

Press Kit 2024

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Under the Umbrella Bookstore, a queer little bookstore, is situated in the walkable area of **downtown Salt Lake City**, on Ute, Goshute, Paiute, and Shoshone land.

We are a queer-centered indie bookstore, and no other bookstore in the area caters to the queer community across all genres and ages. Every book in our store is either queer in content and/or written by queer authors, sharing stories from around the world with an emphasis on queer BIPOC authors and other historically marginalized groups. All other items in our store are made by small queer-owned businesses and local queer makers.

# Marketing Contact

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Located **10 minutes** from the SLC International Airport and a **short walk** from the center of downtown SLC



## Our Readers

Patrons of our store value a variety of topics, from educational to entertaining. We have dedicated sections for nonfiction, romance, YA, and early readers. We have found success with **local authors and stories** - they resonate with our readers. Our patrons come from all over Utah and the surrounding states and represent a unique group of queer readers and allies.

# Our Space

- Main store floor: our shelves can be moved making available the main floor, which can accommodate a stage setup with projector and mic - seats 100
- Cafe and seating area: Our brand-new cafe (open November 2023) includes tables and extra hosting space seats 40
- Meeting room: our meeting room hosts small gatherings and discussion groups - seats 8-16

We prioritize accessibility - as such, our store is wheelchair accessible and we can provide ASL interpretation during author events.

# Our Community Partners

ACLU Utah
FAM Utah
Natural History Museum of Utah
Unidxs
Nuanua Collective
Burning Sissy Valley
Utah LGBTQ+ Chamber of Commerce
Utah Humanities Book Festival
Drag Story Hour
The King's English Bookshop

The Legendarium
University of Utah
Westminster University
SLCC
Project Rainbow
OAC Utah

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## Social Media



981 likes



11.1k followers



1,325 followers



2,648 followers



2,625 newsletter subscribers



224 monthly sustaining members



#### Offsite events

We have access to a variety of venues for big events. These range from large lecture spaces, (Rose Wagner Theater - 500), formal reception halls (Church and State - 220), museums (Utah Museum of Contemporary Art - 150), various school campuses, libraries (The City Library - 300) and coffeehouses (Publik Coffee Roasters - 250).

We also have connections with local businesses to provide catering for special occasions and receptions.

Date	Author/Event	Title	Sales/Attendance
April 2023	Addison Grace	ticketed concert	100
June 2023	Drag Story Hour	various titles	100 (free)
Aug. 2023	CJ Connor	Board to Death	25 (free)
Sep. 2023	Angela Chen M&G	Ace	20 (ticketed)
Dec. 2023	Mercury Stardust	Safe and Sound	300 (ticketed)

# Special Programs

- 8 monthly book clubs
- Monthly Drag Story Hour
- Monthly pop-up makers markets
- Craft and informational workshops
- Poetry open mic nights
- Queer Speed Date events

### **Event Promotion**

- In-store signs
- Community-curated book displays
- Cross-promotion with local business partners in-store and online
- Monthly e-newsletter
- Press releases to local print, web, radio, and broadcast outlets
- Local media calendar submissions
- Social media scheduled posts

# Reporting

- ABA
- BookScan
- NYT

# As Seen On:

























