



**Geauga County  
Public Library Staff  
recommends  
“queer teen  
historical fiction”  
novel to juveniles**

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Youth Services



“The queer teen historical you didn’t know that you needed” – Teen Vogue Review

The novel that this quote is referring to is “The Gentleman’s Guide to Vice and Virtue”. It is not only on the shelves of our Geauga County Public Library locations, but they are promoting it via community email as a “Staff Pick” for 9<sup>th</sup>-12 graders!

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Online summaries and reviews explain that the lead character, who is an aristocrat from the 1700’s is self-destructive; he gambles, drinks, and wakes up in the arms of men and women. The story describes his year-long journey of self-discovery while travelling with two companions. On the GCPL site, this book is filed under the subject term: “Hedonism – Juvenile Books”. How fitting.

The themes of this book are not appropriate for impressionable high-school students. Our community needs to collectively speak out and get clarity from GCPL on who selects books for recommendation and on the process, in order to drive change and protect our children. Here are two ways that you can make your voice heard:

- Email GCPL Director, Ed Worso at [@Eworso@GauguLibrary.net](mailto:@Eworso@GauguLibrary.net)
- Join the virtual GCPL Board Meeting tomorrow – Jan 19 @4pm. Download of Microsoft App is required to join the meeting.  
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