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HBO ORIGINAL

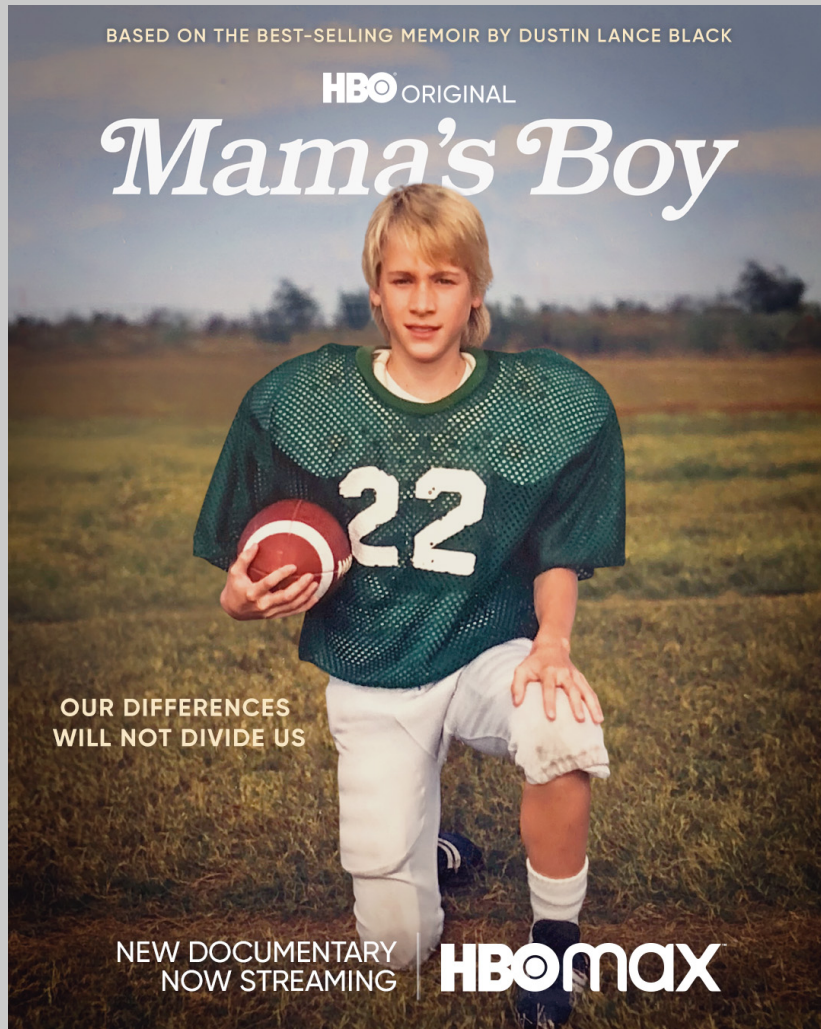
# Mama's Boy

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# Overview

Adapted from Dustin Lance Black's 2019 memoir, **MAMA'S BOY** is a provocative and powerful journey through America, a moving tribute to a mother's courage, and a reckoning with the strength she instilled in her son to fight for his beliefs. Traveling back to the places where he grew up, Black, the Oscar®-winning screenwriter of *Milk*, explores his childhood roots, gay identity, and close relationship with his mother, Anne, who overcame childhood polio, abusive marriages, and Mormon dogma - ultimately becoming Black's emotional rock and inspiration for his activism. With a wealth of personal photographs and candid memories from Black's family, colleagues, and friends, the documentary is a universally hopeful tale of resilience and reconciliation told through the power of love and shared stories.

To supplement the film and support the audience in deepening their learning and understanding of this topic, we have highlighted organizations working to make a difference below, including some of the partners who provided their insight and time to support other relevant impact campaigns and activations around the issues shown in the film.



**“It’s getting harder to  
get in the same room  
with people you love  
but disagree with.”**

**- Dustin Lance Black**

*Dustin Lance Black (Travers Jacobs/Courtesy of HBO)*

# LGBTQ+

## **The Trevor Project**

The Trevor Project focuses on suicide prevention efforts among lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, and questioning youth. Through a toll-free telephone number (1-866-488-7386), it operates The Trevor Lifeline, a confidential service that offers trained counselors.

## **Family Equality**

Family Equality's mission is to advance equality for LGBTQ+ families and those who wish to form them.

## **GLSEN**

GLSEN is an education organization working to end discrimination, harassment, and bullying based on sexual orientation, gender identity and gender expression and to prompt LGBT cultural inclusion and awareness in K-12 schools across the US.

## **Advocates for Youth**

Advocates for Youth works alongside thousands of young people in the US and around the globe as they fight for sexual health, rights, and justice.

## **HRC**

The Human Rights Campaign is the premier LGBTQ advocacy group. It is the largest LGBTQ political lobbying organization in the US.



*Tom Daley and Dustin Lance Black (Courtesy of HBO)*

# Disability

## **RespectAbility**

RespectAbility is a diverse, disability-led nonprofit that works to create systemic change in how society views and values people with disabilities, and that advances policies and practices that empower people with disabilities to have a better future. Our mission is to fight stigmas and advance opportunities so people with disabilities can fully participate in all aspects of community.

## **Friends of Disabled Adults & Children**

With a strong network of volunteers and partners, FODAC provides refurbished equipment and services for adults and children with disabilities to improve their overall quality of life.



*Rosanne "Anne" Bisch (Courtesy of HBO)*

## **International Disability Alliance**

IDA Is an Alliance of 14 global and regional organizations of persons with disabilities. They advocate at the United Nations for a more inclusive global environment for everyone.

## **The Arc**

The Arc fights every day so no person with a disability gets left behind. Their mission is to promote and protect the human rights of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities and actively support their full inclusion and participation in their communities throughout their lifetimes.

# Organizations Bringing People Together

## Horizons Project

In 2021 the PartnersGlobal Institute launched the Horizons Project - a 12-month exploratory grant designed to identify ways to strengthen the intersections between networks and approaches connecting peacebuilding, social justice, and democracy fields in the United States.

## Stand Together

Their vision is for a society where every person can realize their potential, in the kind of society promised by the Declaration of Independence. Where everyone has equal rights. Where people succeed by helping others improve their lives. Where all of us work together to unleash unimaginable progress – economic, technological, and social.

## AmeriCorps

AmeriCorps' mission is to improve lives, strengthen communities, and foster civic engagement through service and volunteering. For decades, they have worked to make service to others an indispensable part of the American experience. Through our nation's most trying times, AmeriCorps has come together to help those in need.

## The International Center for Dialogue and Peacebuilding

The International Center for Dialogue and Peacebuilding focuses on peacebuilding and conflict prevention, supporting and advancing work on: early warning; disarmament; climate, water and food security; empowerment of women and girls; indigenous rights; and the promotion of youth led civic engagement.



*(From back left) Jeff Bisch, Rosanne "Anne" Bisch, Dustin Lance Black; (From front left) Todd Black, Marcus Black (Courtesy of HBO)*