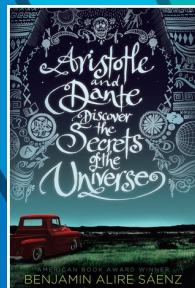




**If I Was Your Girl**  
By Meredith Russo  
**YA RUSSO**

Amanda Hardy only wants to fit in at her new school, but she is keeping a big secret, so when she falls for Grant, guarded Amanda finds herself yearning to share with him everything about herself, including her previous life as Andrew.



**Aristotle and Dante Discover the Secrets of the Universe**  
By Benjamin Alire Saenz  
**YA SAENZ**

Ari Mendoza is an angry loner with a brother in prison, but when he meets Dante and they become friends, Ari starts to ask questions about himself, his parents, and his family that he has never asked before.



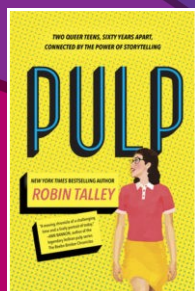
**Tell Me How You Really Feel**  
By Aminah Mae Safi  
**YA SAFI**

The unlikely on-camera romance between an overachieving cheerleader and the senior film project director who secretly hates her.



**You Asked for Perfect**  
By Laura Silverman  
**YA SILVERMAN**

Ariel Stone is the perfect college applicant until a failed Calculus quiz sends his grades into a tailspin that can only be halted by a handsome tutor.



**Pulp**  
By Robin Talley  
**YA TALLEY**

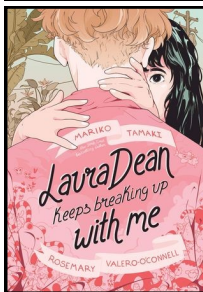
Dual narratives follow a closeted lesbian in 1955 keeping a secret romance and wanting to write her own stories and another young woman sixty-two years later studying 1950s lesbian pulp fiction for her senior project.



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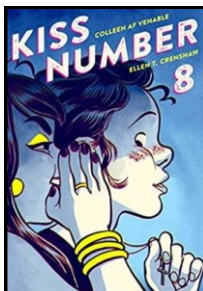
**Bloom**  
By Kevin Panetta  
**YA GB PANETTA**

Dreaming of leaving his family's bakery to become a musician in the city, Ari unexpectedly falls for the easy-going young baker.



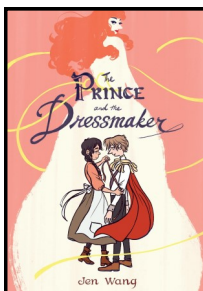
**Laura Dean Keeps Breaking Up With Me**  
By Mariko Tamaki  
**YA GB TAMAKI**

Upset about her on-again, off-again relationship with her girlfriend, Freddy Riley depends on her friends, a local mystic, and a relationship columnist for help in dealing with her situation.



**Kiss Number 8**  
By Colleen AF Venable  
**YA GB VENABLE**

Mads is pretty happy with her life, until she starts to figure out that she doesn't want to kiss Adam... because the only person she wants to kiss is Cat.



**The Prince and the Dressmaker**  
By Jen Wang  
**YA GB WANG**

Prince Sebastian's secret weapon (and best friend) is the brilliant dressmaker Frances—one of only two people who know the truth: sometimes this boy wears dresses.

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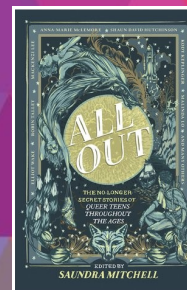
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## Young Adult Booklist



**What If It's Us**  
By Becky Albertalli & Adam Silvera  
**YA ALBERTALLI**

When Arthur, a summer intern from Georgia, and Ben, a native New Yorker, meet it seems like fate, but after three attempts at dating fail, they wonder if the universe is pushing them together or apart.



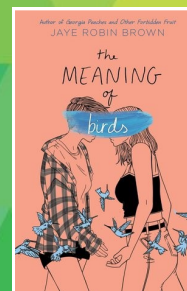
**All Out**  
Edited by Saundra Mitchell  
**YA ALL**

A collection of historical fiction featuring a transgender soldier, two girls falling in love while mourning Kurt Cobain, and forbidden love in a sixteenth-century Spanish convent.



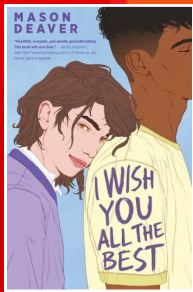
**Ziggy, Stardust & Me**  
By James Brandon  
**YA BRANDON**

Set against the tumultuous backdrop of life in 1973, when homosexuality is still considered a mental illness, two boys defy all the odds and fall in love.



**The Meaning of Birds**  
By Jaye Robin Brown  
**YA BROWN**

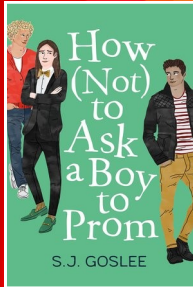
During her sophomore year, Jessica develops a relationship with Vivi which helps her deal with the anger she has felt since her father's death, only to be overwhelmed again when Vivi dies during their senior year.



### **I Wish You All the Best** By Mason Deaver

**YA DEEVER**

Thrown out of their parents' home and moving in with their estranged sister after coming out as nonbinary, Ben De Backer struggles to endure an anxiety disorder while bonding with a charismatic new friend.

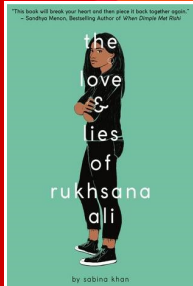


### **How (Not) to Ask a Boy to Prom**

**By S. J. Goslee**

**YA GOSLEE**

When his older sister encourages him to ask someone to the prom, things do not go as planned and Nolan ends up fake dating a guy who used to bully him.



### **The Love & Lies of Rukhsana Ali**

**By Sabina Khan**

**YA KHAN**

After her conservative Muslim parents catch her kissing her girlfriend Ariana, Rukhsana Ali finds herself whisked off to Bangladesh and must find the courage to fight for the right to choose her own path.

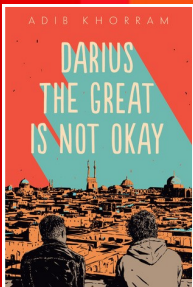


### **Let's Talk About Love**

**By Claire Kann**

**YA KANN**

Alice's girlfriend ends things after Alice confesses she is asexual. Now Alice is done with dating and ready to begin her summer.



### **Darius the Great is Not Okay** By Adib Khorram

**YA KHORRAM**

Clinically-depressed Darius travels to Iran to meet his grandparents, but it is their next-door neighbor, Sohrab, who changes his life.



### **The Music of What Happens** By Bill Konigsberg

**YA KONIGSBERG**

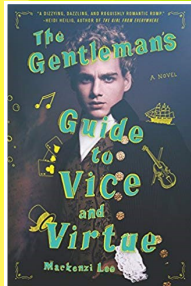
A cool and popular gay teen who harbors a secret, intense crush and a poetic youth who is looking for Mr. Right in spite of his troubled family weigh what they are willing to risk while working together at an organic food truck.



### **We Are Okay** Nina LaCour

**YA LACOUR**

After leaving her life behind to go to college in New York, Marin must face the truth about the tragedy that happened in the final weeks of summer when her friend Mabel comes to visit.

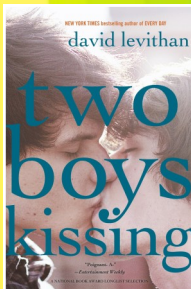


### **The Gentleman's Guide to Vice and Virtue**

**By Mackenzi Lee**

**YA LEE**

Two friends on a Grand Tour of 18th-century Europe stumble across a magical artifact that leads them from Paris to Venice in a dangerous manhunt shaped by pirates, highwaymen and their growing attraction to one another.

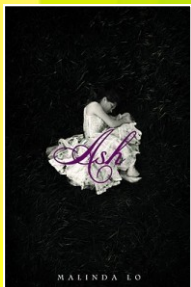


### **Two Boys Kissing**

**By David Levithan**

**YA LEVITHAN**

A chorus of men who died of AIDS observes and yearns to help a cross-section of today's gay teens who navigate new love, long-term relationships, coming out, and more in a society that has changed in many ways.



### **Ash** By Malinda Lo

**YA LO**

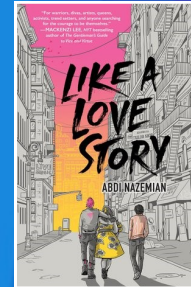
Ash grows up believing in the fairy realm that the king and his philosophers have sought to suppress, until one day she must choose between a handsome fairy and the King's Huntress whom she loves.



### **Ship It** By Britta Lundin

**YA LUNDIN**

Forest, a television actor who needs more fans, and Claire, a teen fan fiction blogger, are teamed to raise his profile despite their disagreement over whether his character is gay.



### **Like a Love Story** By Abdi Nazemian

**YA NAZEMIAN**

An Iranian youth who hides his sexual orientation from his family, an openly gay photographer and an aspiring fashion designer with an HIV-positive uncle fall in love and find their voices as activists during the height of the AIDS crisis.



### **The Princess and the Fangirl** By Ashley Poston

**YA POSTON**

A modern makeover of The Prince and the Pauper traces the efforts of a fangirl who wants to save her look-alike television character from being killed off of her favorite TV franchise, and an actress who desperately wants to leave the spotlight.



### **Juliet Takes a Breath**

**By Gabby Rivera**

**YA RIVERA**

Juliet just came out to her family and isn't sure if her mom will ever speak to her again. But Juliet has a plan, sort of, one that's going to help her figure out this whole "Puerto Rican lesbian" thing.



### **Wayward Son** By Rainbow Rowell

**YA ROWELL**

An overwhelmed Simon Snow joins friends Penny and Baz on a trip to the American West in a vintage convertible, only to be confronted by dragons, vampires and gun-toting skunks.