No Safe Passage: Navigating the Shoals of Change

Serving GLBT Families and Friends: Where Access, Equality, Diversity and Intellectual Freedom Collide
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MUST HAVE PROFESSIONAL BOOK:

WHAT I’M READING NOW:
Fiction: Aristotle and Dante Discover the Secrets of the Universe by Benjamin Alire Sáenz and The Popularity Papers: Research for the Social Improvement and General Betterment of Lydia Goldblatt and Julie Graham. Non Fiction: Beyond Magenta: Transgender Teens Speak Out by Susan Kuklin

FROM OUR ASSOCIATIONS:


The Rainbow Project; promotes GLBTQ fiction and nonfiction books for young readers from birth through age 18. http://glbtrt.ala.org/rainbowbooks/

Outreach Resources for Services to Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender People [an overview of ALA policies, services, access issues]

Out in the Library: Materials, Displays and Services for the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender Community[polciies, bibliographies, and resources for librarians]
http://www.ala.org/advocacy/intfreedom/iftoolkits/glbttoolkit/glbttoolkit


YALSA’s new Teens @ the Library books address answering teens’ tough questions, advocacy; evaluation

ALA Office for Intellectual Freedom
http://www.ala.org/offices/oif

Freedom to Read Foundation
http://www.ftrf.org


RESOURCE MATERIALS:
The Williams Institute: dedicated to conducting rigorous, independent research on sexual orientation and gender identity law and public policy.
http://williamsinstitute.law.ucla.edu/mission/

Huff Post Gay Voices, http://www.huffingtonpost.com/gay-voices/

Guide to being a straight ally; A project of Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG) National.http://community.pflag.org/document.doc?id=139

Betz, Jenny, Libraries as Safe Spaces, GLSEN, Catalogue This!,

Eames, Alicia; Protecting our LGTQ Youth; Curriculum Connections--School Library Journal, June 5, 2012
http://www.schoollibraryjournal.com/slj/home/894523-312/protecting_our_lgtq_youth_.html.csp

Dewitt, Peter, Dignity for All: Safeguarding LGBT Students, Corwin, 2012.
Terms and Definitions, What do the letters LGBTQQIA stand for?

Cianciotto, Jason and Sean Cahill, LGBT Youth in America's Schools, University of Michigan, 2012.


It Get’s Better Project
http://www.itgetsbetter.org

I’m here. I’m queer. What the hell do I read?
http://www.leewind.org

QueerYa; Fiction for LGBTQ Teens. A review of fiction of interest to lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgendered, queer, and questioning teenagers.

Gay-Themed Picture Books for Children: Picture books for children about the experience of knowing or having a gay parent, family member, or friend, as well as books for gender nonconforming kids, http://booksforkidsingayfamilies.blogspot.com


BY THE NUMBERS:
Gates, Gary J, Frank Newport

The Real Modern Family in America


DISHEARTENING DATA:
Malinda Lo, I have numbers! Stats on LGBT Young Adult Books Published in the U.S. – Updated 9/15/11 http://www.malindalo.com/2011/09/i-have-numbers-stats-on-lgbt-young-adult-books-published-in-the-u-s/


SAME SEX MARRIAGE:

Marriage Equality States: http://www.freedomtomarry.org/states/


INTERESTING ARTICLES FROM THE NEWS
From Juneau:
Griffiths, Melissa, LGBTQ in the capital, Part I: Coming out and early struggles of the community, Juneau Empire, Posted: April 27, 2013 - 11:14pm. This is a several part series; search the Juneau Empire for LGBTQ in the capital.

By Ruth Padawer, published: August 8, 2012
Read some of the 834+ comments

Male Couples Face Pressure to Fill Cradles http://www.nytimes.com/2012/08/10/us/gay-couples-face-pressure-to-have-children.html?pagewanted=1&_r=2&src=recp&
Published: August 9, 2012

About LAMBDA Bridging the Gap; Library Anchor Models for Bridging Diversity Achievements (LAMBDA) brings together the University of Tennessee’s School of Information Sciences and the Center for Literacy, Education & Employment with the San Diego County Libraries and other public libraries in California and Tennessee to provide education, training, workshops, and support materials to support library staff members who serve LGBTQ homeless youth. Funded by the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS), LAMBDA is a partnership with the University of Tennessee’s School of Information Sciences and the Center for Literacy, Education & Employment (CLEE).
DaNae Leu receives 2013 Downs Intellectual Freedom Award, Graduate School of Library and Information Science University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

POLITICS AND POLITICIANS:

Transcript: President Obama 2013 inaugural address

President Obama: We, the people, declare today that the most evident of truths – that all of us are created equal – is the star that guides us still; just as it guided our forebears through Seneca Falls, and Selma, and Stonewall; It is now our generation’s task to carry on what those pioneers began. Our journey is not complete until our gay brothers and sisters are treated like anyone else under the law – for if we are truly created equal, then surely the love we commit to one another must be equal as well.

http://www.washingtonpost.com/blogs/wonkblog/wp/2013/01/21/transcript-president-obama-2013-inaugural-address/ Posted by Ezra Klein on January 21, 2013 at 12:08 pm

Mark Kirk becomes second GOP senator to back gay marriage
Posted by Aaron Blake on April 2, 2013 at 12:06 pm


Gay Marriage Debate To Continue After Supreme Court Ruling By DAVID CRARY 03/28/13

http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2013/03/28/gay-marriage-debate_n_2970336.html

List of the first LGBT holders of political offices in the United States
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_the_first_LGBT_holders_of_political_offices_in_the_United_States
As of 2012:

• all 50 states have been served by openly LGBT elected politicians in some capacity;[1]
• at least 41 states have elected openly LGBT politicians to one or both houses of their state legislature;
• only one state governor has ever come out as gay; no openly LGBT governor or United States president has ever been elected to office.