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## QUEER UKRAINE

AN ANTHOLOGY OF LGBTQ+ UKRAINIAN VOICES DURING WARTIME

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- A powerful anthology of essays, poetry and personal stories, collecting twelve LGBTQ+ Ukrainian voices.
- Proceeds from sales of the book go direct to Ukraine to a wide selection of charities supporting LGBTQ+ people.
- A defiant, deep and affecting celebration of queer culture in Ukraine that is missing from the mainstream media.

Against the backdrop of brutal invasion, it is much easier for right-wing figures to target marginalised groups, and during wartime the queer community is exceedingly vulnerable to persecution, scapegoating and censorship. Being visibly queer in Ukraine is an act of rebellion in itself, but LGBTQ+ people find ways to express themselves against all odds, to create beyond all constraints.

And what is queerness without defiance – the linking of arms, the echo of a hundred voices? Every voice tells a story, and this anthology is a platform for these voices, an archive of their existence. It is time for them to tell their stories on their own terms – and for the rest of the world to stand in solidarity with them.



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