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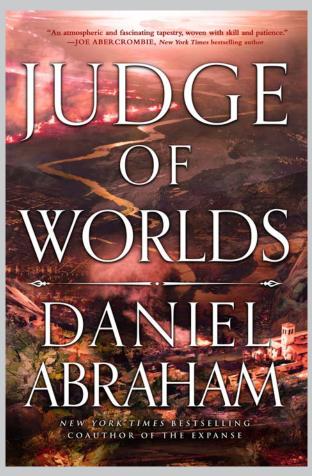


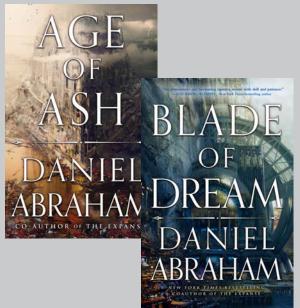
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# JUDGE OF WORLDS DANIEL ABRAHAM





### Orbit, April 2025

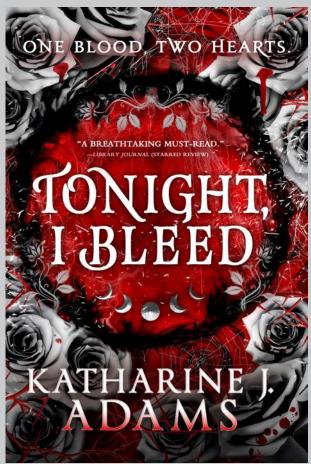
"An atmospheric and fascinating tapestry, woven with skill and patience."

-Joe Abercrombie, New York Times bestselling author of A Little Hatred

From New York Times bestselling and critically acclaimed author Daniel Abraham, co-author of the *Expanse*, comes the conclusion to the monumental epic fantasy trilogy that unfolds within the walls of a single great city, over the course of one tumultuous year, where every story matters, and the fate of the city is woven from them all.

Series Rights Sold: Italian (Mondadori) Russian (Eksmo) Czech (Euromedia)

# TONIGHT, I BLEED KATHARINE J. ADAMS



TONIGHT, I BURN

KATHARINE J.

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Orbit, April 2025

A witch finds herself face to face with death as she stands at the center of a magical rebellion and back to back with her enemies as she falls deeper into a seductive romance.

Penny Albright has burned night after night to keep her soul free of Malin's contract. Now, she's at the stake again, and this time, it's her freewill about to burn. Penny turns to the Sorcerer chained on the mysterious ninth floor of the library for aid. He offers a deal: a legion to fight the Warden in exchange for her blood.

Just one drop into the eternal fires will end the Warden's reign and set the Sorcerer free. One drop of blood might destroy them all. And with the Warden using Penny's circle of Resistance witch friends as a shield, Penny is forced to choose between the friends she loves and the covens she belongs to.

A single night might spark a war that will tear the world—or Penny's heart—apart.

### **Series Rights Sold:**

AST, Russian Hidra, Spanish Armchair, Hebrew Bragelonne, French

# FINDERS KEEPERS SARAH ADLER

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Previous Titles
Sold in:
Brazilian
Portuguese, Italian,
Portuguese, Hebrew,
German, Dutch,
Turkish

Berkley, June 2025

### **PREVIOUS WORK:**

A USA TODAY BESTSELLER!

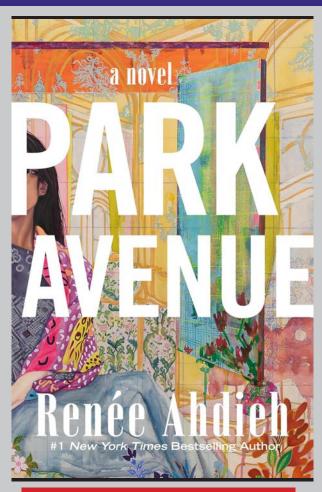
A New York Public Library Best Book of 2023!

Last week, Nina Hunnicutt was a professor about to move into a gorgeous new apartment with her long-term boyfriend. Now, she's single, unemployed, and living with her parents. Even more surprising is the fact that Quentin Bell, her childhood neighbor (and okay, fine, crush), is also back in town—and wants to resume the treasure hunt that ended their friendship almost two decades ago.

Hoping the reward promised to whoever finds the rumored riches left behind by the town's eccentric turn-of-thecentury seltzer magnate will help her get her life back on track, Nina agrees. Granted, last time the search resulted in a broken heart and seventeen years of silence. But Nina's older and wiser now—surely things will be different.

Except, Quentin is also older and wiser...not to mention distractingly handsome. As they resume their hunt, Nina and Quentin begin to rediscover all the things they once loved best about each other. But unlike the treasure, the secrets that left them empty-handed the first time refuse to stay buried. If there's any hope of finding what they're looking for—and for a future together—Nina and Quentin will have to be brave enough to excavate their past as well.

### PARK AVENUE **RENÉE AHDIEH**



### Rights Sold: Mondadori, Italian

"I read this book with a huge smile on my face. It's decadent and propulsive with genuine depth and heart. I can't remember the last time I had so much fun reading a book!"

-Nicola Yoon #1 New York
Times Bestseller

### Flatiron/Macmillan, June 2025

### ACQUIRED IN A SEVEN FIGURE DEAL!

The #1 New York Times
Bestselling Author

Jia Song was always destined for greatness. As the daughter of Korean bodega owners, she promised herself that she would have every Fifth Avenue luxury when she grew up, and it is all within reach. She has just made junior partner at her prestigious Manhattan law firm, she has two best friends who are always there for her, and she is even about to score the ultra-luxe Birkin bag of her dreams. Sure, maybe her love life is in shambles and she's spending too much time at the office. But she is set up to become the firm's next star. So when her boss asks her for a Friday morning favor, sitting in on the hush-hush family implosion of a high-level client, she accepts without hesitation-only to find out that the client in question is one of the most famous Korean families in the world.

The Park family's net worth is estimated at a billion dollars, and their mega-successful Korean beauty brand has shaped the culture for the past two decades. But the patriarch is filing for divorce while his wife is dying, and their three children can't stop snapping at each other. With both the family fortune and legacy under threat from the worst kind of scandal, it's up to Jia to set things right-and she only has a month to do it. Suddenly, Jia is thrust into the three Park siblings' back-stabbing family politics and embroiled in a drama that feels straight out of a Korean soap opera. As Jia sorts through the lies and subterfuge, chasing the truth across the globe on private jets, she finds herself falling for this broken, badly-behaving family in ways she can't quite explain. But it is also becoming all too clear that the Parks are hiding dark secrets, from themselves and from Jia. Can she separate the truth from the lies in time to protect the Parks' fortune and secure her success at the firm? And can she hold on to what's most important, even if it means admitting that what she always wanted isn't what she actually needs?

### LESSONS IN MAGIC AND DISASTER CHARLIE JANE ANDERS

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Tor, August 2025

From the winner of the Hugo, Nebula, Sturgeon, Lambda Literary, Crawford and Locus Awards comes a brand new standalone novel.

A character driven tour-de-force that explores the deep emotional bonds between daughter and mother.

Jamie's mother, Serena, has been hiding in an old one-room schoolhouse for years, ever since her life fell apart.

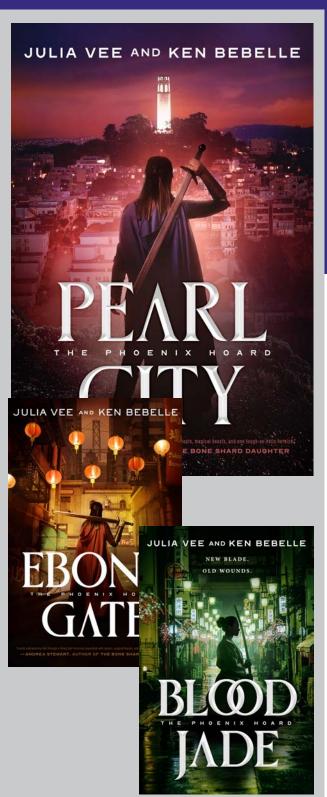
But Jamie has a secret: she's now a powerful witch, and she will teach Serena to cast spells, so her mother can get her life back. Jamie doesn't know the whole story of what happened to her mother all those years ago, and the buried secrets lead Serena towards destructive magic.

Now it's up to Jamie to understand the secrets of a three-hundred-year-old magical book before her mother ruins both of their lives.

### **Selected Accomplishments:**

- Co-created Escapade, a transgender superhero, for Marvel Comics.
- Science fiction and fantasy book reviewer for *The* Washington Post
  - TED Talk Over 700,000Views in 1 Week

## PEARL CITY KEN BEBELLE & JULIA VEE



Tor Books, July 2015

A female John Wick story with dragon magic set in contemporary San Francisco's Chinatown.

Blade. Butcher. Thief. Worldbreaker.

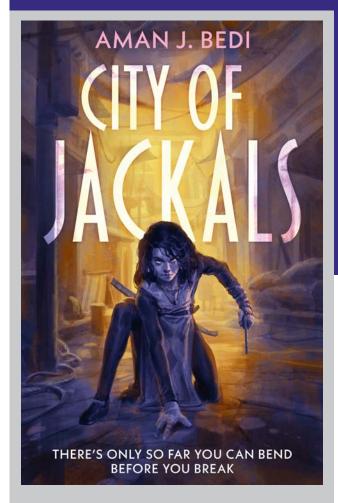
Emiko Soong has been called many things but Worldbreaker is the worst.

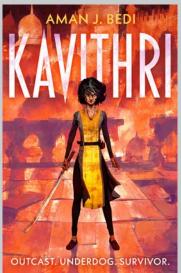
She unmasked the General and returned to San Francisco where her power is greatest. But the city, once her sanctuary from Jiaren intrigues, turns into her living nightmare. Clan war tears at the seams and her life becomes a treacherous quicksand of friend and foe. Unsure of who to trust, Emiko finds herself more alone than ever.

When an ancient power rips through the Realm to land in her city, the General will stop at nothing to take this power for his own. Emiko must face her past, her present, and her future, as she races to stop the General.

Is Emiko's fate written to be the destroyer of worlds, or can she chart her own course to save her family?

# CITY OF JACKALS AMAN J. BEDI





Gollancz/Hachette, March 2025

An action-packed South
Asian epic fantasy
featuring necromancers,
jinn, and one seriously
fearless heroine...

Kavi's people were once warriors who acted as the vanguard to an imperial invasion. Now, they drive steam rickshaws.

But when the most dangerous gang in the city takes control of the Imperial Rickshaw Company, Kavi's people are cast out again, and Kavi is forced to work for the gang as a low-level enforcer. Her only hope lies in the annual Blade and Warlock tournament at the Vagola - the prize money from which will buy back the company and her people's future.

But the shadow of the Kraelish Empire still hangs over the city, and as conspiracies unfold on the Azraayan border and dark truths come to the surface, Kavi finds an insidious new desire slither its way into her heart. One that she cannot ignore. One that will leave blood flowing through the gutters of her city.

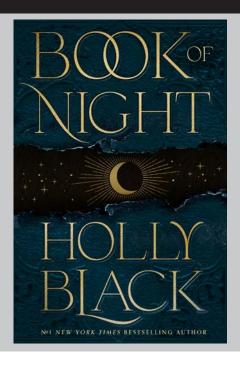
Vengeance.

# THIEF OF NIGHT HOLLY BLACK

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Tor, Fall 2025

Del Rey/PRH, UK/Commonwealth

From #1 New York Times
bestselling author Holly Black
comes *Thief of Night*, a modern
dark fantasy of shadowy
thieves and secret societies.

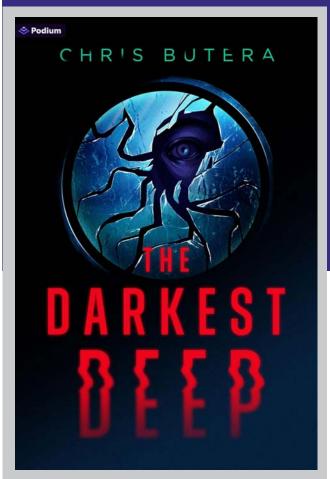
"Dark, strange, thick with mystery and twists-a story so believable in its magic, you'll be keeping one eye on your shadow as you turn the pages." -Leigh Bardugo, New York Times bestselling author of Ninth House on Book of Night

"A delicious, dark, adrenaline rush of a book. I'm already dying to see Charlie Hall's next con." - New York Times bestselling author, Alix E. Harrow on Book of Night

### **Rights Sold:**

Urano, Spanish Eksmo, Russian Meulenhoff Boekerij, Dutch Mondadori, Italian De Saxus, French S.C. Contact, Romanian Jaguar, Polish Droemer Knaur, German Jarir. Arabic

### THE DARKEST DEEP CHRIS BUTERA



In the vein of Andy Weir's The Martian

Podium Publishing, August 2025

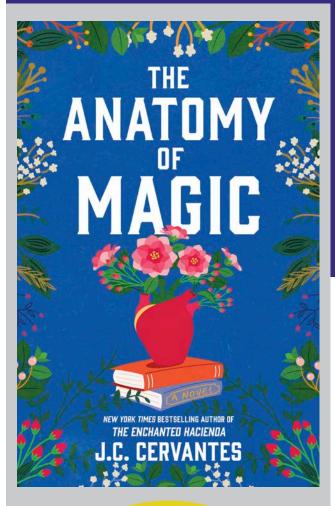
A scavenger trapped in a defunct undersea train tunnel struggles to escape as his air supply-and his sanity--dwindles in this debut psychological thriller.

The Transatlantic Train Tunnel, connecting New York and London, was meant to be the next Wonder of the World. But after the disastrous maiden voyage seven years ago, it's generated nothing but protests, lawsuits, and bankruptcy. The only traffic the tunnel sees these days is scrappers harvesting its useless remains before it's fully dismantled.

Not everyone is willing to take a tedious job one hundred and fifty feet below sea level, but Ben Breckenridge doesn't have a choice. He needs the money, and the work will help quiet his anxieties. That is, until one of the bulkhead doors mysteriously locks, trapping him inside.

With limited air supply, Ben must race deeper into the tunnel to find a way out. Yet the farther he goes, the more his mind disintegrates. To survive, he'll have to reckon with the monsters in his head. Only then will he be able to face the actual monster that's now hunting him down . . .

# THE ANATOMY OF MAGIC J.C. CERVANTES



Park Row/HarperCollins, March 2025 Headline Eternal, UK/Commonwealth

A young woman learns
to embrace all the messy
imperfections of life and
love with some help from
her magical family.

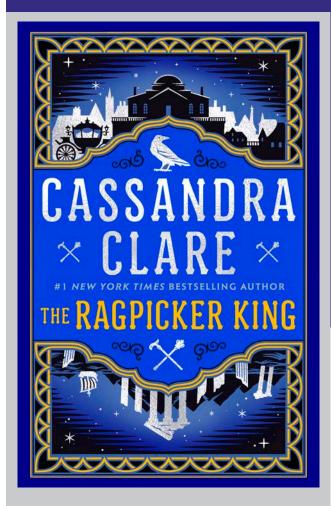
Lilian Estrada seemingly has it all: an ob-gyn star on the rise, a master at balancing work with whirlwind romances and part of a family of fiercely loyal and exceptional women, all bound together by an extraordinary secret. The Estrada women each possess a unique power, and Lily shines with the rare gift to manipulate memories. Yet not even her mystical abilities can shield her from a harrowing event at the hospital, one that sends her powers—and her confidence—spiraling out of control.

Seeking solace, Lily retreats to her family's ancestral home in Mexico, only to find herself face-to-face with a ghost from her past—Sam, the first love she never forgot. Nearly a decade since she last saw him, Sam is hardly the boy she once knew, and as old flames spark to life, Lily must navigate the mysteries of their shared history and the depths of her own heart if she hopes to control her unpredictable magic.

J.C. Cervantes' work has appeared on:

American Booksellers
Association New Voices
Barnes and Noble's Best
Young Reader Books
Amazon's Best Books of the
Month

# THE RAGPICKER KING CASSANDRA CLARE



CASSANDRA

CLARE

SUORD CATCHER

SWORD CATCHER

Del Rey/PRH, March 2025
Tor, UK/Commonwealth

In the epic follow-up to the New York Times bestseller *Sword Catcher*, praised by George R. R. Martin as "everything I look for in fantasy," Lin and Kel must chart a perilous course between love and lies.

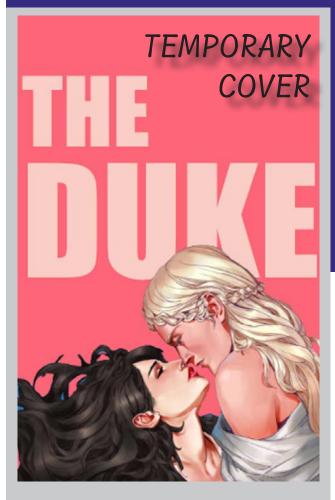
### THE POWERHOUSE AUTHOR:

35+ Languages
50 Million Copies in the World
#1 New York Times Bestseller

### Rights Sold:

Blanvalet, German
Galera, Brazilian Portuguese
De Saxus, French
Crossbooks/Planeta, Spanish
Luitingh Sijthoff, Dutch
Mondadori, Italian
Alfa, Turkish
Otava, Finnish
AST, Russian
RM Books, Ukrainian
Dioptra, Greek

### THE DUKE ANNA COWAN



"Gorgeously written and desperately hot, The Duke is one of those books you don't recommend so much as evangelize. The clever, slantwise way Cowan wields the tropes of the genre! The incisive clarity of her characters! Hands down, my favorite romance of the decade." Alix E. Harrow, author of the New York Times Bestselling Starling House

St. Martin's Griffin, Fall 2025

THE START TO A 4-BOOK
SERIES FEATURING FOUR
DIFFERENT ROMANCE HERO
TROPES - EACH EMBODIED IN
A FEMALE HEROINE.

The duke who fears nothing...

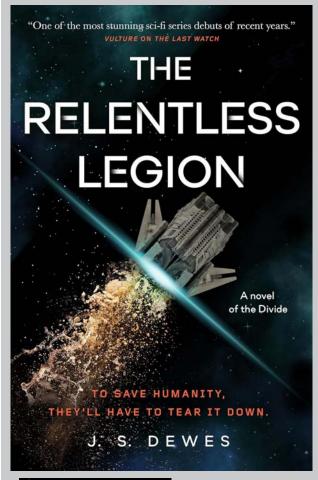
Kate, Duke of Howard, is known throughout Europe as a merciless autocrat not to be crossed. Consumed by a bitter rivalry, she avoids society and has vowed never to trap a woman into marriage with a monster like herself.

Until the woman she never forgot walks through her door... The beautiful, ambitious courtesan Celine Genet once threw herself on the mercy of the visiting Duke of Howard. She was desperate to escape the guillotine. But after a night of searing passion, the duke left her to the ravages of Revolutionary Paris and didn't look back. Now Celine is in London and in possession of a dangerous letter that proves the Duke of Howard committed treason as a child-and possibly even murder.

And brings her to her knees...

Celine wants a titled husband in return for keeping the duke's secret, leaving Kate no choice but to parade her around the most fashionable ballrooms. But as Celine takes society by storm, Kate faces an impossible choice: keep her childhood secret, or win the woman she loves.

## THE RELENTLESS LEGION J.S. DEWES





Tor Books, November 2024

J. S. Dewes is back with her acclaimed and action packed Divide series where The Expanse meets the Night's Watch.

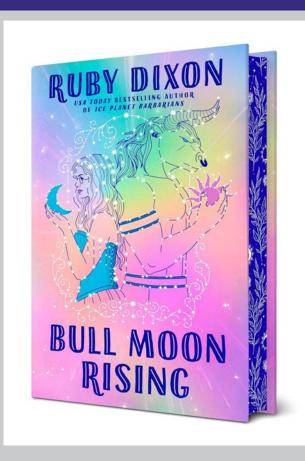
The Sentinels have rallied under the leadership of Adequin Rake, and Cavalon Mercer has uncovered the horrifying genetic solution his grandfather is about to unleash on the unsuspecting outer colonies.

Both Rake and Cavalon race against time to save the universe once again. They'll need every resource, every ally who might answer the call.

It might not be enough.

Series Rights Sold: Czech, Polish, Russian

### BOUND TO THE SHADOW PRINCE **RUBY DIXON**



ACE/PRH, October 2024

"A steamy marriage of convenience featuring all the unusual anatomy Dixon's fans expect. The worldbuilding is well done and the love story convincing. Dixon should win a whole new set of readers with this."—Publishers Weekly

In a world of magical artifacts and fantastical beings, a woman determined to save her family joins forces with an unlikely partner—a minotaur—in this steamy romantasy by USA Today bestselling author Ruby Dixon.

Rights Sold: Hlab/Hachette, French



A standalone novel from the author of the "Best of BookTok" international publishing phenomenon *Ice Planet Barbarians* 

### PICKS AND SHOVELS **CORY DOCTOROW**



Heyne Verlag, Germany

Tor Books, February 2025

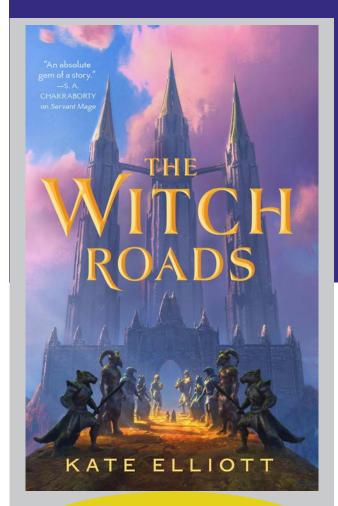
**New York Times bestselling** author Cory Doctorow returns to the world of Red Team Blues to bring us the origin story of Martin Hench and the most powerful new tool for crime ever invented: the personal computer.

The year is 1986. The city is San Francisco. Here, Martin Hench will invent the forensic accountant--what a bounty hunter is to people, he is to money--but for now he's an MIT dropout odd-jobbing his way around a city still reeling from the invention of a revolutionary new technology that will change everything about crime forever, one we now take completely for granted.

When Marty finds himself hired by Silicon Valley PC startup Fidelity Computing to investigate a group of disgruntled ex-employees who've founded a competitor startup, he quickly realizes he's on the wrong side. Marty ditches the greasy old guys running Fidelity Computing without a second thought, utterly infatuated with the electric atmosphere of Computing Freedom. Located in the heart of the Mission, this group of brilliant young women found themselves exhausted by the predatory business practices of Fidelity Computing and set out to beat them at their own game, making better computers and driving Fidelity Computing out of business. But this optimistic startup, fueled by young love and California-style burritos, has no idea the depth of the evil they're seeking to unroot or the risks they run.

In this company-eat-company city, Martin and his friends will be lucky to escape with their lives.

### THE WITCH ROADS KATE ELLIOTT



Fungal romantasy is here!

New York Times Bestselling author Kate Elliott has been writing science fiction and fantasy for 30 years, after bursting onto the scene with Jaran. Elliott's particular focus is immersive world-building & centering women in epic stories of adventure, amidst transformative cultural change.

Tor Books, June 2025 Sequel: November 2025

A ravenous fungal ghost plague, deadly court intrigue, an overland journey, and a mysterious haunt.

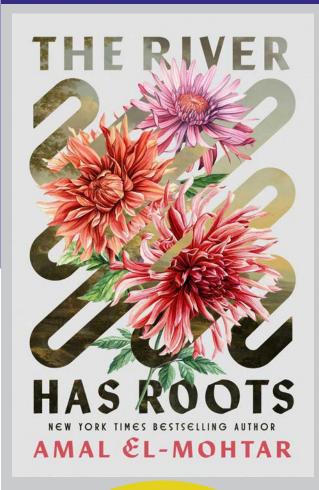
Status is hereditary, class is bestowed, trust must be earned.

When an arrogant prince (and his equally arrogant entourage) gets stuck in Orledder Halt as part of brutal political intrigue, competent and sunny deputy courier Elen-once a child slave meant to shield noblemen from the poisonous Pall-is assigned to guide him through the hills to reach his destination.

When she warns him not to enter the haunted Spires, the prince doesn't heed her advice, and the man who emerges from the towers isn't the same man who entered.

The journey that follows is fraught with danger. Can a group taught to ignore and despise the lower classes survive with a mere deputy courier as their guide?

# THE RIVER HAS ROOTS AMAL EL-MOHTAR



Follow the river Liss to the small town of Thistleford, on the edge of Faerie, and meet two sisters who cannot be separated, even in death.

Tordotcom, March 2025

The hugely anticipated solo debut of the New York Times bestselling and Hugo Award winning author.

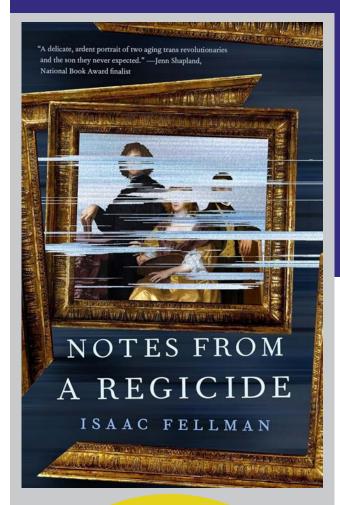
"Oh what is stronger than a death? Two sisters singing with one breath."

In the small town of Thistleford, on the edge of Faerie, dwells the mysterious Hawthorn family.

There, they tend and harvest the enchanted willows and honour an ancient compact to sing to them in thanks for their magic. None more devotedly than the family's latest daughters, Esther and Ysabel, who cherish each other as much as they cherish the ancient trees.

But when Esther rejects a forceful suitor in favor of a lover from the land of Faerie, not only the sisters' bond but also their lives will be at risk...

## NOTES ON A REGICIDE ISAAC FELLMAN



"A delicate, ardent portrait of two aging trans revolutionaries and the son they never expected."

-Jenn Shapland,
National Book Award finalist

Tor Books, April 2025

A heartbreaking story of trans self-discovery with a rich relatability and a science-fictional twist from the awardwinning author.

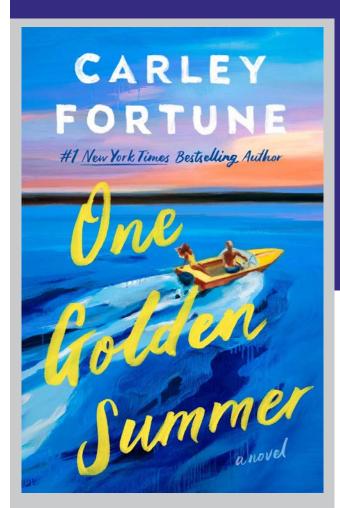
When your parents die, you find out who they really were.

Griffon Keming's second parents saved him from his abusive family. They taught him how to be trans, paid for his transition, and tried to love him as best they could. But Griffon's new parents had troubles of their own – both were deeply scarred by the lives they lived before Griffon, the struggles they faced to become themselves, and the failed revolution that drove them from their homeland. When they died, they left an unfillable hole in his heart.

Griffon's best clue to his parents' lives is in his father's journal, written from a jail cell while he awaited execution. Stained with blood, grief, and tears, these pages struggle to contain the love story of two artists on fire. With the journal in hand, Griffon hopes to pin down his relationship to these wonderful and strange people for whom time always seemed to be running out.

In Notes from a Regicide, a trans family saga set in a faroff, familiar future, Isaac Fellman goes beyond the concept of found family to examine how deeply we can be healed and hurt by those we choose to love.

# ONE GOLDEN SUMMER CARLEY FORTUNE



From the #1
New York Times
bestselling author
of Every Summer
After, Meet Me at
the Lake, and This
Summer Will Be
Different.

Berkley, May 2025

THE #1 NEW YORK
TIMES BESTSELLING
AUTHOR

PUBLISHED IN 29 LANGUAGES

OVER 1 MILLION COPIES
SOLD

I never anticipated Charlie Florek.

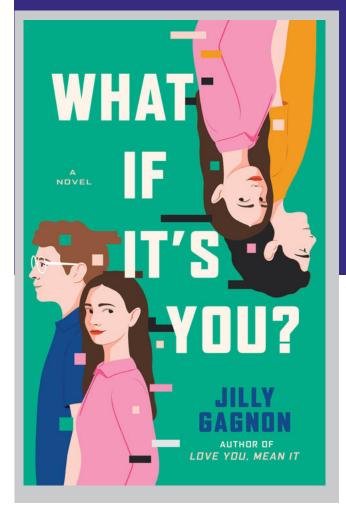
Good things happen at the lake. That's what Alice's grandmother says, and it's true. Alice spent just one summer at a cottage with Nan when she was seventeen—it's where she took that photo, the one of three grinning teenagers in a yellow speedboat, the image that changed her life.

Now Alice lives behind a lens. As a photographer, she's most comfortable on the sidelines, letting other people shine. Lately though, she's been itching for something more, and when Nan falls and breaks her hip, Alice comes up with a plan for them both: another summer in that magical place, Barry's Bay. But as soon as they settle in, their peace is disrupted by the roar of a familiar yellow boat, and the man driving it.

Charlie Florek was nineteen when Alice took his photo from afar. Now he's all grown up—a shameless flirt, who manages to make Nan laugh and Alice long to be seventeen again, when life was simpler, when taking pictures was just for fun. Sun-slanted days and warm nights out on the lake with Charlie are a balm for Alice's soul, but when she looks up and sees his piercing green gaze directly on her, she begins to worry for her heart.

Because Alice sees people—that's why she is so good at what she does—but she's never met someone who looks and sees her right back.

# WHAT IF IT'S YOU JILLY GAGNON



Dell/PRH, May 2025

that got away . . . and thanks to an alternate reality tech project, one woman will get the chance to actually find out.

When Laurel Everett finds a ring in her longtime boyfriend Ollie's sock drawer, she should be thrilled . . . so why is she left wondering "what if?" Specifically, what if she'd taken up her work crush, Drew, on his offer of a date just after she and Ollie got together? Thanks to her job at tech giant Pixel, she might have a way to answer that question through the AltR project, which

promises users a glimpse of alternate realities. Or it will, once the quantum computers it relies on get more powerful.

When the program actually works and Laurel wakes up five years into her life with Drew, she's fascinated . . . then increasingly horrified as she continues to slip between that world and her "real" life seemingly at random. As she moves back and forth between the two worlds, Laurel realizes choosing the right life might not be as simple as deciding between two men and the different visions of happiness they offer. And if she doesn't find a way to untangle herself from the quantum mess she's unleashed, she might wind up stuck in the wrong life, or worse, deleted entirely like a faulty line of code. . . .

### THE KNIGHT AND THE MOTH RACHEL GILLIG

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Rights Sold:
LYX, German
Hidra, Spanish
Dobrovsky, Czech Republic

Previous work sold in 23 Languages

Orbit, May 2025

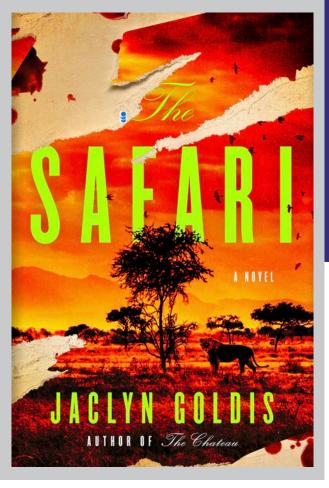
FROM THE AUTHOR
OF ONE DARK
WINDOW - THE
FANTASY BOOKTOK
SENSATION!

Sybil Delling has spent nine years dreaming of having no dreams at all. Like the other foundling girls who traded a decade of service for a home in the great cathedral, Sybil is a Diviner. In her dreams she receives visions from six unearthly figures known as Omens. From them, she can predict terrible things before they occur, and lords and common folk alike travel across the kingdom of Traum's windswept moors to learn their futures by her dreams.

Just as she and her sister Diviners near the end of their service, a mysterious knight arrives at the cathedral. Rude, heretical, and devilishly handsome, the knight Rodrick has no respect for Sybil's visions. But when Sybil's fellow Diviners begin to vanish one by one, she has no choice but to seek his help in finding them. For the world outside the cathedral's cloister is wrought with peril. Only the gods have the answers she is seeking, and as much as she'd rather avoid Rodrick's dark eyes and sharp tongue, only a heretic can defeat a god.

# THE SAFARI JACLYN GOLDIS

White Lotus meets Succession



Atria/Emily Bestler Books, May 2025

In The Safari, family secrets boil beneath the surface, corporate machinations are at full throttle, and predatory animals lurk around every corner.

Odelia Babel, CEO of a massive sustainable fashion empire, has just married for the second time—to a man nearly thirty years her junior. Jesse Bach is the thirty-six-year-old designer of Odelia's luxe basics line, the darling of every high-fashion journalist, wealthy in his own right, and madly in love with Odelia. Following an intimate wedding for just them two, Odelia is eager to celebrate finding "the last love of her life" with those she most cherishes, including her adult

children, her daughter-in-law, her grandchild, and her best friend/assistant. So Odelia invites them on an all-expenses-paid luxury safari at Leopard Sands in South Africa, where the Babels have long vacationed. In its soil, they have deep family roots—and even deeper family secrets.

The Babel-Bachs convene at Leopard Sands, but not everyone is thrilled to celebrate the happy couple. Amid game drives in the bush, wedding toasts oozing rancor, and bonfires beneath the desert stars, tensions among the family threaten to boil over. And then Odelia is found dead, savagely so, after a huge fight with her son, Sam. Sam is immediately the prime suspect, but he claims he has an ironclad alibi—he was with his twin sister, Bailey. Only Bailey has disappeared.

As the desert heat roils, desperate poachers and ferocious animals lurk, and dark motives fester, it becomes clear that whoever killed Odelia isn't quite finished yet...

### THE END OF THE WORLD AS WE KNOW IT

### INTRODUCTION BY STEPHEN KING

### EDITED BY CHRISTOPHER GOLDEN & BRIAN KEENE

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Introduction by Stephen King
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Afterword by Brian Keene

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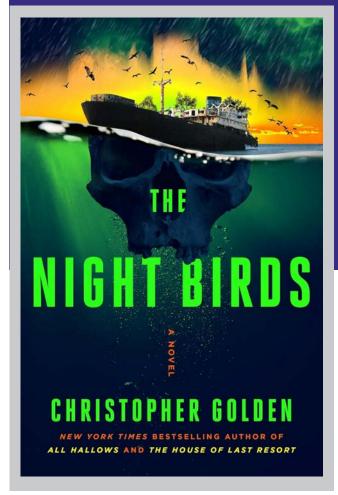
Hodder, UK/Commonwealth

Gallery/Simon & Schuster, June 2025

An original short story anthology based on master storyteller Stephen King's #1 New York Times bestselling classic The Stand!

Since its initial publication in 1978, The Stand has been considered Stephen King's seminal masterpiece of apocalyptic fiction, with millions of copies sold and adapted twice for television. Although there are other extraordinary works exploring the unraveling of human society, none have been as influential as this iconic novel—generations of writers have been impacted by its dark yet ultimately hopeful vision of the end and new beginning of civilization, and its stunning array of characters. Now for the first time, Stephen King has fully authorized a return to the harrowing world of The Stand through this original short story anthology as presented by award-winning authors and editors Christopher Golden and Brian Keene. Bringing together some of today's greatest and most visionary writers, The End of the World As We Know It features unforgettable, all-new stories set during and after (and some perhaps long after) the events of The Stand—brilliant, terrifying, and painfully human tales that will resonate with readers everywhere as an essential companion to the classic, bestselling novel.

## THE NIGHT BIRDS CHRISTOPHER GOLDEN



St. Martin's Press, May 2025

The next gripping, atmospheric horror novel from NYT bestselling author Christopher Golden, set in a deteriorated, half-sunken freighter ship off the coast of Galveston, TX.

Charlie Book and Ruby Cahill have history. After their love ended in heartbreak, they never expected to see each other again, but when terror enters Ruby's life, Charlie Book is the only safe harbor she can believe in.

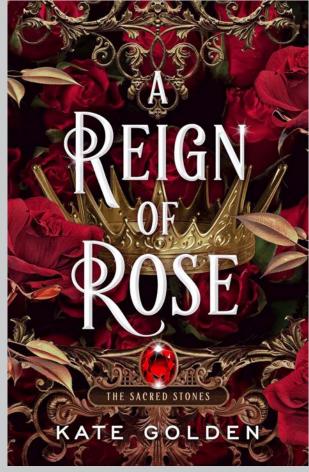
In his work for the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, Book has been living aboard and studying the Christabel, a 19th century freighter that lies half-sunken in Gulf waters,

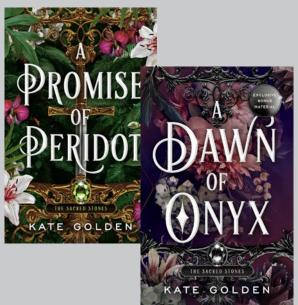
just off the shore of Galveston. Over many years, a massive forest of mangrove trees has grown up through the deck of the ship, creating a startlingly beautiful enigma Book calls the Floating Forest, full of birds, crabs, and snakes. Though a powerful storm churns through the Gulf, Book intends to sleep on board as usual.

But when he arrives at the dock, preparing to motor out to the Christabel, he's stunned to find Ruby there waiting for him. And Ruby's not alone. With her are a mysterious, terrified woman named Johanna and an infant child. They need Book to hide them safely aboard the Christabel while they're on the run, only it isn't the police who are after them. It's the coven of witches Johanna has fled, stealing away the helpless infant for whom they had hideous plans...or so Johanna claims.

It's lunacy. Book wants nothing to do with it. But after the way he and Ruby ended things, and the unspoken pain between them, he can't refuse. Yet even as he brings them out to the ruined ship and its floating forest, back in Galveston there are shadowed figures out in the storm, sniffing the air like bloodhounds. And despite the worsening wind and rain, the night birds are flying, scouring the coastline as if searching for their prey.

## A REIGN OF ROSE **KATE GOLDEN**





Berkley/PRH, October 2024

The TiKTok
Sensation!

Published in 14 Languages!

They must save the world—but can they also save each other?

Kane Ravenwood, King of Onyx Kingdom, would go to the ends of the continent for Arwen Valondale, but what if she's beyond even that? Broken in ways he never imagined he could be, Kane must survive to fulfill the prophecy and kill his father, Fae King Lazarus. After what he's endured, Kane is willing to save all of Evendell by whatever means necessary—even if that spells his own death.

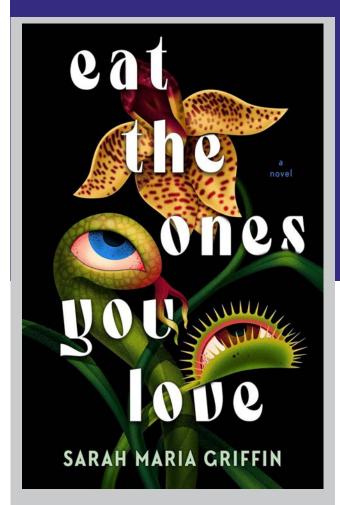
Little does Kane know, he's not the only one desperate for revenge. Arwen is no longer afraid to fight—no sacrifice is too great, no enemy too daunting. Now, nothing will stop her from destroying Lazarus. She's all too aware that if she fails, both realms will be doomed forever.

With the help of new allies and old friends, Kane and Arwen will see this battle through to the end.

### **Rights Sold:**

Arcadia, UK/Commonwealth Heyne, German Urano, Spanish Sonzogno, Italian Melody, Hebrew Olympe, French Niezwyke, Polish Litera, Romanian Marti, Turkish ASA, Portuguese Albatris, Czech Ciela Norma, Bulgarian Autentica, Brazilian Portuguese Anassa Konyvek, Hungarian

# EAT THE ONES YOU LOVE SARAH MARIA GRIFFIN



This is a story about possession, and monstrosity, and working retail. It is about hunger and desire, and other terrible things that grow.

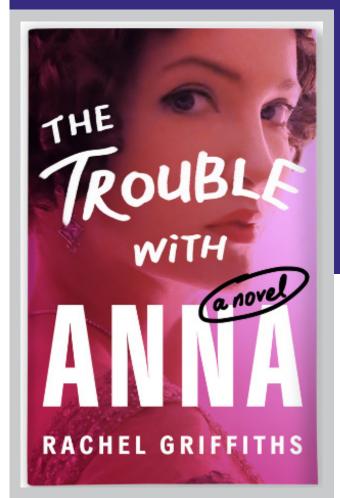
Tor Books, April 2025

A twisted, tangled story about workplace loveaffairs, and plants with a taste for human flesh.

During a grocery run to her local shopping center, Shell Pine sees a 'HELP NEEDED' sign in a flower shop window. She's just left her fiancé, lost her job, and moved home to her parents' house. She has to make a change and bring some good into her life, so she goes inside and takes a chance. Shell realizes right away that flowers are just the good thing she's been looking for, as is Neve, the beautiful florist who wrote the sign asking for help. The thing is, Neve needs help more than Shell could possibly imagine.

An orchid growing out of sight in the heart of the mall is watching them closely. His name is Baby, and the beautiful florist belongs to him. He's young, he's hungry, and he'll do just about anything to make sure he can keep growing big and strong. Nothing he eats – nobody he eats – can satisfy him, except the thing he most desires. Neve. He adores her and wants to consume her, and will stop at nothing to eat the one he loves.

### THE TROUBLE WITH ANNA RACHEL GRIFFITHS



"A witty, charming, delight of a book!"

—Evie Dunmore, USA TODAY bestselling author

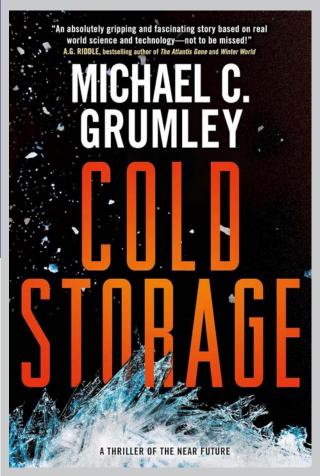
Gallery/Simon & Schuster, March 2025

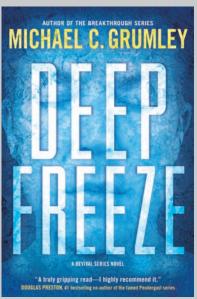
Fans of the slow burn will devour this frenemies-to-lovers story perfect for fans of Sarah MacLean and Evie Dunmore.

A tart young woman and an arrogant lord collide in this flirty, sexy, and remarkably modern historical romance, perfect for fans of *Bridgerton*.

Anna didn't intend to ride in a high-stakes horse race or start up a betting ring. She certainly didn't mean to find herself in so many darkened corners with Lord Julian Ramsay, quarreling and kissing. But when her grandfather's strange will stipulates that Anna must marry or she'll be left broke, there's nothing she won't do to win her fight for independence. Even go head-to-head with Lord Ramsay, with her own heart as the prize.

### COLD STORAGE MICHAEL C. GRUMLEY





Tor Forge, January 2025

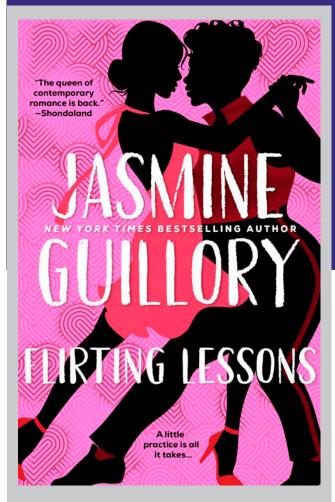
AN EXPANSIVE NEW
STANDALONE THRILLER IN
MICHAEL C. GRUMLEY'S
REVIVAL SERIES, EXPLORING
HUMANITY'S THIRST FOR
IMMORTALITY AT ANY COST.

Technology never works well the first time. Or even the second. Army veteran John Reiff is living proof. John is revived in the back of a dilapidated ambulance, on the run from a shadowy organization that is desperate to take him back. He is the first one, their archetype, and they need to know what happened after his escape. What is happening to his body and his mind. And they need to know now.

Because Reiff knows things he shouldn't. About them and about what they are hiding. A secret that has been in cold storage for several hundred years. And the insidious, methodical plan that has been in motion for half a century.

John Reiff is their key - a problem and the solution. A lab rat gone rogue at the worst possible time. But they will find him. They have to. And they will stop at nothing to get what they want.

## FLIRTING LESSONS JASMINE GUILLORY



A captivating and sizzling new queer romance by New York Times bestselling author Jasmine Guillory.

Berkley, April 2025

"This is Jasmine Guillory at her best. She has outdone herself.
Taylor and Avery Forever.
Absolutely one of the most fun rom coms of the year!"
—Taylor Jenkins Reid, #1 New York Times bestselling author of Carrie Soto Is Back

Avery Jensen is almost thirty, fresh off a breakup, and she's tired of always being so uptight and well-behaved. She wants to get a hobby, date around (especially women), flirt with everyone she sees, wear something not from the business casual section of her closet—all the fun stuff normal people do in their twenties. One problem: Avery doesn't know where to start. She doesn't have a lot of dating experience, with men or women, and despite being self-assured at work, she doesn't have a lot of confidence when it comes to romance.

Enter Taylor Cameron, Napa Valley's biggest flirt and champion heartbreaker. Taylor just broke up with her most recent girlfriend, and her best friend bet her that she can't make it until Labor Day without sleeping with someone. (Two whole months? Without sex? Taylor?!?!) So, she offers to give Avery flirting lessons. It should keep her busy and stop her from texting people she shouldn't. And it might take her mind off how inadequate she feels compared to her friends, who all seem much more settled and adult than Taylor.

At first, Avery is stiff and nervous, but Taylor is patient and encouraging, and soon, Avery looks forward to their weekly lessons. With Taylor's help, Avery finally has the life she always wanted. The only issue is: now she wants Taylor. Their attraction becomes impossible to ignore, despite them both insisting to themselves and everyone else that it isn't serious. When Taylor is forced to confront her feelings for Avery, she doesn't know what to do—and most importantly, if she's already ruined the best thing she's ever had.

# REALM OF THIEVES KARINA HALLE

Berkley, June 2025

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A scorching romantasy from the bestselling author.

Fourth Wing meets
The Godfather.

For Brynla Aihr, crime and survival have always gone hand in hand. Ever since she escaped the fanatical dragon-worshipping cult that controls her homeland, she's had to carve out a life doing the unthinkable: stealing dragon eggs. Egg theft is illegal and, in most cases, fatal. To breach a dragon's nest means a harrowing journey through the ancient wards spelled to keep the monstrous beasts confined. Dragons can't get out and only those with a death wish can get in.

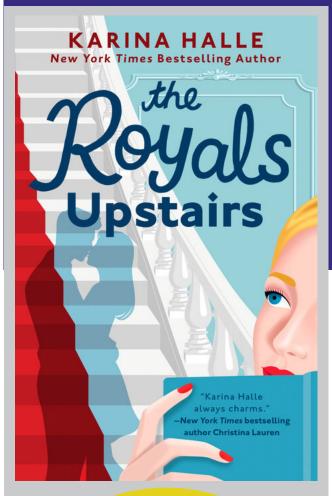
Despite the risks, dragon eggs are highly coveted for their magic. A black market flourishes under competing criminal empires, and Brynla's loyalty has always been to the highest bidder. Until she finds herself kidnapped and blackmailed by Lord Andor, a formidable lieutenant of House Kolbeck, and thrust into the dangerous political games of rivaling dynasties.

Brynla and Andor clash at every turn, sparking heat in ways Brynla's never felt before. But in a world that's prophesized to return to the dragons, and rife with betrayal and secrets at every turn...how close to the flames is she willing to stand?

**RIGHTS SOLD:** 

**Newton Compton, Italian** 

# THE ROYALS UPSTAIRS KARINA HALLE



"A romance
brimming with
tension and fun,
while putting mental
health and trauma
recovery at its
center."—Library
Journal

Berkley, September 2024

He's the royal bodyguard.

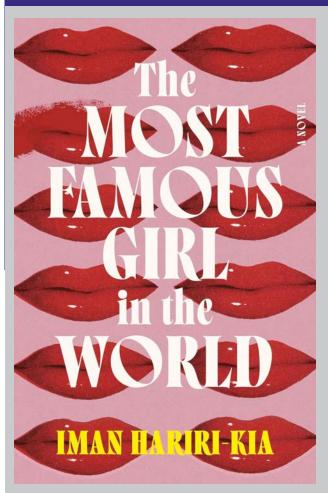
She's the royal nanny. The annoyingly hot attraction that simmers between them—that's a royal pain.

James Hunter has made a tactical error. His new role as protection officer to Prince Magnus of Norway was supposed to be an exciting change. Instead he's marooned on a royal estate in the middle of nowhere charged with chasing after demon children and dodging the machinations of meddling staff. And the crowning jewel in this little drama—the children's nanny is none other than Laila Bruset. The woman whose heart he broke. The woman who still holds his.

When Laila took the job as a nanny for the Norwegian royal children in order to be closer to her ailing grandmother in Oslo, the last thing she expected was to have her life turned upside down—again. But as much as James gets on her nerves, he's also getting under her skin, and the tension between them sizzles just as devastatingly as before.

As undeniable sparks turn James and Laila's battle royal into a more serious game of hearts, nanny and bodyguard will have to decide just how much they're willing to risk for a second chance at love.

### THE MOST FAMOUS GIRL IN THE WORLD IMAN HARIRI-KIA



"Reading The Most Famous Girl in the World is like riding a roller coaster through the dark. Iman Hariri-Kia takes readers on a thrilling, fast-paced adventure, where you know the twists are coming but you're not sure when they'll happen or what they'll entail. Iman's sophomore novel is incredibly fun and deliciously chaotic. I loved it and couldn't put it down!" - Carley Fortune, #1 New York Times bestselling author of Every Summer After and Meet Me At The Lake

Sourcebooks Landmark, September 2024

A Forbes 30 Under 30 Star.

Note as a trend title to watch by Canadian Living.

Barnes & Noble Recommended Paperback

Rose Aslani is mid-bikini wax when her phone lights up with a notification: Famed scam artist Poppy Hastings will be released from prison today.

It's been two years since Rose-a first-generation Middle Eastern American, functional trainwreck, and reporter for online journal The Shred-wrote the investigative article that exposed Poppy as a socialite grifter. Normally, one of her articles going viral would be cause for celebration, but the highly publicized trial that followed turned Poppy into the internet's favorite celebrity. And Rose has been reeling from the aftermath ever since. Although Poppy served her time for defrauding some of the richest, most powerful men in the world, Rose knows this is only the tip of the iceberg for Poppy's crimes. She just can't prove it yet... At least not without the help of a devilishly handsome FBI agent gone rogue.

As Poppy's star rises as an influencer and pop-culture icon, Rose quickly descends into a downward spiral of guilt and obsession. Her article created Poppy's fame, so Rose needs to right her wrong by exposing Poppy for the monster that she is. But it's not going to be easy taking down the most famous girl in the world.

Campy, satirical, and utterly hilarious, The Most Famous Girl in the World is both a scathing indictment of modern celebrity and a thrilling rollercoaster ride of unhinged hijinks that will keep you gasping at every turn of the page.

### THE STOLEN LIFE OF COLLETTE MARCHAND KRISTIN HARMEL

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Perfect for fans of Santa Montefiore, Rachel Hore, Lucinda Riley and Kristin Hannah.

PUBLISHED IN 30+ LANGUAGES ACROSS A DOZEN BESTSELLERS Gallery/Simon & Schuster, June 2025

Mountain Leopard Press, UK/Commonwealth

A heart-wrenching and evocative dual timeline novel, contrasting the foreboding atmosphere of wartime Paris in the 1940s with Boston in the present day.

Colette Marchand has been stealing jewels for nearly as long as she can remember, following the strict code of honor instilled in her by her mother: take only from the cruel and unkind, and give to those in need. It is a tradition that reaches back centuries in Colette's family—and many years ago, during the Second World War, it was a tradition that tragically cost Colette's mother and little sister their lives.

Colette—now living outside Boston, where she has "redistributed" \$30 million in jewels over the years to fund many worthy organizations—has done her best to put her devastating past behind her, but she has never forgiven herself for not saving her 4-year-old sister, Liliane, and for failing to discover who killed her and why. When the bracelet that disappeared with Liliane in the summer of 1942 suddenly turns up at a museum in Boston—an ocean away from Paris, where Colette last saw it—her carefully constructed life begins to unravel as old secrets force their way to the surface. If Colette can find out where the bracelet has been for the last seven decades—and who owns it now—she may finally learn the truth about what really happened to her family. Will those answers be the key to putting the past to rest once and for all?

The problem is that the past has a funny way of sticking around, even when one doesn't want it to—and as soon as Colette begins asking questions, she is forced to confront her own choices, including her long-held aversion to opening her own battered heart. With the help of her like-a-daughter-to-her friend Aviva, her longtime jewel broker Marty, and a stranger from Colette's past who is drawn to Boston by the reappearance of the bracelet, Colette desperately searches for answers that she has long believed were lost forever. Against all odds, there may still be a chance to bring a murderer to justice—but time is running out.

# GREAT BIG BEAUTIFUL LIFE EMILY HENRY

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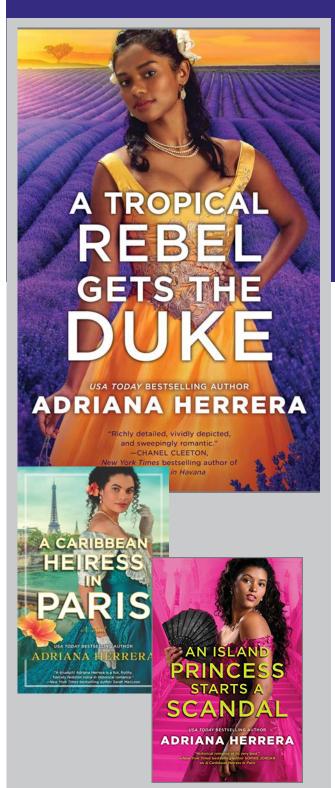
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A dazzling and sweeping new novel from #1 New York Times bestselling author Emily Henry!

### THE AUTHOR IN NUMBERS:

- 8 Million Copies Sold
- Every Single Title in Adaptation Process for the Screen
- #1 Bestsellers Across Multiple
   Lists Across the Globe
- 40+ Translations
- 100's of Best-Of Lists
- 100+ Appearances on Bestseller Lists

#### A TROPICAL REBEL GETS THE DUKE ADRIANA HERRERA



Canary Street Press/HarperCollins, February 2025

"A romp-filled and refreshingly diverse historical romance."
—Buzzfeed

Paris, 1889

Physician Aurora Montalban Wright takes risks in her career, but never with her heart. Running an underground women's clinic exposes her to certain dangers, but help arrives in the unexpected form of the infuriating Duke of Annan. Aurora begrudgingly accepts his protection, then promptly finds herself in his bed.

New to his role as a duke, Apollo César Sinclair Robles struggles to embrace his position. With half of society waiting for him to misstep and the other half looking to discredit him, Apollo never imagined that his enthralling bedmate would become his most trusted adviser. Soon, he realizes the rebellious doctor could be the perfect duchess. But Aurora won't give up her independence, and her secrets make her unsuitable for the aristocracy.

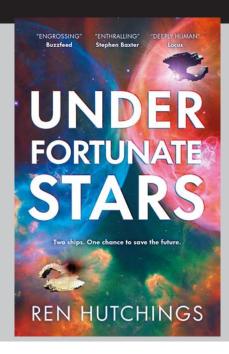
When a dangerous figure from their past returns to threaten them, Apollo whisks Aurora away to his villa in the French Riviera. Far from the reproachful eye of Parisian society, can Apollo convince Aurora that their bond is stronger than the forces keeping them apart?

#### AN UNBREAKABLE WORLD REN HUTCHINS

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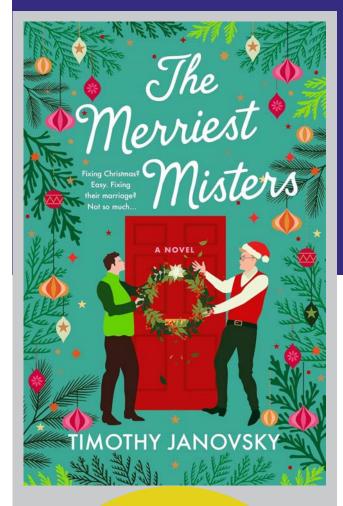
Solaris, Fall 2025

A new space opera from Ren Hutchings set in the same universe as Under Fortunate Stars, 30 years before the voyage of the Jonah.

Page is a nobody, surviving as a petty thief on a backwater outpost, barely keeping ahead of her debts. The distant alien war is surprisingly low on her list of worries. With her memories fractured after using an experimental form of stasis, Page spends her days pretending that she has a glorious past. But when she gets kidnapped by one of her marks, she's dragged into a future far stranger than she could have imagined.

Maelle has spent years serving a murderous bounty hunter, all the while harbouring secrets about her own vengeful motivations. But her quest for revenge veers off course when she starts to fall for their latest bounty, the girl with broken memories who might just mend her heart. And the stakes get higher than either of them bargained for when they inadvertently get involved in a centuries-long political intrigue that could change the fate of the galaxy.

### THE MERRIEST MISTERS TIMOTHY JANOVSKY



"Janovsky once again shows his chops at putting tender, queer spins on rom-com situations. This is a charmer." -Publishers Weekly St. Martin's Griffin, October 2024

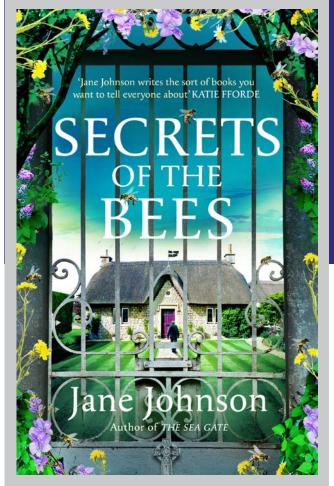
The Santa Clause
meets
Husband Material
in this delightful
holiday novel!

Patrick Hargrave and Quinn Muller have been married for less than a year, but their passionate romance is cracking under the pressures of domestic life and a cumbersome mortgage. That's until Christmas Eve when Patrick wakes Quinn up with: "I think I've killed a man."

Quinn realizes the "burglar" Patrick knocked out is none other than Mr. Claus himself. Instructed by a harried elf to don the red suit and take the reins of the reindeer-guided sleigh up on the roof, Quinn and Patrick work together to save Christmas.

But as the sun rises on Christmas morning, the sleigh brings them back to the North Pole instead of New Jersey, and they're in for a massive shock. The couple must assume the roles of Santa Claus and the first ever Merriest Mister or Christmas will be canceled... permanently.

### SECRETS OF THE BEES JANE JOHNSON



Head of Zeus, June 2025

'Jane Johnson
writes the sort of
books you want to
tell everyone about'
– Katie Fforde

#### The old house was filled with secrets...

The Trengrose estate is tucked away up an overgrown drive, guarded by an ancient Celtic cross. It is a little paradise. Time has forgotten this remote corner of West Cornwall, and left its many secrets undisturbed.

Ezra Curnow has lived in his little cottage on the edge of the estate all his life. He was born there, his father was born there, and his grandfather before him. He lives off grid, grows most of his own food and barters for the rest, and lives lightly on the land with his wild companions,

including a demonic calico cat called Bucca and a tame jackdaw called Merlin, and occasionally his much-loved greatnephew Sam.

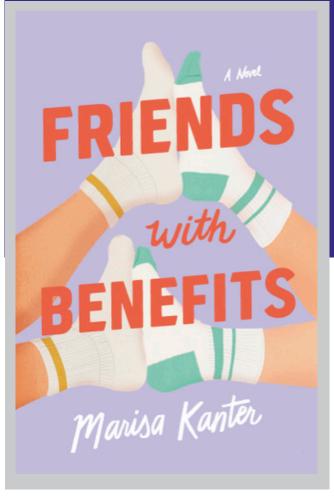
He also takes care of the Trengrose bees. Ezra honours the ancient Celtic ritual of telling the bees the secrets and news in their domain. The legend goes that if the bees leave Trengrose, the estate will fail, and chaos will ensue.

But when Eliza Rosevear, the owner of the estate, dies without leaving a will, the ownership of Ezra's home comes into question, especially when financier Toby Hardman and his elegant interior designer wife Minty acquire the estate, and move in with their son Dominic and their dog, Boris. Toby at once sniffs an opportunity to acquire the rundown cottage and do it up to rent for a small fortune to visitors.

Does Ezra have the right to stay in the cottage? And if not, how will the Hardmans get him out? For Ezra is a wily old chap with a number of secret weapons in his armory. And when Toby Hardman has the ancient Celtic cross that gives the estate its name winched out in order to widen the lane to improve access for tourist caravans, battle lines are drawn.

As his wife Minty renovates the old house, she begins to fall under its spell, especially when she makes a series of fascinating discoveries. It appears that Eliza Rosevear, the mistress of Trengrose, took some secrets to the grave, but she doesn't intend to rest quietly until they come to light...

#### FRIENDS WITH BENEFITS MARISA KANTER



Celadon/Macmillan, May 2025

A modern-day marriage of convenience story about two best friends who get hitched in order to get health insurance (her), and keep an apartment (him), and not at all because somewhere deep, deep down they suspect they're meant to be together.

Three things happen in quick succession for Evelyn Bloom: Her boss screws her out of a credit (like, the actual end-of-film credit) she needs for her post-production crew union application—and the health insurance that comes with it; her free-spirited grandparents decide to sell the bungalow she's lived in for years out from under her; and her best friend Theo lightly betrays her by putting her up for a fellowship opportunity that would make all her career dreams come true (if the premiums on healthcare in the open market wouldn't bankrupt her before the program ends).

Two things are undeniably true for Theo Cohen: Somewhere in the multiverse, he's an activist, working to reform curriculums nationwide and fighting for the quality of a child's education to not depend on their zip code—but in this reality, he's living in his hometown, teaching at the elementary school he once attended (where the benefits are great but the salary sure leaves something to be desired). Also: he's been a little bit in love with Evelyn Bloom his entire life.

One signature on a piece of paper could solve all their problems.

When Theo's roommates break up with him (even though their place is rent controlled and therefore should never, ever, be given up), he knows he won't be eligible to take over the lease alone. But together...Getting married would mean a place to live, for both of them. Evie would have access to his health insurance, so she could accept the fellowship, and together they could game an economy that's made it so hard to build any kind of sustainable life. It's space to breathe, it's temporary freedom, it's...going to change everything.

## THE WAYWARD DUKE KATRINA KENDRICK



Aria/Head of Zeus, January 2025

"Perfectly balancing romance and intrigue, this is a true page-turner"
-Publishers Weekly

#### HE IS THE ICE-COLD DUKE

Julian, the Duke of Hastings, is known for being aloof and utterly in control. For nine years, he's kept his distance from the only woman who ever cracked his icy exterior, burying himself in work as a top-secret government code-breaker. But when his latest assignment ensnares him in a lethal aristocratic plot, Julian has no choice but to enlist the help of his estranged wife.

#### SHE IS THE PRIM DUCHESS

To all of society, Caroline Hastings is the perfect duchess. For years she's masked her pain over her husband's abandonment behind a poised facade. But when Julian unexpectedly returns and sweeps them into a dangerous, covert mission, Caroline discovers her frozen duke isn't quite so indifferent in the bedroom after all.

Now, locked in a dangerous chase through London's glittering ballrooms and dark back alleys, Julian and Caroline must catch a killer-before he catches them first.

#### WOMEN'S HOTEL DANIEL M. LAVERY



"[E]very character is distinct and their backstories, misadventures, and little victories intertwine skillfully. Lavery has a wonderful ear for a period turn-of-phrase and his prose glitters with humor and affection for human foibles. ... Readers will be hard-pressed not to read sections aloud to passersby. ... [A] stay at the Biedermeier is pure pleasure."

-Kirkus Reviews (starred review)

HarperVia, October 2024

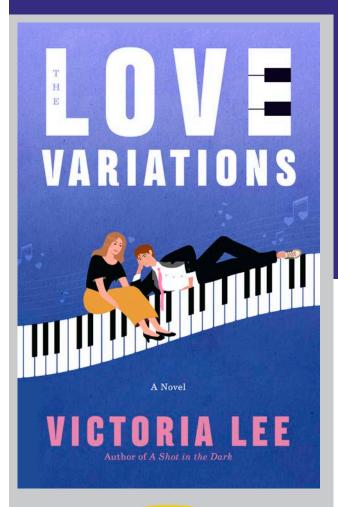
From the New York Times
bestselling author and advice
columnist, a poignant and
funny debut novel about the
residents of a women's hotel in
1960s New York City.

The Beidermeier might be several rungs lower on the ladder than the real-life Barbizon, but its residents manage to occupy one another nonetheless. There's Katherine, the first-floor manager, lightly cynical and more than lightly suggestible. There's Lucianne, a workshy party girl caught between the love of comfort and an instinctive bridling at convention, Kitty the sponger, Ruth the failed hairdresser, and Pauline the typesetter. And there's Stephen, the daytime elevator operator and part-time Cooper Union student.

The residents give up breakfast, juggle competing jobs at rival presses, abandon their children, get laid off from the telephone company, attempt to retrain as stenographers, all with the shared awareness that their days as an institution are numbered, and they'd better make the most of it while it lasts.

As trenchant as the novels of Dawn Powell and Rona Jaffe and as immersive as The Marvelous Mrs. Maisel and Lessons in Chemistry, Women's Hotel is a modern classic—and it is very, very funny.

#### THE LOVE VARIATIONS VICTORIA LEE



Previous Work:

National Bestsellers
Multiple Starred
Reviews
Numerous Best-Of
Lists

Dell/PRH, March 2025
Piatkus, UK/commonwealth

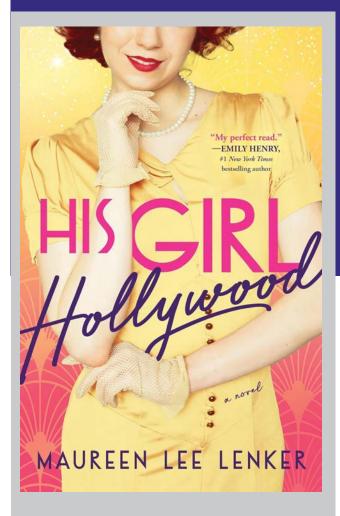
An emotional and empowering romance about two musicians healing their wounds and finding love, all the while competing to win a prestigious piano competition.

Goldie Gensler has always wanted to be a concert musician like her parents—but after a devastating multiple sclerosis diagnosis, that dream feels more urgent than ever. The world's most prestigious international piano competition in Stockholm is coming up in two months—it's the perfect chance for Goldie to make her dream come true. But her competition will be stiff because Jamie Larson, with his perfect technique and derisive glare and gorgeous ocean blue eyes, is competing too.

Jamie has always resented Goldie for her easy road to professional musicianship, given her wealthy parents who were both first chair in the New York Philharmonic. Jamie spent hours and hours studying to make it from small-town lowa to the best music school in New York City. But his technical precision is no match for the way Goldie's imperfect but emotionally resonant music makes audiences swoon. He's determined to prove that skill and dedication are what makes for a good musician, but after his brother's suicide three years ago, Jamie just doesn't love music like he used to.

Goldie and Jamie have their own reasons to win, but when unexpected events force them to practice—and live—together in Goldie's apartment over the holidays, they discover their passion for more than just music.

# HIS GIRL HOLLYWOOD MAUREEN LEE LENKER



Imagine a swoony Old
Hollywood romance
written by everyone's
favorite romance
and film reviewer,
Maureen Lee Lenker
of Entertainment
Weekly.

Sourcebooks Casablanca, January 2025

A rompy secondchance romance set in
the glittering world
of 1930s film

Arlene Morgan has always dreamed of being a movie director, like so many women in the silent era before her. But when Evets Studios finally gives her a shot, a rare thing in 1930s Hollywood, she's dismayed to discover that her leading man is none other than Don Lamont. Born Don Lazzarini, Don was Arlene's next-door-neighbor growing up, two best friends with two big dreams. He's the only man she's ever loved...except he abandoned her to pursue his dance career in New York, and she hasn't seen or heard from his since.

But Don, despite his Broadway success, has been caught under the thumb of his gangster manager Frankie Martino for the last eight years, unable to come home. When he gets offered a role in a Hollywood picture, he leaps at the chance to free himself once and for all. But clashing with his director, the girl he once knew as Lena, leaves him scrambling to find his footing. As the two unpack old wounds and struggle to work together, Don starts to realize Lena might have been his dream girl all along. But she doesn't know about Frankie, and getting her involved in his contract would put her in danger, too. It's going to take quite the footwork to prove his feelings and help make Arlene's picture a success before Frankie takes drastic measures to keep his most valuable leading man.

# ONCE SMITTEN, TWICE SHY CHLOE LIESE



#### **Series Rights Sold:**

Paralela, Brazilian Portuguese
Newton Compton, Italian
Newton Compton, Spanish
Alfa, Turkish
Filia, Polish
Moon Notes/Oetinger, German

Berkley, January 2025

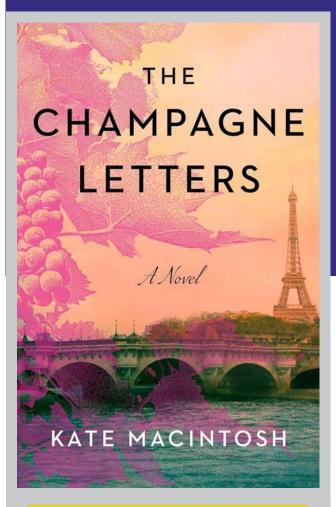
Star-crossed lovers learn that practicing romance leads to the perfect happy ending in this steamy reimagining of Shakespeare's Twelfth Night.

Since heartbreak entered the scene, Juliet Wilmot, once a hopeless romantic, has sworn off love. But when she's presented with the chance to revisit romance—purely for practice—with the gorgeous, off-limits guy she keeps serendipitously running into, it feels like a sign from the universe.

Quiet, shy Will Orsino knows happily-ever-after isn't on his horizon. Problem is, for the sake of the family business, marriage is. Resigned to the inevitable, but with no confidence he can woo a wife, he can hardly say no when fate hands him the alluring, unattainable woman he keeps crossing paths with, offering to help him learn the ropes of romance.

Neither of them looking for love, Jules and Will agree they're the perfect pair to practice romance. Except that practicing to perfection leads to an irresistible attraction. Their once smitten hearts, though still twice shy, might have happily-ever-after written in the stars for them, after all.

#### THE CHAMPAGNE LETTERS KATE MACINTOSH



"Filled with wit and wisdom in equal measure, The Champagne Letters is an utter delight! This book reminds us about the extraordinary things that can happen when we take charge of our own lives—ideally with a glass of champagne close at hand." -International Bestselling Author Julia Kelly

Gallery/Simon & Schuster, December 2024

Perfect for fans of bubbly wine and Kristin Harmel, this historical fiction novel follows Mme. Clicquot as she builds her legacy, and the modern divorcée who looks to her letters for inspiration.

Reims, France, 1805: Barbe-Nicole Clicquot has just lost her beloved husband but is determined to pursue their dream of creating the premier champagne house in France, now named for her new identity as a widow: Veuve Clicquot. With the Russians poised to invade, competitors fighting for her customers, and the Napoleonic court politics complicating matters she must set herself apart quickly and permanently if she, and her business, are to survive.

In present day Chicago, broken from her divorce, Natalie Taylor runs away to Paris. In a book stall by the Seine, Natalie finds a collection of the Widow Clicquot's published letters and uses them as inspiration to step out of her comfort zone and create a new, empowered life for herself. But when her Parisian escape takes a shocking and unexpected turn, she's forced to make a choice. Should she accept her losses and return home, or fight for the future she's only dreamed about? What would the widow

#### THESE SUMMER STORMS SARAH MACLEAN

COVER

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SOON

A razor-sharp, wildly sexy novel that mines the chaotic dysfunction of a wealthy New England family after the death of its patriarch. Succession and Knives Out meet on Pineapple Street with Maclean's trademark big emotions and bold romance in a page-turning inheritance game.

Ballantine/PRH, Summer 2025

#### SOLD IN A 7 FIGURE AUCTION

THE FIRST
CONTEMPORARY FROM
THE BESTSELLING
AUTHOR

Alice Storm, the estranged daughter of the billionaire Storm family returns home after her father's death to discover she's part of an inheritance game run by her father's second-incommand...his very tall, very broad, very handsome second-in-command.

**Rights Sold:** 

Ahavot, Hebrew
Luebbe, German
Verso/Seuil, French
Mondadori, Italian
Arqueiro, Brazilian Portuguese
Piatkus, UK/Commonwealth

#### THE GEOMAGICIAN JENNIFER MANDULA

COVER

COMING

SOON

**Rights Sold:** 

Urano, Spanish Newton Compton, Italian Del Rey, UK & Commonwealth

A historical fantasy
that reimagines the
life of Mary Anning, a
Victorian fossil hunter
whose discoveries
helped launch the
field of paleontology.

Del Rey/PRH, 2026

The perfect read for fans
of Heather Fawcett's Emily
Wilde's Encyclopaedia
of Faeries and Alix E.
Harrow's The Once and
Future Witches.

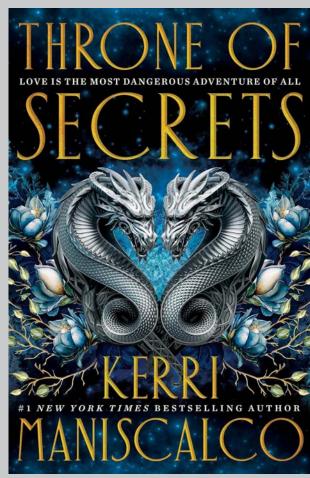
Fossil hunter Mary Anning has spent her life on the outskirts of geomagic, a new science her own discoveries helped establish. The Geomagical Society of London doesn't admit women, though they are happy to make their name off the specimens Mary supplies them with—leaving her to scrape by selling eliqs, enchanted objects that store magic, to tourists visiting her seaside town famous for its geological marvels.

So when Mary finds an extremely rare fossilized pterodactyl egg that—to her absolute shock—hatches in her hands, she seizes the opportunity and strikes a bargain with her geomagician mentor: she'll sell him the pterodactyl, in exchange for a promise of nomination to the Society. But upon her arrival in London, Mary's met with both collegial warmth and animosity.

Complicating things further, there's Henry Stanton, Mary's childhood friend and the man who once broke her heart—a man who also happens to be her mentor's infuriatingly handsome colleague.

Mary must decide where her heart really lies, and what lengths she's willing to go to finally belong.

### THRONE OF SECRETS KERRI MANISCALCO





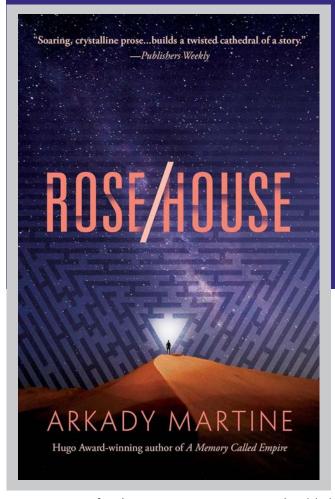
Little Brown, October 2024

Two rivals torn apart by a dark memory reunite on a deadly hunt—and in an irresistibly twisted fairy tale—in the next steamy standalone fantasy romance from the New York Times bestselling sensation!

THE #1 BESTSELLING AUTHOR
PUBLISHED IN 20+ LANGUAGES
ACQUIRED IN A 7 FIGURE DEAL!

**Series Rights Sold: AST, Russian Umbriel**, Spanish Otwarte, Polish **Ephesus, Turkish** Dobrovsky, Czech Piper Verlag, German Mondadori, Italian Pandora, Slovakian Klidarithmos, Greek **Bertrand, POrtuguese** Meulenhoff Boekerij, Dutch Hodder, UK/Commonwealth Konyvmolykepzo Kiado, Hungarian Sifrut Shenogaat, Hebrew Ciela Norma, Bulgarian

# ROSE / HOUSE ARKADY MARTINE



Tordotcom, March 2025

A breathtaking and taut sci-fi gothic thriller from Arkady Martine, Hugo Awardwinning author.

**Rights Sold:** 

J'ai Lu, French

A 2024 HUGO NOMINEE FOR BEST NOVELLA

"I'm a piece of architecture, Detective. How should I know how humans are like to die?"

All of Basit Deniau's houses are haunted.

Detective Maritza Smith grew up in China Lake and knows the late architect's most iconic creation, Rose House, is no exception. And a house embedded with an artificial intelligence is a common thing; but a house that is an artificial intelligence, infused in every load-bearing beam and fine marble tile? That is something else altogether. That is Rose House.

Deniau's been dead a year, and the house is locked up tight, as commanded by his will. But one evening Detective Smith receives an alarming call from Rose House: there is a dead body inside.

It is not Basit Deniau, and it is not Dr. Selene Gisil, a former protégé and the sole person permitted to come into Rose House once a year. It is someone else. But Rose House refuses to communicate any further and hangs up.

No one can get inside Rose House except Dr. Gisil, who was abroad when the death was reported. Detective Smith must summon her back to the Mojave Desert and gain access to the house - and to the dead body-before it's too late. For someone may be there still.

#### THE MAIDEN AND HER MONSTER MADDIE MARTINEZ

COVER

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Acquired in a significant 2-Book Deal

**Rights Sold:**Urano, Spanish
Ne/oN Edizioni, Italiar

Tor, September 2025

For fans of
Katherine Arden,
Ava Reid, and
Naomi Novik.

As the healer's daughter, Malka has seen how the forest's curse has plagued her village, but the Ozmini Church only comes to collect its tithe, not listen to heretics with false stories of monsters in the trees.

When a clergy girl wanders too close to the forest and Malka's mother is accused of her murder, Malka strikes an impossible bargain with a zealot Ozmini priest: bring the monster out and spare her mother from execution.

As she ventures into the shadowed woods, Malka finds a monster, but not the one she expects: an inscrutable, disgraced golem who agrees to implicate herself, but only if Malka helps her fulfill an ancient promise first and free the imprisoned rabbi who created her.

But a deal easily made is not easily kept. And as their bargain begins to unravel a much more sinister threat, protecting her people may force Malka to endanger the one person she left home to save—and face her growing feelings for the very creature she was taught to fear.

#### ANYWHERE YOU GO BRIDGET MORRISSEY



Berkley, April 2025

A small-town waitress and a big-city Broadway press agent swap homes to escape the messiness of their personal lives, only to find new purpose—and new love.

Tatum Ward and Eleanor Chapman lead totally opposite lives. Tatum's never left her Midwestern hometown. She resides in a quaint guest cottage on her parents' property while working part-time as a waitress, where she spends most shifts ignoring her feelings for a beautiful regular named June. Eleanor dedicates every waking hour to her high-profile press career, sacrificing personal relationships for professional success, save for the occasional hookup to fight off her loneliness. When both women's lives unexpectedly blow up at the exact same time, they each need an escape, and fast.

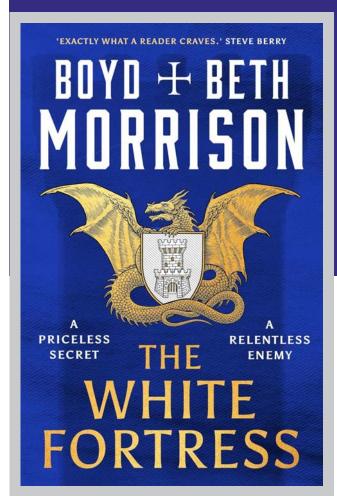
In Tatum's hometown, Eleanor expects a quiet hideaway where she can recharge. Instead she gets wrapped up in the family drama that Tatum left town to avoid, pulled in by Tatum's charismatic older sibling, Carson, who charms Eleanor at every turn. Tatum ends up in Eleanor's New York high-rise apartment with June. One week together in the big city might make it impossible for Tatum to avoid not just her true feelings for June, but her real dreams for her life.

Amid a friendship with a reclusive Hollywood actress and a complicated family reunion, Tatum and Eleanor each discover much more than they bargained for away from home. Their house swap won't last forever, but it might be just long enough for both women to surrender their defenses and finally fight for the life—and love—they deserve.

Previous Work:

One of Amazon's Best Romances
of June · A Real Simple MustRead of Summer 2023 · A Book
Riot Best Romance Book of
Summer 2023 · A Buzzfeed
Romance Book To Look Out
For In 2023 · A Paste Magazine
Most Anticipated Contemporary
Romance Book of 2023

### THE WHITE FORTRESS BOYD & BETH MORRISON



'Complete with mysteries, secrets, and adventure, rich in detail, delivering exactly what a reader craves.'

Steve Berry

Aries/Head of Zeus, March 2025

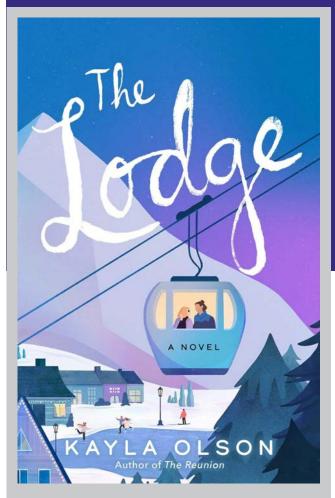
The thrilling new historical adventure in the Tales of the Lawless Land series from New York Times bestselling author Boyd Morrison and expert medievalist Beth Morrison.

Croatia, 1351. Daring knight Gerard Fox and his adventurous wife Willa, fresh from a dangerous quest across Italy and Greece, soon find themselves embroiled in a new intrigue as they sail toward the walled city of Dubrovnik.

Having inadvertently hindered a rescue mission, Fox and Willa make amends by helping a desperate Croatian couple forced into a terrible dilemma: either they betray their hometown to a treacherous nobleman and the brutal warlord he serves, or their abducted child will be murdered.

A century-old prophecy and a lost codex written by fabled explorer Marco Polo are key to stopping the warlord's conquest, which could spark a devastating war along the entire Adriatic coast. Fox and Willa race against time to devise a plan for saving a child, a town, and a country – knowing it could cost them everything if they fail...

#### THE LODGE KAYLA OLSON



"Hands down the coziest book I've ever read—a novel that warms your heart and puts the biggest smile on your face. It's as comforting as your favorite TV show, as wonderfully sweet as a honey nut latte. The Lodge will make you want to drop everything and move to a ski lodge in Vermont. Dreamy, snowy, and impeccably written. I loved every page of it!"

—Carlie Walker, author of The Takedown

Atria/Simon & Schuster, January 2025

A cozy rom-com about a writer who decamps to a Vermont lodge for work but finds herself distracted by the charming ski instructor next door.

Alix Morgan just got her big break as the ghostwriter of a memoir by Sebastian Green, a former member of the boy band True North. And when he offers her a penthouse at a luxurious resort in Vermont, she jumps at the chance to work far away from her noisy, cramped apartment.

Her career as an entertainment journalist has been building toward this dream job—after all, she used to cover True North and was one of the last people to interview former front man Jett Beckett before he disappeared. As she combs through her client's voice memos, the specter of the missing lead singer remains, and fans are desperate to know the full story.

But Alix also has time for some fun at this glamorous resort, where she begins ski lessons with a handsome instructor named Tyler. As Alix and Tyler fall in love on the slopes, Alix's work takes a complicated turn—and the mystery of True North's downfall may be hers to solve.

#### A MURDEROUS BUSINESS CATHY PEGAU

COVER

COMING

SOON

Harriman & Mancini
partner to solve a murder
that will surely make or
break their careers and
test the borders between
legality and ethically
dubious.

Minotaur/St. Martin's Press, September 2025

The evolution of the murder mystery is here!

A new historical mystery series featuring strong, queer business-women at the turn of the century.

There can be a blurry line between what is ethical and what is legal.

Margot Baxter Harriman took the reins of B&H Foods after her father passed. It's not easy being a business woman in 1912, but she is determined to continue what her grandparents started decades ago, no matter what it takes.

When Margot finds Mrs. Gilroy, her father's former assistant, dead from heart failure with a half-finished note confessing to nebulous misdeeds, she seeks out help from a very discreet, private investigator to figure out what's going on. Her company, and her good name, depends on determining the truth, otherwise she could lose everything, including her freedom.

Loretta "Rett" Mancini has run her father's investigation operation since he started becoming increasingly forgetful. When Margot offers her the chance to look into the murder, and potential scandal with B&H, she jumps at the chance.

But the more the two dig into the murder, the more it becomes clear that Margot's company may be too far lost...and her life is at stake.

### FOR HUMAN USE SARAH G. PIERCE

Orbit/Redhook, November 2025

COVER

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SOON

#### **Hook the Readers:**

- Controversial Themes
  - Social Commentary
    - VC Culture
- Parasocial Relationships
  - Repressed Desire

A Certain Hunger meets
The Big Short in this twisted
love story set against the
strange scenery of a dating
app for dead bodies.

Swiping right on a human corpse only sounds weird until you try it, which is why LIV, a Tinder-like app meant to help people find comfort in the uncomfortable, is taking the world by storm. Why navigate life with a living partner, with their preferences, needs, and conflicts, when an embalmed body with no opinions, desires, or even movements of its own can be delivered right to your front door? Venture capital rockstar and rigid rule-follower Tom Williamson isn't buying it, even as he is forced into business with LIV's visionary (read: insufferable) founder Auden White. Then Mara Reed enters their orbit, a directionless loner trying to find her way in the world. She has a long history tying her to Auden, but Tom is enthralled and suddenly willing to break all his rules for even just one date. The conventions of love and attraction have never been so complicated.

As LIV's popularity grows, so does the backlash as users begin to develop a disdain for all those messy, living, parts of being human. Tom, Auden, and Mara each have roles to play in the app's future. They're standing in opposing corners of an emotional and political love triangle and they'll have to put aside their differences to reign in the nightmare LIV's created and find some sort of happily ever after.

# HAUNT SWEET HOME SARAH PINSKER



A multifaceted, supernatural exploration of finding your own way into adulthood, and into yourself.

Tordotcom, September 2024

On the set of a kitschy reality

TV show, staged scares

transform into unnerving
reality in this spooky ghost
story from multiple Hugo and
Nebula Award-winning author.

"Don't talk to day about what we do at night."

When aimless twenty-something Mara lands a job as the night-shift production assistant on her cousin's ghost hunting/home makeover reality TV show Haunt Sweet Home, she quickly determines her new role will require a healthy attitude toward duplicity. But as she hides fog machines in the woods and improvises scares to spook new homeowners, a series of unnerving incidents on set and a creepy new coworker force Mara to confront whether the person she's truly been deceiving and hiding from all along - is herself.

A brand new novella from the multiple Hugo and Nebula Award-winning author.

#### SOUNDS LIKE LOVE ASHLEY POSTON

COVER

**COMING** 

SOON

From the New York Times

Bestselling author who
has been named to lists
at: Parade · Buzzfeed ·
Harper's Bazaar · Elle · She
Reads · The Seattle Times ·
BookRiot and more!

Berkley, June 2025

A songwriter with writer's block and a struggling musician discover the only way to shake off their sudden, inexplicable telepathic connection is to finish the song that has been evading them both, in the next magical love story from Ashley Poston.

Jolene Byrd is a hitmaker—the song writer who comes up with melodies that fill your heart and get stuck in your head. She should be on top of the world, but she's burning herself out—fast and she's not sure she has another song to give.

When she's called home for a slap-dash wedding between her brother and her best friend, her parents break the news that in the wake of her mom being unwell, they've decided to close The Revelry, her family's music venue where she grew up. She can't possibly concentrate on writing when her life is falling apart.

But then a melody comes to her—half-formed and lyric-less—and when she chases after it, she realizes it's not just a song stuck in her head... but a voice, too.

The voice belongs to a frustrated, wry musician—Sasha—who insists he's on the brink of a comeback if only he can write a hit song. The only thing Jolene and Sasha can agree on is that they'll do anything to get out of the other's head. Including collaborate on a song—the one to get her out of her writer's block and him his new hit.

As they weave perfect notes together and chart the course of the chorus, the melody takes shape into a something that will change both of their lives forever - if it doesn't end in heartbreak first.

#### SPELLS, STRINGS & FORGOTTEN THINGS BREANNE RANDALL



Rights Sold:

Aria/Head of Zeus, UK/ Commonwealth

Previous title sold in Spanish, German, Czech and Italian

From the New York Times
bestselling author of
The Unfortunate Side Effects
of Heartbreak and Magic

Dell/PRH, March 2025

A young witch cursed with sacrificing memories to cast spells must decide how much she's willing to lose to save her town in this thrilling tale of magic, love, and self-discovery.

In the small town of Gold Springs, Calliope Petridi and her two sisters carefully guard the secret of their magic and the price they must pay to practice it: memories. The more powerful the magic, the greater the memory required.

Luckily, all Calliope wants to do is forget. Forget the mother who left them without a trace. Forget the cracks in her relationships with her judgmental oldest sister, Thalia, and her distant middle sister, Eurydice. Forget about the very cost of her magic. And most of all, forget the way the love of her life shattered her heart two years ago.

But when an ancient evil awakens in their town, the fragile thread that holds the sisters together breaks. As their magic slowly begins to fade, Calliope accidentally binds herself to an annoyingly handsome leader of a rival coven infamous for their ruthless pursuit of power.

Battling a sizzling chemistry to a man she can't trust, Calliope needs to confront her sisters and the painful memories of her past, dark family secrets, and ancient magic in order to keep the town and all she loves safe. But will she have anything left of herself?

### THE PECULIAR GIFT OF JULY **ASHLEY REAM**

COVER

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"Where is all this going to lead? To places only Ashley Ream's boundless imagination could envision."

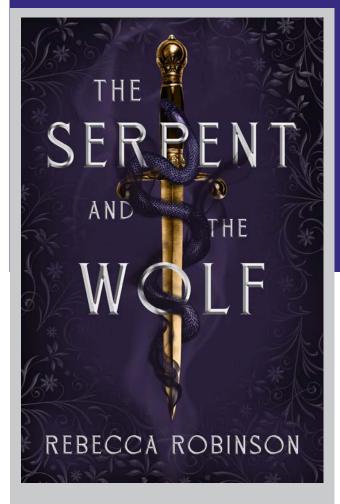
—Toronto Star

Dutton/Penguin, July 2025

An upmarket novel about forgiveness, family and the sense of humor it takes to live with the ones we love the most.

Ebey's End is a small town on an island off the Pacific coast, reachable only by ferry, (assuming the gods are with you and it's not a Tuesday). It's a comfortable, familiar (but okay, fine, sometimes lonely) life for its resident grocer Anita Odum. That is, until 12-year-old July shows up on her doorstep, accompanied by a social worker with a death certificate for July's mother, Anita's estranged cousin from the mainland. Soon July brings with her not only a fresh perspective but a decidedly pointed one: July seems to "know" what each customer at Island Grocery needs. They're small things: a housekeeping magazine slipped into old Mr. Daly's basket, or a coconut cream pie pressed into the hands of Pastor Chet. But one by one, July's gifts start to change the lives of nearly everyone in town in ways much larger than they—or July—could have imagined. When secrets are exposed and questions emerge, the folks in Ebey's End have to start asking themselves if they are ready for the answers... and so does July.

# THE SERPENT AND THE WOLF REBECCA ROBINSON



Rights Sold:
DTV, German
Rizzoli, Italian
Arqueiro, Brazilian
Portuguese
Bragelonne, French
Planeta, Spanish

Saga/Simon & Schuster, November 2024

Perfect for fans of Raven
Kennedy and Thea Guanzon,
Rebecca Robinson's thrilling
romantasy debut combines highstakes political intrigue and a
steamy, slow-burn, enemies-tolovers romance.

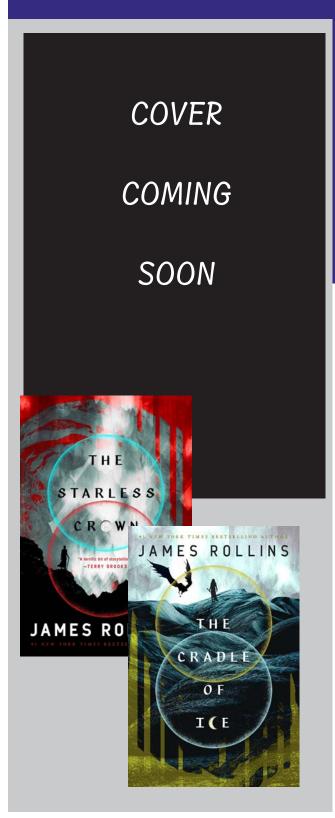
All her life, Vaasa Kozár has been sharpened into a blade.

After losing her mother—her only remaining parent—to a mysterious dark magic that has since awakened within her, Vaasa is certain death looms. So is her merciless brother, who aims to eliminate Vaasa as a threat to his crown. In one last political scheme, he marries her off to Reid of Mireh, a ruthless foreign ruler, in hopes that he can use her death as a rallying cry to finally invade Reid's nation. All Vaasa has to do is die.

But she is desperate to live. Vaasa enters her new marriage with every intent to escape it, wielding the hardwon political prowess and combat abilities her late father instilled in her. But to her surprise, Reid offers her a deal: help him win the votes to rise in power, and she can walk free. In exchange, he will share his knowledge about the dark magic running through her veins—and help keep it at bay.

This proposal may be too good to refuse, yet Vaasa and Reid's undeniable attraction threatens to break the rules of their arrangement. As her brother's lethal machinations take form, everything is at stake: Vaasa must learn to trust her new husband, but how can she, especially when their perfect political marriage begins to feel like the real thing?

### A DRAGON OF BLACK GLASS **JAMES ROLLINS**



Tor Books, February 2025

The third book in the New York
Times bestselling Moonfall
series from thriller-master
James Rollins, A Dragon of
Black Glass is a tale of relentless
adventure and the struggle for
survival in a harsh world that
hangs by a thread.

"The writing is gorgeous, textured and full of detail, a notable shift from the stripped-down prose of the Sigma Force novels, and the world and its inhabitants are beautifully crafted. For lovers of fantasy fiction, a must-read."

-Booklist

#### **Rights Sold:**

BB Ar, Czech
Nord, Italian
Eksmo, Russian
Bard, Bulgarian
Heyne, German
Univers Poche, French
Take Shobo, Japanese
Bibliophile, Bangla
Bertrand, Portuguese
Bookchef, Ukrainian

#### BURY OUR BONES IN THE MIDNIGHT SOIL V.E. SCHWAB

COVER

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SOON

#### **Rights Sold:**

Tor, UK/Commonwealth
Urano, Spanish
Almedina, Portuguese
Galera, Brazilian Portuguese
Meulenhoff Boekerij, Dutch
Oscar/Mondadori, Italian
Agave, Hungarian
Slovart, Czech
Tor Fischer, German
Lumen, French
Nemira, Romanian
Slovart, Slovakian
Poznanskie, Polish
Knigolove, Ukrainian

Tor, June 2025

From V. E. Schwab, the #1
New York Times bestselling
author of The Invisible Life of
Addie LaRue: a new genredefying, unforgettable novel
to sink your teeth into.

Santo Domingo de la Calzada, 1532. London, 1837. Boston, 2019.

Three young women, their bodies planted in the same soil, their stories tangling like roots.

One grows high, and one grows deep, and one grows wild.

And all of them grow teeth.

Previous Work:

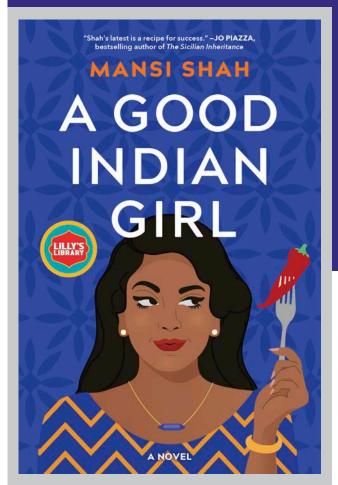
37+ Weeks on the New York Times

Bestseller List

32 Languages

100+ Territories

#### A GOOD INDIAN GIRL MANSI SHAH



A Women's World Book Club Pick

Lilly's Library Book
Club Pick

HarperAvenue, August 2024

A disgraced Indian-American divorcee and former chef spends a summer in Italy, reconnecting with her passion for cooking and reckoning with cultural expectations to make a life-changing decision.

Jyoti has always been the ideal second-generation Indian daughter. She stayed out of trouble, looked after her younger sisters and married a man her parents approved of. So when her husband, Ashok, forces her to quit her dream job as head chef of his family's restaurant to focus on starting a family, she obliges.

But despite Jyoti's tireless efforts to provide children, when it becomes clear that she cannot carry a baby to term, Ashok leaves her for a younger woman. Jyoti's new status as an unemployed divorcee is a disgrace to her traditional Gujarati family, and she flees New York to visit her best friend in Tuscany.

Sumptuous meals, warm Italian sunshine and la bella vita reawaken the passion that Jyoti has lost, leading to a serendipitous opportunity that could help her buy Ashok's restaurant. But when Jyoti's Indian-Italian culinary fusion unexpectedly goes viral, her aunties immediately find out and gossip ensues, estranging her even further from her family back home.

Then a shocking revelation comes to light, leading Jyoti to reconsider her relationship with Ashok. Now she must decide what she truly desires—family approval, career growth, even motherhood—before the summer ends.

## THE GILDED HEIRESS JOANNA SHUPE

COVER

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Avon/HarperCollins, March 2025

A spicy Anastasia story full of secrets and betrayal, set among the glittering streets of New York City's Gilded Age.

In 1880 a baby was stolen from the wealthiest family in America. Though no ransom was ever demanded, the Pendelton family never gave up hope . . . and their reward became the stuff of legend.

After being raised in a children's asylum, Josie Smith ends up on the streets and quickly learns how to take care of herself. Her singing voice draws crowds on every corner, and she'll stop at nothing to become

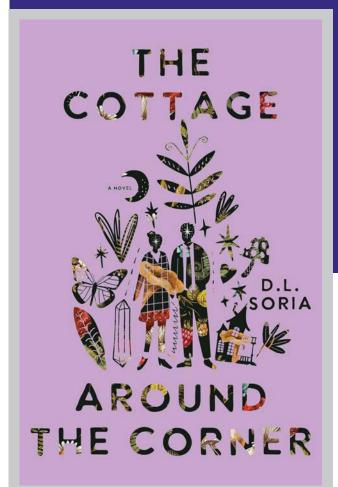
famous and travel the world, loved and adored by all. Maybe then she won't think about the family who gave her away as an infant.

Leo Hardy isn't afraid to use his charm and wits to make a fast buck, especially with a mother and five siblings to support. When he stumbles upon a beautiful young woman singing on the street, Leo notices her striking resemblance to the infamous missing baby's mother, Mrs. Thomas Pendelton. The Hardys lost everything thanks to the Pendeltons, and once Leo sees Josie, he seizes the opportunity to settle the score. All he needs to do is pull off the biggest swindle of his career.

As the two are catapulted into Knickerbocker High Society, they grow closer to their goal, as well as to each other. But secrets can only stay hidden for so long. Soon the truth unfolds, and both Josie and Leo must separate what's real from what's just gilding.

A USA Today Bestselling Author!

#### THE COTTAGE AROUND THE CORNER D.L. SORIA



"This
cozy outing...
is sweet and inviting,
brimming with magic, intrigue,
and community. Fans of forbidden
romance will be especially
delighted."—Publishers
Weekly

Del Rey/PRH, September 2024

A feisty witch and a handsome mage must put their heated business rivalry aside to save their small town from supernatural forces in this charming contemporary fantasy romcom.

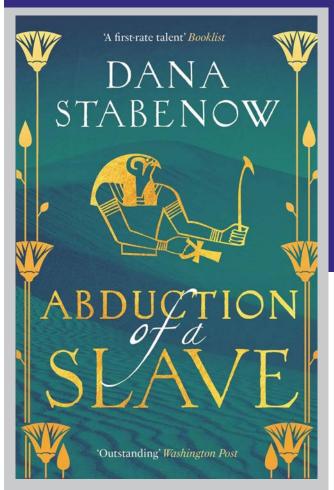
Chanterelle Cottage is Charlie Sparrow's whole world. The cozy spellshop where she and her moms practice their witchcraft, selling goods and services to the people of small-town Owl's Hollow, has been in her family for generations.

Okay, business has been a little slow and a recent burglary hit their inventory pretty hard. And the bank may not agree to restructure their loan. But Charlie is talented and savvy, and she'll keep things afloat once her parents finally let her buy into the business as a co-owner. Still, when a competing magecraft firm opens in town, things start to look bleak. After all, everyone knows there's room for only one magic shop in Owl's Hollow.

So what if Fitz, the mage who owns the new Maven Enterprises, happens to be ridiculously handsome in his ridiculously expensive suits? Who cares that, when Charlie can forget for a moment or two that Fitz is her competitor, things between them are as easy as breathing? None of that matters—because Charlie is not going to get involved with the competition. In this battle of the businesses, she'll do whatever it takes to make sure Chanterelle Cottage is the last spellshop standing.

But when strange supernatural events begin to plague the citizens of Owl's Hollow, Charlie and Fitz must put their rivalry aside and their magic together to save the town. As they grow closer, it becomes harder for Charlie to keep her carefully drawn line in place—maybe Owl's Hollow is big enough for a witch and a mage, after all.

#### ABDUCTION OF A SLAVE DANA STABENOW



'For rich,
idiosyncratic settings
and engaging
characters [...] let me
recommend Dana
Stabenow'
-Diana Gabaldon

Aries/Head of Zeus, January 2025

The gripping new historical mystery from New York

Times bestselling author Dana Stabenow. In Cleopatra's Egypt, the clouds of war are on the horizon...

Cleopatra, seventh of her name, all-powerful ruler of Egypt, has found her most able and trusted agent in Tetisheri, her Eye of Isis. So when Tetisheri asks permission to visit the Kingdom of Cyrenaica, she is surprised – and suspicious – when her queen grants her leave from Alexandria.

A middleman in Cyrenaica has ceased communication and Tetisheri's uncle, a master trader, is on a mission to find out why. But there are others in Cyrenaica with hidden agendas: Julius Caesar's spies, Caesar's sworn enemy Mettelus Scipio, and the ever duplicitous King Juba I.

Tetisheri soon realises why Cleopatra consented to her mission, for Cyrenaica is a web of intrigue that also includes Pompey's widow and an army readying to take on the might of Caesar, who is massing his legions in Sicily. With war on the horizon, Tetisheri's skills will be stretched to the limit as she also tries to decipher a murder mystery closer to home.

#### THE WEDDING WITCH ERIN STERLING



Avon/HarperCollins, October 2024

Erin Sterling casts a

delightful spell with a

spine-tingling romance full

of wishes, witches, and

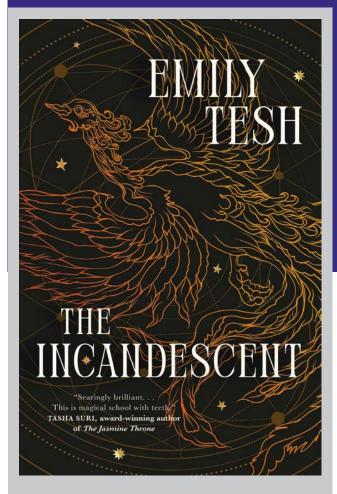
hexes gone wrong.

The New York Times bestselling author of *The Ex Hex* and *The Kiss Curse* brightens up the Winter Solstice with another delightfully spooky novel following Bowen Penhallow and the girl he feels strangely drawn to—especially when she becomes his only hope of salvation after a strong spell sends them to a Yuletide celebration... more than 50 years in the past.

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# EMILY TESH THE INCANDESCENT



"A searingly brilliant fantasy.

This is magical school with teeth. Warm-hearted, terrifying and clever, Tesh's examination of magical school through the eyes of an unforgettable - and properly grown up - heroine is an unmissable read."

-Tasha Suri, award-winning

author of The Jasmine Throne

Tor Books, May 2025

From the 2024 Hugo Award Winner for Best Novel comes a sapphic dark academia fantasy.

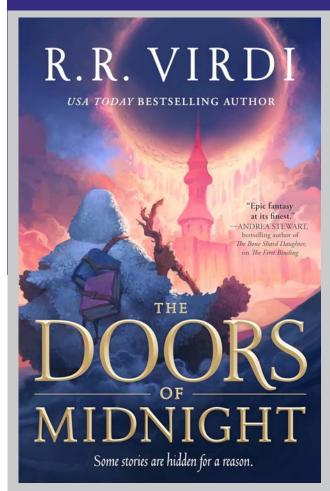
"Look at you, eating magic like you're one of us."

Doctor Walden is the Director of Magic at Chetwood Academy and one of the most powerful magicians in England. Her days consist of meetings, teaching A-Level Invocation to four talented, chaotic sixth formers, more meetings, and securing the school's boundaries from demonic incursions.

Walden is good at her job - no, Walden is great at her job. But demons are masters of manipulation. It's her responsibility to keep her school with its six hundred students and centuries-old legacy safe. And it's possible the entity Walden most needs to keep her school safe from - is herself.

Rights Sold:
Hayakawa, Japanese
Heyne Verlag, Germany
Orbit, UK/Commonwealth

## THE DOORS OF MIDNIGHT R.R. VIRDI



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'Criffed with patience, passion, and most important, tremendous love. Read R.R. Viell'

—JIM BUTCHER, \$1. Now York Times bestelling author of the Dendon File.

Tor Books, August 2024

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-Jim Butcher

#1 New York Times
bestselling author of
The Dresden Files

Myths begin, and a storyteller's tale deepens, in the essential sequel to R.R. Virdi's breakout Silk Road-inspired epic fantasy debut, The First Binding.

Some stories are hidden for a reason. All tales have a price. And every debt must be paid.

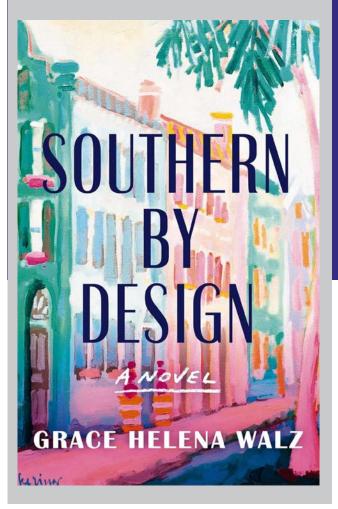
I killed three men as a child and earned the name Bloodletter. Then I set fire to the fabled Ashram. I've been a bird and robbed a merchant king of a ransom of gold. And I have crossed desert sands and cutthroat alleys to repay my debt.

I've stood before the eyes of god, faced his judgement, and cast aside the thousand arrows that came with it. And I have passed through the Doors of Midnight and lived to tell the tale.

I have traded one hundred and one stories with a creature as old as time, and survived with only my cleverness, a candle, and a broken promise. And most recently of all, I have killed a prince, though the stories say I have killed more than one.

My name is Ari. These are my legends. And these are my lies.

#### SOUTHERN BY DESIGN GRACE HELENA WALZ



Harper Muse, February 2025

Magnolias meets

Fixer Upper in this delightfully refreshing debut about a woman bravely chasing her dreams, building a life on her own terms, and maybe even discovering a second chance at love

Magnolia "Mack" Bishop is staring down the barrel at single motherhood--thanks to an unsolicited personal picture her husband texted another woman that quickly went viral among every mom group in town. But she's determined to not let it distract her from the professional victory she's inches away from: securing Charleston's prestigious Historic Preservation Design Fellowship, the apple of every local designer's eye.

But when the final house tour is undone by a host of calamities, Mack's shot at the fellowship goes up in flames. Smelling blood in the water, Mack's mother, the original Magnolia Bishop, breezes in with a project lead--strings attached. If there's one thing Magnolia lives for, aside from maintaining her station atop the Southern social ladder, it's to control Mack's life . . . and that includes keeping the identity of the absentee father Mack never knew in the shadows.

While working for her mother is the professional equivalent of moving into one's parent's basement, Mack spots an opportunity to make it her own when a television network puts a call out for local designers. Pitching the home renovation TV pilot of her dreams--one with a historic preservation twist--might just be the way to finally prove herself. Still, she'll have to do it covertly to avoid her mother's interference.

Just when Mack finds her professional footing, at home she spots an impossibly familiar figure unloading his moving truck into the newly sold house next door. She is furious, floored, and regrettably flustered because Lincoln Kelly is the one who got away. Fifteen years earlier he was a summer romance she inadvertently fell in love with, and when he left, following his dreams to New York, Mack was broken-hearted.

Filled with characters who could step off the page and a reminder that nothing worth saving is beyond repair, this charming and delightful debut novel will resonate with readers of Southern women's fiction by Mary Kay Andrews and Kristy Woodson Harvey.

### REVENANT-X **DAVID WELLINGTON**



ENDLESS DARK.
ENDLESS TERROR.

PARADISE

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WELLINGTON

Orbit, November 2024

The terrifying second novel in a new trilogy of survival and exploration in deep space, from Arthur C. Clarke Award-nominated author David Wellington.

#### FEAR THE DARK.

The crew of the Artemis - led by Firewatch agent Alexandra Petrova - have survived the furious onslaught of the Basilisk and broken through the space blockade around Paradise-1. Now they can pursue their original mission and investigate why Earth's first deep space colony has fallen silent.

The answer seems obvious: the site is deserted. Or so they think. Some of the colonists remain . . . but they're no longer human.

Petrova and her crew now face a desperate struggle to survive as they attempt to uncover the mystery of what has befallen the colony.

If they fail, the darkness that has fallen over Paradise-1 will consume them.

**Rights Sold:** AST, Russian Hayakawa, Japanese

#### THE FISHER KING SARAH K.L. WILSON

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A desperate queen makes a deal with the gods to save her land, resulting in her marrying the first man to come through the door even though he's a stinking fisherman, but what she doesn't know is that he's one of the gods in disguise.

Orbit, November 2025

Sarah K.L. Wilson who has over 800,000 books in readers' hands!

Perfect for fans of Rachel Gillig, Hannah Whitten, and Danielle L. Jensen

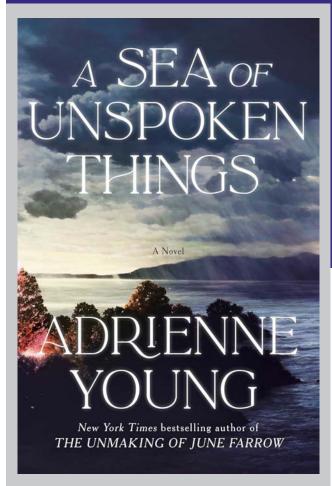
Queen Coralys rules the Kingdom of the Five Isles, but when disaster strikes, killing her husband and destroying half her nation, she pleads with the gods for salvation — and they do save her, turning back the terrible winds and tide, and snatching her islands from the brink of destruction.

But the gods have a wicked sense of justice and they demand in exchange for their help, Coralys must marry the first man to set foot on her pier. Coralys expects the fleet of a neighboring country come to rescue her people — led by its prince, a loyal ally. What she gets instead is a fisherman so sunburnt and stinking that her court can barely keep their breakfast down.

Coralys, undaunted, marries the fisherman just as she promised the gods, and sets out with him in his unkempt dinghy, leaving everything she knew behind her with nothing but hopes of revenge against the gods to keep her from despair. But what our fearless queen does not know is that the fisherman is actually the god of the sea and he stepped on her dock on purpose.

His own kingdom besieged, his body terribly wounded, and his place as a god threatened, the god of the sea has plans to turn the tides set against him and finally offer a place of refuge for his people, but to work the magic he needs will require the willing help of the one woman bent on his destruction.

# A SEA OF UNSPOKEN THINGS ADRIENNE YOUNG



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**Previous Work:** 

Published in 25 Countries

New York Times Bestsellers Across Multiple Genres Delacorte Press/PRH, January 2025

In this captivating atmospheric novel from the New York
Times bestselling author, a woman investigates her twin brother's mysterious death while confronting the ghosts of her own haunted past.

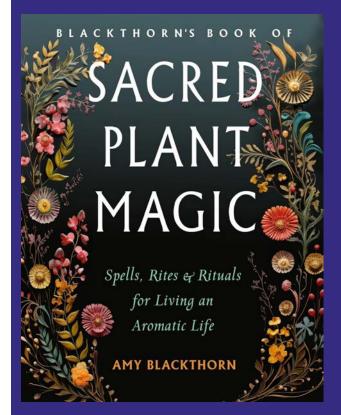
James and Johnny Golden were once inseparable. For as long as she can remember, James shared an almost supernatural connection with her twin brother, Johnny, that went beyond intuition—she could feel what he was feeling. So, when Johnny is killed in a tragic accident, James knows before her phone even rings that her brother is gone and that she's alone—truly alone—for the first time in her life.

When James arrives in the secluded town of Six Rivers, California, to settle her brother's affairs, she's forced to revisit the ominous events of their shared past and finally face Micah, the only other person who knows their secrets—and the only man she has ever loved.

But as James delves deeper into Johnny's world, she realizes that their unique connection hasn't completely vanished. The more she immerses herself in his life, the more questions she has about the brother she thought she knew. Johnny was hiding something, and he's not the only one. The deeper she digs, the more she is compelled to unravel the truth behind the days leading up to Johnny's death. Ultimately, James must decide which truths should come to light, and which are better left buried forever.

#### NON-FICTION

## SACRED PLANT MAGIC AMY BLACKTHORN



Weiser Books, September 2024

Renowned herbalist Amy
Blackthorn shows readers
how to bring plant spirits into
their daily spiritual practice
with therapeutic access,
subconscious learning, and
divining skills that help them
understand plant spirits on a
deeper level.

Blackthorn's Botanical Magic showed a new generation of witches how scent affects people, whether they understand it or not. In Blackthorn's Book of Sacred Plant Magic, we travel even deeper into the magical garden of scent. We know that a walk down a summer street can bring back the smell of childhood summers with friends, riding bikes and swimming. Spring breezes carry with them the clean soapy smell of your second-grade teacher. We experience scents not only in the here and now but also filtered through the lens of our past.

Using the power of scent, we can create a sense of the sacred in our daily lives. Part reference guide, part recipe book, and part ritual journey, Blackthorn's Book of Sacred Plant Magic offers readers an in-depth exploration of the vital connection between scents and magical practice.

Topics covered include:

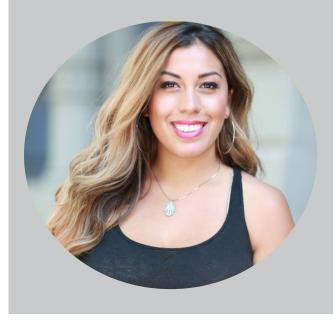
Connecting with Spirits of Plants, Place, and People
Expanding your Scent Vocabulary: Beyond "Floral"
Scent, Memory, and Personal History: How History Effects Scent
Creating Scent Activations

#### BEAUTY RITUAL STEPHANIE FLOR

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Row House/Simon & Schuster, May 2025

A cross-cultural exploration of what it truly means to live beautifully in mind, body, and spirit for readers of *Elemental* by Andi Eaton and *Whole Beauty* by Shiva Rose.

Renowned makeup artist and founder of Around the World Beauty, Stephanie Flor is your ultimate tour guide, helping you navigate a landscape of authentic beauty recipes and rituals to unlock your higher self and look and feel great doing it.

Using her personal travel stories, carefully curated recipes, and interviews with beauty experts from around the world, Flor encourages readers to purposefully and curiously explore how new rituals and practices from other cultures can inform and reshape how we care for ourselves from the inside out.

A celebration of diversity and the sacred in self-care, this will reinvent the conversation around beauty, especially among those seeking to better understand the intention and craft behind their beauty practices and find rituals that soothe both their bodies and their spirits.

## LOVE, ARE YOU THERE? REBECCA LAFFERTY & KATIE MCNEY

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Union Square, Fall 2025

A memoir of healing in the aftermath of unspeakable tragedy.

"Under the Banner of Heaven," the hit Hulu limited series, covered one of the most tragic criminal cases in Utah history. The murders by the infamous Dan Lafferty.

Rebecca Lafferty is the only living family member who has remained in contact with her father, Dan Lafferty.

This memoir is an examination of how a person can endure events that involve incredible pain, and ultimately chart a messy but worthwhile path - learning to live again on the other side. The theme of breaking the cycle of intergenerational violence and trauma is one that Rebecca hopes can reach everyone who needs to hear it in their darkest times.

Her perspective is entirely unique, and a necessary correction to the current narrative of the *Under the Banner of Heaven* (both the book and show) in that while they are very thorough journalistic pieces, they focus almost entirely on Lafferty men and not on the women who suffered all around them. This perspective is one that is already gathering interest; Rebecca and Katie have closed an option with Stacey Reiss of Radical Media (producer of The Andy Warhol Diaries and Spaceship Earth) for this memoir, which will form the backbone of a documentary series about the domestic violence women are suffering in Utah and the Mormon communities.

#### LAOZI'S DAO DE JING **KEN LIU**

**Rights Sold:** 

Popuri, Russian

Scribner, August 2024 Will Books, Korea
Head of Zeus, UK/Commonwealth

LAOZI'S DAO DE JING

A NEW INTERPRETATION FOR A TRANSFORMATIVE TIME

KEN LIU

A new edition of one of the most important and enduring texts ever written about finding a path to tranquility in turbulent times, Laozi's Dao De Jing, translated and contextualized by famed American novelist and translator, Ken Liu.

Laozi's Dao De Jing was written around 400 BC by a compassionate soul in a world torn by hatred and ambition, dominated by those that yearned for apocalyptic confrontations and prized ideology over experience. By speaking out against the cleverness of elites and the arrogance of the learned, Laozi upheld the wisdom of the concrete, the humble, the quotidian, the everyday individual dismissed by the great powers of the world. Earthy, playful, and

defiant, Laozi's words gave solace to souls back then, and offer comfort today. Now, this beautifully designed new edition serves as both an accessible new translation of an ancient Chinese classic and a fascinating account of renowned novelist Ken Liu's transformative experience while wrestling with the classic text.

Throughout this translation, Liu takes us through his own struggles to capture the meaning in Laozi's text in a series of thoughtful and provocative interstitial entries. Unlike traditional notes that purport to be objective, these entries are explicitly personal and unapologetically subjective. Gradually, as Liu learns that true wisdom cannot be pinned down in words, the notes grow sparser until they fade away entirely. His journey suggests the only way out of struggle is to engage with texts that have survived the millennia, wrestling with ideas that gesture at something eternal, in hopes that we might eventually reach that moment of transcendent joy.

Liu's translation, by eschewing cleverness, paradoxically reveals the slipperiness of Laozi's original. The Dao De Jing has been translated countless times and will be translated countless times in the future. In that constant change and flow, we finally find our home in Dao, the eternal principle that allows us, finite beings in time and space, to reckon and reconcile with the infinite.

#### BEFRIENDING THE BODY SIMONE SAUNDERS

Hachette Go, Winter 2026

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Simone Saunders is a registered social worker and trauma therapist who specializes in somatic therapy and runs her own practice called The Cognitive Corner. She has amassed a dedicated following of more than half a million for her short-form video content on Instagram and TikTok @ thecognitivecorner.

There has been an explosion of interest in mental health and wellness, and readers today are savvier than ever about therapy, trauma, and expressing their feelings.

But what happens when the feelings they can identify and trace are still holding their bodies hostage – whether that's through chronic health concerns like muscle tightness and high blood pressure or acute stress events like full-body panic attacks?

In her groundbreaking book Simone unpacks the complicated relationship between the emotional and the physical with accessible language, inclusive storytelling, and practical advice, paving the way to holistic somatic healing for readers at all stages of their journey. Her unique approach also examines social and communal structures that feed into trauma, breaking beyond the standard conversations around personal and individual factors

