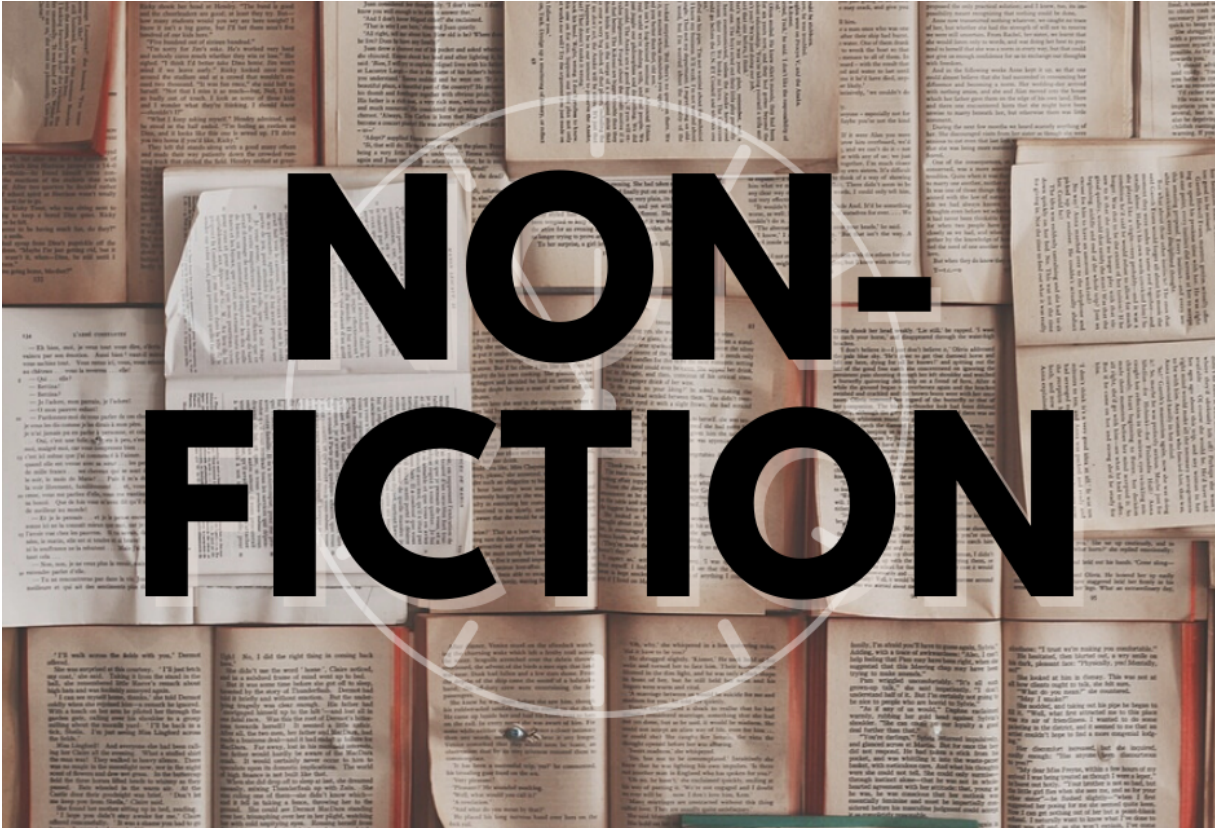


# The Teen Times

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In the April issue of *The Teen Times*, the RPL Youth Services Team focuses on non-fiction, bringing you book, film, & television recommendations, a spotlight on our teen programming, and some fun activities to pass the time.

## Programming Spotlight

April's programming spotlight is **RAINBOW BOOK CLUB**.

Rainbow Book Club is a book club that focuses on reading novels that feature a protagonist who belongs to the LGBTQIA+ community. You do not need to identify with the community in order to participate,

as this book club has a goal of expanding the reach of diversity in order to foster understanding for a marginalized group.

We meet once a month through Zoom, from 3 to 4 PM. You can find the registration link for the April 21st meeting on our calendar.

Our book for April is *Melissa* by Alex Gino.



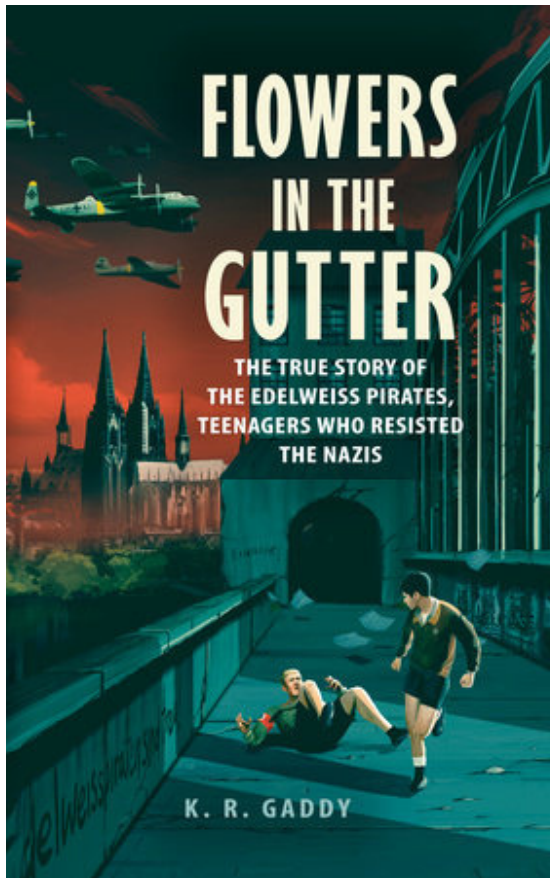
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# Book Recommendations: Non-Fiction

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## Flowers in the Gutter

Flowers in the Gutter tells the real-life story of Gertrude, Fritz, and Jean, three young people involved in a youth resistance group known as the Edelweiss Pirates, young people who not only resisted but fought passionately against nationalism and prejudices in a time of fascist violence in Nazi Germany.

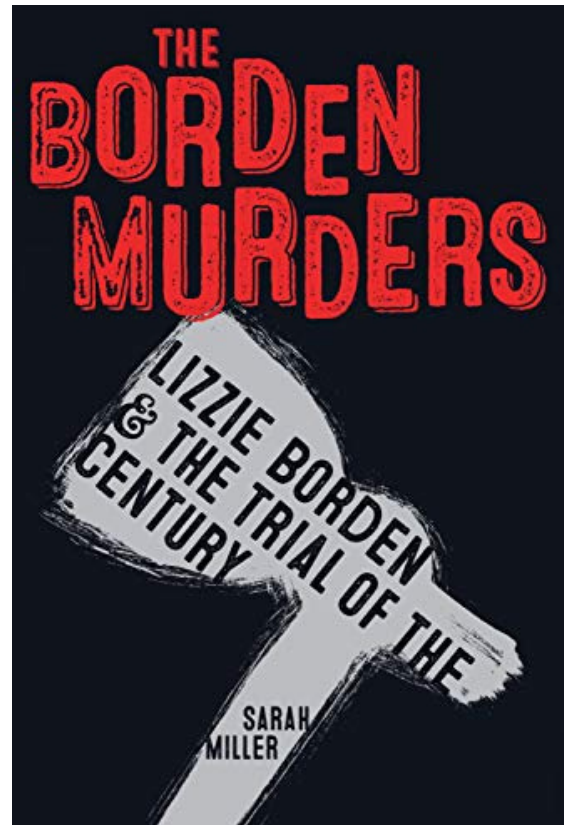


Flowers in the Gutter by K.R. Gaddy

## The Borden Murders

In a compelling, linear narrative, Miller takes readers along as she investigates a brutal crime: August 4, 1892, murders of wealthy and prominent Andrew and Abby Borden. The accused? Mild-mannered and highly respected Lizzie Borden, daughter of Andrew and stepdaughter of Abby. Follow Miller as she discovers the truth behind these horrific crimes.

The Borden Murders: Lizzie Borden & the Trial of the Century  
By Sarah Miller



## Anatomy of a Song

Every great song has a fascinating backstory. And here, writer and music historian Marc Myers brings to life five decades of music through oral histories of forty- five era-defining hits woven from interviews with the artists who created them, including such legendary tunes as the Isley Brothers' Shout, Led Zeppelin's Whole Lotta Love, Janis Joplin's Mercedes Benz, and R.E.M.'s Losing My Religion.

## Queer, There, & Everywhere

Author Sarah Prager delves into the lives of 23 people who fought, created, and loved on their own terms. From high-profile figures like Abraham Lincoln and Eleanor Roosevelt to the trailblazing gender-ambiguous Queen of Sweden and a bisexual blues singer who didn't make it into your history books, these astonishing true stories uncover a rich queer heritage that encompasses every culture, in every era.

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# Film/Television Reviews

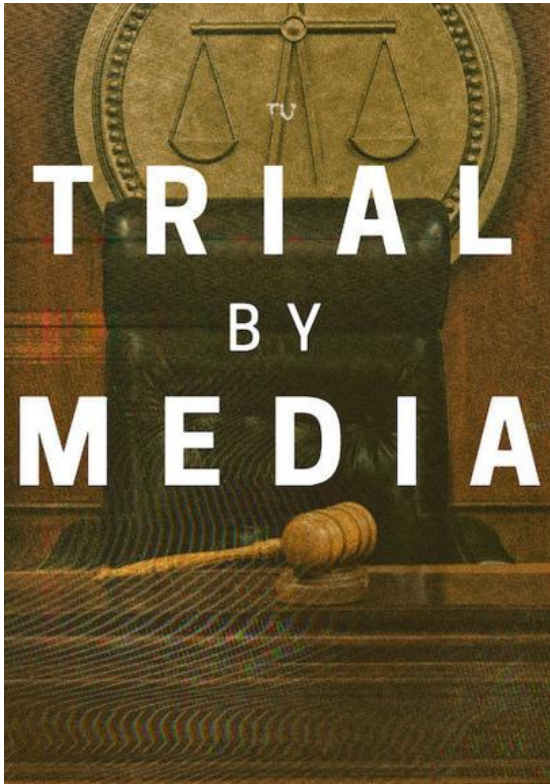
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## Trial by Media

This series focuses on famous court cases from the 1980s-to 2000s that are believed to have had their outcome affected by extensive media coverage.

We all understand that social media has a great effect on our lives, but what happens when media influences the trials of those convicted of crimes?

Find this series streaming now on Netflix.



Sarah's Rating: ★★★★★/5

## BLACKPINK: Light up the Sky

The all-access documentary covers the four years since Blackpink's debut in 2016 with video footage from their training days, a look into their day-to-day life, behind-the-scenes stories, and interviews with the members.

Find this film streaming now on Netflix.



THE RISE OF A GLOBAL PHENOMENON

OCT 14 | NETFLIX



Sarah's Rating: ★★★★★/5

## Cheer

In the small town of Corsicana, Texas, hard-driving head cheer coach Monica Aldama demands perfection from her team of competitive college athletes. Though this at first appears to be a documentary solely about the athletics of cheerleading, it quickly becomes apparent that the viewer will get to see the drama behind the sports well. Cheer is now streaming on Netflix.

Sarah's Rating: ★★★★★/5

## High Score

A look at the history of classic video games, featuring insights from the innovators who brought these worlds and characters to life. This six-episode docuseries is now streaming on Netflix.

Sarah's Rating: ★★★/5

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# Programming Schedule & Highlights

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## Programming Schedule

DATE	TIME	PROGRAM
APR 13	3:30 - 4:30 PM	WRITE-IN
APR 19	ALL DAY	TAKE & MAKE
APR 21	3 - 4 PM VIRTUAL	RAINBOW BOOK CLUB
APR 26	3 - 5 PM	THEATRE TUESDAY



Take & Make Bags are available in the lobby as long as supplies last.

## Teen Theatre Tuesday

Looking for a break from the stresses of school and homework? Join us for the first monthly 'Teen Theatre Tuesday' where you can take some time to enjoy a movie, light refreshments, and the company of friends. No registration is required!

April's movie is **Ghostbusters: Afterlife**.



Movie rated PG-13

## Mystery LitCrate

If you're a teen between the ages of 13 and 18 and you have trouble figuring out what to read next, the Youth Services Department has a solution for you!

The YA LitCrate is a mystery box filled with books and goodies for you to enjoy! All you have to do is fill out a form to let us know what you enjoy reading, and we'll give you a call when it's ready to pick up.

The books and box must be returned, but the gifts inside are yours to keep!

## Write-In Club

Have you been looking for a place to write among like-minded kids like yourself? Look no further than the RPL Youth Services' newest program, the Monthly Write-In! Ideal for writers aged 11 to 18. Join us once a month for an hour to write and be around other writers. Information on registering is available on our website.

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# Activities Corner

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## NON-FICTION GENRE WORD SEARCH

P	L	E	H	O	P	L	A	N	C
K	R	S	C	E	K	I	N	A	E
S	F	P	O	K	A	G	W	C	L
T	U	O	N	R	O	L	N	B	E
F	N	R	T	D	C	A	T	N	V
A	N	T	E	S	N	G	N	H	A
R	E	S	C	I	E	N	C	E	R
C	L	F	F	J	L	Y	G	H	T
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### Word Bank:

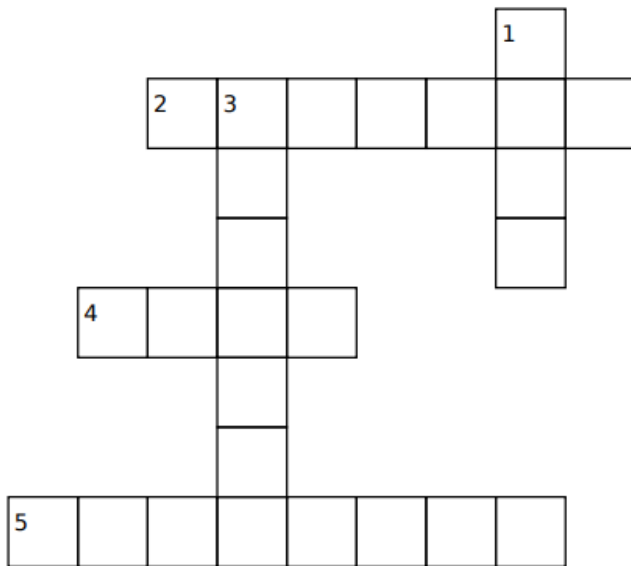
SCIENCE	HISTORY	SPORTS
CRAFTS	FINANCE	TRAVEL
COOKING	HEALTH	HELP

Bring back a completed word search for a sticker!

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# Activities Corner, cont.

## Non-Fiction Text Features Crossword Puzzle



## Sudoku 6x6

6				1	
4		2	6	5	3
		3		6	
1			2		5
3		1	5		
5	2		3		

### Down:

1. These help us to understand where places are located
3. Slanted text that identifies new or important words

### Across:

2. A drawing meant to explain how something works
4. Words in dark black to call attention to specific words
5. An alphabetical list of terms and definitions usually found at the end of the book

## Color Me!



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