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Living Out Islam documents the rarely-heard voices of Muslims who live in secular democratic countries and who are gay, lesbian, and transgender. It weaves original interviews with Muslim activists into a compelling composite picture which showcases the importance of the solidarity of support groups in the effort to change social relationships and achieve justice. This nascent movement is not about being “out” as opposed to being “in the closet.” Rather, as the voices of these activists demonstrate, it is about finding ways to live out Islam with dignity and integrity, reconciling their sexuality and gender with their faith and reclaiming Islam as their own.

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Excellent read.

Ify says

Remarkable collection of stories from lesbian, gay, and transgender Muslims who have struggled and found many different ways to be true to their sexuality, gender, and religious identity. Hearing these stories helped give me a deeper appreciation of the important work gay, lesbian, and transgender Muslim activists are doing in their communities to overcome the "spiritual wounds" inflicted by those who claim to love us or by ourselves. I could see some common threads in my own experience, particularly for those who identified as deeply religious, and some experiences so very different from my own. This book highlights the personal stories and experiences of lesbian, transgender, and gay Muslims, which were largely absent from Kugle's more scholarly work *Islam and Homosexuality*, the two books should be read together. I would have liked to see more diversity amongst the interviewees.

willowdog says

A look at and interviews with at 15 'activist', gay, lesbian, and transgendered Muslims, living in countries with democratic institutions and social systems with a secular separation between political rule and religious belief, as they attempt to find ways to live out Islam with dignity and integrity, reconciling their sexuality and gender with their faith and recreating and reclaiming Islam as their own.

jordan says

These are only stories of LGBTQ Muslims connected to activist organizations in the US, UK, Canada, Netherlands, and South Africa.
