GAY, LESBIAN, BISEXUAL AND TRANSGENDER BOOK MONTH

Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Pride Month (LGBT Pride Month) is currently celebrated each year in the month of June to honor the 1969 Stonewall riots in Manhattan. The Stonewall riots were a tipping point for the Gay Liberation Movement in the United States. The purpose of the commemorative month is to recognize the impact that lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender individuals have had on history locally, nationally, and internationally.

Since 2015, the American Library Association has marked GLBT Book Month, a nationwide celebration of the authors and writings that reflect the lives and experiences of the gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender community.

All of the biographies and non-fiction adult books on this list, which are in the collection of the Library, were nominated for Stonewall Book Awards, the first and longest-enduring award for GLBT literature, or were recommended for awards by members of the GLBT Roundtable of the American Library Association.

The Newton Free Library, as well as the Minuteman Library Network, has many other books that reflect the lives and experiences of the gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender community. The book “call number” is listed after each title. Ask a librarian, if you need assistance in locating a particular title.


Cooper, Alex. *Saving Alex: When I Was Fifteen I Told My Mormon Parents I Was Gay, and That’s When My Nightmare Began*. BIO C784 .CO 2016


Faludi, Susan. *In the Darkroom*. BIO F199 .FA 2016


Hayes, Bill. *Insomniac City: New York, Oliver and Me*. BIO H326 .HA 2017
Patterson, Pat. *Accepted: How the First Gay Superstar Changed WWE*. 796.812 P27A 2016
Sacks, Oliver. *Gratitude*. 155.937 S12G 2015

To find works of fiction related to the lives and experiences of the gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender community, use the Minuteman Library catalog. Do a subject search using one or more of these four subjects “Gay Men – fiction,” “Lesbians – fiction,” “Bisexuals – fiction,” or “transgender people – fiction.”

**INTERNET RESOURCES**

http://www.glbtrt.ala.org/overtherainbow/ The Web site of the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender Round Table of the American Library Association. It is committed to serving the information needs of the GLBT professional library community, and the GLBT information and access needs of individuals at large. The organization promotes improved quality and accessibility of GLBTQ literature through the provision for adult readers of an annual annotated bibliography of newly-published books for general readership.

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