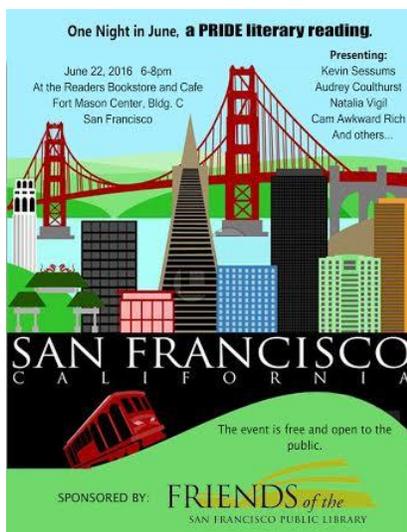


**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**  
**June 3, 2016**  
[friendssfpl.org](http://friendssfpl.org)

Contact: Rebecca Chekouras  
(510)299-6239 [RChekouras@gmail.com](mailto:RChekouras@gmail.com)  
Or: Sarah Rosedale (415) 771-1060  
[Sarah.Rosedale@friendssfpl.org](mailto:Sarah.Rosedale@friendssfpl.org)

## LOCAL AUTHORS READ IN CELEBRATION OF PRIDE

PRESENTED BY FRIENDS OF THE SAN FRANCISCO PUBLIC LIBRARY



**SAN FRANCISCO, CA** - California LGBT writers celebrate Pride with a literary reading presented by the Friends of the San Francisco Public Library. **One Night in June: The 3rd Annual Queer Reading for Pride** happens June 22, 2016, 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM, at the Readers Bookstore, Fort Mason Center, Building “C”. New York Times best-selling author Kevin Sessums (Mississippi Sissy) and rising star Audrey Coulthurst (Of Fire and Stars) join nine other queer authors from the Bay Area to present a live reading of their published pieces and works-in-progress. The event is free and open to the public.

Readers include Natalia Vigil (Still Here San Francisco, a live theater exploration of the queer scene in 1980s and 1990s San Francisco), National Poetry Slam stars Cam Awkward Rich and

Amber Flame, and other masters of short fiction, memoir, and poetry. They are joined by emerging voices in queer fiction and poetry.

**WHAT:** Literary Reading Celebrating Pride  
**WHEN:** Wednesday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2016 / 6:00 – 8:00 PM  
**LOCATION:** Readers Bookstore, Fort Mason Center

Sarah Rosedale, manager of the Readers Bookstore, a public venue operated by the Friends of the San Francisco Public Library, said, “Readings such as this are at the core of what we do to ensure everyone in San Francisco has the opportunity to read and hear local authors. We are very excited to be contributing a literary event of this caliber to the overall celebration of Pride month in San Francisco.”

**Friends of the San Francisco Public Library** is a 501(c)(3) that serves to strengthen, support and advocate for a superior free public library system in San Francisco. Friends provides critical support for the San Francisco Public Library and related literary and educational programs, and provides the community with opportunities to invest in the success of the Library as well as literary and education communities by donating funds or by donating time through volunteering. [friendssfpl.org](http://friendssfpl.org)

# # #