



# PFLAG OF CHESTER COUNTY & PFLAG OF DELAWARE COUNTY LGBTQ+ RESOURCE LISTING

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\*Parents, Family and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG)

First Tuesday of each month - 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM

**United Church of Christ** 

1201 North Chester Road, West Chester, PA (484) 459-4078

Lynda Carcione <u>lynda.carcione@gmail.com</u>

Currently meets through Zoom – Email for more information

Parents, Family and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG)
Second Tuesday of each month – 7:00 PM – 8:00 PM In-Person Meeting
Unitarian Universalist Church of Delaware County
145 West Rose Tree Road Media, PA 19063
Joan Bortnicker jcbort@comcast.net (610) 368-2021

#### **Trans-Parents**

This is a group of parents that met at our PFLAG meetings and began getting together informally monthly. They are a terrific group of caring moms and dads.

They meet the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month. (CURRENTLY MEETS THROUGH ZOOM-Email for more info)

If you would like to learn more, here the contacts:

Julie Moyer gjml1@comcast.net 484-753-2293

PFLAG National Office 1625 K Street, NW Suite 700 Washington, D.C. 20006

Main Phone: 202-467-8180

**Web Site: www.PFLAG.org** Phone: **(202) 467-8180** 

Fax: (202) 349-0788

General e-mail: info@pflag.org

LGBT Equality Alliance is a non-profit organization in Chester County, serving the lesbian, gay/bisexual, transgender, queer/questioning, and asexual/ally (LGBTQ+) community.

#### **LGBT Equality Alliance (Formerly LGBTeaDances)**

PO Box 963 Phoenixville, PA 19460 484-393-LGBT (5428) info@lgbteachesco.org

William Way Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Community Center
1315 Spruce Street Philadelphia (215) 732-2220
Gay and Lesbian Peer Counseling Services (215) 732-TALK

www.waygay.org

#### **LGBTQ+YOUTH GROUPS AGES 14-18**

SPOT (Space to be Proud Open & Together)
In-Person Meetings Ages 14 -18
- First and Third Thursdays from 6:30 - 8:30 PM
8 South Wayne Street (Planned Parenthood Offices)
West Chester
spot@ppsp.org

#### AND

Rainbow Phoenix
In-Person Meetings Ages 14 -18
-First and Third Tuesdays from 6:30 - 8:30 PM
14 Gay Street (LGBT Equality Alliance Office)
Phoenixville
Tinyurl.com/RainbowPHX

LGBT National Help Center
www.LGBThotline.org/LGBTQteens.com
LGBTQ Teens Online Talk Group
Youth 12 to Age 19
Tuesday 5:00-7:00 PM EST
1-800-246-7742
For more info: help@LGBThotline.org

"Out and About" LGBTQ Support Group (Membership required)

Contact: Tiffany Spilove -Phychotherapy

TiffanySpilove@yahoo.com

#### "Our Neighbood" - LGBT Support group 2cd. Wednesday each month 7-8 pm

**Phoenixville Hospital** 

Register @: ourneighborhood.eventbrite.com

#### TS Angels - Group of Transgender Woman

Play Group - Transgender Youth Contact: Michelle Angello, PHD 610.917.8561

Renaissance Transgender Assoc. -3rd Saturday of Each Month

987 Eagle School Road #719 Wayne, PA. 610.636.1990 info@ren.org

Dr\_Angello@Yahoo.com

Springfield Psychological - Transgender Support Group West Chester Office 770 East Market Street West Chester, PA. 19380 Nazneen Meacham (therapist for group) -610-544-2110 info@springpsych.com

Renaissance Education Association - A Transgender Resource 987 Old Eagle School Rd. Suite 719
Wayne, Pa. 19087
610-636-1990
info@ren.org
www.ren.org

Qmmunity Alliance - "This is a safe place to be" (LGBTQ youth and parent support group) QmmunityAlliance@gmail.com 484-854-1206

Run out of: Ascension United Church of Christ 1700 West Main Street Jeffersonville, PA. 19403

LGBT Qmunity Center of Montgomery County www.lgbtqmunity.org info@lgbtqmunity.org 484.919.8268

The Trevor Project Helpline Crisis line for LGBTQ Youth 866.488.7386 www.thetrevorproject.org

**The Attic Youth Center** 

255 S. 16<sup>th</sup> Street Philadelphia (215) 545-4331

Carrie Jacobs x 101

www.atticyouthcenter.org

The Bryson Institute

255 S. 16<sup>th</sup> Street Philadelphia (215) 545-4331 x104

www.brysoninstitute.org

Main Line Youth Alliance (Ages 14-22) Meets every Friday @ 7:00 - 9:30 pm

**Central Baptist Church** 

106 West Lancaster Ave. Wayne, PA 19087

www.myaonline.org

**Rainbow Room** 

181 E. Court Str. Doylestown, PA 18901 (215) 957-7981

Wednesday 6:00 - 8:00 pm

**Trans Youth Family Allies** 

Shannon Garcia 317-224-9796 www.imatyfa.org

Philadelphia Family Pride

PO Box 235 Springhouse, PA 19119 (215) 600-2864

www.phillyfamilypride.org

Giovanni's Room (Bookstore)

345 S. 12th Street Philadelphia, PA 19107 (215) 923-2960

www.queerbooks.com

**Common Roads** 

221 North Front Street Harrisburg, PA 17102

717-920-9534

Meets Fridays from 7 – 9 PM www.commonroads.org

Camp High Light Overnight camp for children of GLBT parents

www.camphighlight.com

contact: Chris Hudson chris@camphighlight.com

646-535-2267

**Delco Dudes - Delaware County Gay Men's Group Meeting: First and Third Wednesday of each Month** 

**Location: Family and Community Service of Delaware County** 

6<sup>th</sup> & Olive Street, Media, Pa.

Contact for more info: Lou.Madonna@comcast.net

#### LGBTQ Friendly Psychologist/Therapist/Counselors/Social Workers/Legal Aid

Alexander Stefanini, LPC
<u>ArriveTherapy.com</u>
info@arrivetherapy.com
443-856-8122

At Arrive Therapy, our goal is to be a safe place for you to find the help you are looking for and to experience real life changes. We are here to guide you and explore gender and sexuality with you, whether that understanding your gender identity, beginning your gender transition, coming out to family/friends/work, understanding your sexuality, navigating your work during transition, getting letter for gender affirming surgery, helping to access doctors for hormones/and or surgery, or participating in family therapy for members who are struggling with your gender identity/transition.

Ken Lopez – Clinical Specialist Spilove Psychotherapy 19 Elliott Ave. #1007 Bryn Mawr, PA 19010 484.784.6244 Spilovepsychotherapy@gmail.com

Riley Brown Penn Psychiatric PA 601 Gay Street Phoenixvile, PA Ppcmh.com

April Hankins Aprilhanksintherapy.com

#### Dr. Christina Wohleber

Specializes in working with the LGBTQ population and is a Board Certified Transgender Care Therapist

**CW Psychological Services** 

491 Allendale Rd, Suite 301 King of Prussia, PA 19406 Phone: 610-308-7575 Fax: 610-590-9225

cwpsychologicalservices.com

Main Line Health – LGBTQ Inclusive Care <a href="https://www.mainlinehealth.org/specialties/lgbtq-inclusive-care">https://www.mainlinehealth.org/specialties/lgbtq-inclusive-care</a> 225 West Lancaster Ave. 610-786-3200

Kathleen Gajdos 1733 Creek Road Chadds Ford, PA. 19317 kcg@drgajdos.com. www.drgajdos.com

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Cognizant Behavioral Health
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Chadds Ford, PA. 19317

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Delaware County Community College
Career and Counseling Center #1325D
901 South Media Line Road
Media, PA. 19063-1094
610-355-7152
CDUNGEE@dccc.edu

Sanctuary Counceling, LLC 1125 Ben Franklin Highway West Douglasville, PA. 19518 info@sanctuarycounseling.com www.sanctuarycounceling.com 610.385.3155

Damon Constantinides, PhD, LCSW
Phychotherapist
Individual & Relationship Counseling for Adults and Teenagers
Physchology Today Profile: http://Therapists.PsychologyToday.com/rms/78556
1315 Spruce St, Philadelphia, PA 19107
Phone: (607) 592-2173
www.therapistdamon.com

Jennifer A. Fulton MSS. LSW - Therapist/House calls 610-529-4810

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Legal Aid of Southeastern Pennsylvania
625 Swede Street
Norristown, PA. 19401
610-275-5400 ext. 132 (Fax: 610-275-5406)
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Santuary Counceling (LGBTQ Affirming Therapy) www.sanctuarycounceling.com
Toll Free: 855-SEEK-WELLNESS
50 Second Ave. Ste. 4

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Tiffany Spilove - Psychotherapy *Trauma, Addiction, Teens, LGBT, Eating Disorder 2 Offices:*21 West Washington Street, Ste B
West Chester, Pa. 19380
19 Elliott Ave.
Bryn Mawr, PA 19010

610.314.8402 www.TiffanySpilove.com

Andrea Morganstein, MS, LPC 203 West Chestnut Street Ste 202 West Chester, PA. 19380-2517 Phone: 610.314.0799

Fax: 610.601.5999

andrea@andreasideas.com

Grace Molloy
215 995-0002
www.growgracetherapy.com
grace@growingtherapy.com

Jeannie Lerch, PsyD. Cell: 484-237-9173 Office: 610-518-6020

Dr.JeannieLerch@gmail.com

Beth Toler The Wellness Center Grace Lutheran Church gracebroomall@gmail.com

Main Line Health LGBTQ Inclusive Care Unit 225 W. Lancaster Ave Medical Bldg#3 #330 Paoli, PA

135 South Bryn Mawr Ave. #200 Brwn Mawr, PA.

Patient Services for LGBT Health Penn Medicine 215.573.8499 LGBThlth@med.upenn.edu PennMedicine.org/LGBT

Chester County Health Department
601 Westtown Road #180
West Chester, PA. 19380
610.344.6252
US Department of Veteran Affairs
Shardae Wescott, MSW. LCSW – LGBTQ Veteran Coordinator
Sharday.Wescott@va.gov
Coatesville, PA

#### **HIV/STD Testing and Counseling**

no charge/confidentional/walk-in/no appointment necessary

Domestic Violence Center of Chester County PO Box 832 West Chester, PA. 19381 610.431,3546x139

The Crime Victims Center of Chester County
135-137 West Market Street
West Chester, PA. 19382
610.692.1926
24 hr. Hotlines Sexual Assault 610.692.7273 / Other Crimes 610.692.7420

LGBTQ+ supportive lawyer- Daniel Siegel 66 West Eagle Rd Suite 1 Havertown, PA 19083 610 446-3457 DSiegel@DanielJSiegel.com

Pennsylvania Department of Health Hotline: 877.724.3258 www.health.state.pa.us/STD

National Domestic Violence Hotline 800.799.7233

Philadelphia Freedom Round up (LGBTQ Alcoholic Anonymous meetings)

https://philadelphiaroundup.org/recovery-network/meetings/

Gay and Sober (area 12-Step meetings including NA and CMA) http://www.gayandsober.org/meeting-finder-pennsylvania

William Way recovery meeings (includes AA, NA, CMA, Debtors Anonymous. and eating order support) http://www.waygay.org/recovery-meetings/

#### **College Resources**

#### **West Chester University**

http//www.cupa.edu/\_services/stu.lgb/LGBTQAStudentOrganization.asp

LGBTQA Services/Student Affairs Assistant to the Vice President for Student Affairs 238 Sikes Student Union West Chester, PA. 19380 610-436-3147

Lisa C. Ruchti, Ph.D Associate Professor of Women's and Gender Studies and Sociology Department of Anthropology and Sociology Faculty Associate LGBTQ Services

#### School offering GSA

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**Lower Marion** 

Sunbury Ridley

**York City** Rose-Tree Media Mechanicsburg Tredyfryn-Eastown Owen J. Roberts Chichester Lower Dauphin **Garnet Valley** Southeastern York Radnor **Red Lion Upper Darby Dallastown** Strathaven **Central York** Pennwood **Springfield Big Spring Great Valley Manheim Township** 

**Cedar Crest** Interboro Gettysburg **Marple Newtown** Lampeter-Strasburg **Pennsboro** Susquehanna Township Chambersburg Oxford **Northeastern York** Lancaster Shippensburg Carlisle **McCaskey West Chester East HS Central Dauphin** Downingtown William Penn Coatesville **Henderson HS Bayard Rustin West Chester East Phoneixville** Twin Valley

Conestoga Pottsgrove High School Unionville High School

#### **Accepting Churches & Websites**

United Church of Christ East Goshen 1201N Chester Road (Greenhill Road & Rt. 352)

Westtown

**Harriton High School** 

West Chester, PA 610.692.2951 www.ucceastgoshen.org

United Church of Christ at Valley Forge 45 Walker Road | Wayne, PA 19087 Pastor Mike, michael@uccvf.org church@uccvf.org

Phone: 610-688-8588

East Vincent United Church of Christ Royersford 367 Washington Street Royersford, PA 19468 Pastor Kate

<u>firstuccroy@netzero.net</u> Phone: 610-948-9156

St. Vincent United Church of Christ
137 Ridge Road (Route 23); P.O. Box 454;
Phoenixville, Pennsylvania 19460
Pastor Susan, holylistener@gmail.com (on the LGBT Equality Alliance committee)
stvincentucc@gmail.com
Phone: 610-933-4243

United Church of Christ of West Chester 1201 N Chester Rd, West Chester, PA 19380 Rev. Benner-Smith, <u>pastor@ucceastgoshen.org</u> <u>info@ucceastgoshen.org</u> Phone: 610 - 692-2951

St. Peter's Episcopal Church 121 Church St. Phoenixville, PA 19460 Father Koshy http://saintpeterschurch.net/contact-us Phone: (610) 933-2195

Glenside United Church of Christ 2160 Wharton Rd., Glenside, PA 19038 Pastor Beth Lyon, bethglyon@gmail.com Phone: 215 887-1819

Unitarian Congregation of West Chester
501 S. High Street
West Chester, PA. 19382
610-692-5966
Unitarian Universalist Church
145 W. Rose Road
Media, PA. 19063
610-566-4853

United Church of Christ 1201 N. Chester Road West Chester, PA. 19380 610-692-2951 newwaysministryblog
"a gay positive ministry for lesbian, gay transgendered Catholics..."
newwaysministry.org

St. Mary of Grace www.inclusivecatholics.org (see web site for details) Independent Catholic Church Fr. Joseph Menna, AIHM, Pastor 610-876-4067

The Baptist Church in the Great Valley 945 North Valley Forge Road Devon, PA. 19333

Office: 610-688-5445

Westminster Presbyterian Church 10 W Pleasant Grove Rd. West Chester, PA. 19382 Pastor: Don Lincoln 610-399-3377 www.westminsterpc.org

Beth Chaim Reform Congregation 389 Conestoga Road Malvern, PA 19355 Telephone:610.640.2147 Fax: 610.240.2148

Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church 2191 West Chester Pike Broomall, PA. 19008 610.356.1824

Beth Toler
The Wellness Center at Grace Lutheran Church
<a href="mailto:gracebroomall@gmail.com">gracebroomall@gmail.com</a>
484-423-4484

St. Luke's United Methodist Church 568 Montgomery Ave. Bryn Mawr, PA. 19010 610.525.2396

Cornerstone Christian Fellowship 426 W. Gay Street West Chester, PA. 19380 Cornerstonewestchester.com

#### A Church-Led Denomination http://mccchurch.org/

Metropolitan Community Churches began as a fellowship of churches, each church linked to another through affiliation as an open and inclusive body. Collectively, MCC churches offer a picture of Christianity and religion which celebrates God's diverse creativity. At our foundation, MCC brings to bear the co-existence and complementary relationship of sexuality and spirituality; initially bringing the message of God's love to homosexual persons. As MCC's message of love and inclusion in God's creation brought our churches into a variety of countries

and cultures, our particular devotion to human rights and justice extended our gospel message to issues of human sexuality, gender identity, race, poverty, and more.

#### Imago Dei MCC :: HOME

www.imagodeimcc.org/

Vision/Mission. **Imago Dei** MCC is an inclusive Christian church that welcomes ALL people. We are committed to celebrate God's love in community.

1223 Middletown Rd, Glen Mills, PA 19342 (610) 358-1716

#### **Political Activism**

#### **PFLAG**

Courageous Love in Litigation – PFLAG first time listed as plaintiff in 3 states

PFLAG National works to protect trans kids in Texas, Missouri and North Carolina PFLAG National's first case as a plaintiff:

PFLAG vs. Abbott -Texas

Texas stating that medical treatments for gender dysphoria should be condiered a form of child abuse

PFLAG vs Texas – Texas bill bans necessary and life-saving medical care for transgender youth PFLAG vs Missouri – Depriving Missouri families of medically necessary health care. PFLAG vs.North Carolina – Ban on gender-affirming, medically necessary, health care.

Human Rights Campaign 1640 Rhode Island Ave. N.W. Washington, DC 20036-3278

Web Site: www.hrc.org

HRC Front Desk: (202) 628-4160

TTY: (202) 216-1572

Toll-Free: (800) 777-4723

Fax: (202) 347-5323

#### **Legislative Priorities**

#### **WEBSITES**

www.glsen.org www.transproud.org

www.pflag.org www.advocatesforyouth.org www.jiminbold.org

www.gsanetwork.org www.gender.org

www.galebc.org www.colage.org

www.dayofsilence.org www.aclu.org

www.safeschoolscoalition.org www.challengeday.org

<u>www.lambdalegal.org</u> www.sparc-pa.org

www.endhomophobia.org www.hrc.org

www.phillyfamilypride.org www.outproud.org

<u>www.gayintostraightamerica.com</u> www.youthresource.com

www.thetrevoeproject.org www.tolerance.org

www.younggayamerica.com www.transcentralpa.org

<u>www.nea-glbtc.org</u> <u>www.psea.org</u>

<u>www.sldn.org</u> www.equalityforum.com

www.sap.state.pa.us www.gsanetwork.org

<u>www.diversityinc.org</u> www.studentorganzing.org

www.centralpalgbtcenter.org www.ppcpa.org

www.equalitypa.org www.butterefly-ball.org

<u>www.tolerance.org</u> www.prideofcentralpa.org

<u>www.stopbullyingworld.org</u> www.colage.org

www.challengeday.org www.lambalegal.org

www.couragecampaign.org www.homophobiainsports.com

<u>www.keystoneprogress.org</u> www.tolerance.org

<u>www.community.pflag.org</u> www.aclupa.org

www.familypride.org www.pflagcentralpa.org

<u>www.edallies.ning.com</u> www.equalitypa.org

<u>www.couragecampaign.org</u> www.lancasterpride.com

www.glbthistorymonth.com www.transgenderlawcenter.org

http://equalitypa.blogspost.com www.outinthesilence.com

<u>www.glaad.org</u> www.ren.org

www.bringksims.com www.myaonline.org

#### **Movies/Podcast**

"Real Boy" Documentary Film on PBS About a Transgender Youth's Journey

https://www.pbs.org/independentlens/documentaries/real-boy/

Transgender Documentaries From Many Different Perspectives

#### Movies with Coming Out Issues Involving Parents and Children

#### **BROS**

Bobby is a neurotic podcast host who's happy to go on Tinder dates and content not to have a serious relationship. That all changes when he meets Aaron, an equally detached lawyer who likes to play the field. Repeatedly drawn to each other, both men begin to show their vulnerable sides as their undeniable attraction turns into something resembling a commitment.

#### **Just Charlie**

A teen spccer star who is being courted by a top club is torn between wanting to live up to his Father's expectations and shedding his ill-fitting skin.

100% Rotten Tomatoes. Streaming on Hulu, Amazon Prime, You Tube and Apple TV.

#### Love, Simon

Everyone deserves a great love story, but for 17 year old Simon Spier, it's a little more complicated. He hasn't told his family or friends that he's gay, and he doesn't know the identity of the anonymous clasmatte that he's fallen for online. Resolving both issues proves hilarious, terrifying and life-changing.

**The Out List:** A documentary about being among the LGBT community in modern society, told through interviews with LGBT celebrities and community leaders.

#### Director:

Timothy Greenfield-Sanders

#### Stars:

Dustin Lance Black, R. Clarke Cooper, Wade Davis |

#### **Bridegroom**

The tragic results of homophobia is explored in this award-winning documentary from writer/producer/director Linda Bloodworth Thomason.

#### **Philomena**

A world-weary political journalist picks up the story of a woman's search for her son, who was taken away from her decades ago after she became pregnant and was forced to live in a convent.

#### **Flawless**

Rusty (<u>Philip Seymour Hoffman</u>) is one of Walter's drag queen neighbors and the two are at-odds constantly due to their differing lifestyles. Rusty has a desire to undergo a <u>transsexual</u> operation, but lacks the money to do so.

#### Dallas Buyer's Club (December 2013)

A son of Texas, Ron Woodroof is an electrician and rodeo cowboy. In 1985, he is well into an unexamined existence with a devil-may-care lifestyle. Suddenly, Ron is blindsided by being diagnosed as H.I.V.-positive and given 30 days to live. Yet he will not, and does not, accept a death sentence. His crash course of research reveals a lack of approved treatments and medications in the U.S., so Ron crosses the border into Mexico. There, he learns about alternative treatments and begins smuggling them into the U.S., challenging the medical and scientific community including his concerned physician, Dr. Eve Saks. An outsider to the gay community, Ron finds an unlikely ally in fellow AIDS patient Rayon, a transsexual who shares Ron's lust for life. Rayon also shares Ron's entrepreneurial spirit: seeking to avoid government sanctions against selling non-approved medicines and supplements, they establish a "buyers club," where H.I.V.-positive people pay monthly dues for access to the newly acquired supplies. Deep in the heart of Texas, Ron's pioneering underground collective beats loud and strong. With a growing community of friends and clients, Ron fights for dignity, education, and acceptance. In the years following his diagnosis, the embattled Lone Star loner lives life to the fullest like never before. <a href="eless">| eless</a>

#### The Wise Kids

A vivid, dynamic Southern coming-of-age drama, takes place in the transitional space between high school and college, when life seems to be all questions and no answers, and the future is scarily wide open. Set in and around a Charleston, SC Baptist church, weaving through this ensemble piece are three main characters - Brea, an introspective pastor's daughter experiencing debilitating doubt, the hyperactive Laura, Brea's best friend and a devout believer, and Tim, the open-hearted son of a single father, confronting his homosexuality for the first time. Tensions and buried feelings abound, as colleges are chosen and adults behave badly, as Brea, Laura and Tim attempt to hang onto what they have, all the while yearning to break free. Written by Stephen Cone

#### "Wish Me Away"

The story of country western singer and LGBTQ activist, Chely Wright. <a href="http://www.wishmeawaydoc.com">http://www.wishmeawaydoc.com</a>

#### DOING TIME ON MAPLE DRIVE

The perfect college student son brings his fiancée home to meet the parents. Girlfriend discovers he is gay and flees. Wedding must be called off and mom is not happy.

#### C.R.A.Z.Y.

French Canadian (subtitles). A subtle portrayal of the coming out of a teenage boy who tries to live up to his mach father's expectations while navigating his way among four brothers.

#### **BEAUTIFUL THING**

Set in working class England, two teenage neighbors discover their attraction to each other. Together they begin to explore the wider gay world. Mom is not happy at first but comes around.

#### **GET REAL**

Two middle/upper middle class English high school boys become boyfriends. One works on the school newspaper and the other is the school jock. Jock wants to stay safely in the closet and his boyfriend does not.

#### TORCH SONG TRIOLOGY

Although made in 1988 as an adaptation of Harvey Fierstein's award winning play, this film is still relevant. It exposes and explores the damage done by homophobia and futile attempts to go straight.

#### **JUST A QUESTION OF LOVE**

French. One half of a young gay couple has trouble coming out to his parents and is outed by the mother of the boyfriend.

#### MOVIES DEALING WITH VARIOUS ASPECTS OF THE GAY EXPERIENCE

#### **MAURICE\***

Adaptation of E.M. Foster's novel Merchant/Ivory. \*sex scenes and nudity

#### **LATTER DAYS\***

Mormon missionary comes to grips with being gay and is excommunicated from the church and family.

\*sex scenes and nudity

#### **HANGING GARDENS**

LOVE! VALOUR! COMPASSION!

LAN YU (Chinese with English subtitles)

THE ROAD TO LOVE (gay Muslim, French with English subtitles)

THE BROKEN HEARTS CLUB

**TRICK** 

**EDGE OF SEVENTEEN** 

STEAM: THE TURKISH BATH (Italian, English subtitles)

WALK ON WATER (Israeli, multiple contemporary issues)

**LILIES** 

NICO AND DANI (French coming of age)

THE OBJECT OF MY AFFECTION

MY BEAUTIFUL LAUNDRETTE BIG EDEN

#### THE COMPLICATED GIOGRAPHY OF ALICE

It is an intimate portrayal of a family in crisis and a mother who believes that her daughter is going to blaze a brave new path if she can just keep her sober long enough to grow up. After previewing the book, YA author and LGBT advocate Brendan Halpin wrote: Jules Vilmur takes the wonder, joy, sadness and terror of careening through a life that suddenly feels out of control and makes great art out of it. This book is a tremendous gift to Alice and to us.

#### **PRIDE**

Based on a true story, the film depicts a group of <u>lesbian</u> and <u>gay</u> activists who raised money to help families affected by the <u>British miners' strike</u> in 1984, at the outset of what would become the <u>Lesbians and Gays Support the Miners</u> campaign. The <u>National Union of Mineworkers</u> was reluctant to accept the group's support due to the union's public relations' worries about being openly associated with a gay group, so the activists instead decided to take their donations directly to <u>Onllwyn</u>, a small mining village in <u>Wales</u>, resulting in an alliance between the two communities. The alliance was unlike any seen before but was successful.

#### YouTube VIDEO'S (Key in Topic in Search box)

Watch Melissa and Aidan DeStefano's courageous Transgender Journey as featured on NBC Today

https://www.facebook.com/today/videos/vb.12566691349/10155837126881350/?type=2&theater&comment\_id=1998786620369525&notif\_t=video\_comment&notif\_id=1509581002024611

Apple CEO Tim Cook: "I'm proud to be Gay"
A Mother Stands Up for her Transgender Child - Debi Jackson
Kevin Rudd-Australian Prime Minister on homosexuality
Starbucks CEO Howard Shultz about Gay Marriage Stance
Bob Harper Comes Out

Kids React to Gay Marriage
Kevin Rudd - If you think homosexuality is a sin...
Macklemore & Ryan - Video from song "Same Love"
DOMA Ruling - Jubilation for same-sex marriage supporters
Zach Wahis Speaks about family - raised by Lesbian Moms
Jason Collins Comes Out
Rev. Frank Schaefer and son Tim on the View
Sally Field wins HRC Award - http://youtu.be/0hdvyvLhw2s

#### **BOOKS, READING MATERIALS**



In 2010, Dan Savage and his partner, Terry Miller, uttered three words that would give rise to a global movement focused on empowerment of LGBTQ+ youth — it gets better

Growing up isn't easy. Many young people face daily tormenting and bullying, and this is especially true for LGBTQ kids and teens. In response to a number of tragic suicides by LGBTQ students, syndicated columnist and author Dan Savage uploaded a video to YouTube with his partner, Terry Miller. Speaking openly about the bullying they suffered, and how they both went on to lead rewarding adult lives, their video launched the It Gets Better Project YouTube channel and initiated a worldwide phenomenon.

It Gets Better is a collection of original essays and expanded testimonials written to teens from celebrities, political leaders, and everyday people, because while many LGBTQ teens can't see a positive future for themselves, we can.

## The Ultimate Guide for Gay Dads: Everything You Need to Know About LGBTQ Parenting But Are (Mostly) Afraid to Ask Paperback – October 24, 2017

by Eric Rosswood (Author), Berlanti. Greg (Foreword)

#### #1 Amazon New Release!

If you are thinking of becoming a gay dad — or if you are already a gay dad — this book is for you!

Are you ready to have kids? More and more gay men are turning to adoption and surrogacy to start their own families. An estimated two million American LBGTQ people would like to adopt and an estimated 65,000 adopted children are living with a gay parent. In 2016, The Chicago Tribune reported that 10 to 20 percent of donor eggs went to gay men expanding their families via surrogacy, and in many places the numbers were up 50 percent from the previous five years.

**Gay parenting:** Having a kid is like coming out all over again, on a daily basis, especial if you have an infant. Was coming out stressful for you? It's about to get more intense

Oddly Normal: One Family's Struggle to Help Their Teenage Son Come to Terms with His Sexuality Author John Schwartz, national correspondent at the New York Times.

...a heartfelt memoir by the father of a gay teen, and an eye-opening story for families who hope to bring up well adjusted gay adults...

The Evolution of Evan Poe - Young man comes to terms with his sexual orientation

"Clobbering "Biblical" Gay Bashing - Reverend Mark A. Sandin www.thegodarticle.com

Love, Ellen by Betty DeGeneres

The Church and Homosexuality by John J. McNeill

Beyond Acceptance "Parents of Lesbians and Gays Talk About Their Experiences" by C. Griffin, M. Wirth and A. Wirth

**Ruby Fruit Jungle by Rita Mae** 

### READING FOR YOUNGER CHILDREN WHO ARE TRANSGENDER, GENDER EXPANSIVE OR HAAVE A LOT OF QUESTIONS

Parents looking for age-appropriate reading material for younger children who are transgender, gender expansive, or simply have a lot of questions, might think that their options are limited. Happily, that's not the case. The books below each offer a different way to affirm, to learn, and to start important conversations. You can donate to PFLAG National by signing into Amazon Smile—smile.amazon.com—prior to purchasing any of the titles below.

<u>Be Who You Are</u> by Jennifer Carr: This charming children's story, written by a mom, tells of her own experience of raising and supporting her transgender child, and how she helped the school to support her as well.

<u>Gender Now Coloring Book</u> by Maya Gonzalez: A coloring book meant to provide reflection and support unity by showing multiple genders standing together. Inside you'll find stories, pictures, games and more to encourage and remind you that you are free to be!

<u>I Am Jazz</u> by Jessica Herthel and Jazz Jennings: The story of a transgender child based on the real-life experience of Jazz Jennings, who has become a spokesperson for transgender kids everywhere.

If You Believe in Mermaids...Don't Tell by A. A. Phillips: Todd Winslow has just finished seventh grade. He has always struggled with his own identity and what it means to be a boy, being perpetually measured against what his father views as the 'perfect son.' Philips presents a difficult gender issue to readers in a delicate manner.

<u>Jacob's New Dress</u> by Sarah Hoffman: This heartwarming story speaks to the unique challenges faced by boys who don't identify with traditional gender roles.

<u>Meet Polkadot</u> by Talcott Broadhead: Polkadot as well as Polkadot's big sister Gladiola and best friend Norma Alicia, introduce readers to the challenges and beauty that are experienced by Polkadot as a nonbinary, transgender kid.

<u>Morris Micklewhite and the Tangerine Dress</u> by Christine Baldacchino: Morris is a little boy who loves using his imagination. But most of all, Morris loves wearing the tangerine dress in his classroom's dress-up center. The children in Morris's class don't understand. One day when Morris feels all alone and sick from their taunts, his mother lets him stay home from school. Morris dreams of a fantastic space adventure with his cat, Moo.

My Princess Boy by Cheryl Kilodavis: Dyson loves pink, sparkly things. Sometimes he wears dresses. Sometimes he wears jeans. He likes to wear his princess tiara, even when climbing trees. He's a Princess Boy. Pinky and Rex and the Bully by James Howe: Pinky's favorite color is pink, and his best friend, Rex, is a girl. Kevin, the third-grade bully, says that makes Pinky a sissy. Deep down, Pinky thinks Kevin is wrong, but he's still worried. Does Pinky have to give up his favorite things, and worse, does he have to give up his best friend?

<u>Pugdog</u> by Andrea U'Ren: Mike and his pup are great friends. But Mike doesn't know very much about dogs. Not only is Pugdog not a pug—Pugdog is not even a he, as Mike had thought all along, but a she! Mike feels obliged to give Pugdog a crash course on how to look and act the way a girl dog should. The only problem is Mike doesn't know much about this subject either.

<u>Sissy Duckling</u> written by Harvey Fierstein and Illustrated by Henry Cole: Elmer is not like the other boy ducklings. While they like to build forts, he loves to bake cakes. While they like to play baseball, he wants to put on the halftime show. But when his father is wounded by a hunter's shot, Elmer proves that the biggest sissy can also be the greatest hero.

<u>The Story of Ferdinand</u> by Munro Leaf, Illustrated by Robert Lawson: Ferdinand is the world's most peaceful—and beloved—little bull. While all of the other bulls snort, leap, and butt their heads, Ferdinand is content to just sit and smell the flowers under his favorite cork tree. Leaf's simple storytelling paired with Lawson's pen-and-ink drawings make The Story of Ferdinand a true classic.

<u>What Makes a Baby</u> by Cory Silverberg, illustrated by Fiona Smyth: A wonderful children's book that takes gender out of making a baby.

#### AVAILABLE FROM THE PFLAG.ORG NATIONAL SITE

PFLAG: Parents, Families, & Friends of Lesbians and Gays https://bookstore.pflag.org/site/index.php

Be Yourself \$2.50 Guide to Being a Straight Ally \$2.50 Guide to Being a Trans Ally \$2.50 Be Not Afraid \$2.50 Safe Schools – Cultivating Respect \$2.50 Supporting your LGBTQ Grandchild \$2.50 The Mother of A Movement \$2.50

Answers to your Questions About Transgender People, Gender ...

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Answers to Your Questions About <b>Transgender</b> People, Gender Identity, and Gender Expression (PDF, 277KB). Detailed ordering <b>information</b> for this pamphlet				