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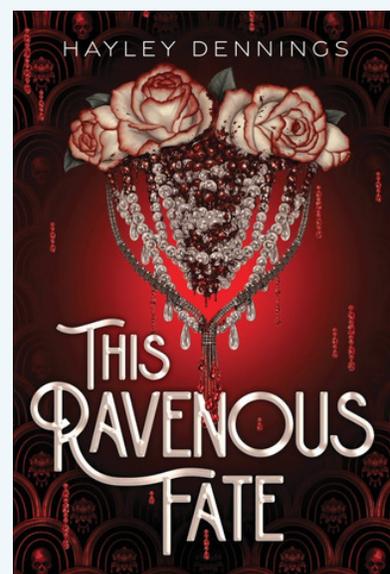
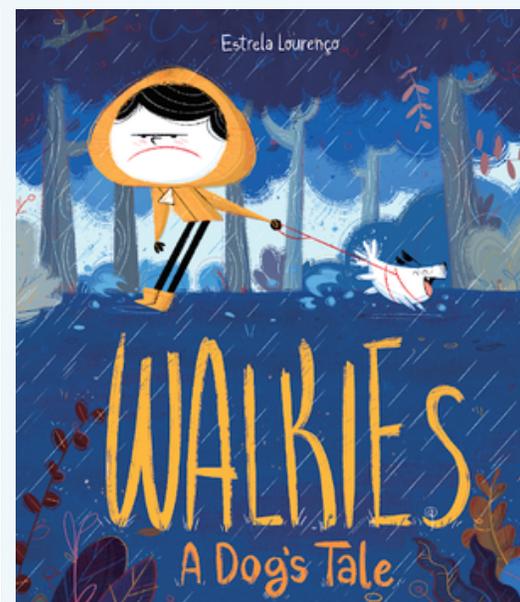
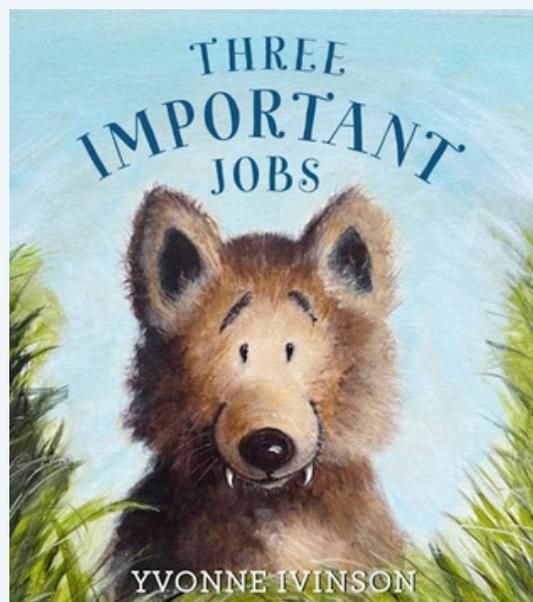
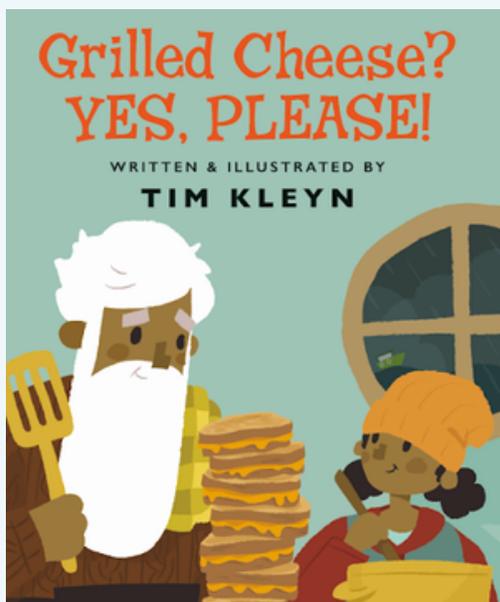


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Updates and Highlights

New Titles:

- From the *New York Times* bestselling author of BETTER THAN THE MOVIES comes Lynn Painter's debut middle grade THE WISH SWITCH!
- Linsey Miller's YA dark academia fantasy THAT DEVIL, AMBITION

New Rights Sales:

- Yvonne Ivinson's THE FOX AND THE BOX and THE MISSING PAIRS to Turkey
- Estrela Lourenço's WALKIES: A DOG'S TALE to Turkey
- Amanda Quain's DASHED: A MARGARET DASHWOOD NOVEL to Poland
- Lynn Painter's THE WISH SWITCH to Brazil

PICTURE BOOKS

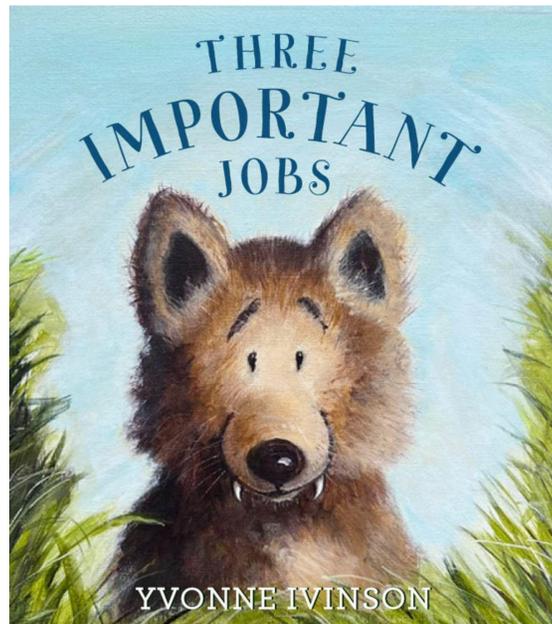
THREE IMPORTANT JOBS

By Yvonne Ivinson

Wolf Cub has three very important jobs: she must find Little Mouse, Floppy Rabbit, and a sack of prickly brushes and bring them back to Big Wolf's den. Wolf Cub carries each in her mouth (even though it tickles) and delivers all three to Big Wolf as promised. Good job, Wolf Cub!

But what happens when Big Wolf, with her big sharp teeth, invites everyone into her den with the promise that no one will feel a thing?

Also available: FOX AND THE BOX and THE MISSING PAIRS



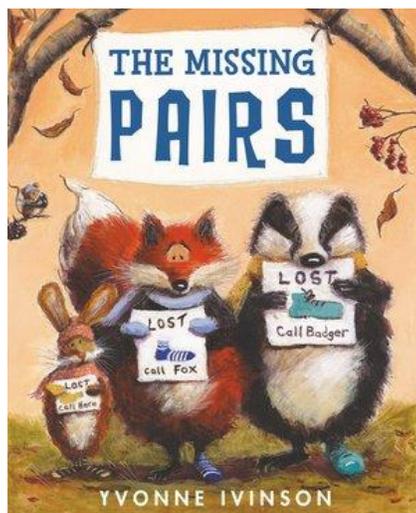
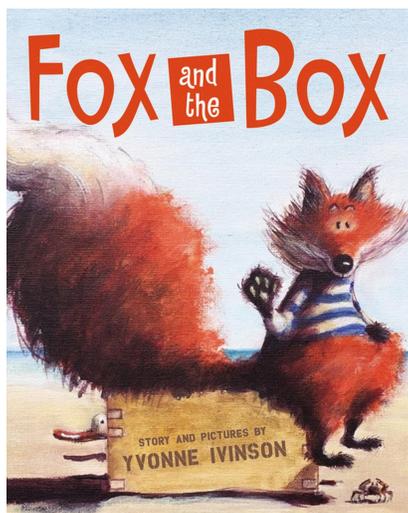
HarperCollins/Greenwillow
November 2023

Turkish: Koç University Press

All translation rights available

Book available

Agent: Tracy Marchini



Praise:

“In a community of animal friends, personal items are going missing. . . Realistic acrylic paintings in deep hues with textured brushstrokes to elicit the furry/fluffy coats and whiskers of the animals provide clues throughout. . . The easily read text, conveyed mostly in dialogue and playfully incorporating the occasional rhyme, brings the mystery to a close . . . An intriguing whodunit couched in a simple story of friendship and indulgence.”—*Kirkus Reviews* on *The Missing Pairs*

“The art’s autumnal cast is winning: the leaves float slowly off the trees, the cast wears bright woolly scarves, and from the looks of the icy blue sky and waving grasses, the forecast is windy with a nip in the air. It practically demands a reading with a side of hot chocolate.” —*Publishers Weekly* on *The Missing Pairs*

“The accessible text interspersing rhyme and playful formatting makes for a lively read-aloud and, together with the artwork, offers a cheery picture-book mystery that will delight many kids.” —*Booklist* on *The Missing Pairs*

About the Author:

Yvonne Ivinson is the author-illustrator of three books for children. She lives in the countryside near London, England, and tries very hard not to misplace her socks, mittens, or boots.

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GRILLED CHEESE? YES, PLEASE!

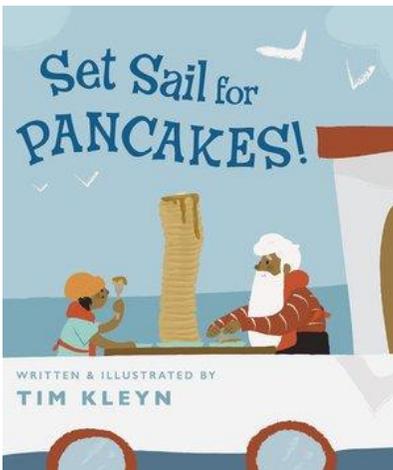
By Tim Kleyn

A stormy and windy night is the perfect time for grilled cheese and tomato soup. But Margot is worried about Mama—she left in her little boat hours ago and the storm outside is raging!

As Grandpa and Margot welcome other busy seafarers into their home to shelter from the storm, her hope—and sandwich supplies—dwindle. When will Margot be able to make Mama that grilled cheese?

From the creator of *Set Sail for Pancakes!*, *Grilled Cheese? Yes, Please!* provides a gentle and beautiful reminder about the magic of community, and helping others and—most importantly—the universal healing power of a perfectly made grilled cheese.

Also Available: SET SAIL FOR PANCAKES!



Praise:

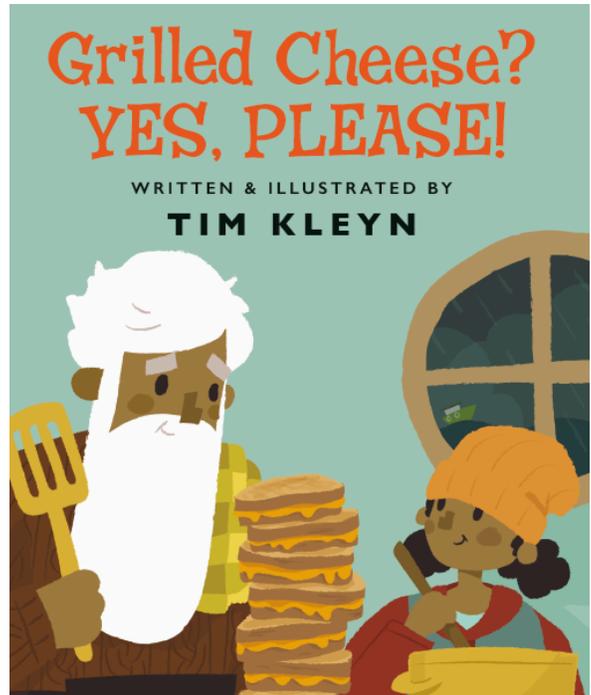
“If readers aren’t hungry for pancakes now, they will be at the end of this book!” —*Kirkus Reviews* on *Set Sail for Pancakes!*

“Kleyn's text and digital illustrations make for a gentle, silly romp that showcases the love between grandfather and granddaughter.” —*Bulletin of the Center for Children's Books* on *Set Sail for Pancakes!*

About the Author:

Tim Kleyn grew up in West Michigan. He earned his BFA in Illustration from Kendall College of Art & Design and works as a graphic designer.

www.kleynillustration.com



Second of 2 books featuring Margot and Grandpa!

**Penguin Random House/Viking BFYR
May 2024**

All translation rights available

Book available

Agent: Tracy Marchini

Walkies: A Dog's Tale

By Estrela Lourenço

On a gloomy, dripping, rain-boots-required kind of day, Kid is ready to stay inside, warm and dry, and play video games. But to Dog, Kid's arrival home means only one thing: it's time for WALKIES!

Outside, rain means puddles to splash in, mud to splock in! Tiny ears perked up, tail a-wagging with joy, Dog bounds through the park, Kid in tow. Playful action sequences, bold facial expressions, and vivid illustrations all drive this wordless tale, transforming a dreary afternoon into a boisterous adventure.

While at first doubtful about the experience, Kid's attitude brightens, buoyed by Dog's playful antics and the surprises and wonder to be found outdoors. Before long, thanks to Dog's positive energy, Kid doesn't think it's such a bad day after all. In fact, it might just be the *best!*

Filled with adorable, exuberant scenes any dog owner knows well, this playful romp is sure to brighten the day of many a young reader, pet owner and non-pet owner alike.

Praise:

"This soggy and exuberant romp would pair beautifully with another atmospheric, near-wordless canine adventure: Doug Salati's sweltering and joyous Caldecott winner *Hot Dog* (2022). A wet and wonderful tale of pet ownership." —*Booklist*

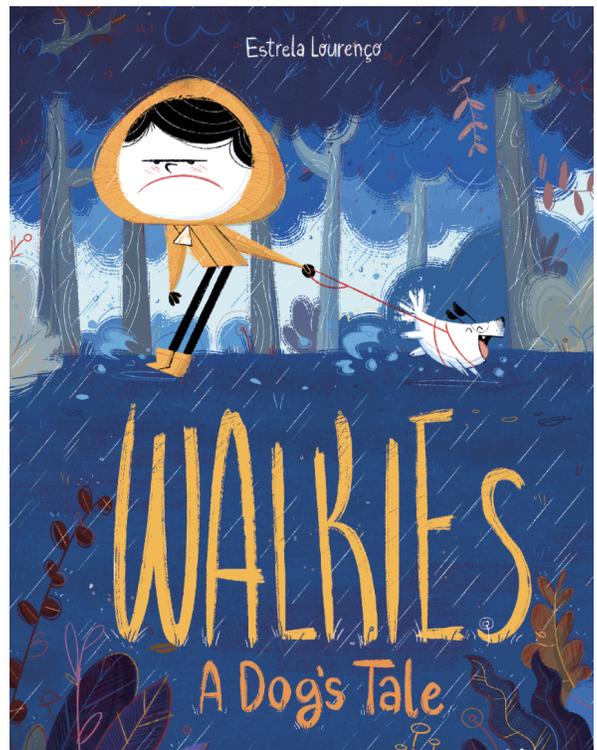
"Hand this to children when the rain comes in and the screens come out." —*BCCB*

"This wordless picture book captures the good, the bad, and the damp of owning a dog." —*Foreword*

About the Author:

Estrela Lourenço is the author and/or illustrator of countless books for children, including *Counting to Bananas*, *Merry Christmas Dear Mars*, her author-illustrator debut *Walkies*, and many more. She worked in the animation industry for 14 years. Estrela is originally from Portugal, and now lives in Ireland with her family.

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Page Street Kids
May 14, 2024

Turkish: Pegasus

All other translation rights available

Book available

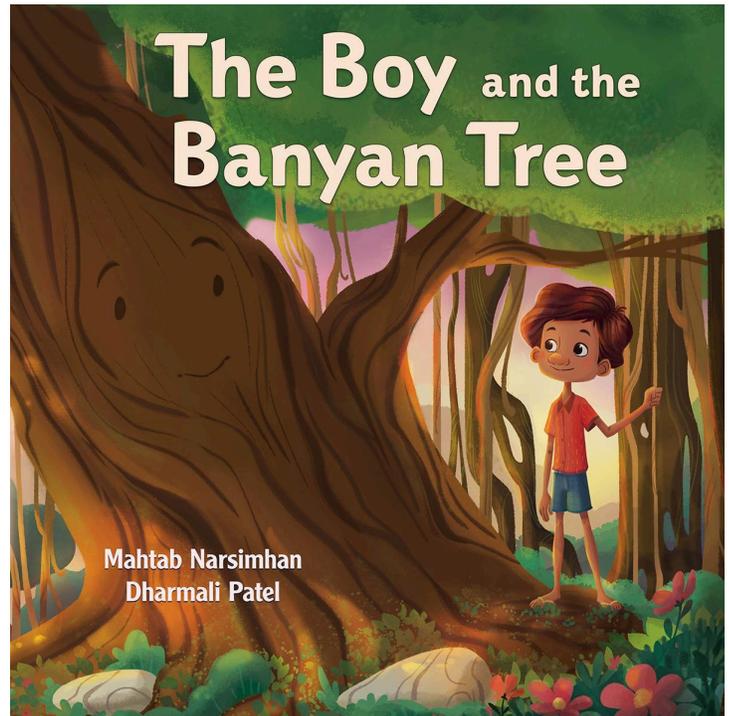
Agent: James McGowan

THE BOY AND THE BANYAN TREE

By Mahtab Narsimhan,
illustrated by Dharmali Patel*

THE BOY AND THE BANYAN brings a new perspective to the classic story of The Giving Tree. A gentle story of growth and learning, this story will make parents feel nostalgic as children enjoy the sage-like guidance of a beautiful, old tree.

In a small village in India, a little boy loves a very old Banyan tree, and asks her to give him the things he desires. But the Banyan tree knows that skills are better gifts than granting wishes, and encourages the boy to learn how to do things for himself



Scholastic Canada/North Winds Press
October 2023

World English and French translation sold

All other translation rights available

Book Available

Praise:

Coming soon!

Agent: Naomi Davis

*Illustrator is represented by Lisa Pomerantz
at Illustration Online LLC. All inquiries about
art should go to her.

About the Author:

Mahtab Narsimhan is an award-winning author with numerous acclaimed books in the fantasy, horror, mystery, and contemporary genres. Many of her books have landed on prestigious award lists, and her debut novel, *The Third Eye*, won the Silver Birch Fiction Award. She is inspired by the desire to make sense of the world through stories and is deeply committed to representing diversity in her books.

Dharmali Patel is a Toronto based artist. Her work spans a multitude of genres and media, from animation to her recent work in children's illustration.

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MIDDLE GRADE

KWAME CRASHES THE UNDERWORLD

By Craig Kofi Farmer

TRISTAN STRONG meets Guillermo del Toro's **THE BOOK OF LIFE** in Craig Kofi Farmer's stunning middle grade fantasy about a boy hurled into the Ghanaian underworld to help his late grandmother save humanity.

Twelve-year-old Kwame Powell refuses to acknowledge any feelings about his grandmother's passing. And he certainly doesn't want to accompany his parents to her celebration of life ceremony in Ghana, where he knows he'll have to face his feelings about her death head-on.

But when an aboatia – a mischievous monkey from Akan mythology – steals Kwame's grandmother's dashiki, his last physical reminder of her, Kwame decides to take matters into his own hands. He chases the little thief across town, to the edge of the pier, and...into a magical whirlpool that leads straight to Asamando, the Ghanaian underworld.

With his best friend Autumn, and the crafty aboatia he names Woo, Kwame finds himself embroiled with angry nature gods intent on destroying humanity. And, matters only get more complicated when he runs into none other than his grandmother herself...except in the underworld, she's still a kid. And very much alive.

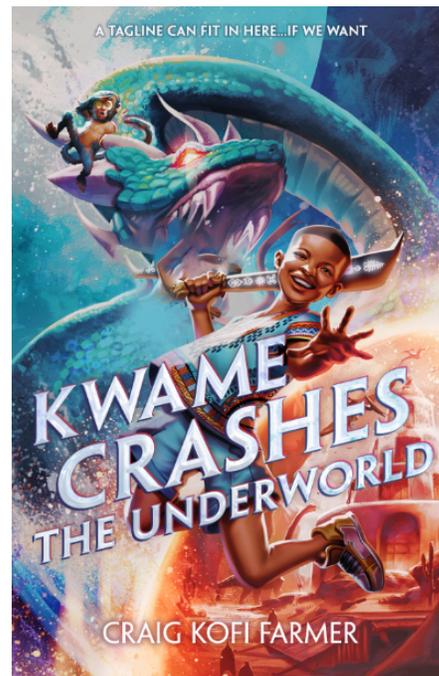
Adventurous and memorable, Craig Kofi Farmer's middle grade fantasy is an immersive and powerful debut that tackles themes of identity, intergenerational connectedness, and how to say goodbye with heart, humor, and an epic dose of magic.

Praise:

"An epic of even more epic proportions, *Kwame Crashes the Underworld* is a rollicking and electrifying adventure of one boy's journey to accept himself, his family, and his cultural heritage. Readers will cry and laugh with and love Kwame Powell, the boy who wears his dashiki with pride and uses it to bring the underworld and its meddling gods to its knees. A new Black boy hero has been unleashed!"—Jamar J. Perry, author of *Cameron Battle and the Hidden Kingdoms*

About the Author:

Craig Kofi Farmer is a Maryland native, born and raised in Prince George's County. Writing-wise, Craig loves to create bold, imaginative stories that take pre-established tropes and interrogate them. In his civilian identity, Craig works in higher education and student affairs to help facilitate a sense of belonging for students that hold traditionally marginalized identities. While his base of operations is in southern California, Craig holds two bachelor's degrees from Towson University in Baltimore County, and his master's degree from the University of Maryland, College Park.



Book 1 of 2

**Macmillan/Roaring Brook
Press
September 2024**

**All translation rights
available**

Book Available

Agent: Emily Forney

MIST BOUND

By Daryl Kho

Hedwig Anuar Book Award Winner

Singapore Book Awards Winner

Alexis' grandfather's memories have just been shattered, and it's kinda sort of her fault. The only cure lies in a concoction called Memory Glue, whose various enchanted ingredients lie in the parallel world of Mist, the fairyland realm where the legendary creatures from her Grandpa's storytime tales are alive and in the flesh.

To make matters worse, Alexis only has one week to gather the ingredients before the break of Spring, otherwise Grandpa's memories will be lost for good. Teaming up with two unlikely companions: the grouchy *kenit* (forest imp) who had cast the fateful memory-zapping spell and her own Grandma that seems to be hiding a secret, Alexis must overcome the hidden mysteries within the Mist if she has any chance of gluing Grandpa's memories back together.



**Penguin, SEA
August 2021**

Territories/Subrights Sold
South-East Asia, North-East Asia,
South Asia (excluding India)

Translation rights available
All other translation rights
available

**UK/Commonwealth rights
available**

Book Available

Agent: Jenissa Graham

Praise:

“An absolutely enchanting tale filled with heart and hope...a celebration of Asian mythology, love and family.” —Joyce Chua, award-winning author of *Land of Sand and Song*

About the Author:

Daryl Kho is a broadcast media veteran who made a living selling other people's stories, and who's also started creating his own. Malaysia-born and Singapore based, he is the author of a sci-fi short story "The Wake-Up Call" published by HarperCollins Children's India, as well as the award-winning family fantasy bestseller *Mist-Bound: How to Glue Back Grandpa* published by Penguin Random House Southeast Asia.

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THE LAST RHEE WITCH

By Jenna Lee-Yun

Since her mother died when she was five years old, it's always just been Ronnie Miller and her dad. Two Korean Americans who, thanks to Ronnie's dad's adoption by white parents, have never felt all that Korean. But Ronnie is okay with that—as long as she has her dad and her best friend Jack, Ronnie is 99% certain she can get through anything.

But as much as she wants everything to stay the same, the world—and her dad—has other plans. Now, Ronnie and Jack are headed away to sleepaway camp for the first time ever. Camp Foster promises all of the outdoorsy activities that Ronnie has so far managed to avoid: ropes courses, scavenger hunts, kayaking on the lake. Ugh. But she can do this. As long as she has Jack.

As it turns out, an old manor in the woods is the kind of place that's crawling with secrets. Secrets like a mysterious gwishin haunting the grounds, a blood-red scarf wrapped too tightly around her ghostly neck. And a witch-hunting dokkaebi intent on finding and silencing the last Rhee witch. And the strange habit all the counselors have of rhyming when they speak . . . just like Ronnie has begun to do lately.

For a girl who wants everything to stay the same, nothing is scarier than all the changes Camp Foster brings. New friends. New foes. Souls with unfinished business. And, possibly worst of all, revelations that disprove everything Ronnie knew to be true.

Praise:

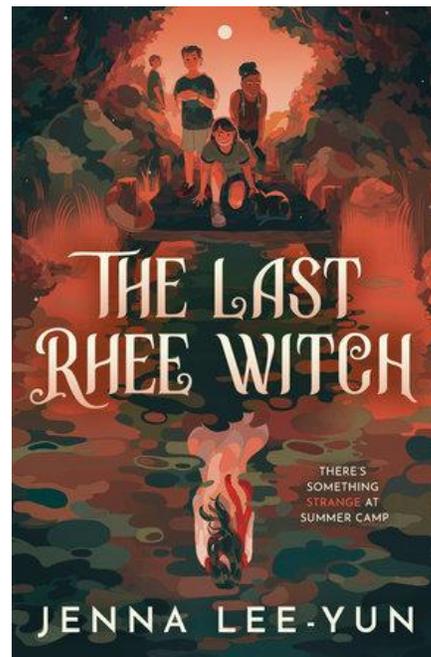
“A spooky yet funny tale of friendship, family, and finding faith in the 1%. I couldn't put the book down, and was rhyming spells long after the last page was turned. With its satisfying and hopeful ending, *The Last Rhee Witch* was utterly bewitching!” —Graci Kim, *New York Times* best-selling author of the *Gifted Clans* trilogy

“Drawing on Korean folklore, the ghost story is suspenseful enough to keep readers engaged, but it's the exploration of family, friendships, and community that give this debut novel extra weight” —*School and Library Journal*

About the Author:

Jenna Lee-Yun lives in the Pacific Northwest where she writes middle grade stories filled with magic, horror, whimsy, and for young Korean kids to see themselves in.

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Book 1 of 2

**Disney Hyperion
May 2024**

**All translation rights
available**

**UK/Commonwealth rights
available**

Book Available

Agent: Emily Forney

THE WISH SWITCH

By Lynn Painter

Magic and mayhem collide in beloved *New York Times* bestselling author Lynn Painter’s hilarious middle grade 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—but she didn’t expect the obnoxious new kid, Jackson, to toss in wishes of his own that literally knocked 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 explode Emma’s friendships/and cost Emma her best friends]. Can they set everything straight in time to prevent a 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:

Coming soon!

About the Author:

Lynn Painter is the *New York Times*, *USA Today*, and internationally bestselling author of *Better Than The Movies*, *The Do Over*, and many more. She writes romantic comedies for both teens and adults, and this is her debut novel for middle graders.

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**Hachette: Little Brown
BFYR
May 2025**

Brazil: Intrinseca

**All other translation rights
available**

Edited manuscript available

Agent: James McGowan

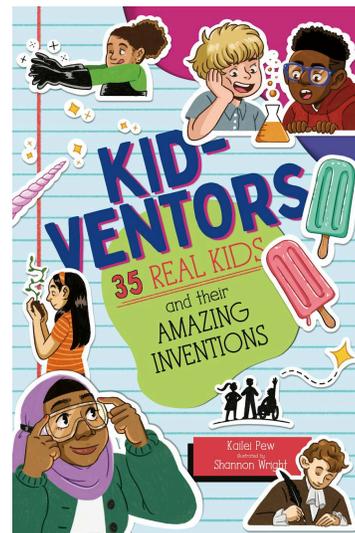
KID-VENTORS

By Kailei Pew

What do swim fins, Popsicles®, Infection-Detecting Stitches, the Braille alphabet, and Taco vs. Burrito all have in common? They were all invented by kids!

When Remya Jose had to spend many hours washing her family's laundry by hand, she invented a pedal powered washing machine that could finish the chore in only 20 minutes! When Tripp Phillips' Lego creations kept falling apart, he developed a glue strong enough to hold his creations together that would wash off when he was ready to build something new! And when Fatima Al Kaabi didn't have anyone willing to teach her about robotics, she turned to the internet to teach *herself* all the skills she needed—and created multiple crowd-pleasing robots in the process!

From Popsicles® and swim fins to robots and glitter shooting prosthetics, Kailei Pew's middle grade nonfiction debut is full of fun and inspiring stories, illustrated by Shannon Wright, about real kid inventors who proved that even the youngest people can change the world.



**Macmillan/Feiwel &
Friends
April 2024**

**All translation rights
available**

Book available

Agent: Emily Forney

Praise:

"Accessible and inspirational, *Kid-Ventors* is an absolute delight of a book, sure to spark young readers' curiosity and entrepreneurial spirit." —Kate Messner, author of the *History Smashers* series

Awarded the Junior Library Guild's Gold Standard selection.

About the Author:

Kailei Pew is the author of the picture books *Monster Above the Bed* and the Junior Library Guild gold standard *I See Color*. She writes both fiction and nonfiction books that help kids see they can do anything they set their minds to

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YOUNG ADULT

ANOTHER FIRST CHANCE

By Robbie Couch

They Both Die at the End meets *You've Reached Sam*, in this heart-stopping speculative young adult novel from New York Times bestselling author Robbie Couch that explores all the different ways love can live on after tragedy.

It's been a year since eighteen-year-old River Lang's best friend died in a car accident. And every day since, he's had to pass by the depressing billboard that appeared as a result: a texting and driving PSA that reduces Dylan to a cautionary tale and River to the best friend of the dead kid at school. Dylan was so much more than a statistic, though, and River hates that everyone in town seems to have forgotten.

When he's caught improving (a.k.a. vandalizing) Dylan's billboard, River is blackmailed into joining the Affinity Trials—a research study that's observing teens who are “struggling socially.” But as soon as he arrives, River's social struggles only worsen as he's thrown together with the last person he wants to spend an entire week with: his ex-best friend and Dylan's former girlfriend, Mavis, who's the only one who knows the truth about the night Dylan died.

During the Trials, River befriends a charming quarterback named Nash, and it doesn't take long for romantic feelings to start bubbling to the surface. But so do bizarre developments within the Trials that make him wonder what researchers are actually studying while monitoring his every move. And when suspicions lead him to a bombshell discovery, River will have to decide just how far he's willing to go for another chance at first love.

Praise:

"Gripping, unique, and heartfelt, *Another First Chance* is a gorgeous exploration of friendship and grief. Both the love story and mystery made my heart race; Robbie Couch is a master of emotion."—Jen St. Jude, author of *If Tomorrow Doesn't Come*

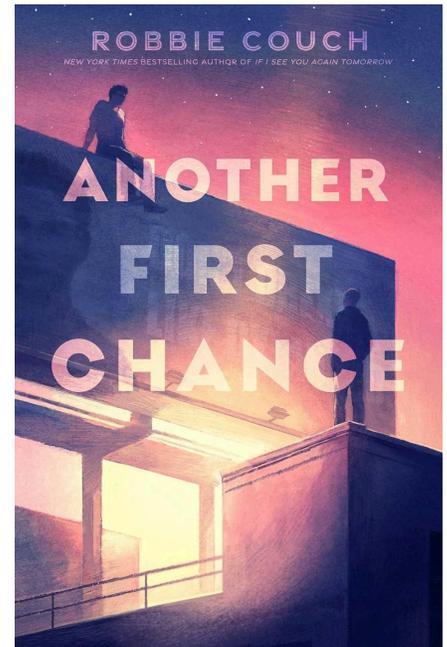
"Equal parts suspenseful and sincere, Robbie Couch had me on the edge of my seat one minute and clutching my heart the next! A completely captivating exploration of grief and the lengths we'll go to so we can move on."—Jason June, New York Times bestselling author

"*Another First Chance* is a compelling and heartfelt tale of friendship, grief, and love in all its forms. The cleverly crafted plot is full of twists and turns that will keep the reader guessing until the final, revelatory page. A truly unique story about the ineffable mark people leave on us when they're gone."—Tobias Madden, author of *Anything But Fine*

About the Author:

Robbie Couch writes young-adult fiction. *If I See You Again Tomorrow*, his New York Times bestselling third novel, has received starred reviews from *Publisher's Weekly*, *Booklist*, and the *Bulletin of the Center for Children's Books*. Robbie's debut, *The Sky Blues*, was a Barnes & Noble Young-Adult Book of the Year finalist and Junior Library Guild selection. Robbie is originally from small-town Michigan and lives in Los Angeles.

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**Simon & Schuster Books for
Young Readers
May 2024**

**All Translation rights
available**

Book Available

Agent: Moe Ferrara

THIS RAVENOUS FATE

By Hayley Dennings

The first book in a decadent fantasy duology set in Jazz Age Harlem, where at night the dance halls come to life—and death waits in the dark.

It's 1926 and reapers, the once-human vampires with a terrifying affliction, are on the rise in New York. But the Saint family's thriving reaper-hunting enterprise holds reign over the city, giving them more power than even the organized criminals who run the nightclubs. Eighteen year-old Elise Saint, home after five years in Paris, is the reluctant heir to the empire. Only one thing weighs heavier on Elise's mind than her family obligations: the knowledge that the Harlem reapers want her dead.

Layla Quinn is a young reaper haunted by her past. Though reapers have existed in America for three centuries, created by New World atrocities and cruel experiments, Layla became one just five years ago. The night she was turned, she lost her parents, the protection of the Saints, and her humanity, and she'll never forget how Elise Saint betrayed her.

But some reapers are inexplicably turning part human again, leaving a wake of mysterious and brutal killings. When Layla is framed for one of these attacks, the Saint patriarch offers her a deal she can't refuse: to work with Elise to investigate how these murders might be linked to shocking rumors of a reaper cure. Once close friends, now bitter enemies, Elise and Layla explore the city's underworld, confronting their intense feelings for one another and uncovering the sinister truths about a growing threat to reapers and humans alike.

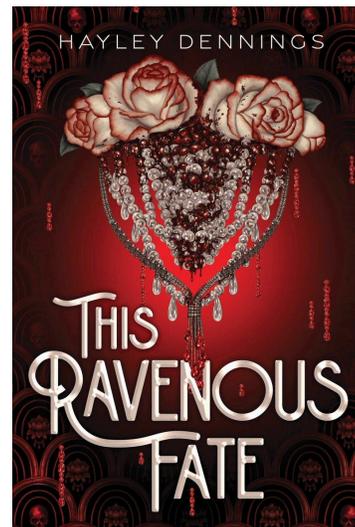
Praise:

“Deliciously Dark and beautifully vicious. *This Ravenous Fate* is the vampire romance I've been waiting for.”
—Ava Reid, #1 NYT bestselling author of *A Study in Drowning*

About the Author:

Hayley Dennings is a queer, Black woman from the Bay Area, and a recent French and English graduate from Loyola Marymount University. She has a YouTube channel, Pages of Hayley, where she discusses books and writing with over 45,000 subscribers and an account on TikTok with over 65,000 followers.

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Book 1 of 2

**Sourcebooks Fire
September 2024**

**UK/Commonwealth:
Hodder and Stoughton**

**All translation rights
available**

Book available

Agent: Emily Forney

THAT DEVIL, AMBITION

By Linsey Miller

Perfect for fans of *All of Us Villains*, *A Deadly Education*, and *The Atlas Six*, in this standalone dark academia fantasy.

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 for Previous Titles:

"Quick, deadly, and surprisingly entertaining." —*Kirkus Reviews*

"Miller packs several complex and nuanced themes into one stand-alone, heart-wrenching tale...it will absorb readers completely. Hand to any lover of magic, rebellion, secrets, and self-discovery." —*Booklist*

"A welcome twist on the tropes of sword and sorcery novels." —*School Library Journal*

"Uber bloody and action packed...the book for anyone who loves a heavy dose of grit and gore with their fantasy." —*Teen Vogue*

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.

LinseyMiller.com



**HarperCollins/Balzer +
Bray
June 2025**

**All translation rights
available**

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Agent: Rachel Brooks

DASHED: A Margaret Dashwood Novel

By Amanda Quain

*In this contemporary update of **Sense and Sensibility**, Margaret Dashwood is setting sail on an adventurous summer cruise—unless love sinks her first.*

Margaret Dashwood lives her life according to plan, and it involves absolutely zero heartbreak, thank you very much. Five years ago, love tore her family apart, and since then, she's kept her own heart as safe as possible. It hasn't been easy, especially since her sister Marianne—the world's biggest romantic—has conveniently forgotten that love burned her so badly she literally almost died. So when their oldest sister Elinor invites Margaret along for a Marianne-free summer cruise, she can't wait to soak up every scheduled moment with sensible Elinor before heading off to college.

But just before they set sail, a newly-single Marianne announces that she's crashing their vacation. Suddenly, Margaret's itineraries are thrown overboard, and the ship's cabin feels even tinier with her sister wailing about her breakup from the bottom bunk. The only solution? Find Marianne a dose of love to tide her over until they reach land.

With help from Elinor, her husband Edward, and Gabe—a distractingly handsome new friend on the crew—Margaret sets out to create a series of elaborate fake dates that will give Marianne the spontaneously curated summer romance of a lifetime. But between a chaotic sister, the growing storm of feelings between Margaret and Gabe, and an actual storm on the horizon, this summer is destined to go off course. Margaret will have to decide what's more important—following the plan, or following her heart.

Praise:

"[A] fun romp full of heart that reimagines a classic." — *Booklist*

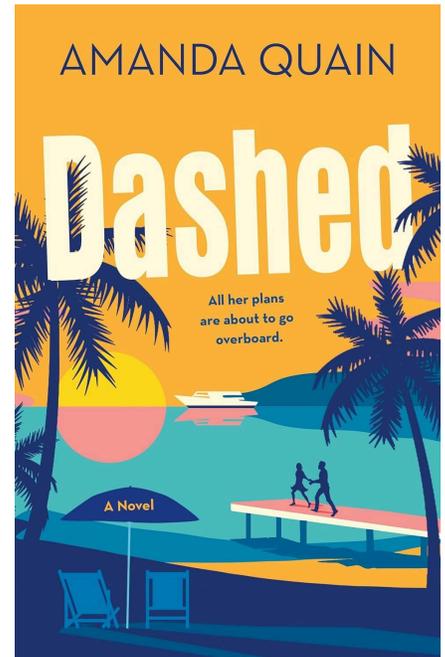
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About the Author:

Amanda Quain is a writer, indie bookseller, and general life enthusiast. When she's not shouting about her favorite new books, she loves theatre, baking, rock climbing, marching band, and the overall pursuit of adventure. If forced to choose, Amanda's favorite Austen hero is Edward Ferrars, though she'll always have a soft spot for Mr. Bingley. She lives in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania with her husband and her cat. ACCOMPLISHED is her first novel.

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DON'T BE A DRAG

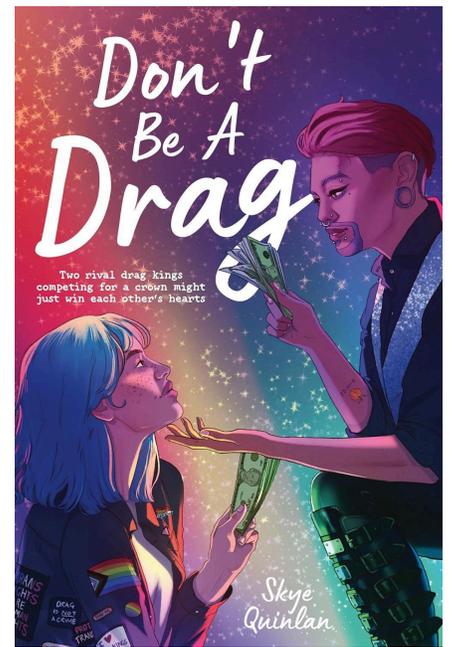
By Skye Quinlan

Two rival drag kings competing for a crown might just win each other's hearts.

When eighteen-year-old Briar Vincent's mental health takes a turn for the worst, her parents send her to spend the summer in New York City with her older brother, Beau, also known as the drag queen Bow Regard.

Backstage at the gay bar where Beau performs, Briar just wants to be a fly on the wall, but she can't stand by when the cute but conceited drag king Spencer Read tries to put down another up-and-coming performer. To prove to him that even a brand-new performer could knock him off his pedestal, Briar signs up for the annual drag king competition.

There's just one flaw in her plan: Briar has never done drag before.



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Praise:

“Honest, hopeful, and full of sparkle, *Don't Be a Drag* shows that sometimes the best way to find your truest self is to let the sides of your personality shine that you've kept hidden from yourself and others.”

—Jason June, *New York Times* bestselling author of *Out of the Blue*

“A realistic and raw portrayal of living with depression and anxiety. *Don't Be a Drag* introduces a fun, messy, memorable found family that I couldn't stop cheering for. Quinlan beautifully shows how we all have the power to face our demons, step into the spotlight, and slay!”

—Jenna Miller, author of *Out of Character*

About the Author:

Skye Quinlan (they/them) was born in California during an earthquake and raised in the Midwest, where cornstalks outnumber people. When they're not writing, you can catch them at the nearest metaphysics or craft store, dressed up in cosplay at the nearest convention, or ruining antique furniture with epoxy resin and paint. Skye still lives in the Midwest with their wife, their two dogs, several lizards, a snake, and the occasional little human (their niece).

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Daniel, Deconstructed

By James Ramos

A nerdy high schooler learns to embrace his main-character energy in this witty and heart-healing ode to movie tropes, meet-cutes, and LGBTQ+ love.

Photographer and film buff Daniel Sanchez learned a long time ago that the only way to get by in an allistic world is to mask his autism and follow the script. Which means he knows that boisterous, buff, and beautiful soccer superstars like his best friend, Mona Sinclair, shouldn't be wasting time hanging out with introverts who prefer being *behind* the camera.

So when Daniel meets a new classmate, Gabe Mendes, who is tall, mysterious, nonbinary, and—somehow—as cool as Mona, Daniel knows exactly how this is going to play out. Mona and Gabe will meet cute, win their nominations for Homecoming Court, and ride off into the sunset together. Daniel just needs to do a little behind-the-scenes directing.

But matchmaking means stepping into the mystifying and illogical world of love, dating, and relationships, where nothing is as it seems and no one knows their lines. And when Daniel finds *himself* playing a starring role in this romance, he'll question everything he thought he knew about himself and his place in the world.

Praise:

"Ramos' delightful novel oozes an energetic, all-encompassing love for geek culture... A charmingly nerdy and romantic coming-of-age story." —*Kirkus Reviews*, STARRED REVIEW

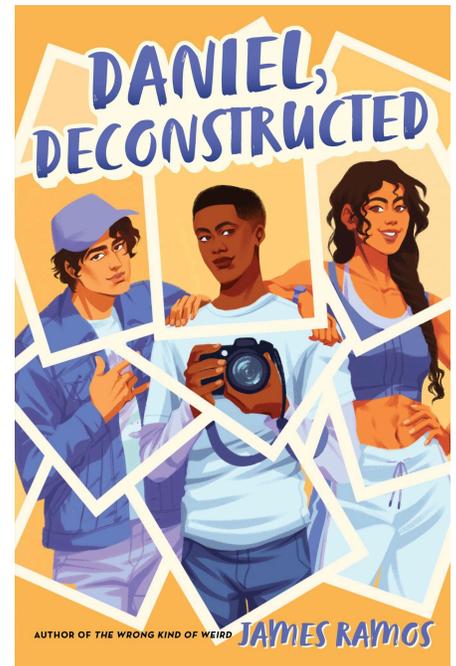
"Via an unapologetically geeky protagonist whose infectious enthusiasm for nerd culture leaps off the page, Ramos captures the sometimes all-consuming fear of trying to figure out who one truly is and the fear of letting go... A spirited read." —*Publishers Weekly*

"A hilariously relatable story about finding who you are and where you belong—and owning it." —Whitney Grandison, author of *A Love Hate Thing*

About the Author:

James Ramos (they/he) is a nonbinary, unapologetically dorky Minnesota native who now calls Arizona home. Weaned on a steady diet of sci-fi, comic books, and classic literature. James is passionate about stories that give voice to marginalized people, especially those within the LGBTQ+ community and people of color.

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THIS PACT IS NOT OURS

By Zachary Sergi

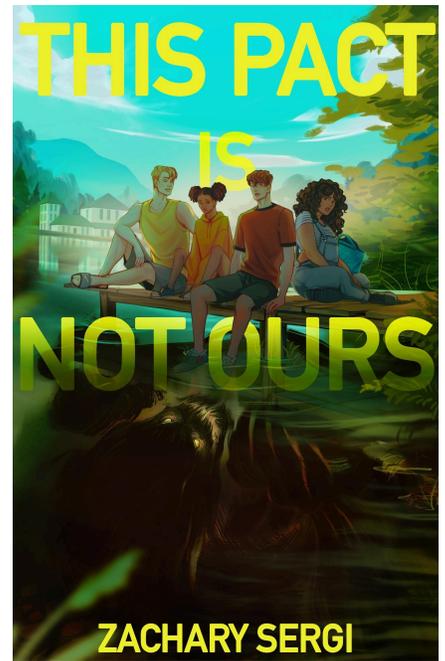
The summer before college Luca Piccone returns to Copper Cove, the idyllic campsite he and his closest friends have visited every year since they were kids. To Luca, Copper Cove is like the setting of the fantasy movies he loves, a sanctuary, protected from the dangers of the outside world, where nothing goes wrong and everything stays the same.

But this year things are changing.

Desperate to make this summer the best one yet, Luca tries to ignore the freshly torn rifts within his tight friend group, the pangs of unrequited love, the anxiety attacks he thought he'd left back at school, and the shadows at the edge of the forest threatening to break free. Until he learns the terrible truth.

Every generation the children of four families are bound by a pact. A pact designed to keep the camp pristine and the monstrous force lurking beneath the campsite imprisoned. But in order to do this, an unthinkable price must be paid—a price that has soaked the previous generations in blood. Can Luca keep his friends, and his favorite place, from being ripped apart?

By the end of the summer, only one thing is for certain: Copper Cove will never be the same again.



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Praise:

“Pure bone-chilling, spine-tingling fun full of creep crawlies, *This Pact is Not Ours* is simply unputdownable! Zachary Sergi smartly takes the concept of a utopia and mines its murky underbelly to create a sinister summer camp romp that explores generational family trauma and what it means to carry the sins of your parents. This is a hauntingly rich story about the bonds and boundaries of friendship that is sure to give everyone the chills!” — Steven Salvatore, critically acclaimed author of *And They Lived...* and *No Perfect Places*

“Zachary Sergi knows how to create the perfect mix of goosebump chills, deep emotion, and page-turning anticipation! *This Pact is Not Ours* had me clutching my heart for the characters and looking over my shoulder for monsters!” — Jason June, *New York Times* bestselling author of *Out of the Blue*

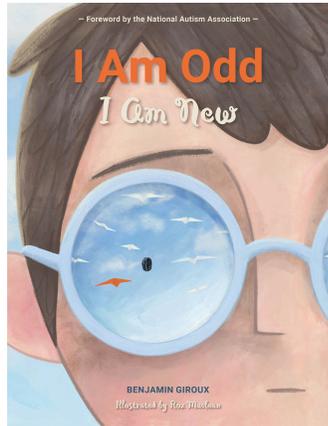
About the Author:

Zachary Sergi is the queer writer of nearly a dozen works of Interactive Fiction, including *Major Detours* and the *Heroes Rise* and *Versus* series. Zachary was raised in Manhattan, studied Creative Writing at Regis High School and the University of Pennsylvania, and now lives in Los Angeles with his husband, where he also writes for television. Catch his other releases from Running Press: *Major Decisions* (2021) and the forthcoming *So You Wanna Be a Pop Star?* (March 2023) featuring non-linear storytelling.

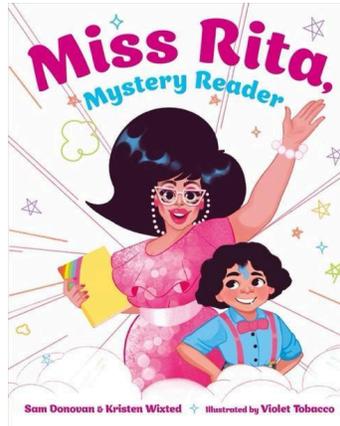
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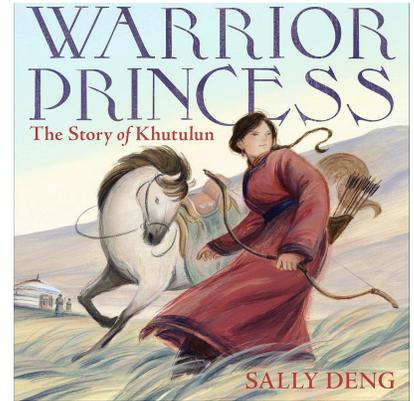
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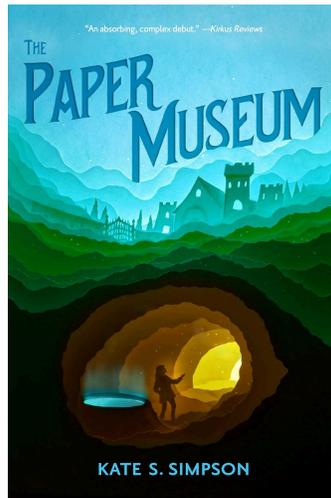


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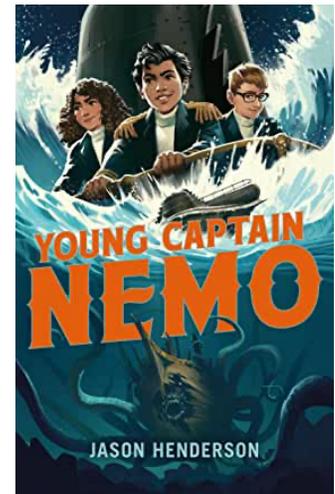
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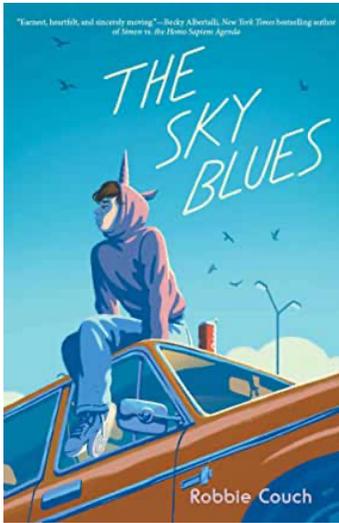


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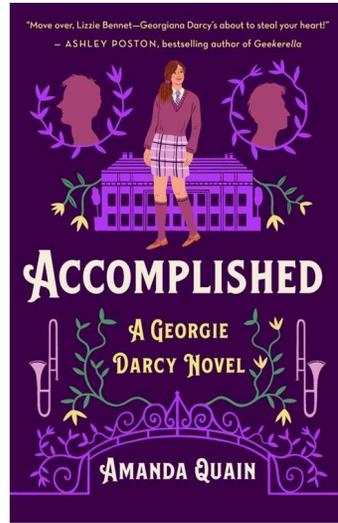


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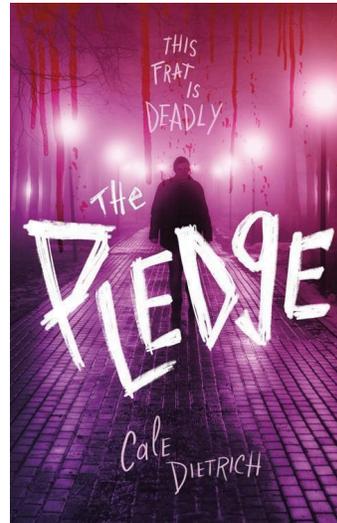
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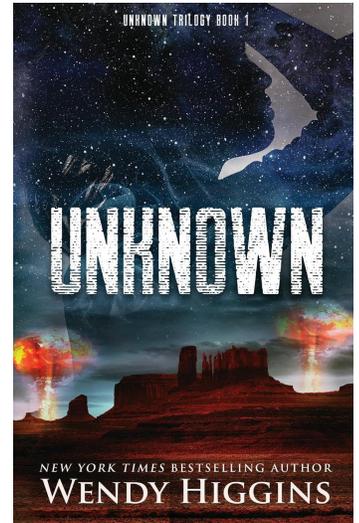
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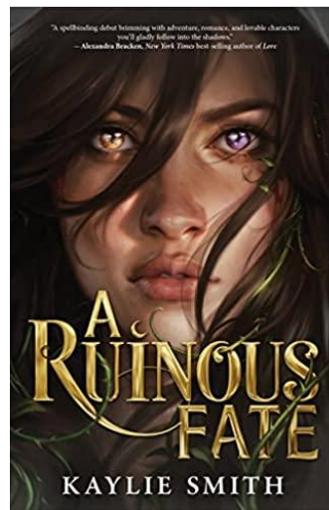
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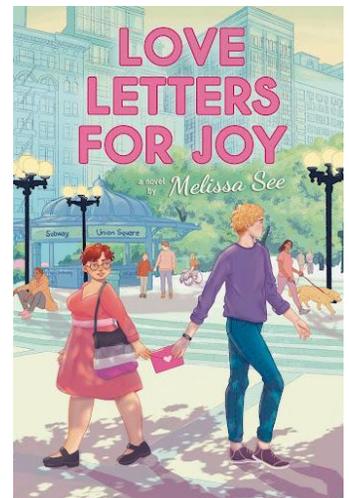
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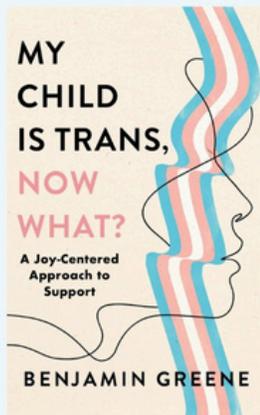
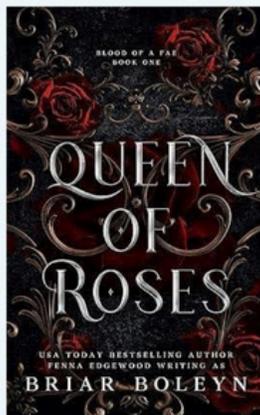
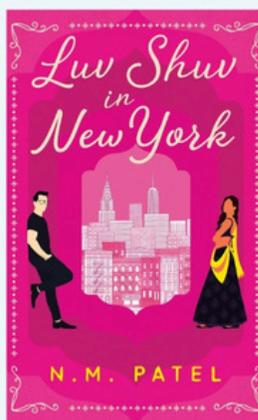
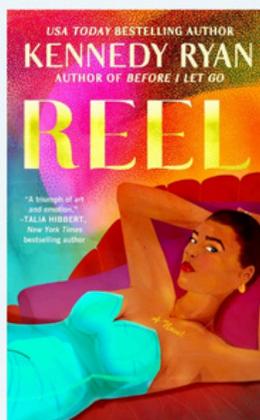
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