### Turning the Page: Book Bans Part II

**Thursday, January 25** 

11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Northampton Community College Fowler Center













## Meet THE PANELISTS

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NICHOLAS GALANTE

Librarian Cedar Crest College



ROBIN GOW

Trans Poet, Author, and Community Educator on Queer and Disability Justice



KIMBERLY HARPER

Bethlehem Area School District



#### CHLOE COLE-WILSON

Advocate, Poet, Teaching Artist, and Social Worker; Program Supervisor of Silk Lehigh Valley

#### Panelist: Nicholas Galante Librarian, Cedar Crest College



Nicholas Galante is the Information Literacy and Technical Services Librarian at Cedar Crest College, where he also teaches first-year writing and co-moderates research discussions known as "NicTalks." He has a Master's in Popular Literature from Trinity College Dublin. He has published several academic essays on pop culture, such as "Sorceress Supreme: The Feminist Superhero in Doctor Strange" and "World of My Own: Joe the Barbarian and the Cathartic Power of Fantasy." In 2016, his first novel, Morningstar Ascendant, was published by Black Rose Writing.





#### Panelist: Robin Gow

Trans Poet, Author and Community Educator on Queer and Disability Justice



Robin Gow (it/fae/he & él y elle) is a critically acclaimed trans poet and witch from rural Pennsylvania. He is the author of several poetry collections, an essay collection, and Middle-Grade and YA novels. Faer novels include Ode to My First Car, A Million Quiet Revolutions, and Dear Mothman. Fae works as a community educator, calling folks into discussions around queer and disability justice. It lives with it's partner Rain and their menagerie of animals.





## Panelist: Kimberly Harper Bethlehem Area School District



Kim Harper has served as Supervisor of Literacy and Humanities, K-12, for the Bethlehem Area School District, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, since 2014. Prior to that, she was Assistant Principal for Curriculum & Instruction and a 9th-grade English teacher at Freedom High School in the Bethlehem Area School District. She holds a Master of Science in Classroom Technology from Wilkes University and earned her Supervisor of Curriculum & Instruction and Principal Certifications from Lehigh University. She is currently working on her doctoral degree in reading science from Mount St. Joseph University. She coordinates the district's Reading By Grade 3 (RBG3) initiative and leads the district's work with secondary literacy.





### Panelist: Chloe Cole-Wilson

Advocate, Poet, Teaching Artist, and Social Worker; Program Supervisor of Silk Lehigh Valley



Chloe Cole-Wilson (she/her) lives in Bethlehem PA where she works as an advocate, poet, teaching artist, and social worker. As the Program Supervisor of Silk Lehigh Valley, Chloe's work at Silk supports LGBTQ youth and her health needs in her community. She is deeply committed to equipping individuals with the tools to navigate some of society's most complex issues, including death and dying, the enduring struggle against racism in America, mental health, and the persistent barriers faced by LGBTQ+ individuals.





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