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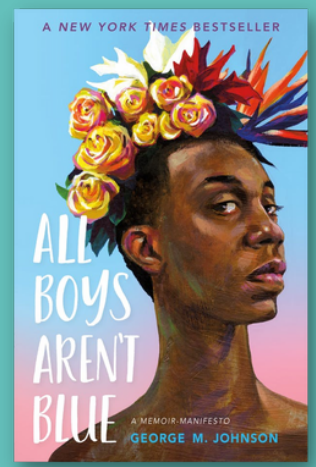
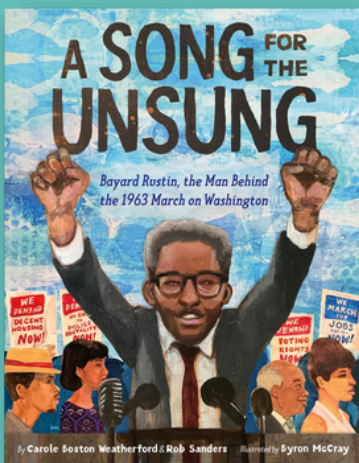
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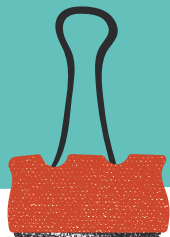
## LGBTQ+ Voices for Kids & Teens

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### New & Noteworthy Books!

Picture Books, Middle Grade,  
Young Adult, Graphic Novels  
and more!



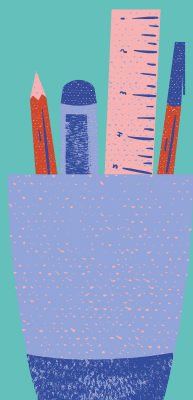


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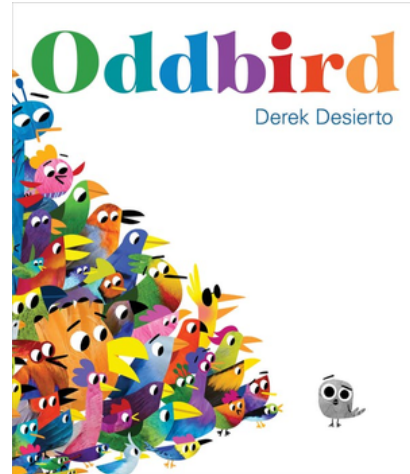
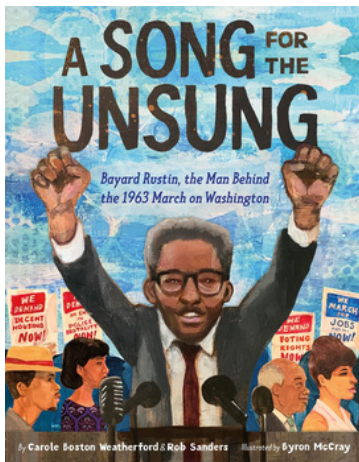
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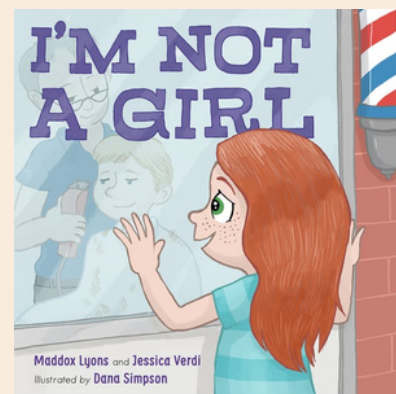
Click the covers to learn more about these books!



## Meet Maddox Lyons



Maddox Lyons is a transgender boy who lives in California with his parents, sister, two dogs, and two pet rats. He does advocacy and outreach with various LGBTQ+ organizations. Maddox loves drawing and writing, acting, figure skating, and getting lost in a good book.



# Spotlight on Julian Randall

## Meet the Author

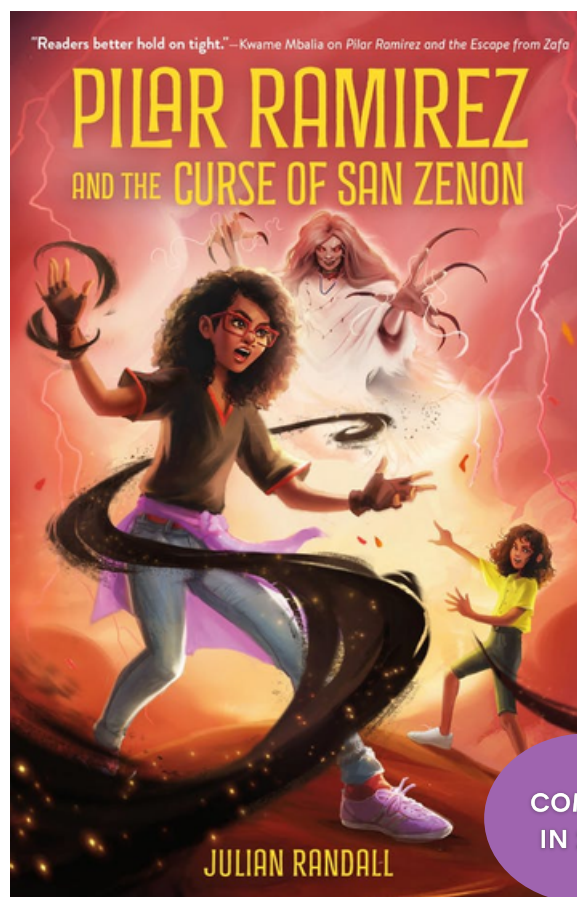


Julian Randall is a Living Queer Black poet from Chicago. His poetry and essays are published in the *New York Times Magazine*, *POETRY*, *The Atlantic*, and *Vibe*. He is the recipient of a Pushcart Prize. Julian holds an MFA in Poetry from Ole Miss. His first book, *Refuse*, won the Cave Canem Poetry Prize and was a finalist for an NAACP Image Award. He was also a contributor to the #1 *New York Times*-bestseller *Black Boy Joy*. Julian has previously worked as a youth mentor, teaching writing workshops to children on house arrest. *Pilar Ramirez and the Escape from Zafa* is his debut children's novel.

## Introducing Pilar Ramirez

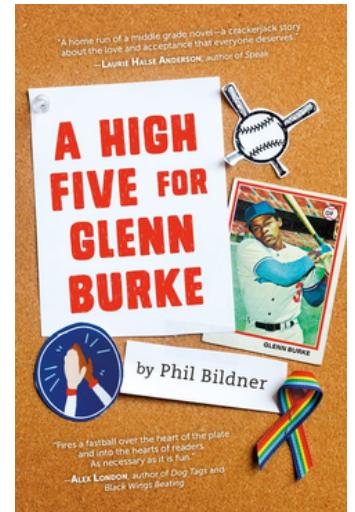


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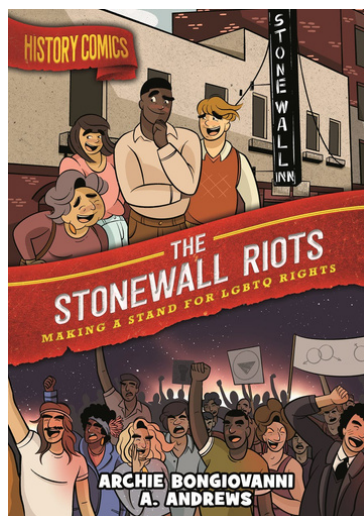
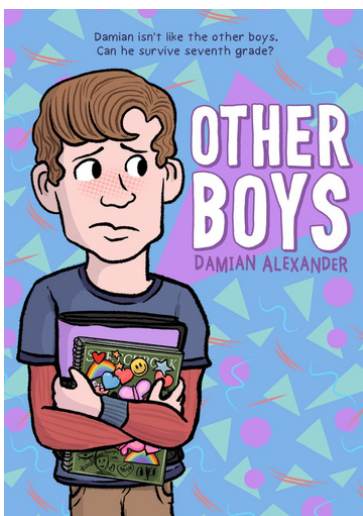


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Prose Novels



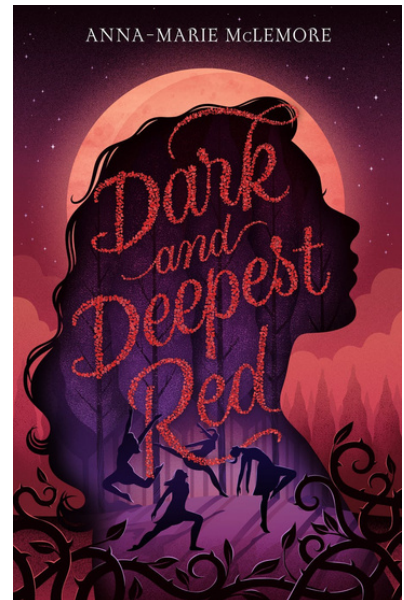
Graphic Novels



## Meet the Author



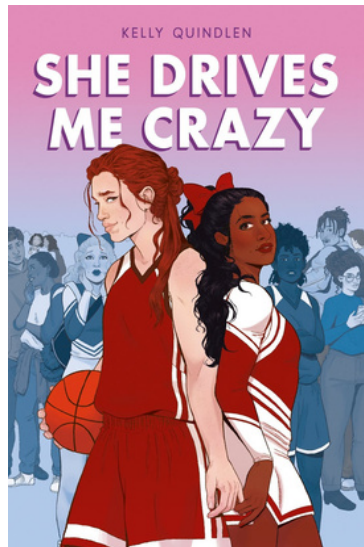
Anna-Marie McLemore was born in the foothills of the San Gabriel Mountains and taught by their family to hear la llorona in the Santa Ana winds. They are the author of *The Weight of Feathers*, a 2016 William C. Morris YA Debut Award Finalist; 2017 Stonewall Honor Book *When the Moon Was Ours*, which was longlisted for the National Book Award in Young People's Literature; *Wild Beauty*, a Kirkus, School Library Journal, and Booklist best book of 2017; *Blanca & Roja*, a New York Times Book Review Editors' Choice; *Dark and Deepest Red*, a Winter 2020 Indie Next List title; and *The Mirror Season*, which was longlisted for the National Book Award in Young People's Literature.



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# Young Adult - Contemporary



## Meet Jas Hammonds

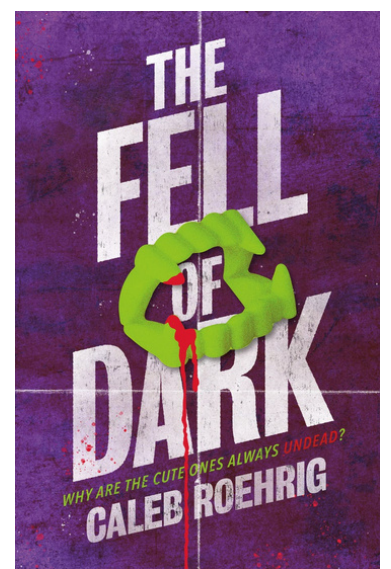
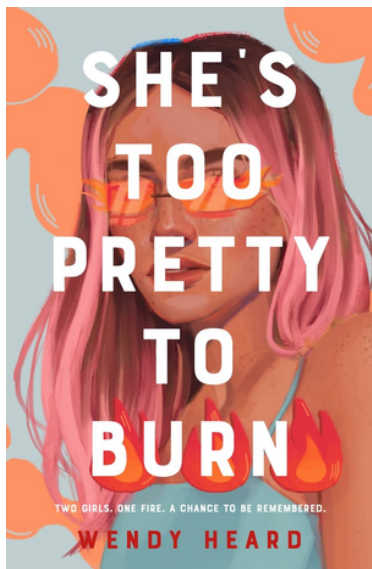
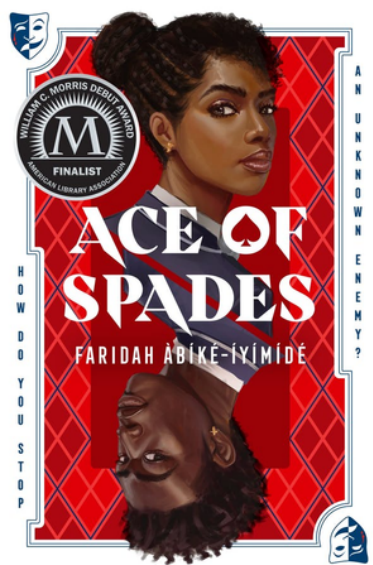
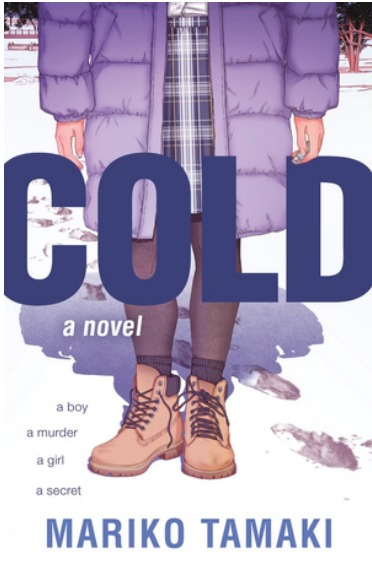


Jas Hammonds was raised in many cities and in-between the pages of many books. They have received support for their writing from Lambda Literary, Sundress Academy of the Arts, and the Highlights Foundation. They are also a grateful recipient of a MacDowell James Baldwin Fellowship. *We Deserve Monuments* is their debut novel.



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# Young Adult - Genre



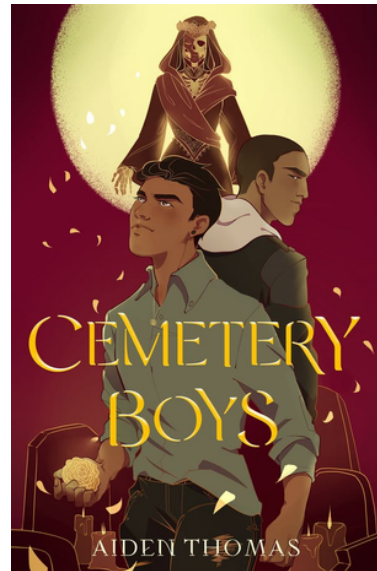
## Meet Tucker Shaw



Tucker Shaw is a writer and editor who first found his family in New York City's East Village in 1991 when he was twenty-three. Over the decades he's worked in magazines, newspapers, and advertising. *When You Call My Name* is his first novel for Henry Holt Books for Young Readers.







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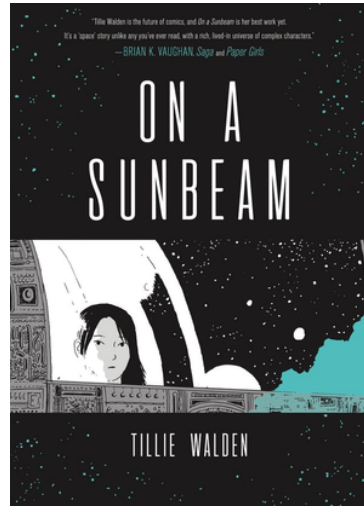
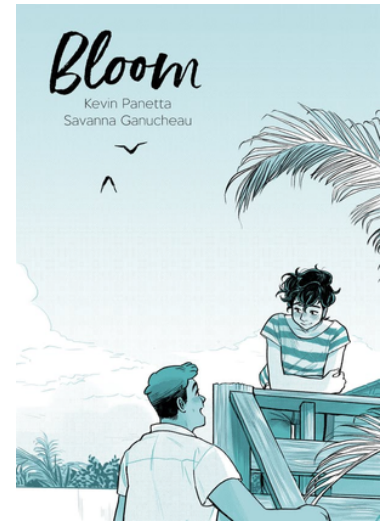
Meet Aiden Thomas



Aiden Thomas is a trans, Latinx, New York Times Bestselling Author with an MFA in Creative Writing from Mills College. Originally from Oakland, California, they now make their home in Portland, OR. Aiden is notorious for not being able to guess the endings of books and movies, and organizes their bookshelves by color.



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## Meet Mike Curato



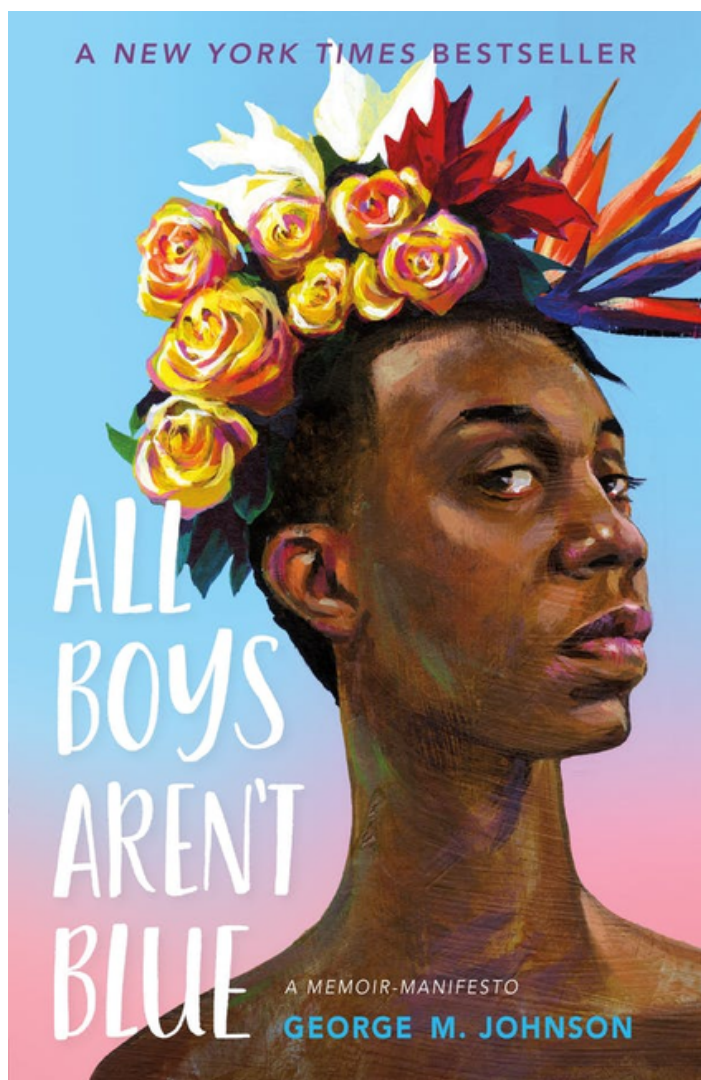
Mike Curato is the award-winning author and illustrator of the Little Elliot series and the graphic novel *Flamer*, and has illustrated a number of other books for children, including *What If...* (by Samantha Berger), *Worm Loves Worm*, and *All the Way to Havana*.



## Meet the Author



**GEORGE M. JOHNSON** is a writer and activist based in New York. They have written on race, gender, sex, and culture for *Essence*, the *Advocate*, *BuzzFeed News*, *Teen Vogue*, and more than forty other national publications. George has appeared on *BuzzFeed's AM2DM* as well as on *MSNBC*. *All Boys Aren't Blue* is their debut, and was an Amazon Best Book of the Year, an Indie Bestseller, a *People Magazine* Best Book of the Year, and optioned for television by Gabrielle Union. The *New York Times* called it "an exuberant, unapologetic memoir infused with a deep but clear-eyed love for its subjects." At the time of publication, George used he/him pronouns. Speak with them on Twitter: [@IamGMJohnson](https://twitter.com/IamGMJohnson). [iamgmjohnson.com](http://iamgmjohnson.com)



## #3 Most Challenged Book in America in 2021

**A New York Times Bestseller!**  
**Optioned for television by Gabrielle Union**  
**Velshi Banned Book Club**  
**CNN Summer Read Pick**  
**Teen Vogue Recommended Read**  
**Buzzfeed Recommended Read**  
**People Magazine Best Book of the Summer**  
**An Indie Bestseller**  
**An ALA Rainbow List Pick**  
**A New York Library Best Book of 2020**  
**A Chicago Public Library Best Book of 2020**  
**A Kirkus Reviews Best Book of 2020**  
**Publishers Weekly Anti-Racist Reading List Pick**  
**2021 Texas Topaz Nonfiction Reading List Pick**  
**A Kids' Book Choice Award Finalist**  
**#1 YALSA Teen's Top Ten List Winner**  
**A Texas TAYSHAS Reading List Title**