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## Boys, Boys, Boys!

Richard Labonté is a leader in the realm of queer publishing. He helped found *A Different Light Bookstore*, with locations in New York, Los Angeles, and San Francisco. He has edited the *Best Gay Erotica* series since 1996, reviews 100 books a year for *Q Syndicate*, writes for *Gay Men's Editions* of the newsletter *Books to Watch Out For*, and writes book reviews for *Publishers Weekly*. Labonté's latest editorial endeavor, *Boy Crazy* is an explicit collection of young adult erotica, *Boy Crazy* explores in heady detail the "first time:" the first time feeling lustful toward another boy, the first time falling into bed with a peer, the first time discovering love with another young man. This youthful collection relishes the thrill of being crazy for a certain boy, for a moment or for a lifetime. In Jere M. Fishback's "A Beautiful Motorcycle," a young man shares a hotel room with his sister's boyfriend and experiences a whole new kind of room service. Guitar lessons give way to instructions of a more amorous variety in L.A. Field's "Summertime Blues." Mesmerized by two hot young bikers, Warden finds himself taking a ride on the wild side in Jeffrey Rounds' "This Is Not Your Country." These and other stories of sexual awakening vividly evoke the trembling, heart-pounding, sweaty-palmed excitement of the first time.

***"Some of them have never, or almost never, been kissed by another young man-until now. Boys being crazy about boys: it's nature's way if you're gay." Richard Labonte***

Richard Labonté lives on a small, friendly Bowen Island, off the coast of British Columbia. He reads many books and writes about them; reads many, many short stories and edits them into such anthologies as *Bears*, *Boys in Heat*, *Hot Gay Erotica*, *Best Gay Romance 2008* and *Best Gay Romance 2009*.

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