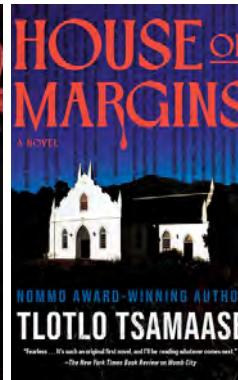
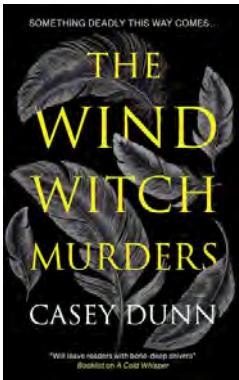
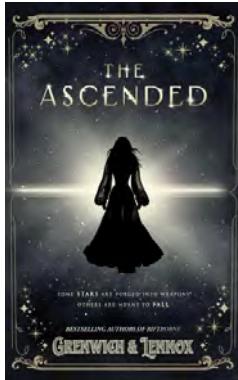




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While Global won't personally be in London, leaving that to our Media Rights director, Dakota Reed, who is attending to discuss our book- to-film and other subsidiary rights, we are sending out our guide to introduce you to some of the fabulous new authors we're working with, including Angelina J. Steffort (romantasy), R.G. Angel (romance) and Lily Gold (why choose standalones), who come to us with extensive backlists (please check our website to see what other titles we have to offer).

We're also seeing some of our fabulous indie authors move into traditional publishing, like Pippa Grant, who will have her Three BFFS and a Wedding series reissued by Sourcebooks, and Hafsa A. Jawad publishing through Random House Children's.

We will miss seeing you in London and Bologna, but we'll be busy back in the office working to bring you more fabulous projects and look forward to hearing from you on these.

We wish you successful Spring fairs, and hope to see you in Frankfurt!



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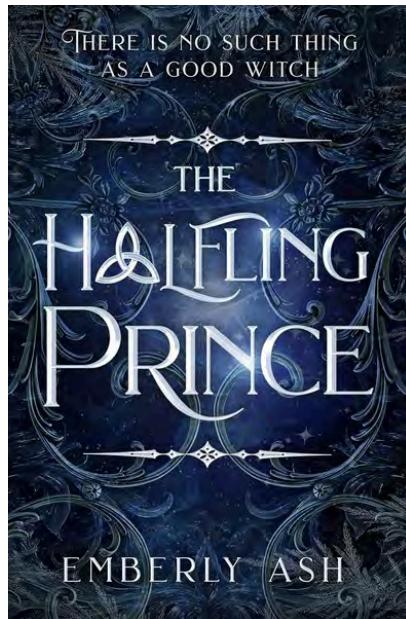
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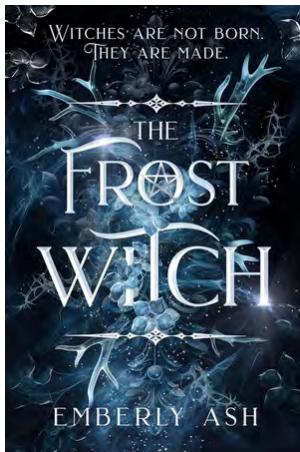


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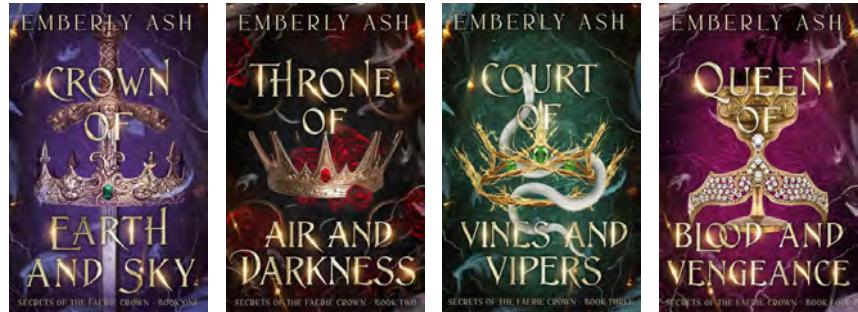


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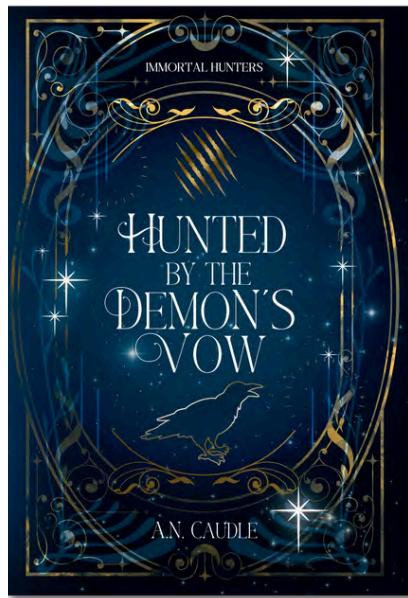
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About the Author

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Hunted By the Demon's Vow

A.N. Caudle

Her protector becomes her hunter.

Seven days. That's how long the humans selected for the Hunt must survive. On the island, the demons are set loose to hunt them down and indulge in their darkest desires with no rules to stop them.

Vhaena never thought her town would turn on her, but when she's voted as a sacrifice for the demons' annual tradition, she's forced into a nightmare designed to kill her. Alone and betrayed, she's prepared to do anything to survive. What she isn't prepared for is him.

Daemon, her brother's best friend and her forbidden obsession—a demon hiding among them.

Loyal to his vow to protect her but cursed by the darkness clawing at his soul, Daemon walks a blurring line between protector and predator. His vow demands her safety, but his hunger demands her ruin.

On an island meant to unleash the monsters hidden within, Vhaena and Daemon must decide which is stronger—duty or desire.

This dark romantic fantasy is perfect for fans of forbidden love, deadly survival, and the kind of devotion that burns even in the ruins of hell.

About the Author

A.N. Caudle has a history in engineering with a degree in organizational leadership (and to make her even nerdier, she went to space camp). After spending over a decade pouring over architectural schematics, she was hit with the idea for a story that demanded (yes, demanded) to be told.

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Bloodsinger (The Fire That Binds 2 of 3) Juliette Cross

Lela Bihari's village was invaded on her wedding night, her betrothed murdered right in front of her. While her sisters were either dragged away or escaped, Lela was sold to Valerius, a consul of Rome.

When she tried to kill Valerius her first night as his slave, her bloodsinger gift manifested... and she was punished for it. Now she's paraded in front of the other senators for their amusement.

But Trajan Tiberius, the newly elected tribune to the senate, is different. He has no love for the brutality around him. When he frees Lela from enslavement and hides her, Lela is set on a path of vengeance, and using her gift puts her in more danger than ever before.

Now trapped inside the walls of Rome while deathriders circle the skies, how can she possibly trust a Roman dragon? Especially when it is clear Trajan has ulterior schemes of his own? As her powers grow stronger, danger draws closer, and Lela realizes it isn't just her life at stake, but also her heart.

Praise for *Firebird*

Instant Bestseller: *New York Times* (#3 Hardcover & #5 Combined Print & Ebook) and *USA Today* in the US; *Sunday Times* in the UK (#2 Hardcover), and *Globe & Mail* (#1 Hardcover) and the *Toronto Star* (#4 Original Hardcover) in Canada

“Readers of dark romantasy will get lost in this fantasy” —*Bookpage*

“Cross mixes royal debauchery, political machinations, and hot sex in her new epic romantasy.” —*Library Journal*

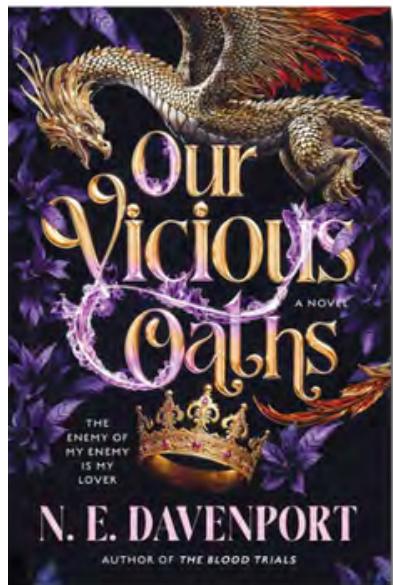
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Juliette Cross is a *New York Times*, *USA Today*, and international bestselling author of over 30 fantasy, paranormal, and contemporary romances. As a native of Louisiana, she is inspired by the moss-laden trees and slow-moving bayou of her home as well as the Gothic setting of nearby New Orleans.

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Our Vicious Oaths

N.E. Davenport

Princess of the Aether Dominion, Kadeesha wants nothing to do with fae politics. But bound since infancy to be betrothed to the Hyperion High King, ruler of all Dominions, she has no choice but to do what men have chosen for her.

She spends one last night of freedom in the arms of the dangerous Malachi who takes her to sexual heights she's never experienced before...but who is only using Kadeesha to set a trap for the High King,

On Kadeesha's wedding day, Malachi and his special forces attack. Her father is killed, and Malachi wounds the High King, ultimately taking Kadeesha as hostage back to his land. But she is no true hostage. The two form a pact: she will help lure the High King so Malachi can kill him once and for all, and he in turn will not harm Kadeesha or the Aether people. And as much as Kadeesha hates politics, she is now the Queen of her folk. Fae bonds are unbreakable... and so, perhaps, is the attraction Kadeesha and Malachi feel for each other. For even as they must publicly display their connection to provoke the High King's jealousy, they struggle to resist the powerful allure between them in order to achieve their ultimate goals.

Praise

USA Today Bestseller

"An immersive world, knife-to-throat enemies to lovers, morally grey characters wading through messy politics, and *Sexy Good Times*. Do yourself a favor and pick this one up! An instant romantasy classic!" – **Katee Robert, *New York Times* and *USA Today* bestselling author**

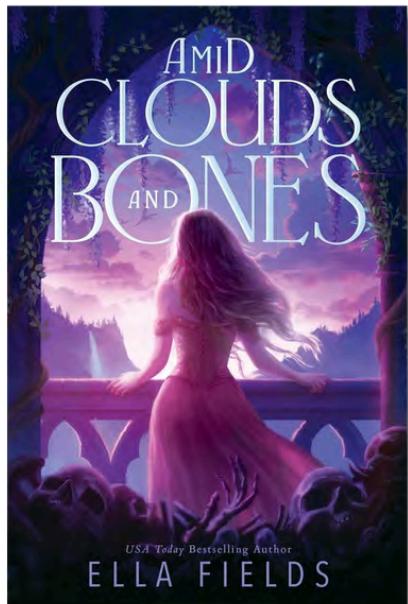
"Truly, *Our Vicious Oaths* delivers the unapologetically Black fae fantasy we've all been waiting for." –**Tigest Girma, *New York Times* bestselling author of *Immortal Dark***

About the Author

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Amid Clouds and Bones

Ella Fields

A princess determined to survive an arranged marriage to a heartless fae prince is saved by a twist of fate that could destroy their world in this standalone fantasy romance.

As the half faerie daughter of a human king, my days were spent tucked out of sight—until the Seelie Fae sought an alliance with our kingdom. In exchange for my father's help in defeating their Unseelie enemies, I would wed Atakan the heartless.

The Seelie prince loathed everyone, but none more than me. Throughout the years leading to our nuptials, each encounter grew more terrifying than the last as he demonstrated how he'd earned his infamous reputation.

Fear would only doom me faster. So I learned to hide it with games I soon became happy to play. I wasn't supposed to crave a monster. But just when I'd thought I might tame the untameable, fate intervened. And delivered me straight to his enemy.

Praise

“Fantasy enemies to lovers, arranged marriage, and villain spice. I'll have another, please.” —**Raven Kennedy, international bestselling author**

“Everything I needed in my fantasy romance and more. Be warned that Atakan isn't morally grey, he's pitch black but you'll fall for him anyway.” —**Claypot Reads**

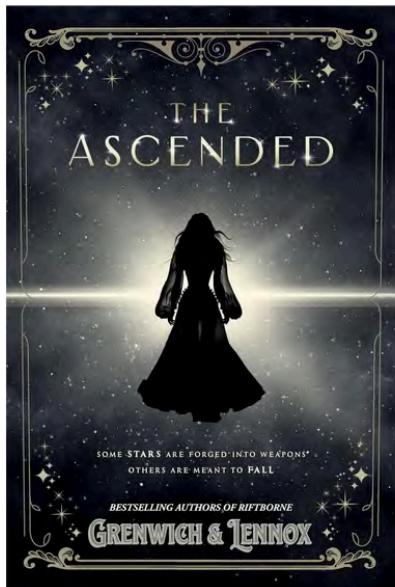
“This romantasy will have you under its spell in no time. PS There are dragons.” —**PP's Bookshelf**

About the Author

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The Ascended (The Aesymarean Duet 1 of 2) Bree Greenwich & Parker Lennox

When twins Thais and Thatcher are thrust into the deadly Trials of Ascension, they must survive brutal competitions, tangled loyalties, and forbidden desires—where some secrets are worth dying for, and others are worth killing for.

Thais Morvaren has spent her life hiding her ability to forge starlight, until a priest's ritual exposes her power and binds her to the trials she never wanted. Determined to kill the King of the Gods, Thais must risk everything to become divine herself.

But the trials hold more than enemies—her reluctant mentor, Xül, is a necromancer prince with blood on his hands and fire in his gaze. As the trials grow deadlier, an ancient darkness stirs, threatening not only the contestants but the heavens themselves.

Praise

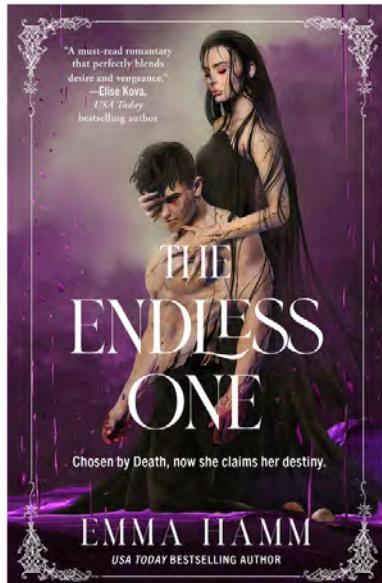
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About the Authors

Bree Greenwich and Parker Lennox are two platonic soulmates who have been nearly inseparable since meeting at 19. Their shared love of fantasy, badass heroines, and steamy romances fueled their dream of co-authoring a novel, which they've finally achieved with their debut, *Riftborne*. When they're not conjuring worlds filled with female empowerment and swoon-worthy relationships, they're binge-watching reality TV or obsessing over the last Dungeons and Dragons session.

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The Endless One (Gravesinger 3 of 3) Emma Hamm

Jessamine survived betrayal, death, and the gods themselves—but survival was only the beginning. Her kingdom lies in ruins. Her throne has been stolen. And the man who once murdered her has succeeded in doing the unthinkable: binding himself to a god.

To reclaim her crown, Jessamine must defy ancient powers and betrayals alike—and face the enemy who slit her throat. But now, she isn't the innocent bride who fell to her death. She is the Gravesinger.

Captured and forced to confront a fate far worse than dying, Jessamine must decide how much of herself she is willing to sacrifice to end a war written in blood and ruled by gods.

Bound to Elric, the god who loves her, she must choose between the humanity that shaped her—and the power required to tear divinity down at its source. Because this time, she isn't just ready to kill a man.

She's ready to kill a god.

Praise for the Gravesinger Trilogy *USA Today* Bestseller

“The mutual exploration of new magics between Jessamine and the god makes for a supportive relationship... a romantic slow burn.”

—*Library Journal*

“Hamm’s writing shines in Jessamine and Elric’s electric chemistry.”

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“A romantasy that perfectly blends desire and vengeance. For readers who like their romance with an edge.” —*USA Today* bestselling author
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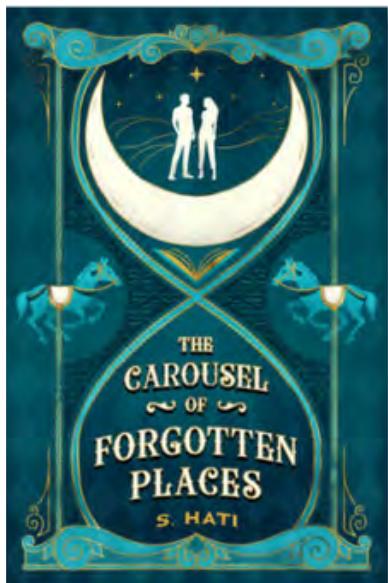
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USA Today bestselling author Emma Hamm has published over 50 fantasy and romantasy novels about confident, powerful women who aren't afraid to grow and make mistakes. Her books will always be a little bit feminist, and are geared towards empowering everyone to be comfortable in their own skin.

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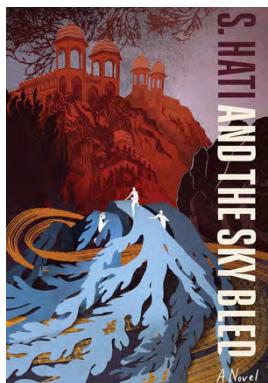


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The Carousel of Forgotten Places

S. Hati

For 500 years, immortal timekeeper Ryka has run a cozy magical fair on the edges of time, managing the time threads and protecting the spirits that live there.

Among a found family of quirky ghosts, a spectral cat, and even her insufferable boss, the annoying (and sexy) time-god Everest, she gets by with a few golden rules: don't interfere with the timelines she traverses, never stop looking for a way back to her own timeline, and avoid Everest at all costs.

That is, until the carousel at the heart of the fair begins showing signs of time rot, causing ruptures that culminate in the unprecedented: a human falling through time and landing at their feet. With the fair descending into chaos, Ryka and Everest must team up to get this human home, find the source of the rot, and keep the fabric of time from tearing apart - all while hoping that the 500 years of feelings between them don't get in their way.

Praise for S. Hati

"A sometimes whimsical, sometimes unhinged, and always wondrous love story - not just in its epic romance, but also the death-defying bonds among friends and family (and accomplices and semi-nemeses) that create home even in liminal spaces." - **P. H. Low, Ignyte-, Locus-, and Rhysling-nominated author of *These Deathless Shores***

"Whimsical world, tender romance, and achingly relatable protagonist" - **Emily Charlotte, author of *Heart Check***

"A mystical and imaginative romp featuring an intense, slowburn romance that will wake your spellbound mind!" - **Yejin Suh, author *The Last Soldier of Nava***

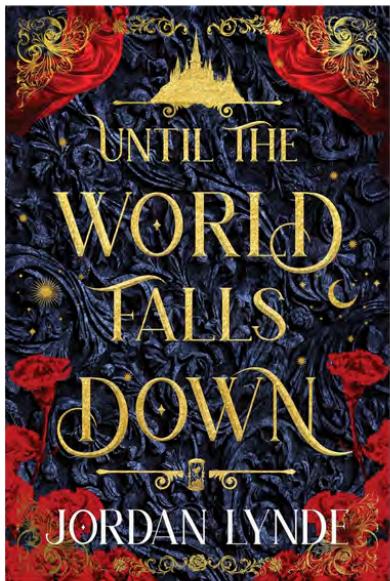
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S. Hati is a speculative fiction writer, currently residing in the Bay Area. She writes about brown girls who can't seem to stop getting themselves in trouble, usually of the magical sort. She is the author of *And the Sky Bleed* (Bindery, 2024) and *Morbid Curiosities* (F&F, 2026).

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Until the World Falls Down

Jordan Lynde

Labyrinth meets *Beauty and the Beast* in this spellbinding, sexy romantasy debut about a woman with a broken heart, the seductive immortal who imprisons her, the magical labyrinth that may be her salvation, and the dangerous attraction that could destroy them both.

Her freedom or her heart...in forty-eight hours, she'll lose one forever.

When a brutal betrayal leaves Nell heartbroken and alone, she makes a desperate wish for love, recklessly offering anything in exchange.

Her plea is heard by Enver, an immortal as wicked as he is beautiful. He sweeps Nell away to his castle that seems to exist out of time and presents her with a bargain: escape his labyrinth within forty-eight hours or surrender to eternity as his lover.

Nell vows to conquer the labyrinth, despite the dangerous attraction she feels for its monstrous ruler. But every stolen moment with him leaves her craving more. And every step deeper into the castle reveals hidden truths about herself...and the curse that holds Enver captive.

Torn between her desire for love and the dark being incapable of loving her, Nell faces an impossible choice. And her time is running out.

USA Today Bestseller

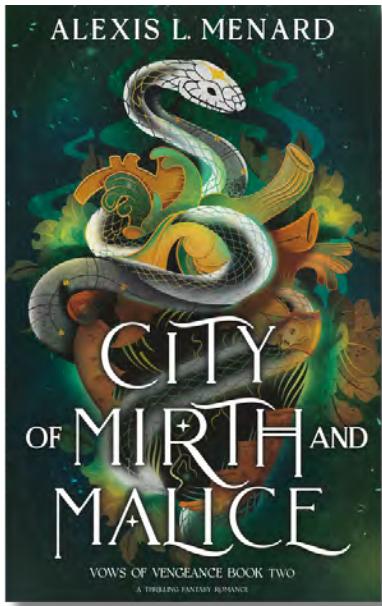
About the Author

Jordan Lynde is an author, creator, and freelance writer living in Western Massachusetts. When she's not hanging out at the local coffee shop you can find her being the homebody she is playing video games in her favorite chair or cuddled up watching k-dramas with her five cats and turtle.

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City of Mirth and Malice (Vows of Vengeance 2 of 2) Alexis L. Menard

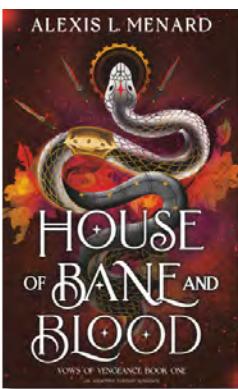
Some debts are not so easily repaid—or forgiven.

Nicolai Attano has achieved everything he's ever wanted: full control over the Iron Saint Railway. Never did he imagine he'd want anything more than power—not until his wife, Camilla Marchese.

When Camilla is abducted, he'll do anything to get her back. But with a city that's been poisoned against him, he's forced to seek the aid of a disreputable black-market dealer to ensure his wife's rescue. Despite the cost being higher than ever, Nico doesn't think twice. The collateral? His life.

Meanwhile, Camilla fights to gain control over her newfound powers and save herself, if her magic doesn't destroy her first. The only light in the hellish prison and brutal trials her alchemist captor puts her through is the hope of once again seeing her family . . . and the husband who stole her heart.

Vows of Vengeance #1



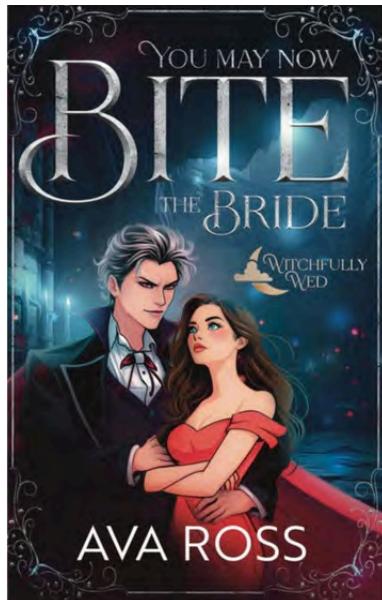
Set in a post-industrial age magical Isle, *Peaky Blinders* meets *Shadow & Bone*'s Grishaverse in the fantasy romance *House of Bane and Blood*, the first book in the Vows of Vengeance Duet, where a contract marriage brings two enemies together but threatens to burn their city to the ground.

About the Author

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About the Author

USA Today Bestselling Author Ava Ross fell for men with unusual features when she first watched *Star Wars*, where alien creatures have gone mainstream. She lives in New England with her husband, three kids, and assorted pets.

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To The Cruel Gods series



A sensual, dark, steamy
 paranormal romance in a world
 where everything that goes
 bump in the night exists, *Vow
 Forever Night* (To The Cruel
 Gods #1) is for bold readers.



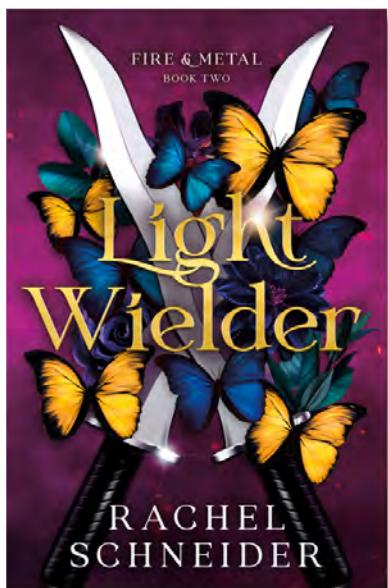
Until the End of Ever (To The
 Cruel Gods #2) completes the
 story of Kleos and Lucian.
 Future books to come in the To
 The Cruel Gods series will
 feature other protagonists.

About the Author

When Mai first published under May Sage in 2015, she only intended to share her fun stories, but shockingly, people actually read those, so her dream of becoming an author became a reality. As her bibliography is too varied, she launched Emm Darcy, under which she explores steamier, darker stories.

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Light Wielder (Fire & Metal 2 of 3) Rachel Schneider

It's been four years since Jovie betrayed Acker, fracturing their relationship. Her decision to take King Edmond's magic, sparing his life at Acker's request, has sparked a brutal war. The Kenta and Strou forces ally against the Roison and Alaha, with Maile perched dangerously on the edge of their battles.

Jovie is determined to keep the innocent Maile people from a conflict she helped start—even if it means suppressing the Matching Bond and sacrificing any hope of repairing her relationship with Acker. Yet, visions of him continue to haunt her dreams.

Acker is resigned to aid in his father's war while in an arranged marriage with a wife who detests him. Though still pained by Jovie's deception, he can't stop his thoughts from turning to her. And Acker has found a way to slip into Jovie's dreams despite her attempts to stifle the Matching Bond. There he watches her, torn between his loyalties and desire.

When he discovers the chilling reason behind the return of his father's magic, as well as Edmond's dangerous new alliance, Acker must finally decide which war he wants to fight: one for his king or his heart.

Praise for Metal Slinger

New York Times Bestseller

Sunday Times Bestseller

USA Today Bestseller

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"So many twists and turns—never a dull moment. The way everything connects at the end is quite frankly, insane... The author is a mastermind. Romantasy is back!" —**WhatEmmyReads**

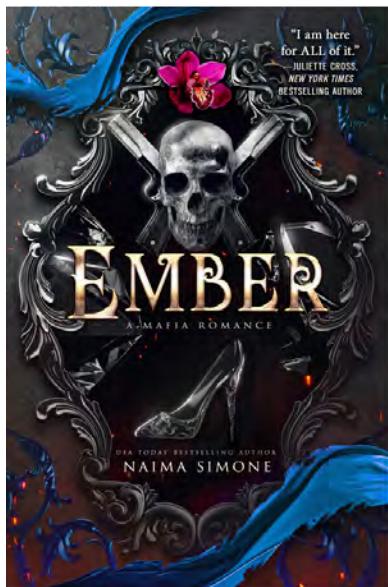
About the Author

Rachel Schneider lives in South Louisiana with her husband and only daughter. She loves to write wherever her imagination takes her, which includes fantasy worlds, thrilling surprises, and complex romance with a touch of heat.

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Ember (Hunted Kingdom 2 of 3) Naima Simone

He'll burn it all to the ground to keep her. Her fire will consume his soul.

Today, my father gifted me with the best present: he died. He left the House of Cross behind-my legacy. But my father left the multibillion drug empire to pure evil. My stepbrother, Asad Prince.

He wasn't counting on how this has finally given me freedom. As the last Cross, I'll leave it all behind. And I will have the last laugh too: I will take the formula for the drug I created with me.

But Asad wants more. More control over the House of Cross. More of me. He knows exactly how to get both: by threatening me to marry him. If I disagree, he'll kill the few people I love.

I won't make it easy for him. And I will not fall into temptation. Because Asad might be my mortal enemy-but he's also everything I want.

Praise for Hunted Kingdom

"Filled with blood, violence, and heat, this book kicks off Simone's gritty, fairy-tale-inspired "Hunted Kingdom" mafia romance series. Perfect for fans hungry for more Navessa Allen and Tate James." —*Library Journal*

"A fast-paced, intoxicating thrill-ride. Simone goes hard with *Huntsman*—a dark fairytale retelling like no other. This is a brand new spin on mafia romance." —*New York Times* bestselling author Juliette Cross

"An utterly fearless book. Naima Simone is at her best with this sexy dark romance that swings for the fences and doesn't miss. One of my favorite reads of the year!" —*New York Times* bestselling author Katee Robert

About the Author

Naima Simone is a *USA Today* bestselling author of over 50 romances, spanning every heat level. Her books have been praised by *Kirkus Reviews*, *Publishers Weekly*, *The Washington Post*, *Oprah*, *Entertainment Weekly*, and more. She currently resides with her family in Alabama.

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See more from Angelina:



Bright Burns the Flame (Bright Burns the Flame 1 of 5) Angelina J. Steffort

Nineteen-year-old Lory has spent her life surviving Dunai's alleys with blades, wits, and an iron will. Now, caught and conscripted, she must endure Ashthorn, where rivals are lethal, failure is fatal, and obedience comes at the cost of herself.

But Lory is not like the others. When the Ward uncovers a dangerous secret in her blood, she's offered an impossible deal: survive their impossible trials, and she'll serve the crown as a weapon honed for war. Fail—and she won't leave Ashthorn alive.

Overseeing her transformation is Captain Khayrivven Falcrest. Cold, ruthless, and utterly untouchable, he's the last person she should trust—and the only one who seems to see the person beneath the monster the Ward wants her to become.

As war rises beyond the border and rebellion festers in the shadows, Lory must navigate Ashthorn's deadly games—and her forbidden gift—before both claim her.

Enemies. Rivals. Lovers. At Ashthorn Ward, trust is a weapon, love is a liability, and the only way out is through blood.

Praise

"In the vein of *Beauty and the Beast*, Angelina has created a thrilling and beautiful tale filled with everything my fantasy heart craves. With handsome and monstrous fae crows, a sizzling slow-burn, enemies-to-lovers romance, magic, suspense, and much more... this story is sure to keep you glued to the pages." —Cameo Renae, *USA Today* Bestselling Author

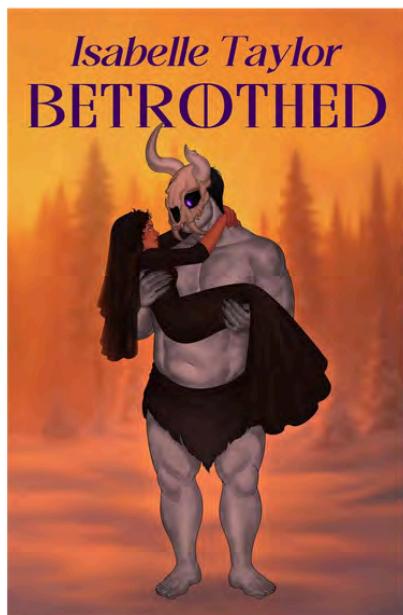
About the Author

Angelina J. Steffort is a bestselling, award-winning Austrian novelist, best known for her Wings series and her Shattered Kingdom series. With over twenty YA and adult fantasy and paranormal romance books under her belt, Angelina is far from done with inventing and exploring new worlds. Currently, Angelina lives in Vienna, Austria, with her husband and her son.

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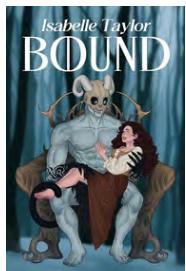


Anja Radziszewska



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Skullstalker Brides series



Betrothed (Skullstalker Brides 4 of 4) Isabelle Taylor

Grieving widow, Fawn, will soon settle back into her role as the quiet, obedient housewife that her late husband's family expects her to be. But first she will secretly hunt down the monstrous Skullstalker who ate her husband and take her vengeance.

Her hunt immediately goes awry when she ends up injured. She waits for the Skullstalker to end her, only for the monster to gleefully declare that she is his new wife.

Young Skullstalker, Zax, expected little when he prayed for a spouse. But now that he has been gifted one, he will not take her for granted. He has prepared everything for his wife: food, comfort, excitement. So why does she smell of fear when he touches her?

Zax vows to prove himself a worthy husband. Even if it means hiding her from her old family who wants her back. And helping Fawn realize that there is more to being a wife than she thought...

Fawn initially goes along with the charade to save her life. But when the savage Skullstalker shows her more kindness, understanding and pleasure than her human husband ever did, she realizes that she doesn't hate being a monster's wife as much as she expected...

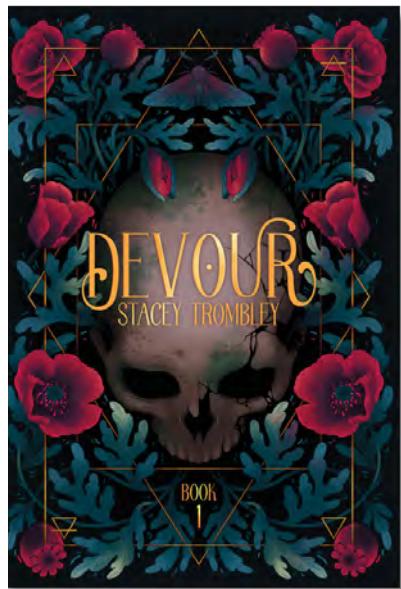
BETROTHED is a high-heat monster romance with hurt/comfort, forced marriage, a golden retriever MMC with two 'special appendages,' and a HEA. Perfect for fans of Opal Reyne and Katee Robert. It is Book 4 of the Skullstalker Brides series but can be read as a standalone.

About the Author
Isabelle Taylor writes adult romance that often (but not always) skews towards cozy and paranormal. She works in a bookstore in New Zealand and has a Creative Writing Masters from the International Institute of Modern Letters. Upcoming books include books 5 and 6 in the Claw Haven series, set to be published by Harlequin Enterprises in 2027, and Fall for a Fairytale, set to be published by Ballantine later this year.

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Emma Sidnam



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Devour

(Dangerous Creatures 1 of 3)

Stacey Trombley

The death cult known as Drak'yn have devastated everything west of the Morterres desert, with a reputation of violence and cruelty. And I have just been captured.

I am bound and dragged inside the caverns that make up the death cult's underground city, where I expect to be sacrificed to their demon goddess.

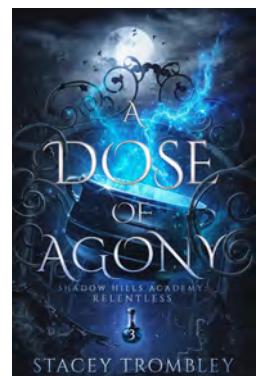
Instead, I am claimed by one of the warriors— a massive man covered in scars and hiding beneath a black mask. He takes me into his personal den, deep below the skeleton filled catacombs.

I am now his.

Yet, despite the blood of the innocent crusted beneath his nails, despite the scars covering his strong body, and horrifying black magic he wields —he is kind.

There may be something different about this specific monster, but that won't stop me from doing anything in my power to escape this nightmare dungeon.

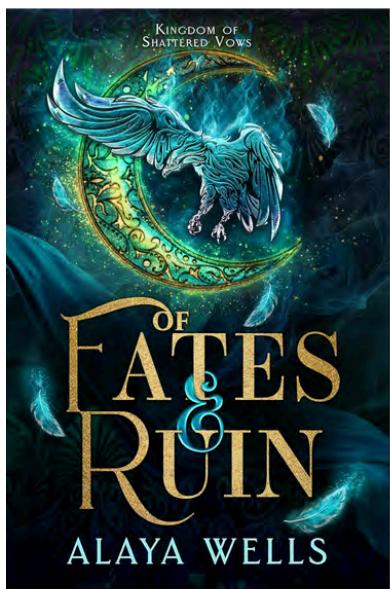
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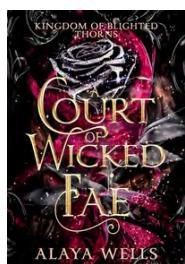
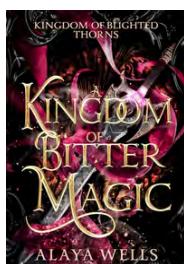
Stacey Trombley is a Casino pit boss by night, paranormal and dark romance author by day. Her places to travel list is almost as long as her to-read list. She has worked as a freelance developmental editor, Pitch Wars mentor and blogger with Middle Grade Minded.

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See more from Alaya:



Of Fates and Ruin (Kingdom of Shattered Vows 1) Alaya Wells

I infiltrated a rival fae court to hunt my enemy. I didn't mean to stab their golden-eyed king.

Disguised as a recruit, I cross into the wasteland swamp, searching for the rebels who murdered my sister. But instead of a crumbling outpost, I find a glittering court cloaked in illusion, where brutal trials bind warriors to magical beasts. Unfortunately, the first person my dagger sinks into is their infuriatingly gorgeous king. Instead of seeking revenge, Trewyn smirks, as if getting stabbed was just flirting. When he assumes I'm here to enter the Rite of Bonds, I let him believe it.

If I fail the bonding trials, I'll be exiled before I uncover the truth. If I succeed, I risk becoming what my kingdom fears most, an untamed magic-wielder dangerously loyal to the wrong side. My court raised me to see the rebels as traitors. Now, I worry I'll willingly bleed for them... especially for him.

King Trewyn goads me, but my body doesn't care that he's forbidden. He watches me like he knows what I'm hiding. Like he's daring me to break. Like he's already decided I'm his, and he's just waiting for me to admit it.

But with a darker enemy rising, one that drains magic and leaves only husks behind, I'll have to choose: avenge my sister or trust the king who's become my greatest temptation.

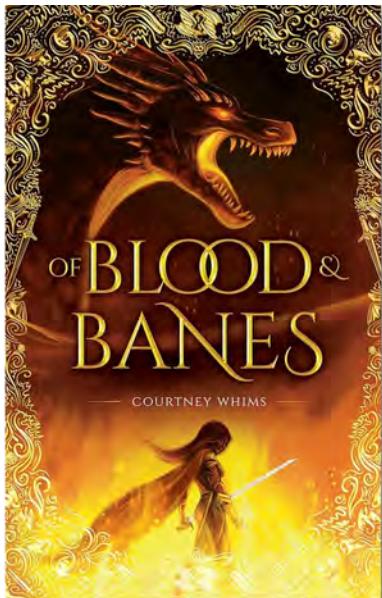
Vengeance is a mask. And mine is about to shatter.

About the Author

Alaya Wells is a romantic fantasy author who loves spinning tales about brooding heroes falling for fierce, independent heroines. Expect spicy romance, touch her and I'll hurt you heroes, and a guaranteed happily ever after.

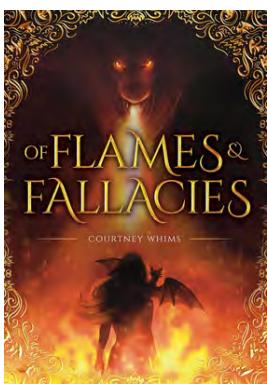
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The Arterian #1



Of Blood and Banes (The Arterian 2 of 2) Courtney Whims

Secrets never die. They're just buried in a grave. And graves don't stay hidden forever.

Katerina Blackwind and Daeja made it to the Dragon Lands. It should have been the key to their freedom.

Instead, it's only the beginning.

The King is closing in-desperate for the one thing Kat possesses. The one thing that's been missing for ages.

The one thing he'll tear the entire kingdom apart to claim.

Worse, Kat is caught between two men who broke her trust—Cole, whose lie shattered her heart, and Darian, who isn't just a stranger... he is the enemy. With betrayal at every turn, Kat must decide who—if anyone—she can trust before it's too late.

But the secrets of the past lie in a place no one has set foot in for over a century—guarded by magic and buried under years of forgotten history and bloodshed.

If Kat fails to uncover the truth in time, the last of the dragons—and everyone she loves—will be lost forever.

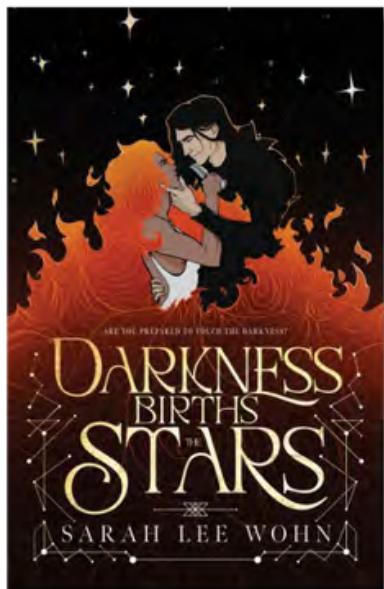
And their blood will be on her hands.

About the Author

Courtney Whims is a romantasy author who has been writing her own stories since elementary school. After college, she stopped writing and began a career in graphic design, leaving storytelling behind for almost a decade. That changed when a deep dive into romantasy reignited her love of writing. Noticing a lack of dragon rider romances, she set out to create the kind of series she wished existed.

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Darkness Births the Stars (Book 1 of 5) Sarah Lee Wohm

He is the Fallen One, ruled by his dark ambitions. She is his greatest enemy, fated to destroy him.

Their forbidden love tore the world apart. Now they might be the only ones able to heal it.

Haunted by his past and the evil forces he commanded, Noctis, once the God of Darkness, cannot forget Rada, the former Goddess of Light—and the queen who ruled at his brother's side. Condemned to mortality, thought dead to the whole world, Noctis craves one last meeting ...

Stripped of her magic and exiled for treason, Rada has built an idyllic new life on a farm at the edges of the realm. But her peace is shattered one stormy night when Noctis—the enemy who caused her downfall, the lover she betrayed in turn—appears at her door, wounded and desperate.

When a sinister attack reveals the powers of Chaos are stirring once more, Noctis's dark past begins to unravel. As desire and duty entwine, Rada faces an impossible choice: Can she become the ally of the man who broke her heart to save everything she holds dear?

Inspired by Nordic mythology, this first book in a series follows star-crossed lovers, their fall from grace and their quest for redemption. Sizzling, tension-filled romance, high-stakes magical battles, and morally-grey characters make this the perfect read for fans of *Gild*, *The Cruel Prince*, and *When the Moon Hatched*.

About the Author

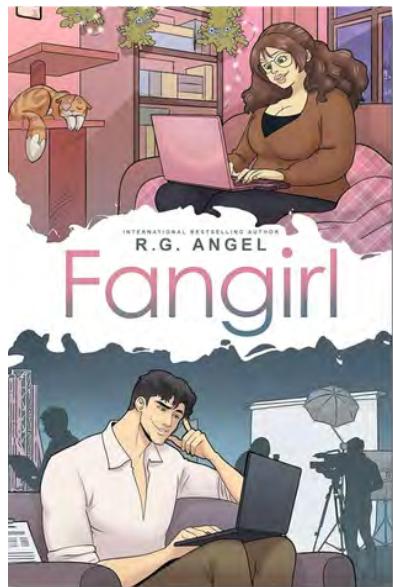
Sarah Lee Wohm has been obsessed with books and all things fantasy since her childhood. Driven by endless curiosity and a vivid imagination, she has traveled the world always in search of adventure.



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R O M A N C E



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Fangirl R.G. Angel

Amy Sinclair never expected her biggest crush to become her biggest heartbreak.

She's loved Prince Anlon from the moment she met him—kind, brilliant, and heartbreakingly fictional. So when a major studio buys the rights and casts Jake Hollander, Hollywood's action hero better known for his abs than his acting, Amy is furious.

Ranting about it on his fan site might not have been her smartest move. But it might be worth it when her post sparks a connection with Elijah Cohen, a sweet, geeky special effects artist who feels like her perfect match, even if he's half a world away.

Falling for Eli wasn't in Amy's plans. But when fantasy collides with reality, she has to ask herself: can a relationship that started online survive the messy truth when it finally becomes real? Or is it safer to keep hiding behind the perfect fantasy?

If only life were as simple as fanfiction...

See more from R.G. Angel:

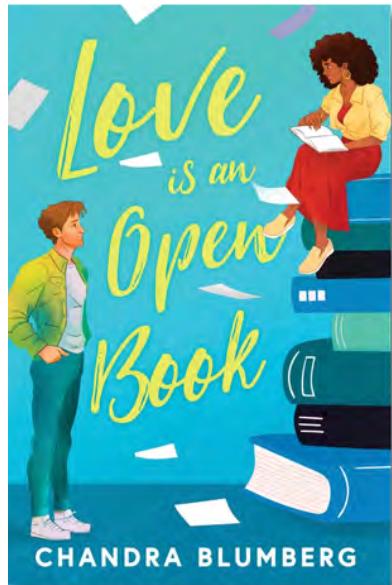


About the Author

R.G. Angel is an international bestselling author known for emotionally intense love stories set against dark, power-driven backdrops. A trained lawyer, she has built a successful career in indie publishing, crafting stories that combine morally complex characters, high-stakes drama, and deeply emotional journeys. Passionate about diversity and representation, her books feature characters from all walks of life, including those with disabilities and neurodivergence.

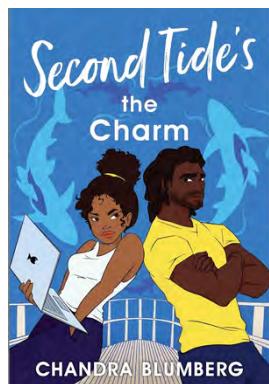
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See more from Chandra:



Love is an Open Book

Chandra Blumberg

Mia Brady never imagined her romance novels would become bestsellers, much less inspire a hit TV show. However, after signing a deal to write the final book of the series, she's struck by a serious case of writer's block. Her fans are clamoring for a passionate payoff, but Mia's own experience with heartbreak—and current lack of real-life romance—is getting in the way. Do friends who become lovers ever truly have a happy ending?

Gavin Lane would like to think so. As Mia's ride-or-die BFF, he's been by her side through it all and convinced himself his crush on her is a thing of the past. He's not about to let his feelings ruin their friendship, and never will. But that doesn't stop him from pitching a bold idea to help save Mia's career: testing out tried-and-true love story tropes...together.

Praise

One of the *Boston Globe's* Best Summer Reads!

"Blumberg totally understood the assignment when she set out to write one of romance's favorite type of stories. Her tale of best friends [...] is a frisky delight." —*Los Angeles Times*

"The vibe is breezy and the metafictional nods to romance tropes add some fun. Readers looking for an easy, G-rated beach read will be pleased." —*Publishers Weekly*

"Chandra Blumberg writes a heartfelt, witty, swoonworthy romance! This friends-to-lovers romance is full of tension, yearning, and flirty banter. With an insider's look into writing and romance tropes galore, this contemporary romance is a lighthearted and sweetly passionate must-read!" —**Danielle Jackson, author of *Accidentally in Love***

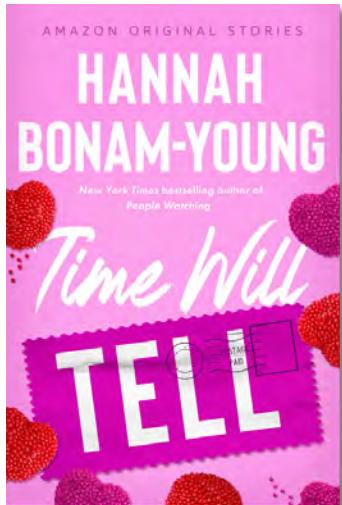
About the Author

Chandra Blumberg is the author of funny, heartwarming love stories. Her novels have received rave reviews from *Kirkus Reviews*, *Publishers Weekly*, *Library Journal*, and *Booklist*. When not writing, she is spending time with her family in Chicago.

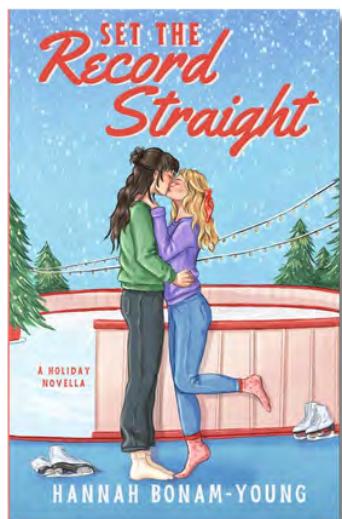
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Time Will Tell & Set the Record Straight

Hannah Bonam-Young

These two seasonal novellas, *Time Will Tell* for Valentine's Day and *Set the Record Straight* for Christmas, work well as two separate volumes or joint as one book-length work.

In *Time Will Tell*, when a history teacher receives a letter from her deceased grandmother revealing a secret love affair in the 1950s, it leads her to a mysterious time capsule hidden decades ago. But it's the charming grandson of her grandmother's lost love who changes everything, proving that sometimes the heart knows exactly where—and when—it belongs.

When Clara and Evan, two lifelong friends hatch a plan to attend holiday parties as a pretend couple in *Set the Record Straight*, something unexpected happens... Clara starts developing real feelings for Evan, shocking even herself. Meanwhile, Evan realizes that pretending to date her straight best friend, whom she's had a crush on for half her life, isn't the best idea.

Praise for Hannah Bonam-Young

"Warm, sexy, and vulnerable... Hannah Bonam-Young needs to be on your romance radar."—Hannah Grace, #1 *New York Times* bestselling author of *Icebreaker*

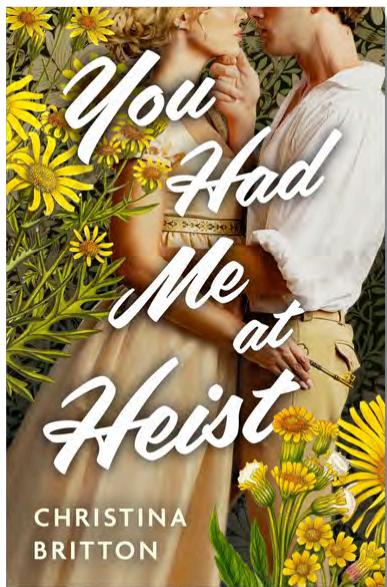
"Funny and huge-hearted and romantic and real."—New York Times bestselling author Talia Hibbert

About the Author

Hannah Bonam-Young is a New York Times, USA Today, Toronto Star, and international bestselling author who writes romances featuring a cast of diverse, disabled, marginalized, and LGBTQIA+ folks wherein swoon-worthy storylines blend with the beautiful, messy, and challenging realities of life.

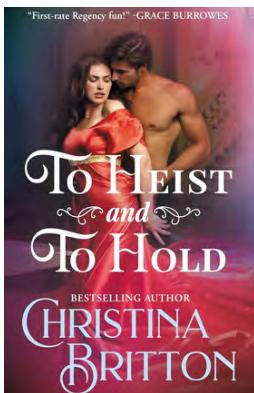
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Wimpole Street Widows
 Society #1



You Had Me at Heist

(Wimpole Street Widows Society 2 of 3)

Christina Britton

A scandalous romance blooms between a widow and her adversary in this delightful, sensual romance perfect for fans of Bridgerton!

Widow Iris Rumford has faced her fair share of hardships. Joining the Wimpole Street Widows Society has helped her start to heal—until she learns that her late mother's groundbreaking botanical work was stolen by her greatest adversary, who is about to publish the findings as his own. Determined to stop the thief at all costs, Iris refuses to let the dashing guard protecting the research threaten her plans. Even if he does tempt her in new, intriguing ways . . .

After a scandal cost Oliver Beckett his job as a Bow Street Runner, he's spent the last year struggling to provide for his mother and sister. Guarding a lord's precious botanical collection seems too good to be true—who would steal a bunch of plants? But the appearance of a beautiful, maddening woman throws his hopes for a quiet future right out the window.

As the two find themselves constantly thrown together, their resolve is tested—and so are their hearts.

Praise

“First-rate Regency fun!” —Grace Burrowes

About the Author

Christina Britton developed a passion for writing romance novels shortly after buying her first at the tender age of thirteen. Though for several years she put brush instead of pen to paper, she has returned to her first love and is now writing full time. She spends her days dreaming of corsets and cravats and noblemen with tortured souls.

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In a Second (Friendship, RI book 3 of 4) Kate Canterbury

The last time Audrey Saunders saw Jude Bellessi, he begged her to ditch her wedding and run off with him. She said no. In her defense, she was already in the dress.

Years later—divorced and done with relationships—Audrey runs right into the one man she never managed to forget. Except Jude isn't the rebellious bad boy she remembers. Now Jude's an aerospace engineer, a fiercely protective single dad...and, apparently, her fiancé. At least that's the story he spun for his sick mother.

When Jude asks her to play along for the summer, Audrey knows better. She really does. But unfinished business is a powerful thing—and so is the pull of the boy who once held her whole heart.

Besides, how much damage can one summer vacation with the biggest mistake of her life really do? Answer: epic. Catastrophe looks a lot like a mother-in-law in turbo wedding-planner mode, a preschooler who doesn't miss a beat, and a suspiciously high number of hotel rooms with just one bed. So why does lying about forever feel like the first honest thing she's done in years?

See more from Kate:

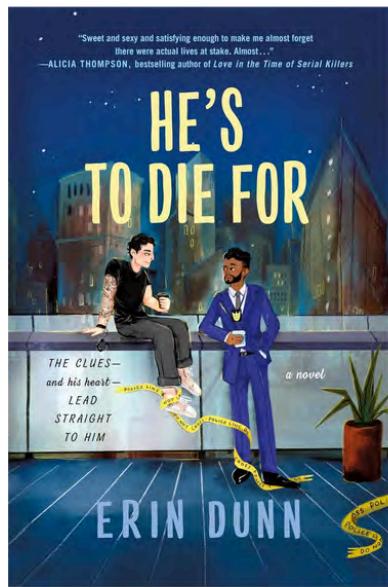


About the Author

USA Today bestseller Kate Canterbury writes smart, steamy contemporary romances loaded with heat, heart, and happy ever afters. Kate lives on the New England coast with her husband and daughter.

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He's to Die for Erin Dunn

At 29, Detective Rav Trivedi is the youngest member of the NYPD's homicide squad, and his future looks bright. He may be a bit of an outsider in the department—an ivy-league educated gay Brit with a weakness for designer suits—but his meteoric rise and solve rate prove he belongs.

So when his CO assigns him lead on the high-profile murder of a record executive, Rav is ready for action. He won't be distracted by TV crews, tabloids, or what's trending on social media, nor by the ridiculously hot rock star with a clear motive and no alibi.

This is it, his shot, and he is not going to screw it up—certainly not by falling in love with his number one suspect...

Praise

"With plenty of panache and great precision, Dunn skillfully creates a work of romantic suspense by walking the line between an intriguing procedural mystery in the manner of Ed McBain's 87th Precinct books and a sizzling romance à la Casey McQuiston's *Red, White, & Royal Blue* (2019), all while writing with a sense of dry wit so sharp it could be considered a weapon in its own right." —**Booklist, starred review**

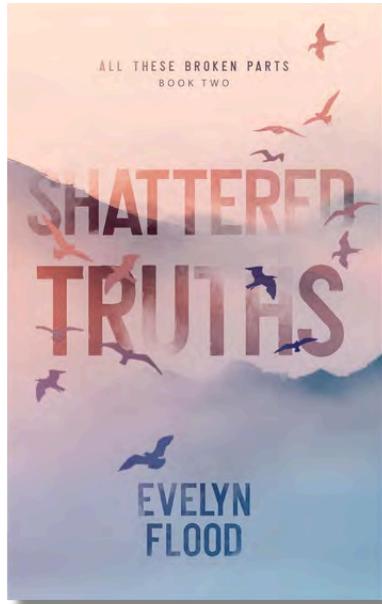
"Mystery and romance play equal parts in this fast-paced cozy, which revs up on its way to a truly surprising twist ending." —**Publishers Weekly**

"At times suspicious and brooding, other times sultry and steamy with sexual tension, the writing nimbly treads the line between genres without missing any trope beats...This witty, sexy, and mysterious debut is certain to satisfy both whodunit fans and romance lovers." —**Library Journal**

About the Author

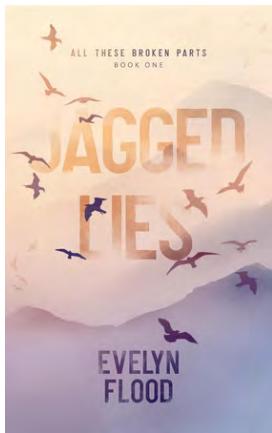
Erin Dunn loves twisty mysteries and swoony rom-coms, so she decided to combine the two. A native of Calgary, Canada, Erin has lived in Brooklyn long enough to officially call herself a New Yorker, or so she is informed. When she's not writing, you can find her playing music, cooking, or sampling other people's cooking.





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All These Broken Parts 1
 Jagged Lies



Shattered Truths (All These Broken Parts 2)

Evelyn Flood

We did this.

Our mate is broken. Trapped behind glass walls where we can't reach her, and our pack is trying to hold together the shattered pieces of what might have been in the midst of the wreckage Brett Rivers left behind.

She's coming back. We won't stop fighting.

But if we're ever going to have a chance of saving Kenny, we need to step up and be the alphas we should have been from the start.

Even if these small parts of her are all we ever get.

Book two in the All These Broken Parts duology. This completes Kenny's story.

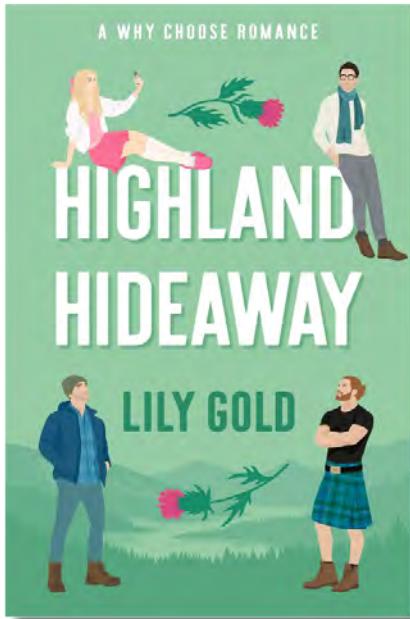
See more from Evelyn:



About the Author

Evelyn Flood is an Amazon bestselling author of more than fifteen romance books. She writes in various sub-genres including contemporary romance, fantasy romance and why choose, but you'll always find a main course of angst and a side dish of uncontrollable sobbing in every book she writes.





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Highland Hideaway Lily Gold

One bubbly city girl lost in the Highlands.
 Three grumpy Scots determined to keep her there.

Yesterday, I was a fashion influencer on a trip to a luxurious Scottish spa. Today, I'm the internet's favourite trainwreck. All it took was one embarrassing viral video to end my career and leave me stranded in the Highlands.

I find shelter on Lochview Sheep Farm. It's certainly not a luxury vacation spot... unless you count the three huge Scots running the place. There's Cameron, the grumpy shepherd who calls me 'princess' when my heels get stuck in the mud... before carrying me inside. Fraser, the flirty rancher with the auburn hair, who promises to wear his kilt just for me. And Alec, the commanding farm manager, who seems to hate me... until a sudden storm sends his protective streak into overdrive.

They all assume I'm just a clueless city girl. But when they find out what I'm hiding from, they swear to take care of me. Soon, I'm being kissed in freezing Scottish lochs, cuddled in front of the roaring fireplace, and being spoiled like the princess they once accused me of being. And the best part? My three handsome Highlanders are used to sharing everything... And now they want to share me.

Praise for Lily Gold

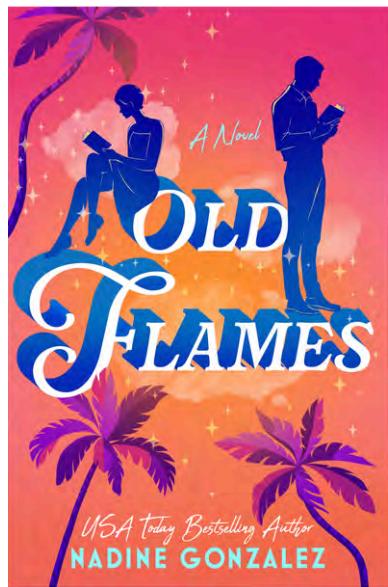
"I've found my new favorite author for reverse harem books and it's Lily Gold!" —**SheReadsRomanceBooks.com**

"Lily Gold writes beautiful why-choose romances with memorable characters, hilarious dialogue, and a story you can't put down. I've loved every book I've read from Lily Gold and she's quickly risen to the 'if she writes it I'll read it and likely buy it' list." —**MommyThrives**

About the Author

Lily Gold is a contemporary romance author living in London, England. She has a soft spot for strong guys with big hearts, and thinks the only thing better than one book boyfriend is TWO book boyfriends... or maybe three. Previous titles have been translated into Czech, Dutch, German, Hebrew, Italian, Japanese, Polish, Portuguese, Slovak, and Spanish. Her bestseller *Faking With Benefits* was nominated for an Audie Award.

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See more from Nadine:



Old Flames

Nadine Gonzalez

USA Today bestselling author Nadine Gonzalez pens a romance between two speculative fiction authors who discover their writing retreat is haunted by a pair of star-crossed lovers. Their messages from the beyond will change everything...

A chance encounter between Jules and Leo sparks an attraction so incandescent that a decade of distance has not put it out. Reunited in Key West for a lecture series, the fantasy writer and the horror author check into The Aurora Inn, the home of restless spirits themselves haunted by tragic loss. In learning about the history of the space, the fire that changed everything, and the mystery behind the haunting, Leo and Jules come together on a journey of discovery as they write their own love story.

What happens when a horror and a fantasy writer check into a haunted B&B? If fate has its way, the star-crossed lovers will find each other in this world or the next.

Praise for Nadine Gonzalez's *Only Lovers in the Building*

USA Today bestselling Author!

"This sultry standalone...makes clear the instant attraction and physical chemistry between Ben and Lily while taking her time to explore the complexity of their emotional relationship. The tropical Miami backdrop lends an escapist feel to this winning love letter to the romance genre."
—Publishers Weekly

"A promising new author of contemporary romance." —*Kirkus Reviews*

"Well-written and engaging, this superb novel from Gonzalez will find plenty of fans." —*Library Journal*, starred review

About the Author

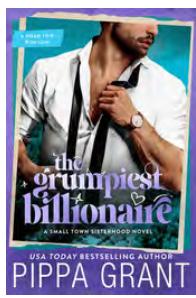
From Manhattan to Miami, *USA Today* bestselling author Nadine Gonzalez writes modern love stories for today's romance readers. Of Haitian descent, she prizes stories with wide cultural diversity. She is the author of eight previous books, including *Scandal In The VIP Suite* and *What Happens In Miami*.

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 See more from Pippa:



You've Got Hate Mail (Accidentally Infamous 1 of 3) Pippa Grant

Punching a guy in the face is never a good first impression, but it's not like Heath Moriarty knocked before he walked into my bathroom. While I was showering.

For the first time since I accidentally flashed, well, everything on a livestream while filming a style segment for my day job. And yes, technically, it's not my bathroom.

It's the bathroom in the little house I've been assigned at a secret community for accidentally-viral internet stars who need a place to hide while the attention dies down. Heath the handyman wasn't expecting me any more than I was expecting him.

But after one more household disaster breaks my temporary quarters, I'm suddenly his roommate until renovations are complete.

His roommate who's falling in love with his daughter. Falling in love with his cat. Definitely not falling in love with him though.

This place is temporary for me, and I've imploded enough of my life without adding heartbreak to it when it's time for me to go. If only my heart had gotten the memo...

Praise for Pippa Grant

“Grant brings both passion and wit to this love story, with genuine characters... This is sure to put a smile on any romance lover's face.”
 —**Publishers Weekly**, starred review on *The One Who Loves You*

About the Author

Pippa Grant is a *USA Today* bestselling author who writes romantic comedies that will make tears run down your leg. When she's not writing, she's raising her three hilariously unpredictable children with her real-life hero.

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The Next Chapter Camille Kellogg

Katrina Kelly might have eight million Instagram followers and a multipage IMDB listing, but she also has a completely stalled-out career and some major questions about her sexuality, which seems to be moving closer to raging lesbian every week. But maybe she can solve both of those issues at once... After all, rebranding as a queer icon is a great way to jump-start an acting career.

Jude Thacker is fine. Completely fine, so please stop asking. Has the queer bookstore where she works been taken over by a boss who'd rather sell branded tote bags than books? Yes. Does she have a panic attack every time she has to leave her comfort zone? Maybe. Has she been on a single date since her heart was shattered two years ago? Absolutely not.

When Kat and Jude cross paths, Kat realizes that their meet-cute might just be a meet-opportunity. But what's meant to be a publicity stunt quickly turns into real feelings for both women. As the media scrutiny intensifies, each must decide what's real, what's not, and if true love is worth losing everything they believe is keeping them safe.

Praise

“Riffing on rom-com classic Notting Hill, Kellogg (*Just as You Are*) offers up a sweet sapphic romance about growing into oneself. . . . There’s a gentle coming-of-age feel to the heroines’ arcs and the largely queer supporting cast adds heart. This is a charmer.” —**Publishers Weekly**

“Camille Kellogg is a must-read talent. Every one of their books is fresh, poignant, and deeply romantic. *The Next Chapter* is phenomenal.”
 —**Hannah Bonam-Young, USA Today bestselling author of *Out on a Limb***

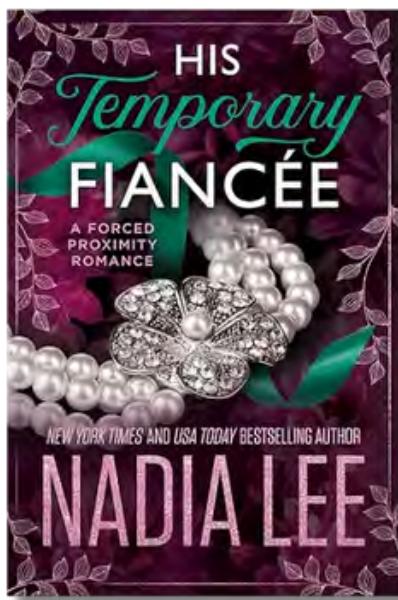
About the Author

Camille Kellogg is the author of *Just As You Are* and *The Next Chapter*. They're based in New York City, where they work as an editor for children's and young adult books. They're passionate about queer stories, cute dogs, and bad puns.

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Sylvie Roskoff



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See more from Nadia:



His Temporary Fiancée (The Huxleys 3 of 3) Nadia Lee

Fraternal twin to a glamorous supermodel, Ailee Klein knows her place. Even if her parents hadn't continuously told her she wasn't particularly pretty or smart, she realizes her crush on her boss Josh Huxley is hopeless, especially when her sister is set on marrying him. So Ailee starts a serious relationship with another man to get over him.

Underneath a veneer of success and respectability, billionaire lawyer Josh Huxley carries psychological scars. Dubbed the one most like his psychopathic mother, who tried to kidnap him and his brothers when he was eight, he suppresses his dangerous urges for revenge and puts on a mask to fit into his family and keep everyone safe...not just from his mother, who's still at large, but from himself.

The only woman who can soothe the jagged edges of his mind is his sunny assistant Ailee. When she's bullied and publicly humiliated by her cheating fiancé and family, he steps in to protect her, and impulsively declares they're engaged.

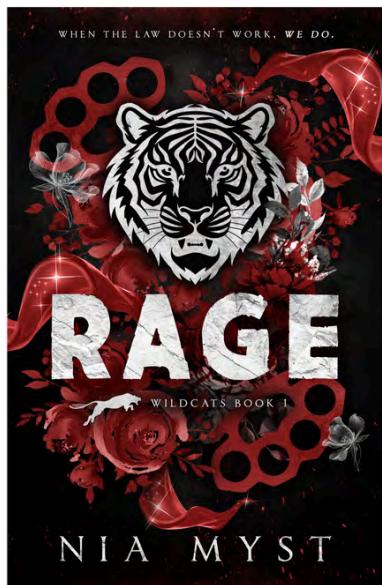
After her apartment burns down, she moves in with him. Their forced proximity cracks his mask, and he tries to stay away, afraid of tainting her sweetness with his darkness. But every smile and thoughtful gesture from her chips away at his defenses until he's left yearning for her. When enemies from his past threaten her safety, he's put to the test: how far will he go to protect her...?

About the Author

New York Times and USA Today bestselling author Nadia Lee writes sexy, emotional contemporary romance. Born with a love for excellent food, travel and adventure, she has lived in four different countries, kissed stingrays, been bitten by a shark, fed an elephant and petted tigers.

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Rage (Wildcats 1 of 5) Nia Myst

In this dark romance, Korean-American real-estate mogul Dominic Park is enraged when his sister is raped by three men in masks. He vows to find the perpetrators—but the police are no help, and months pass with no leads. That is until Dominic is slipped a card that leads him to the only people who may be able to get his sister justice.

The Wildcats.

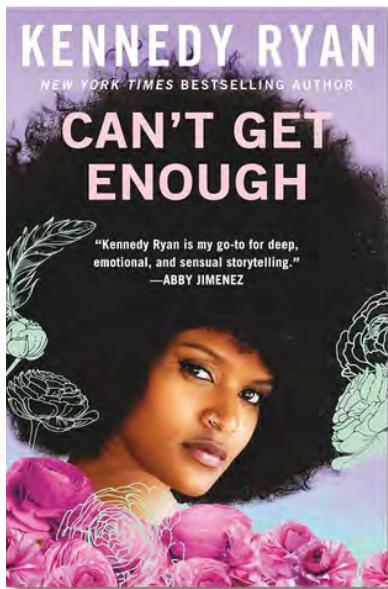
Five powerful women who operate on the outskirts of the law, hunting, maiming, and killing the perpetrators of violence against women. They readily agree to the task of finding the rapists Dominic is hunting and Samaira, the strongest of the Wildcats, finds herself immediately drawn in by the handsome billionaire.

As Samaira and Dominic team up to hunt his sister's attackers, they fall fast and hard for one another. But love can't protect them in the dark world they're working in, and this dangerous game brought them together, it could just as easily get them both killed.

About the Author

Nia Myst is a dark romance author. She loves writing strong, powerful heroines and alpha heroes who are obsessed with them. Her books are full of spice, action, humor, and heart-melting, swoon-worthy romance.

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All Other Translation

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Final MS available

New York Times bestselling author Kennedy Ryan writes for women from all walks of life, empowering them and placing them firmly at the center of each story and in charge of their own destinies. She's an BONY Power 100 Honoree, an executive producer for her Skyland series, which is currently in development for television at Peacock, and the cofounder of LIFT 4 AUTISM.

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Can't Get Enough (Skyland 3 of 3) Kennedy Ryan

Hendrix Barry is a woman with goals, dreams, ambitions—always striving upward. And in the midst of everything, she's facing her toughest challenge yet: caring for an aging parent. Who has time for romance? From her experience, there's a low return on investment on relationships. Anyway, she hasn't met the man who can keep up with her. Until...him.

Tech mogul Maverick Bell is a dilemma wrapped in an exquisitely tailored suit and knee-melting charm. From their first charged glance at the summer's hottest party, Hendrix feels like she's met her match. Only he can't be. Mav may be the first to make her feel seen and desired, but he's the last one she can have. Forbidden fruit is the juiciest, and this man is off limits if she plans to stay the course she's set for herself.

Praise

New York Times Bestseller

USA Today Bestseller

“Intoxicating...Ryan’s ability to blend steamy forbidden romance, complicated family dynamics, strong female friendships, and frank explorations of misogynoir remains unparalleled. This is an author at the very top of her game.” —**Publishers Weekly**

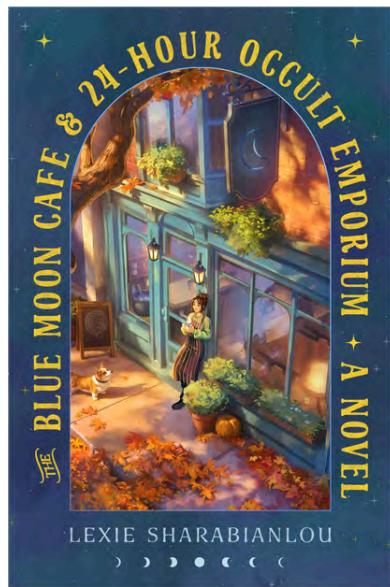
“*Can't Get Enough* balances brutal emotion, whip-smart humor, and delicious spice. Moving, romantic, and thrumming with life, this is Ryan’s best work yet.” —**Talia Hibbert, New York Times bestselling author**

“Kennedy Ryan pours her whole soul into everything she writes, and it makes for books that are heart-searing, sensual, and life affirming.” —**Emily Henry, #1 New York Times bestselling author.**

About the Author



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The Blue Moon Café & 24-Hour Occult Emporium

Lexie Sharabianlou

A magical witness protection program, a town in need of saving, and a sorceress-in-training . . . oh, and the human woman she's not supposed to fall for. The Blue Moon Café has a little bit of everything (except, you know, decent coffee).

In the tiny town of Pine Hollow, barista and fledgling sorceress Talula Smith runs The Blue Moon Café & 24-Hour Occult Emporium, aka the worst coffee shop in town. The café's horrible reputation hides its true purpose: providing new identities and safe passage to at-risk magical beings while keeping humans far, far away. That is, except for town local Dahlia. Dahlia's devastating dimples, addiction to Talula's cocoa recipe, and keen observation skills keeps the smitten barista scrambling to ensure that her magical abilities (or, lack thereof) stay a secret.

But when big game hunters start preying on magical beings, her powerful sorceress mother is called away to track them down, leaving Talula and her barely-there magic in charge of The Blue Moon. With the impending Samhain festival to organize, magical refugees to help, half of the town turning against her, and her ever-growing feelings for Dahlia, Talula's magical destiny feels further away than ever. But as the hunters set their sights closer to home, it'll be up to Talula to master her craft, trust her heart, and bring her magical and human communities together . . . before she loses everything she loves.

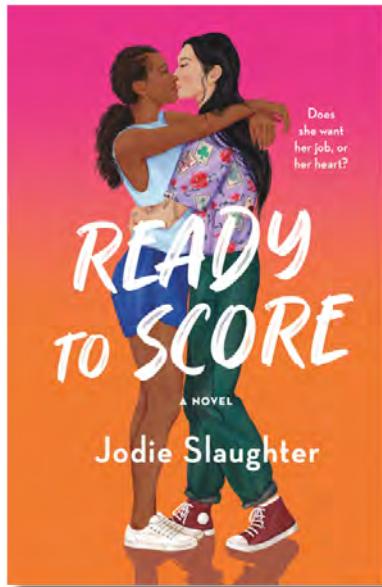
About the Author

Lexie Sharabianlou earned her Master's in Creative Writing from the University of Edinburgh. She has sold cupcakes, taught high school English Lit, and written audio tours for zoos. By day, she's a copywriter for a makeup company (yes, she gets to name the makeup). By night, she writes stories about magic, food, and falling in love. She lives in the San Francisco Bay Area. Tell your dog she says hi. *The Blue Moon Café & 24-Hour Occult Emporium* is her debut novel.

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Ready to Score (Bet on It 3 of 3) Jodie Slaughter

The only thing standing between Jade Dunn and her dream head coach spot is years of small-town good 'ol boy politics. When she scores an invite to a highly coveted monthly poker game perfect for networking, she jumps at the chance for a seat at the table. Only to find the one person with the ability to shake her there.

Francesca Lim never thought she'd be happy in a small town. But two years ago, the promise of forever love had her leaving behind a burgeoning coaching career for a new life—only for it to burst into flames. Now, she has a chance to gain back what she left behind. The only one standing in the way? Jade.

Jade and Francesca can't afford to give in to the iron-hot attraction that simmers beneath their biting interactions, so they try to ignore it. Too bad their hearts don't seem to be as on board with the game plan.

Praise

"Ridiculously romantic and utterly sexy." —*Library Journal*, starred review

"This fabulous football romance... is a delightful read with plenty of humor and emotion." —*Booklist*

"A funny, smart, sexy romance for football fans, this story had me cheering for these characters from page one. *Ready to Score* will leave its readers ready to fall in love." —**Ashley Herring Blake, USA Today bestselling author of *Iris Kelly Doesn't Date***

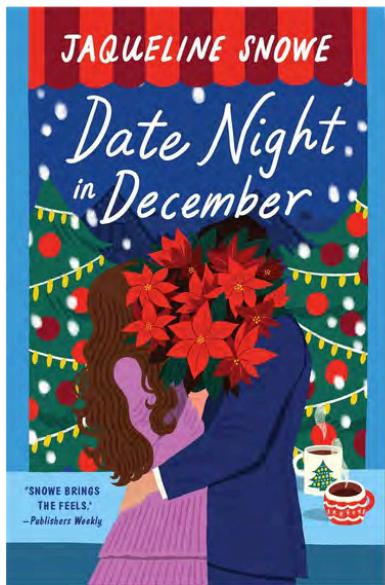
"Ready to Score is an unforgettable sapphic sports romance." —*Culturess*

About the Author

Jodie Slaughter is a traditionally and indie published romance author with one major goal: to make readers completely immerse themselves in the stories she writes. Whether she's making them laugh with witty one-liners or swoon over magical first kisses, she wants her novels to be so full of passion and complexity that they're impossible to put down.

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Date Night in December

(Forever Book 3 of 3)

Jaqueline Snowe

'Tis the season for second chances in this charming and delightful festive romcom—perfect for fans of Maggie Knox and Jenny Bayliss.

He has one month to make a Christmas miracle happen.

Laney Reynolds knows there's only one place that can help her heal a broken heart: Cherrywood Creek. The small town where she grew up, with its holiday festivals and snow-covered streets, is exactly where she needs to be this December. It feels good to leave the bustling city, where her husband was too busy climbing the corporate ladder to notice the growing distance between them. But she's got his attention now . . .

Connor received his wake-up call loud and clear when Laney left, and there's no way he's giving up on his marriage. If that means dropping everything and trading high-rises for gingerbread houses to sweep his wife off her feet in her hometown, then so be it. This time, he's listening; but it'll take more than hot chocolate dates and even hotter nights to win Laney back. Can he prove that being a CEO is nowhere near as important as being her husband?

Praise

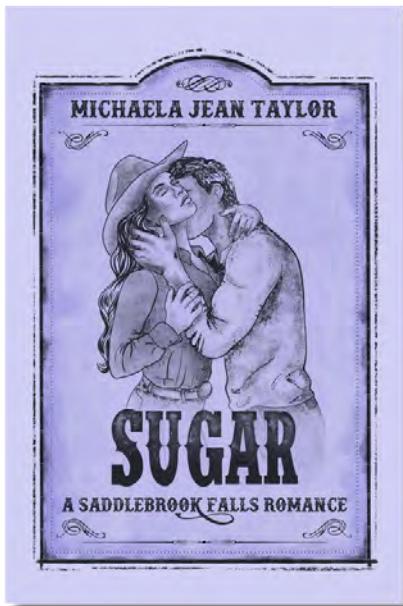
"Cozy small town charm dominates, with plenty of snowfall, cocoa, and cheer to get readers in the Christmas spirit as the romance heats up between Laney and Connor. It's adorable." —**Publishers Weekly**

About the Author

Jaqueline Snowe lives in Arizona where the "dry heat" really isn't that bad. She prefers drinking coffee all hours of the day and snacking on anything that has peanut butter or chocolate. She is the mother to two fur-babies who don't realize they aren't humans and a mom to the sweetest son and daughter. She is an avid reader and writer of romances and tends to write about athletes.

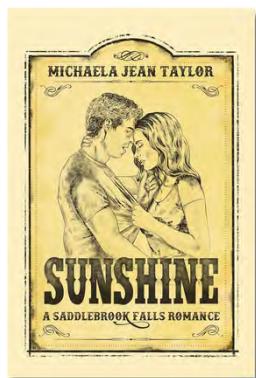
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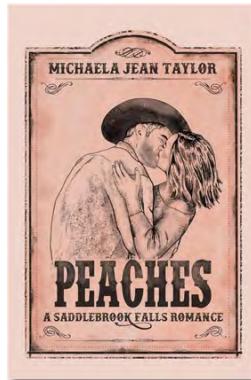


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Saddlebrook Falls series



Layla Hayes never wanted love. With eyes full of stars, she's always dreamt of leaving Saddlebrook Falls in the dust, determined to escape her small town. But then she falls for her town's golden boy—the older, gorgeous starting quarterback, Jason Moore—and her dreams of living life for herself begin to disappear like smoke.



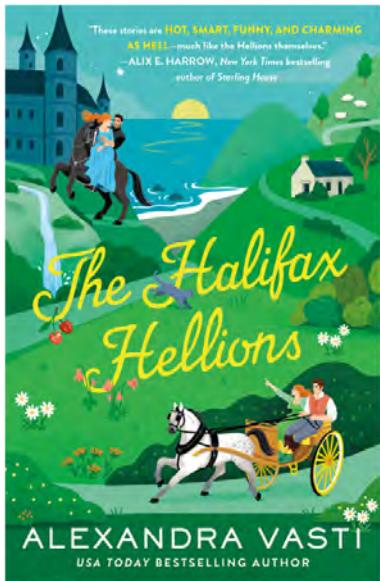
Rhett Bennett is forced to white-knuckle new feelings he's definitely never had before for Olivia, a girl he shouldn't care about while simultaneously trying to prove to his brothers he has his shit together. Spoiler alert: he doesn't.

About the Author

Michaela Jean Taylor is a hopeless romantic from the western desert who writes grippingly tender romance novels featuring diverse characters and messy, beautifully relatable storylines.

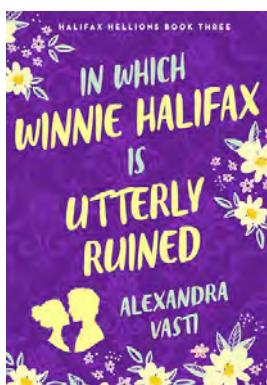
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The Halifax Hellions #3



The Halifax Hellions (The Halifax Hellions 1-2) Alexandra Vasti

From the day of their debut, when Matilda smoked a cheroot and Margo tied a cherry stem in a knot with her tongue, the Halifax twins have flouted convention at every turn. But when Matilda runs off with the dangerous Marquess of Ashford—who has every reason to hate her—she may have gone a bit too far.

Determined to stop Matilda's inexplicable elopement, Margo turns to her oldest friend for help: starchy solicitor Henry Mortimer, who is ardently, wildly, miserably in love with Margo beneath his buttoned-up exterior. But the road to Scotland is paved with secrets, and Matilda and Ashford's relationship too may not be quite what it seems.

Between salacious engravings, secret identities, and feral cats, nothing about the journey goes as planned. With the Halifax Hellions at the reins, a week in a carriage is exactly enough time to turn the world upside down . . . and, maybe, find love they never expected.

For the first time ever in print, *The Halifax Hellions* brings together Margo and Matilda's novellas, along with a swoony new epilogue. The third novella in the series, *In Which Winnie Halifax Is Utterly Ruined*, is also available for translation.

Praise

“Vasti’s fans will be delighted with the addition of a new epilogue. Two witty, swoony historical romance novellas are brought together in print for the first time.” —*Kirkus Reviews*

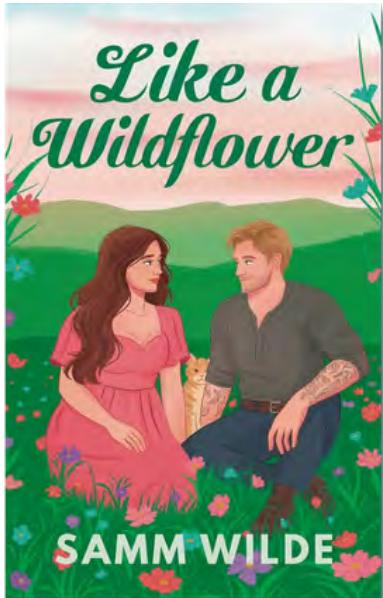
“This sexy Regency with dual narration and endearing characters will make Vasti (Ne’er Duke Well) fans swoon and thrill readers of historical romances with prominent feminist overtones.” —*Library Journal*, starred review

About the Author

Alexandra Vasti is a British literature professor by day and *USA Today* bestselling romance writer by night. After finishing her PhD at Columbia University, she moved to New Orleans with her family. Her books have been featured in the *New York Times*, NPR, *Entertainment Weekly*, and elsewhere.

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The Hemlock Series #1



Like a Wildflower

(The Hemlock Series Book 2 of 3)

Samm Wilde

Joey: I've always been the "too much" girl. Too expressive, too forgetful, too overwhelming. My life is a whirlwind of new adventures and endless roads. Now that I'm back home on a three-month work assignment, I'm stuck under one roof with a quiet, tattooed stranger. Enter Beckett, my new roommate. On paper, we're complete opposites. But beneath the surface, we're not so different. Somewhere between the late-night conversations and the chaos turned into cherished memories—I realize we're different versions of the same story. Because with Beckett, he shows me that being "too much" can be the perfect amount for the right person.

Beckett: The open road always calls to me. I've spent years collecting highway miles instead of human connections. With my cat in tow, I move from city to city across the country as a travel nurse, only staying as long as needed. As a result, building relationships doesn't come easily. Especially when my social anxiety gets in the way. So when I find myself sharing a cottage for three months with a free-spirited woman who understands me better than I do, I learn some detours are destinations in disguise. When Joey speaks, the universe pauses to listen. Yet every time our eyes meet, it's as if she can hear all my quiet thoughts. With her by my side, the tightness in my chest eases—grounding me more than anything or anyone else ever could.

Without warning, our lives intertwine, gradually reshaping around each other. And suddenly, three months in Hemlock doesn't sound long enough.

About the Author

Samm Wilde is an indie romance author who weaves words into worlds filled with humor and heart. When she isn't obsessing over word count, second-guessing plot points, or anxiously deciding between synonyms—you can find her lying on the ground with her dog or eating emotional support cake.

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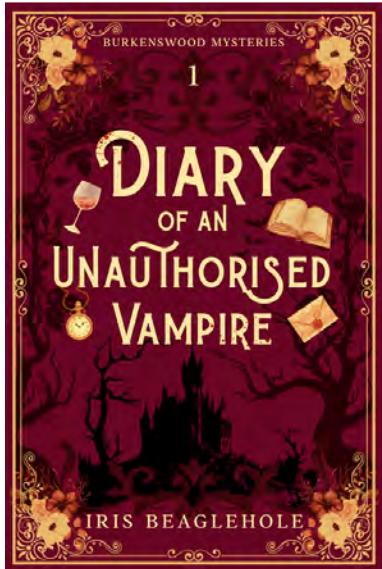




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Diary of an Unauthorized Vampire (Burkenswood Mysteries 1)

Iris Beaglehole

Current Status: Recently divorced. Recently deceased. Recently discovered vampirism requires forms in triplicate.

Woke up dead. Rather inconvenient - and with no paperwork, I'm now an illegal vampire who can't hug my children without wanting to eat them.

The gothic vampire matriarch who insists on keeping me in her castle finds everything deliciously dramatic. She swears I need a supernatural guardian or my powers might detonate. After my divorce, the last thing I want is to be bound to anyone.

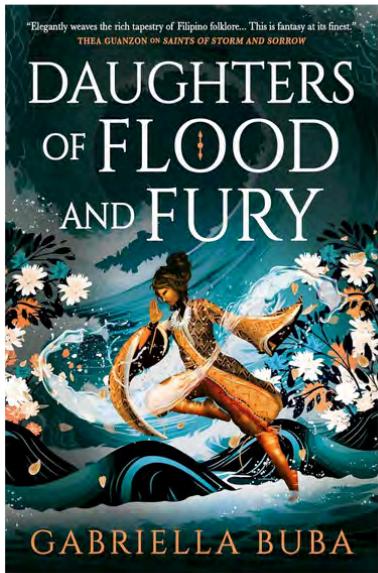
My new job at a supernatural law firm seemed like a step in the right direction... until a magical artifact went missing and everyone started pointing fangs. Now I'm hunting for the Twilight Concordat with a purple-haired mage whose idea of fun is "light breaking and entering." Meanwhile, Clara Blackwood, the Council's Chief Investigator, looks at me like I'm a puzzle she can't quite solve. I can't decide if that makes her my worst enemy or something infinitely more dangerous.

About the Author

Iris Beaglehole is a writer, witch, and guide for those drawn to the real magic woven through life. Her work invites a return to deep connection with the unseen, the natural world, and the ancient rhythms that still pulse beneath modern life. Steeped in lived practice and timeless traditions, Iris teaches a grounded, intuitive approach to magic, one that honours personal power, mystery, and wildness.

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Stormbringer Saga 1



Daughters of Flood and Fury

(Stormbringer Saga 2 of 2)

Gabriella Buba

Five years after the fall of the Palisade in Aynila, the Codicíans are closing in with a vast armada to retake the jewel of their empire. Lunurin and Alon have been working desperately to solidify their alliances across the archipelago, but petty rivalries, suspicion, and conflicted loyalties threaten to undermine their efforts. To stand any chance, they must unify the disparate factions of their forces at the festival of the eclipses, when the Iaho will swallow the moon, and the festival of the islands' magic will be at its strongest.

Inez has been training as a tide-touched healer, but the gentle side of her goddess's gift does not come naturally to her. When rumors reach her that her sister, Catalina, has returned to the archipelago, Inez embarks on a dangerous journey over the sea, determined to prevent Cat from ever hurting Aynila or her family again. Aboard a pirate ship, Inez meets the fierce firetender Captain Umali, who burns brighter than anyone else she has ever known. Yet Inez fears her untamed, hungry magic may prove too much even for a pirate, and with the threat of the Codicíans' return, the past hangs heavy over her head.

Three goddesses stand ready to fight. But without human allies, even their power may not be enough to keep Aynila and the archipelago free.

Praise for the Stormbringer Saga

"This is fantasy at its finest, but it's also a story about us, and about how my love for you is one with our love for the motherland." —**Thea Guanzon, *New York Times, USA Today and Sunday Times* bestselling author of *The Hurricane Wars***

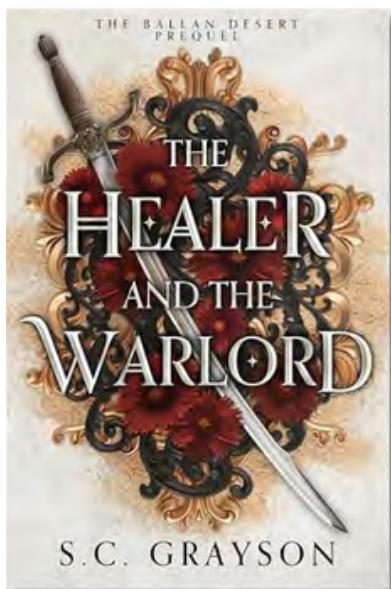
About the Author

Gabriella Buba is a writer and chemical engineer who likes to keep explosive pyrophoric materials safely contained in pressure vessels or between the covers of her books. She writes adult romantic fantasy for bold, bi, brown women who deserve to see their stories centered.

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Robert Johnson



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The Healer and the Warlord (The Ballan Desert Series Prequel) S.C. Grayson

With her unprecedeted healing magic, Alyx has lived a sheltered life as the daughter of the Lord of Clan Padra. She chafes under her parents' constant watch and protection and dreams of making her own path. When a legendary Warlord steals her for his master, she finally has a chance to prove she can defend herself—but protecting her heart might prove to be an impossible task.

Kelvar has always carried out his Lord's missions without question, using his immense destructive power for the glory of Clan Katal. Kidnapping a rival Lord's daughter and holding her for ransom should have been simple. Instead, he finds himself caught between his sworn duty and a desire that won't be denied—no matter how strong he believes himself to be.

Magic pulls them together, their clans tear them apart, and the limits of love are tested as they journey across the desert.

See more from S.C. Grayson:



About the Author

S.C. Grayson has been reading fantasy novels since she was a little girl, and that has developed into a love of writing and storytelling. She is currently focused on fantasy and paranormal romance.

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See more from Wendy:



Longing for Liberty

Wendy Higgins

Before World War III, Liberty Carson remembers what it was like to chase her dream and become a writer. She vividly recalls the feeling of her three precious children crowding her lap and her husband's smiling face when he used to laugh. She still dreams of eating international street food in Baltimore. And sometimes, she envies this newer generation who never knew the taste of freedom.

Libby cannot forget what her country was like when it was still fifty states. Before the war turned half of the U.S. to dust and radiation. Before three men rose to power and sanitized what was left into their macabre version of America. Long before making a living meant taking whatever job they chose for her.

Now, she's entering the penthouse of one of those powerful men, wearing her maid's uniform, woefully unprepared to be in the presence of the unnervingly handsome Amos Fitzhugh, who gives off the distinct dark energy of domination. Libby distrusts everything about this man and what he stands for. She hates how he looks at her and how she can't help but react, even in the face of her marriage vows.

If he plans to use her, she will return the favor, all the while stoking the ashes of the raging phoenix inside her soul, intent on revolution. Caught in a devious web of power, desire, and deadly secrets, Liberty will get one shot to burn it to the ground.

Praise for Wendy Higgins

"Higgins draws characters that are interesting and nuanced [and] refreshingly diverse..." —*Kirkus Reviews*

"Higgins weaves a powerful tale that includes magic, mystery, suspense, sacrifice, and love. Highly recommended." —*School Library Journal* on *The Great Hunt*

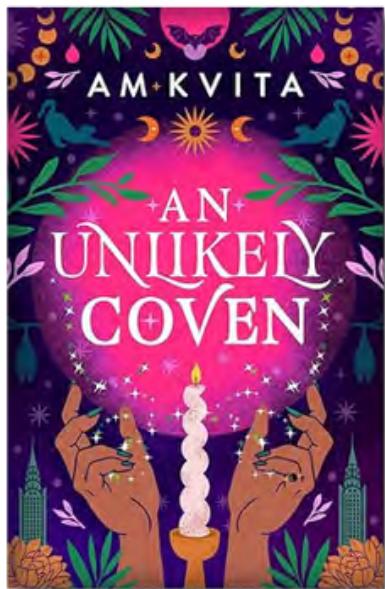
About the Author

Wendy Higgins is the *USA Today* and *New York Times* bestselling author of young adult and adult genre fiction. She is a former high school English teacher who now edits full-time and writes when the muse strikes. Wendy lives in Virginia.

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Anastasia Gowen



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 Book 1 in the Green Witch Cycle Trilogy
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An Unlikely Coven (The Green Witch Cycle 1 of 3) AM Kvita

The outcast daughter of a powerful family of witches returns home to New York City and is immediately embroiled in a supernatural power struggle in this wickedly funny fantasy debut from AM Kvita.

After seven long years Joan Greenwood is finally returning home. Unfortunately, her family totally forgot about it.

Joan's homecoming is lukewarm at best, but soon turns disastrous when news hits that someone has created a spell that can turn an ordinary human into a powerful witch, threatening the balance of the magical world and the Greenwood's place at the top of it.

When her best friend confesses that he has secretly, accidentally, saved this human-turned-witch from an uncertain fate, Joan is thrust headfirst into a desperate race to undo the spell before it does permanent damage to its unwilling host.

Soon, Joan finds herself drawn deeper into the heart of the city's magic, into an uncertain alliance with a (very attractive) family rival, and far beyond the limits of everything she thought her own magic capable of.

Praise

"With an extensive and diverse supporting cast, the narrative reads like a love letter to friendship and community while raising age-old questions about the balance of right and wrong. This packs a paranormal punch."
—Publishers Weekly, starred review

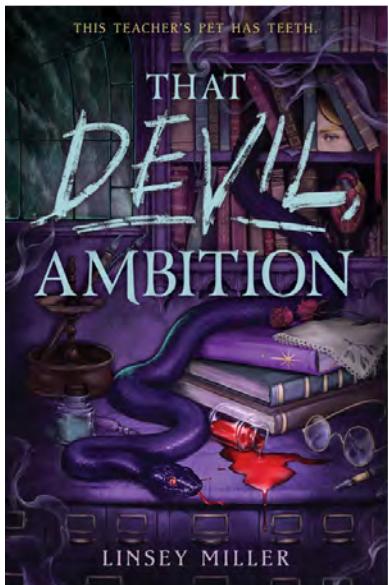
"Hand Kvita's debut to fans of witchy reads, especially those looking for fantasy featuring queer and BIPOC characters." **—Library Journal**

About the Author

AM Kvita is a speculative fiction writer, artist, and worldmaker who writes about restless gods and, if you're lucky, kissing. When they're not writing, they're usually loudly lamenting the state of their garden.

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That Devil, Ambition

Linsey Miller

There is only one school worth graduating from, and it creates as many magicians as it does graves...First in his class and last in his noble line, Fabian Galloway's only hope of a good future is passing his elite school's honors class. It's only offered to the best thirteen students, and those students have a single assignment: kill their professor.

If they succeed, all of their student debt is forgiven. However, if an assassination attempt fails or the professor is alive at the end of the year, the students' lives are forfeit. And dealing with the professor, a devil summoned solely to kill or be killed, is no easy task.

Fabian isn't worried, though. He trusts his best friends—soft-hearted math genius Credence and absentminded but insightful Euphemia—to help. After all, that's why he befriended them. As the months pass and their professor remains impossibly alive, the trio must use every asset they have to survive. Or else failure will be on their academic records, and their tombstones, forever.

Praise

"Miller's text is richly written without weighing down the narrative, and the characters shine against the dark academia backdrop. The suspense rises subtly as the year progresses, and the storytelling is engrossing in this stunning novel."
—Booklist, starred review

"[Miller] devises a fresh, physics- and chemistry-driven magical system and utilizes cerebral close-third-person storytelling and biting narration to confront the twisted politics of dark academia." —**Publishers Weekly**

"Premise is fun, and the pacing makes for a delightful binge read. VERDICT Small doses of gore and horror heighten the stakes of this magical survival story." —**School Library Journal**

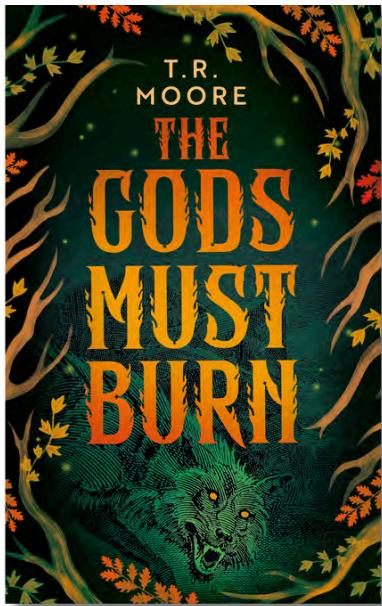
"The premise has all the elements dark academia readers wish for: magic, politics, a gothic-tinged setting, and swoonworthy romance." —**Kirkus Reviews**

About the Author

Linsey Miller holds an MFA in fiction and is the author of Lambda-nominated dark fantasy *What We Devour*. Her other works include the *Mask of Shadows* duology, *Belle Révolte*, *The Game*, and the first three books in the Disney Princes series. She can be found in Texas writing about science and magic.

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The Gods Must Burn

T.R. Moore

War hero Basuin doesn't know what to believe in anymore. All Basuin knows is life as an army captain and the pain, loss, and disgrace it has brought him. Demoted and humiliated by his legion commander, he is led into the forest for one more mission: capture a god.

But when his commander uses innocent wolf pups as bait, Basuin dies saving them. The Wolf God, impressed by his sacrifice, deifies Basuin to protect the forest and its beautiful, sharp-tongued god from the legion's deforestation.

To the Forest God, Basuin is nothing more than one of the men sent to burn her forest down. Betrayed by humans too many times, she rejects him, working alone to protect the spirits of the forest as her home disappears around her. To save the god he is growing to love, Basuin must untangle the feelings between them.

Praise

“A deftly rendered eco-fantasy featuring a timeless, mythology-steeped story. Fans of *Princess Mononoke* will appreciate the vicious bite of the romance alongside its more tender moments.” —**Yejin Suh, author of *The Last Soldier of Nava***

“T.R. Moore weaves a spellbinding tale of trauma and healing that’s lush, lyrical, and dark, with a slow burn love that does indeed burn—like a forest fire.” —**Eli Snow, author of *The Divine Gardener’s Handbook***

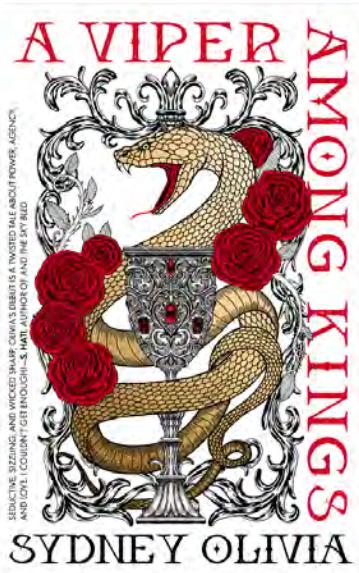
“There are stories that stay with you forever and *The Gods Must Burn* is one of them. The mythology is so layered and rich, the romance is angsty and soaring and epic, and T.R. Moore’s prose is gorgeous and lyrical, yet unflinching . . . This book tore my heart out and put it back together again and it was an honor.” —**Thea Guanzon, *New York Times* and international bestselling author of *The Hurricane Wars***

About the Author

T. R Moore is a queer fantasy, horror, and sometimes romance writer who mostly writes about feminine rage and god complexes. She got her start as a poet, and her books tend to feature Korean main characters, fat positive representation, and mental health issues written responsibly.

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A Viper Among Kings

(Wraithbound 1 of 3)

Sydney Olivia

In the twisted city of Amaris, magic spawns from chaos. Prone to driving humans mad, it can only be wielded safely by the seven immortal beings currently bound to the king—Esme among them.

She has spent the last century forced to kill on behalf of the nation that stole her from her homeworld, searching for a way home and doing her best to build a secret life for herself and her wife away from the violence.

That is, until the current king turns up dead, leaving behind a magical will that demands his successor be chosen via tournament.

Esme cannot break the magical shackles that bind her, but she will suffer no more tyrants—now is her chance to rig the tournament in favor of her chosen candidate, the seemingly kind General Balthazar whose righteous spirit she can't help but fall for, and who can free her once he's king.

As Esme weaves together the threads of the court on Balthazar's behalf amid a strange tide of sentient magic in the city and a growing war on the horizon, she will come face to face with Balthazar's bloody past, troubled present, and countless betrayals.

He isn't the man Esme thought he was—but she was born to make and break kings.

Praise

"An electrifying opening to a series that promises to thrill all the senses. Seductive, sizzling, and wicked sharp, Olivia's debut is a twisted tale about power, agency, and love. I couldn't get enough!" — **S. Hati, author of *And the Sky Bleed***

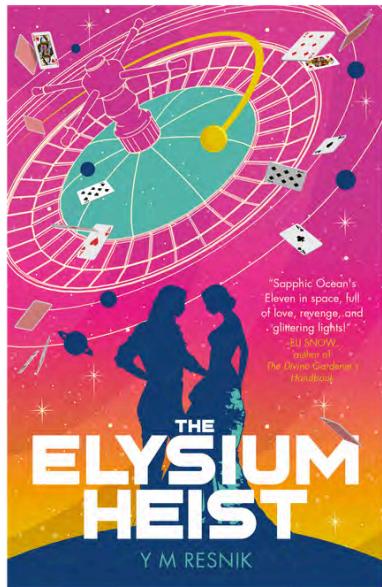
About the Author

Sydney Olivia is a writer from Baltimore City who went to way too many old school science fiction and fantasy conventions as a kid. When she's not ten feet deep in a story, you can find her stalking the stray cats around her apartment complex, begging them to let her pet them. This has yet to work.

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Erin Cowan



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The Elysium Heist

Y.M. Resnik

Psalome Shipmen is a Dazzler, a hostess working on the gaming floors of The Elysium, the galaxy's most decadent space casino. But she is also a prisoner to the debt she inherited from her deadbeat father, with years of service ahead of her until she can earn her way out.

Kiyokimora GoldWeaver is a disgraced heiress looking to rescue her family business with an audacious scheme to rob the casino. To pull it off, she needs Psalome on board. When they team up, it looks like a simple job—until Psalome meets Ilaria, the jewel in Kiyo's master plan, and sparks begin to fly.

With a recovering alcoholic card counter and Psalome's little sister—who happens to be dating The Elysium's artificial intelligence—as part of the crew, they might still beat the odds... or learn that the house always wins.

Praise

"Sapphic *Ocean's Eleven* in space, full of love, revenge, and glittering lights! These bright, complex characters will have you on the edge of your seat, with a plan that can only go wrong and sky-high stakes." —**Eli Snow, author of *The Divine Gardener's Handbook***

"The women of *The Elysium Heist* are beautiful, cutthroat, and utterly charming. Resnik wields her immaculate control over prose with a grace similar to this group of unforgettable women who gamble with their lives—a perfect heist novel that you can't put down." —**T.R. Moore, author of *The Gods Must Burn***

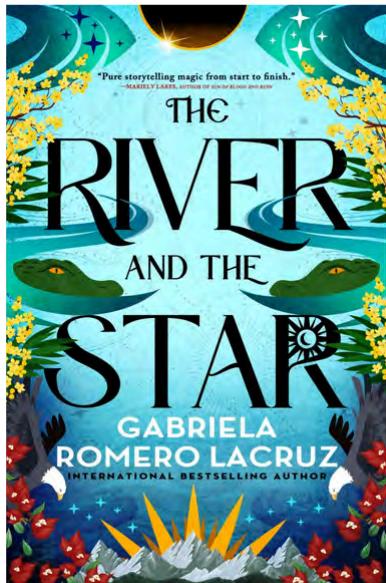
About the Author

Y.M. Resnik is a scientist and writer from the New York area. While she loves creating new worlds and re-imagining Jewish folklore, her main goal is simply to brighten your day with a story. Her work has appeared in *Cast of Wonders*, *Worlds of Possibility*, and *khōréō*, among other places.

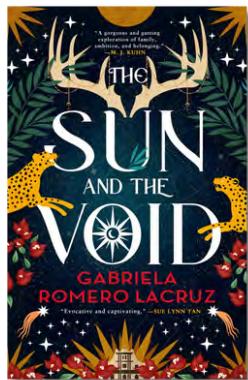
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Madison Riojo



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The River and the Star (The Warring Gods 2 of 2) Gabriela Romero Lacruz

Reina is full of hope. At long last, she has the peace she's been searching for on the idyllic islands of Tierra'e Sol with the lover she's always wanted and in service to the god of the sun. But she can't quite trust how long this will last. When monstrous creatures of the Void appear on the isle's shores, she is certain she knows who is behind the attacks. Reina will stop at nothing to protect the woman she loves, but it could cost her everything she's fought so hard for.

Eva is cherished. Finally reunited with her father, the Liberator, Eva struggles to prove herself worthy of being his heir while keeping secret her alliance with the god of the Void. As destruction, both human and magical, tears across the lands, Eva is thrust into a power struggle she's ill-prepared for. Confronted with the limits of her own ambition, Eva must fight to save herself from the powerful corruption of the Void before she loses the family she holds dear.

The warring gods are returning and the only thing between them and absolute power are two young women. But for the first time in their lives, Reina and Eva have something to fight for. And they won't back down.

Praise

"A ferocious sequel to a fantastic debut, full of heartbreak and blood-soaked magic and unbreakable sapphic love." —**Sunyi Dean, author of The Book Eaters**

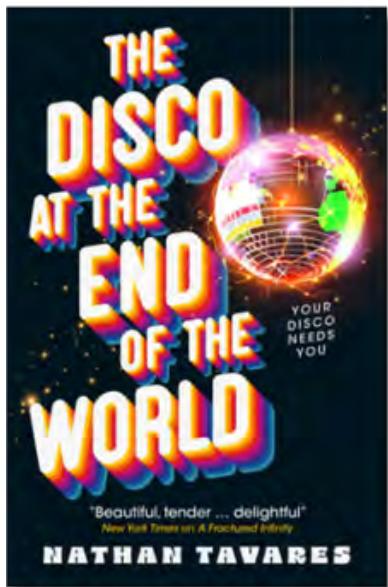
"This book held me in its radiant, dangerous grip from the very first page. Gabriela Romero Lacruz deftly builds on her debut's warring gods, feuding family, dark magic, and love stories. A thrilling finish, *The River and the Star* delivers in every way." —**Vaishnavi Patel, New York Times** bestselling author of *Kaikeyi*

About the Author

Gabriela Romero Lacruz is a multidisciplinary artist and author of the #1 *Sunday Times* bestselling novel, *The Sun and the Void*. She graduated with a BS in chemical engineering from the University of Houston and runs The Moonborn, a clothing, accessories, and stationery brand featuring her own illustrations.

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See more from Nathan:



The Disco at the End of the World

Nathan Tavares

In 1977—a world where America launched its space program shortly after WWII—Mitch Ward is a grunt in the US Spaceguard. Stationed in a backwater base on the Moon, his only friends are Gloria, who performs “Lady Stardust” for fellow soldiers, and Flynn.

Following a visit from an unseen, terrifying, but also maybe euphoric being, they find themselves quickly discharged from the army, and sent back to Earth. Moving to Los Angeles to chase their dreams, Mitch and Gloria scrape by, finding their joy at the discos in the city.

But when Flynn crashes back into their lives, claiming to be the host for a traveler and emissary of a utopian civilization, he comes with an offer for Mitch—to join him, and claim power so that he and his friends across the queer community never have to live in the shadows or face oppression again.

As the forces of prejudice and oppression seek to push their community back into hiding, keeping them out of sight and oppressed, it's down to this community of disco-loving outcasts to stand up for what is beautiful and right.

Praise for *A Fractured Infinity*

"A very beautiful, tender portrait of a romance, its unremarkable mundanity made precious against the backdrop of so many iterations...It's a delightful, spiraling, idiosyncratic book that uses the language and techniques of filmmaking to structure a more interesting reading experience." —*New York Times*

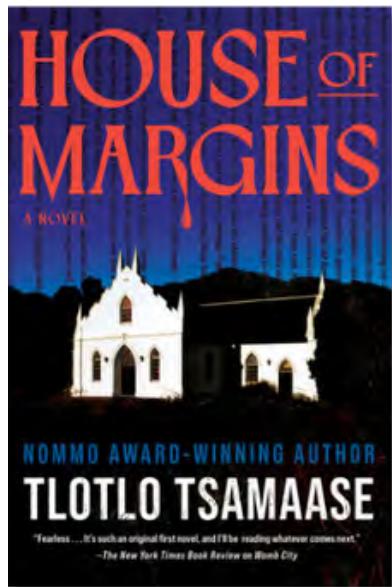
"Populated by some of the best sci-fi has to offer ... The multiverse trope offers an easy and entertaining vehicle for very deep philosophical lessons about what it takes to grow up at any age." —*New Scientist*

About the Author

Nathan Tavares is a writer from Boston, Massachusetts. He grew up in the Portuguese-American community of southeastern Massachusetts and studied English in college. His editorial work celebrates queer culture and historically excluded communities, with pieces appearing in *GQ*, *Out*, and elsewhere.

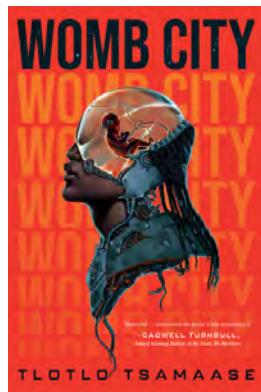
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See more from Tlotlo:



House of Margins

Tlotlo Tsamaase

Anaya Sebeya is missing. Before her disappearance, Anaya was a brilliant writer, a rising star. Invited to a prestigious writing residency at Günter Huis, an eerie colonial mansion on the slopes of Devil's Peak, Anaya was supposed to craft the next great African literary masterpiece—and so were four other young, emerging writers, all competing for the grand prize. But Anaya never made it home.

When a sensationalized true-crime podcast about Anaya emerges, claiming to reveal everything that happened at Günter Huis, her sister Ranewa is both skeptical and furious. But with each surreal episode, Ranewa begins to piece together a truth worse than she ever could have imagined...At Günter Huis, Anaya's nightmares consume her. Time slips away from her. Günter Huis inflicts distorted visions and terrible supernatural visitations, pushing Anaya to tell a story no one dares. But exorcising the house's endless cycle of evil requires a sacrifice that neither Anaya nor her fellows are ready to make.

In *House of Margins*, award-winning Motswana author Tlotlo Tsamaase delivers a mesmerizing story of a young generation facing colonialism's cultural legacy in Africa.

Praise for *Womb City*

Nommo Award Best Speculative Fiction by Africans

“This Afrofuturist novel’s twisty plot has a lot to say about inequality—and complicity.” —*Los Angeles Times*

“The body horror and sci-fi elements work together beautifully, melding into a thrilling and thought-provoking page-turner. Tsamaase is a writer to watch.” —*Publishers Weekly*, starred review

“Enjoyably terrifying.” —*New Scientist*

About the Author

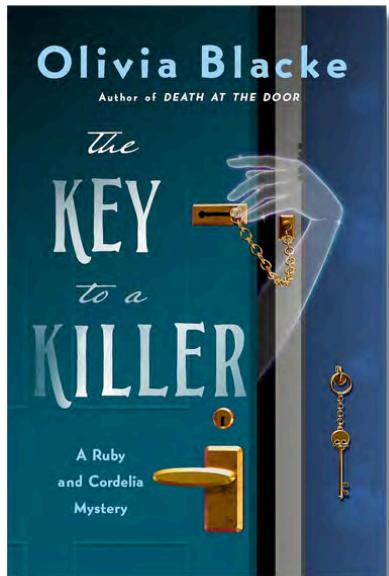
Tlotlo Tsamaase is a Motswana author whose short fiction has been widely published. She is a Caine Prize finalist, a 2017 Rhysling Award nominee, the joint winner of the Nommo Award for Best Short Story (2021), and a 2011 Bessie Head Short Story Award winner.

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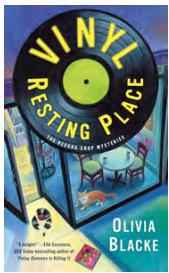


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See more from Olivia:



The Key to a Killer (The Ruby and Cordelia Mysteries 3 of 3) Olivia Blacke

A woman and her ghost roommate investigate their most personal case yet in Olivia Blacke's **THE KEY TO A KILLER**, the next book in the Anthony Award winning Ruby and Cordelia Mysteries.

When Ruby Young discovered that her Boston apartment was haunted, she did what any reasonable person would do: befriend the ghost. Their relationship overcame a shaky start—Cordelia Graves never wanted a roommate in life, she certainly didn't want one in death. After working together to solve a few murders, the two are close friends, but there's a lingering question neither of them have been able to answer: what led to Cordelia's death?

Lately things have been adding up that suggest foul play. And when Cordelia's memories of that day start to come back, the roommates can't ignore it anymore: Cordelia was murdered. Ruby and Cordelia are going to have to piece together what Cordelia's final days looked like—otherwise a killer could go free.

Praise for *A New Lease on Death* Anthony Award winner for Best Paranormal Mystery

“This pair of amateur detectives just works, and readers will root for them and the friendship they’re building.” —**Booklist**

“This clever take on hauntings . . . and the newer television series *Ghosts*, puts both haunter and hauntee into some unique and entertaining situations . . . This novel is by turns funny and tingly scary, with a bit of gumshoe work thrown in.” —**New York Journal of Books**

“A fun, supernatural mystery.” —**Red Carpet Crash**

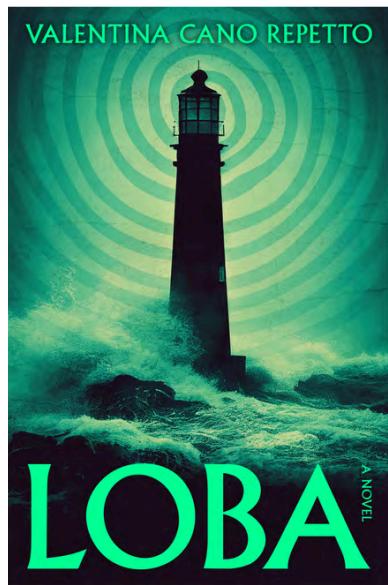
About the Author

Armed with a Criminology degree, Anthony Award Nominee Olivia Blacke channels her love of the supernatural and passion for writing into darkly humorous supernatural mysteries. She is the author of the Ruby and Cordelia Mysteries, as well as the cozy Record Shop Mysteries and the Brooklyn Murder Mysteries.

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Loba

Valentina Cano Repetto

A lighthouse keeper flees her abusive husband and the ghost who plagues her, a haunting that links her to another mistreated woman, a century prior, whose story may hold the key to their mutual freedom –a chilling gothic horror for fans of V. Castro and Isabel Cañas.

Delmira Torres knows fleeing to Brazil is the only way she'll be free of her abusive husband.

But to get there she'll need money; it's why she takes a posting at a lighthouse in Cabo Polonio, Uruguay. There, she has only a month until her husband catches up to her, and her secrets with him. But the position comes marred by the legend of La Loba, who stalks the lighthouse and the nearby fishing village.

Her only ally is a local fisherman who tends to the aggressive sea lions living around the lighthouse, and not even he can save her from the spiraling visions that begin to plague her, the way time slips, and the mysterious woman, La Loba, who looms large in the villager's stories. Villagers who may be as dangerous as the haunting itself.

She is not the first lighthouse keeper to lose her mind on the shores of Cabo Polonio. But she is determined to be the first to survive it.

Praise for Valentina Cano Repetto

“Fans of Isabel Cañas’s *The Hacienda* and Silvia Moreno-Garcia’s Mexican Gothic will breathe in this book’s brooding atmosphere, even as its emotional punch of a climax leaves them breathless.” —***Library Journal***

“Sanctuary combines the sumptuous dread of a gothic horror with the claustrophobic experience of a marriage wracked by suspicions and madness, a mystery that looms over the women right up until the thrilling, shocking end . . .” —**Claire McKenna, author of the *Deep Water Trilogy***

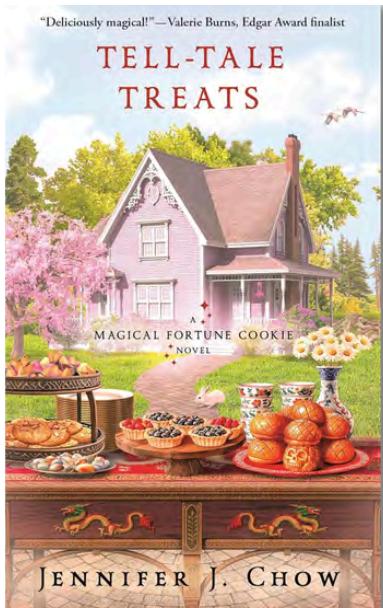
About the Author

Valentina Cano Repetto is the author of SANCTUARY (CamCat, 2024) and was born in Uruguay, of native Charrúa descent. She lived in Miami, FL, for twenty-three years before following her mother's Italian roots and moving to a secluded 1800s watermill in Italy.

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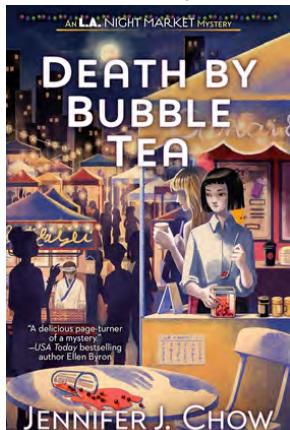


Kristin Pulido



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See more from Jennifer:



Tell-Tale Treats (Magical Fortune Cookie 3) Jennifer J. Chow

A group of high school alumnae reunite years later and reserve rooms at Pixie Inn for an extended retreat. As part of their pampering package, Felicity delivers a scrumptious assortment of enchanted pastries, including her new almond cookies.

But the queen bee of the group is soon found dead in her bathroom, drowned in the tub, and she recently sampled the delicious baked goods. Could Felicity's almond cookies have set off a fatal nut allergy? The enchanted pastries are supposed to bring joy, not sorrow—and certainly not death.

Her boyfriend, Kelvin Love, is eager to assist, although odd things have been happening to his senses ever since he baked with Felicity. Will his extra sensitivity help or hinder the investigation? Plus, Felicity's special bunny Whiskers lends a magical paw to the detecting since Felicity can't and won't relax until she restores both order and magic to her world.

Praise for the Magical Fortune Cookie series

"A charming cozy with a touch of magic along with the expected recipes."
—**Kirkus Reviews**

"Check your fortune: I believe it will tell you to read this book." —
Emmeline Duncan, author of the Ground Rules mysteries

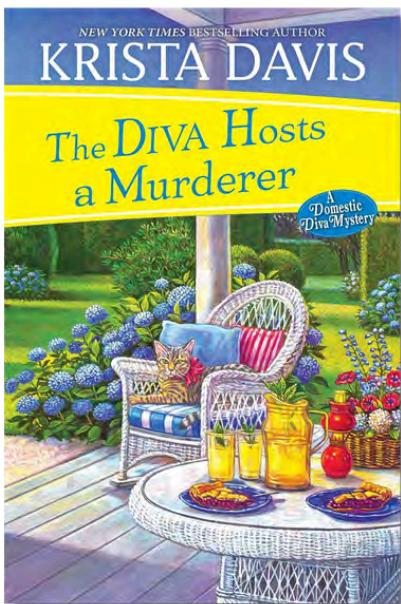
"Filled with family, friendship, and heart-- and a pinch of real magic." —
Gigi Pandian, USA Today bestselling author of the Secret Staircase mysteries

About the Author

Jennifer J. Chow writes cozies filled with hope and heritage. She has been a finalist for the Agatha, Anthony, Lefty, and Lilian Jackson Braun Memorial Award. Jennifer is a past president of Sisters in Crime and an active member of Crime Writers of Color and Mystery Writers of America.

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The Diva Hosts a Murderer (Domestic Diva Mysteries) Krista Davis

With a big crowd descending on her Northern Virginia home, it's a good thing event planner Sophie Winston is an expert at entertaining. Whipping up patriotic pastries is as easy as pie for her, though meeting the man her widowed Aunt Melly just impulsively married in Las Vegas is a little more awkward. Especially when Melly's longtime, now-heartbroken secret admirer is there too, which could lead to some fireworks.

But the house party really gets explosive when Sophie's favorite tour guide falls victim to a killer—and evidence points to Sophie's own father. Will DNA really incriminate her dad? And what's the real story with her new uncle-by-marriage and the mysterious pal he's brought along with him? Some of the secrets Sophie's discovering are raising flags—and while the police department casts suspicion on her father, she has to declare her independence as a detective to find the real culprit, and serve justice along with her red, white, and blue cupcakes.

Praise for the Domestic Diva Mysteries series

“With recipes, ghost kitchens, and family secrets, the follow up to *The Diva Says Cheesecake!* will entertain fans of this long-running cozy mystery series.”

—*Library Journal* on *The Diva Delivers on a Promise*

“Rewarding for its ongoing antics and recipes.” —*Kirkus Reviews* on *The Diva Delivers on a Promise*

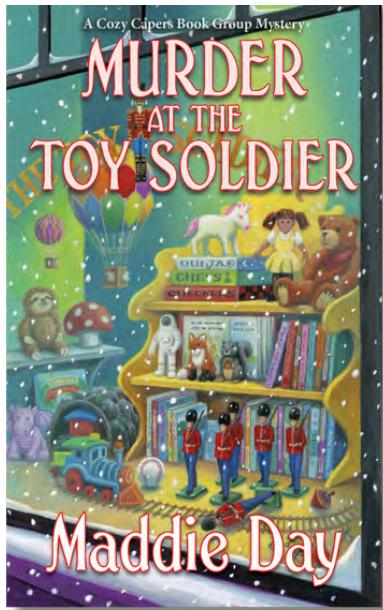
“The nicely delineated setting and sympathetic characters are reminiscent of Joanne Fluke’s Hannah Swensen cozies, which also include baking and a group of close friends working together to solve crimes.” —*Booklist* on *The Diva Says Cheesecake!*

About the Author

New York Times bestselling mystery author Krista Davis lives with an assortment of dogs and cats in the Blue Ridge Mountains of Virginia. Like her Domestic Diva protagonist, Sophie Winston, Krista loves to entertain friends and family, but would just as soon leave cleaning to someone else.

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Murder at the Toy Soldier (Cozy Capers Book Group)

Maddie Day

It's a cold, wet, February on Cape Cod, but a murder at the local toy store blows an especially icy wind through town—and through bike shop owner Mackenzie "Mac" Almeda's sleuthing Cozy Capers Book Group.

Mac is extra busy these days as she and Tim do their best as working parents of a preschooler and a baby, not to mention Mac's participation in the Cozy Capers book group. With Ella's 4th birthday approaching, Mac uses her lunch break to shop for a gift at the Toy Soldier, which is run by June Fadiman.

Behind the counter is Zia Carven, a young woman Mac recognizes as a shopper at the Free Grocery food pantry Mac's father sponsors. Zia finds Mac a kid-sized gardening toolkit Ella will love and offers to gift wrap it. In a rush, Mac plans to pick it up after work. But at 5:30, she finds Zia slumped over the counter, dead, dried blood on a toy rifle nearby. The first police officer to arrive is June's son, August. Then June arrives and is upset to find the police won't allow her inside.

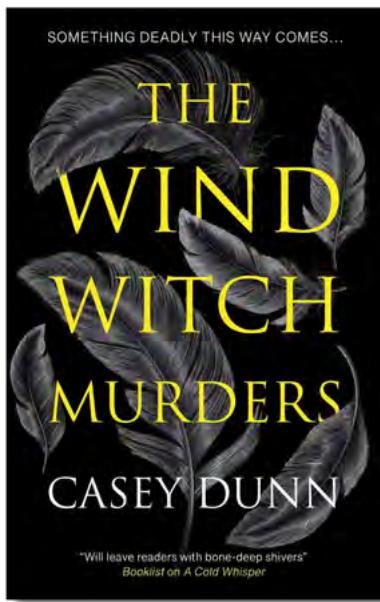
Mac's mother, Astra, confides that she'd been trying to help Zia, and now the police want to speak with her, which worries Mac. Then Mac discovers that Zia had been in town searching for her birth mother, which only multiplies the questions—and the suspects. Just one thing is certain: Mac and the book group will have to double down to find a killer who isn't playing around . . .

About the Author

Maddie Day is a talented amateur chef and holds a Ph.D. in Linguistics from Indiana University. An Agatha-nominated and Amazon-bestselling author, she is a member of Sisters in Crime and Mystery Writers of America and also writes award-winning short crime fiction, which has appeared in a number of juried anthologies. She lives with her beau and three cats in Massachusetts.

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The Wind Witch Murders

Casey Dunn

Her mother took secrets to the grave. They didn't stay buried.

1999, Arkansas. Being the daughter of a witch and alleged murderer isn't easy. Yet Raven has carried that burden for the twelve years since her mother, Deanne, was locked away for the apparent ritualized murder of two boys. Murders she never admitted to.

Now Deanne is dead, the truth buried with her. When a stranger appears at her funeral to place a feather on her casket, Raven realizes the mystery of her mother is still alive and well. But as she looks harder into Deanne's past, more lies about her own life surface. Lies that drag her to the infamous cult at the edge of town that Deanne once belonged to. As Raven connects the secrets surrounding the cult, the infamous Wind Witch murders, and her mother's death, she finds herself in incredible danger.

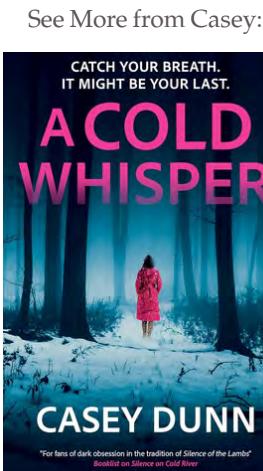
A mesmerizing dark treat of a novel, full of twists and suspense, perfect for fans of Rebecca James and Tana French.

Praise

“Will appeal to those who enjoy atmospheric, gothic stories about self-discovery and redemption” —**Booklist**

“Dunn makes good use of the perspectives of multiple characters throughout her clever thriller debut. Fans of Lisa Unger will be pleased” —**Publishers Weekly** on *Silence on Cold River*

“A melodic and gritty debut thriller that gives readers an unnerving glimpse into the mind of a demented killer” —**Christina Kaye, award-winning author of *Like Father, Like Daughter*, on *Silence on Cold River***

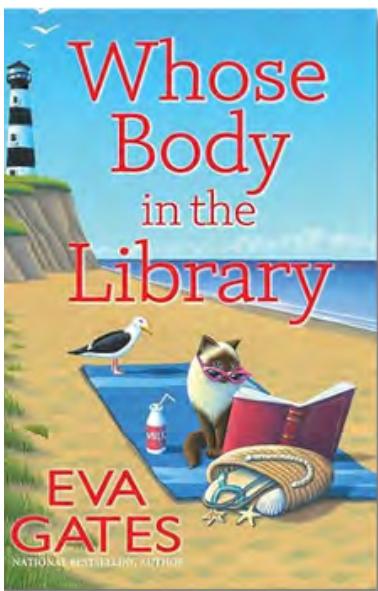


About the Author

Casey Dunn is a mother, author, and small-farm owner based in Southern Oregon. Her critically acclaimed debut thriller, *Silence on Cold River*, was selected as an Editor's Pick by Amazon and a book of the month by the Southern Book Review. The audiobook was nominated for the Audie Awards.

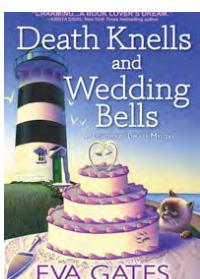
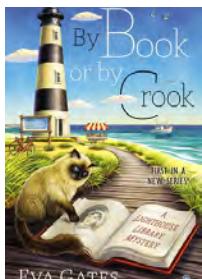
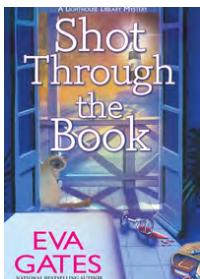
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Lighthouse Library series



Whose Body in the Library (Lighthouse Library) Eva Gates

A new librarian's first day goes terribly wrong when she finds a dead body on the front steps of the library.

While Lucy McNeil is enjoying her new job as the mother of twin boys and library director, new librarian Nichelle Gilchrest has just arrived at the Bodie Island Lighthouse Library, reporting for duty. But life throws a wrench on Nichelle's first day when she finds a body on the steps—a body that bears a startling resemblance to her father who disappeared on a fishing trip to the Outer Banks thirty-eight years ago.

Fingerprints confirm the dead body is indeed Nichelle's father, now living in Nags Head under the name Brian Saunders. Brian had been befriending older lonely women in exchange for money, but was he working alone?

Detective Rhonda Thomas is on the case and the suspect list is only getting longer. Sorting through the wronged women and their relatives, Detective Thomas discovers Nichelle's own brother Brad had been in Nags Head a few days before the murder happened and has been lying about his whereabouts.

Hoping to clear her brother's name, Nichelle decides to investigate what happened. With seasoned sleuth Lucy's gentle encouragement for the amateur, Nichelle is in for an exciting and dangerous first week at the library.

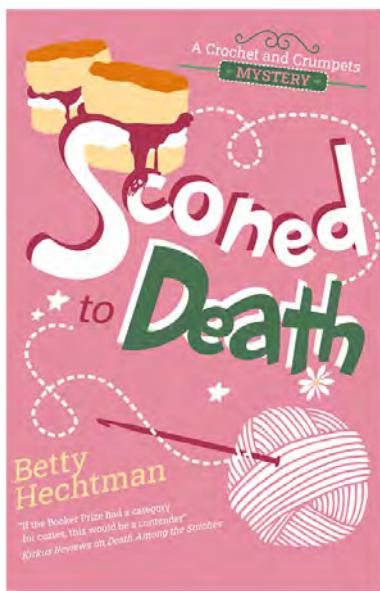
About the Author

Eva Gates, also known as Vicki Delany, is one of Canada's most prolific and varied crime writers and a national bestseller in the U.S. She has written more than forty books: clever cozies to Gothic thrillers to gritty police procedurals, to historical fiction and novellas for adult literacy.

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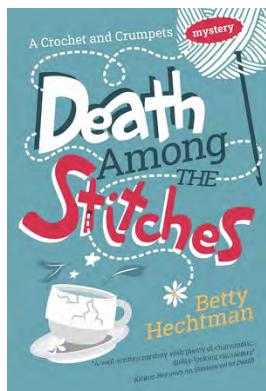


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Crochet & Crumpets #1
Death Among the Stitches



Sconed to Death (Crochet & Crumpets 2) Betty Hechtman

The perfect ingredients for murder . . .

Annie Hart has transformed the yarn shop she inherited into a thriving business and tea shop. Now she needs to sell it so she can move back to LA—and somehow ensure that young Toby Swanson is kept on as the supplier of their famous scones. Annie decides to secretly enter Toby in a new reality TV cooking show.

But his application video takes a deadly twist when Annie and her business partner, Gray, discover a body on the beach while filming. Even worse, it looks like the young woman had been enjoying Toby's cherry scones and the shop's rose tea before her death.

With the help of her misfit group of local yarn artists, can Annie find a killer and save her reputation?

Praise for *Death Among the Stitches*

"Hechtman joyfully turns many timeworn cozy tropes on their heads . . . If the Booker Prize had a category for cozies, this would be a contender."
—*Kirkus Reviews, Starred Review*

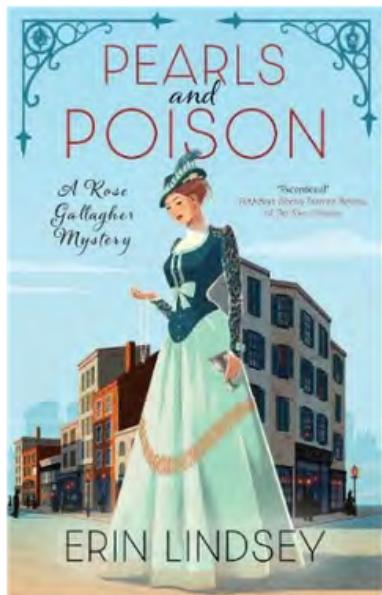
"Charm, warmth . . . [a] delightful cozy." —*Booklist*

About the Author

Despite completing a Fine Arts degree, all Betty Hechtman ever wanted to be was a writer. She wrote a weekly column in her college newspaper and later wrote magazine and newspaper pieces, along with short stories and a prize-winning screenplay. Betty had her first novel published in 2006. Since then she has had over thirty books published across four cozy mystery series, all of which have yarn craft. She lives with her family in Southern California.

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Pearls and Poison (A Rose Gallagher Mystery) Erin Lindsey

Rose Gallagher is flying solo as she investigates criminal paranormal activity in Gilded Age New York City.

Fully fledged Pinkerton agent Rose Gallagher has just caught her first solo case. Stolen jewels and suspicious deaths in a building on Pearl Street with supernatural markings in the wall are right up her alley. But without her partner, Thomas—whose abrupt departure still hurts her bruised heart—Rose fears she might not be up to the challenge. Especially when the investigation takes a deadly turn . . .

Attending a high society séance hosted by a psychic of dubious repute should have been nothing more than a great opportunity to gather clues. And yet Rose finds herself being followed, her dear friend is brutally attacked, and her mother's life is threatened. With her loved ones in danger, can Rose stop the killer before their sinister scheme claims another victim?

Praise

“Nicely combines history, mystery, romance, and paranormal thrills.”
—**Kirkus Reviews**

“Fortifying her well-oiled whodunit plot with dashes of fantasy and romance, Lindsey serves up another appealing adventure for the intrepid Rose. It’s an inspired romp.” —**Publishers Weekly**

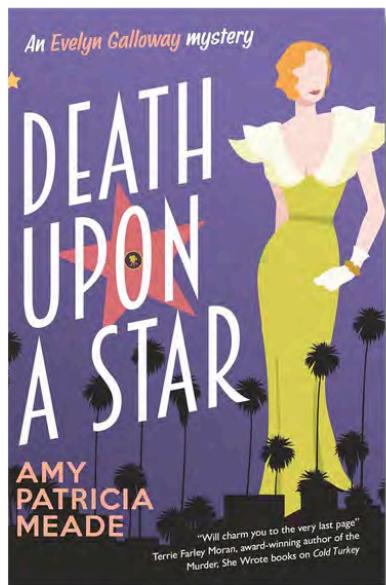
“Lindsey combines a beautifully rendered 1887 New York City setting . . . with a supernatural frame, plot twists, and a strong, smart, complex heroine.” —**Booklist**

About the Author

Erin Lindsey has lived and worked in dozens of countries around the world, but has only ever called two places home: her native city of Calgary and her adopted hometown of New York. In addition to the Rose Gallagher mysteries, she is the author of the Bloodbound series of fantasy novels.

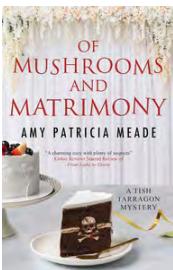
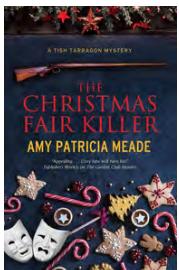
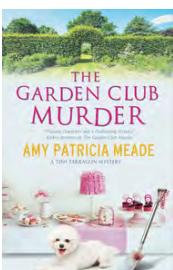
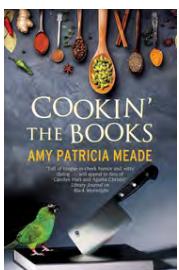
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See More from Amy:



Death Upon a Star (Evelyn Galloway Mystery 1) Amy Patricia Meade

1939, Los Angeles. Evelyn Galloway can't believe her luck! On her first day in LA, she lands her dream job of script supervisor, and on the hottest film in town - Hitchcock's adaptation of *Rebecca*. But her good fortune quickly changes when a legendary actor cancels their lunch the following day and is then found murdered at his bungalow.

Evelyn realizes she could be a witness to the crime, having passed the bungalow's grounds on her way home the night before. Who was the man looking upset in a gazebo nearby? And why was movie starlet Madeleine Nabors running wildly away from the scene?

When the tabloid reports contradict what Evelyn saw with her own eyes, she soon finds herself pitted against powerful studio bosses and unscrupulous journalists as she attempts to uncover the truth.

Praise

"Nostalgic, sweet, and glamorous . . . A pleasure to read" —**Booklist**

"A charming, well-plotted series launch . . . Delightful" —**Publishers Weekly**

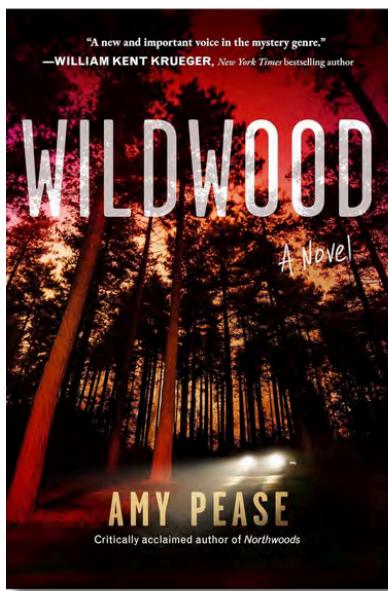
"The presence of actual famous stars and studio heads adds glamour to a complex mystery" —**Kirkus Reviews**

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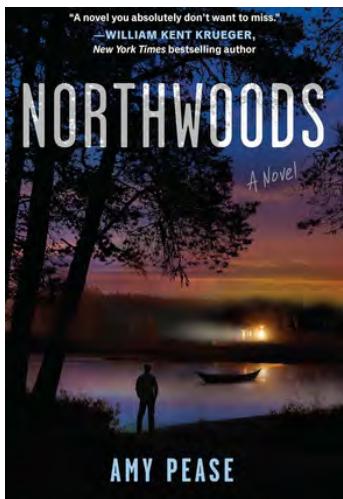
Author of the critically acclaimed Marjorie McClelland Mysteries, Vermont Country Living Mysteries, and Tish Tarragon Mysteries, Amy Patricia Meade is a native of Long Island, NY, where she cut her teeth on classic films and books featuring Nancy Drew and Encyclopedia Brown.

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Wildwood (Northwoods 2 of 3) Amy Pease

Deputy Sheriff Eli North has spent the last year getting his life back together. He hasn't touched a drop of alcohol, he's working through his PTSD from his military deployment, and he's repairing his most important relationships. When an undercover informant disappears and all signs point to murder, Eli must expose the dark underbelly of his idyllic Wisconsin small town while safeguarding his newfound stability.

Then, with the unexpected arrival of FBI Agent Alyssa Mason, Eli and his mother, the sheriff, are pulled deeper into a violent criminal network built on the backs of the lost and forgotten.

As the case deepens, loyalties fracture and the line between justice and survival begins to blur. In a town where everyone has something to hide, exposing the truth may cost them everything.

Praise

"I loved this book. Interesting characters rooted in a place I could believe in, a great plot with enough tension to keep the pages turning, and tight, assured writing. I can't wait until the next one." —Ann Cleeves, *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Long Call*

"Evocative, tense, and absolutely gorgeous! This heartbreakingly realistic rural noir will captivate you from page one [...] *Wildwood* again proves Amy Pease is a superbly powerful storyteller—and a truly lasting talent." —Hank Phillippi Ryan, *USA Today* bestselling author

"Pease impresses with her gritty second mystery featuring mother-son law-enforcement duo Marge and Eli North...Pease elevates her plotting with rich atmosphere and well-shaded characters. William Kent Krueger fans will want to check this out." —*Publishers Weekly*

About the Author

Amy Pease is the award-winning author of *Northwoods* and its sequel *Wildwood*, small-town thrillers rooted in the natural beauty and close-knit communities of her native Wisconsin. She writes emotionally rich, atmospheric stories across genres that explore the relationships that define us.

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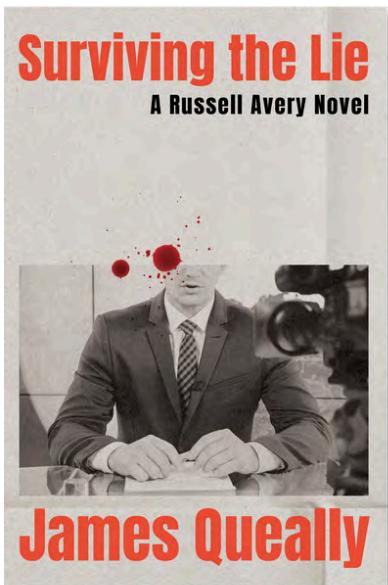


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Surviving the Lie

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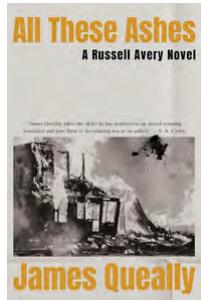
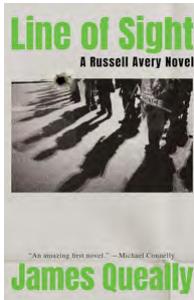
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Volumes 1 & 2 of the Russell Avery series are being relaunched this August



From the critically acclaimed author of *Line of Sight* and *All These Ashes* comes the exciting final installment of the Russell Avery series: *Surviving the Lie*

After the death of his two oldest sources, Russell trades in his life as a former journalist turned private investigator for a peaceful life at home. Aside from the occasional reporting online under the safety of an alias, Russell is enjoying a normal life with a normal girlfriend and suburban bliss just within reach. That is, until his onetime mentor disappears.

Russell soon learns that other journalists in the area have gone missing, all under mysterious circumstances. Unable to resist the pull of a good story, he quickly finds himself at odds with a violent band of conspiracy theorists and ex-cops set in their own truth and convinced reporters are the “enemy of the people.”

Russell sacrificed two careers to the belief in the power of facts. But now, face-to-face with a post-fact America, he must decide if the truth is still worth fighting for.

Praise for James Queally

“James Queally takes the skills he has acquired as an award-winning journalist and puts them to devastating use as an author.” —S.A. Cosby, bestselling author of *Blacktop Wasteland* and *Razorblade Tears*

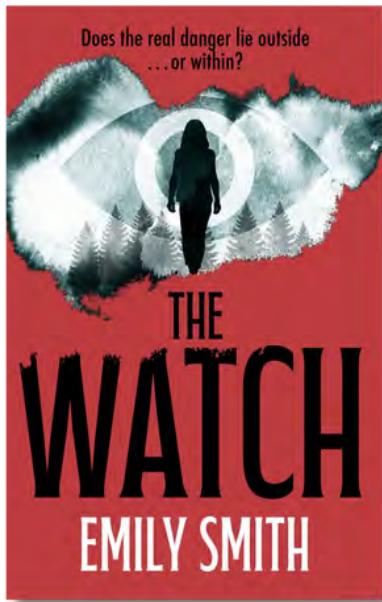
“Outstanding ...Queally gets all the details right while populating the plot with believable characters.” —*Publishers Weekly*, starred review

“Queally, himself a former crime reporter for the Star-Ledger in New Jersey, brings both reporting expertise and novelistic flair to this second Avery mystery. Absorbing throughout.” —*Booklist*, starred review

About the Author

James Queally is a Pulitzer prize-winning criminal justice reporter for the Los Angeles Times and the author of the Russell Avery series, which has garnered starred reviews and praise from best-selling authors Michael Connelly and S.A. Cosby. His journalism has exposed racist police officers, gotten corrupt law enforcement leaders fired, and put professional wrestling on the front page of a national newspaper (he's really proud of that last one).





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The Watch Emily Smith

Has Kaya entered a safe haven from catastrophe, or somewhere much darker?

Kaya has no memory of her life before she arrived in Attica a decade ago with her adopted brother, Wes. They were seeking shelter in the small community of survivors from something far sinister outside its walls. But Attica is a prison of its own, where life is tightly controlled through oppressive rules and rituals.

When Wes starts acting strangely and then dies, Kaya wonders if he'd remembered something significant from his past. She herself is curious about who the familiar yet mysterious man is that appears in her dreams, stirring her memories. As Kaya's questions about Attica and her own past grow, she discovers that nothing—and no one—is as it seems. But will uncovering the truth about Attica—and herself—set her free . . . or destroy her?

Praise for Emily Smith

"A fierce, vulnerable, and flawed protagonist who ranks amongst the most memorable in modern-day thrillers. This is a story that will stay with me for some time." —**Carter Wilson, *USA Today* bestselling author of *Mister Tender's Girl, on You Always Come Back***

"Strong character-driven novel from a writer with a deliciously strong, unique voice. One of the most satisfying reads I've had in a good while." —**Alex Marwood, award-winning author of *The Killer Next Door, on You Always Come Back***

"Tense, absorbing, heartbreaking, and absolutely unputdownable." —**Karen Dionne, *USA Today* and international bestselling author of *The Marsh King's Daughter on You Always Come Back***

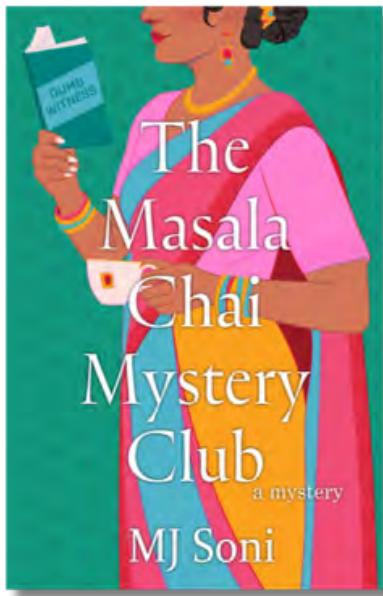
About the Author

Emily Smith is a New Jersey native, who pursued her BFA in Dramatic Writing at NYU and her MFA in Creative Writing at American University. She is the author of psychological thriller *You Always Come Back*. In her spare time, she enjoys spending time with her family, writing novels, gardening, reading, and caring for her rambunctious four pets who moonlight as her writing assistants.

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Shane Nolan



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The Masala Chai Mystery MJ Soni

Suspects abound when a much-despised neighbor is killed, perfect for fans of *Only Murders in the Building* and Richard Osman's *The Thursday Murder Club*.

Retired librarian Neeti Shah was hoping for a restful life with her chai-loving friends, but when the body of a neighbor, a childhood friend of Neeti's, turns up dead and the killer's MO is similar to that of Neeti's most recent book club read, things start to get out of control.

When Neeti hears a commotion at a neighbor's house, she finds Rohit's body sprawled across the bottom of the staircase with Agatha Christie's *The Dumb Witness* nearby. Blackmailing his neighbors, threatening them with lawsuits, and calling them by nasty nicknames were only some of the hateful things that made him so disliked. But were they angry enough to kill?

Neeti is indebted to her old friend, and she's determined to find his killer. But she can't do it alone, so she enlists her mystery-loving friends, the Masala Chai Mystery Club, to get to the bottom of the murder.

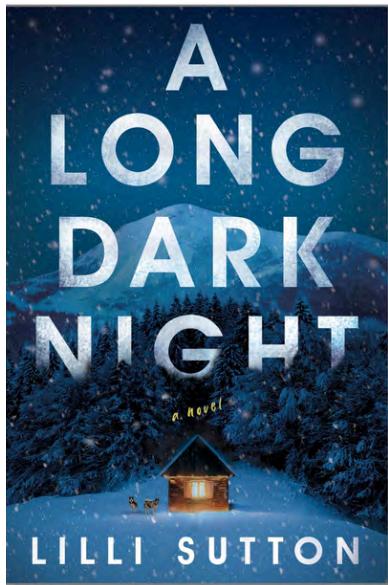
But Neeti and her club members need to be careful. As more bodies turn up and more suspects start to appear, they'll need to find the killer before they end up in hot water!

About the Author

MJ Soni is a lifelong fan of Agatha Christie who draws upon her love of the culture and cuisine of her diverse Indian, African, and American background, to write heartwarming murder mysteries set largely in coastal New England. She's a recipient of the Leon B. Burnstein/MWA-NY Scholarship, and a runner up to the Eleanor Taylor Bland Crime Fiction Writers of Color Award, a Pitch Wars mentee and mentor, and a member of Crime Writers of Color, Sisters in Crime National, and Sisters in Crime-CT.

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See More from Lilli:



A Long Dark Night

Lilli Sutton

After her restaurant closes and she returns to her childhood home, deep in the Alaskan wilderness, Nina has one goal: finding a way back out. Her family's sled-dog business is struggling, and she is alarmed that her brother Grant is working at the nearby oil field. Grant comes home one day extremely unsettled by his involvement in disturbing events at work. The supervisor on duty orchestrated a suspiciously seamless coverup of a deadly accident, leading both siblings to wonder if the past disappearances of field workers are more than a coincidence.

Grant wants to forget the whole thing ever happened—the oil rig is the only source of employment that pays enough to keep their family afloat, and he doesn't want to risk any jail time. But Nina can't let this lie. The opportunity to uncover the truth about the disappearances and protect her family from increasing threats is too important. What starts as an attempt to unravel the mystery leads Nina, Grant, and their loved ones directly into the path of those determined to keep them silent no matter the cost.

Praise

“*A Long Dark Night* paints a portrait of a family teetering on the brink of destruction. Lilli Sutton delivers a tense and atmospheric thriller that is just as much a tale of survival as it is one of love and devotion.” —**Kimi Cunningham Grant, USA Today bestselling author of *The Nature of Disappearing***

“Gripping yet tender, relentless yet heartfelt, *A Long Dark Night* will leave you with bruises the way only the best books can. When it comes to the environmental thriller, Lilli Sutton is in a league of her own.” —**Samantha Crewson, author of *Every Sweet Thing Is Bitter***

About the Author

Lilli Sutton writes contemporary adult fiction. She holds a BA in English from Shepherd University. From Maryland, she now lives in Colorado. She draws inspiration for her writing from the natural world and the intricacies of human relationships. www.lillisutton.com





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The Secret Lives of Zombie Wives Barbara Truelove

Patricia is a reformed zombie.

She's also an influencer—the wholesome, homesy, traditional values kind—a career built up with the help of her husband, Ralph. Cooking, shopping, and hanging out with her friends; most days, it's easy to forget she's even dead, so long as she takes her antifungal medication. But when a zombie horde starts approaching her fenced community, Patricia comes face to face with memories of an era of her life she thought she'd left behind.

Perhaps life with overbearing Ralph isn't quite as perfect as she'd hoped, and maybe everyone kind of has the wrong idea about the zombie horde—they're not frightening, they're beautiful to Patricia, and they prompt her to embrace her true, authentic self.

Unfortunately for Ralph, this involves eating his brain on livestream

Praise

"Deliciously subversive!" —**New York Times** bestselling author **Caitlin Rozakis**

"An ode to hunger and female rage like nothing I've ever read before." —
Cassandra Khaw, author of *The Salt Grows Heavy*

"A perfectly timed, perfectly executed howl of rage against an era in which we're all expected to act like everything's normal, when in fact we understandably want to rip things apart. Truelove has given us an enthralling novella that's as easy to read as it is probing and biting." —**Nat Cassidy, USA Today** bestselling author of ***When the Wolf Comes Home and Mary***

About the Author

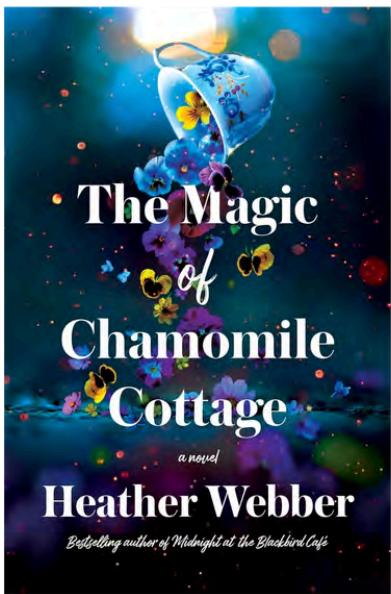
Barbara Truelove is the award-winning, bestselling author of *Of Monsters and Mainframes* (Bindery 2025), *She's a Doll* (Bindery 2026), and *The Secret Lives of Zombie Wives* (Tor 2027). An Australian game designer, she writes about werewolves and sometimes other creatures.

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GENERAL FICTION



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See More from Heather:



The Magic of Chamomile Cottage

Heather Webber

Popular storyteller Sunny Callaway is known for writing captivating human-interest stories, but lately she's having trouble writing anything after a devastating diagnosis and a painful breakup. When a surprise discovery leads her to a small town fighting for survival after the closing of its tea factory, she finds family she hadn't known and a story that will change her life forever.

Tea shop owner Nova Frances Clark has an old soul, a healer's heart, and a big secret. Although her special chamomile tea blends can heal minor ailments, she's at a loss on how to help save her hometown. When her long-lost cousin Sunny arrives for a visit, it sets into motion a dramatic revitalization plan, finally giving Nova hope for the future.

In their attempt to save the town, Sunny and Nova learn to trust the magic that comes from opening up to each other, that tea is best when it's shared with those you love, and that the most meaningful stories come from the heart.

Praise for Heather Webber

"This is a beautiful book, warm and wonderful, worth savoring. This book will steal your heart then fill it up." —**Sarah Beth Durst, *NYT* bestselling author of *The Spellshop*, on *The Forget-Me-Not Library***

"Lyrical, magical and as sweet and rich as one of Aunt Bean's cakes." —**Viola Shipman, *USA Today* bestselling author on *A Certain Kind of Starlight***

"Heather Webber is the queen of magical small-town charm. *At the Coffee Shop of Curiosities* will bewitch readers with its cast of quirky townspeople, enchanting romance, and irresistible animals, while the mysterious events will keep them flipping the pages." —**Amy E. Reichert, author of *The Kindred Spirits Supper Club***

About the Author

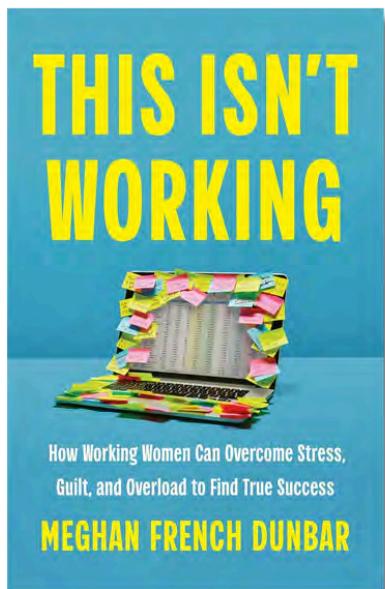
Heather Webber is a national bestselling author known for crafting stories that celebrate the power of family, friendship, and community. Heather loves to spend time with her family, read, drink too much coffee and tea, bird-watch, crochet, and bake. She currently resides in southwest Ohio.



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This Isn't Working

Meghan French Dunbar

From leadership expert Meghan French Dunbar, “a timely and necessary book” (Deepa Purushothaman, author of *The First, The Few, The Only*) that shows business leaders and workers how to boost performance while improving workplaces for women, and, ultimately, everyone.

Lean in. Rise and grind. Work smarter, not harder. Many books for women promise tips and tricks to achieve wealth and success in a business world made by men. But on the way to the top, most women leaders (and many men, too!) struggle with anxiety, stress, guilt, and burnout. Playing by the rules in a male-dominated game isn’t working—for anyone.

This Isn't Working inspires women to reexamine how we do business and shows there are much healthier, more fulfilling ways to succeed in the business world that don’t require sacrificing ourselves. In this book, Meghan French Dunbar shares the insights, frameworks, and practical advice she has learned from over a decade of work with impactful women business leaders, from start-up founders to multinational CEOs. She argues that it’s time to move beyond business cultures marked by competition and aggression and instead embrace healthier leadership and workplace practices, which are proven to yield better results.

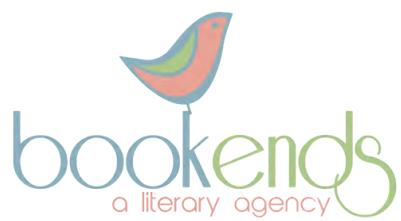
This Isn't Working provides readers with an empathetic and honest business playbook for improving individual and business performance so that everyone can thrive.

About the Author

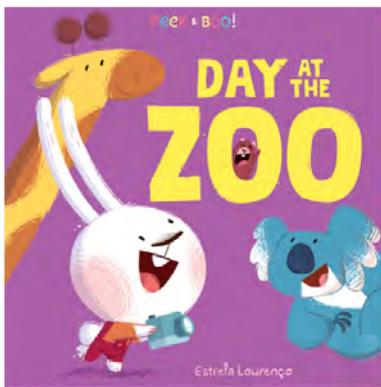
Meghan French Dunbar is an entrepreneur, business journalist, speaker, thought leader, and women’s leadership expert whose work focuses on making business better for all. She has founded numerous ventures, including Conscious Company magazine, the World-Changing Women’s Summit, the Conscious Company Leaders Forum, TideTurn Labs, and Stakeholder Business.

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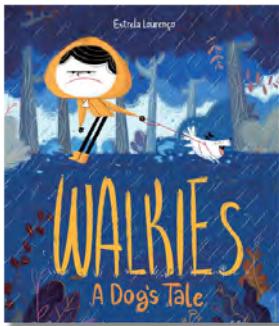
C H I L D R E N ' S
PICTURE BOOKS
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See more from Estrela:



Peek and Boo: Day at the Zoo (Peek and Boo 2) Estrela Lourenço

Help Peek find her best friend Boo as she explores the zoo in this adorable peek-a-boo adventure!

Peek is ready for a fun day at the zoo, but she can't find her best friend Boo anywhere! Where is he hiding? Maybe the elephants have seen him? Maybe he's watching the turtles play? Help Peek search for the small guinea pig as he has silly fun around the zoo. Can you find him before the day is over?

Why Readers Will Love Peek & Boo:

- Features two adorable best friends baby animals
- Fun settings to explore and exciting adventures to go on
- Bright, colorful art and fun simple text keep little ones engaged again and again!
- Introduces new routines and early-language vocabulary
- Makes a wonderful baby shower, birthday or Valentine's Day gift; holiday stocking stuffer or Easter basket stuffer



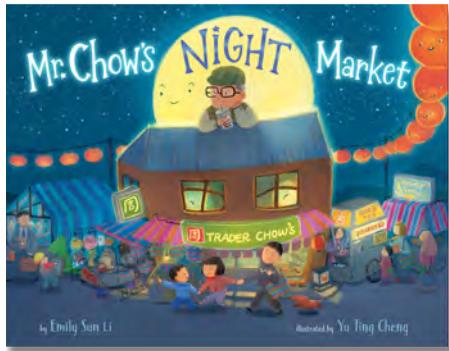
About the Author

Estrela Lourenço is a Portuguese professional children's book author and illustrator, and also a storyboard artist for animation. She has been living in Ireland since 2009 where she loves creating new stories and enjoying family time with her daughter, partner and silly dog.

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Estrela Lourenço



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Mr. Chow's Night Market

Emily Sun Li
Illustrated by Yu Ting Cheng

Perfect for fans of *Spirited Away* and Domee Shi's Pixar short *Bao*, this humorous picture book tells the fantastical tale of one grumpy old man and the creation of Taiwan's first night market.

Mr. Chow lives for the night, when the moon is a wok full of simmering oil.

Too bad he owns a supermarket and has to wake up very, very early. Mr. Chow hates mornings and so does his store: The shopping carts are sluggish, the front door yawns, and the pomelos roll down the aisle in a sleepy daze.

When disaster strikes, Mr. Chow seeks advice from other workers and the similarly buoyant, anthropomorphic buildings they work in. And soon, he discovers that his store doesn't have to be a morning market...it can be a night market!

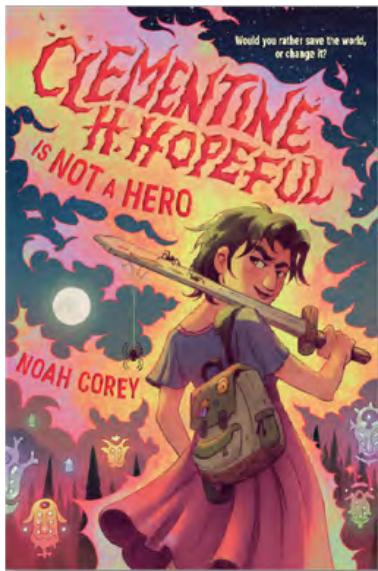
Accompanied by spellbinding art from Yu Ting Cheng, debut author Emily Sun Li crafts a whimsical myth about how the very first Taiwanese night market was created.

About the Author

Emily Sun Li (she/her) is a Chinese-American author who spent two years studying Mandarin Chinese in Kaohsiung, Taiwan, as a Fullbright scholar. Afterward, she received an MA in children's literature and an MFA in writing for children at Simmons University. Her experiences have inspired her to write her debut picture book, *Mr. Chow's Night Market*. When she's not writing, she's probably procrasti-cleaning, drinking milk tea, or traveling.

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 House/Labyrinth Road
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Clementine H. Hopeful is Not a Hero (Better School Book 1 of 2) Noah Corey

Clementine has always felt like the villain of his story. Most of the time, he's a socially anxious kid who knows it's not "normal" for a boy to wear pink shoes to school. While he's there, his teachers won't call him by the right name (even though Clementine is a boy's name, if a boy has it), his classmates tease him about his obsessive love for spiders (even though they're beautiful), and he's the only one who can see the floating faces that haunt the surrounding woods.

But in the woods, everything is different. At night, he and his new friends Beetle, Cricket, and Anise spend hours in a play-pretend world that seems to be seeping into reality. Clementine has never had a friend like Beetle—a boy who breaks into his house and teaches him to howl at the moon, who dreams of being a hero and says the whole sky is beautiful while looking right at Clementine and not at the sky at all.

But Clementine wants to use the power fueling their adventures to make things better outside the forest—not later, when he's grown up, but now. And when he discovers the source of the magic, Clementine has to decide: Does he become a hero with Beetle and protect a world that hates him? Or does he finally become the villain, ready to build a new world whatever the cost?

In this joyful and uninhibited celebration of imagination, empathy and all things monstrous, debut author Noah Corey tells the story of a queer kid who is exactly and exquisitely himself. This book is a love letter to villains and heroes, and all the ways they make us brave.

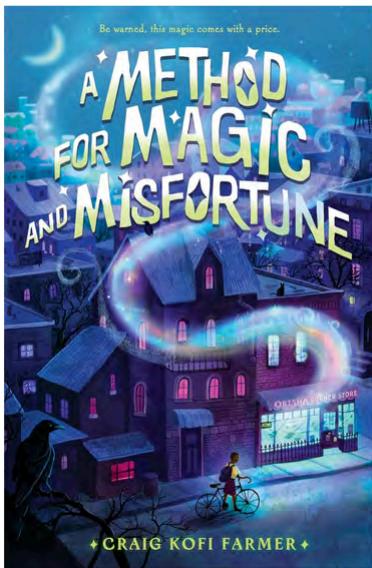
Praise

"Clementine's story is part *Peter Pan*, part *Alice's Adventures in Wonderland*, part *Coraline*, and at the same time wholly unique . . . A dark and inviting tale for all the nonheroes out there." —***Kirkus Reviews***

About the Author

Noah Corey lives in Washington state with his husband (Markus), his dog (Potatoes), and his three cats (Wirt, Greg, and Beatrice). He feels passionately about outer space, insects, and fictional vampires.





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A Method for Magic and Misfortune

Craig Kofi Farmer

12-year-old Marcus Pennrider feels far from magical. He's trying his best to balance school, a part-time job, and familial responsibilities that include looking after his little sister. On top of that, he's settling into living with his aunt in the vibrant city of Grand Park, after healing from his experience with his abusive father.

When Marcus discovers a secret magic flows through the streets of Grand Park, everything seems to start changing for the better. Even Mr. O, the local corner shop owner and beloved leader in the community, takes Marcus under his wing to teach him how to use magic. Maybe if Marcus becomes a Divinator, he can prove to the world that he's not just a burden—that he's nothing like his father.

But as Marcus strays farther from his family and into the strange world of Divination magic, he becomes entrenched in a rigorous magical training program and increasingly dangerous relationship with Mr. O. It'll be up to Marcus to discover who his true family is, and that perhaps the real magic of Grand Park might lie in something much closer to home.

Praise

"Farmer's strong character development and worldbuilding bolster this fantasy story that centers on a majority Black cast and feels firmly anchored in realistic concerns." — *Kirkus Reviews*

"In a heartfelt novel that examines themes of family and motivation, Farmer empathetically addresses abuse and loss." — *Publishers Weekly*

"This thrilling, thoughtful story is far more than a magical mystery; it's also a careful contemplation of the forms that tyranny and abuse can take...It's an extraordinary exploration of the aftermath of abuse and the power in discovering one's own special brand of magic." — *Booklist*

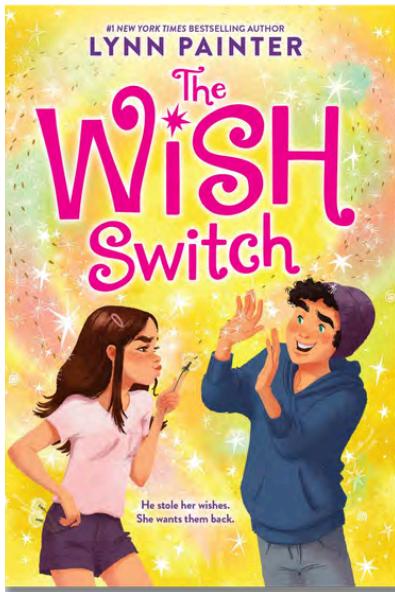
About the Author

Craig Kofi Farmer is a Prince George's County native, with two Bachelor of Science degrees from Towson University and one Master of Education degree from the University of Maryland, College Park. He works in higher education administration, helping students achieve work-life balance and self-actualization.

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Alexandra Johnson



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 Final MS available

The Wish Switch

Lynn Painter

Magic and mayhem collide in beloved #1 *New York Times* bestselling author Lynn Painter's hilarious children's book debut, perfect for fans of Sarah Mlynowski and Wendy Mass.

Emma Rockford knows it will take bonafide magic to make middle school everything she wants it to be. Luckily, before Emma's beloved Nana died, she left detailed instructions on how to access an ancient, secret, magical wishing well. Emma follows each step and plans out every moment...except for the one where the obnoxious new kid, Jackson, tosses in wishes of his own that literally knock her wishes off course. When seventh grade starts, Emma discovers that her wishes are starting to come true, alright. But not for her...for Jackson.

Which, the two quickly discover, could have disastrous consequences for both of their families, and cost Emma her best friends. Can they set everything straight in time to prevent full-blown catastrophe?

With the trademark wit and heart that have earned her legions of fans, Lynn Painter delivers a laugh-out-loud story of friendship, family, and wishing—with a delightful dash of magic.

Praise

“In a playful middle grade debut, Painter ... capture[s] the joys and heartaches of adolescent physical, mental, and social shifts. Steadfast narration and organically rendered relationships deftly ferry messages of perseverance, faith, and acceptance in this sweet take on growing up.”—***Publishers Weekly***

“A light fantasy that offers worthy lessons in friendship.”—***Kirkus Reviews***

About the Author

Lynn Painter writes romantic comedies for both teens and adults. She is the author of *Better Than the Movies*, *Mr. Wrong Number*, *The Do-Over*, *Betting on You*, and *Nothing Like the Movies*, as well as a number of novels for adult readers. She is also a regular contributor to the *Omaha World-Herald*.

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Heather Hall Photography



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See more from Elias:



Selkies and Skeptics

Elias Cold

Her father is the lighthouse keeper, but for every 25th ship, he puts out the light. Sixteen-year-old Luella dives for treasure in the wrecks of these ships, keeping her father's secret as he isolates her on their desolate little island. She's long since given up hoping for rescue, so when she spots an ad in the paper for The Society for the Protection of Faeries and writes back claiming selkies live on the island to lure the group in, it's nothing more than a flight of fancy.

But the society answers the call; a group of teenagers led by the dreamy trans boy Luella can't help but like, and she finds friends for the first time in her life. Desperate to keep them, she fakes faerie magic to provide proof of her selkie claims, and they invite her to join them in gathering evidence for a faerie compendium they'll one day publish.

As they traipse across the country with Luella fiercely protecting them from fraudulent claims of magic, she realizes one of the society isn't quite what they seem. There's an imposter among them, someone who possesses real magic, and only Luella can figure out who they are, and what they want from her friends.

Praise for *The Duke Steals Hearts & Other Body Parts*

"[A] quirky, macabre trans romcom about embracing your power (and getting the gradually decaying dead girl)." —**BCCB**

"I found myself tearing through the book to uncover every twist Cold delivers in their distinctive, delightful voice. The Duke stole my heart right out of my chest, and he'll steal yours too." —**S. Hati, author of *And the Sky Bleed***

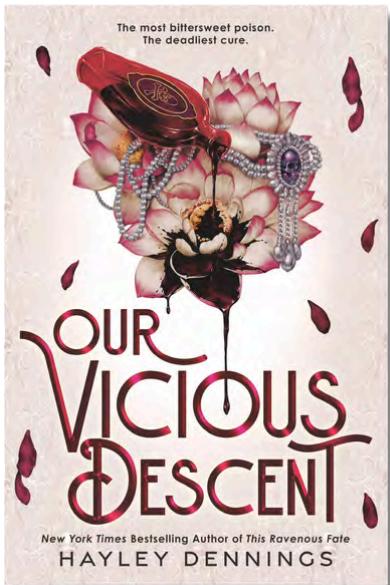
"Delightfully gruesome. Part murder mystery, part Regency romp, Elias Cold's queer horror-tinged tale kept me hooked to the very last page. I loved it." —**Alicia Jainska, author of *The Midnight Girls and This Fatal Kiss***

About the Author

Elias Cold is a speculative fiction writer, editor, and former medical geneticist, based in rural Australia with their two cats. Their work aims to centre queer and neurodivergent characters

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 Sourcebooks Fire (US)
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Our Vicious Descent (This Ravenous Fate 2 of 2) Hayley Denning

In this stunning conclusion to the Ravenous Fate duology, Elise Saint and Layla Quinn must discover the truths behind an alluring poison and the monstrous new presence ravaging New York City.

In 1927, shocking upheavals have rocked Harlem's most powerful factions and left Elise Saint estranged from the reaper she loves, Layla Quinn. The Saint family empire is in decline, gangster-run blood houses peddle debauchery, and a dangerous reaper-venom drug has become all the rage with wealthy thrill-seekers. Elise is desperate to find her beloved little sister, Josi, who has gone missing in the chaos. Meanwhile, Layla contends with shifting alliances in the New York underworld, including Karine, an ancient reaper, and the gangster Nicoletta—both with scores to settle.

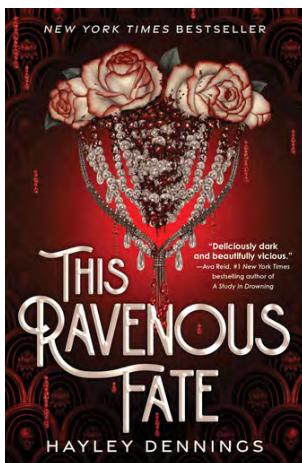
And then a terrifying new threat: a beast making swift, murderous rampages through the city, keeping to darkness while hunting reapers and humans alike. Layla and Elise are joined in purpose when they suspect the monster's origins are related to a far deeper mystery that involves Josi, Karine, and a disquieting new future for reapers. Soon, they will risk everything to unearth these secrets, where the shadowy boundaries between the dead and the living are even more treacherous than they imagined.

Praise for *This Ravenous Fate*

New York Times Bestseller

“The vampire romance I've been waiting for.” —**Ava Reid, #1 New York Times bestselling author of *A Study in Drowning***

“Tragically romantic... an intense gore-fest.” —**Kirkus Reviews**



About the Author

Hayley Dennings is a recent graduate from Loyola Marymount University. She resides in the Bay Area in California, working as an editorial and marketing associate for Fable. In her free time, she manages her YouTube channel and TikTok accounts, which together boast over 100K followers.

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Hayley Dennings



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We Were Never Here

Sophia Hannan

In July, Georgia Perry and Jules Park—secret girlfriends, covert art thieves, and cohosts of a popular YouTube ghost hunting show—step into a haunted house to steal a priceless painting. A few short hours later, there's a knife in Jules's chest and Georgia is waking up in a pool of blood with no memory of how she got there.

Now it's October, and Georgia is underwater. She hasn't been to class in weeks, she's avoiding her old crew and only friends like the plague. But when the three remaining thieves get a call from the man who paid a hefty sum to keep them out of jail, demanding that they return to finish the job, Georgia has no choice but to return to her old life.

As the estranged friends scramble to steal the painting with no cover story and no leader, they quickly realize that something is very, very wrong, and it's not just the suffocating memory of Jules or the prying eyes of their viewers. Between the strange shadows that begin to trail them and the nightmares plaguing Georgia's sleep, only one thing is certain: Something followed them home from De Lys manor, and it will do anything to keep them from going back.

Praise

“*We Were Never Here* resurrects the best parts of the horror genre. Equal parts devastating and hopeful, Sophia Hannan paints a hauntingly beautiful portrait of grief and learning how to heal amongst the ghosts of the past. This is a ghost story that bravely weaves together bittersweet coming of age elements with unsettling horror and profound insight into the love that survives death.” —**Hayley Dennings, *New York Times* Bestselling author of *This Ravenous Fate***

About the Author

Sophia Hannan is a Canadian author of YA fiction. When she's not writing about ghosts and the girls they haunt, she can be found studying English literature and forcing her friends to watch horror movies with her. *We Were Never Here* is her debut novel.

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The Tales of Arcana Fortune

Hafsa A. Jawad

Serena Rose has always dreamed of fairy tales, but the chances of finding true love living alone in a cottage in the woods are...slim. So instead she spends quiet days chasing down mischievous woodland creatures, brewing tonics, and taking care of her family's ancient library.

But her little life is upended when she is approached by a dark haired stranger searching for a book in her family's collection. When the pair accidentally free a malicious immortal sealed within an ancient spell, Serena finds herself cursed. Trapped in a different fairy tale each night, she must find a way through her trials all while trying not to lose her life, her freedom, or her heart.

With internal illustrations done by the author-illustrator herself!

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Having Mama trick her into meeting a few of them was exactly why she was not answering her family's letters or following up on her promise to visit.



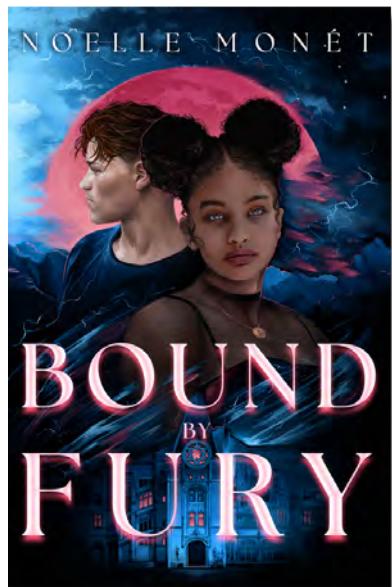
He was young, probably around his early to mid-twenties; a few years older than her. His hair was dark and messy, falling rakishly into his eyes.

About the Author

Hafsa A. Jawad is a debut romance author, and *The Tales of Arcana Fortune* is her first book. She has been working in the publishing sphere as an illustrator under the name Hachandraws, where she boasts over 65K followers on Instagram, and loves all things bookish.

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Bound by Fury (Book 1 of 3) Noelle Monét

Sixteen-year-old Harper loved summers at her grandmother's house, listening to her stories about pretty brown girls with magic in their blood. When she suddenly dies, Harper expects the different stages of grief. But she doesn't expect the static of power building beneath her skin, or a dream on the night of her grandmother's funeral revealing an ominous message and a mysterious symbol.

When Harper learns that her grandmother secretly enrolled her into an elite boarding school in the Blue Ridge Mountains, she decides to follow the clues laid out for her. There Harper runs into her former best friend turned mortal enemy, who seems hell-bent on getting her to quit school and go back home. But as Harper becomes desperate for answers about her new powers, she discovers that her late grandmother's tales weren't just stories, and she uncovers the truth of a local legend.

One hundred years ago, twelve Black witches were hung from a cliff, and the same symbol from Harper's dreams was painted on the sacks covering their faces. When Harper starts receiving threatening messages, it's clear someone doesn't want her digging for answers, but as more school secrets resurface from the grave and awaken a century-old prophecy, Harper will have to decide how far she's willing to go to connect the dots of her own identity.

Praise

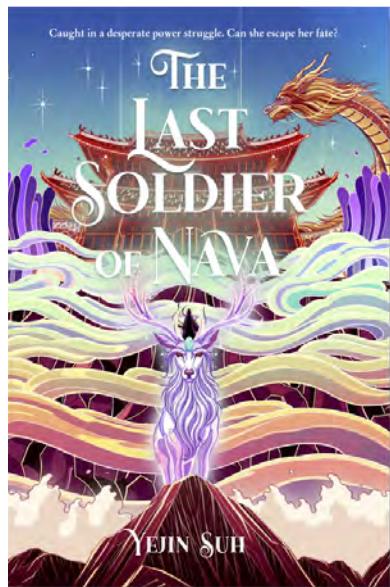
"Bound by Fury is a masterpiece of a debut that weaponizes grief, rage, and emotion and makes it the very heart of the power wielded by the unforgettable main character. With stunning prose, fascinating lore, and incredible twists, this book will leave you starry-eyed in more ways than one." —Kamilah Cole, Lodestar & Lambda Award finalist and bestselling author of the *Divine Traitors* duology

About the Author

Noelle Monét is a Queer, Jewish, Black-biracial registered nurse and author living in the South of the US. In the summers she co-owns a beachside ice cream store with her partner. In the off-season, she spends her time with her three children playing in the dirt and hunting down the perfect grilled cheese.

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The Last Soldier of Nava

Yejin Suh

According to legend, the Soldier drowned entire kingdoms in darkness.

Yet, the Soldier was only a girl, robbed of her will and raised as a weapon for her power-hungry father. When she awakens years later, freedom takes the form of a hidden life and a new name: Shadow.

As war brews and magical dead zones devour the natural world, Shadow is captured and pulled back into court life by her immortal father's new prodigy, Scarlet, a diabolical woman obsessed with her sister's murder. A murder Shadow herself committed in a past life.

Shadow's control over darkness holds the key to restoring the balance of their world, but a serpentine court hides greed, corruption, and her father's new plot to resurrect his fading magic.

If she's to survive and save her nation, Shadow will have to hide her past and rely on the woman who captured her—even as they unwind the legends that brought them together and face their growing attraction.

Praise

“Yejin Suh weaves together Korean mythology and sweeping fantasy with vibrant creativity, and pens the riveting island nation of Ik-Song—along with its inhabitants—with beautiful mastery.” — **Sophie Kim, author of *The God and the Gumiho***

About the Author

Yejin Suh is a Korean-American author based in New Jersey who recently graduated from Princeton University with a degree in English literature. She has spent time studying and living abroad in the UK, South Korea, France, and Nepal.

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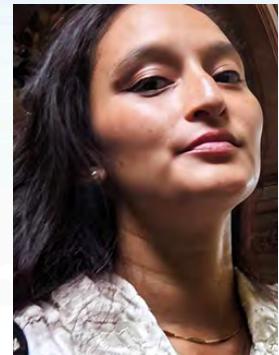


Pippa Grant Goes Traditional

Three BFFS and Wedding, the opposites attract/billionaire rom-com trilogy by Pippa Grant, will be relaunched by Sourcebooks/Casablanca. *The Worst Wedding Date*, the first volume, comes out in May, followed by *The Gossip and the Grump* (July), and *The Bride's Runaway Billionaire* (November). In 2027, Sourcebooks/Casablanca will launch a brand new trilogy by Pippa, The Sullivan Triplets!

New Gabriela Buba on the Horizon

Titan Books in the UK acquired *The Alchemist of Bohemia* (slated for April 2027), an atmospheric dark academia fantasy with a heavy helping of romance, inspired by the real Czech legend of Hrad Houska. This is a shadowy Gothic tale of magic, mystery, and madness set in late-19th-century Bohemia that follows a scientist who travels to the remote Houska Castle, which, it is said, guards a portal to hell. We have kept translation, and will soon have more information and materials to share.



Extra chapters for *Firebird*

The paperback edition of *Firebird* by Juliette Cross, published February 17, 2026, includes three expanded chapters available for translated editions—both for current and future licensors!



Two-in-One for Hannah Bonnan Young

Set the Record Straight (an indie Christmas novella just sold to Bantam Dell in the US and to Bedford Square in the UK) pairs perfectly with the Valentine's Day novella *Time Will Tell* (Amazon Original Stories) for a themed single-volume edition. See details about the two novellas on page 29 and add one (or two!) more titles by this Canadian *New York Times* bestselling author to your list.

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