

**GAY CITY**

# **LGBT LIBRARY**

Gay City's community LGBT Library has a collection of around 7,000 items. All books are donated and the library is run by volunteers.



## **An outdated database**

Gay City was using a volunteer made database to organize their books, but it was difficult to browse unless you knew exactly what you were looking for. Clearly, Gay City had outgrown this system and needed a new one!

## **TinyCat: a big solution**

We helped Gay City switch to TinyCat, a web based library system that comes with 24 hr support at a small price tag. Gay City had already begun the process of adding items, so we needed to take inventory. We also added functions on their home page that allow users to browse the books by subject and genre.



READER'S ADVISORY FOR

# GAY CITY LIBRARY

## Looking for the right read

Patrons usually come into the library looking for books on a specific genre or topic, and our volunteers often struggle to accommodate these requests. After surveying library users and volunteers, we created guides on a variety of topics to point people in the right direction.



## Library guides

These physical booklets live in the library for patrons to look through at their leisure.

This guide makes a great companion to the existing Resource & Referral Guide at the library.

## Online guides

So that Gay City users can get recommendations from home, we created an online Reader's Advisory guide. We used Wordpress an easy to update and free web host.

