



Title: Being Jazz
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BOOK RESUME: BEING JAZZ

BOOK SYNOPSIS

At the age of five, Jazz Jennings's transition to life as a girl put her in the public spotlight after she shared her story on national television. She's since become one of the most recognizable and prominent advocates for transgender teens, through her TV show, interviews, and social media.

Jazz's openness has led to bullying and mistreatment from those who don't understand her choices. She's fought for the right to use the girls' bathroom and to play on a girls' soccer team, paving the way for others. And in this book, Jazz faces an even greater struggle—dealing with the physical and social stresses of being a teen. But being on the front lines of trans activism doesn't stop Jazz from experiencing the joys of growing up, from day camp to first dates.

Jazz Jennings is one of the youngest and most prominent voices in the national discussion about gender identity. This remarkable memoir is a testament to the power of accepting yourself, learning to live an authentic life, and helping everyone to embrace their own truths.

REVIEWS AND PRAISE

★ "Her story is an important addition to the slender but growing body of transgender literature and belongs in every library." —*Booklist*, starred review

"[Jazz's] touching book serves as a rallying cry for understanding and acceptance." —*Bustle*

"For readers looking for a candid introduction to some of the issues facing trans children and teens, this book is an excellent start." —*Publishers Weekly*

"The teen's successes and nearly limitless self-confidence and optimism will be reassuring for the family and friends of trans youth." —*School Library Journal*

AWARDS AND ACCOLADES

- New York Public Library Best Book for Teens, 2016
- Rainbow Award Winner, 2016
- Selected to Tayshas Reading List, 2017
- Finalist for Audible's "Best Bios & Memoirs of 2016"

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