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Information about our backlist and children’s books available upon request.

Updates and Highlights

News:

- We have a ton of romantasy and sci-fi romance authors for you! Juliette Cross, Emma Hamm, Sylvia Mercedes, and Ava Ross!
- Hannah Bonam-Young's previously self-published Next series and OUT ON A LIMB sold in a big deal to Penguin Random House!
- Nathan Tavares is back with a new sci-fi novel, WELCOME TO FOREVER.
- Jennifer Chow's new mystery series starts with ILL-FATED FORTUNE.
- Sarah Brenton makes her rom com debut with LOVE AND OTHER RISKY BUSINESS
- *New York Times* bestseller Nadia Lee joins our roster, and we represent her entire backlist!
- And we have a cookbook! Puneeta Chhitwal-Varma's THE GOOD FOOD KITCHEN!

New Rights Sales:

- We have a lot of pending sales that can't be announced just yet, but keep an eye out for news on Sarah Adams, Kritika H. Rao, Erin Langston, Sunyi Dean, Hannah Bonam-Young, Pippa Grant, Kennedy Ryan, Claire Contreras, Krista Davis, Heather Webber, and Gabriella Romero Lacruz!
- Kate Canterbury's IN A JAM to Poland
- H.M. Long's DARK WATER DAUGHTER to Russia
- Chris Tompkins's RAISING LGBTQ ALLIES to Vietnam
- Stacey Kennedy's TAKE ME to Czechia
- Heather Webber's AT THE COFFEESHOP OF CURIOSITIES to Russia
- Claire Contreras's FABLES & OTHER LIES to Poland and UNTIL I GET YOU to Italy

GENERAL FICTION

WHEN TRYING TO RETURN HOME

By Jennifer Maritza McCauley

One of the Today Show's 38 new books we can't wait to read in 2023!

One of People en Español's 6 releases by Latinx authors to read in 2023!

Profoundly moving and powerful, the stories in *When Trying to Return Home* dig deeply into the question of belonging. A young woman is torn between overwhelming love for her mother and the need to break free from her damaging influence during a desperate and disastrous attempt to rescue her brother from foster care. A man, his wife, and his mistress each confront the borders separating love and hate, obligation and longing, on the eve of a flight to San Juan. A college student grapples with the space between chivalry and machismo in a tense encounter involving a nun. And in 1930s Louisiana, a woman attempting to find a place to call her own chances upon an old friend at a bar and must reckon with her troubled past.

Forming a web of desires and consequences that span generations, McCauley's Black American and Afro-Puerto Rican characters remind us that these voices have always been here, occupying the very center of American life—even if we haven't always been willing to listen.

Praise:

"McCauley's explosive debut collection crackles with moments of honesty, upheaval, and longing among families . . . Each story is a treasure."
—*Publishers Weekly* (starred review)

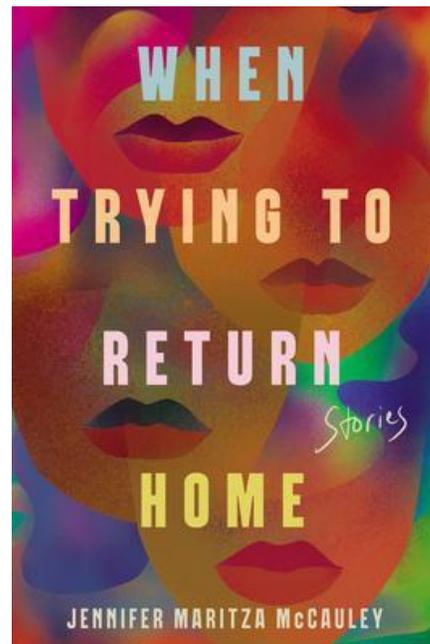
"Powerful, propulsive, and at the same time, tender, the stories in *When Trying to Return Home* overflow with unforgettable characters and voices. A stunning debut!" —Deesha Philyaw, author of *The Secret Lives of Church Ladies*

"Singular in power, beauty, wisdom, and depth, these stories blend razor sharp social commentary with an uncanny insight into the human experience. Jennifer Maritza McCauley introduces herself as a writer to behold with wonder." —Margaret Wilkerson Sexton, author of *On the Rooftop*

About the Author:

Jennifer Maritza McCauley is a writer, poet, and university professor. She has been awarded fellowships from the National Endowment for the Arts, Kimbilio, CantoMundo and the Sundress Academy for the Arts. She holds an MFA from Florida International University and a PhD in creative writing and literature from the University of Missouri. The author of the cross-genre collection SCAR ON/SCAR OFF, she is an assistant professor of literature and creative writing at the University of Houston-Clear Lake.

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Counterpoint Press
February 2023

All translation rights
available

UK/Commonwealth rights
available

Book Available

Agent: Amanda Jain

AT THE COFFEE SHOP OF CURIOSITIES

By Heather Webber

From the USA Today bestselling author of *In the Middle of Hickory Lane* comes Heather Webber's next enchanting novel, *At the Coffee Shop of Curiosities*!

A mysterious letter. An offer taken. And the chance to move forward.

When Ava Harrison receives a letter containing an unusual job listing one month after the sudden death of her ex-boyfriend, she thinks she's being haunted. The listing—a job as a live-in caretaker for a peculiar old man and his cranky cat in Driftwood, Alabama—is the perfect chance to start a new life. A normal life. Ava has always been too fearful to even travel, so no one's more surprised than she is when she throws caution to the wind and drives to the distant beachside town.

On the surface, Maggie Mae Brightwell is a bundle of energy as she runs Magpie's, Driftwood's coffee and curiosity shop, where there's magic to be found in pairing the old with the new. But lurking under her cheerful exterior is a painful truth—keeping busy is the best way to distract herself from the lingering loss of her mama and her worries about her aging father. No one knows better than she does that you can't pour from an empty cup, but holding on to the past is the only thing keeping the hope alive that her mama will return home one day.

Ava and Maggie soon find they're kindred spirits, as they're both haunted—not by spirits, but by regret. Both must learn to let go of the past to move on—because sometimes the waves of change bring you to the place where you most belong.

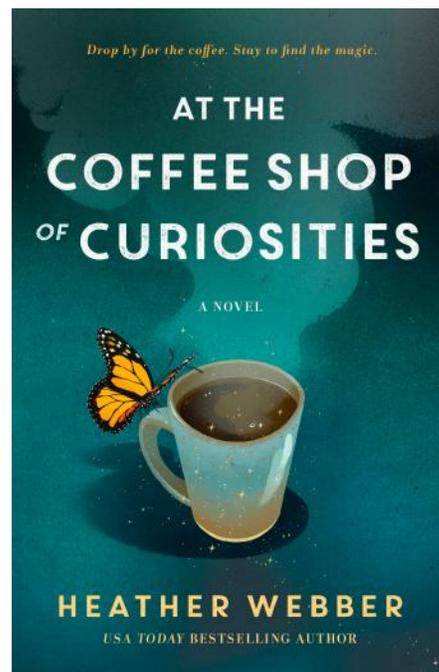
Praise:

"*At the Coffee Shop of Curiosities* like a cup of hot cocoa on a chilly morning. A layered story about the connection between two women and the little miracles that brought them together, *Curiosities*, too, opens our eyes to the magic of everyday among the people that make our world." —Tif Marcelo, *USA Today* Bestselling author of *When Jasmine Blooms*

"Love, magic, and mystery shimmer from every enchanting page of Heather Webber's latest novel, *At the Coffee Shop of Curiosities*! From its very first lines, this delightful story—and its wide cast of eccentric, charming characters—pulled me in and held me until its satisfying end. Find a cozy spot and sink into this charming tale brimming with promise, abandoned fears, and love found, lost, and found again." —Lauren K. Denton, *USA Today* bestselling author of *The Hideaway* and *A Place to Land*

About the Author:

Heather Webber is the national bestselling author of more than thirty novels—including *Midnight at the Blackbird Cafe*, the Lucy Valentine novels, and the Nina Quinn Mysteries—and has been twice nominated for an Agatha Award. She loves to spend time with her family, read, drink too much coffee and tea, birdwatch, crochet, watch cooking competition and home improvement shows, and bake. Heather lives in southwestern Ohio and is hard at work on her next book.



Macmillan: Forge
August 2023

Russian: Eksmo

All other translation rights
available

Book available

Agent: Jessica Faust

SCI-FI AND FANTASY

THE BOOK EATERS

By Sunyi Dean

An International Bestseller! An NPR Best Sci Fi, Fantasy, & Speculative Fiction Book of 2022! A Book Riot Best Book of 2022! A Vulture Best Fantasy Novel of 2022! A Library Journal Best Book of 2022!

Out on the Yorkshire Moors lives a secret line of people for whom books are food, and who retain all of a book's content after eating it. To them, spy novels are a peppery snack; romance novels are sweet and delicious. Eating a map can help them remember destinations, and children, when they misbehave, are forced to eat dry, musty pages from dictionaries.

Devon is part of The Family, an old and reclusive clan of book eaters. Her brothers grow up feasting on stories of valor and adventure, and Devon -- like all other book eater women -- is raised on a carefully curated diet of fairytales and cautionary stories.

But real life doesn't always come with happy endings, as Devon learns when her son is born with a rare and darker kind of hunger -- not for books, but for human minds.

THE BOOK EATERS is a contemporary fantasy debut. It's a story of motherhood, sacrifice, and hope; of queer identity and learning to accept who you are; of gilded lies and the danger of believing the narratives others create for you.

Praise:

"A fascinating debut with shades of gothic fantasy and contemporary thriller, wrapped in a narrative full of vivid and detailed characters and worldbuilding, and an unusual premise." —*Library Journal*, starred review

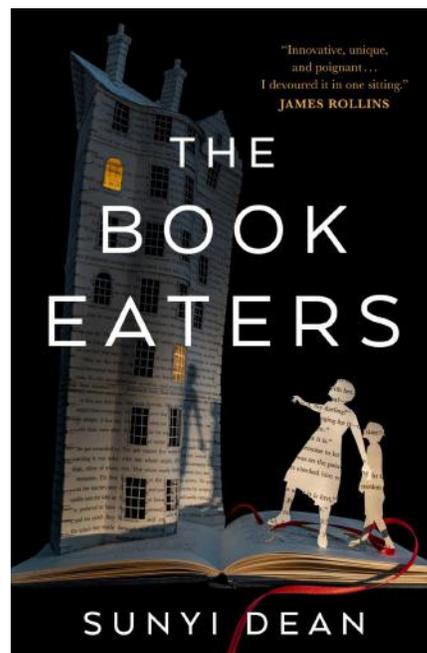
"I devoured this."—V. E. Schwab, *New York Times* bestselling author

"Dean's unputdownable debut gives the phrase "voracious reader" a new, very literal meaning ... The fascinating magic system, impeccable and unusual worldbuilding, and well-shaded characters will keep readers riveted through every twist of this wild ride."—*Publishers Weekly*, starred review

About the Author:

Sunyi Dean is an autistic, mixed-race author whose short fiction has appeared in a variety of places, including the Best of British SF 2018 Anthology, FFO, Prole, and BBC Radio Leeds. Sunyi is active on social media and attends writing groups and conferences both near her home in the UK and online.

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Macmillan/Tor
August 2022

UK: Harper Voyager
Brazil: Alta
Bulgaria: Artline Studio
Publishing
Italy: Mondadori
Korea: Will Books
Poland: MAG
Russia: AST
Spanish: Oceano
Thailand: WeLearn
Turkey: Destek
Ukraine: Sale pending
Vietnam: 1980 Books

All other translation rights
available

Book available

Agent: Naomi Davis

FIRE HEART

By *USA Today* bestselling author Emma Hamm

They handed her a sword and bid her to take a throne...

Lorelei is half elf in a kingdom where that bloodline is synonymous with "slave". The Umbra King holds everyone captive with his pet dragon who knows no mercy. She hides in the shadows and steals to stay alive, until a rebel group gives her an offer she can't refuse.

The King seeks a bride. If she can get close enough, she could drive a dagger into that wicked man's heart. But the bridal games are more difficult than most. Lorelei must prove herself not only beautiful, but talented, poised, and deadly as the king. However, the closer she gets to saving her kingdom, the more she realizes a singular problem stands in her way.

The dragon.

The King's bodyguard is more than a slathering beast. He's a man. And the longer she's near him, the more she realizes that perhaps the king isn't the most dangerous person in the kingdom. Perhaps she had to guard not only her body, but her heart. For a dragon mates for life, and they're hard pressed to give up their treasures.

This dragon romantasy series is perfect for fans of King Arthur, Sarah J Maas, and winged bad boys.



First of 5 in the Dragon of Umbra series!

**Indie Published
January 2022**

Audio rights sold to Podium

Russian: AST

**All other translation rights
available**

Book Available

Agent: Rachel Brooks

Praise:

"This dragon shifter plus badass lady lead fantasy romance has everything I love in a book. Enemies to lovers, rich world, insightful backstory, and action. Absolutely loved it!" - *USA Today* bestselling author Alisha Klapheke

On Amazon, the ebook edition was:

#1 Bestseller Ancient World Historical Romance

#1 Bestseller Arthurian Fantasy

#1 New Release Medieval Historical Romance

#1 New Release Ancient World Historical Romance

#1 New Release Arthurian Fantasy

About the Author:

USA Today Bestselling Author Emma Hamm has published over 40 fantasy, romantasy, and paranormal novels. She writes strong, confident, powerful women who aren't afraid to grow and make mistakes. Her books will always be a little bit feminist, and are geared towards empowering both men and women to be comfortable in their own skin.

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THESE BITTER BOOMS

By Emma Hamm

In a world where magic means power, a "small" gift is a curse.

Thea was not blessed with power. Her gift of devouring plants and absorbing their hidden abilities does not make her stand out among her peers. Until a young man from the other side of the river sees something in her that no one else has seen before. When his family mercilessly strikes at her pride, he makes a point to ease the sting.

Alistair is not like his family. He has no interest in magic or wealth. He can see through the veil of the world into the faerie realm, and that has no use in his family. He never understood the desire to write to the girl across the river, but she turns his world of grey into a life of color. At the first opportunity, he meets with her. The second, he falls in love. And the third, he knows he wants to marry her.

Until the cities across the river go to war. Their lives are shattered, ripped apart, and thrown asunder. Then, ten years later, a chance meeting brings them back together. He needs a secretary. She needs a job. Neither realized they were about to be thrown into each other's arms once again. And this time, he doesn't intend to ever let her go.

For fans of dark academia, witches, slow burn romances, and a little bit of magic, this page turner will wrap you up in a warm hug, snuggle you in a blanket, and hand you a hot cup of tea.

Praise:

"Emma Hamm is an instant-buy for me...I will easily recommend *These Bitter Blooms* to anyone and everyone. All hail our reigning Queen Emma Hamm." – 5-star Amazon reviewer

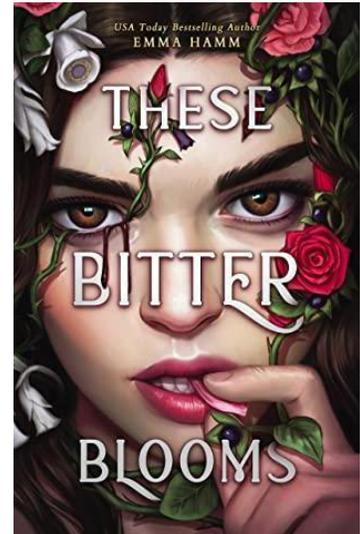
"Nothing is quite as satisfying as a book by Emma Hamm! She has an amazing ability with storytelling, and her world building is so amazingly clear that her books are easy to "see"." – 5-star Amazon reviewer

"I have been a fan of Emma Hamm since reading her series, Heart of the Fae. This book is a different twist...but still incorporates her wonderful strength, fae...I love fantasy romance and could NOT put this book down." – 5-star Amazon reviewer

About the Author:

USA Today bestselling Author Emma Hamm has published over 40 fantasy, romantasy, and paranormal novels. She writes strong, confident, powerful women who aren't afraid to grow and make mistakes.

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**Indie Published
January 2023**

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Book Available

Agent: Rachel Brooks

DARK WATER DAUGHTER

By H.M. Long

A stormsinger and pirate hunter join forces against a deathless pirate lord in this swashbuckling Jacobean adventure on the high-seas, for readers of Adrienne Young, R. J. Barker and Naomi Novik.

Mary Firth is a Stormsinger: a woman whose voice can still hurricanes and shatter armadas. Faced with servitude to pirate lord Silvanus Lirr, Mary offers her skills to his arch-rival in exchange for protection - and, more importantly, his help sending Lirr to a watery grave. But her new ally has a vendetta of his own, and Mary's dreams are dark and full of ghistings, spectral creatures who inhabit the ancient forests of her homeland and the figureheads of ships.

Samuel Rosser is a disgraced naval officer serving aboard *The Hart*, an infamous privateer commissioned to bring Lirr to justice. He will stop at nothing to capture Lirr, restore his good name and reclaim the only thing that stands between himself and madness: a talisman stolen by Mary.

Finally, driven into the eternal ice at the limits of their world, Mary and Samuel must choose their loyalties and battle forces older and more powerful than the pirates who would make them slaves.

Come sail the Winter Sea, for action-packed, high-stakes adventures, rich characterisation and epic plots full of intrigue and betrayal.

Praise:

"[Dark Water Daughter] showcases what Long does best: create a believable world populated with a range of fleshed-out characters and a strong lead, wrapped in a well-told story. This new series crosses genres and ages and is one that Long's fans will love and new readers will embrace."-*Library Journal*

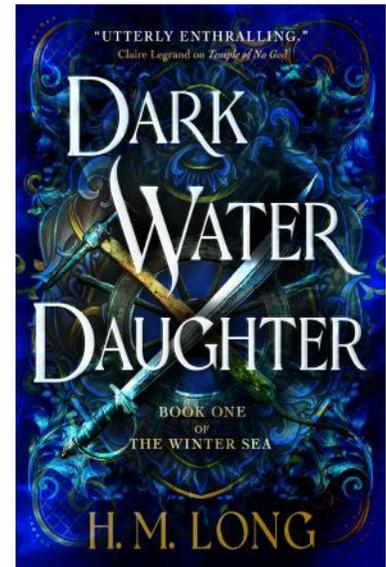
A wonderful adventure! Dark Water Daughter swept me to the high seas with its captivating story, rich original lore, fascinating characters, and slow-burn romance. Immersive from start till end, this is a hard one to put down." -Sue Lynn Tan, Sunday Times bestselling author of *Daughter of the Moon Goddess*

"Everything you could want in a fantasy novel"-Richard Swan, Sunday Times bestselling author of *The Justice of Kings*

"Dark Water Daughter is a unique and breath-taking slice of high seas fantasy – H. M. Long gives us deliciously complex characters to root for and a world full of surprises. I didn't know I needed these fantasy pirates and their freezing ocean until they sailed into my life. Enormous fun!"-Jen Williams, award-winning author of *The Winnowing Flame* trilogy

About the Author:

H. M. Long is a Canadian fantasy writer, author of *HALL OF SMOKE*, *TEMPLE OF NO GOD*, *BARROW OF WINTER*, and *PILLAR OF ASH*, who loves history, hiking, and exploring the world. She lives in Ontario, but can often be spotted snooping about European museums or wandering the Alps with her German husband.



First of 2 in THE WINTER SEA series

Titan Books, June 2023

Russian: Rosman

All other translation rights available

Book Available

Agent: Naomi Davis

BRIDE OF THE SHADOW KING

By Sylvia Mercedes

A shunned princess. A reluctant king.

A marriage that could save both their kingdoms . . . but destroy their hearts.

Though she is the oldest daughter, Princess Faraine lives in the background, shunned from court and kept out of sight. Her chronic illness makes her a liability to the crown, and she has learned to give place to her beautiful, favored younger sister in all things.

When the handsome and enigmatic Shadow King comes seeking a bride, Faraine is not surprised that her sister is his choice.

Though not eager to take a human bride, King Vor is willing to do what is necessary for the sake of his people. When he meets the lively Princess Ilsevel, he quickly agrees to a marriage arrangement.

So why can't he get the haunting eyes of her older sister out of his head?



First of 3 in the BRIDE OF THE SHADOW KING series!

**Self-published
August 2022**

Audio rights to Podium

**UK/Comm rights to
Daphne Press**

**Over 30 million page reads
in KDP for the first 2 books**

Book available

Agent: Amanda Jain



Praise:

“Utterly swoon worthy!” – Elise Kova, *USA Today* bestselling author of *A Deal with the Elf King*

“An expertly crafted tale of slow-burn romance, spellbinding magic, and compelling characters, Sylvia Mercedes hits every note that romantasy readers want in a novel.” – Danielle L. Jensen, *USA Today* bestselling author of *The Bridge Kingdom*

About the Author:

Sylvia Mercedes is the author of over 20 popular fantasy romance novels, including the internationally bestselling BRIDE OF THE SHADOW KING trilogy. She makes her home in North Carolina where she works as a full time novelist supporting her handsome “house husband,” numerous small children, and a passel of rescue cats and dogs.

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THE SURVIVING SKY

By Kritika H. Rao

Enter a lush world of cataclysmic storms, planet-wide jungles, floating cities and devastating magic in this explosive new science fantasy, perfect for fans of N.K. Jemisin, Tasha Suri and Martha Wells.

High above a jungle-planet float the last refuges of humanity—plant-made civilizations held together by tradition, technology, and arcane science. In these living cities, architects are revered above anyone else. If not for their ability to psychically manipulate the architecture, the cities would plunge into the devastating earthrage storms below.

Charismatic, powerful, mystical, Iravan is one such architect. In his city, his word is nearly law. His abilities are his identity, but to Ahilya, his wife, they are a way for survival to be reliant on the privileged few. Like most others, she cannot manipulate the plants. And she desperately seeks change.

Their marriage is already thorny—then Iravan is accused of pushing his abilities to forbidden limits. He needs Ahilya to help clear his name; she needs him to tip the balance of rule in their society. As their paths become increasingly intertwined, deadly truths emerge, challenging everything each of them believes. And as the earthrages become longer, and their floating city begins to plummet, Iravan and Ahilya's discoveries might destroy their marriage, their culture, and their entire civilization.

Praise:

"This Hindu-inspired sci-fi fantasy is a transcendent debut, full of cosmic magic and set in an exquisitely glorious and treacherous world. Such a daring ecological and metaphysical endeavor is perfect for fans of Wesley Chu and Brandon Sanderson." —*Library Journal* Starred Review

"Rao weaves a tale of broken love, redemption, and the Hindu concept of samsara in her magical and mind-bending debut. Drawing deeply from Hindu mysticism, this heart-pounding cli-fi adventure will leave readers breathless." —*Publisher's Weekly* Starred Review

"Precise, exquisite, and jaw-dropping. The world is rich and alien and wonderfully new, grounded by characters so familiar they ache. I loved every page." —Dan Wells, *New York Times* bestselling author of the John Cleaver series

About the Author:

Kritika H. Rao is a science-fiction and fantasy writer, who has lived in India, Australia, Canada and The Sultanate of Oman. Kritika's stories are influenced by her lived experiences, and often explore themes of consciousness, self vs. the world, and identity.

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Book 1 of 3 in THE RAGES

**Titan Books
June 2023**

**French: Sale pending
German: Cross Cult**

**All translation rights
available**

Book available

Agent: Naomi Davis

THE SUN AND THE VOID

By Gabriela Romero Lacruz

In a lush world inspired by the history and folklore of South America, a sweeping epic fantasy of colonialism, ancient magic, and two young women's quest for belonging unfolds.

Reina is desperate.

Stuck living on the edges of society, her only salvation lies in an invitation from a grandmother she's never known. But the journey is dangerous, and prayer can't always avert disaster.

Attacked by creatures that stalk the region, Reina is on the verge of death until her grandmother, a dark sorceress, intervenes. Now dependent on the Doña's magic for her life, Reina will do anything to earn—and keep—her favor. Even the bidding of an ancient god who whispers to her at night.

Eva Kesare is unwanted.

Illegitimate and of mixed heritage, Eva is her family's shame. She tries her best to be perfect and to hide her oddities. But Eva is hiding a secret: magic calls to her.

Eva knows she should fight the temptation. Magic is the sign of the dark god, and using it is punishable by death. Yet, it's hard to deny power when it has always been denied to you. Eva is walking a dangerous path, one that gets stranger every day. And, in the end, she'll become something she never imagined.

Praise:

"The lush worldbuilding and delightful blend of love, betrayal, and curses set the stage for a powerful and promising new series. This is a gem."
-*Publishers Weekly*, Starred Review

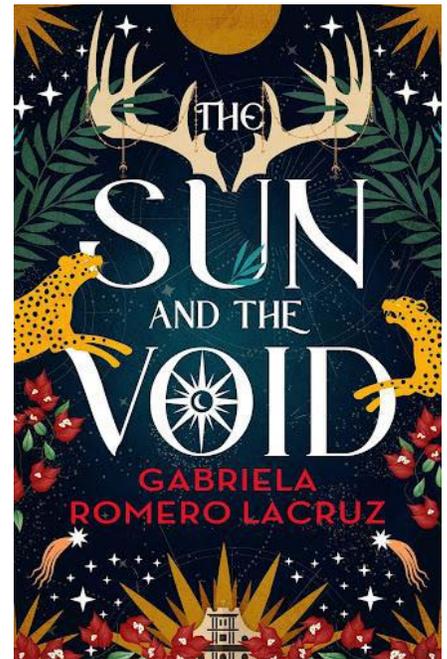
"Romero Lacruz excels in her enchanting world building, with lush descriptions of beautiful landscapes and vivid depictions of folklore and traditions with a hint of realism (aguinaldos and arepas are real, after all). Fans of N.K. Jemisin, Tomi Adeyemi, and Nisi Shawl will appreciate this fresh voice in fiction, especially when it comes to its commentary on colonialism, strong female characters, and the intricacies of magic used for good and evil." -*Booklist*

"This spellbinding fantasy focuses on political intrigue and family rivalries as well as both friendly and romantic relationships between the women characters. Lacruz develops Reina's world with intricate alliances and histories, fearsome monsters, and opposing religions. This ambitious, thrilling series opener pulses with vitality and imagination." -*Shelf Awareness*, Starred Review

About the Author:

Born and raised in Venezuela, **Gabriela Romero Lacruz** now lives two-thousand miles from home, in the land of bayous and astronauts. She graduated with a B.S. in Chemical Engineering from the University of Houston, and after a stint in Oil and Gas, decided to dedicate herself to the arts. She writes young adult and adult fantasy stories set in places that remind her of home, so in her mind she's never too far from the beaches and mountains of Venezuela. She illustrates as The Moonborn.

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First of 2 in the WARRING GODS series!

**Orbit Books
July 2023**

**UK: Daphne Press
Spanish: Alianza
Italian: Sale Pending**

**All other translation rights
available**

Book Available

Agent: Naomi Davis

WELCOME TO FOREVER

By Nathan Tavares

A sweeping, psychedelic romance of two men caught in a looping world of artificial realities, edited memories, secretive cabals and conspiracies to push humanity to the next step in its evolution.

For fans of *Tomorrow and Tomorrow and Tomorrow*, *Ubik*, *The Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind* and *Evangelion*.

Fox is a memory editor—one of the best—gifted with the skill to create real life in the digital world. When he wakes up in Field of Reeds Centre for Memory Reconstruction with no idea how he got there, the therapists tell him he was a victim in a terrorist bombing by Khadija Banks, the pioneer of memory editing technology turned revolutionary. A bombing which shredded the memory archives of all its victims, including his husband Gabe.

Thrust into reconstructions of his memories exploded from the fragments that survived the blast, Fox tries to rebuild his life, his marriage and himself. But he quickly realizes his world is changing, unreliable, and echoing around itself over and over.

As he unearths endless cycles of meeting Gabe, falling in love and breaking up, Fox digs deep into his past, his time in the refugee nation of Aaru, and the exact nature of his relationship with Khadija. Because, in a world tearing itself apart to forget all its sadness, saving the man he loves might be the key to saving us all.

Praise for Previous Titles:

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

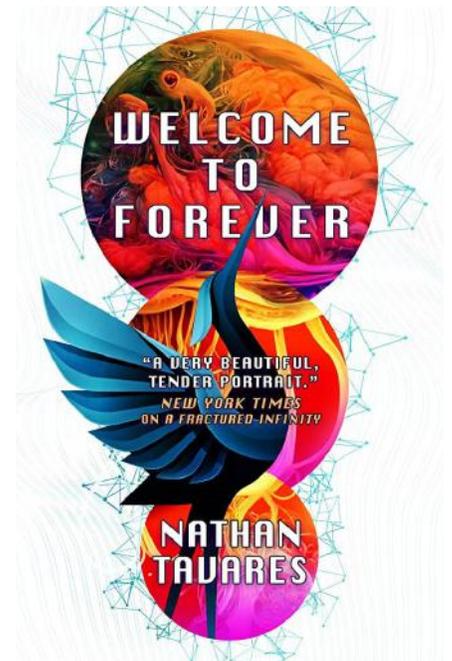
"Tavares hits the gas, sending the plot rocketing through dozens of fascinating possible Earths. The epic love story forms an intense emotional core and Hayes's conversational narration charms. Anyone looking for queer sci-fi should check this out." —*Publishers Weekly*

"A delightfully narrated tale of love at any cost, *A FRACTURED INFINITY* is as fun as it is heartfelt." - Megan O'Keefe, author of *Velocity Weapon* and more

About the Author:

Nathan Tavares is a writer from Boston, Massachusetts. He grew up in the Portuguese-American community of southeastern Massachusetts and developed a love for fantastical stories at an early age, from superheroes to mythology. He studied English in college and received his MFA in creative writing from Lesley University in Cambridge, Massachusetts. His editorial work celebrates queer culture and historically excluded communities, with pieces appearing in *GQ*, *Out*, and elsewhere.

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Titan Books

March 2024

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Finished manuscript available

Agent: Naomi Davis

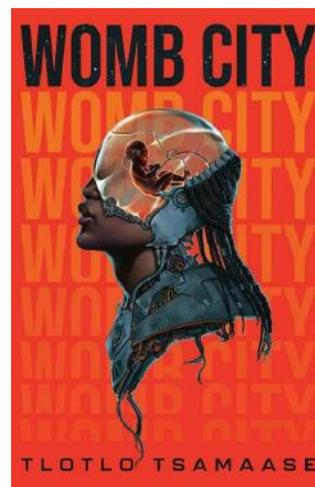
WOMB CITY

By Tlotlo Tsamaase

A feminist horror novel set in a futuristic Botswana where citizens' consciousnesses can be implanted into available, microchipped bodies. Rich with culture and true folklore, WOMB CITY begs the question: how far must one go to destroy the structures of inequality upon which a society was founded? How far must a mother go to save the life of her child?

Nelah seems to have it all: wealth, fame, a husband, and a child on the way. But in a body her husband controls via microchip and the tailspin of a loveless marriage, her hopes and dreams come to a devastating halt. A drug-fueled night of celebration ends in a hit-and-run. To dodge a sentencing in a society that favors men, Nelah and her side-piece, Janith Koshal, finish the victim off and bury the body.

But the secret claws its way into Nelah's life from the grave. As her victim's vengeful ghost begins exacting a bloody revenge on everyone Nelah holds dear, she'll have to unravel her society's terrible secrets to stop those in power, and become a monster unlike any other to quench the ghost's violent thirst.



Erehon Books
January 2024

All translation rights available

Edited Manuscript Available

Agent: Naomi Davis

Praise:

“A fierce, furious, and fearless debut that has its finger on the pulse—no, the gushing wound—of our world's most invasive cruelties.” —Daniel Kraus, New York Times bestselling co-author of *The Shape of Water*

“Masterful . . . Tsamaase has created a disturbing techno dystopia in a future Botswana that terrifies with its echoes of our own increasingly authoritarian cyber-policed world. This beautifully written work haunts and upends expectations with its resurrected ghosts and gods and ancestors of Motswana cosmology. What an accomplished debut!” —T. L. Huchu, Caine Prize finalist and author of *The Library of the Dead*

“Daring, imaginative, and deeply human, . . . This propulsive and brilliant page-turner is a searing indictment of the world in which we live, and I’m so glad it exists. Move aside Philip K. Dick and George Orwell—Tsamaase is the new visionary of our time.” —Marisa Crane, author of *I Keep My Exoskeletons to Myself*

About the Author:

Tlotlo Tsamaase's novella, *The Silence of the Wilting Skin*, is a 2021 Lambda Literary Award finalist and was shortlisted for a 2021 Nommo Award. Her story “Behind Our Irises” is the joint winner of the Nommo Award for Best Short Story (2021), the first Motswana to win the award. Her short fiction has appeared in *The Best of World SF Volume 1*, *Futuri uniti d’Africa*, *Clarkesworld*, *Terraform*, *Africanfuturism Anthology*, *The Year’s Best African Speculative Fiction (2021)*, *Apex Magazine* and is forthcoming in *Africa Risen* and *Chiral Mad 5* and other publications. She was the first Motswana to be a 2017 Rhysling Award nominee. She is a 2011 Bessie Head Short Story Award winner. Tlotlo Tsamaase is a member of PEN America, the African Speculative Fiction Society, SFWA, and Codex Writers Group.

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MYSTERIES, THRILLERS, SUSPENSE

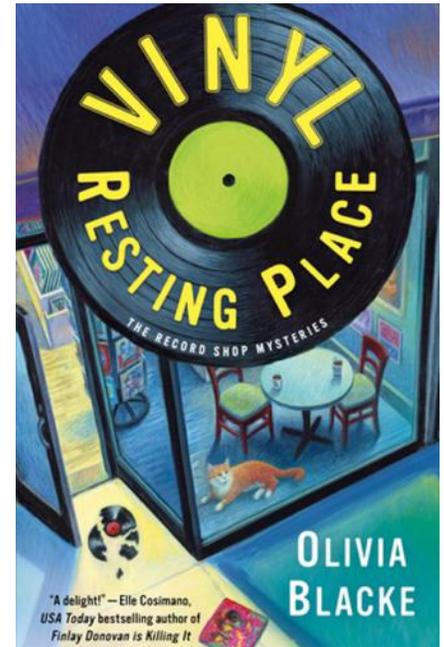
VINYL RESTING PLACE

By Olivia Blacke

When Juni Jessup and her sisters Tansy and Maggie put all their beans in one basket to open Sip & Spin Records, a record-slash-coffee shop in Cedar River, Texas, they knew there could be some scratches on the track, but no one was expecting to find a body deader than disco in the supply closet.

Family is everything to the Jessups, so when their uncle is arrested by Juni's heartbreaking ex on suspicion of murder, the sisters don't skip a beat putting Sip & Spin up for bail collateral. But their tune changes abruptly when Uncle Calvin disappears, leaving them in a grind. With their uncle's freedom and the future of their small business on the line, it's up to Juni and her sisters to get in the groove and figure out whodunit before the killer's trail—and the coffee—goes cold.

Music and mocha seem like a blend that should be "Knockin' On Heaven's Door," but caught up in a murder investigation with her family and their life savings on the line, Juni wonders if she might be on the "Highway to Hell" instead.



First of 3 in the Record Shop Mystery series!

Macmillan: St. Martin's Press

December 2022

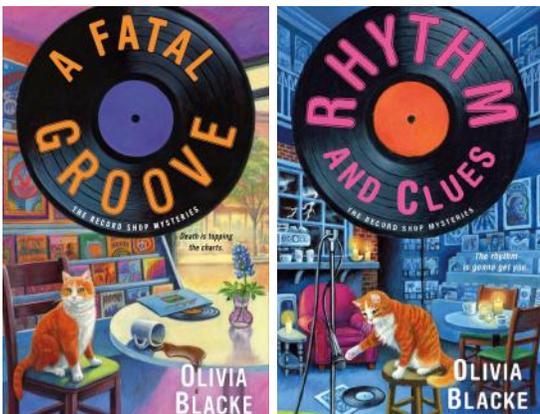
July 2023

March 2024

All translation rights available

Book Available

Agent: James McGowan



Praise:

An Aunt Agatha's "Best Cozy of 2022"!

"A charming cozy for a new generation of mystery readers . . . Vinyl Resting Place is a delight!" –Elle Cosimano, USA Today bestselling author of *Finlay Donovan Is Killing It*

"Cozy enthusiasts will find a lot to love in this title . . . Readers will also enjoy getting to know the Jessup sisters, especially Juni, and the developed cast of supporting characters in cedar River. The many music-related puns and the family high jinks add humor to the story." –*Library Journal*

"Vinyl Resting Place is bolstered by the sisters' genuine bond, colorful personalities, and not-so-gentle conflicts. It's a winning combination." –*New York Times Book Review*

About the Author:

Olivia Blacke (she/her), author of the Record Shop Mysteries, beginning with *Vinyl Resting Place*, and the Brooklyn Murder Mysteries, finally found a way to put her Criminology degree to good use by writing quirky, unconventional, character-driven cozy mysteries.

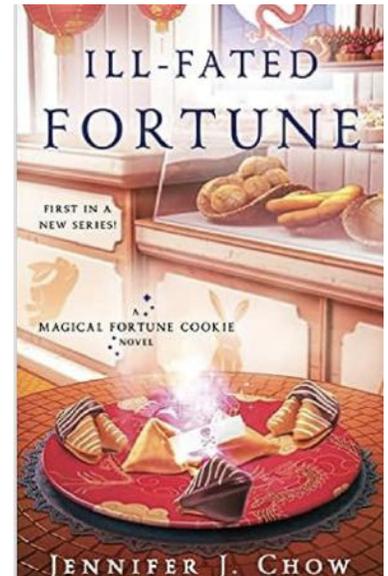
www.oliviablacke.com

ILL-FATED FORTUNE

By Jennifer J. Chow

Felicity Jin grew up literally hanging onto Mom’s apron strings in their magical bakery in the quaint town of Pixie, California. Her mother’s enchanted baked goods, including puffy pineapple buns and creamy egg tarts, bring instant joy to all who consume them. Felicity has always been hesitant in the kitchen herself after many failed attempts, but a takeout meal gone wrong inspires her to craft some handmade fortune cookies.

They become so popular that Felicity runs out of generic fortunes and starts making her own personalized predictions. When one customer’s ill-fated fortune results in his murder, Felicity’s suspiciously specific fortune has the police focusing on her as the main culprit. Now Felicity must find a way to turn her luck around and get cleared from suspicion.



First of 3 in the Magical Fortune Cookie series!

**St. Martin’s Press/Minotaur
February 2024**

**All translation rights
available**

Galley manuscript available

Agent: Jessica Faust

Praise for previous titles:

“Yale and Celine’s growing loyalty to each other, coupled with the warmth of Chow’s prose, adds extra depth, just like the tapioca balls nestled in a glass of bubble tea.”—*New York Times Book Review*

"Jennifer J. Chow pens an evocative L.A. cozy seasoned with suspense, family drama, and a smart and engaging amateur sleuth. *Death by Bubble Tea* is a clever and cunning culinary mystery that is sure to leave readers satisfied but longing for another visit to the Night Market."—Jenn McKinlay, *New York Times* bestselling author

About the Author:

Jennifer J. Chow writes cozies filled with hope and heritage. She is an Agatha, Anthony, and Lefty Award-nominated author. Her newest series is the Magical Fortune Cookie mysteries; the first book is *Ill-Fated Fortune*. Jennifer’s previous series is the L.A. Night Market Mysteries. *Death by Bubble Tea* was reviewed by the *New York Times*, featured in *Woman’s World*, and hit the SoCal Indie Bestseller List. Jennifer currently serves as Immediate Past President on the board of Sisters in Crime and blogs at chicksonthecase.com. She is an active member of Crime Writers of Color and Mystery Writers of America.

www.jenniferchow.com

NORTHWOODS

By Amy Pease

The dark underbelly of an idyllic Midwestern resort town is revealed in the aftermath of a murder with ties to America's opioid epidemic in this unputdownable and thrilling debut that is perfect for fans of James Lee Burke, William Kent Krueger, and Mindy Mejia.

Eli North is not okay.

His drinking is getting worse by the day, his emotional wounds after a deployment to Afghanistan are as raw as ever, his marriage and career are over, and the only job he can hold down is with the local sheriff's department. And that's only because the sheriff is his mother—and she's overwhelmed with small town Shaky Lake's dwindling budget and the fallout from the opioid epidemic. The Northwoods of Wisconsin may be a vacationer's paradise, but amidst the fishing trips and campfires and Paul Bunyan festivals, something sinister is taking shape.

When the body of a teenage boy is found in the lake, it sets in motion an investigation that leads Eli to a wealthy enclave with a violent past, a pharmaceutical salesman, a wealthy enclave with a violent past, and a missing teenage girl. Soon, Eli and his mother, along with a young FBI agent, are on the hunt for more than just a killer.

If Eli solves the case, could he finally get the shot at redemption he so desperately needs? Or will answers to this dark crime elude him and bring destruction to the Northwoods?

Praise:

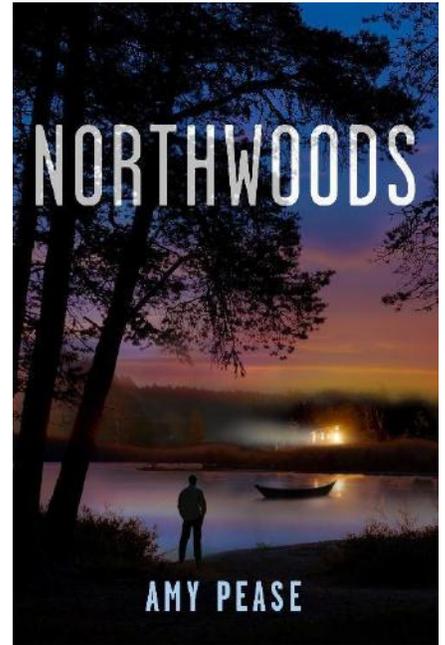
"Pease's brilliantly told story of a beleaguered mother-son law enforcement team is a compelling and heartbreaking debut that marks a new and important voice in the mystery genre. This is a novel you absolutely don't want to miss." -William Kent Krueger

"Get lost in Amy Pease's words, get lost in the gripping personal debut of a complex new series—get lost in Northwoods." -Craig Johnson, author of the Walt Longmire series

"Amy Pease's Northwoods is a novel so skillfully immersive that it is hard to believe it is her first. Her story weaves a gripping murder mystery with compelling character studies; her Northern Wisconsin setting teems with secrets and menace. It all makes for a powerful, poised and propulsive novel that marks the emergence of an exciting new voice on the thriller scene." -Stephen Amidon, author of LOCUST LANE

About the Author:

Amy Pease is an alumnus of the University of Wisconsin and the Madison Writer's Studio, and works as a nurse practitioner, where she is a nationally recognized HIV specialist. She lives in Wisconsin with her husband and two children. *Northwoods* is her first novel.



Simon & Schuster/Emily Bestler Books

January 2024

All translation rights available

ARC available

Agent: Amanda Jain

ROMANCE

THE WORST WOMAN IN LONDON

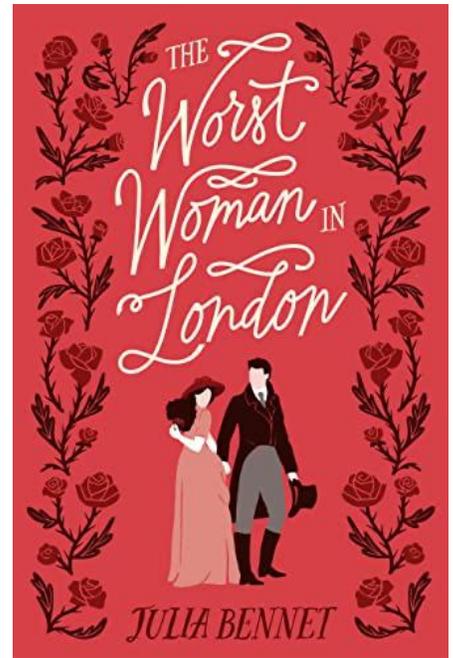
By Julia Bennet

A defiant Victorian wife fights to escape a bad marriage but her love for a forbidden man jeopardizes her chance at freedom.

James Standish knows how to play society's game. He'll follow the rules, marry a virginal debutante, and inherit a massive fortune. At least, that's the plan until he meets Francesca Thorne. She's not the sort of woman a respectable gentleman like James could ever marry—not least because, strictly speaking, she's married already.

Francesca is determined to flout convention and divorce her philandering husband. When James sweet talks his way into her life tasked with convincing her to abandon her dream of freedom, she's unprepared for the passion that flares between them.

Torn apart by conflicting desires, James and Francesca must choose whether to keep chasing the lives they've always wanted or take a chance on a new and forbidden love.



**Re-release from Union
Square coming April 2024!
Originally self-published
February 2023**

All translation rights available

Edited manuscript available

Agent: Jessica Alvarez

Praise:

"*The Worst Woman in London* is the kind of historical I've been dying to read...Bennet concocts a very classic romance mood, where the sex is spectacular even when (or because?) people are painfully conflicted about it...Certainly it's one of the most complex and satisfying explorations of the idea that everyone is the hero of their own love story—even the villains." -*New York Times*

"*The Worst Woman in London* gets a DIK from me. It's romantic, feminist, and shimmers with intelligence. Let's hope Ms. Bennet keeps writing--we need more historical romance just like this!" -*All About Romance*.

"A revelation. The best historical romance I've read in years. Julia Bennet is an author to watch!" –Elizabeth Hoyt, *New York Times* bestselling author on *The Ruin of Evangeline Jones*

About the Author:

Julia Bennet writes historical romance with passion, intrigue, dark humor and the occasional animal sidekick. A tea-sodden English woman, she's the only girl in a house of boys and yearns for all things pink and fluffy. If she isn't writing, she's probably reading everything she can get her hands on.

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OUT ON A LIMB

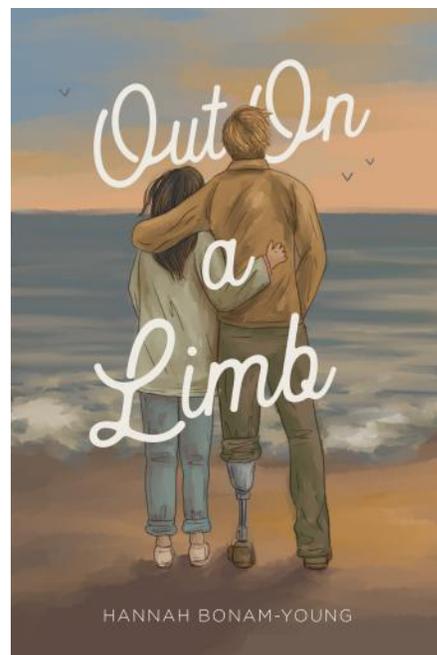
By Hannah Bonam-Young

Winnifred "Win" McNulty has always been wildly independent. Not one to be coddled for her limb difference, Win has spent most of her life trying to prove that she can do it all on her own. And, with some *minor* adjustments, she's done just fine.

That is until she has a one-night stand with the incredibly charming Bo, a perfect stranger. And that one night changes *everything*.

While Bo is surprisingly elated to step up to the plate, Win finds herself unsure of whether she can handle this new challenge on her own or if she'll need a helping hand.

Together, Win and Bo decide to get to know one another as friends and nothing more. But, as they both should know by now, life rarely goes according to plan.



English reprint rights sold to PRH/Dell for reissue in Spring 2024!

Originally independently published July 2023

**Hebrew: Pending
Turkey: Pending**

All other translation rights available

Edited MS Available

Agent: Jessica Alvarez

Praise:

“...a rich, complex story that flew by for me—I really enjoyed it.” —Jeeves Reads Romance

“Hannah Bonam-Young keeps churning out amazing romance books, proving that she is a must-read author in the genre... This book is not to be missed. Read it for its beautiful love story. Read it to finally see some special characters with ability differences that are way more than just their difference. Read it for the laughter, for the steaminess or just read it because it's a great love story. You won't regret it. Definitely one of the **best romance novels of 2023!**”
—SheReadsRomanceBooks.com

About the Author:

Hannah Bonam-Young writes stories featuring a cast of diverse, disabled, marginalized, and LGBTQIA+ folks wherein complex and swoon-worthy storylines coexist and blend with the beautiful realities of life, in all its messy glory.

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NEXT OF KIN

By Hannah Bonam-Young

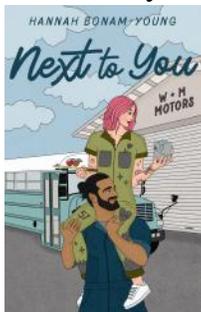
Two bickering strangers, Chloe and Warren, are partnered by Child Protective Services to qualify for next of kin fostering of their younger siblings.

When people-pleasing Chloe learns that her birth mother has unexpectedly had another baby, she doesn't hesitate to become a next-of-kin guardian. But when she fails to pass Child Protective Services' financial evaluation, she is faced with a choice: see her baby sister placed in foster care or participate in CPS' new initiative, TeamUp.

Enter Warren, a surly mechanic's apprentice attempting to get custody of his deaf fifteen-year-old brother after failing CPS' housing evaluation. The two strangers immediately clash but agree to live together until Warren can find housing elsewhere and Chloe can further grow her freelance career.

As their lives intertwine, Chloe and Warren both realise that they're far more similar than they could have imagined. What started as forced begins to feel natural—and far less lonely. Chemistry soon intensifies beyond what either of them can stand, but they must each decide if what burns between them is worth risking their arrangement.

With banter, heart, and steam that will have the reader blushing, NEXT OF KIN is a true underdog story of two young adults redefining what family can look like.



First of 2 in the Next series!

English reprint rights just sold to PRH/Dell for republication in Early 2024!

Originally independently published June 2022

Polish: Agora

All other translation rights available

Edited MS Available

Agent: Jessica Alvarez

Praise:

"I can't believe this is a debut and cannot wait for everything from this author to come." -Tarah DeWitt, Author

"NEXT OF KIN is an emotional slow-burn romance that navigates life touched by adoption, fostering, and complex family relationships." -Chloe Liese, Author

About the Author:

Hannah Bonam-Young writes stories featuring a cast of diverse, disabled, marginalized, and LGBTQIA+ folks wherein complex and swoon-worthy storylines coexist and blend with the beautiful realities of life, in all its messy glory.

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LOVE AND OTHER RISKY BUSINESS

By Sarah Brenton

Can an over-the-top risk-taker win the heart of his cautious, risk-averse best friend?

Larger-than-life Hollywood Stuntman Timothy Foley fears nothing. Falling off a building? Any time. Being set on fire? All in a day's work.

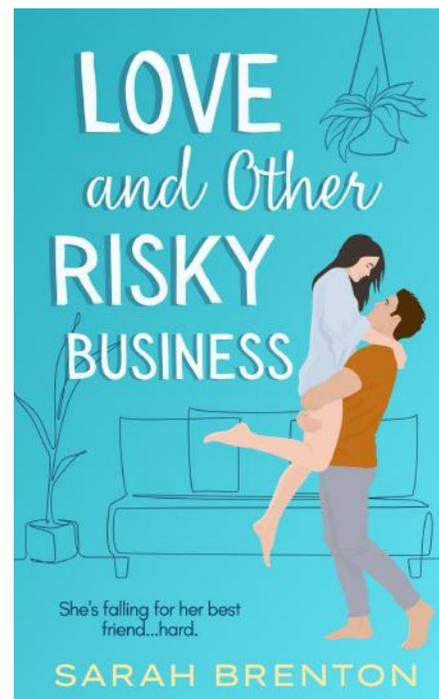
Telling his best friend he's been in love with her for years?

Chokes. *Every. Time.* For a man who knows how to use his body—in every way—his heart has a way of tripping him up.

Wardrobe department seamstress Mina Andrei doesn't take risks—with her life or her heart. Between her day job and the slow steps she's taking to build her eco-friendly underwear brand, she doesn't have time. Her friendship with Timothy is all the excitement she can handle. So long as she can ignore the way he makes her stomach flutter.

When an on-set accident ends Timothy's career and nearly his life, he's done chickening out. Luckily, he's already in the hospital because his clumsy marriage proposal crashes and burns. But with his parents offering Mina much-needed money to keep him out of trouble, he might get another chance to woo his bestie. Carefully.

This friends to lovers, opposites attract romance features a chaotic bisexual hero and a careful demi-sexual heroine finding their Happily Ever After.



First in the Over the Top Love trilogy!

**Indie-published
October 2023**

All translation rights available

ARC available

Agent: Jessica Alvarez



Praise:

“Brenton’s voice is like a shot of fireball: hot and spicy with the sweetest aftertaste. Come for the daredevil with a heart of gold and stay for a friends-to-lovers twist unlike any I’ve read.” –Livy Hart

About the Author:

Sarah Brenton (she/her) writes swoony, steamy, sex-positive romance that straddles the boundary between rom coms and contemporaries. She was a 2020 Pitch Wars mentee and a 2022 KissPitch mentor. She lives in New Zealand. When not writing, she can be found daydreaming at work in a vineyard.

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IN A JAM

By Kate Canterbary

When Shay Zucconi’s step-grandmother died, she left Shay a tulip farm—under two conditions.

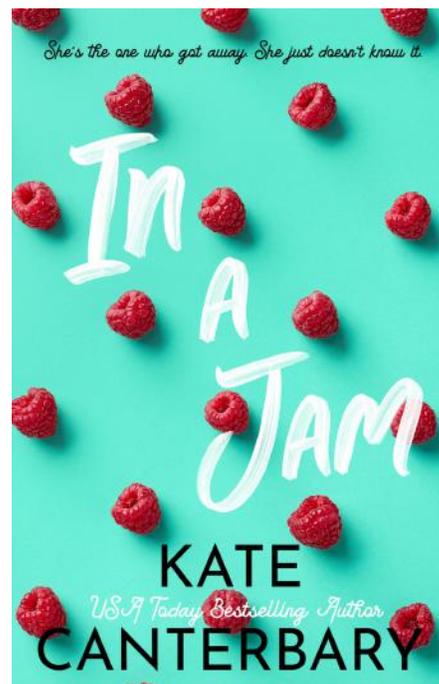
First, Shay has to move home to the small town of Friendship, Rhode Island. Second—and most problematic since her fiancé just called off the wedding—Shay must be married within one year.

Marriage is the last thing in the world Shay wants but she’ll do anything to save the only real home she’s ever known.

Noah Barden loved Shay Zucconi back in high school. Not that he ever told her. He was too shy, too awkward, too painfully uncool to ask out the beautiful, popular girl.

A lifetime later, Noah is a single dad to his niece and has his hands full running the family business. That old crush is the farthest thing from his mind.

Until Shay returns to their hometown and turns his life upside down.



**Self-published, September
2022**

**Poland: Kobiiece
Spanish: VR Editoras
Turkey: Ren Kitap**

**All other translation rights
available**

Book available

Agent: Jessica Alvarez

Praise:

“*In a Jam* was a GEM of a romance. It had me laughing, smiling, and swooning. It’s exactly what I’ve come to expect when I pick up a romance novel by Kate Canterbary... SO DANG GOOD!! Go read it now.” –ANovelGlimpse.com

“Kate Canterbary writes the most wonderful characters, and like so many of her other books, I’m having trouble letting these ones go. The amazing characters, fantastic development, engaging family story and deliciously sweet and steamy love story combine to create an absolute gem of a read, and I loved it so much! 5 stars!” –EscapistBookBlog.com

“Pick up this delightful book, it will melt your heart and make you chuckle with the unforgettable characters and a lovely rural setting.” –EclecticReview.com

About the Author:

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

www.katecanterbary.com

SHUCKED

By Kate Canterbury

No one ever accused Beckett Loew of being the nice Loew brother, especially not Sunny duJardin. Stuck back home in the quirky town of Friendship, Rhode Island, Beckett is scrambling to save his family's oyster bar and take care of his teenage brother. He doesn't have time to deal with the beautiful, sunshine-y owner of the new vegan cafe next door too. His best friend's little sister may be all grown up, but Sunny's still a distracting pain in his side.

No one expects much from Sunny duJardin, especially not Beckett Loew. She's not worried about her older brother's tall, dark, and broody best friend or battles he insists on waging with her everyday. She's not the same kid he teased years ago. Now, she composts his type for breakfast.

They're all wrong for each other.

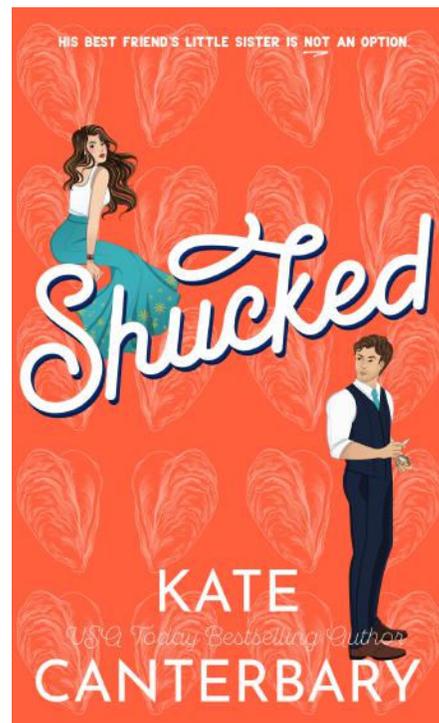
Bitter rivals.

Complete opposites.

Off limits.

Except they can't keep their hands off each other.

They tell themselves it's nothing more than a steamy summer fling until secrets spill and real trouble comes their way.



First of two in a series!

**Indie-published
August 2023**

All translation rights available

Audio rights to Podium

Book available

Agent: Jessica Alvarez

Praise:

"There's just something special about a Kate Canterbury book. The stories hit on another level for me. They always have and always will." –SubjectifyMedia.com

"I love this book! A brother's best friend, enemies-to-lovers, grumpy/sunshine romance, this story is funny, sweet, sexy, heartfelt, and beautifully romantic, with wonderful characters who I absolutely love. This is a gem of a read, and a fave for 2023!" –EscapistBookBlog.com

"...the perfect combination of grumpy sunshine with a bit of age-gap and brother's best friend/childhood nemesis sprinkled in. The tension was exquisite and their hate-to-love banter and button-pushing was hilarious!" –DiniPandaReads.com

About the Author:

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

UNTIL I GET YOU

By Claire Contreras

3 years ago, she ruined my life. Now I'm going to return the favor...

My reputation at Fairview University preceded me. I was the projected number-one pick in the NHL draft and the fan favorite at the rink. People wanted to be me or be with me.

Except for Lyla James Marichal.

She didn't look at me like I was her next meal. She eyed me with disdain.

Instead of vying for my attention, she ignored me and pushed me away.

She was completely unattainable, and I became obsessed with her.

When I finally got her, it felt like I was on top of the world. I was going to help the team win another championship, going into the draft, and had Lyla by my side.

And then, without warning, she left me.

Vanished.

It took me three bitter, angry, long years to find her, but I did, and now she owes me a lot more than just an explanation.

Three years ago, she ruined my life.

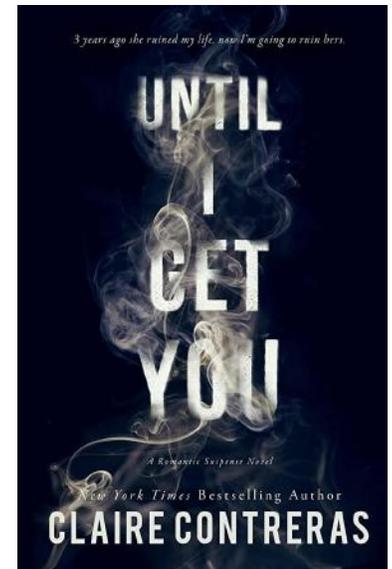
Now, I was going to become her worst nightmare.

Praise:

“Top-tier everything. All the stars. One of my favorite romances in YEARS! I can't wait to read it again!” –Dylan Allen, Wall Street Journal & USA Today Bestselling author

About the Author:

Claire Contreras is a New York Times bestselling author whose books range from romantic suspense to contemporary romance and have been translated into over fifteen languages. Claire was born in the Dominican Republic, raised in Miami, and currently lives in North Carolina with her family.



**Self-published
April 2023**

Italian: Newton Compton

**All other translation rights
available**

Book Available

Agent: Kim Lionetti

WOLF GONE WILD

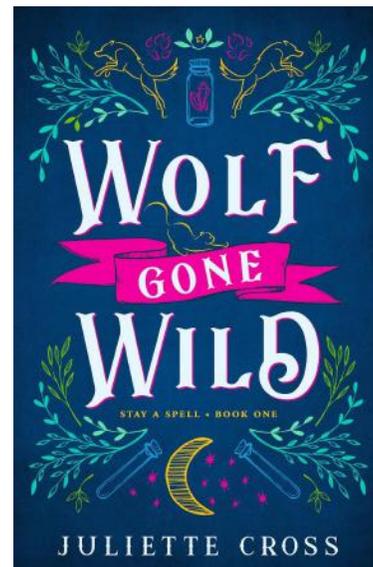
By Juliette Cross

What's the worst thing that can happen to a werewolf?

Unable to shift for three months, Mateo Cruz knows all too well. His wolf has taken up residence in his head, taunting him night and day with vividly violent and carnal thoughts. Convinced he's cursed, he needs the help of a powerful witch before he literally goes insane.

Evie Savoie has always obeyed the house rules of her coven--no werewolves. They're known for being moody and volatile. So, when a distempered, dangerous werewolf strolls into the bar and almost strangles one of her late-night customers, she's ready to bounce him through the door. But the desperation in his eyes when he begs her to help him softens her heart and convinces her to bend the rules.

What Evie doesn't know is that Mateo's wolf has a mind of his own. And now that she's in his sights, he wants only one thing. Her.



First of 7 in the STAY A SPELL series!

**NEW PRINT PUBLISHER
UNION SQUARE OCT 2023!**

Audio to Podium

**French: Editions Bookmark
Italian: Newton Compton**

**All other translation rights
available**

Final MS Available

Agent: Rachel Brooks

Praise:

“High-energy metaphysical mystery, solid contemporary supernatural worldbuilding, and a friends-to-lovers romance with instant heat simmering beneath the surface all come together deliciously in the Stay a Spell series launch. This is utterly enchanting.” –**Publishers Weekly, starred review (new!)**

“Cross balances wit, sexy romance, and mystery in this solid start to a promising series.” –**Booklist (new!)**

“*Wolf Gone Wild* is sexy, funny, and fast-paced. It'll leave you smiling from ear to ear, wishing you lived in a world of hot-as-sin werewolves and capable, smartass witches, and utterly ready for the next book in this fantastic new paranormal series!” –**Amanda Bouchet, USA Today bestselling author**

About the Author:

Juliette Cross is the author of over 20 paranormal and fantasy romances & the co-host of the podcast, Smart Women Read Romance. She is a native of Louisiana, living in the heart of Cajun land outside New Orleans.

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THE WORST WEDDING DATE

By Pippa Grant

I didn't know *bridesmaid* was code for *babysitter for the bride's brother*, but if that's what my best friend needs for her dream wedding to go off without a hitch, that's what I'll do.

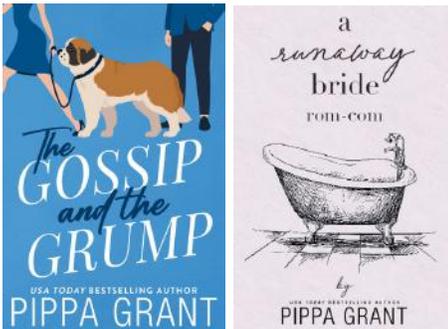
Even if Theo Malone has been a pain in my rear since third grade. Even if he should be responsible enough to not wreak havoc at his sister's destination wedding. Even if it means we have to share a hotel room in Hawaii, which might actually break me.

Not only does Theo know *exactly* how to push my buttons, but he never wears clothes, he's hiding a litter of kittens in his room, and he keeps showing up with fresh-baked cookies that seemingly come from nowhere.

Also? I have no idea why I suddenly want to know what makes him tick. The story behind his tattoos. How he can afford to rent a convertible in Hawaii. And if maybe all of that utter frustration and irritation I've felt for him for *years* is actually suppressed attraction that a good girl like me isn't supposed to feel for the biggest bad boy of Snaggletooth Creek.

But I do know one thing. When I find out his biggest secret and the answer to all of my questions, it will change *everything*.

The Worst Wedding Date is a frolicking good time of a destination wedding enemies-to-lovers romcom, complete with a good girl bridesmaid, her best friend's troublemaking but secretly big-hearted brother, and more than one hitch on the way to happily ever after.



Praise:

"Every time I think, okay, Pippa really spoiled me with the last book or one of the last books so there's no way that this one can come close, she turns around and pulls out another fantastic and fabulous story." –Escape Into Reading

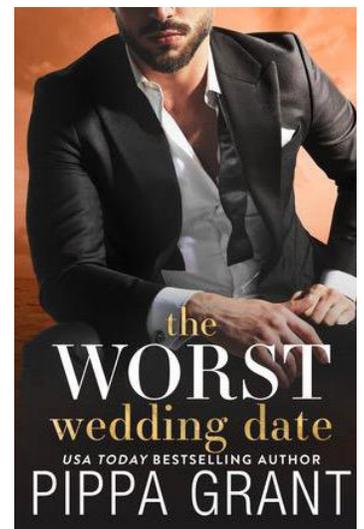
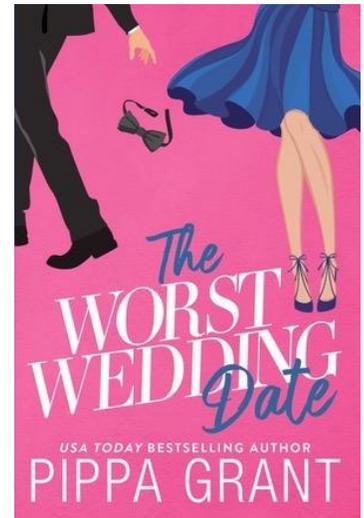
"A fun, energetic and laugh out loud one bed romance masterpiece that checked all the boxes of rom-com gold." –Late Knight Luna Reads

"If you love romcoms, make sure you read this! I absolutely love anything Pippa Grant writes but it's because she creates characters and storylines that are amazing and funny." –United Indie Book Blog

About the Author:

Pippa Grant is a *USA Today* bestselling author who writes romantic comedies that will make tears run down your leg. When she's not writing, she's raising her three hilariously unpredictable children with her real-life hero. Previous titles have been translated into Bulgarian, Czech, Hebrew, Hungarian, Italian and Polish.

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First of 3 in the Three BFFs and a wedding series!

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Hungary: pending**

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rights available**

Book available

Agent: Jessica Alvarez

THE LAST ELIGIBLE BILLIONAIRE

By Pippa Grant

An Amazon bestseller! Over 190k copies sold!

Emotionally unavailable doesn't even begin to describe my new fake boyfriend. He's cold. He's distant. He has more defenses than a nuclear missile silo. And he's the ultimate catch of the century. At least, according to his bank statement.

My job's simple: Keep Hayes Rutherford's matchmaking relatives and all interested ladies away from the cranky, grumpy, walled-off heir to my favorite movie empire, and in return, he won't ruin my life over a teensy, tiny little misunderstanding.

But the more I sneak past Hayes's walls and fences, the more I realize that while we might be from different worlds, we have more in common than either of us expected. The man under all the glitz, glamour, and dollar signs could be the real love of my life.

But you know what they say about fake dating a billionaire—it's all fun and games until the scandals start.

Praise:

"**A masterful take** on the "fake relationship" story, Pippa Grant has outdone herself. **Funny, heartfelt, and the dog steals the show** (among other items...). Grab it now!" —*New York Times* bestselling author Julia Kent

"What a **fantastically witty, fun, deliciously spicy** read!" —*USA Today* bestselling author Molly O'Hare

"This story was **pure joy** in a time that we all need it so desperately. A beautiful story that will make you believe that **love conquers all...10 stars** - a top 2022 read."
—*Amazon* Bestselling Author Stephanie Rose



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Bulgaria: Ibis
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About the Author:

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FOREVER YOUR ROGUE

By Erin Langston

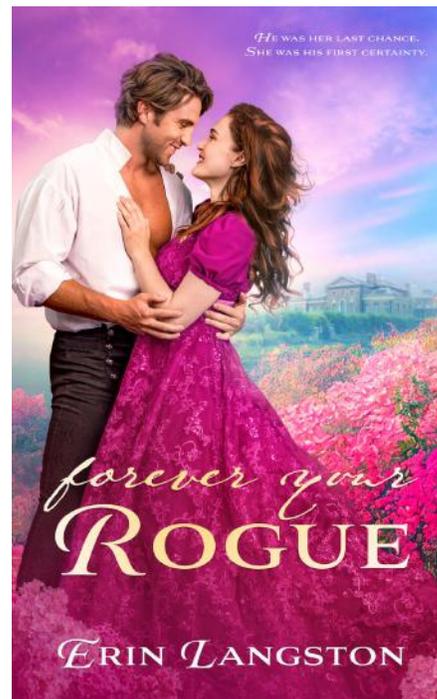
He was her last chance. She was his first certainty.

Cora, Lady Dane, gave up her dreams of happily ever after a long time ago. Now newly widowed, the young mother is determined to finally live on her own terms...until a devastating betrayal shatters her hopes for the future. Faced with the prospect of losing her beloved children to overbearing relatives, Cora needs the help of the one thing she swore she'd never have again: a husband.

Nathaniel Travers hasn't a care—or responsibility—in the world. Content with his wayward lifestyle, the charismatic rogue has no interest in marriage or duty. That is, until the earl cuts off his bank accounts. No stranger to wild escapades, Nate is game for any scheme that keeps him afloat...even a madcap ruse with a stubborn viscountess.

A fake engagement *should* be a straightforward solution to both of their dilemmas. But a summer at Cora's estate tests their arrangement, and it isn't long before their simmering attraction escalates to a feverish crescendo. When they are forced to confront the real complications of their faux betrothal, Nate has to make the first worthy gamble of his life...if only Cora can risk her guarded heart.

Forever Your Rogue is a swoony, sexy, and heartfelt Regency romance that can be enjoyed as a standalone. Read today and fall in love with Nate and Cora.



Standalone with prequel novella and sequel novella

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February 2023**

Dutch: pending

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Book Available

Agent: Jessica Alvarez



Praise:

"One of the most utterly gorgeous character transformations historical romance has offered up in some time." — *The New York Times*

"...A simmering, swoonworthy story that takes you to places both excitingly new and reassuringly familiar." - Paste Magazine

"Simply bewitching!" - Liana De la Rosa, author of *Ana Maria and the Fox*

About the Author:

Erin Langston is a historical romance author who crafts Regencies with heart, heat, and humor. A librarian by trade, Erin lives in the US Midwest with her husband and two children.

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CONTRACTUALLY YOURS

By Nadia Lee

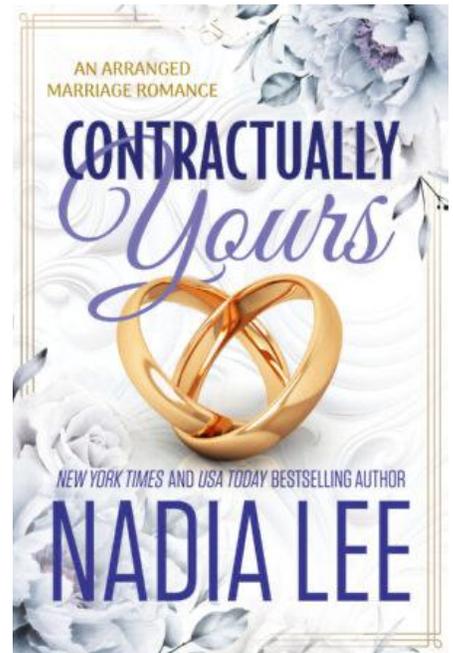
An arranged marriage romance from a New York Times bestseller!

Ruthless, iron-willed Sebastian Lasker is furious he's being forced to marry me—a woman as notorious as his father. He's my family's biggest corporate rival, and it seems he'll do anything to save his company. Even marry me.

But when Sebastian starts saying “my wife” every chance he gets—especially in front of my exes—and protects me from my abusive family, who are partially responsible for my terrible reputation, our pretend marriage begins to feel all too real...

...until he delivers the biggest betrayal of my life, and I realize I'm the only one in love.

This title can stand alone, or be read as Book 4 in the Lasker Brothers series



**Indie-published
May 2023**

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Book available

Agent: Jessica Alvarez



Praise:

“Get ready to be swept away by the irresistible combination of revenge, and unexpected romance...Sparks fly, and the sexual tension crackles...” –*MileHighKinkBookclub.com*

“*Contractually Yours* is a intellectually superb romance that delivered with so much heart, tenacity and compelling writing that left me yearning for more from this author!” –*Addicted to Romance Book Blog*

About the Author:

New York Times and *USA Today* bestselling author **Nadia Lee** writes sexy, emotional contemporary romance. Born with a love for excellent food, travel and adventure, she has lived in four different countries, kissed stingrays, been bitten by a shark, and petted tigers. Though born in South Korea, currently, she shares a condo overlooking a small river and sakura trees in Japan with her husband and son. When she's not writing, she can be found reading books by her favorite authors or planning another trip.

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CRAZY BAO YOU

By Lyn Liao

Can an Etsy shop owner in Oklahoma and a FDNY firefighter make things work when he doesn't know what she really looks like?

Kimmie Park has finally met a man who gets her and laughs at her jokes. Matt West is kind, compassionate, *and* he's a smoking hot FDNY firefighter. There's just one (or many) problem. They've never met in person because he lives in New York and she's in Oklahoma. He also doesn't know that her life recently imploded when she very publicly quits her retail job and becomes a meme in a viral video, known as the woman who twerked as she tells off her boss. And he has no idea what she really looks like.

After quitting her job, Kimmie focuses on her Etsy shop designing purses and accessories. She'd posted pictures of her best friend Alicia with her merchandise, not realizing people would assume Alicia was Kim from My Crafty Bao. That's fine with Kimmie since she's still hiding out from her recent unwanted internet fame. But as the chemistry between her and Matt sizzles and their every interaction threatens to set them both on fire, she knows she needs to tell him the truth. Especially since Matt's father, the CEO of a huge retail store, sees Kimmie's shop and wants to partner with her.

As Kimmie prepares to visit New York City for the first time, she grapples with the sorrows of her past which have kept her in Oklahoma ever since her parents died when she was sixteen. Will she be able to let go of her fears and embrace who she really is, or will it cause her to lose the man of her dreams and the opportunity of a lifetime?

Praise:

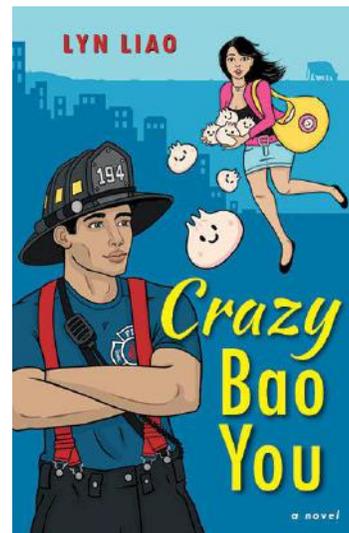
"*Crazy Bao You* is a heart fluttering delight of a romance filled with quippy banter, misadventures, and a loveable cast of friends and family." - **Amy Lea, international bestselling author of *Exes and O's***

"A deliciously modern take on the epistolary romance trope, with a dash of Cyrano and lots of celebration of self-acceptance. *Crazy Bao You* has a creative main character who's utterly relatable, a cinnamon-roll love interest who's to die for, and all the romcom shenanigans my heart desires. Lyn Liao knocked it out of the park! – **Ali Hazelwood, New York Times bestselling author of *The Love Hypothesis***

"Mistaken identities, sexy firefighters, and steamed buns make for an irresistible romance filled with heart and humor. You will go wild a-bao this story!" -**Alanna Martin, author of *Love and Let Bark***

About the Author:

Crazy Bao You is Lyn Liao's first romcom, but she also writes upmarket fiction and thrillers as Lyn Liao Butler (*The Tiger Mom's Tale* and *Red Thread of Fate* at Penguin/Berkley; *Someone Else's Life* at Amazon Thomas & Mercer). Lyn was born in Taiwan and moved to the States when she was seven. Before becoming an author, she was a professional ballet and modern dancer, and is still a personal trainer, fitness and yoga instructor. Like her heroine in *Crazy Bao You*, Lyn can also be found sewing for her [Etsy shop](#).



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June 2023**

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Audio sold to Podium

Book Available

Agent: Rachel Brooks

CANDY FOR MY ORC BOSS

By Ava Ross

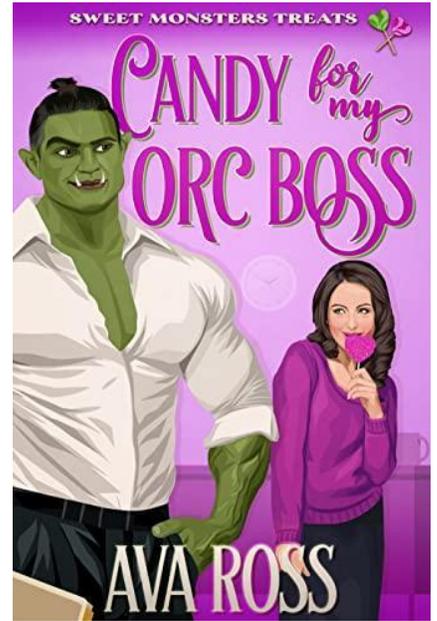
There's more to being a gargoyle's wife than just saying I do.

While struggling to raise my little sister, I suddenly inherit a run-down B&B from a grandmother I didn't know existed. The only condition to inherit is that I marry and live with my husband for a year.

One problem. I'm not dating, and the only one I want to propose to is the gargoyle I've been crushing on for months. When I explain, Goreg offers a marriage of convenience with a quickie divorce at the end. He's sweet and shy, and with his muscular frame and glorious wings, I'm kind of blown away by his offer even if he does occasionally turn to stone and lurk on the roof.

I've got one year to convince Goreg we have a chance at forever. But then his brothers and wolf shifter best friend move in to help fix up the B&B, and it's one cultural mishap after another. When the year is up, I'll have to decide. Do I want to be single again or remain a gargoyle's bride?

Gargoyles Just Want to Have Fun is book 1 of 10 set in the Monsterville, USA world. Each book is standalone and can be read in any order. Expect romantic hijinks with monsters, heat, and a happily ever after.



First of 10 in the Monsterville series

**Self-Published
February 2023**

Audio to Podium

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Book available

Agent: Amanda Jain



About the Author:

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

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BEFORE I LET GO

By Kennedy Ryan

A Good Morning America Book Buzz Pick!
Book of the Month Club selection
Audible Best Romances of 2022
Publishers Weekly Best Romance Books of 2022
Entertainment Weekly Best Romances of 2022
Washington Post 10 Best Romances of the Year
Library Journal Best Romances of 2022
NPR Best Books of 2022

Their love was supposed to last forever. But when life delivered blow after devastating blow, Yasmen and Josiah Wade found that love alone couldn't solve or save everything.

It couldn't save their marriage.

Yasmen wasn't prepared for how her life fell apart, but she is finally starting to find joy again. She and Josiah have found a new rhythm, co-parenting their two kids and running a thriving business together. Yet like magnets, they're always drawn back to each other, and now they're beginning to wonder if they're truly ready to let go of everything they once had.

Soon, one stolen kiss leads to another...and then more. It's hot. It's illicit. It's all good—until old wounds reopen. Is it too late for them to find forever? Or could they even be better, the second time around?

Praise:

Over 100,000 copies of the US trade paperback in print!

“Real. Raw. Magnificent! Before I Let Go is the beautiful angst I love to read.” —Colleen Hoover, #1 NYT Bestselling Author

“Heart-searing, sensual, and life affirming.” —Emily Henry, #1 NYT Bestselling Author.

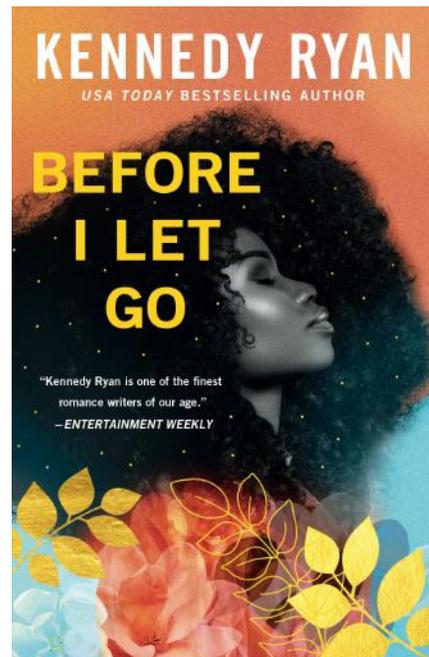
“Award-winning and bestselling ‘powerhouse’ author Kennedy Ryan is at her absolute best in this compelling, scorching novel about hope and healing, and what it truly means to love for a lifetime” —*USA Today*

“Ryan brings both tears and laughter in a powerhouse second-chance romance that shines a sensitive light on mental health issues...This tender contemporary is a knockout.” —*Publishers Weekly*

“In Kennedy Ryan’s emotional new romance, love isn’t easy—and that’s what makes it so precious.” —BookPage

About the Author:

Kennedy Ryan lives in North Carolina. She is a RITA Award Winner and a Top 25 Amazon Bestseller. BEFORE I LET GO has received a starred review from Publishers Weekly and LibraryJournal, was named to Audible’s Best of the Year list, and was featured on Good Morning America.



First of 3 in the SKYLAND series!

**Hachette/Forever
November 2022**

Brazil: Faro Editorial
Czech: Jota
Dutch: Luitingh-Sijthoff
Hungary: Konyvmolykepzo
Poland: Papierowka
Portugal: Infinito Particular
Romania: Pending
Serbia: Vulkan

**Film/TV rights purchased
by Universal**

Book Available

Agent: Kim Lionetti

PLAY TO WIN

By Jodie Slaughter

Jodie Slaughter's latest rom-com, *Play to Win*, is a sizzling romance where a winning lottery ticket is meant to be a new start but instead becomes a second chance at love.

Miriam Butler's life is going nowhere in the slowest, most excruciating way possible. Stuck in the same barely-paying job she's had since she was sixteen and spending every night sleeping in the spare twin bed in her mother's house, her existence might be hilarious if it wasn't so bleak. One trip to her favorite corner store upends everything when she finds herself the winner of a Mega Millions Lottery Jackpot. Unfortunately, not even life-altering roses come without their painful thorns. Hers just so happen to be in the form of an estranged husband who has the right to claim his share of her money.

It's been eight years since Leo Vaughn has had a conversation with his wife. When she calls out of the blue, practically begging him to come back to Greenbelt, the last thing he expects her to tell him when he gets there is that she's come into a whole heap of money. She offers him a life-changing proposition of his own. Take a lump sum, finally sign the divorce papers, and be done with her for good. Only, a forever without her is the last thing Leo wants. So he gives a proposition of his own. One that won't cost her nearly as many millions, but will buy him the time to do the one thing he's been hungry to do since he left -- win her back.

Praise:

"An immensely sexy and emotionally tender story about second chances, community, and family."—*Library Journal* starred review

"Slaughter's exploration of the importance of communication and self-healing, and thoughtful consideration of the socioeconomic pressures on Black families will resonate."—*Publishers Weekly*

"This romance is sexually frank, starkly intimate and often sizzling."—*BookPage*

The New York Times – [Romance Novels That Celebrate the Hard Work of Love](#)

About the Author:

Jodie Slaughter lives in Louisville, Kentucky. Her debut novel, *BET ON IT*, was named one of *Publishers Weekly's* Top Ten Romances of Spring 2022 and one of Goodreads' Most Anticipated Romances of 2022. Jodie Slaughter is also the author of four self-published novels.

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**Macmillan/St. Martin's
Griffin
July 2023**

German: Amazon

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Book Available

Agent: Kim Lionetti

NONFICTION

THE GOOD FOOD KITCHEN*

By Puneeta Chhitwal-Varma

A refreshing, relaxed guide to the occasionally overwhelming yet absolutely necessary work of cooking for ourselves and saving the planet, one dish at a time.

In this simple-to-follow guide for today's households, food writer and climate activist Puneeta Chhitwal-Varma provides everything you need to prepare good- for-us, good-for-the-planet food. Beginning with a primer on "the big why" of eating with emissions and land-use in mind, and a comprehensive guide to stocking kitchen essentials and making the most of your pantry, Puneeta outlines the accessible, achievable framework she calls "Eating with Benefits."

The book's 75+ recipes are climate-conscious, mostly meat-free, low-waste, and, of course, delicious! In chapters on versatile staples, mornings, dips and condiments, toasties and snacks, small plates, mains, and sweets, you'll find workhorse recipes designed to maximize diversity in your diet and minimize waste, as well as back-to-basics techniques like sprouting lentils, making yogurt and cooking just about any kind of dried bean you can imagine.

Learn to make Puneeta's No Fruit Left Behind Compote, Good Mood Dressing, Sun-fermented Vegetables, Deeply Green Shakshuka, Keema Aloo Shepherd's Pie, and many more, cooking from what you have, in-season where you live. The Good Food Kitchen takes a refreshing, relaxed approach to the occasionally overwhelming yet absolutely necessary work of cooking for ourselves and saving the planet, one dish at a time.

Praise:

Coming Soon!

About the Author:

Puneeta Chhitwal-Varma is a writer and food advocate who focusses on seeking low-waste, earth-friendly, delicious solutions that work for real life. She has appeared on numerous prominent national and international media including CTV's The Social, CHCH Morning Live, Global News, CBC Radio, BBC World News, CBC Life, and Martha Stewart. She lives in Toronto, Canada with her husband, two kids and a cat. Visit her at mapleandmarigold.com

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April 2024

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First Pass Pages Available

Agent: James McGowan

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THE WITCH'S WAY TO WEALTH

By Jessie DaSilva

Witchcraft meets budgeting in this unique and intuitive approach to money, from the internet phenomenon Jessie DaSilva dubbed the "Millennial Money Witch" by *Forbes*.

Making Money just got Magical...

Manifestation, crystals, deities, divination, energy waves, meditation - these magical practices are not only good for your mental health, but they are also good for your wallet! As Millennials and Gen Z's struggle to maintain financial stability, they frequently look to Baby Boomer advice that doesn't even apply to the current financial climate. Finding new ways to deal with money is long overdue.

A little bit of magic may be the answer!

From Jessie DaSilva, the intuitive mindset coach dubbed the "Millennial Money Witch" by *Forbes*, comes new witchy and intuitive practices to help manifest real financial freedom. Using her three principles of magic, DaSilva combines business savvy techniques with real witchy practices to give a much need how-to-guide to making money! This magical book will teach you:

- What money really is
- How to manifest money (and all things in life!) properly
- Magical methods and spells to controlling and expanding your wallet
- How to budget like a witch
- That, most importantly, the first step to financial comfort is Peace!

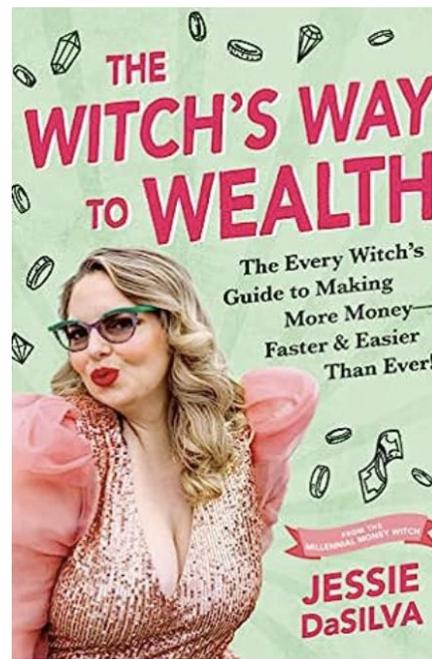
Praise:

Coming soon!

About the Author:

Jessie DaSilva, dubbed "The Millennial Money Witch" by *Forbes*, is an intuitive mindset coach and business consultant. She helps entrepreneurs start and scale businesses, helps CEOs create supportive business cultures that increase profits and retain top talent, and helps unhappy employees find their dream jobs at dream companies for dream pay. She combines business and marketing strategy with her intuitive and academic knowledge of money manifestation to help entrepreneurs connect with their wealthiest, most abundant lives. Jessie has been featured in *Forbes*, *Yahoo! Finance*, *Yahoo News*, and *TC Palm Online*.

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**Sourcebooks
September 2023**

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Book available

Agent: Jessica Faust

MURDER IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD

By **Ellen J. Green**

6 September 1949, East Camden, New Jersey. The shocking true story of the first recorded mass shooting in America.

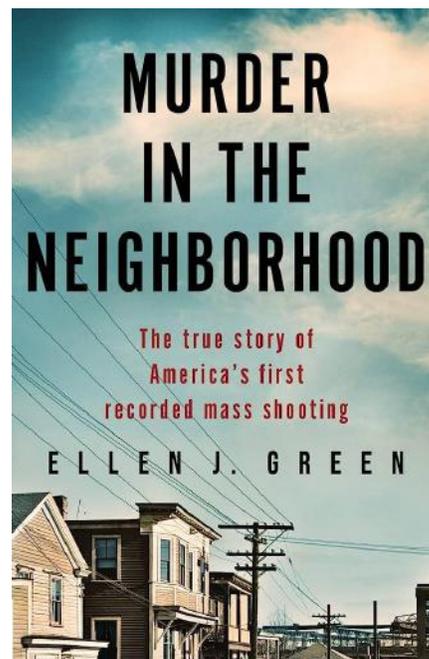
In less than twelve minutes, twenty-eight-year-old Howard Barton Unruh shot thirteen people dead on his block on River Road.

The sky was cloudless the morning twelve-year-old Raymond Havens was sent out to get a haircut. He walked across River Road to the barbershop and was just settling into his seat when his neighbor, a quiet, gentle man, Howard Unruh took out a Luger and opened fire on the customers.

The shooting struck panic across small-town America. In the local community of East Camden, schools and stores closed. Little Raymond couldn't sleep. What led his friendly neighbor to become a killer? While he set about trying to figure it out, Howard's mother, vilified by the victims' families, struggled to make sense of the horrific acts her son had committed.

The lives of those that had survived Howard's killing spree were blown apart and they continue to have repercussions today. Several decades after Howard Unruh shot his deadly bullets, a gunman opened fire in a high school and a young girl hid in a closet – just like her grandfather did that fateful day on River Road.

A compulsive page-turner about a shocking crime that has become a heartbreaking part of everyday life in America, *Murder in the Neighborhood* will have you asking—how well do we ever really know those around us? Are we ever *really* safe?



**Hachette UK/Thread
April 2022**

**All translation rights
available**

Book available

Agent: Jessica Alvarez

Praise:

“An engrossing and utterly fascinating insight into a chilling and untold part of American history... impossible to put down.”—Gregg Olsen, the #1 *New York Times* bestselling author of *If You Tell*

“Well-crafted true crime that's been wonderfully researched.”—Book Zone

“An absolute cracker of an account...Brilliant.”—Nigel Adams Bookworm

About the Author:

Ellen J. Green is the Amazon Charts bestselling author of the Ava Saunders novels (*Absolution*, *Twist of Faith*, and *Silent Redemption*) and *The Book of James*. She attended Temple University in Philadelphia, where she earned her degrees in psychology, and has worked in the psychiatric ward of a maximum-security correctional facility for fifteen years. She also holds an MFA degree in creative writing from Fairleigh Dickinson University. Born and raised in Upstate New York, Ms. Green now lives in southern New Jersey with her two children.

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STOP WAITING FOR PERFECT

By L’Oreal Thompson Payton

You have Big Dreams for living a Big Life, but you have one Big Problem—you don’t trust yourself. Learn how to let go of that self-doubt and change your life.

Award-winning journalist, motivational speaker, and blogger L’Oreal Thompson Payton is a self-professed success junkie and poster girl for “overly” ambitious high achievers everywhere. She also knows firsthand how imposter syndrome and self-doubt can derail your dreams. She’s experienced the growing pains that come with big career and life changes. But she’s also come out the other side ready to kick ass, take names, and bring everyone she possibly can along with her.

In STOP WAITING FOR PERFECT, she’s doing just that: using that hard-won insight to be your guide, your big sister, your best friend, and personal cheerleader to help you through your own journey. She’s penned the pocket-sized pep talk to walk with you through any obstacle in your career or personal life.

This book will force you to stop playing small and encourage you to fully step into your power and walk in your purpose. It will awaken the dreams you buried deep within your soul long ago because you thought they were impossible, unattainable—available to other people, but not you. Until now.

Learning to trust your dopeness isn’t a one-time achievement to unlock; it’s a lifelong journey. No matter where you are in your life, it’s time to stop doubting and start living your best life.

Praise:

“Life is hard, but sometimes the way we talk to and about ourselves can be harder. So getting sound advice from someone who’s not only going to remind you of your greatness but also help you get out of your own way is a joy.” —Phoebe Robinson, *New York Times* bestselling author, actor, and comedian

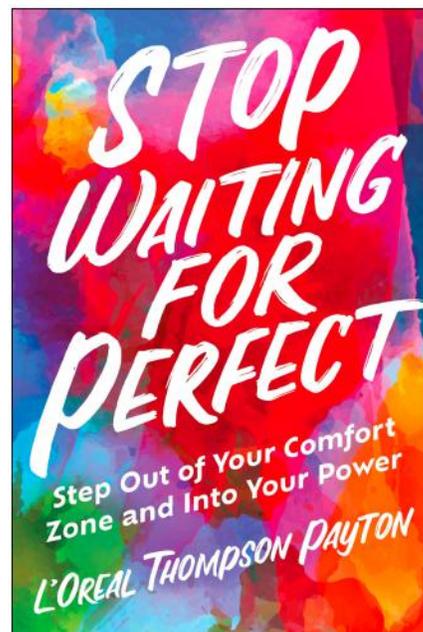
“An incomparable blueprint for any person, especially those among us who are marginalized, who want to get off the hamster wheel of perfection and reclaim their ability to be simply human. Let L’Oreal’s book serve as a brilliant and urgent reminder that we are already enough, regardless of what we’ve achieved.” —Evette Dionne, award-winning author of *Lifting as We Climb* and *Weightless*

“With tongue-in-cheek charm and down-to-earth sense, L’Oreal Thompson Payton makes it easy to live life loud (or, at least, louder) and act with enthusiasm, courage, and trust in your own talent.” —Minda Harts, workplace and equity consultant and author of *The Memo*

About the Author:

Award-winning journalist and motivational speaker **L’Oreal Thompson Payton** knows what it means to Stop Waiting for Perfect. By doing it with her own life, she’s gone viral three times in as many months, reaching over 50,000 people—each time. She has been featured in *Oprah*, *Self*, *The Baltimore Sun*, *Jet* magazine, and *Shondaland*.

www.ltinthecity.com



BenBella
August 2023

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Book available

Agent: Jessica Faust

TOKEN BLACK GIRL

By Danielle Prescod

Featured on the Today show! A People must-read book! One of Pop Sugar's Best Books of 2022!

Racial identity, pop culture, and delusions of perfection collide in an eye-opening and refreshingly frank memoir by a fashion and beauty insider.

Danielle grew up Black in an elite, overwhelmingly white community, her identity made more invisible by the whitewashed movies, television, magazines, and books she and her classmates consumed. Danielle took her cue from the world around her and aspired to shrink her identity into that box, setting increasingly poisonous goals. She started painful chemical hair treatments in elementary school, began depriving herself of food, and tried to control her image through fashion choices.

Those obsessions led her to a career in fashion - the eye of the racist and sexist beauty standard storm. Assimilating was hard, but she was practiced. And she was an asset. Their "Token Black Girl." Toxic, sure. But Danielle was working her way up the ladder of coveted media jobs, and she looked great, right? So what if she had to endure racism from colleagues. But after decades of burying her emotions, resentment, and true self, Danielle turned a critical eye inward and confronted the factors that motivated her self-destructive behaviors.

Sharp witted and candid, *Token Black Girl* unpacks the adverse effects of white supremacy in the media to tell a story about celebrating identity and demolishing social conditioning.

Praise:

"This is an essential read to understand how beauty standards and media industry affect Black women."
—Gabrielle Union, actress and author

"An eye-opening account of growing up in an elite white community." —*USA Today*

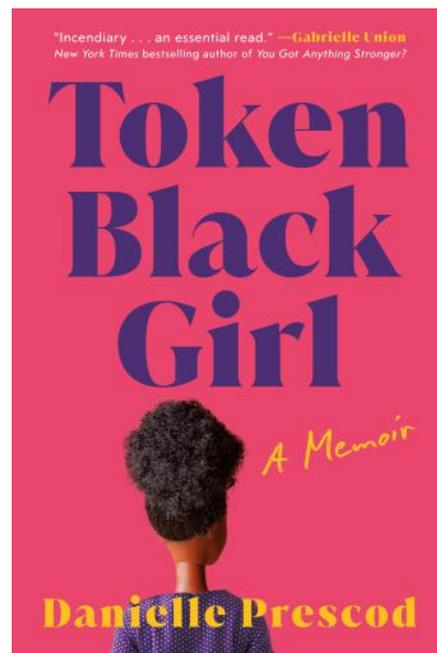
"Prescod has come through the other side with wisdom to share about how to come into your true gorgeous self." —*Los Angeles Times*

"A trenchant, honest, and unique memoir about body image, fashion, and Blackness." —*Kirkus*, starred review

About the Author:

Danielle Prescod has worked at magazines like InStyle, Elle, and Teen Vogue. Now, along with her work as a journalist, Danielle holds weekly anti-racism seminars for influencers and brands that have collective followings in the tens of millions. She's been interviewed by CNN, Fox, Vogue Business, Business of Fashion, and Glossy about her anti-racism work.

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Book available

Agent: Jessica Alvarez

ACTIONS SPEAK LOUDER

By Deanna Singh

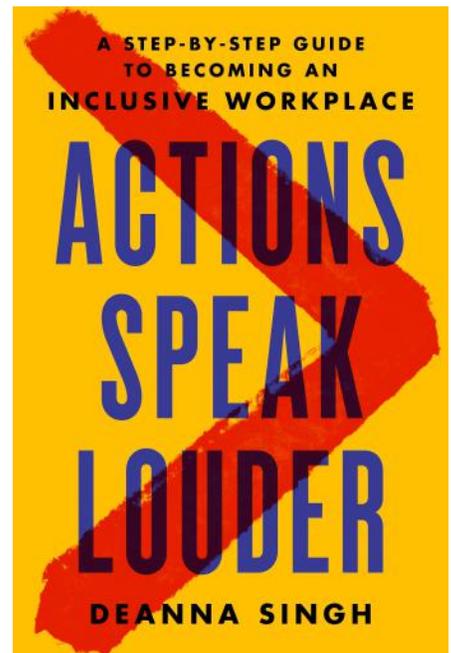
A step-by-step guide for managers, teams, and DEI leaders looking to create impactful, lasting change in their organization, from recruitment to retention, and beyond.

Are you tired of hollow promises about diversity, equity, and inclusion in your organization? Do you want to take steps towards real change – beyond issuing mission statements, signing checks, and holding listening sessions – but don't know where to start? This book is your answer. Designed for teams to read together, *Actions Speak Louder* offers a comprehensive blueprint for leaders and teams who are ready to get out of their own way, look at their surroundings with new eyes, and turn their energy into a concrete plan.

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- Design an interview process that reduces status quo bias and challenges hiring decisions that are simply “no brainers”
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As Singh has seen time and time again, any organization can meaningfully change – you just need the right tools.



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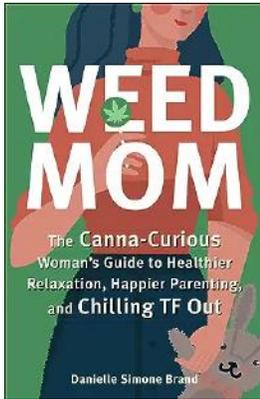
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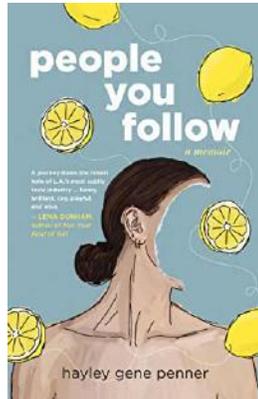
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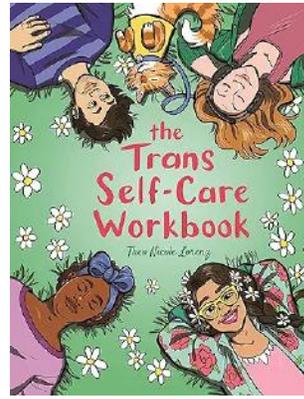
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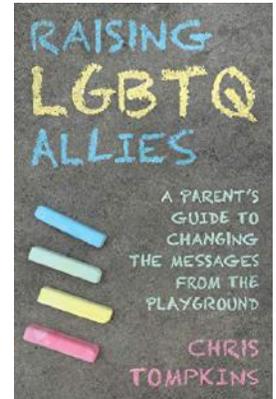
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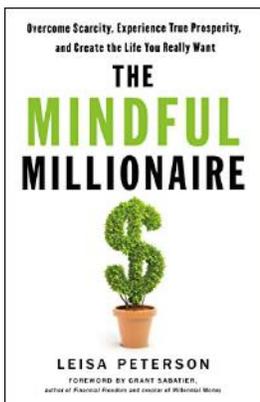
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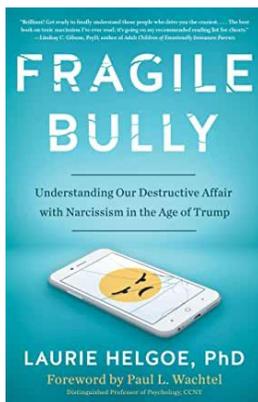
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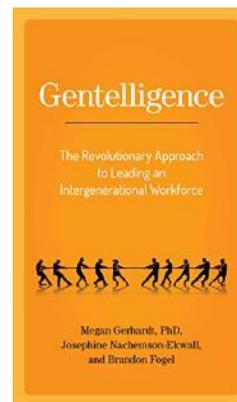
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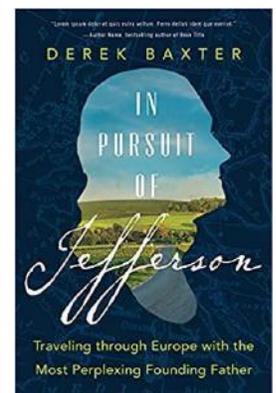
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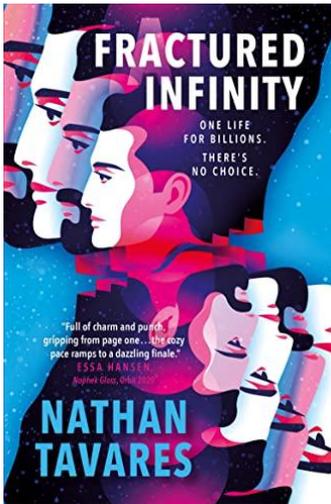


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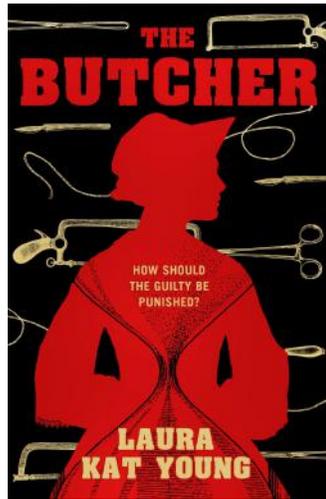


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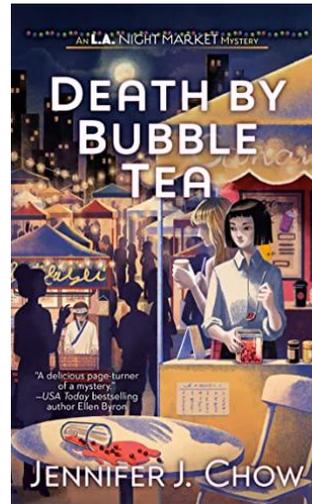
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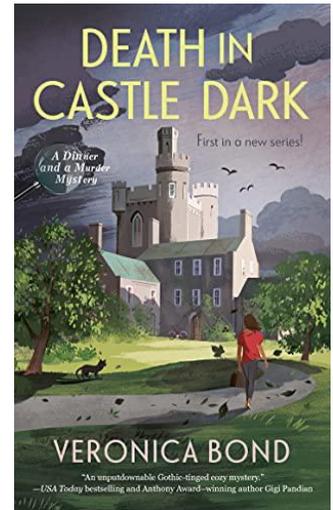
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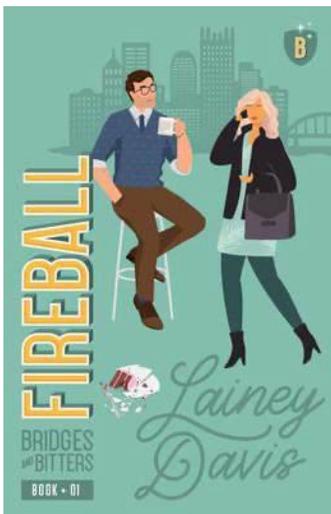
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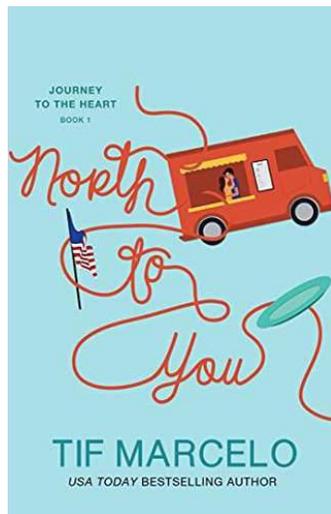
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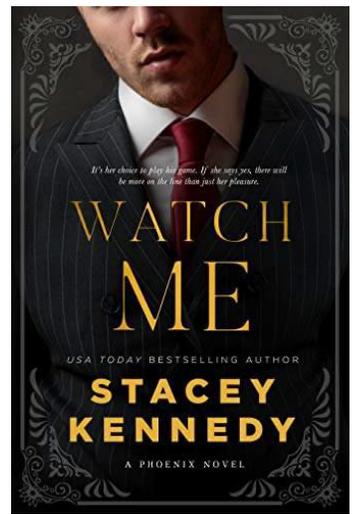
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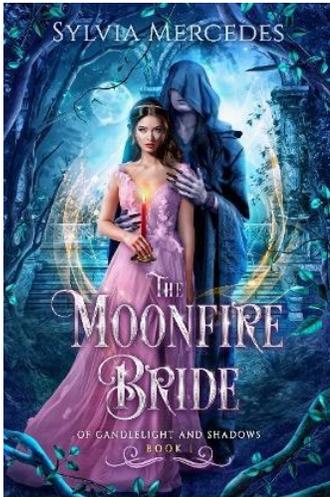


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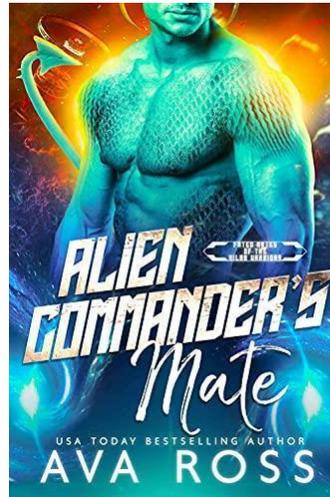
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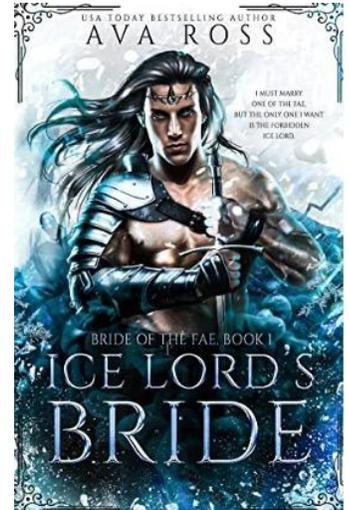
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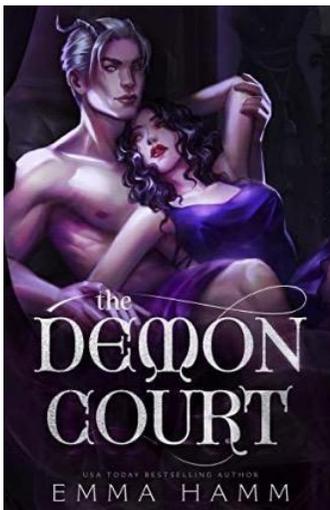
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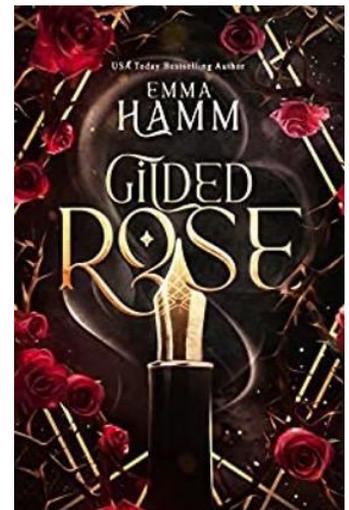
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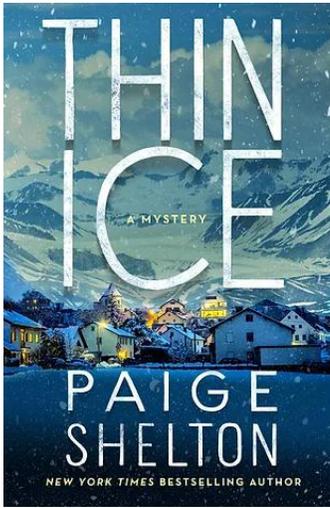


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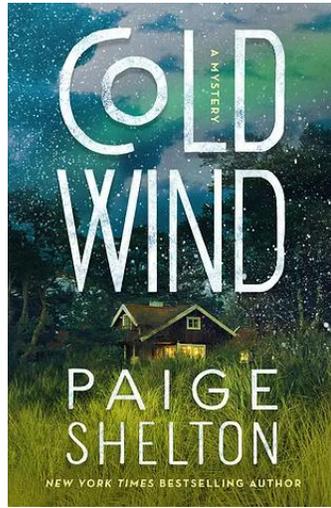


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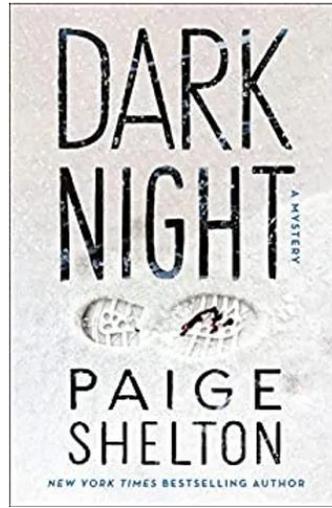
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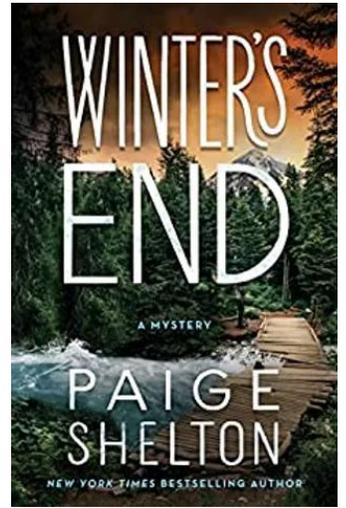
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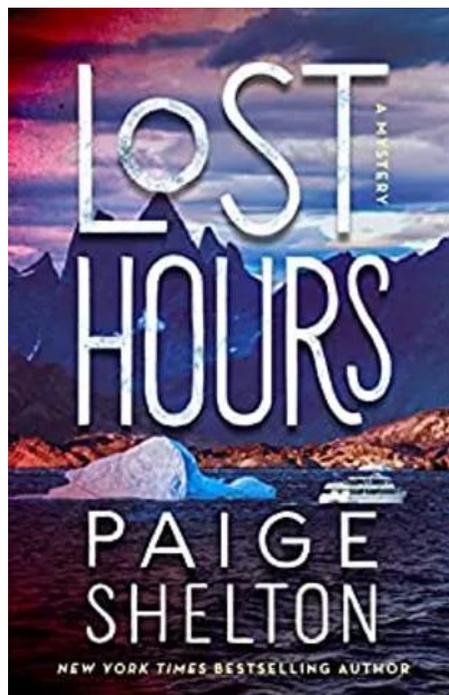
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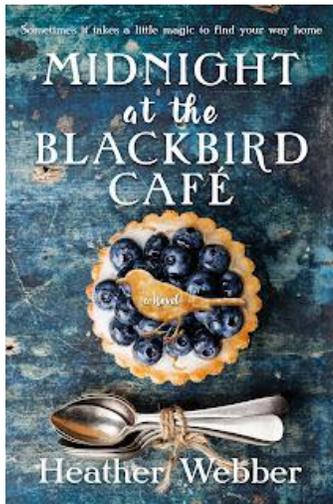


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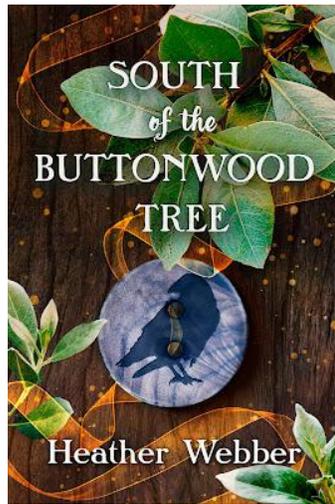


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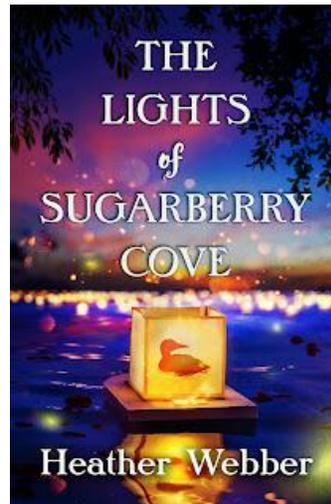
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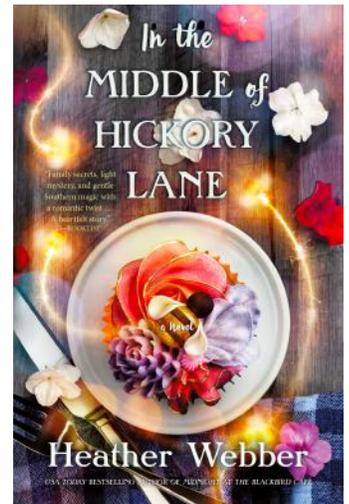
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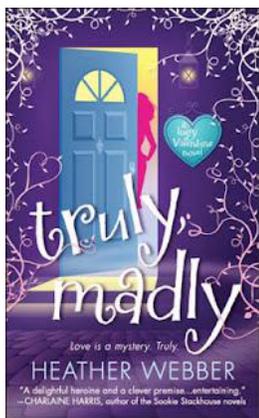


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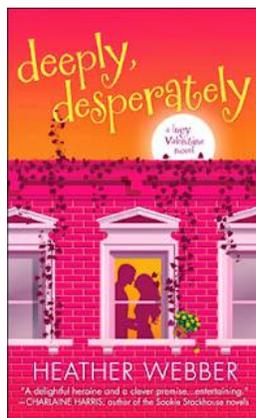


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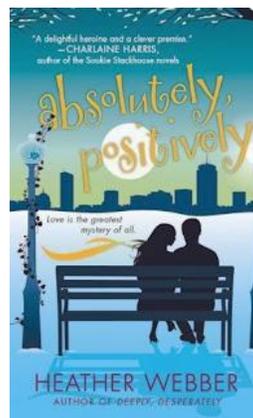
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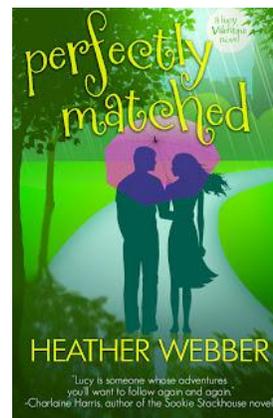
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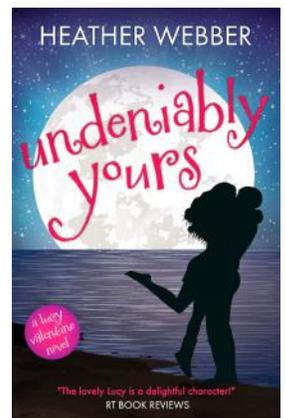
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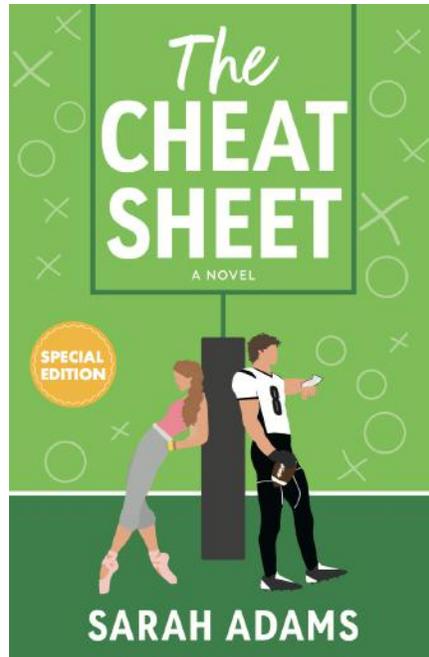


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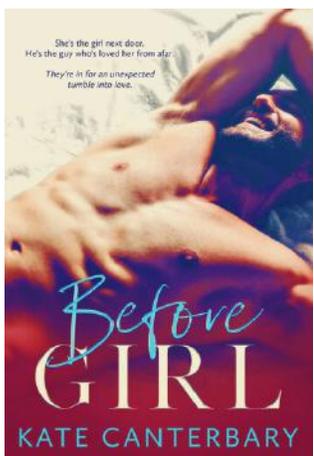
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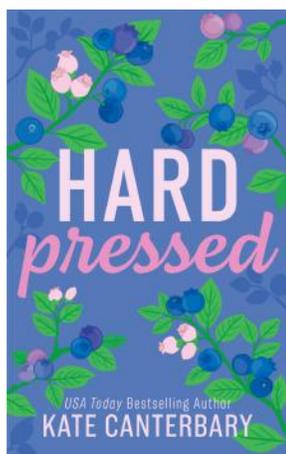
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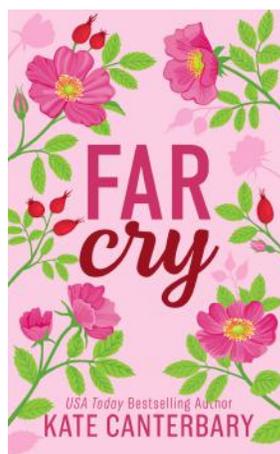
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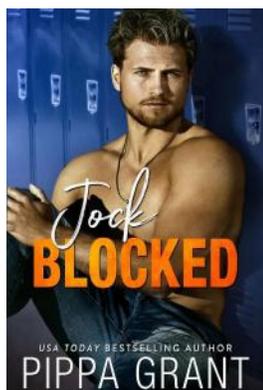


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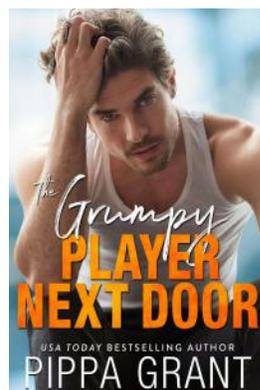
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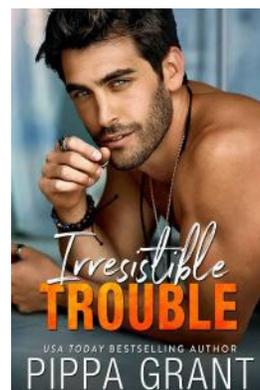
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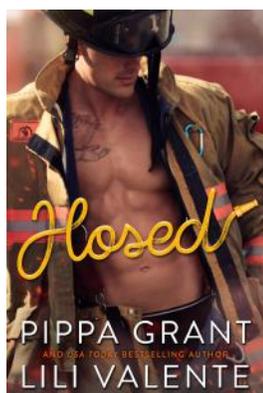


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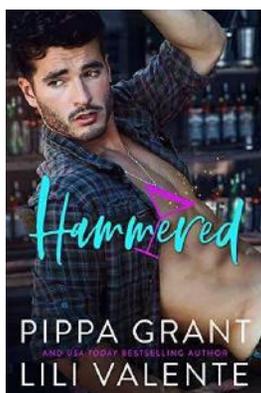


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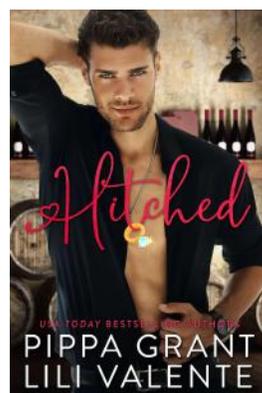
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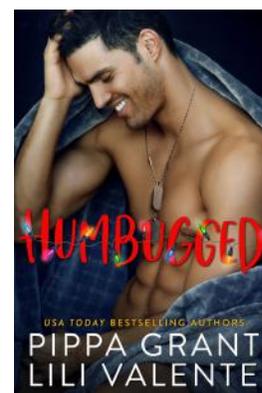
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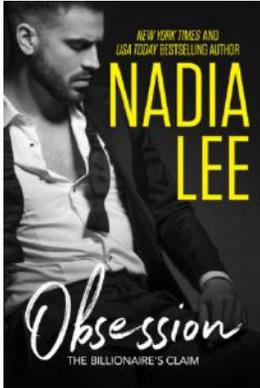


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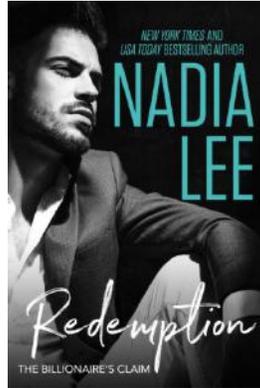


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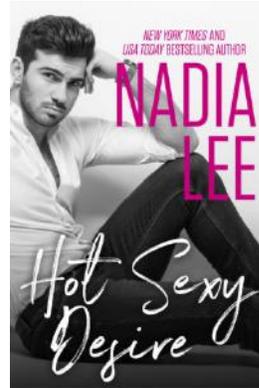
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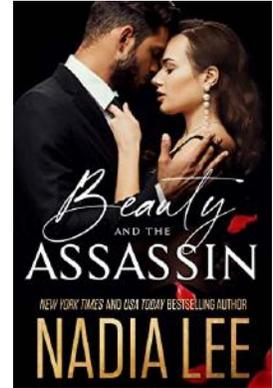
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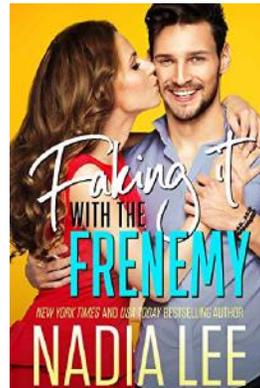
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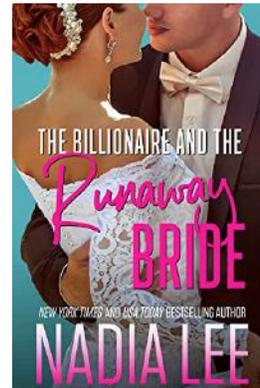
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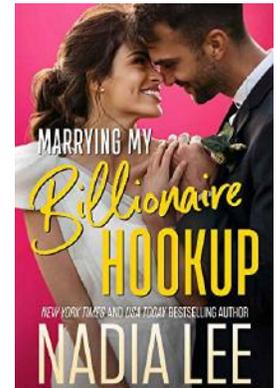
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