



BOOK RESUME: THIS IS OUR RAINBOW: 16 Stories of Her, Him, Them, and Us

BOOK SYNOPSIS

From wind-breathing dragons to first crushes, *This Is Our Rainbow* features story after story of joyful, proud LGBTQA+ representation. You will fall in love with this insightful, poignant anthology of queer fantasy, historical, and contemporary stories from authors including: Eric Bell, Lisa Jenn Bigelow, Ashley Herring Blake, Lisa Bunker, Alex Gino, Justina Ireland, Shing Yin Khor, Katherine Locke, Mariama J. Lockington, Nicole Melleby, Marieke Nijkamp, Claribel A. Ortega, Mark Oshiro, Molly Knox Ostertag, Aisa Salazar, and AJ Sass.

Title: This Is our Rainbow

Author: Katherine Locke and Nicole Melleby

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Format: Hardcover and Paperback

Age Range*: 8-12

Grade Range: 3-8

REVIEWS AND PRAISE

★ "... a strong amalgam of confidently written portraits that consider the joys, pains, and complexities that can come with being young and queer."

—*Publishers Weekly*, starred review

★ "The stories are uniformly excellent." —*Booklist*, starred review

★ "An essential read, this collection breaks free from the dichotomy of representing LGBTQ+ lives as total tragedy or one-true-love, happily-ever-after coming-out stories." —*Kirkus Reviews*, starred review

"This outstanding collection of LGBTQIA+ fiction is a worthy purchase for all collections serving tweens and teens." —*School Library Journal*

"The creators capture the middle school age perfectly: the protagonists are still children, but the seeds of what they will become are beginning to sprout."

—*The Horn Book*

AWARDS AND ACCOLADES

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MEDIA AND RESOURCES

- [Q&A With Katherine Locke & Nicole Melleby, This Is Our Rainbow](#)
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