



Title: Tales from Beyond the Rainbow

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BOOK RESUME: TALES FROM BEYOND THE RAINBOW

BOOK SYNOPSIS

Epic stories of love, adventure, and resilience featuring LGBTQ+ narratives and heroes, published as a collection of queer classics for the first time.

These are the fairy tales that history forgot—or concealed. Ten tales in which gender is fluid and where queer stories can have a happy ending. Some are rare examples of LGBTQ+ folklore, like *The Dog and the Sailor*, which features a male protagonist who meets his own handsome prince. These stories include folklore from Europe, Asia, and the African savanna. Vibrant illustrations from an international group of artists enhance the multicultural identities showcased here, including artists from India, Germany, Cape Verde, Russia, Canada, China, and more. They remind readers that folk tales are *our* tales, and invite them to be whoever they want to be. Researcher Pete Jordi Wood has combed through generations of history to collect and adapt these ten unforgettable stories celebrating LGBTQ+ themes and characters.

REVIEWS AND PRAISE

★“This accessible, joyful sampling is both entertaining and educational, and a provocative springboard from which readers will be compelled to seek out more queer literature.”—*Publishers Weekly*, starred review

“A creative and insightful achievement in folktale adaptation.”—*Kirkus*

“A unique offering that gives the LGBTQIA+ community the representation they deserve in folk literature and a nice addition to folk- and fairy-tale collections.”—*Booklist*

“A significant and very sweet collection. Recommended where folklore and short stories are popular.”—*School Library Journal*

AWARDS AND ACCOLADES

- A Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender Round Table of the American Library Association Rainbow List: Top Ten LGBTQ Books for Children and Teens, Younger Readers Commended

MEDIA AND RESOURCES

- [Falmouth University Author Interview](#)
- [United by Pop Author Interview](#)

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