftly explores the cost of belonging. An exciting look at girl power gone wrong.



## We Deserve Monuments

by Jas Hammonds
Family secrets, a swoon-worthy
romance, and a slow-burn mystery
collide in a story that explores how racial
violence can ripple down through generations.



Anne of Greenville by Mariko Tamaki In this modern reimagining of Anne of Green Gables, Anne is an ABBA-loving singer/actor/writer of disco-operas, queer, Japanese-American who longs to be understood for her artistic genius.



**Burn Down, Rise Up** by Vincent Tirado Mysterious disappearances. An urban legend rumored to be responsible. And one group of friends determined to save their city at any cost. The perfect pick for horror lovers looking for a light at the end of the tunnel.



**Melt With You** by Jennifer Dugan A sweet and salty queer YA rom-com about two girls on a summer road trip in an ice cream truck.



## Cheer Up!: Love and Pompoms

by Crystal Frasier

This peppy yet angsty graphic novel irresistibly reclaims sports for queer and trans audiences. Full of friendship, romance, and self-discovery.

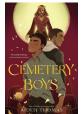


**Pet** by Akwaeke Emezi Teenager Jam unwittingly animates her mother's painting, summoning a being

mother's painting, summoning a being through a cross-dimensional portal. Riveting speculative fiction.



Magical Boy 1 by The Kao
A breathtakingly imaginative fantasy graphic novel series starring Max—a high schooler chosen to become the next "Magical Girl." There's just one catch...he's a trans boy!



Cemetery Boys by Aiden Thomas When his traditional Latinx family has problems accepting his gender, Yadriel becomes determined to prove himself a real brujo. Then he summons a ghost who will not leave. Full of heart.



Rethinking Normal: A Memoir in Transition by Katie Rain Hill
A coming-of-age story about transcending physical appearances and redefining the parameters of 'normalcy' to embody one's true self. Unwaveringly honest.



A Quick & Easy Guide to They/Them Pronouns by Archie Bongiovanni &

Tristan Jimerson

A perfect way to get all your people on the same page with ease and humor!