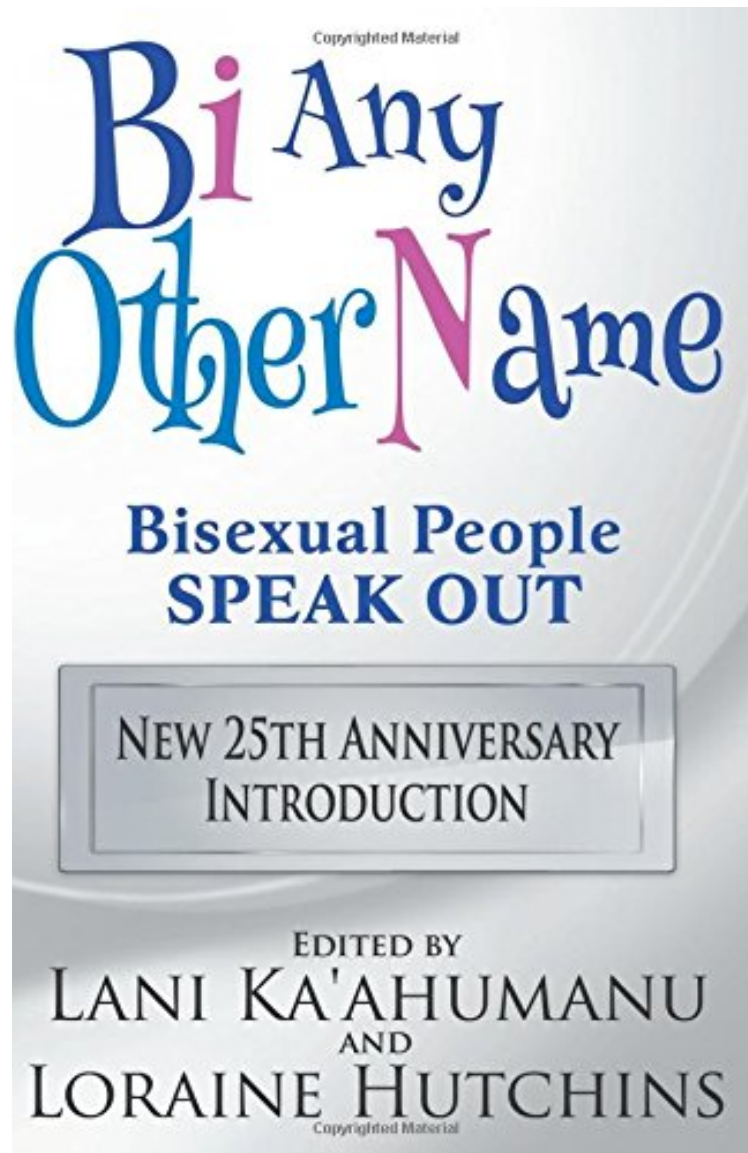


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0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Important for understanding bi historyBy Matt BehrensI read the new anniversary edition of this book in 2017. Its age does show a bitbut I think its important reading today anyway. Youll read a lot in this book of the struggles of bi women against exclusionary lesbians, and a little bit about bi mens

stories as well, as well as one really touching story from the father of a young bi man. Im glad I read this book.4 of 4 people found the following review helpful. Still relevant. Still wonderful.By wifie29I received a free copy via Inked Rainbow Reads in exchange for an honest review.If you are a bisexual (or other multisexual) person or an ally to the bi community, or if you simply want to understand bisexuality better, this book is a necessity for your collection. It is its own self-contained library of information, resources, and personal stories by and about bisexual people.One of the things that struck me is that as a person who has only recently connected with the community, I still found so many way in which the stories resonated. While the world has changed--and new ways of looking at sex and love have emerged--a lot of things have remained the same.The book is divided into sections, each addressing a different aspect of bi life. These are deeply personal stories about relationships and love and navigating the world. Most people will be able to find something in here to relate to.There is no possible way to rate each and every story. Some made me want to stand up and scream, "Yes! This exact thing!" Others didn't resonate with me, and that's all right--it's not because they weren't any good, and I know someone else would be able to relate. In any case, each story was a learning experience for me, being able to read about the lives of these wonderful people.Some readers may be surprised both by places where gender-inclusive language is used to describe attractions and by places where it is not. Be aware going in that there is a wide range of perspectives represented, and no one experience should be used to measure an entire vast community of people. Nor should any one story be used as "proof" of what the bisexual community is or is not.I am simply blown away by the time, effort, and care given to putting this collection together. What a fitting way to celebrate twenty years! Many thanks to all the people who devoted themselves to this project, particularly Lani and Loraine.1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. The Best Book I've Read on BisexualityBy DrassieI love this book so much! It is so informative, interesting, creative, moving, well-written, and well-researched. It's so wonderful to read from bisexuals. This is the best book that I've read on bisexuality so far. It's excellent. I highly recommend it to all.

Bi Any Other Name: Bisexual People Speak Out first debuted in 1991. This groundbreaking book helped catalyze a national movement for bisexual identity, justice and equality. Often dubbed the bisexual bible, Bi Any Other Name was on Lambda Book Reviews Top 100 GLBT Books of the 20th century and became a beloved reference text in many classrooms, doctors offices, libraries, and pulpits. A 2007 Mandarin translation was published in Taiwan. The new 2015 introduction of this book updates readers to the enormous changes the past quarter century has brought for bi people, the larger society and the sexual rights and liberation movement of which we are a part. When did you know? How did you come out? What was your experience? The coming out stories in this book speak to the many ways bisexuals embrace realities outside rigid either/or categories throughout the passage of our lives. Everyday stories of women, men, transgender bisexuals, teenagers to octogenarians, from many different cultures and family arrangements. The fierce truth of these lives made visible puts a check on bisexual erasure, exposing the binary constructions of gay/straight and male/female as oversimplifications that reduce spectrums to mere opposites. Caught between the mainstream cultures persistent discounting of bisexuality, the sensationalizing characterizations presented in media, and the sexual liberation movements continual disregard of bisexuality as a serious identity, bisexual people are often not seen or heard when they speak out. There is a vital need for these earnest voices to be heard in the new century. Enormous cultural changes have occurred in the past 25 years, yes, but understanding bisexualities has just begun.

About the AuthorLani Kaahumanu is often regarded as the strategic political architect of the U.S. bisexual movement. She has a 40+ year career instigating and mobilizing social justice actions, campaigns, street theater and cultural events while challenging bisexual invisibility and ignorance within the HIV/AIDS and health industries. She co-founded the first bisexual feminist political action group BiPOL [1983], San Francisco Bay Area Bisexual Network [1987] and BiNet USA [1987]. Loraine Hutchins is a 4th generation Washingtonian who co-founded BiNet USA and Washington, DCs AMBi the Alliance of Multicultural Bisexuals. She is a youth advocate and independent scholar who helped build the communications and development capacities of many social justice non-profits. After earning her doctorate in Cultural Studies, Hutchins teaches multi-disciplinary health, sexuality, gender, and womens studies courses at Marylands Montgomery College.