

A **Stan.** ORIGINAL SERIES invisible boys

by **Holden Sheppard**

ABOUT THE BOOK

In a small town, everyone thinks they know you: Charlie is a hardcore rocker, who's not as tough as he looks. Hammer is a footy jock with big AFL dreams, and an even bigger ego. Zeke is a shy over-achiever, never macho enough for his family. But all three boys hide who they really are. When the truth is revealed, will it set them free or blow them apart?

ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Holden Sheppard was born and bred in Geraldton, Western Australia. *Invisible Boys*, won multiple awards and has been adapted for television as a Stan Original series.

Holden's second novel, *The Brink*, won the 2024 Ena Noel Award and the 2023 Indie Book Awards YA Category Prize.

Holden's books have been shortlisted for the Australian Book Industry Awards (ABIAs), the NSW Premier's Literary Awards, the Victorian Premier's Literary Awards and the South Australian Literary Awards, and *Invisible Boys* was named a CBCA Notable Book.



NOTES

- This new edition is being released to coincide with the release of the Stan Original ten-part series based on the book.
- *Invisible Boys* won numerous accolades including the 2018 City of Fremantle Hungerford Award and the 2019 Western Australian Premier's Book Prize for an Emerging Writer.
- This book has now been translated in French for publication in Europe.

PRAISE FOR THE BOOK

'This is an important book for all young people, as it shows one size does not fit all. There is no right way to be gay, or to be anything else, for that matter.' *Maggies*

'A whole new generation of young queer readers will have the opportunity to see themselves in this book: that's a powerful thought.' *Out in Perth*

'Sheppard will win himself a vast number of fans with this impressive debut.' *DNA magazine*

'The characters leap off the page, warts and all, and Sheppard writes with complexity and realism about sexual discovery, family and social rejection, coming of age (and coming out).'

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