

Multicultural Series

Gay & Lesbian



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Relationships, Marriage & Families

306.848 AN29S

Same-Sex Marriage: Moral Wrong or Civil Right?

Tricia Andryszewski (2008)

With lots of full-color, captioned photos of weddings, couples, and families, and sidebars that present comments from pundits that range from conservative Christians to Supreme Court justices and gay activist lawmakers, the book's design is sure to draw curious browsers, as well as passionately engaged researchers.

306.874092 J63F

Family Outing: What Happened When I Found Out My Mother Was Gay

Troy Johnson (2008)

You won't find a bowl of Chicken Soup for the Kids of Gays here—just the truth, served up with a side of sarcasm and extra laughs.

DVD 341.50972 ES145N

Escape to Canada (2007)

This film looks at the legalization of marijuana and gay marriage in Canada in 2003 and the subsequent re-criminalization of marijuana and the new campaign to turn back gay marriage - financed with US dollars.

306.768 B37T (also YA)

Transparent: Love, Family and Living the T with Transgender Teenagers

Cris Beam (2007)

When Cris Beam first moved to Los Angeles, she thought she might put in a few hours volunteering at a school for gay and transgender kids while she got settled. Instead, she found herself drawn more deeply than she could have ever imagined into the pained and powerful group of transgirls she discovered.

346.016 P759B

Beyond (Straight & Gay) Marriage: Valuing All Families under the Law

Nancy Polikoff (2008)

Polikoff reframes the debate by arguing that all family relationships and households need the economic stability and emotional peace of mind that now extend only to married couples.

Religion, Social Issues & Guides

DVD 220.83 F745K

For the Bible Tells Me So

Daniel Karlslake (2007)

Brilliantly reconciles homosexuality and Biblical scripture, and reveals that religious anti-gay bias is based almost solely upon a misinterpretation of the Bible.

DVD 306.76 T255J

Ten More Good Years (2008)

Follows the moving stories of four remarkable men and women—and offers insight into why so many LGBT adults age are alone and without financial stability, as well as why many often feel forced to return to the closet.

613.086642 SP465A

The Advocate Guide to Gay Men's Health and Wellness

Frank Spinelli (2008)

New York City's "hottest gay doctor" has compiled his knowledge into an invaluable guide specifically created for gay men.

355.00866 F851U

Unfriendly Fire: How the Gay Ban Undermines the Military and Weakens America

Nathaniel Frank (2009)

Frank dissects the patterns of bigotry and fear that have fought to preserve a gay ban in the military and shows that the time to do away with it has come--not just as a moral issue, but also as a practical matter of survival for the military itself.

208.664 C418B

Bulletproof Faith: A Spiritual Survival Guide for Gay and Lesbian Christians

Candace Chellew-Hodge (2008)

Bulletproof Faith is filled with useful insights and proven spiritual practices that deflect attacks and enhance and strengthen faith by turning attacks into opportunities for spiritual growth.

History

323.6 G87W

Wrestling with the Angel of Democracy: On Being an American Citizen

Susan Griffin (2008)

Lesbian and feminist writer Susan Griffin juxtaposes her personal experiences with United States history.

796.342 F535T

A Terrible Splendor: Three Extraordinary Men, A World Poised for War, and the Greatest Tennis Match Ever Played

Marshall Fisher (2009)

Don Budge, the son of a truck driver from California, and his friend Baron Gottfried von Cramm, a dashing blond, dueled toward dusk in the last match of the Davis Cup semifinal held at the All England Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club. At stake was more than national pride. A "gallant" and "gracious" man revered for his sportsmanship, von Cramm was Germany's second-most-celebrated athlete, behind the boxer Max Schmeling. But he harbored a secret: he was gay.

345.02536 E546D

Dishonorable Passions: Sodomy Laws in America, 1861-2003

William N. Eskridge, Jr. (2008)

Featuring vivid portraits of both the hunted (including such figures as Walt Whitman, Margaret Mead, and Bayard Rustin) and the hunt-

ers (Anthony Comstock, Earl Warren, and J. Edgar Hoover), Dishonorable Passions is a landmark account.

614.5993 H722C

Chronicle of a Plague, Revisited

Andrew Holleran (2008)

Holleran both remembers and freshly illuminates the devastation wreaked by AIDS, which has claimed the lives of 450,000 gay men as well as 22 million others.

Biography

920.00866 G25G

Gay American Autobiography: Writings from Whitman to Sedaris

David Bergman (ed.) (2009)

Bergman draws excerpts from letters, memoirs, journals and oral histories to provide examples of the best life writing over the last century and a half.

306.766089 W93D

Drifting Toward Love: Black, Brown, Gay, and Coming of Age on the Streets of New York

Kai Wright (2008)

The stories of Manny, Julius, Carlos, and their friends, young gay men of color desperately searching for life's basic necessities

818 C441O

The Other Side of Paradise: A Memoir

Staceyann Chin (2009)

From the iconic and charismatic star of "Russell Simmons' Def Poetry Jam" comes this brave and fiercely candid memoir about growing up in Jamaica by performer, activist, and writer Chin.

306.766092 AN244O

Out of Denial: Piecing Together a Fractured Life

Robert K. Anderson (2008)

The memoir tells of a closeted gay married man who grew up in the conformist Fifties and got stuck in a maze of denial. It shows the toll this takes on him and those he loves, his struggle to break free and his eventual recovery of a lost boy and submerged self.

920 SO595RE

Reborn: Journals and Notebooks

Susan Sontag (2008)

Most powerful are the entries corresponding to Sontag's years in England and Europe, when, apart from Philip and their son, the marriage broke down and Sontag entered intense lesbian relationships that would compel her to rethink her notions of sex, love and daughter- and motherhood, and all before the age of 30.

920 B6965I

I'm Looking Through You: Growing Up Haunted

Jennifer Finney Boylan (2008)

In 2006, years after her sex change, Boylan returned to her childhood home with a band of local ghostbusters as she struggled to reconcile with her past as James Boylan, as well as her

memories of family members she'd loved and lost there.

070.51 L562G

The Grand Surprise: The Journals of Leo Lerman

Leo Lerman (2007)

Lerman, who died in 1994, was at the center of fashionable New York society for almost fifty years, thanks to his work at such magazines as *Vogue* and *Mademoiselle*. The son of a housepainter in East Harlem, Lerman was drawn to "the surface glitter" of the *élite*, and he helped launch the careers of countless singers, writers, actresses, and artists.

283.092 R567I

In the Eye of the Storm: Swept to the Center by God

V. Gene Robinson (2008)

Gene Robinson is bishop of the tiny, rural Episcopal Diocese of New Hampshire, but he's at the center of a storm of controversy raging in the Episcopal Church and throughout the worldwide Anglican Communion involving homosexuality, the priesthood, and the future of the Communion.

920 D376F

Family Bible

Melissa Delbridge (2008)

Delbridge shows us what really happened in the "stew of religion and sex" that was 1960s Tuscaloosa. Crackling with wit, frighteningly smart, both drop-dead funny and wrenchingly sad, *Family Bible* is a stunning personal history.

Humor, Literature & Arts

DVD 791.436 F116A

Fabulous!: The Story of Queer Cinema (2006)

Fabulous! leads the viewer through discussions of Kenneth Anger's seminal 1947 work, *Fireworks*, to Warhol, through Derek Jarman, John Waters, and the *Rocky Horror Picture Show*, all the way into *Brokeback Mountain's* current success.

DVD 781.63 L255

Live in London

K.D. Lang (2009)

The legendary voice as you've never heard her before. One of today's most distinctive performers, K.D. Lang sings her enduring hits live with the BBC Concert Orchestra.

306.7662 D444S

Swish: My Quest to Become the Gayest Person Ever

Joel Derfner (2008)

"Reading *Swish* is like having a marathon phone call with your gay best friend—assuming your friend is hilarious, brilliant, and completely honest. Which he probably isn't, so you should read this book." —Marc Acito

828 W64ZW

Built of Books: How Reading Defined the Life of Oscar Wilde

Thomas Wright (2009)

This intimate account of Oscar Wilde's life and writings is richer,

livelier, and more personal than any book available about the brilliant writer, revealing a man who built himself out of books. His library was his reality, the source of so much that was vital to his life.

917.7414 R762A

At Least in the City Someone Would Hear Me Scream

Wade Rouse (2009)

Rouse chronicles the hilarious escapades of "two neurotic urbanites" as they ensconce themselves in the woods without Trader Joe's, HGTV, or lattes. Rouse feels like a Martian confronting the locals at the general store and suffers extreme anxiety when attempting ice fishing and karaoke.

814 SE27W (also CD)

When You Are Engulfed in Flames

David Sedaris (2008)

Sedaris uses life's most bizarre moments to reach new heights in understanding love and fear, family and strangers, this sixth essay collection culminates in a brilliantly funny account of his venture to Tokyo in order to quit smoking.

811 SP41M

My Vocabulary Did This to Me: The Collection Poetry of Jack Spicer

Jack Spicer (2008)

What a reader finds here is a poet deeply engaged with language, a gay man consumed by desperate affairs of the heart and flesh, a lover of jazz and baseball and weather, and possessed of the tenderest lyricisms and biting wit.

817 C1945L

À la Carte: The Secret Lives of Grocery Shoppers

Hillary Carlip (2008)

Carlip has been collecting shopping lists--and imagining the lives of their owners--since she was a kid. Now the lesbian performance artist has brought her fantasies to life in a series of photographic portraits.

811 SH93K

King of Shadows

Aaron Shurin (2008)

Describing his anxiety about his looks before going to a bar, Bay Area poet Shurin writes "oh, my wiry, independent, shtetl hair, my Ukrainian ribbons from my mother's side, folkloric bonnet of curls, was out of the question, way too heavily accented, ruefully unacceptable, untidy, un-Californian..."

DVD 781.66092 J613B

Elton John

See Sir Elton John behind the scenes and watch the legendary rock star prepare for his spectacular Red Piano show at Caesar's Palace..

DVD 781.63 M666L

Liza with a Z (2006)

In 1972, Liza Minnelli and Broadway legend Bob Fosse took the Oscars by storm for Cabaret. That same year, the two paired up once again to create the spectacular musical special Liza with a Z, making television history and carting home four Emmys in the process.

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