



THE RAYNBOW COLLECTIVE  
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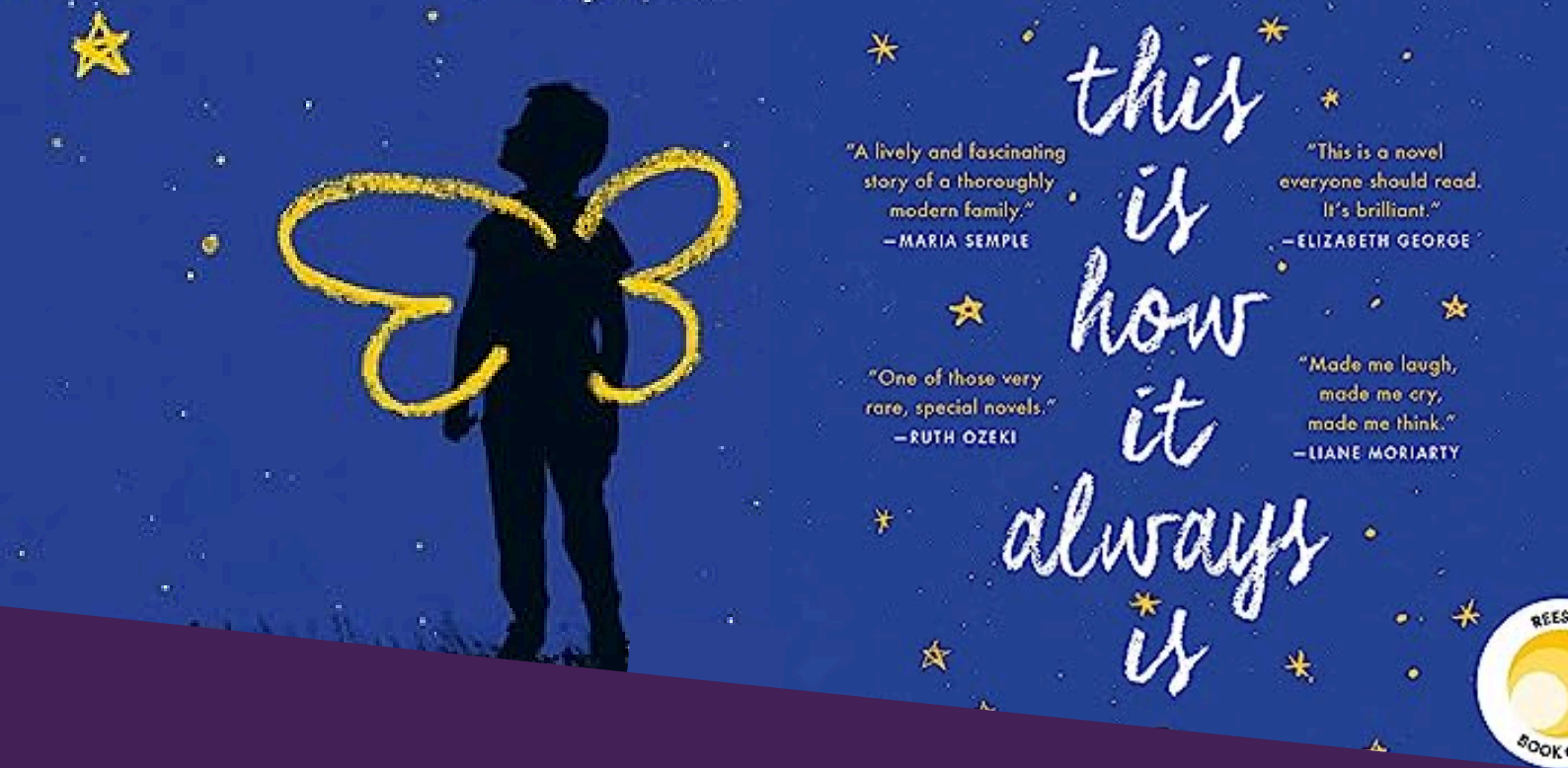
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*We're so grateful to have you as part of our community. Check out our website and follow us on Instagram to stay in touch.*

# Happy August!

*And welcome to this month's edition of the RaYnbow Review! We hope you've been staying cool this July. Our month was spent preparing for Back to School Pride, our biggest annual event happening on September 14th this year in Provo! Read on for more details about this exciting event, as well as a queer media rec. We'll see you soon for the start of a new semester and a school year full of community, affirmation, and love!*





# Queer Media Recommendation

As a collective, and as young queer people, we love consuming queer media! We hope you'll enjoy these monthly recommendations, consisting of music, film, literature, and more, and featuring queer artists and stories, from us to you!

## ***This Is How It Always Is by Laurie Frankel***

*An incredibly touching novel about a trans girl, written from the perspective of her parents. It is a beautiful story with healing relationships, real struggles, and messy solutions.*

*mother character—"You're too old to be open-minded and tolerant."*

*grandma character—"I'm too old not to be."*

**content warning: threats of violence, transphobic hate crime**



# Resource Spotlight

***Equality Utah***, an IRS 501(c)(4) organization, is the state's largest LGBTQ+ civil rights organization. *Equality*

*Utah leads efforts for LGBTQ+ civil rights at the state and local levels by sponsoring LGBTQ legislation and opposing negative bills, lobbying for elected positions, building coalitions, and empowering individuals and organizations alike to engage in the legislative process. Find more information at [equalityutah.org](https://equalityutah.org)*

Back to  
School Pride  
2024



*Join us at Kiwanis Park in Provo for our fourth annual Back to School Pride on September 14th, 2024, at 1:30pm! The day will include speeches, a pride march, live music, food trucks, vendors, and much more! We are still looking for vendors and community organizations who want to table at the event and volunteers to help the event run smoothly. Find application forms for tabling and volunteering on our website or Instagram! (The buttons at the bottom of this email will take you directly to these pages!)*

*Mark your calendars and don't forget to get your free tickets to the event!*



**Rainbow COnnection**

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## Rainbow COnnection

*Rainbow COnnection is a Colorado-based LDS LGBTQIA+ ally group seeking to promote awareness, inclusion and love within our faith community.*

*They affirm faith, identity and orientation and respect each journey is individual. We are deeply grateful to the Rainbow COnnection for their generous donation, which has made it possible for us to host this year's RaYnbow Connection themed Back to School Pride.*

*If you or someone you know is willing to donate to help us host this community-building event, you can find sponsorship information on our Back to School Pride details website page, linked below!*



# Save the Date

## **COUGAR PRIDE CENTER**

Snack Time: Wednesdays 5-7pm  
at 669 E 800 N Provo

## **USGA**

FabHE: Mondays 7pm  
Weekly events: Thursdays 7pm  
at the Provo Library

*Both Cougar Pride Center and USGA's events will be on pause for the summer!*

## **MOSAICS QUEER BOOKSTORE**

*Mosaics hosts queer-friendly events every day of the week! Check out their Instagram @mosaics.utah to find details!*

## **RAYNBOW COLLECTIVE**

Back to School Pride: September 14th, at Kiwanis Park in Provo.  
*More details above!*

