

## LGBT MEDIA ITEMS AT COOK LIBRARY

### **Out of the Past: The Struggle for Gay and Lesbian Rights in America**

HQ76.8.U5 O89 1998

1 VHS (70 min.)

#### Documentary

Addresses the problems faced by gays and lesbians in finding their voice and place in society when history hides the sexual-orientation of homosexual figures who could be inspirational role models. Tells the story of Kelli Peterson, a high school student in Salt Lake City, Utah, and her struggles to cope with being lesbian in a sometimes hostile society and to establish a Gay-Straight Alliance club at East High School in Salt Lake City.

### **La Ley del Deseo (*The Law of Desire*)**

PN1997 .L489 2007

1 DVD (102 min.)

#### Feature Film, Foreign Film- Spain (Spanish)

Explores the relationships of a gay movie director, who has a transsexual brother (now a woman living with her daughter) and two lovers, one of whom murders the other and takes the director's sister (brother) hostage in order to see the director one more time.

### **Tongues Untied**

HQ76.27.A37 T66 2007

1 DVD (55 min.)

#### Documentary

In an experimental amalgam of rap music, street poetry, documentary film, and dance, a gay African-American man expresses what it is like to be gay and black in the United States. Although he deals with social ostracism and fear of AIDS, he affirms the beauty and significance of the gay black man.

### **The Color of Fear 3: Four Little Beds**

HT1521 .C64 1998 pt. 3

1 DVD (43 min.)

#### Documentary

The cast of *The color of fear*, an ethnically diverse group of eight North American men, men discuss what it is to be gay in this society and the impact it has on senses of safety and identity. Through personal stories and interactions, we have a glimpse into the fears, the stereotypes, and moral issues that are dividing and confronting us today. A ten-year retrospective of the original film has been added.

### **The History of Gay & Lesbian Images on Television**

P94.5.G38 H57 2004

1 VHS (90 min.)

#### Documentary – Social Issues

Begins with a series of clips of key moments in the history of depicting gays and lesbians on television. Following that, a panel of individuals who have made significant contributions to this area discuss the evolution of gay characters in the medium and the steps they took to bring greater attention to the topic.

**Licensed to Kill**

HV6250.4.H66 L53 2004

1 DVD (77 min.)

Documentary - Anti-gay hate crime

A riveting journey into the minds of men whose contempt for homosexuals led them to murder. Videotaped confessions, home and police videos of gay bashings and murder scenes, news reports and graphic evidence from police files are fused together with interviews by the filmmaker with seven convicted killers.

**Beautiful Thing**

PN1997.85 .B43 2003

1 DVD (90 min.)

Feature Film, Foreign Film- Great Britain (English)

Set in London's lower class suburbs, this is the story of a teenager who has discovered that he's gay and his love for another teenager who lives next door.

**Silverlake Life: The View From Here**

RC607.A26 S55 2003

1 DVD (99 min.)

Documentary- Biographical

An extraordinary video diary of living with AIDS. Told with guts and humor by longtime companions Tom Joslin and Mark Massi, this powerful documentary celebrates the human spirit while capturing the emotional challenges of living with a fatal illness.

**Off the Straight & Narrow: Lesbians, Gays, Bisexuals & Television**

PN1992.8.H64 O33 1998

1 VHS (63 min.)

Documentary – Social issues

Casts a critical eye over the growth of gay images on TV. Leading media scholars provide the historical and cultural context for exploring the social implications of these new representations. Challenges viewers to consider the value and limits of available gay images: who is represented, what they get to say, and how people respond to them.

**Anti-gay Hate Crime**

HV6250.4.H66 A58 1999

1 VHS (46 min.)

Documentary - Anti-gay hate crime

Examines the increase in anti-gay hate crimes in the United States during the late-1990s. Reviews specific crimes such as the murder of Matthew Shepard in Wyoming.

**Woubi Chéri**

HQ76.2.C852 W6813 1998

1 VHS (62 min.)

Documentary

Documentary film that gives African homosexuals a chance to describe their world in their own words. Often funny, sometimes ribald, but always real, the documentary introduces gender pioneers demanding their right to construct a distinct African homosexuality.

**Vive L'amour**

PN1997 .V594 1998

1 DVD (118 min.)

Feature Film, Foreign Film- Taiwan (Mandarin)

Bizarre love triangle in Taipei, Taiwan between a chic real estate agent, a street merchant, and the young gay man who spies on the couple's trysts.

**Chun Guang Zha Xie (*Happy together*)**

PN1997 .C49 1998

1 DVD (97 min.)

Feature Film, Foreign Film- China, Argentina (Mandarin, Cantonese, Spanish)

Yiu Fai and Po Wing left Hong Kong for a great waterfall in South America, but in the end are stuck on the streets of Buenos Aires. Yiu Fai's life takes on a new spin, while Po Wing's life shatters continuity in contrast.

**Children; Madonna and Child ; Death and Transfiguration**

PN1997 .C4522 1997

1 VHS (101 min.)

Feature Film

Shows a trilogy about a gay man whose sexuality is at odds with his Roman Catholic upbringing and faith. *Children* delves into his childhood, which was punctuated by both domestic and social violence-- in that his father was both sick and violent, he was being bullied at school. *Madonna and child* shows him in middle age, a conscientious worker who is devoted to his mother; it shows how his sexuality and faith, as well as his public and private lives, are at odds with one another. *Death and transfiguration* is a summary of his life, with flashbacks to his childhood and young manhood, culminating in his acceptance of his mortality as he lies dying in a hospital.

**The Birdcage**

PN1997 .B484 1996

1 VHS (119 min.)

Feature Film

The story of a middle-aged gay couple's comic encounter with a self-righteously straight and conservative family: Armand and Albert reluctantly accept young Val's intention to marry the daughter of a conservative Senator, but when the fiancée's family comes to visit, the whole household is turned upside down.

**I Shall Not Be Removed: The Life of Marlon Riggs**

PN1998.3.R54 I74 1996

1 VHS (59 min.)

Documentary - Biographical

A film biography of Marlon Riggs, the gifted, gay, black filmmaker who produced documentary films addressing issues of identity among Afro-Americans and gays. Clips from his films *Color adjustment*, *Ethnic notions*, and *Tongues untied* show how he evolved a unique experimental documentary style, mixing poetry, criticism, the personal and the political. It also documents his long battle against AIDS until his death in 1994 and includes interviews with family, friends, and co-workers.

**Breaking the Silence w/ Guide**

HV6626.2 .B74 1996

1 VHS (81 min.)

Documentary

Raises awareness among medical professionals of the issues of domestic violence in medical assessment, record keeping, state recording requirements, and counseling. Provides special focus on these issues in minority and gay/lesbian/bisexual communities.

**Roseaux Savages (*Wild Reeds*)**

PN1997 .R675 1996

1 VHS (110 min.)

Feature Film, Foreign Film- France (French)

A poignant coming-of-age story set in southwest France in 1962. Sensitive young François is uncertain of his sexuality as he finds himself more attracted to his classmate Serge than to his platonic girlfriend Maïté. An older boy, Henri, is drawn into the circle, further complicating relationships. Through their passage into adulthood, the four experience a series of sexual and political conflicts as they explore the mysteries of the human heart.

**Ballot Measure 9**

KFO2811.5.H64 B35 1995

1 VHS (72 min.)

Documentary

Award-winning documentary about what happened during the 1992 campaign for Oregon's anti-gay ballot initiative. In 1992, Oregon and Colorado became testing grounds for ballot initiatives to amend the states' constitutions. Colorado's Amendment 2 and Oregon's Measure 9 would each prohibit and revoke laws which protect homosexuals from discrimination. The Oregon referendum, sponsored by the Oregon Citizens' Alliance, further mandated that all government agencies and schools recognize homosexuality as "abnormal, wrong, unnatural and perverse" and that no government property or monies could be used to "facilitate" homosexuality. The Oregon initiative failed by a vote of 57 to 43 percent. Chronicles a far-reaching exposé of hate politics that crosses lines of race, religion and sexual identity. Illustrates the influence of stereotypes and prejudices on behavior.

**Boys of Cellblock Q**

PN1997 .B69 1995

1 VHS (85 min.)

Feature Film- Comedy

Comic treatment of sexual activities at a male juvenile correctional facility.

**Coming Out Under Fire**

D769.2 .B46 1995

1 VHS (71 min.)

Documentary - Social issues

Gay men and lesbians who were in the United States military service during World War II discuss their experiences with the response of the military establishment towards their sexual orientation. Includes archival footage and photographs.

**Anatomy of Desire**

HQ76.25 .A52 1995

1 VHS (48 min.)

Documentary – Science/Psychology

Looks at the history of scientific research on the question of sexual orientation and how this research has affected lesbian and gay rights.

**Florence and Robin: Lesbian Parenthood**

HQ76.3.U5 F56 1995

1 VHS (52 min.)

Documentary

Documentary follows the lives of Florence Spalding and Robin Ruotolo, a lesbian couple in San Francisco, as they make the decision to become biological parents through artificial insemination. Follows their journey towards parenthood in a society which exhibits polarized attitudes towards lesbianism. Also meets the children of gay couples and talks to pupils in a nursery school where one in six has gay parents.

**Sexual Orientation in the U.S.A.: Part One**

HQ76.25 .S48 1993

1 VHS (59 min.)

Documentary - Social issues

This program discusses stereotypes about homosexuality, difficulties of gays and lesbians in establishing open relationships, homophobia, and violence against gays and lesbians.

**From a Secret Place: America's Families Cope with the Coming Out Process of Gay and Lesbian Youth**

HQ76.25 .F7663 1993

1 VHS (40 min.)

Documentary

Young lesbians, gays, and their families describe their own "coming out" experiences clearly and poignantly.

**Word is Out: Stories of Some of Our Lives**

HQ75.2 .W67 1992

1 VHS (130 min.)

Documentary

Interviews lesbians and gay men from different backgrounds and discusses how they deal with their sexuality and with society's attitude towards them.

**A Meditation on Langston Hughes (1902-1907) and the Harlem Renaissance: with the Poetry of Essex Hemphill and Bruce Nugent (1906-1987)**

PS3515.U274 Z677x 1992

1 VHS (45 min.)

Documentary - Biographical

A tribute to Langston Hughes, this film attempts to reclaim him as an important black gay voice in American culture.

**Before Stonewall: The Making of a Gay and Lesbian Community**

HQ76.3.U5 B43 1989

1 VHS (87 min.)

Documentary - Gay liberation

A social history of homosexuality in America from the 1920s to 1969, showing how this group has moved from a secret shame to the status of a publicly viable minority group. Tells how a group consciousness coalesced after the 1969 police raid on Stonewall Inn, a gay bar in New York City, and the three-day riot that followed gained them national publicity and the birth of the gay movement.

**Who Happen to Be Gay**

HQ76 .W56x 2-4196

1 reel 16mm., 23 min.

Documentary

Six homosexuals talk about their lifestyle and its impact upon them.

**The Sexes: [Breaking the Barriers]**

HQ21 .S49x 2-5065

1 reel 16mm., 22 min.

Documentary

Surveys recent attempts to study and solve sexual problems. Dr. William Masters and Virginia Johnson discuss their research and treatment programs, and express hope that more freedom of sexual expression will result from their work. Also shows a nude encounter and therapy group in which participants discuss their sexual and emotional problems, and a group of New York college students in a co-educational dormitory talk about their attitudes toward sex, marriage, and monogamy. Includes scenes of a homosexual wedding of two men, and a brief description of gay liberation movement activities.

**Out For a Change: Addressing Homophobia in Women's Sports**

GV706.32 .O94 1994

1 VHS (29 min.)

Documentary - Social issues

Addresses the issues of women in sports, homophobia in sports, the common assumption that all female athletes and female coaches are lesbians and the discrimination attached to those assumptions.

**Mai's America**

E184.V53 M357 2002

1 VHS (72 min.)

Documentary- Independent film

A spunky Vietnamese teenager named Mai gets the chance of a lifetime, to study in the United States. Expecting Hollywood, she instead lands in rural Mississippi, a crazy quilt of self-proclaimed rednecks, cliquish teenagers, South Vietnamese exiles and transvestite soulmates. As she tries to fit in and to make ends meet, Mai discovers that "America" is both less and far more than she bargained for. From cosmopolitan Hanoi to the heart of the Deep South, Mai's unforgettable journey offers an outsider's glimpse inside America.

**Blake Edwards' Victor/Victoria**

PN1997 .V53 1991

1 VHS (134 min.)

Feature Film

A starving singer in Depression-era Paris is convinced that she may have more luck on the transvestite circuit as a man.

**La Mala Educación (*Bad Education*)**

PN1997 .M343 2007

1 DVD (105 min.)

Feature Film, Foreign Film- Spain (Spanish)

Filmmaker Enrique gets a visit from an aspiring actor claiming to be his old school friend Igancio, who has written a story about their traumatic childhood spent at Catholic school. In the story, a drag performer attempts to blackmail a predatory priest by exposing their scandalous past. When Enrique produces a film based on the story, the villainous priest from their school days arrives to tell his own version of the events.

**Breaking the Code**

PN1997 .B71 1997

1 VHS (90 min.)

Documentary - Biographical

Biographical film of Alan Turing, British mathematical genius and designer of the computer that broke the German Enigma code during World War II, whose admittance to homosexuality at a time when it was illegal presented problems for him, his family, his colleagues, and the State's preoccupation with national security.

**Dakan (*Destiny*)**

PN1997 .D243 1997

1 VHS (90 min.)

Feature Film, Foreign Film- Guinea, France (French)

A contemporary African version of the age-old Romeo and Juliet conflict between love and social convention. When two boys tell their parents they are in love, they respond with, it's impossible. So the two sons try to live heterosexual lives, but they inevitably reunite. And their destiny is both to love and to be lost because society has no place for them.

**Victim**

PN1997 .V5235 1997

1 DVD (104 min.)

Feature Film

When a lawyer (Bogarde) becomes involved in a case with homosexual implications, his own past jeopardizes his career.

**Victim**

PN1997 .V5235 1997v

1 VHS (100 min.)

Feature Film

Dramatization of the problems of the criminalization of homosexual acts between consenting adults. Bogarde plays a successful barrister who places his career on the line by 'coming out' in order to expose a blackmail racket. It was the first British film to concentrate on male homosexuality and was made with the specific intention of supporting the new recommendations of the 1957 Wolfenden Committee for the partial decriminalization of male homosexual acts.

**The Garden**

PN1997 .G373 1993

1 VHS (90 min.)

Feature Film- Independent

The film recreates the story of the Passion with the figure of Christ replaced in some sequences by two lovers, who are arrested, humiliated, and tortured. Jarman attempts to examine the role of the Church in the persecution of homosexuality, while treating Christ with great reverence and respect.

**Homosexuality, Nature vs. Nurture**

HQ76.25 .H674 1988

1 VHS (25 min.)

Documentary – Science/Psychology

Explores the origins of human sexuality, examining the biological, genetic, psychological and cultural roots of sexual behavior. Includes interviews with gays, psychiatrists and researchers.

**Homosexuals and Society: Six Homosexuals Define Their Roles in a Heterosexual Society**

HQ75.3.U6 H66 1970

1 sound cassette (53 min.)

Documentary - Sound recording

Six homosexuals join host Mitchell Krauss in discussing the role of the homosexual in today's society and the ways of bettering the homosexual's lot.

**Guardians of the Flutes: The Secrets of Male Initiation**

DU740.42 .G83 1994

1 VHS (50 min.)

Documentary

Discusses the Sambia people, a war-like tribe in the mountains of New Guinea.

**Les Biches**

PN1997 .B453 1992

1 VHS (95 min.)

Feature Film, Foreign Film- France, Italy (French)

Socialite Frederique encounters young student Why on the streets of Paris, seduces her and whisks her off to spend winter with the chic crowd in St. Tropez. When architect Paul meets Why, he too charms her and comes between the two lovers, resulting in a ménage-à-trois beset by jealousy, madness, and ultimately, murder. Landmark film in which themes of bisexuality and upper-class decadence are combined into a cool, precise cinematic style and exceptionally subtle performances.

**Diversity: Creating Success for Business and People**

HF5549.5.M5 P68 1993

4 VHS (75 min; 1/2 in. in container + 1 participant's workbook (24 p. ;) + 1 facilitation guide (various pagination)

Educational

Module 1. Sexual harassment and gender discrimination ; Disabilities, hiring and promotion (24 min.) -- Module 2. Career development, minority issues ; Career development, reverse discrimination and age-ism (15 min.) -- Module 3. Performance appraisal ; Balance of work/family issues (20 min.) -- Module 4. Sexual orientation ; Career mobility, language (16 min.)

**Starting Over**

E741 .C4635 1999

1 VHS (45 min.)

Documentary

Describes the United States during the late 1970s. Focuses on the changing momentum of the civil rights and women's movements. Examines the developing environmental movement spurred by the Love Canal disaster and the growing political power of the Christian and homosexual political lobbies. Presents the controversies that arose over affirmative action and busing, the Iran Hostage Crisis, and the development of OPEC.

**Doña Herlinda y Su Hijo (Doña Herlinda and Her Son)**

PN1997 .D66 1987

1 VHS (90 min.)

Feature Film, Foreign Film- Mexico (Spanish)

Story of a homosexual relationship in Guadalajara between a doctor and a music student.

**Gender Nation X**

HQ77.9 .G46 1998

1 VHS (23 min.)

Documentary – Social issues

Contains frank discussions of transsexualism. Uses a series of humorous skits, personal reflections, and interviews with transgendered individuals to explore whether gender and sexual identity are innate or socially manufactured.

**Venus Boyz**

HQ77.7 .V46 2001

1 VHS (104 min.)

Feature Film, Documentary

The film takes place within the framework of a Drag King night at the New York club Slipper Room. It explores a world where women become men, some for a night, some for their whole lives. Restrictive sexual and social definitions are cast aside as these people candidly discuss masculinity and metamorphosis as performance, subversion, or existential necessity.

**Black Is -- Black Ain't: A Personal Journey Through Black Identity**

E185.625 .B53 1995

1 VHS (88 min.)

Documentary – Social issues

American culture has stereotyped black Americans for centuries. Equally devastating, the late Marlon Riggs argued, have been the definitions of "blackness" African Americans impose upon one another which contain and reduce the black experience. In this film, Riggs meets a cross-section of African Americans grappling with the paradox of numerous, often contradictory definitions of blackness. He shows many who have felt uncomfortable and even silenced within the race because their complexion, class, sexuality, gender, or speech has rendered them "not black enough," or conversely, "too black." The film scrutinizes the identification of "blackness" with masculinity as well as sexism, patriarchy and homophobia in black America.

**Civil liberties and the Bill of Rights**

KF4750 .C585 2006 Pt. 2

6 DVD (1080 min.) + 3 course guidebooks

Documentary

Discusses the institutional and interpretive foundations of the American constitutional order, the Bill of Rights, the individual provisions of the Bill of Rights, and the development of several other specific liberties.

**Ma Vie en Rose (*My Life in Pink*)**

PN1997.85 .M218 1999

1 DVD (88 min.)

Feature Film, Foreign Film- France (French)

Ludovic is waiting for a miracle. With six-year-old certainty, he believes he was meant to be a little girl and that the mistake will soon be corrected. But where he expects the miraculous, Ludo finds only rejection, isolation and guilt--as the intense reactions of family, friends, and neighbors strip away every innocent lace and bauble.

**Rent**

PN1997.85 .R46 2006

2 DVD (135 min.)

Feature Film

Focuses on a year in the lives of a group of friends in New York's East Village struggling with life, love and AIDS, and the impacts they have on America.

**Gia**

PN1997 .G53 2004

1 DVD (ca. 126 min.)

Feature Film

Based on the tragic life of international 1970s supermodel Gia Carangi . Follows her rise and fall as a sought after model, portraying her loves, obsessions, addictions, and eventually her death from complications from AIDS in 1986.

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### **And The Band Played On**

PN1997.85 .A5 2001

1 DVD (140 min.)

#### Feature Film

Follows the struggle of a handful of strong-willed men and women who took on the fight to save lives in the face of AIDS.

### **Philadelphia**

PN1997 .P555 2004

2 DVD (125 min.)

#### Feature Film

Two competing lawyers join forces to sue a prestigious law firm for AIDS discrimination. As their unlikely friendship develops, their courage overcomes the prejudice and corruption of their powerful adversaries.

### **Gods and Monsters**

PN1997.85 .G657 2003

1 DVD (105 min.)

#### Feature Film, Educational- Biographical

Fictionalized account of the last days of horror movie director James Whale, known for Frankenstein, Bride of Frankenstein and The Invisible Man.

### **An Early Frost**

PN1997 .E37 2006

1 DVD (ca. 97 min.)

#### Feature Film

When a gay lawyer is diagnosed with AIDS, he copes with coming out to his family and colleagues as they deal with their own prejudices.

### **Boys Don't Cry**

PN1997 .B6975 1999

1 DVD (118 min.)

#### Feature Film

A transgendered youth starts living as a man, and assumes the name Brandon Teena. He moves to a tiny Nebraska town and begins making new friends under his new identity. All goes well until his new friends discover his secret. Based on a true story about hope, fear, and the courage it takes to be yourself.