**Aberystwyth University’s Big LGBTQ+ Reading List**

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**Generally Brilliant Books (as recommended by staff & students)**

*Giovanni's Room*, by James Baldwin (1956)

*The Color Purple*, by Alice Walker (1982)

*Carol* (also published as The Price of Salt), by Patricia Highsmith (1952)

*Orlando,* by Virginia Woolf (1928)

*Sonnets*, by William Shakespeare (1609)

*Maurice*, by E.M. Forster (written around 1913, published after Forster’s death in 1971)

*Zami*, by Audre Lorde (1982)

*The Picture of Dorian Gray*, by Oscar Wilde (1891)

*Stone Butch Blues*, by Leslie Feinberg (1993; available as a free pdf)

*Tales of the City*, by Armistead Maupin (1978 onwards)

*A Boy’s Own Story*, by Edmund White (1982) (also The Beautiful Room Is Empty (1988) and The Farewell Symphony (1997)

*The Well of Loneliness*, by Radclyffe Hall (1928)

*Fun Home*, by Alison Bechdel (2006)

*Under the Udala Trees*, by Chinelo Okparanta (2015)

*Oranges Are Not the Only Fruit*, by Jeanette Winterson (1985)

*Tipping the Velvet*, by Sarah Waters (1998)

*How to be Both*, Ali Smith (2015)

*Noah Can’t Even* and *Noah Could Never*, Simon James Green (2017, 2018)

*Radio Silence*, Alice Oseman (2016)

*Heartstopper*, Alice Oseman (2019)

*The Miseducation of Cameron Post*, Emily M Danforth (2017)

*I'll Give You the Sun*, Jandy Nelson (2015)

*Will Grayson, Will Grayson*, John Green & David Levithan (2012)

*Proud*, various authors (2019)