CONFESSIONS OF THE FOX
By Jordy Rosenberg
FICTION Rosenberg, J. (2018)
Jack Sheppard and Edgeworth Bess were the most notorious thieves and lovers of 18th-century London. Yet no one knows the true story until a scholar named Dr. Voth discovers a long-lost manuscript. Dated 1724, it tells the story of an orphan named P. sold into servitude at twelve. P struggles for years with her desire to live as “Jack.” P falls in love with Bess, a sex worker. Bess brings P into the London underworld where queer subcultures thrive. At last, P becomes Jack Sheppard, becoming one of the most notorious thieves in history. Back in the present, Dr. Voth works feverishly to authenticate the manuscript, but he’s not the only one who wants Jack’s story.

WHEN BROOKLYN WAS QUEER
By Hugh Ryan
306.7609 Ryan. (2019)
When Brooklyn Was Queer is a groundbreaking exploration of the LGBT history of Brooklyn, from the early days of Walt Whitman in the 1850s up through the queer women who worked at the Brooklyn Navy Yard during World War II, and beyond. Not only has Brooklyn always lived in the shadow of queer Manhattan neighborhoods like Greenwich Village and Harlem, but there has also been a systematic erasure of its queer history—a great forgetting. Ryan shows how the formation of the Brooklyn we know today is inextricably linked to the stories of the incredible people who created its diverse neighborhoods and cultures.

MY BROTHER’S HUSBAND
By Gengoroh Tagame
GRAPHIC Tagame, v.1 (2017)
A hulking, affable Canadian named Mike Flanagan, who declares himself the widower of Yaichi’s estranged gay twin, Ryoji, arrives on the doorstep of Yaichi’s family in Japan, hoping to explore Ryoji’s past. The family reluctantly but dutifully takes him in, changing their lives in the process.
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