



Join us as we recognize PRIDE Month throughout June, commemorating the pivotal Stonewall Uprising in 1969, a defining moment in New York City when LGBTQ+ activists rallied for equality. For generations, the LGBTQ+ community has made contributions across business, sports, government, the arts, and beyond.

We have events all month long to learn, create, and connect. Whether you choose to participate in a book club discussion, educate yourself about the origin of the LGBTQ+ movement, create your own rainbow gear like bracelets and buttons, learn about identities, or any other event, please join us in creating a welcoming place for all individuals in our community.

We invite you to explore a PRIDE list curated by our own librarians, with titles written by and about LGBTQ+ individuals. Explore books, movies, and more celebrating our rich diversity.

View PRIDE-related books and events on our website at StarkLibrary.org/Pride

Reading Material

Search our PRIDE reading list on our website for material to borrow for all ages. When we expand our horizons to understand each other more, we grow together as a community.

Browse your closest branch and check out our monthly displays—many are featuring LGBTQ+ books and authors for June.



At the Library

If you feel there is something that Stark Library could do to create a more inclusive space for you, we appreciate you letting us know. It's our goal to make sure every patron of Stark Library feels safe, welcome, and represented. If there is an author, book, or any other material that you had hoped we would have but can't find on our shelves or online, let us know! Our collection is always evolving to best suit our community's needs and we would be happy to look into adding the materials that you love.

► StarkLibrary.org/request

ALL are Welcome!

At Stark Library we're committed to being a welcoming and supportive space for everyone to proudly be themselves!



Events

Stark Library is hosting a variety of PRIDE-themed events across our locations. From crafts and movies to education programs, there's something for everyone to enjoy. Scan the QR code below to register or visit StarkLibrary.org.

L Elementary | **W** Tweens | **T** Teens | **A** Adults

JACKSON COMMUNITY

Get Your Pride On

JUN 21 | 2:00pm–4:00pm

Make bracelets, rainbow jars, and more while connecting with local organizations. Show your pride, and get creative. **TA**

MAIN LIBRARY

Family Movie Night:

Strange World (rated PG)

JUN 5 | 5:30pm–7:15pm

Come on down, sit back, and enjoy the show. Popcorn will be provided. **LWT**

Express Your PRIDE:

Rainbow Wreaths & More

JUN 12 | 2:00pm–3:30pm

Make mini fabric wreaths, flags, stickers, and buttons that express your identity, allyship, or colorful imagination. Take them home and display them. **WT**



NORTH BRANCH

Dr. Richard Murray: Pioneer in Gender Affirming Surgery

JUN 11 | 2:00pm–3:00pm

Youngstown native Dr. Richard Murray was a pivotal figure in the history of gender affirming surgery in Ohio. Learn about his life's work helping people be the best version of themselves. Presented by TransOhio. **A**

PERRY SIPPO

Pride Craft: Faux Stained Glass

JUN 23 | 6:00pm–7:00pm

Learn how to create your own beautiful faux stained glass art pieces! **A**

PLAIN COMMUNITY

Rainbow Poetry

JUN 10 | 6:00pm–7:00pm

Celebrate pride through open-mic poetry. Read your own poetry or choose something already written. *Please note: The teen event will be held in the Teen Room and the adult event will be held in the Meeting Room.* **TA**

Gender Affirming Care Workshop

JUN 28 | 2:00pm–3:00pm

From medical care, to social services, to support groups, parents and allies learn ways to navigate gender affirming care. Presented by PFLAG Akron. **A**

PRIDE Book Clubs

Find more book clubs at StarkLibrary.org.



JACKSON COMMUNITY

Book Club: *They Both Die at the End* by Adam Silvera

JUN 5 | 2:00pm–3:30pm



NORTH

Book Club: *Melissa* by Alex Gino

JUN 23 | 11:00am–12:00pm

Scan the QR Code to see all programs at your Library this summer!

