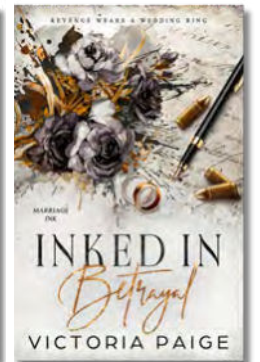
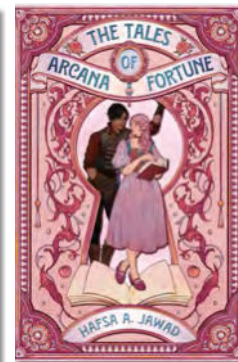
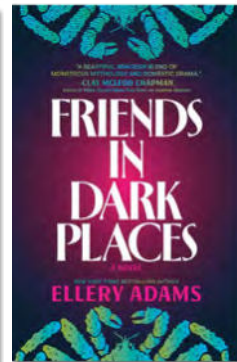
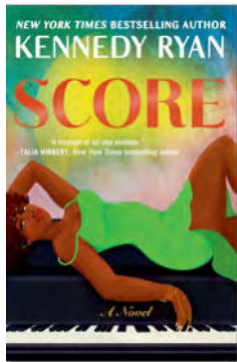
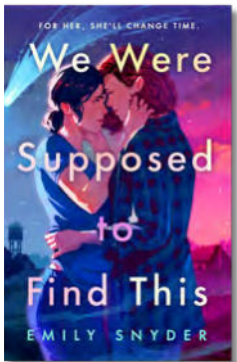
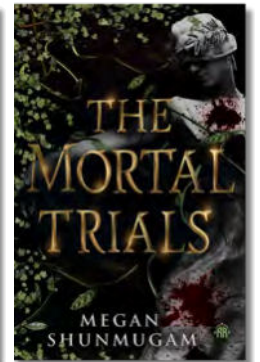
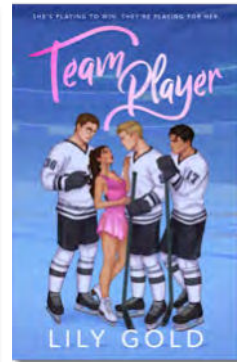
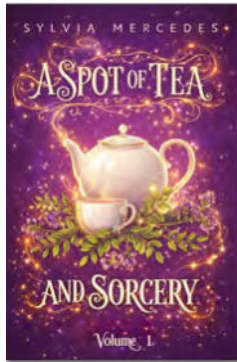
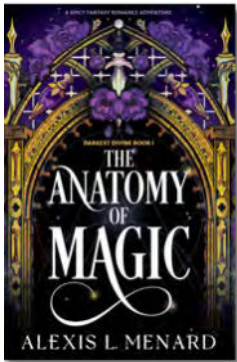




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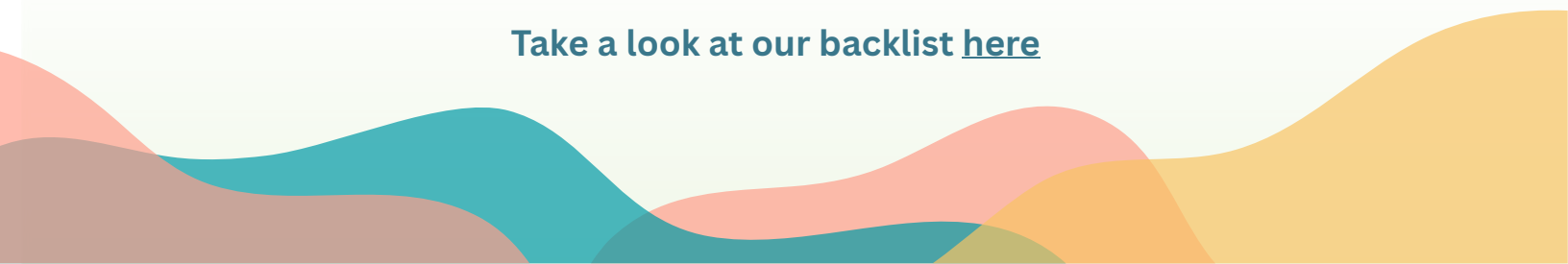
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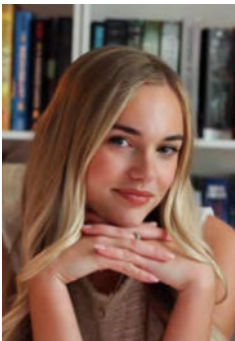
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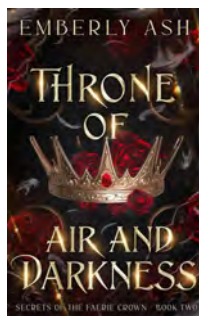
On the run and separated from all her bonded ones, Koryn is left with few friends and even fewer choices. She is the scapegoat for an entire continent. She conquered all Seven Gates—and unleashed a terror upon her homeland that threatens to kill every mortal being. She accepted her bonds to both bounty hunter and god—only to have them stripped away.

Once, she would have succumbed to despair. But the girl that froze to death in a frostbitten forest is the not the witch who know commands an unholy power. And she is not afraid to use it.

An unlikely trio with an unbreakable bond... The Dark God created the witches as his weapon. But he never anticipated Koryn, nor the bounty hunter she brought with her. They have forged a bond, but with all their secrets now in the open, is it truly as unbreakable as they believed? Together, they are the best of Velora. But even their best might not be enough.

See more from Emberly: Secrets of the Faerie Crown series

The Covenants of Velora



About the Author

Emberly Ash is the author of the Secrets of the Faerie Crown series and *A Single Captive Spark*, forthcoming from 47North in 2026. Her books are dark, twisty, and not for the faint of heart.

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Making Demons Bright (Holly Dell Demons 1) Casey Blair

It's up to a burned out project manager and a fire demon to save Christmas...

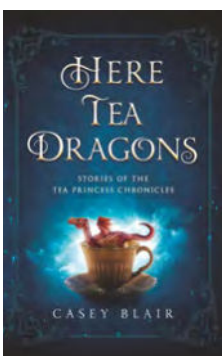
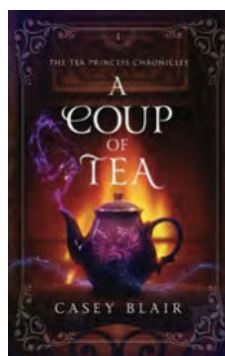
Bailey Pierce is on a desperately needed vacation, but Holly Dell isn't the peaceful escape she planned. The charming mountain town she remembers is dwindling, and when she makes it safely through a blizzard, she finds a dying demon on her cabin floor.

Dreziel needs an anchor to survive in the human world after narrowly escaping his own, and Bailey arrives just in time for him to forge a magical bond between them. He just wasn't prepared to be roped into a campaign to revive Holly Dell—or for Bailey to start trailing magical sparkles as a side effect of their bond.

Now they have no choice but to stick together as they drink hot cocoa, organize cookie festivals, and fight the dangerous demon that chased Dreziel there. Dreziel won't put Bailey at more risk, no matter how drawn he is to her fiery spirit. But Bailey sees a chance for them even after the snow melts, and she's not going to give him up without a fight.

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About the Author

Casey Blair is a bestselling author of hopeful fantasy novels about ambitious women who dare, including the Tea Princess Chronicles, Sundered Realms, and Diamond Universe: Sierra Walker series. Her own adventures have included teaching English in rural Japan, taking a train to Tibet, rappelling down waterfalls in Costa Rica, and practicing capoeira.

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Hunted By the Demon's Vow (The Immortal Hunters 1) 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.

Dacmon, 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, Dacmon 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 Dacmon 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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The Fire That Binds

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Deathrider (The Fire That Binds 3 of 3) Juliette Cross

The jaw dropping conclusion to the *New York Times*, *Sunday Times*, and *USA Today* bestselling author Juliette Cross's *The Fire That Binds* trilogy, where the fates of a powerful witch and a fierce dragon collide, and bring down Rome once and for all.

When Anya learns of a bloodsinger in the fight against Rome's emperor, the hope she'd long buried flares to life. Could it be that one of her sisters is still alive?

The Visigoth king, Alaric, is the key to finding this bloodsinger, and Anya will ally herself with the fierce warrior, even when she knows he has a secret agenda of his own. For Alaric is a dragon fueled by vengeance, determined to bring down the emperor, whatever the cost.

Trusting each other is the most dangerous thing they could do, but their attraction sparks an all consuming blaze. Then Caesar himself sets his sights on the Viper Queen, intending to make her his ultimate trophy. Now Anya and Alaric must risk everything as they race against time and a tyrant to ignite a conspiracy that will either liberate their world—or burn Rome to the ground.

FORTHCOMING FROM JULIETTE CROSS

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About the Author

Juliette Cross is a *New York Times*, *USA Today*, *Sunday Times* 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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Tame the Dark Ella Fields

When war erupts, heirs from across the continent shelter on sacred ground at the Archives of Avyshla. But our sense of safety is shaken when the enemy king sends his heir to join us.

Voran is not merely a prince but his uncle's hunter and assassin. And what his uncle seeks belongs to my family—control of the wyverns—the Scale Crown.

Although no one can spill blood on sacred ground, I fear the prince's intentions are as sinister as he seems.

He proves as much when danger breaches the isle, and he saves me to have me in his debt. To survive, I make a secret deal with him.

Except survival soon becomes longing. A hunger for calloused hands, stifled breath, and accented murmurs that doesn't end with the war.

Instead, it blooms into something even more forbidden. Something that could be my salvation—and the downfall of my kingdom.

Praise for Ella Fields

"Fantasy enemies to lovers, arranged marriage, and villain spice. I'll have another, please." —**Raven Kennedy, author of *Gild***

"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**

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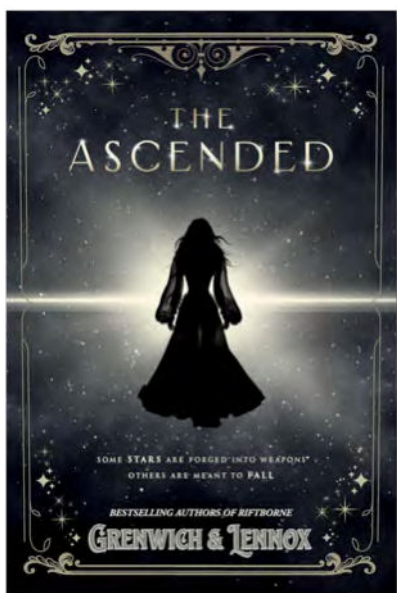


About the Author

USA Today, *Sunday Times*, and international bestselling author Ella Fields resides in Australia with her husband, two children, and furry critters. A lover of chocolate, magic, and words—she enjoys exploring the sharper sides of love in varying genres of romance. Previous titles have been translated into French, German, Hebrew, Hungarian, Italian, Polish, Portuguese, Russian, and Spanish.

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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.

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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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See more from Emma:



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.

NEW FROM EMMA HAMM



Silk & Scale is the new indie series by Emma Hamm—a spinoff of her bestselling Deep Waters series where snake men in a dystopian world are ruled by an AI overlord. The first book in this collection of four monster romance titles, PHANTOM OF THE WASTE (*Final MS available*), will launch in January 2027, followed by SHIMMER OF THE SANDS, OMEN OF THE DUNES, and SHADOW OF THE BARRENS.

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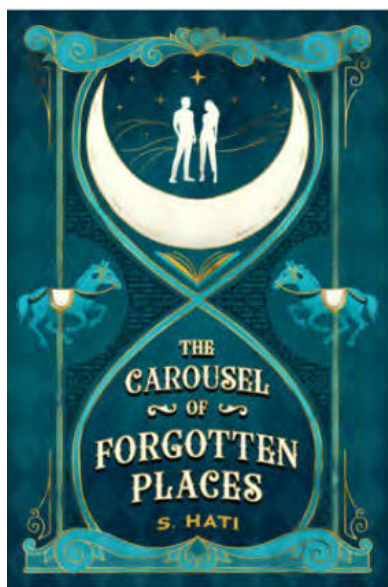
About the Author

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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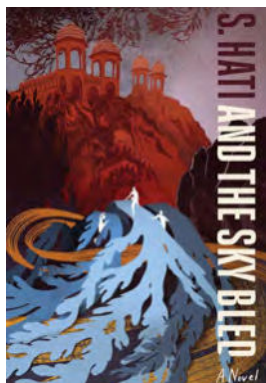


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The Carousel of Forgotten Places S. Hati

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***

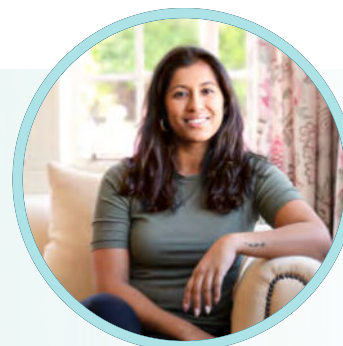
"Whimsical world, tender romance, and achingly relatable protagonist" - **Emily Charlotte, author of *Heart Check***

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

About the Author

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 Bled* (Bindery, 2024) and *Morbid Curiosities* (F&F, 2026).

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Beyond the Tides trilogy

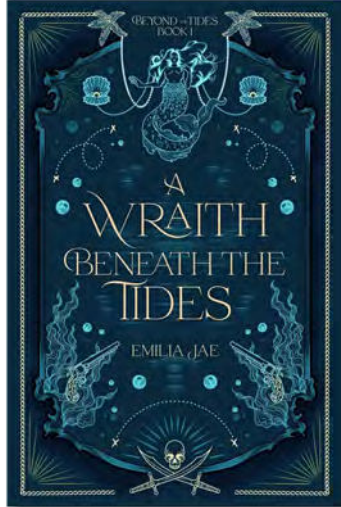
A Wraith Beneath the Tides

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Raised in secret by the sea's most feared pirate, Esmyra Blackwood knows nothing of her past or the origins of her mysterious powers.

In the mortal kingdom, Draevyn Rowe is the second-born son of the tyrant king, and the only known fire-wielder of their realm.

Esmyra and Draevyn's journeys collide when she kidnaps him to force a trade with the king for her captain's life. But when her barter is refused, she is instead tasked with unearthing a kingdom lost a thousand years prior. Together, the two are forced to navigate a labyrinth of lies and secrets in search of the sunken kingdom.

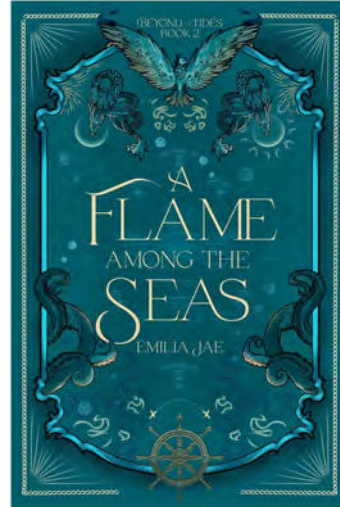
A Flame Among the Seas

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Esmyra now knows the truth of her magic, but it cost her everything. Draevyn shattered her heart, and she's sworn to make him pay. But when her hunt uncovers ancient lies, she finds herself entangled in a battle far greater than vengeance.

The truths revealed will unravel everything Esmyra thought she knew about him, herself, and the goddesses risen from the waves. Meanwhile, powers older than any empire stir, enemies wear masks of loyalty, and her own heart betrays her with its unrelenting pull toward the one man she's vowed to hate.

About the Author

Emilia is an author of dark, epic, and romantic fantasy stories that subvert usual genre tropes by giving them a gender-bent twist. In this, she makes the female main character the immortal and more powerful being, while her male counterpart is either human or possesses less magic.

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Eat, Slay, Love Ana Kirk Shaw

I'm a terrible demon slayer-I need a kill, or else my legendary slayer family might finally decide I'm not worthy of the name. So when I catch one feeding in a dark alley, I attack. But something is... wrong. He escapes. (Certainly not because I let him.)

So I hunt him. Jonah.

Except Jonah isn't... behaving like a demon. He protects people who can never know what he is and somehow makes me feel safe. Worse, the truth about what he was taking from that human in the alley-and the impossible magic he awakens in me-shatters everything slayers have believed about demons for centuries.

I should kill him anyway. Instead, I save his life. ...And end up in his bed. So, the hunt is going great. Now I'm hiding Jonah from the people who raised me to kill him. But when something far more dangerous begins hunting the people he'd die to protect, neither of us can stop it alone.

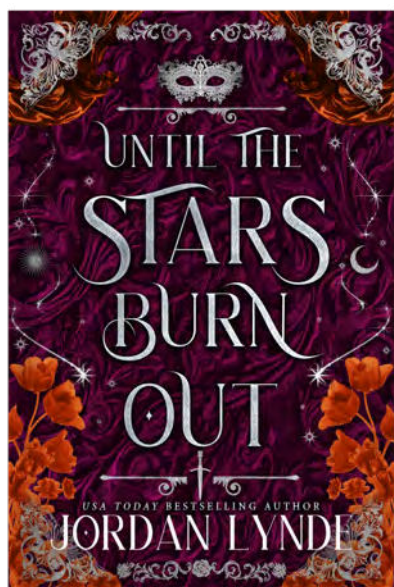
I was trained to put a blade through Jonah's heart. Instead, I'm going to give him mine.

About the Author

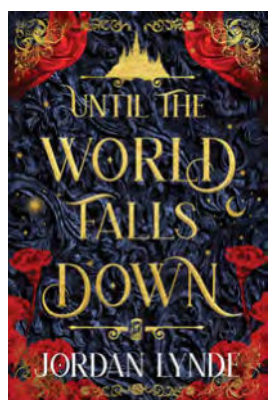
Ana Kirk Shaw a teacher by day and romance author by night (plus weekends and summer break). A born-and-bred New Yorker, she lives in Brooklyn with her husband and a small battalion of feral creatures (their children and their cats).

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Until the Stars Burn Out (Until the World Falls Down 2 of 3) Jordan Lynde

The sweeping and romantic follow-up to the *USA Today* bestselling *Until the World Falls Down*, in which Nell and Enver must find a valuable artifact and vanquish a threat to the kingdom, without losing each other—or themselves.

The labyrinth has been destroyed and Enver's curse broken. But despite the love between Nell and Enver, and the searing attraction that binds them, Enver is still keeping secrets. And Nell doesn't know if she can fully trust him.

When she discovers that Enver is searching for his lost relic, she insists upon helping him with his quest, a journey that will take them across realms--and bring them face-to-face with those once trapped in the labyrinth, as well as figures from Enver's past. And though Enver denies it, the two lovers need all the help they can muster if they want a chance of finding what they seek.

These encounters test their bond, allowing for moments of devastating intimacy, even as they tear at their insecurities. And when Nell happens upon the man responsible for Enver's century of confinement and learns of his intent to rise to power, she must make a choice.

With the aid of the friends she helped break free, she comes up with a plan to avenge the wrongs done to her beloved and keep them all safe.

But should it fail, it might cost her Enver's heart--this time for eternity.

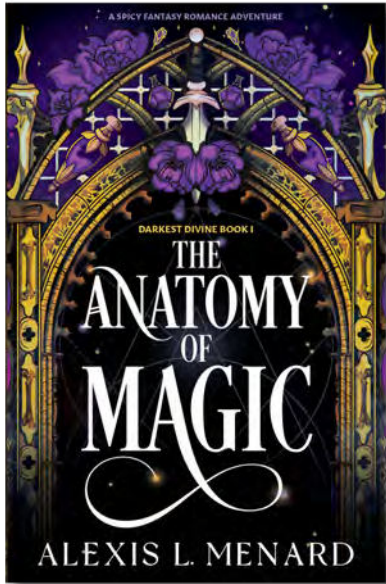
About the Author

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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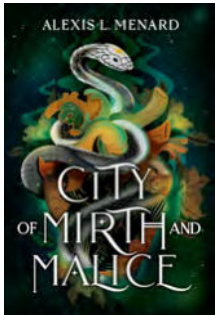


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See more from Alexis:



The Anatomy of Magic (Darkest Divine 1 of 2) Alexis L. Menard

Enter a world of forbidden magic... Where falling in love could be the last mistake you ever make.

In the city of Valveron, an elite academy seeks to control all magic. But in the darker districts, every kind of power is for sale. If you can pay the price. Nina Veyr has a dangerous secret—illegal magical abilities she cannot explain. If the city's enforcers found her, she would be executed... or worse.

For years, Nina has stayed in the shadows, picking pockets and smuggling enchanted relics to get by. Then she steals from the wrong man. Max Antonin is the most powerful crime boss in the city. Cold, deadly, and breathtakingly attractive, Max has his sights set on Nina, and nothing will stand in his way.

But when Nina is framed for a shocking murder, Max offers to help her find the true killers. She knows she can't trust him—that deals with a devil always come at a cost. But there's no way she can survive on her own.

As they follow a trail of bodies into the city's underworld, Nina feels a dangerous attraction pulling her ever closer to him. Can she trust her life and her heart to Valveron's most ruthless criminal?

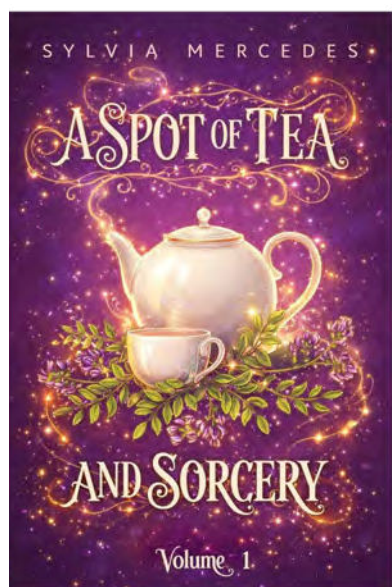
The Anatomy of Magic is a thrilling fantasy romance full of searing chemistry and razor-sharp banter. It's perfect for fans of Callie Hart, Carissa Broadbent and Elise Kova.

About the Author

Alexis L. Menard is a registered nurse based out of Louisiana where she lives with her family. She enjoys long walks through the Renaissance Fair, reading spicy romance into the dark hours of the night, and wine nights with friends.

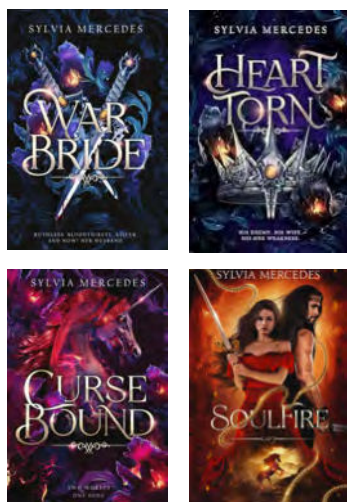
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See more from Sylvia:



A Spot of Tea and Sorcery (A Spot of Tea and Sorcery 1 of 6) Sylvia Mercedes

When a rain-drenched stranger blows through the door of his flower shop and—quite literally—into his arms, something fearfully unexpected and utterly inconvenient occurs. Nigel Grimm falls in love. At first sight.

But this is terrible! Nigel doesn't deserve to fall in love! He was once a sorcerer of unmatched skill, consort of the Shadowbane Lady, and master of the dark arts. In his thirst for power, he drove the entire kingdom to the brink of famine.

Now he lives a life of self-isolation, tending to the needs of a sentient garden and selling flowers. As far from the lure of sorcery as he can get. But when he meets talented tea witch Luna Talbot, she's starving, out of work, and in desperate need of assistance. What else is he supposed to do? Naturally, he offers her a job.

Now Nigel's life is filled with complications, from learning how to brew a proper cup of tea to impress her to figuring out how these phantom figures stalking the city streets at night are somehow connected to Luna's mysterious past. Most importantly, can this former Dark Sorcerer find a way to protect his own fragile heart from the perils of unrequited love?

RECENTLY PUBLISHED FROM SYLVIA MERCEDES

Soulfire is the conclusion to Sylvia Mercedes's epic romantasy quartet, Warbride. This series is a dual point-of-view (his and hers) forced marriage fantasy quartet with a dangerous, brooding hero, kiss-or-kill vibes, and swift-to-ignite steam that will leave you begging for more. All translation rights are available!

About the Author

Sylvia Mercedes makes her home in the idyllic North Carolina countryside with her handsome husband, numerous small children, and a menagerie of rescue cats and dogs. When she's not writing, she's running around after her littles, cleaning up glitter, trying to plan healthy-ish meals, and wondering where she left her phone.

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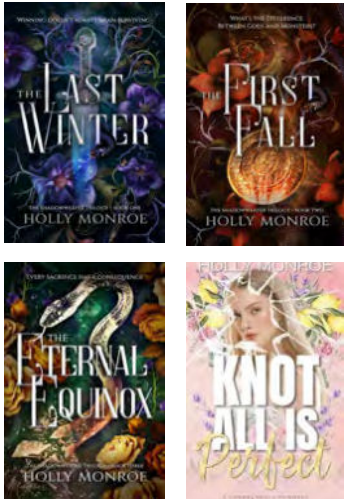


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See more from Holly:



Daughter of Garnet (Garnet Omega 1) Holly Monroe

Once a year, new university graduates gather to learn who the Gods have chosen to Bless with shifted forms, designating them as Alpha or Omega. When Zoe completes the ceremony without shifting, she's proclaimed a Beta and sent to the Institute to be trained for her future career.

Except that the moment Zoe placed her hand on the stone of the long forgotten fire Goddess during the ceremony, a voice whispered in her ear. It proclaimed her an Omega and swore her to secrecy, which shouldn't be possible. A dormant Goddess wouldn't wake up for her.

It was the ramblings of her nervous mind and her fear of being designated as an Omega.

She's a Beta. There's no other explanation. Things were supposed to be easy at the Institute. She'd take classes with her best friends Warren and Viv, keep her head down, and coast for the next four years. If she ignores the changes in her body, the Alpha who is convinced she's an Omega, and the one who thinks she's wearing synthetic pheromones, things are going okay.

Harder to ignore is her stalker. But he's harmless, right? When the fire Goddess speaks to Zoe and begs for help, Zoe is conscripted into something much bigger than her, and she had better come to terms with her new reality fast.

About the Author

Holly Monroe reluctantly lives in Florida and writes fantasy, omegaverse, and paranormal romance books you can disappear in with characters worthy of obsessing over. She invites you to come for the heat, but stay for the heartache because she's never met a character she can't traumatize. Don't worry - she always gives them their happily ever after.

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Soulfyre (Godsfyre 1) Samantha Nell

Hunted. Powerful. Rare.

Airess Haeleth longs for freedom after a decade of confinement in the capitol. The royals of House Lucien have a different plan for her-intending to marry her off to the crown prince. On the night of the engagement ball, she finds herself dreading her future more than ever. That is until she meets a notorious Fae male that has her going from future queen to traitorous noble overnight.

Hunter. Criminal. Conflicted.

Taryn Seas is an assassin with a mysterious past. When his Guildmaster sends him on a mission to capture a girl of rare power, Taryn believes it's just another job-until she upends his meticulous plans, and the monarchy places a bounty on both their heads.

Forced to become reluctant allies, Taryn and Airess flee Luciena and the Guild and travel to the only other continent on earth. What begins as a desperate escape quickly turns into a dangerous adventure as they unearth an ancient prophecy, and discover the truth about their world's history.

As Taryn and Airess grow closer to the truth-and each other-they discover who they truly are... or aren't.

About the Author

Samantha Nell is a Fantasy Romance author from the USA. She resides in the North Georgia mountains with her husband and dog, Millie. When she is not writing books, you can find her at a yoga class, baking, or reading (of course). Samantha began writing at a very young age, but finally decided to work on publishing her own book in 2024. *Soulfyre* is her debut novel.

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Malca Champagne



Fae it Ain't So (Witchfully Wed 3 of 4) Ava Ross

I'm a strategy witch who plans for everything—except falling for my fae king husband. After being offended at the wedding ceremony, I decide to keep this arranged marriage strictly professional and focus on what I do best: solving problems with logic, not feelings.

Except magical chaos has other plans. Wilting festival flowers, lords and ladies bursting into random giggling fits, and my supposedly frivolous husband asking for my help? Suddenly I'm deep in an investigation I never wanted, working beside a king who's annoyingly good at making me forget why I'm supposed to keep my distance.

Then we discover someone's been sabotaging the court for over a year. With the Emotional Bloom Festival days away, we must unmask the culprit or watch our alliance crumble. The real danger? I'm falling for a man I assumed was all royal charm and perfectly styled hair. But when our magic harmonizes to heal his realm, the biggest mystery becomes whether I can trust my traitorous heart, or if letting my guard down will destroy everything I'm trying to protect.

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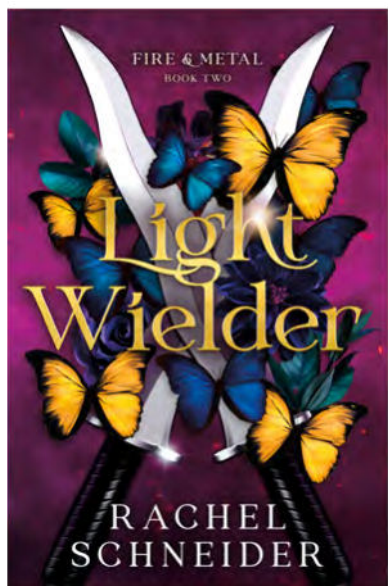
See more from Ava:



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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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*

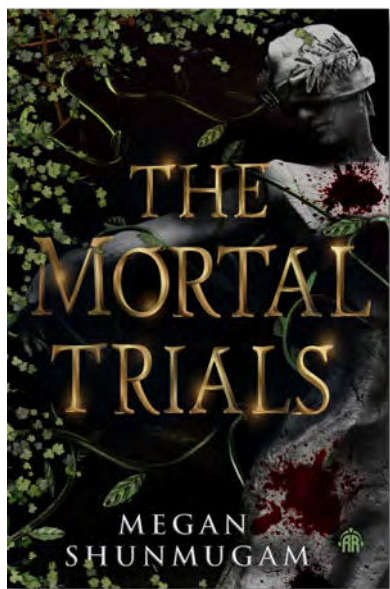
About the Author

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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The Mortal Trials (Isles of Wrath 1) Megan Shunmugam

Every decade, thirteen humans from the Isles of Tarlor are forced to compete in a series of challenges called the Mortal Trials. Hosted by the elven, each one is more dangerous than the last. If you lose, you're dead. But winning means immortality and everlasting glory—a feat only ever accomplished by one person.

Mistaken for someone else, Lirah is thrust into a foreign land to compete for her life. Survival won't be easy, but she's paired with a powerful mentor, Kilian Valhan, who is tasked with guiding her through the Trials.

Everything about Kilian is infuriating. He is brooding, intimidating and purposefully provoking. Even then, Lirah cannot deny the flame of attraction that burns bright between them.

The gods are stirring, and dark secrets will draw Lirah into the underbelly of elven conspiracy. And though enduring the Trials might tempt death, falling in love will prove fatal.

Praise Sold out at Allurial in 5 days

“A gripping tale of resilience, determination and friendship in the face of despair. Megan has crafted a complex world with ancient curses between elven, fae, gods and mortals that leave you dizzy with anticipation and breathless with every turn of a page.” —**Hazel McBride, *Sunday Times* bestselling author of *A Fate Forged in Fire***

“Rife with the best sort of physical and emotional sparring and an electrifying romance you can't help but root for, this is a captivating debut and a journey I'll be sure to follow.” —**Shalini Abeysekara, #1 *Sunday Times* bestselling author of *This Monster of Mine***

About the Author

Megan Shunmugam is a conflicts lawyer, based in Johannesburg, South Africa. She holds a Bachelor of Commerce and Bachelor of Laws. In her free time, she enjoys writing fantastical stories set in other worlds, featuring legendary creatures and epic love stories.

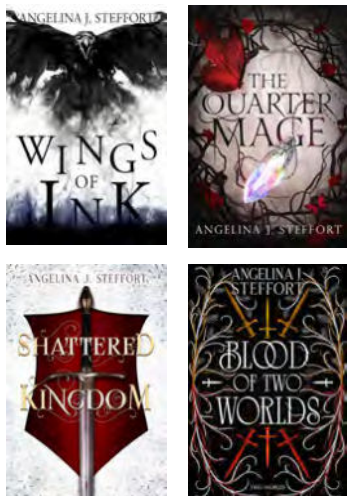
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See more from Angelina:



Red Runs the Blood (Bright Burns the Flame 2 of 5) Angelina J. Steffort

Survive Ashthorn. Learn to kill.

Nobody expected Elory Vednis to survive Ashthorn's trial—but survival was only the beginning. Despite having proven herself, she is far from having earned the Triad's trust.

As her deadly magic grows, so do the cracks in everything she thought was true. Secrets surface. Loyalties shift. Nothing is what it seemed.

Once, Lory fought to stay alive. Now, she must learn to wield death itself to defend what matters most.

Welcome back to Ashthorn Ward: Your instructors await, and the stakes are higher than ever.

Red Runs the Blood is the sizzling sequel to the bestseller epic romantasy Bright Burns the Flame. Perfect for fans of high stakes emotional reads full of morally gray heroes, heroines who fight for their own power, and magical academies filled with secrets, danger, and found family that warms the heart.

Praise for Angelina J. Steffort

"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 a million copies of her books sold, and 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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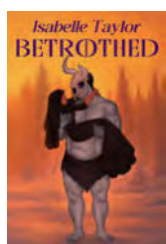
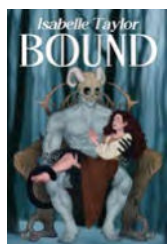


Anja Radziszewska



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Skullstalker Bride Series



Fall for a Fairytale (Fall for a Fairytale 1 of 2) Isabelle Taylor

In this cozy romantasy, a charming orc con artist convinces an orphaned fae that she could be the kingdom's lost princess, thrusting them both on a dangerous adventure with high stakes, a flying pirate ship, and steamy romance.

Clove has no idea where she's from or who her family is. As a young fae, she woke up with no memories and a killer injury to her wing. Since then, she's worked at various taverns, saving money and getting closer to Wingspire City with her adorable furry companion, Goosebug. Now, she's ready to say goodbye to her past and find her future.

Jayce, a charming and handsome orc, is used to being scrappy. He's on the run from a notorious crime lord who he borrowed money from (and never paid back). But his predicament fades away when he finds the girl he's been looking for—a fae who could pose as the missing princess.

Together with Jayce, Clove has never felt so alive, sneaking onto moving trains and soaring through the clouds on a magical pirate ship. Despite her better judgment, she's beginning to trust him—he's so certain she's the missing princess, and she desperately wants him to be right. But will she ever be able to say goodbye?

Praise

"A rollicking fast-paced adventure with delightful characters and a swoony romance. From start to finish, this enchanting cozy romantasy is a whole lot of fun!" —Emily Krempholtz, *USA Today* bestselling author of *Prudence Marsh Is Not a Nobody Anymore*

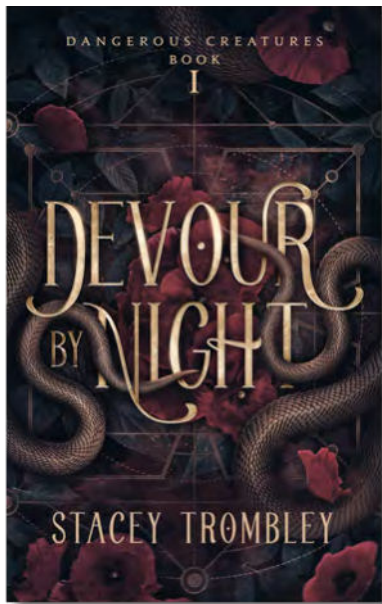
About the Author

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 the Night (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.

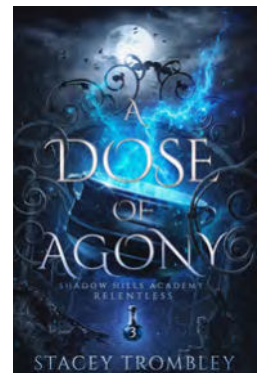
I am bound and dragged inside the caverns that make up the death cult's underground city, where I expect to be sacrificed to their demon goddess.

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.

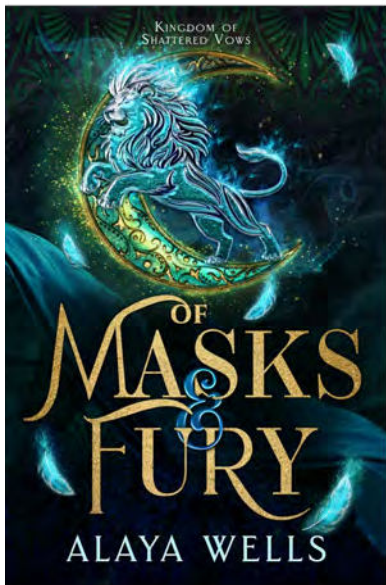
See more from Stacey:



About the Author

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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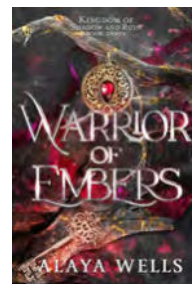
Of Masks and Fury (Kingdom of Shattered Vows 2) Alaya Wells

My sister is alive, tortured, and hidden by the man who raised me, and I stormed the castle to save her. Now I'm trapped behind gilded walls, forced to smile at suitors who might be assassins, while the rebel king I love pretends to be my bodyguard. Every stolen glance could expose us. Every touch is a risk we can't afford to take.

Twenty-three innocent people are scheduled to die on the upcoming Day of Mercy, and my father has told me I must choose a husband to control me before that time. And somewhere beyond these walls, a conspiracy is unfolding that connects my bloodline to the magic my kingdom has spent decades trying to eradicate.

I've worn the mask of a dutiful princess for sixteen years. Now it's cracking, and everyone will see what lies beneath. I wield forbidden magic. I love a rebel king. And I will burn my father's kingdom to the ground before I let anyone I love die. Mercy wore a white mask. Vengeance wears a crown.

See Alaya Wells's Kingdom of Shadow and Ruin Series:



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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R O M A N C E

Hannah Bonam-Young

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Time Will Tell

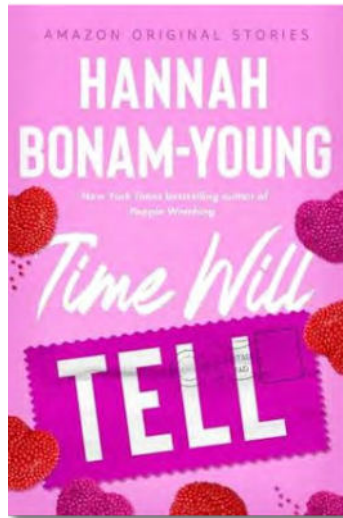
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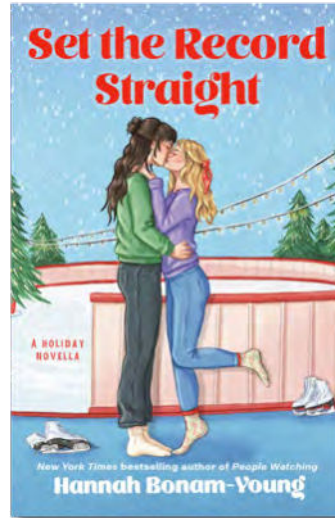
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In *Time Will Tell*, when a history teacher receives a letter from her deceased grandmother revealing a secret love affair in the 1950s, it leads her to a mysterious time capsule hidden decades ago.

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.

Set the Record Straight



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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.

See more from Hannah:

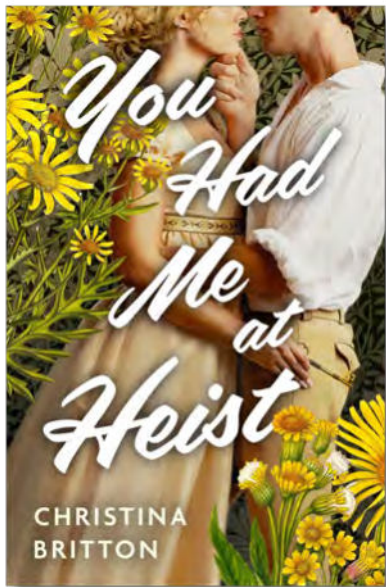


About the Author

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.

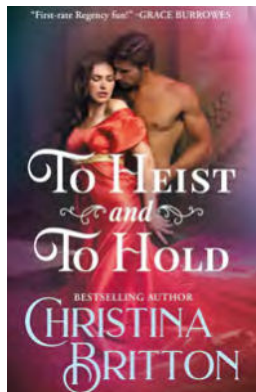
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Wimpole Street Widows
Society #1



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.

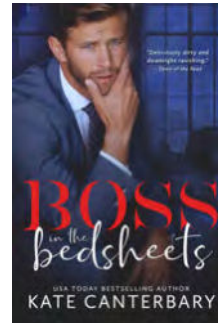
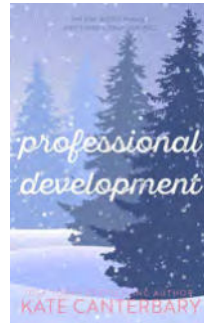
Years later—divorced and done with relationships—Audrey runs right into the one man she never managed to forget. Except Jude isn't the rebellious bad boy she remembers. Now Jude's an aerospace engineer, a fiercely protective single dad...and, apparently, her fiancé. At least that's the story he spun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

When Jude asks her to play along for the summer, Audrey knows better. But how much damage can one summer vacation with the biggest mistake of her life really do? 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?

FORTHCOMING FROM KATE CANTERBARY

IN A SNAP will be the 4th book in the Friendship, RI series,
coming out later this year. Stay tuned!

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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Team Player

Lily Gold



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My goal used to be figure skating gold. Now it's dodging the attentions of the three hot British hockey players determined to win me.

When my competitive figure skating career is put on hold after an injury, the last thing I want to do is help my dad with the pro hockey team he coaches. The London Knights are talented, but on a losing streak - and they're convinced that a figure skater has nothing to teach them.

If that wasn't enough? Three of their best players are playing to win something else. Me.

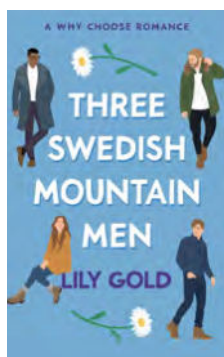
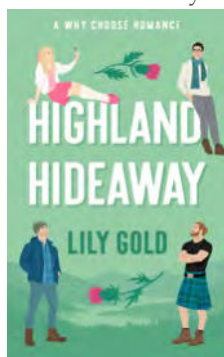
There's Tristan, the charming playboy more interested in flirting with me than practising jumps or spins.

Jude, the scarred gentle giant who touches me like I'm made of glass.

And Rafael, the grumpy ex-NHL team captain... who will do anything to stop a figure skater from messing with his training.

As the coach's daughter, flirting with my players is a bad idea, but I'm not not sure I can resist. Besides, getting shared by three hot hockey players counts as a team building exercise... right?

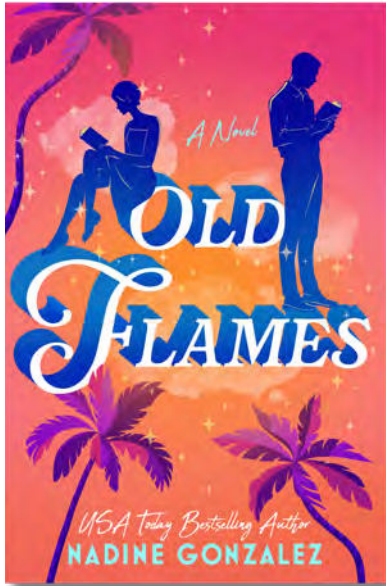
See more from Lily:



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!

"The paranormal plot and atmospheric setting keep the pages turning, while the earlier chance meeting between the leads enhances the allure of their present romance. Readers will have no trouble rooting for Leo and July." —*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*.

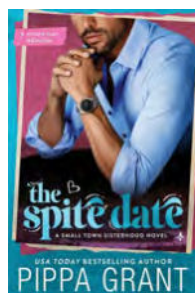
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See more from Pippa:



Love Me Wrong (Small Town Scandals 1) Pippa Grant

Being a virtual assistant to my favorite author is the best job ever. Or it was, until he sent his identical triplet brother to pose as him at one of the largest book conventions in the country.

To my utter surprise, Jack Sullivan pulled it off. He successfully played his brother, and no one was the wiser. Except me. Stupid, stupid me, who was so grateful that everything went off right that I kissed him. And then slept with him.

Yep. I slept with my boss's identical brother. And now I'm accidentally carrying his baby. And hiding it from my boss. While Jack tries to talk me into moving in with him. As platonic co-parents, since, according to him, he doesn't do love. But with every day that I spend with Jack trying to figure out our rules and boundaries, I'm falling more and more in love with the man who swept me off my feet that first time we met.

But I lived that life once before—marrying a man who couldn't love me the way I need to be loved. I'm not doing it again. No matter how much he does and says all the right things to prove he could be the man of my dreams.

UPCOMING FROM PIPPA GRANT

Two new Pippa Grant books coming out this October! Be on the lookout for the reedition of the third book in the Three BFFs and a Wedding series, *The Bride's Runaway Billionaire*, forthcoming through Sourcebooks Casablanca, and the third book in her Accidentally Infamous series *How to Troll a Guy in Ten Days*.

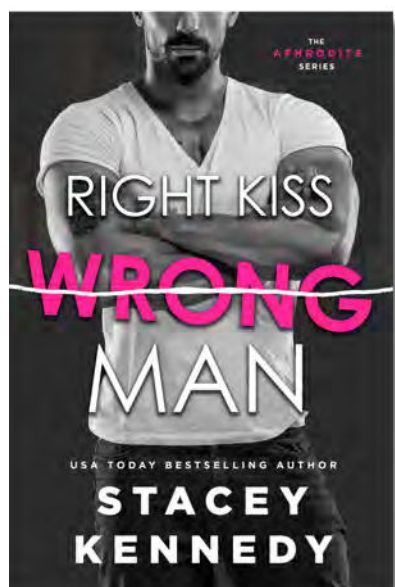
About the Author

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. Her books have sold over 5 million copies.

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Right Kiss, Wrong Man (Aphrodite 1) Stacey Kennedy

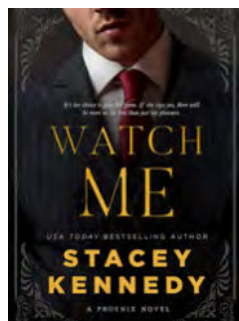
She's saving a park. He's paid to destroy it. The algorithm matched them for one night of no-strings sex. That was three orgasms and one conference room ambush ago.

Quinn Davenport and Theo Lennon were supposed to be anonymous. One night, no names, no consequences—courtesy of Aphrodite, the exclusive hookup app he co-founded. But when they discover they're on opposite sides of Boston's most heated development fight, one night of explosive chemistry becomes the most dangerous complication either of them has ever had.

He falls first. He falls hard. She makes him earn every inch of trust with his hands, his choices, and his willingness to burn down his own career for what's right. And when someone decides Quinn is a problem worth solving with violence, the man who was supposed to be an algorithm match becomes the one person she can't survive without.

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See more from Stacey:



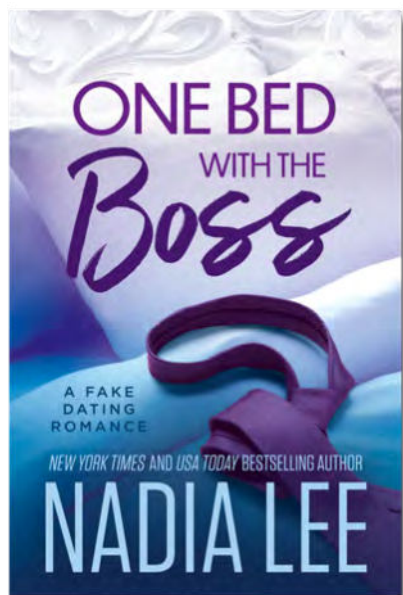
About the Author

USA Today bestselling author Stacey Kennedy has written more than fifty romances, including titles in her wildly hot Club Sin, Phoenix, and Devil's Bluffs series. Her books are about real people with real-life problems, searching for that special thing we call love . . . in a very sexy way. When she's not burning up the pages and setting e-readers ablaze, she's living her happily-ever-after with her husband and two children in southwestern Ontario, Canada. She's a firm believer that wine, chocolate, and sinfully sexy books can cure all of life's problems.

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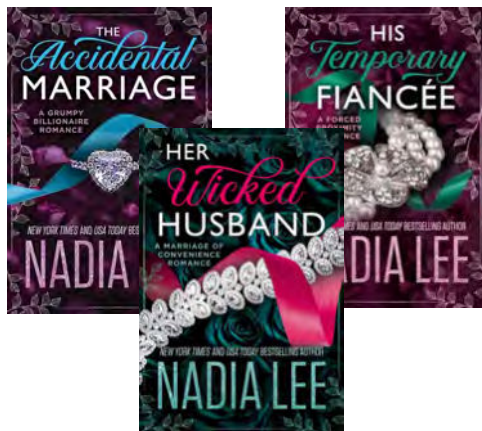


Hilary Gauld-Camilleri



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See more from Nadia:



One Bed with the Boss (The Kingswood Brothers 1) Nadia Lee

One bed. One fake relationship. Two little lines. If my boss tells me one more time that birthdays are “just another day, work faster,” I am going to staple the mainstay of his reproductive architecture to his desk.

Rhys Kingswood is the most work-obsessed, chronically grumpy billionaire in the country. I’ve spent three years juggling his demands, sacrificing my personal life, and pretending not to notice the way his shirts fit.

Just as a tabloid scandal lands him in his grandmother’s crosshairs, a Tokyo hotel hands us one key. One room. One bed. And my insufferable boss asks me—me!—to play his girlfriend. I say no—until I found out my boyfriend was cheating on me. Then, I say yes.

I knew the rules going in. Don’t fall for the boss. Don’t believe the gorgeous billionaire when he calls you irreplaceable. Don’t let him welcome you home on his knees.

I knew the rules. I just didn’t know I’d be staring at a positive pregnancy test by the time I broke them.

FORTHCOMING FROM NADIA LEE

THE BILLIONAIRE’S REVENGE BRIDE will be Nadia Lee’s traditional publishing debut, sold to Forever at a two-book deal. With publication slated for early 2028, this is the story of a heiress who catches her fiancé cheating minutes before their wedding and agrees to a marriage of convenience with his black sheep billionaire half-brother to prove she’s worth more than a business deal.

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. Nadia spends her time between Mexico and Japan.

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Wildcats 1

Burn (Wildcats 2 of 5) Nia Myst

In this dark romance follow up to Nia Myst's sizzling debut RAGE, a vigilante and an officer find themselves in a game of cat and mouse. Lieutenant Knox is a hunter. His career in the law is an excuse to satiate his never ending hunger to chase. To destroy.

But someone is cleaning up his streets. And he needs to find out who. Hunt them down and show them what happens when they steal from him...

Little does he know his prey is Tara—code name Shadow Panther. A member of the secret vigilante organization Wildcats, Tara hunts down criminals when the law fails. She does not hesitate to kill. To destroy those who hurt women and get away with the crime.

Because five years ago, she survived a brutal acid attack that left half her face covered in scars. So if Lieutenant Knox thinks she's weak, thinks he can catch her, he's wrong. She'll catch him first.

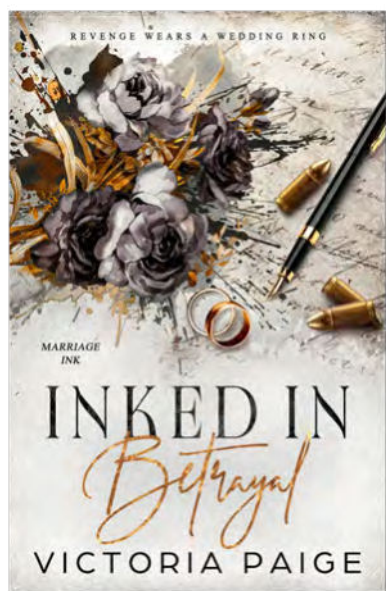
He stalks her, she stalks him back. He breaks into her apartment, she breaks into his precinct. He thinks he can intimidate her? Joke's on him—his game excites her.

Where can this game of mutual obsession end? Love? Or pain?

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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Inked in Betrayal (Marriage Ink 1 of 4) Victoria Paige

I married him to prevent a war, but it turns out he married me for revenge.

I'm a fixer of scandals, but when I'm caught in a deadly power grab, I end up making a deal with the devil.

Okay, it's more like the devil blackmailing me.

Marry him or trigger a war that could last generations.

His proposal sounded logical, but I soon discover the extent of his deceit.

The ink is barely dry on our wedding vows when he executes his ultimate betrayal.

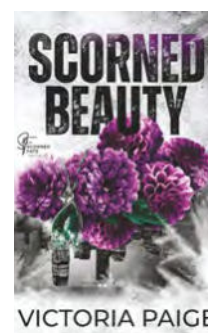
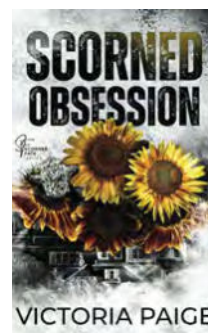
His goal? Humiliate his bride in the worst possible way.
But he underestimates the De Lucci and Moretti blood I have running through my veins.

Next in Marriage Ink:

If my dear husband wants a marriage war, I'll give him one.



Also from Victoria:



About the Author

Author of more than two dozen romances, Victoria Paige writes edgy and seductive romance. She loves pairing familiar tropes with unique stories, possessive alpha males with strong-willed heroines, and packing gritty, morally gray plots with enough humor, witty banter, and spice for a suspenseful, emotional, and steamy read. She's a fan of angst, groveling, and hero redemption.

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Brighter than the Sun

Raveena Raju



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Ahana Desari is tired of being a corporate cog.

When she's selected to lead her company's eleven-million-dollar pitch to build California's new life-saving wildfire notification system, she sees an opportunity to finally matter. The catch? She's forced to team up with Samuel Sterling, the coworker who once dismissed her as "frivolous and destructive," putting words to her greatest insecurities.

Socially awkward and introverted Sam never wanted this project. He joined a consulting company to save money for medical school, not to relive the trauma of losing his childhood home to wildfire. He's dreading partnering with Ahana, the type of loud, reckless, sinfully irresistible woman his conservative upbringing warned him about.

To win the contract, Ahana and Sam must navigate their clashing personalities as they journey through Northern California on high-speed rail, metrocables, and electric rickshaws, facing Ahana's climate anxiety and Sam's growing desire for her along the way. With their careers, their hearts, and the safety of millions of Californians on the line, they'll have to learn to work together, and decide if partnering with a shady competitor is worth the cost.

About the Author

Raveena Raju is obsessed with happily ever afters. Because there are no happy endings on a dead planet, Raveena writes love stories set in solarpunk realities where we take care of each other, our communities, and our earth—we can't step into the future we deserve without imagining it first. When she's not reading, writing, or ranting about dystopia, you can find her building the world's most joyful community spaces for climate action as the founder of the Soapbox Project.

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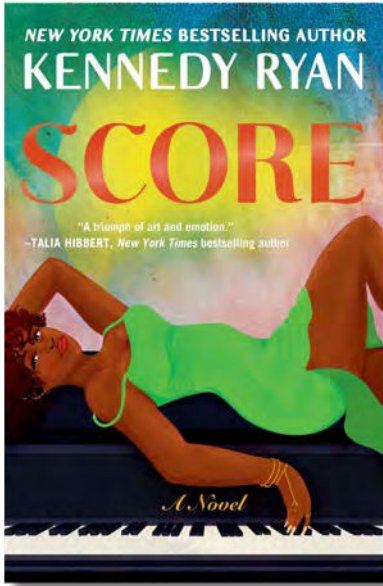


Samantha Kirsch

Score

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Kennedy Ryan



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You never forget your first love. Isn't that what they say? Verity Hill knows this truth intimately. She didn't simply miss Wright "Monk" Bellamy when they parted ways in college. She's haunted by his touch. Every kiss, any lover since—it's a shadow of what they had.

Time heals all wounds. Isn't that what they say? Monk doesn't believe that for a second. He wasn't simply betrayed when he and Verity split. He was devastated, with parts of him left behind in the ruins of all that was destroyed.

More than a decade after their disastrous breakup, Verity and Monk must work together on the set of an epic Harlem Renaissance biopic. With Monk, now a world-class musician, creating the score, and Verity, an award-winning screenwriter, penning the script, there's Oscar buzz before shooting even begins. This once-in-a-lifetime project could catapult them both to new heights, but can they put the past behind them for the sake of the film ... for the sake of something more?

Praise

New York Times Bestseller

USA Today Bestseller

The NYT Bestselling Skyland Series:



"The raw emotion that characterizes the best of bestseller Ryan's work is on full display in her masterful second Hollywood Renaissance romance (after Reel)." —*Publishers Weekly*, starred review

"Ryan knows how to put her readers' emotions through the wringer while staying true to her characters... Every moment of heartbreak rings true." —*Kirkus Review*, starred review

"The heartbreak of first love holds unimaginable weight after a Hollywood composer and a screenwriter make a scorching connection. This stunning story of devotion that addresses mental health and sexuality with care may be Ryan's best work yet." —*People*

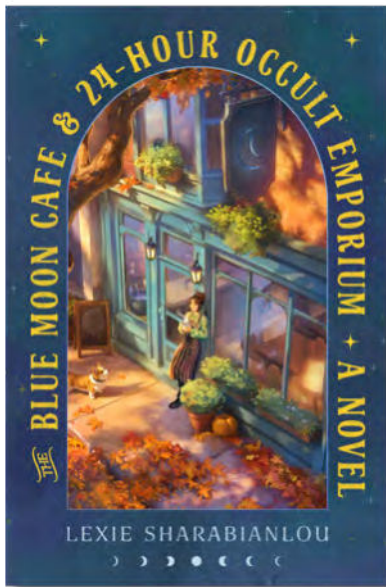
About the Author

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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The Blue Moon Café & 24-Hour Occult Emporium

Lexie Sharabianlou

In the tiny town of Pine Hollow, barista and fledgling sorceress Talula Smith runs The Blue Moon Café & 24-Hour Occult Emporium, 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 away. Except for town local Dahlia, whose dimples, addiction to Talula's cocoa recipe, and keen observation skills keeps the smitten barista scrambling to keep her 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 café. 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.

Praise

"You're in for a treat! *The Blue Moon Café & 24-Hour Occult Emporium* is deliciously delightful and absolutely adorable! I loved it!"—**Sarah Beth Durst, New York Times bestselling author of *The Spellshop***

"Sweet, warm, and full of delicious cozy comfort, *The Blue Moon Café & 24-Hour Occult Emporium* is like a cup of hot cocoa in book form. Cozy fantasy readers will fall in love with Talula's magical mishaps, the top-notch sapphic yearning, and the persnickety talking corgi in this delightful, magical story about love, community, and acceptance."—**Emily Krempholtz, author of *Violet Thistlewaite Is Not a Villain Anymore***

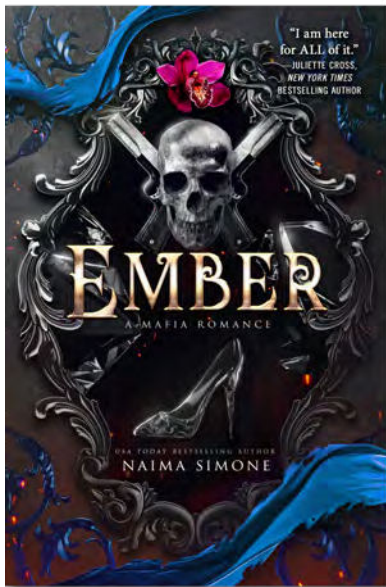
About the Author

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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Hunted Kingdom #1



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 the Hunted Kingdom a *USA Today* bestselling series

"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!" —*NYT* bestselling author Katee Robert

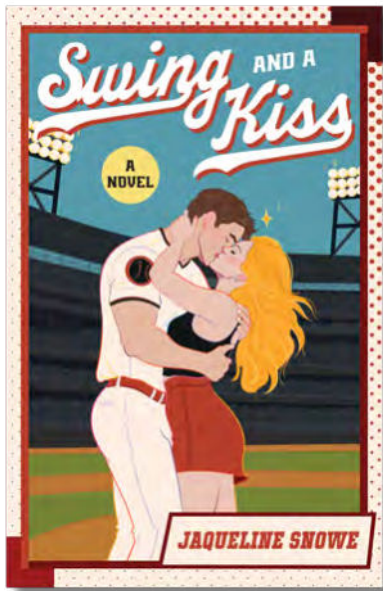
About the Author

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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Swing and a Kiss Jaqueline Snowe

When her boyfriend dumps her at her father's funeral, Cassidy Calloway does what she does best—turns her heartbreak into content. To honor her baseball-loving father—and if she's being honest, to piss off her ex—she launches a season-long social media experiment to attend nine games with nine dates in honor of her father's favorite player, number nine, Nate O'Brien.

The Gila Monsters' star pitcher is on the verge of his biggest season yet, and he's not about to let some influencer-turned-ballpark-spectacle throw him off his game. But when the team starts losing and fans start blaming Cassidy, Nate has bigger problems than his ERA—because the front office wants them to fix the narrative by pretending to date.

With his career on the line and her reputation at stake, Cassidy and Nate must turn their luck around. But the more time they spend together, the harder it gets to pretend they aren't falling for each other. And that's the problem with fake dating. At some point, it starts to feel real.

Praise

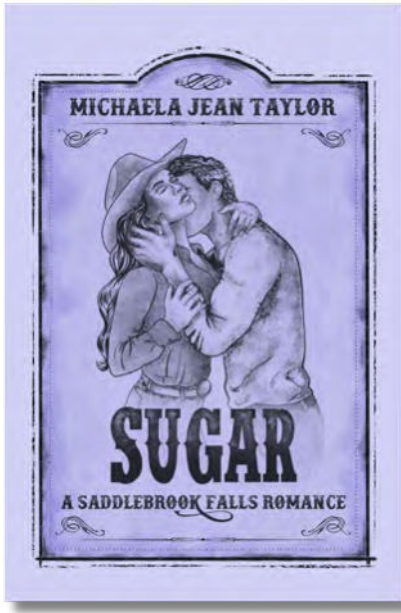
"Jaqueline Snowe has knocked it out of the park with *Swing and a Kiss*, a heartfelt, witty, and swoon-worthy sports romance that completely stole my heart. Snowe masterfully blends raw grief, sizzling enemies-to-lovers tension, and the magic of baseball into a story packed with emotion and undeniable chemistry. Her sharp dialogue, authentic characters, and perfect mix of heat and heart make this an absolute must-read for anyone who loves sports romance with real depth and all the feels. I devoured every word."—C.R. Jane, *USA Today* bestselling author of *The Pucking Wrong* series and *The Wrong Player* series

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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Sugar (Saddlebrook Falls Book 3 of 5) Michaela Jean Taylor

Ava Jones is just as reckless as ever, convincing Kasey into a marriage of convenience to help save his family's ranch.

When Ava Jones left town ten years ago, she was determined to make a life for herself far away from the only place she ever knew. Abandoned by her mother and smothered by her controlling father, she desperately needed a change of scenery, even if it meant hurting the only person who ever really understood her. It was for the best, after all.

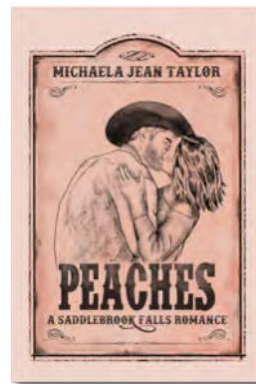
But when her new life in Miami came crumbling down and her new man betrayed her in the worst of ways, she had no choice but to pack her bags and run back to the only place that ever felt like home.

Kasey never knew why Ava left him, only that she did. It tore him up, broke his heart into a thousand jagged pieces, and despite his best efforts it's proving difficult to keep a level head. Marrying her after everything they went through is probably the worst idea in the world—except it just might be the only thing that keeps his family safe. Still, Ava's hiding something, and he's determined to figure out what it is.

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 United States desert who writes grippingly tender romance novels featuring diverse characters and messy, beautifully relatable storylines.

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Clearly Charmed (Sisters of Harvest Moon 1 of 3) Amy True

The first in an enchanting new small-town romance trilogy with more than a sprinkling of magic. When charmed vet Dani meets journalist Bryce sparks fly - but can they find their way from enemies to lovers?

Dandelion “Dani” McGuire loves her quiet mountain life in Harvest Moon, Colorado even if she and her sisters are part of the town’s magical lore.

As the only veterinarian for miles, Dani spends her time caring for the animals she loves with an instinct and touch many consider supernatural.

While hiking in the woods, Dani finds a wayward dog that belongs to Bryce O’Dell, an out-of-town journalist.

He is there to explore the story of the McGuire girls and their witchy heritage and Dani wants nothing to do with him.

But she can’t deny the chemistry and it is hard to avoid someone in this tiny town.

Could she trust him? Or will he expose her and her sisters’ secrets to the world?

About the Author

Amy Trueblood grew up in Southern California only ten minutes from Disneyland which sparked an early interest in storytelling. Under the name Amy True, she writes swoony romance novels with both heat and heart. Now living in Arizona, Amy spends most of her time trying to stay out of the sizzling heat which means hiding in cool little coffee shops, sipping on her favorite iced tea, and dreaming up her next novel.

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Alexandra Vasti

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The Christmas I Stole a Viscount | The Chemistry of Familiar Objects

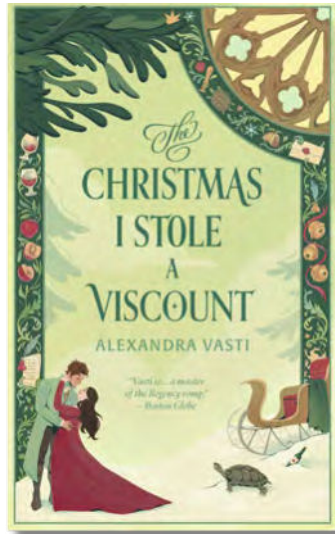
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For ten years, Percy's brother has been madly in love with a notorious actress. And for just as long, he's refused to marry her to protect his wallflower little sister from scandal. But now that Percy's firmly (and happily!) on the shelf, she's had enough of her brother's self-sacrifice. Her plan? Kidnap his rakish best friend at the family Christmas party, ruin her own reputation, and rescue her brother from his self-imposed heartbreak. Leopold, Viscount de Valincourt has found himself in plenty of scrapes—but waking up beside his best friend's shy, scholarly, surprisingly cunning sister isn't one he anticipated. Leo shocks them both, however, when he takes Percy's scheme even further...

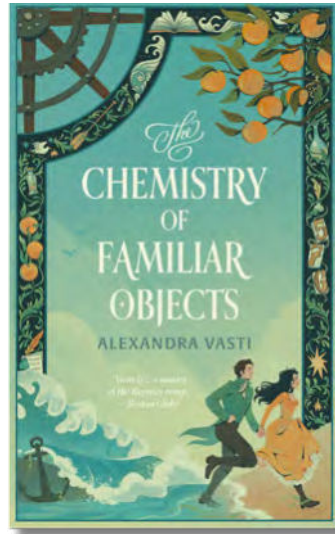
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After two years of putting up with Robert Vane's scowls, his precious rules, and the infuriating cleft in his chin, Emmeline has seized upon a solution to the problem of sharing the building they both live in: she's purchased the entire place. Her attempt to remove Vane is thwarted when Em and Robert uncover the theft of one of Em's most dangerous compounds. Soon they are on the run together, chasing a ring of industrial spies who mean to use her discovery as a weapon. From a ship to an island to a foundry in Wiltshire, they keep finding themselves trapped—and close proximity transforms their sparks into fire. For two passionate people who've always been at odds, explosive chemicals are nothing compared to the biggest risk of all: falling disastrously, catastrophically in love.

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:



A Temporary Experiment Samm Wilde

Seventeen years ago, Emma called Grant dorky. He called her a little strange. They've been inseparable ever since.

Now, Grant is heading back home to Michigan for the holidays, where his mom is on a quest to find him a wife. Emma offers the only solution that makes sense.

They'll fake date. A simple, temporary fix under the guise of a friendly experiment. Or so Emma thinks.

Emma has built her life around safety, and Grant is the one relationship she's never had to question. Acting like they're in love was supposed to be easy. But the thin line between fake and real is blurring. And suddenly, Emma wants more.

For Grant, it's never been pretend. He's spent years hiding what he feels, knowing one wrong move could shatter everything the two best friends built. Now, he gets to hold Emma's hand, call her his girlfriend, and feel her lean into him like she belongs there. It's everything he's ever dreamed of, and every stolen moment leaves him aching for more.

Which is exactly why he knows it's going to destroy him when it ends. Because fake dating is simple—until one kiss makes everything a lot more complicated.

A Temporary Experiment is a friends-to-lovers holiday romance with fake dating, only one bed, and the "it's always been her" realization that changes everything. The one gift neither of them planned on? Falling in love.

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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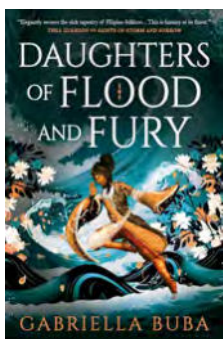
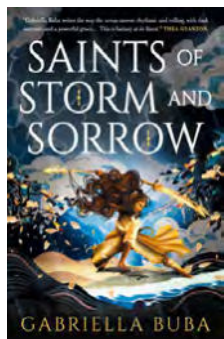


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Stormbringer Saga:



The Alchemist of Bohemia

Gabriella Buba

Bohemia, 1878. Lady Darina Strazova is a brilliant practical chemist in Vienna, forced to hide her scientific discoveries behind her husband's name. But when she's caught in the middle of a scandal, she is exiled to her parent's house in Prague, possibly never to return.

Rescue comes in the form of a letter from Darina's eccentric and ailing aunt, Eva, countess of the famed Houska Castle, who begs Darina to bring her expertise on an urgent and mysterious matter. Darina happily accepts. After all, the old legends about the castle - that its inward-facing fortifications were built to guard against a gateway to hell - have never been more than folklore, tales meant to frighten children.

On arrival, she realizes things have changed at the castle. Countess Eva's health has declined rapidly. There have been sinister disappearances in the local village, surrounded by whispered tales of spirits and monsters. And the many scholars and visitors who once visited the castle's magnificent library have now been reduced to a single man: Father Conn, exiled to act as the castle's chaplain after a scandal of his own. Before long, Darina is having visions of an apocalyptic future, and Conn is beset by visitations from a black-robed figure, whose voice heralds terrible, irresistible things.

Fighting for their sanity, Darina and Father Conn must uncover the mysteries at the heart of the castle - before its dark promises unravel them in turn.

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 Poison Vein (The Saga of Ruined Saints 1 of 3) C. Rhoad Ellis

Saidra san Sangh is a saint.

She has spent her life serving the god of murder, honing the poisonous gift he bestowed upon her, and preparing to restore him-and her family-to power. Now, as the health of the current ruler fails, the eight Holy Houses of Solay prepare for a brutal, shadowy war over whose patron god will rule next.

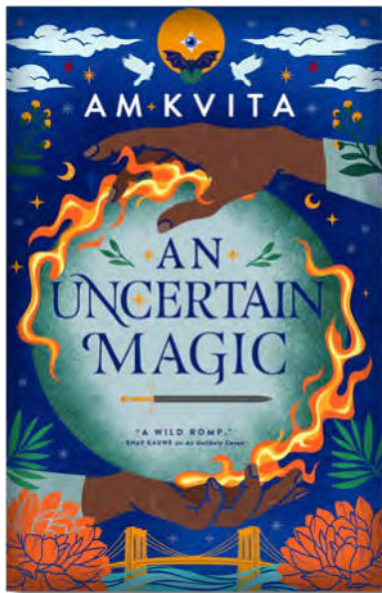
But as Saidra and other young saints gather for a bloody conclave, a new threat rises to the north. The long-dead goddess of ruin has been restored, and she's chosen a saint of her own—someone not noble, far from holy, and hellbent on toppling the empire Saidra has fought so hard to rule.

About the Author

C. Rhoad Ellis earned her MFA in Dramatic Writing from NYU Tisch Asia in Singapore and then returned to NYC where she worked in film and television development, then digital publishing, until joining the video game industry in 2021. She is currently a senior game writer at Sharkmob, a AAA studio in Sweden.

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An Uncertain Magic (The Green Witch Cycle 2 of 3) AM Kvita

In *An Uncertain Magic*, the second book in AM Kvita's award-winning Green Witch Cycle, Brooklyn's most chaotic coven has to take on ancient gods (yes, gods) to avoid a magical apocalypse and save the city—no big deal.

Joan Greenwood has been adjusting nicely to her life away from her powerful family of witches. She has an apartment full of friends, her dream job at an architecture firm, and a constant companion in the sentient magic that makes up New York City. For once, everything's coming up Joan ... until her best friend gets possessed.

There's a god wearing his skin, a new cult springing up around him, magic is going haywire, and things go from bad to worse when Joan's rival-turned-crush Astoria Wardwell arrives from California with the news that her best friend is also possessed. That's one hell of a coincidence, but the two have to work together to save their best friends before these gods corrupt them—unless their pesky feelings for each other get in the way.

Praise for The Green Witch Cycle

"An impressively assured urban fantasy that 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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The Alchemy of Lies

Linsey Miller



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Hester Crooks knows she could be a great writer, but she has neither the money nor the support to pursue it.

When Hester is invited to attend an exclusive retreat where attendees will be mentored by some of the continent's most successful entrepreneurs, she's determined to use the weekend to convince alchemical genius Elona Whitbee to become her patron. Patronage would pay Hester's university tuition and allow her to write full-time. There's just one obstacle—her ex-boyfriend Edwin Turner is her biggest competition.

But the retreat takes a deadly turn when Whitbee attacks Edwin over his project, and Hester kills the alchemist in self-defense. Desperate to find out why she attacked him and clear their names before the retreat ends, Hester and Edwin have no choice but to act as grim puppet masters to pretend Whitbee is still alive. But as they get closer to uncovering Whitbee's murder-worthy secret, they realize it's far more dangerous knowledge than they anticipated.

And worse, the other mentors might also kill to keep her secret.

Praise for Linsey Miller

"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**

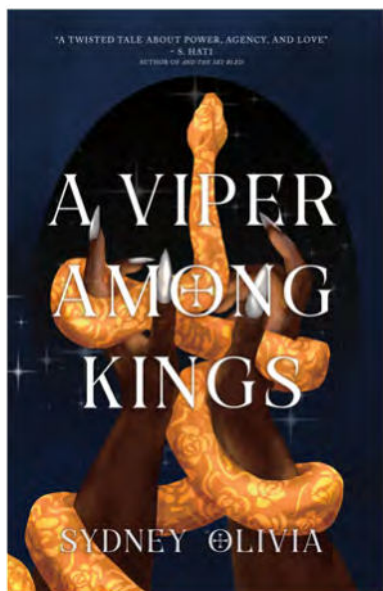
About the Author

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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Tara Welch



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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 Bled***

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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Godbound (Godbound 1 of 2) Rowan Skye

In this page-turning high fantasy debut, a petty thief on the run from her all-seeing god is unwillingly drawn into a murder conspiracy when she finds herself cursed.

Every promise has its price...

Annethe Tavery fell in love with a god. Now, he hunts her in a twisted game of cat and mouse. If she so much as thinks of him, her past, or even her real name, it will call him like a beacon to her. So she runs—straight to a port town, where a failed pickpocketing attempt leaves her with a nasty curse.

There's only one way to free herself: do the bidding of the nobleman she tried to rob. Annethe soon finds herself embroiled in a murder plot amongst the dangerous world of godbound—nobles whose pacts with gods have twisted them in horrifying ways. If Annethe doesn't complete the nobleman's task, the curse will rot her from the inside out. But the longer she stays, the more chance there is that her god will find her—and he isn't the only one looking.

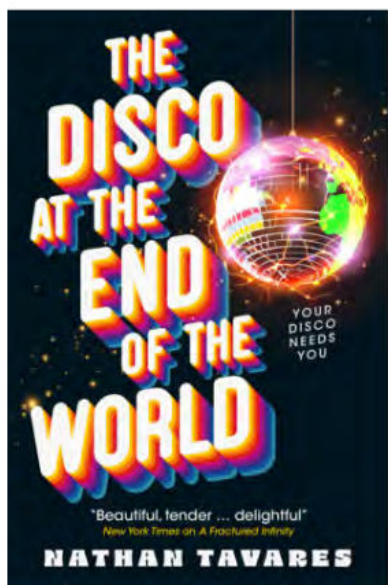
Before him, before all the death and pain and running, there was a woman Annethe loved—and who her god killed. Now, the scraps of Calika Korska's body are held together by her own pact with an unstable god. And both of them are broken, angry, and hell-bent on revenge.

About the Author

Rowan Skye is a debut adult fantasy author who was born and raised in the chilly part of California. She graduated from the University of California, Berkeley with an English degree, a love for the middle ages, and too many bear-themed sweatshirts.

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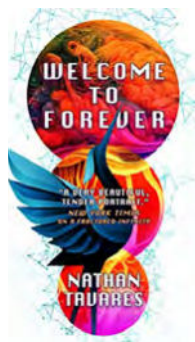
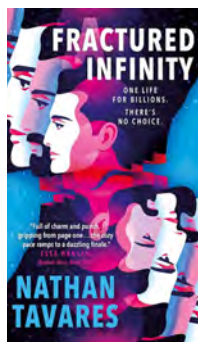
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See more from Nathan:



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

“Ambitious queer science fiction...trippy...dreamlike...fitting for the 70s setting... there's a lot that's entertaining.” —*Publishers Weekly*

“The perfect antidote to the trying times we find ourselves in.” —*The Bristol Magazine*

“Retrofuturistic space, disco dancing, and fighting fascism. A proper triple threat of a novel that I'd happily hire to perform at my cabaret.” —*Calvin James, author of Affairs of State*

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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Invasive Species

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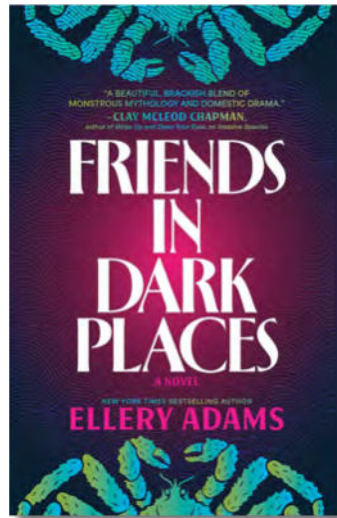
Something's not right in Cold Harbor—more so than usual. While this sleepy small town has seen its fair share of monsters in cheating husbands and leering bosses, none are as hungry as Mrs. Smith.

The mysterious resident has finally emerged from her crumbling mansion on the hill, mesmerizing the townspeople with her beauty.

Her secret? Nine human sacrifices to feed her immortality.

Friends in Dark Places

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After Eula inherits the estate of Crab Hollow on the remote shores of Shelter Island, she sees a chance to reconnect with her three closest friends. When Kate, Alice, and Danny arrive at the isolated mansion for a Halloween weekend, they believe they're escaping their own unraveling lives. Kate is desperately hiding her family's financial ruin. Alice is running from a stalker. And Danny is wrestling with a sense of betrayal.

But Eula harbors the darkest secret of all. Crab Hollow pulses with the vengeful spirit of Amity, an ancestor who demands bloody justice for ancient wrongs. As the autumn wind howls and the weekend stretches on, the friends unknowingly step into a trap fueled by centuries of feminine rage.

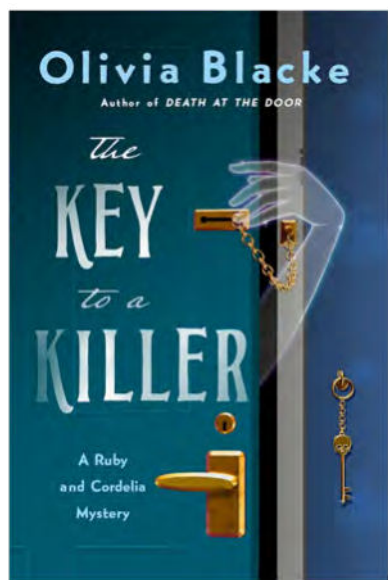
About the Author

Ellery Adams, a *USA Today* and *New York Times* bestselling author, has written dozens of mystery novels. She shares her North Carolina home with her husband, two trolls, and three keyboard-hogging felines. Ellery loves reading, coffee, bubbly, jigsaw puzzles, baking, and rearranging her bookshelves.

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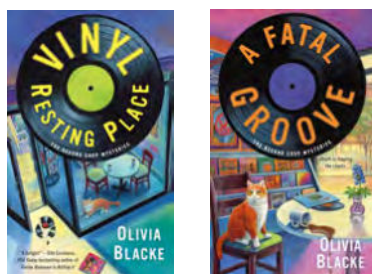


Amy Stern



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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 hunter 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*

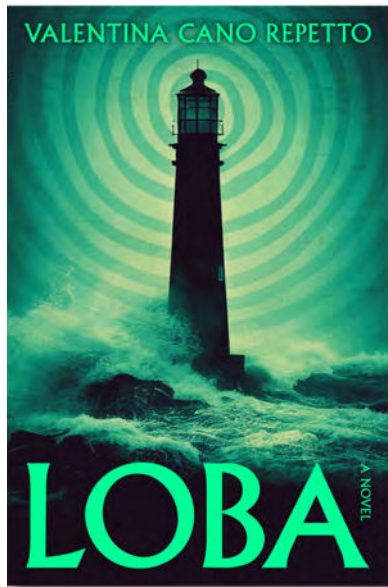
About the Author

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***

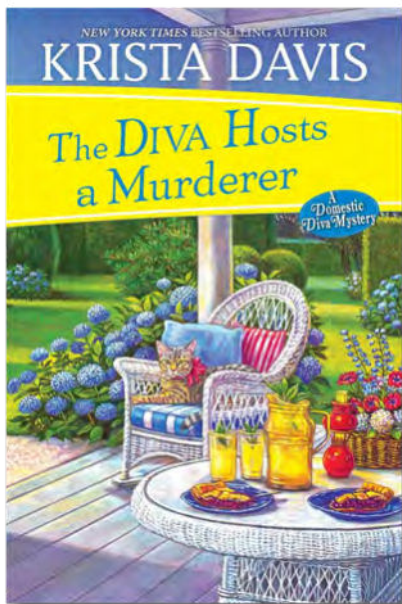
About the Author

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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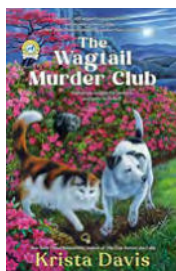
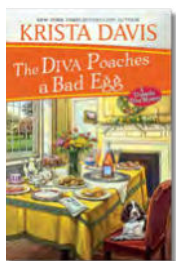


Kristin Pulido



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See More from Krista



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*

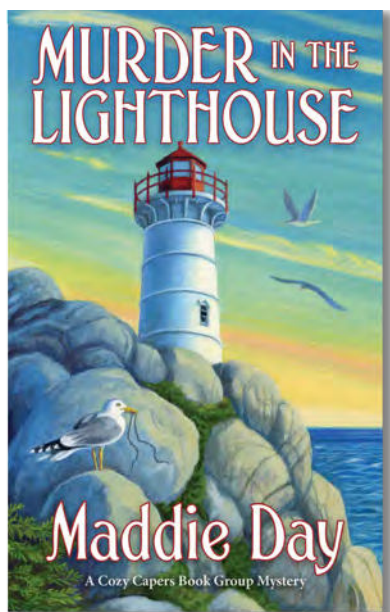
"The nicely delineated setting and sympathetic characters are reminiscent of Joanne Fluke's Hannah Swensen cozies, which also include baking and a group of close friends working together to solve crimes." —*Booklist* on *The Diva Says Cheesecake!*

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 in the Light House (Cozy Capers Book Group)

Maddie Day

It's June on Cape Cod and that means tourists, but a murder is about to cast a shadow over the sunny season—and over bike shop owner Mackenzie “Mac” Almeda’s Cozy Capers Book Group . . .

With tourist season about to begin, the Friends of the Lighthouse organization is looking for a new tour guide for the now vacant decommissioned lighthouse. They hire Jessica Goodwell, a woman Mac’s mother, Astra, met in town. When Eliza doesn’t show up to give a scheduled tour on the summer solstice, Derrick, the former tenant and Mac’s half-brother, agrees to do it. But when he arrives, he’s shocked to find Jessica’s lifeless body, and he quickly calls Mac . . .

Mac advises Derrick to call the police. She fears he might become a murder suspect—it wouldn’t be the first time—though Derrick says he’s never seen the victim before. But when the Cozy Capers gather to discuss the crime, it turns out there’s someone else to worry about. Book Group member Zane King is Jessica’s cousin and is soon called in for questioning as a person of interest.

As usual, law enforcement doesn’t want the Capers butting into the case. But they have ideas of their own, especially when they learn that Jessica was digging into the truth about her own mother’s murder, 50 years before. Soon, with the help of the mystery author the Capers are currently reading, plus Jessica’s niece who happens to be an investigator reporter, the Capers have their own list of intriguing suspects. Only one thing is certain: someone is willing to kill to keep a half-century old secret in the dark . . .

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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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Stephanie Schlund

The Wind Witch Murders

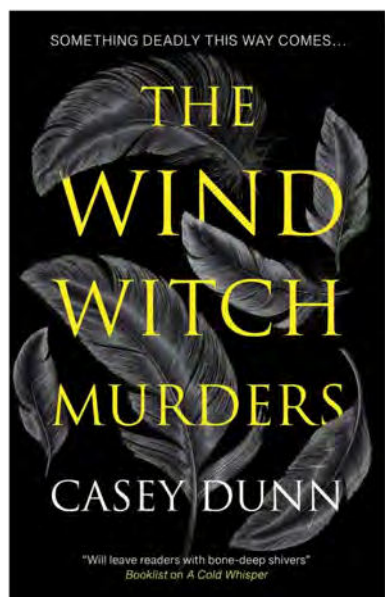
Casey Dunn

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.



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See More from Casey:



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*

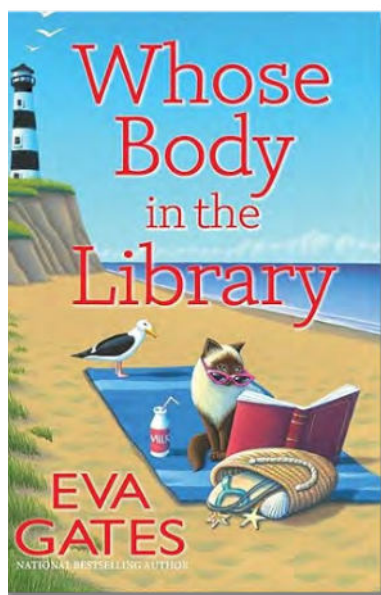
About the Author

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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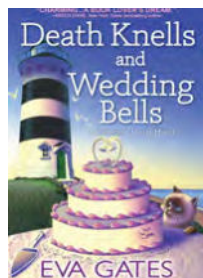
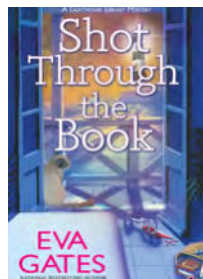


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Lighthouse Library series



Whose Body in the Library (Lighthouse Library) Eva Gates

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.

Praise

"Details of library work and the Outer Banks setting frame a story of a welcoming small town with a woman creating a new life while coming to terms with her past in this fresh entry in the long-running Lighthouse Library series." —*Booklist*

"The appealing new sleuth added to this long-running series opens up many possibilities for future investigations." —*Kirkus Reviews*

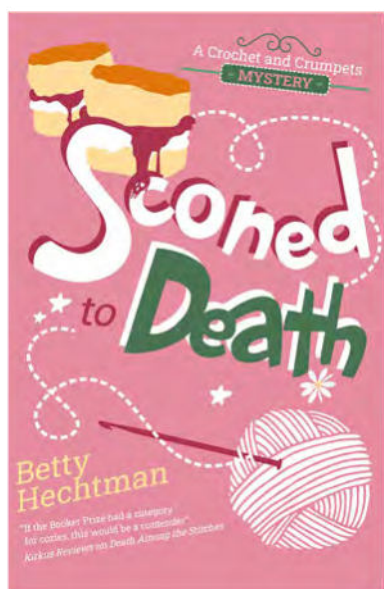
About the Author

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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Iden Ford



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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?

Also from Betty



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

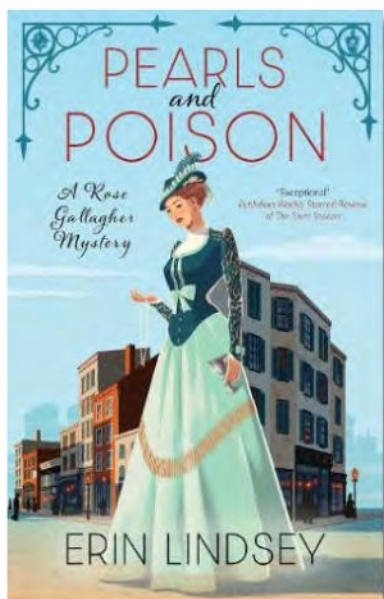
"Charm, warmth . . . [a] delightful cozy." —*Booklist*

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 reputation 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*

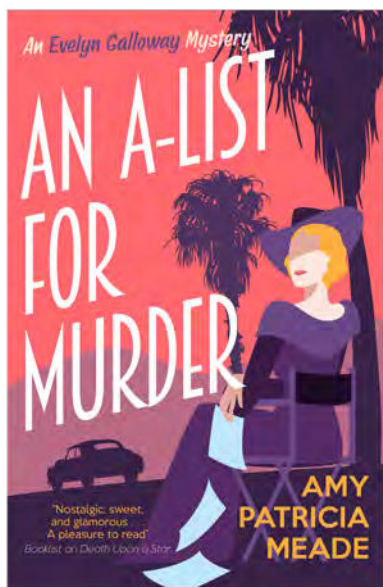
"Lindsey combines a beautifully rendered 1887 New York City setting . . . with a supernatural frame, plot twists, and a strong, smart, complex heroine." —*Booklist*

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.

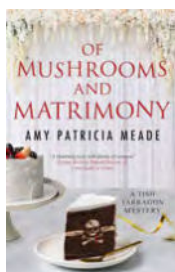
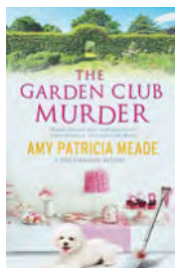
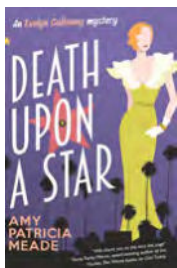
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An A-list for Murder (Evelyn Galloway Mystery 2) Amy Patricia Meade

The list you'd die to be on . . .

March, 1940, and script supervisor Evelyn Galloway is enjoying being reunited with Alfred Hitchcock on his new film. Until twenty-three-year-old Phoebe Dillon, an aspiring actress hoping to be an extra in the movie, is found strangled in downtown L.A. Evelyn encountered Phoebe in the studio just hours before she died. Did she really have audition jitters as she claimed, or was she frightened of something— or someone?

When Evelyn learns that Phoebe attended a birthday party for film producer Monty Carpenter the previous weekend, rubbing shoulders with Hollywood's A-list, she quickly makes disturbing discoveries about some of the guests. It seems that powerful dark forces are at play in the film industry during war—and the reason for Phoebe's murder is more shocking than Evelyn could ever have imagined.

Praise for *Death Upon a Star*

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

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

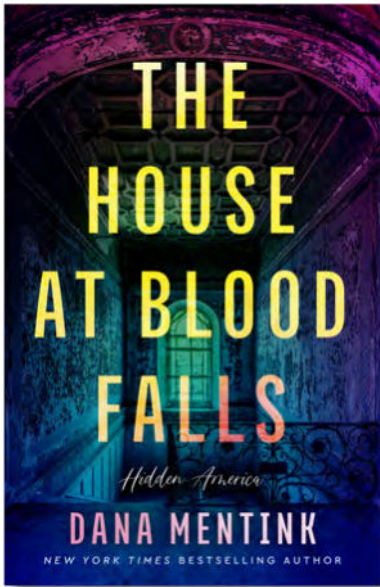
"The presence of actual famous stars and studio heads adds glamour to a complex mystery" —*Kirkus Reviews*

About the Author

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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The House at Blood Falls (Hidden America 1) Dana Mentink

From a *New York Times* bestselling author comes a high-octane adventure with hauntings, secrets, and danger lurking in the shadows.

Grayson Solari gave up the cockpit after a training flight ended in tragedy. Now he's working to prove himself in a new role as a scout for Hidden America, a docuseries that unearths the secrets of forgotten places. His latest assignment sends him deep into the woods to survey a decaying 1920s mansion that's been untouched for fifty years.

Brooklyn Palmer has her own reasons for being at The House at Blood Falls, reasons rooted in loss, unanswered questions, and a family secret she's never been able to outrun. The last person she expects to find here is Grayson, the man tied to the most painful chapter of her life. She isn't sure she can trust him, but she doesn't have a choice.

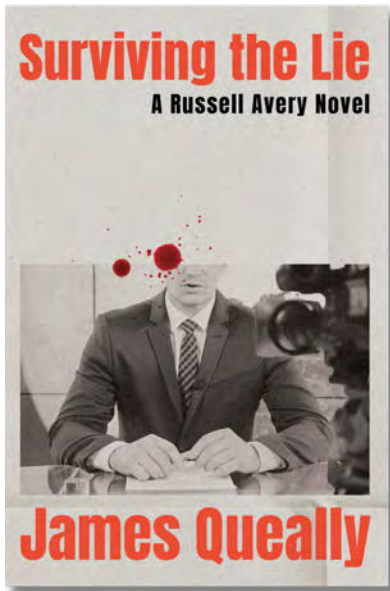
As Grayson and Brooklyn dig deeper into the house's buried past, they find someone is watching them, and the accidents piling up are anything but accidental. When a violent storm sends the nearby river surging over its banks, they find themselves trapped in the house with a killer, and the truth about the past might cost them everything.

About the Author

Dana Mentink is a *New York Times* and *USA Today* bestselling author. She's written more than 50 mystery and suspense novels for Love Inspired Suspense, Harvest House, and Poisoned Pen Press. Winner of two ACFW Carol Awards, a Holt Medallion Award, and a Romantic Times Reviewer's Choice Award, Dana lives in Northern California with her husband.

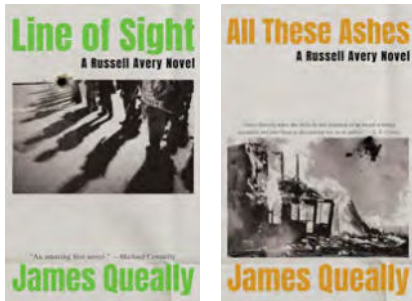
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Volumes 1 & 2 of the Russell Avery series are being relaunched this August



Surviving the Lie (Russell Avery 3 of 3) James Queally

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

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).

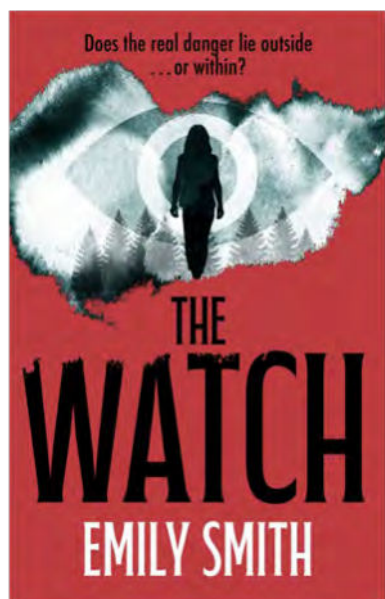
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Krystal Spencer

The Watch

Emily Smith



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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 *You Always Come Back*

"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***

"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***

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

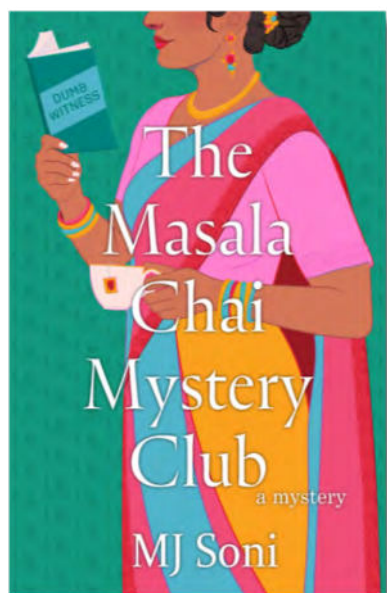
About the Author

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



The Masala Chai Mystery Club MJ Soni

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

When Necti 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?

Necti 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 Necti 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!

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Praise

"This multicultural and multigenerational novel has intrigue, heart, and excellent storytelling." —*Library Journal*, **starred review**

"Author Soni provides Necti with a colorful, multinational cast of collaborators and coconspirators in her quest." —*Kirkus*

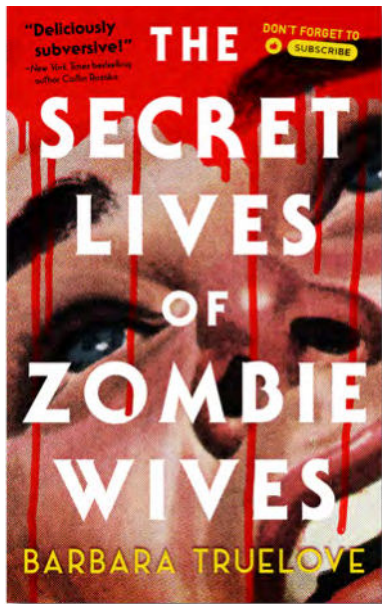
"Peppered with Shakespeare quotes, this satisfying cozy, complete with recipes, will appeal to fans of Robert Thorogood's Marlow Murder Club mysteries." —*Booklist*

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.

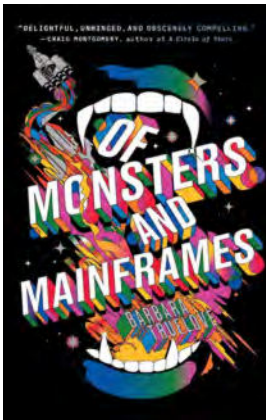
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The Secret Lives of Zombie Wives

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*

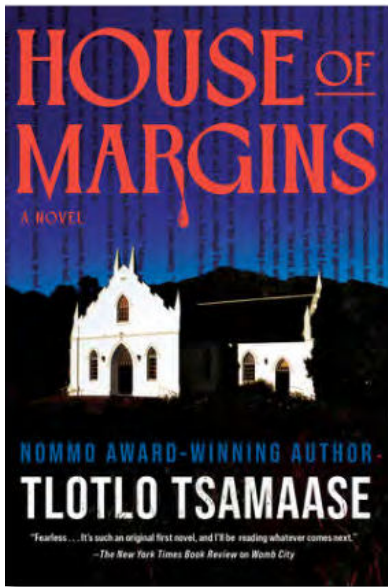
"A perfectly timed, perfectly executed howl of rage against an era in which we're all expected to act like everything's normal, when in fact we understandably want to rip things apart. Truelove has given us an enthralling novella that's as easy to read as it is probing and biting."
—**Nat Cassidy**,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

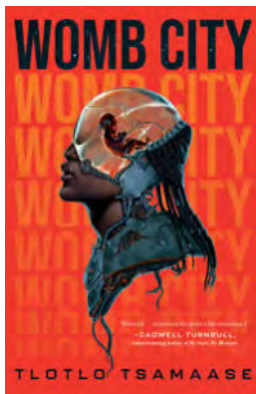
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See more from Tlotlo:



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.

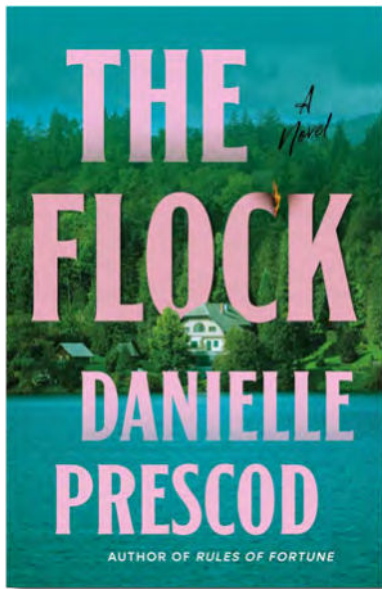
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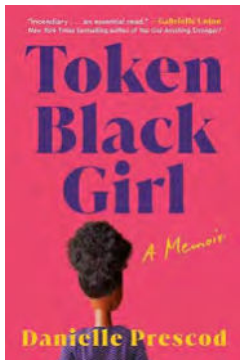


GENERAL FICTION



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See More from Danielle:



The Flock Danielle Prescod

No judgment, no obligations, no drama. That's the intention of the weekend retreat for the Flock, an exclusive nationwide organization for Black women who have "made it."

Then a white woman, claiming Black heritage and desperate to be accepted, is found dead on the grounds. And Imani, newly executive member of the decades-old club, becomes the prime suspect.

As if the mounting evidence against her wasn't enough, Imani is already battling other demons: the loss of her mother, a struggling marriage, mounting professional pressures, and a need for control that's reaching a breaking point.

When threats against the Flock escalate and an old rivalry resurfaces, more than Imani's own future is at stake—so is the legacy of the sisterhood itself. As buried secrets, hidden agendas, and dangerous loyalties come to light, Imani faces an impossible choice: protect the women she loves or expose a truth that could destroy them all?

Praise for *The Rules of Fortune*

"An intriguing story about wealth and power." —*Kirkus Reviews*

"Twisty...Prescod keeps the reader guessing...Succession fans ought to take note." —*Publishers Weekly*

"Prescod's debut novel examines the many ways a man can use his power to take advantage of vulnerable people. [For] fans of complex fiction with suspenseful twists." —*Booklist*

"A juicy story about the making of a dynasty and the hidden truth about to be exposed." —*Mindy Kaling*

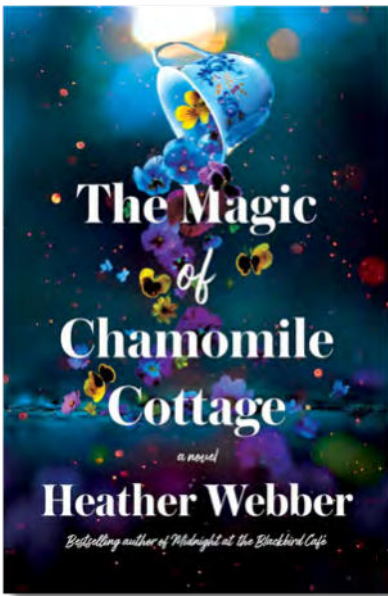
About the Author

Danielle Prescod is the author of *The Rules of Fortune* and *Token Black Girl*. A fifteen-year veteran of the beauty and fashion industry, she is also a graduate of NYU's Gallatin School of Individualized Study. She recently launched a Substack newsletter called Highly Recommended. Her work appears in *Porter* magazine, *Harper's Bazaar*, *The Guardian*, *House Beautiful*, *Elle*, *The Cut*, and *Marie Claire*.

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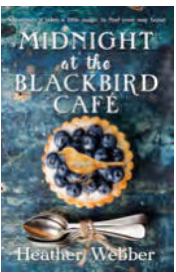
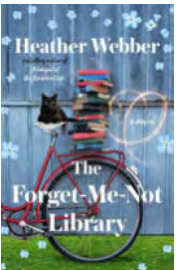


Scarlet Raven



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Macmillan/St. Martins
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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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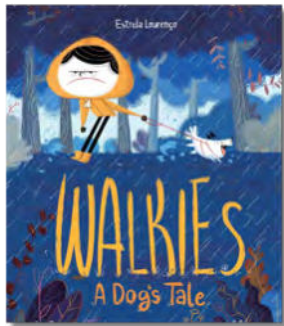
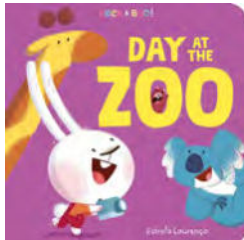
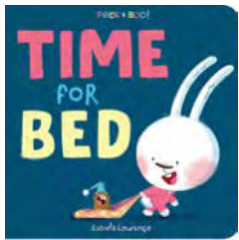


C H I L D R E N ' S
PICTURE BOOKS
MIDDLE GRADE
YOUNG ADULT



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Sourcebooks/Jabberwocky
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See more from Estrela:



Peek and Boo: Christmas to You (Peek and Boo 3) Estrela Lourenço

Playing with the popular game “Peekaboo,” readers help Peek search for Boo as the small guinea pig gets up to all sorts of hi-jinx around the house before Santa arrives!

It’s the night before Christmas, but Peek can’t find her friend Boo! Is he hiding in the stockings? Or lost in the tinsel? And what if Santa sees him?

Help Peek search for the small guinea pig as he has silly holiday fun on Christmas eve. Can you find him before Santa arrives?

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



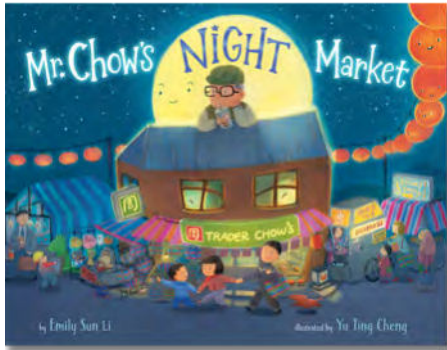
About the Author

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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Penguin Random
House/Penguin Workshop
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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!

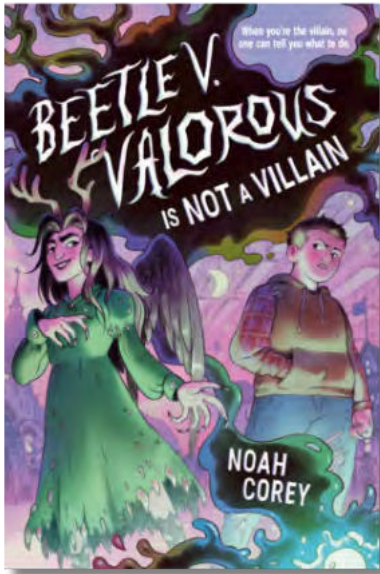
Accompanied by spellbinding art from Yu Ting Cheng, debut author Emily Sun Li crafts a whimsical myth about how the very first Taiwanese night market was created.

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 Fulbright 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 procrastinating, drinking milk tea, or traveling

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Penguin Random
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See the first Back to School book:



Beetle V. Valorous Is Not a Villain (Better School Book 2 of 2) Noah Corey

After making a deal with Aunty for limitless magical power and trapping her inside his body, Clementine is learning how to be a twelve-year-old boy (maybe?) and also a monster queen. Sure, it's complicated, but so is growing up.

Clementine and his best friend Cricket are determined to create Better School, a place for outcast kids to fit in. But Aunty's voice is in Clementine's head, whispering plans to destroy, eat, and rule the world. And he is definitely NOT thinking about his former-best-friend-slash-crush Bug, aka Beetle. Now that Clementine is evil, and Bug is a hero, they are sworn enemies. And sworn enemies don't daydream about holding hands!

But below Better School's floating cloud, Anise's father has convinced everyone that kids like Clementine—kids with magic—are dangerous. Now Clementine has to infiltrate a cult, solve a missing-kids mystery, rescue Beetle from being brainwashed, and keep Better School running . . . or else Aunty will end the world for real. In the meantime, he will decide who he is and where he belongs, once and for all.

Praise for *Clementine H. Hopeful Is Not a Hero*

"A standout, genre-blurring work; give to fans of Lemony Snicket and Coraline, and to all readers who have ever rooted for the villains instead of the heroes." —*School Library Journal*, starred review

"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*

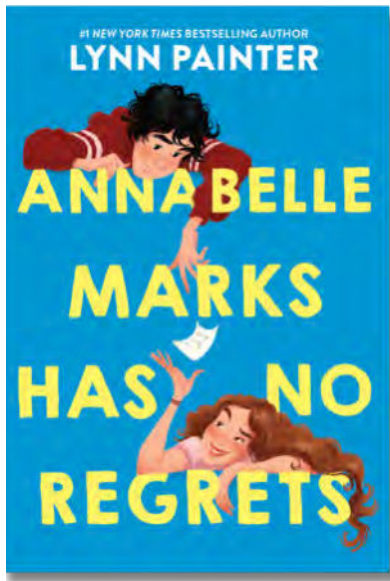
"For villains, heroes, and those occupying the space in between, Corey's debut showcases that bravery comes in different forms and the greatest thing one can wield is the courage to be unapologetically, unequivocally oneself." —*Booklist*

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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Agent: James McGowan
Hachette BFYR
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Manuscript available soon

Annabelle Marks Has No Regrets

Lynn Painter

#1 *New York Times* bestselling author Lynn Painter delivers a hilarious, page-turning romp about friendship, first kisses, and (accidentally) becoming your best self.

Annabelle's family is moving out of state, and she's determined to go out on a high note. So she and her friends make her a wildly out-of-character bucket list: sing (badly) at the middle school talent show, befriend longtime crush Brody (maybe even kiss him?!), and finally stop fading into the background.

Annabelle's bold moves change everything. Suddenly, people know her name... and seem to actually really like her? Including Brody, who is all in on their newfound friendship and even adds some memorable pranks to her list. For the first time, Annabelle's life feels anything but forgettable.

But with the move looming and the list spiraling into bigger risks and messy secrets, Annabelle begins to wonder: If it all has an expiration date, is any of it real? And what will her life look like once the dust settles?

Praise for *The Wish Switch*

"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*

"Cleverly written with a nice mix of fantasy, mystery, humor, and young love. Painter has a knack for weaving a tale that is sure to delight all readers... A fun read and an escape from the ordinary."—*School Library Journal*

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

About the Author

Lynn Painter is the #1 New York Times bestselling author of *The Wish Switch*; the young adult books *Better Than the Movies*, *The Do-Over*, *Betting on You*, *Nothing Like the Movies*, and *Fake Skating*; as well as a number of novels for adult readers. She lives in Nebraska with her husband and pack of wild children, and when she isn't reading or writing, odds are good she's guzzling energy drinks and watching rom-coms.

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Agent: Allegra Martschenko
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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.

See more from Elias:



Praise

"Elias Cold's sophomore YA novel whisks you into a world brimming with selkies, kelpies, and other devious fae, but the true magic is in the tender, transformative friendships. Whimsical and healing, *Selkies & Skeptics* is an inextinguishable lighthouse on an overcast, stormy night." — **S. Hati, author of *Morbid Curiosities***

"Whimsical and full of heart, Cold has masterfully crafted a rich world full of magical creatures and mystery. I always love stories about found family and self-acceptance, and *Selkies & Skeptics* is no exception. A must-read fantasy." — **Tatiana Schlote-Bonne, author of *Such Lovely Skin and What Feeds Below***

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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Simon & Schuster/BFYR
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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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Random House Children's
Books/Delacorte
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The Tales of Arcana Fortune (Tales of Arcana Fortune 1) Hafsa A. Jawad

Once upon a time, there were no Happily Ever Afters...

Young healer Serena Rose has always dreamed of the kind of romance fairytales are made of, but the chances of finding true love living alone in a cottage by the wood are... slim. Instead, she spends her days chasing down mischievous woodland critters, brewing tonics, and taking care of her family's ancient records of fairytales, many of which have been outlawed in the kingdom of Lumina.

Her quiet life is upended when she is approached by a dark-haired stranger searching for a book in her family's collection, *The Tales of Arcana Fortune*. In between searching for more information on the book, and fighting their budding attraction, they accidentally free a malicious immortal sealed with an ancient spell.

Cursed to be trapped in a different fairytale each night, Serena must find a way through her trials all the while trying not to lose her life, her freedom, and her heart.

*With 23 full-page
internal illustrations
done by the author-
illustrator herself!*



Hearing Mama talk 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...



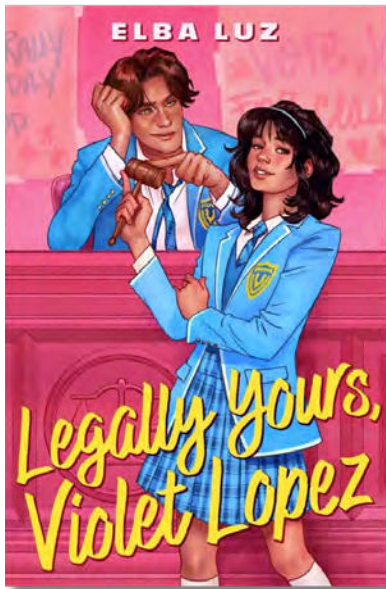
He was young, probably around his early to mid twenties, a few years older than her. His hair was dark and messy, falling rakishly onto his eyes.

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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Agent: Emily Forney
Simon & Schuster
Children's
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Legally Yours, Violet Lopez Elba Luz

A serious and studious teen reluctantly agrees to defend her elite private school's lazy golden boy in this young adult rom-com with courtroom intrigue, an opposites attract romance, and witty banter.

Violet Lopez has planned exactly how her life will go: She'll graduate valedictorian, attend Harvard, and become a big shot lawyer, all so that her injury-prone single dad can finally take a break.

As a member of her elite private school's law society, Violet is proud to hold a near-perfect record of defending students against the disciplinary board. But when the popular and infuriatingly charming Theo Hudson is accused of a prank he swears he didn't commit, Violet recuses herself from his case on the grounds of despising the school's privileged golden boy, and not even a couple classmates' offer of a four-figure payout to purposely tank his trial can change her mind.

Then Theo uncovers a secret Violet wants to keep under wraps and blackmails her into representing him. Sick of being pushed around by rich kids, Violet decides she can get sweet revenge on the arrogant jock and some much-needed cash at the same time. She'll twist his alibi, lose key evidence, mislead witnesses—all while playing the perfect lawyer on the surface. Theo goes down, and Violet gets paid.

But the closer Violet gets to Theo, the more she sees beneath his devil-may-care attitude to someone caring and surprisingly sensitive...who she's been planning to sabotage. Is it too late to change her mind? And even if she does, would Theo ever forgive her?

Violet can object to falling in love all she wants, but her heart overrules every time.

About the Author

Elba Luz is a Puerto Rican author and a lover of stories, whether in the form of anime, manga, video games, or, of course, books. Speaking of books, she should be writing her own. Instead, you'll probably find her replaying Final Fantasy, listening to classical music, or cuddling up with her adorable pit bull, Stormy.

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Agent: Naomi Davis
Macmillan/St. Martin's
March 2027
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We Were Supposed to Find This Emily Snyder

Every thirty years, the small farm town of Aurora is washed in light from Harmony's Comet. Local legends claim strange things happen when it appears in the sky: People disappear. Some say they slip through time.

The comet is due back this summer, but grieving Everly wants nothing to do with this reminder of her late mother. Then she meets the perfect distraction: fiery-haired and playful Sam, who's obsessed with nineties music and actual cameras. She puts Everly instantly at ease, but vanishes just as suddenly as she appeared.

When Everly accidentally slips thirty years into the past, she finds herself in 1998, where the Backstreet Boys and dial-up internet reign and no one's ever heard of a smartphone. There, she finds Sam again—and comes face-to-face with the unimaginable: her teenage mom.

Determined to understand this rip in time, Everly begins digging into the comet's link to local disappearances with the help of her mom and Sam. Because she has to find a way home...right?

But soon, Everly exposes dark secrets. Time may be malleable, but not every change is for the better. If Everly isn't careful, she'll risk an altered future—one without her mother or the girl she's falling for.

Praise

"We Were Supposed to Find This will stay with the reader long after the last page. Breathtakingly written, Snyder is a must-read talent." —**Mary E. Roach, author of MN Book Award Finalist *Seven for a Secret***

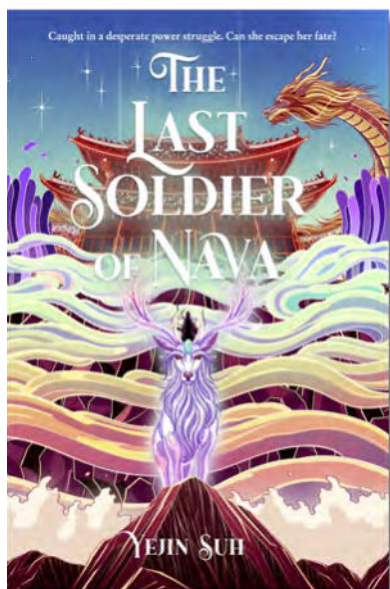
About the Author

Emily Snyder grew up in New England, where she spent all her free time dreaming up stories about quiet girls with mysteries to solve, family drama to avoid, and cute people to reluctantly fall in love with. She enjoys tea, swimming, and board games that take entire evenings to play. When she's not writing, she can usually be found spending time with her family at their (probably not haunted) home in Salem, MA.

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Sarah Jennie Photography



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HarperCollins Magpie (UK)
HarperCollins 360 (US)
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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***

"Yejin Suh's spectacular debut is reminiscent of Ursula K. Le Guin...with cultural and political tensions that enhance the stakes. Fantasy readers seeking a new sapphic adventure will be delighted by the world of Nava." — **Booklist, starred review**

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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Author's archive

BOOKENDS HIGHLIGHTS



Kennedy Ryan Behind the Screen

Not only will her bestseller *Before I Let Go* become a series on the Peacock streaming service, Kennedy Ryan is now working with Universal to develop various screen projects, bringing diversity and spice to the table.

Juliette Cross Retells the Classics

In a new major 7-figure deal with Bramble, three classic titles will be retold as gothic paranormal romances with vampire heroes and elemental witch heroines through the hands of Juliette Cross. *Jane Eyre* launches the retellings in *THE AYRE WITCH* (slated to come out in March 2028); then *North and South* in *OF FROST AND FYRE* (2029), and *Pride and Prejudice* in *VANITY AND VAMPIRES* (2030).



Nadia Lee Goes Traditional

With scores of independently published titles and over 3.5 million books sold, Nadia Lee will be published by Hachette/Forever in 2028. The first in this six-figure two-book deal is *THE BILLIONAIRE'S REVENGE BRIDE*, in which a heiress catches her fiancé cheating minutes before their wedding and agrees to a marriage of convenience with his black sheep billionaire half-brother to prove her worth.

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