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Celebrate Pride month with LGBTQIA+ stories and voices at Pierce County Library

PIERCE COUNTY, Washington – Explore and honor the diverse stories and voices of the LGBTQIA+ community. Visit the Pierce County Library System for classes and events, specially curated booklists and informative displays as the nation celebrates Pride Month in June. The library will feature a rich lineup of events highlighting personal narratives, lived experiences and literary works that reflect the resilience, creativity and contributions of LGBTQIA+ individuals. Events include:

LGBTQIA+ Empowerment Through Understanding

Join Fiona Cleveland, with Gig Harbor Inclusive Families, to gain an understanding of gender identity and how family support can help 2SLGBTQIA+ youth feel resilient and build higher self-esteem. Ages 18 and up. Registration required.

Wednesday, June 4, 5-6 p.m.

Gig Harbor Pierce County Library, 4424 Point Fosdick Drive

Drop In and Celebrate – Pride Month!

Enjoy a celebration of Pride Month through the exploration of stations focused on art, engineering and more! All ages.

Wednesday, June 11, 3–5 p.m.

Interim Lakewood Pierce County Library, 10202 Gravelly Lake Dr. SW

Hybrid Story Hour (ish) – A story time for grown-ups

Join us online or in person at the Bonney Lake Library for stories by Nebedita Sen, Adam Silvera, Sim Kern and Mira Jacob in honor of LGBTQIA+ Pride Month! Ages 13 and up.

Wednesday, June 11, 6–7 p.m.

Bonney Lake Pierce County Library, 18501 90th St. E.

Virtual LGBTQIA+ Rights with Washington ACLU

Join Pierce County Library System and the ACLU of Washington for a webinar on the rights of 2SLGBTQIA+ Washingtonians. Ages 13 and up. Registration required.

Thursday, June 12, 6:30–8 p.m.

Virtual Pierce County Library

South Hill Saturday Morning Book Club

Join local community members and librarians to discuss “A Psalm for the Wild-built” by Becky Chambers. Adults.

Saturday, June 14, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., 15420 Meridian E.

Graham Book Club

Read and discuss a book title for LGBTQIA+ Stories and Voices. Adults

Tuesday, June 17, 2-3 p.m., 9202 224th St. E.

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Pride at Work

Learn about your rights as an LGBTQIA+ employee in Washington State and how you can be an ally in the workplace to your peers. Ages 13 and up.

Saturday, June 21, 1–2 p.m.

South Hill Pierce County Library, 15420 Meridian E.

Self as Source: A Poetry Reading and Workshop

Hear Poet Austin Sargent encourage the writer to use their memories, feelings and the archive of life's experiences as their primary source in creating. Ages 13 and up.

Saturday, June 21, 2–3:30 p.m.

University Place Pierce County Library, 3609 Market Place W., Suite 100

Words of Pride

Engage with two queer writers as they share their creative experiences and join them in discussion. Ages 13 and up. Registration required.

Saturday, June 28, 11 a.m. - noon

Sumner Pierce County Library, 1116 Fryar Ave.

Explore the diverse and vibrant stories of the LGBTQIA+ community with booklists for all ages, available in printed book, e-book and audiobook.

Register for events and find more information at mypcls.org.

About Pierce County Library System

The nationally acclaimed [Pierce County Library System](#) serves 680,000 people throughout Pierce County with 19 libraries and online services. The system is the fourth largest in the state and property taxes are the main funding source. People may choose from more than one million books, e-books, audiobooks, movies and other materials. Pierce County Library is committed to directing services in three primary areas: learning, enjoyment and community connection. Its services and programs spark success for Pierce County residents. People make approximately one million visits to Pierce County Libraries each year. The Library provides services and programs directly to people in adult care facilities, people who are homebound, and to children in childcare centers and schools. [Pierce County Libraries are located](#) at Anderson Island, Bonney Lake, Buckley, DuPont, Eatonville, Fife, Gig Harbor, Graham, Key Center, Lakewood, Milton/Edgewood, Orting, Parkland/Spanaway, South Hill, Steilacoom, Summit, Sumner, Tillicum and University Place. Pierce County Library is an independent municipal corporation and operates as a junior taxing district.

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