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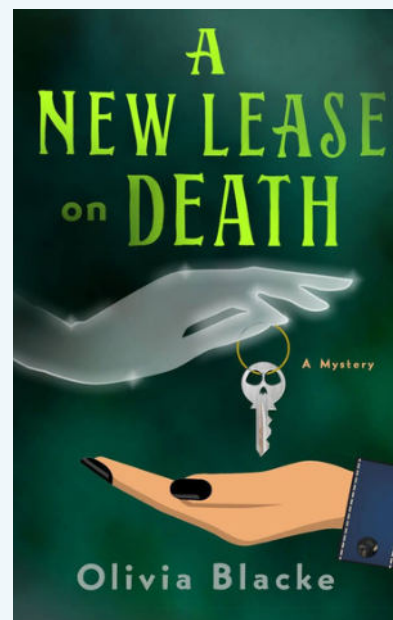
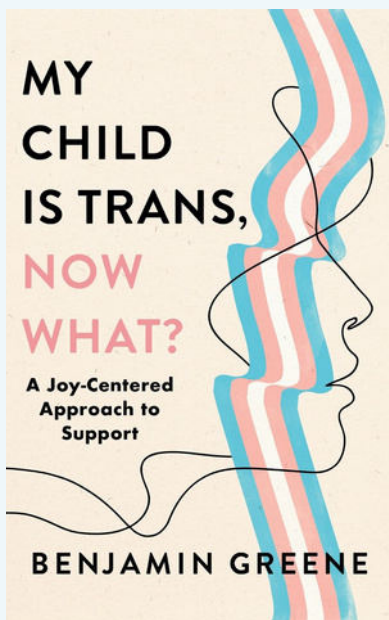
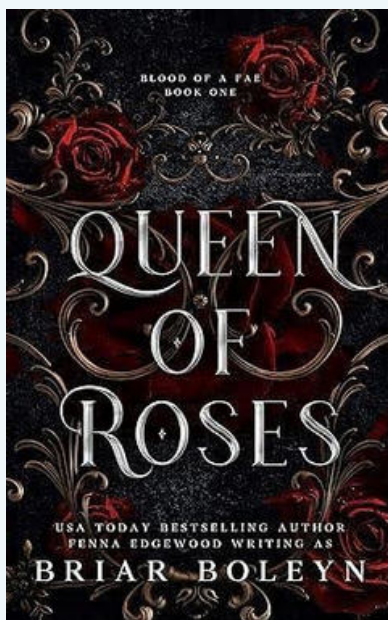
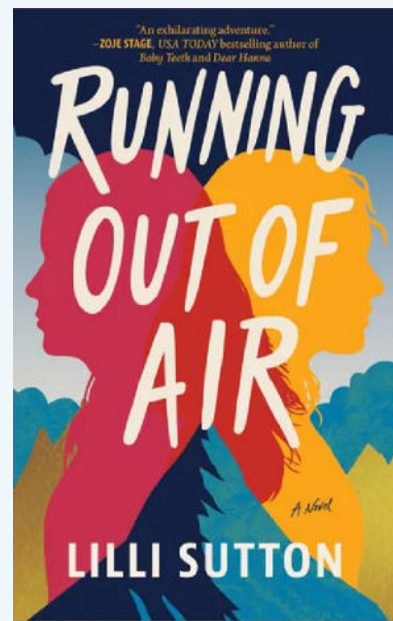
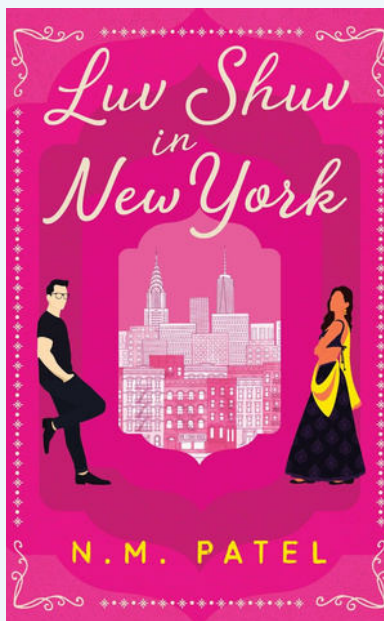
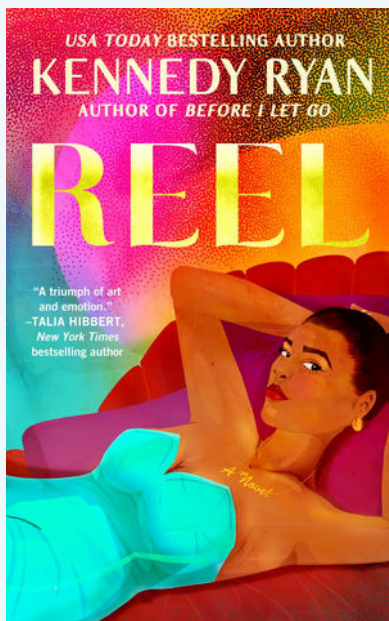


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Updates and Highlights

News:

- Lilli Sutton's book club fiction *RUNNING OUT OF AIR* brings a sister story to an adventurous locale
- Olivia Blacke is back with a fun paranormal mystery in *A NEW LEASE ON DEATH*
- *KEEPER OF SORROW* by Rachel Fikes is a dark fantasy in the vein of Silvia Moreno-Garcia
- There's so much new Romantasy, we can't list them all! Read on to see new titles from Emberly Ash, Briar Boleyn, Juliette Cross, Jen L. Grey, Emma Hamm, Sylvia Mercedes, and Alaya Wells!
- And there's lots of romance as well! We have new titles from Kate Canterbury, Claribel Contreras, Pippa Grant, Camille Kellogg, Stacey Kennedy, Erin Langston, N. M. Patel, Naima Simone, and Jaqueline Snowe!

New Rights Sales:

- Sarah Adams's *THE CHEAT SHEET* to France & Ukraine
- Hannah Bonam-Young's *OUT ON A LIMB* to Romania, Ukraine, Czech Republic, Germany, Spain, Netherlands, Portugal, Italy, and France
- Hannah Bonam-Young's *NEXT OF KIN* to Germany
- Morgan Bridges's *VICIOUS SECRET* Russia, France, Ukraine, Germany
- Morgan Bridges's *VICIOUS SOCIETY* to Russia & France
- Claire Contreras's *BECAUSE I WANT YOU* to Israel
- Claire Contreras's *UNTIL I GET YOU* to Poland, Israel, France, & Germany
- Claire Conreras's *WHEN WE LIED* to Israel, France, & Germany
- Sylvia Mercedes's *BRIDE OF THE SHADOW QUEEN* trilogy to France
- Pippa Grant's *THE LAST ELIGIBLE BILLIONAIRE* to Romania, Portugal, India, & Turkey
- Pippa Grant's *THREE BFF'S AND A WEDDING* trilogy to Romania & Turkey
- Emma Hamm's *THE DEATHLESS ONE* trilogy to Germany, *THE DEATHLESS ONE* to Russia
- Emma Hamm's *WHISPERS OF THE DEEP* and *SONG OF THE ABYSS* to France
- Juliette Cross's *WOLF GONE WILD*, *DON'T HEX AND DRIVE*, and *WITCHES GET STITCHES* to Russia
- Juliette Cross's *THE WRAITH KING* to Russia
- Juliette Cross's *WITCHES GET STITCHES* to France
- Juliette Cross's *THE FIRE THAT BINDS* trilogy to Italy, Spain, and Germany, *FIREBIRD* to Russia & France
- Stacey Kennedy's *FIND ME* to Czech Republic
- Alaya Well's *KINGDOM OF BLIGHTED THORNS* 1-3 to France
- Alexis Menard's *HOUSE OF BANE AND BLOOD* and *CITY OF MIRTH AND MALICE* to Russia & France, *HOUSE OF BANE AND BLOOD* to Ukraine
- Kaylie Smith's *PHANTASMA* and *ENCHANTRA* to Germany & Italy, *PHANTASMA* to Ukraine
- Kennedy Ryan's *SKYLAND* duology to France & Germany, *THIS COULD BE US* to Romania
- Krista Davis's *THE DIVA PAINTS THE TOWN* to Spain
- Briar Boleyn's *BLOOD OF A FAE* series to Russia

GENERAL FICTION

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 sharp dialogue and well-rounded characters enrich the core mystery with an authentic representation of the everyday struggles of small-town Americans." —*Publisher's Weekly* STARRED REVIEW

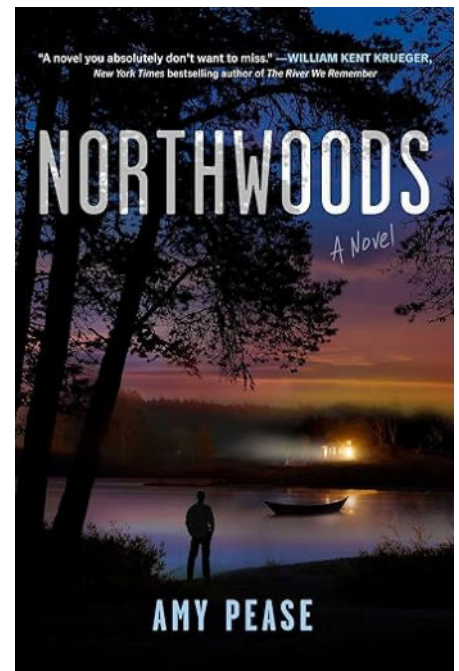
"Pease's brilliantly told story of a beleaguered mother-son law enforcement team is a compelling and heartbreaking debut that marks a new and important voice in the mystery genre. This is a novel you absolutely don't want to miss." —William Kent Krueger, author of *The River We Remember*

"[An] indelible debut." —*The New York Times Book Review*

"A riveting debut by a nurse practitioner with an insider's view of the opioid epidemic." —*People*

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.



S&S/Emily Bestler Books
January 2024

All translation rights
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Book available

Agent: Amanda Jain

RUNNING OUT OF AIR

By Lilli Sutton

What does it cost to pursue your wildest dreams?

Evelyn and Sophie, sisters and best friends, were known as one of the climbing world's strongest teams—but that was before Evelyn had an affair with Sophie's husband. Now they can't even be in the same room together. That is, until they're both offered a mountaineer's dream: a chance to summit the eight-thousand-meter peak Yama Parvat.

Sophie has been aimless since Evelyn's betrayal. She hasn't summited a Himalayan mountain in nearly two years, all the joy drained from the sport for her, and this trek offers a chance to reestablish herself as a top climber before her sponsors withdraw their funding. Evelyn has been happy with Miles since he left Sophie, but guilt continues to shadow her, clouding her judgment and the ability to move forward. Now she's willing to gamble everything for the chance to be part of the first team to summit this as-yet unclimbed mountain and prove herself a capable leader.

Stranded during a devastating storm on top of the world, Evelyn and Sophie are forced to climb together. Whether or not they make it off the mountain alive hinges on their trust in one another—something lost years ago—as they face down the question of how much they're willing to sacrifice to get it all back.



**Harper/Mira Books
November 2024**

**All translation rights
available**

**Final manuscript
available**

Agent: Jessica Faust

Praise:

"An exhilarating adventure." —Zoje Stage, *USA Today* bestselling author of *Baby Teeth* and *Dear Hanna*

"Prepare to be left breathless." —Sophie Wan, author of *Women of Good Fortune*

About the Author:

Lilli Sutton writes contemporary adult fiction. She holds a BA in English from Shepherd University. She now lives in Frederick, Maryland with her Whippet, Atlas. She draws inspiration for her writing from the natural world and the intricacies of human relationships. When she's not writing, she's usually cooking, hiking, or trying to keep up with her ever-growing TBR list.

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A CERTAIN KIND OF STARLIGHT

By Heather Webber

In the face of hardship, two women learn how to rise up again under the bright side of the stars in *A Certain Kind of Starlight*, the next book from *USA Today* bestselling author Heather Webber, "the queen of magical small-town charm" (Amy E. Reichert)

Everyone knows that Addie Fullbright can't keep a secret. Yet, twelve years ago, as her best friend lay dying, she entrusted Addie with the biggest secret of all. One so shattering that Addie felt she had to leave her hometown of Starlight, Alabama, to keep from revealing a devastating truth to someone she cares for deeply. Now she's living a lonely life, keeping everyone at a distance, not only to protect the secret but also her heart from the pain of losing someone else. But when her beloved aunt, the woman who helped raise her, gets a shocking diagnosis and asks her to come back to Starlight to help run the family bakery, Addie knows it's finally time to go home again.

Tessa Jane Wingrove-Fullbright feels like she's failing. She's always been able to see the lighter side of life but lately darkness has descended. Her world is suddenly in shambles after a painful breakup, her favorite aunt's unexpected health troubles, and because crushing expectations from the Wingrove side of her family are forcing her to keep secrets and make painful choices. When she's called back to Starlight to help her aunt, she's barely holding herself together and fears she'll never find her way back to who she used to be.

Under the bright side of the stars, Addie and Tessa Jane come to see that magic can be found in trusting yourself, that falling apart is simply a chance to rise up again, stronger than ever, and that the heart usually knows the best path through the darkness.

Praise:

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

"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*

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.

www.heatherwebber.com



**Macmillan: Forge
July 2024**

**All translation rights
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Book available

Agent: Jessica Faust

**MYSTERY
THRILLER
SUSPENSE**

A NEW LEASE ON DEATH

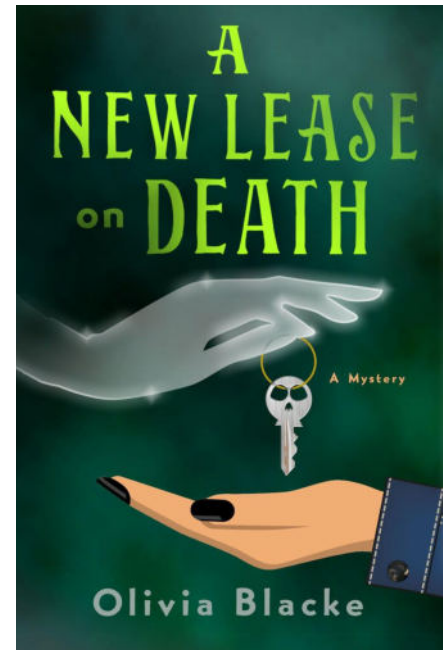
By Olivia Blacke

In this darkly funny supernatural mystery about an unlikely crime-solving duo that launches a commercial, unique, and genre-blending series, death is only the beginning.

Ruby Young's new Boston apartment comes with all the usual perks. Windows facing the brick wall of the next-door building. Heat that barely works. A malfunctioning buzzer. Noisy neighbors. A dead body on the sidewalk outside. And of course, a ghost.

Since Cordelia Graves died in her apartment a few months ago, she's kept up her residency, despite being bored out of her (non-tangible) skull and frustrated by her new roommate. When her across-the-hall neighbor, Jake Macintyre, is shot and killed in an apparent mugging gone wrong outside their building, Cordelia is convinced there's more to it and is determined to bring his killer to justice.

Unfortunately, Cordelia, being dead herself, can't solve the mystery alone. She has to enlist the help of the obnoxiously perky, living tenant of her apartment. Ruby is twenty, annoying, and has never met a houseplant she couldn't kill. But she also can do everything Cordelia can't, from interviewing suspects to researching Jake on the library computers that go up in a puff of smoke if Cordelia gets too close. The roommates form an unlikely friendship as they get closer to the truth about Jake's death...and maybe other dangerous secrets as well.



**First of 3 in the
Supernatural Mysteries!**

**Macmillan: St. Martin's
Press
October 2024**

**All translation rights
available**

Book Available

Agent: James McGowan



Praise:

"Bursting with cleverness and fun, *A New Lease on Death* is a detective novel with a twist. . . I can't wait to tell everyone about this book!" –Eliza Jane Brazier

"Absolutely addictive. . . I didn't want it to end." –Lyn Liao Butler

"Smart. Quirky. Suspenseful. Everything you could want in a whodunnit." –Darcie Wilde

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.

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SCI-FI FANTASY

KEEPER OF SORROWS

By Rachel Fikes

Whoever rules the bees, rules the world. A dark fantasy adventure with a twist of Silvia Moreno-Garcia.

On a planet stripped of wind, entire ecosystems lie in ashes, leaving humans to the mercy of a sole surviving bee species on a remote isle. Whoever wins the Praxis to rule them as Keeper, rules the world.

When the next Keeper goes missing, her little sister must not only face her debilitating fear of bees, but compete in the Praxis to find her. As she braves the eerie fortress with sprawling wings of hives, murmuring murals, deceptive hedge mazes, and a host of leering gargoyles, she must also face the reigning Keeper, who's guarding the darkest secret of all.



**Flame Tree Press
September 2024**

**All translation rights
available**

Book Available

Agent: Naomi Davis

Praise:

“A deeply original book. Centering women in this surreal high fantasy, Rachel Fikes creates an incredibly unique magic system that sets the stage for a mystery filled with political manoeuvring, transformations and so much more.” – Sunyi Dean, author of *USA Today & Sunday Times* Bestseller *The Book Eaters*

“Rachel Fikes has crafted a beautifully original fantasy full of sumptuous language and breath-hitching mystery. In *Keeper of Sorrows*, there are horrors around every corner, yet this gothic high fantasy is told through the lens of two protagonists who manage to find beauty in bees, humanity’s last hope in an ecologically-devastated world robbed of wind. Fikes tells a story that feels like a descent into madness, where nothing is ever as it appears, perfect for readers who want to feel their skin crawl while being immersed in a narrative full of heart. It’s impossible to ignore the passion seeping through its pages.” – Gabriela Romero Lacruz, author of #1 *Sunday Times* Bestseller *The Sun and the Void*

About the Author:

A former soldier, **Rachel Fikes** deployed to Iraq (OND) and Afghanistan (OEF) before finding her voice in dark fantasy. When she’s not writing, she’s likely enjoying a local brew—be it coffee or booze, and reading to her plants or irritating her Austin neighbors as she attempts to play the bagpipes. *Keeper of Sorrows* is her debut.

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DARK WATER DAUGHTER

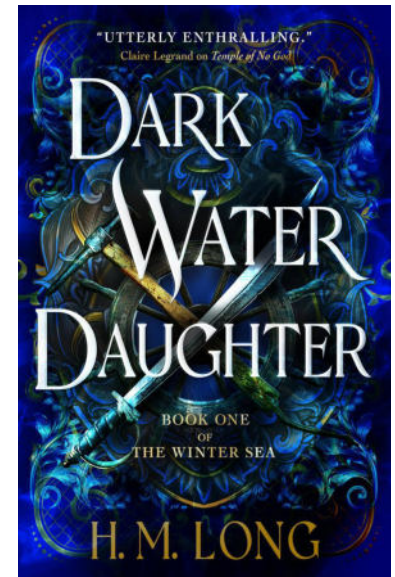
By H.M. Long

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.



First of 3 in **THE WINTER SEA** series

Titan Books
June 2023

Russian: Rosman

All other translation rights available

Book available

Agent: Naomi Davis



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*

"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.

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THE SUN AND THE VOID

By Gabriela Romero Lacruz

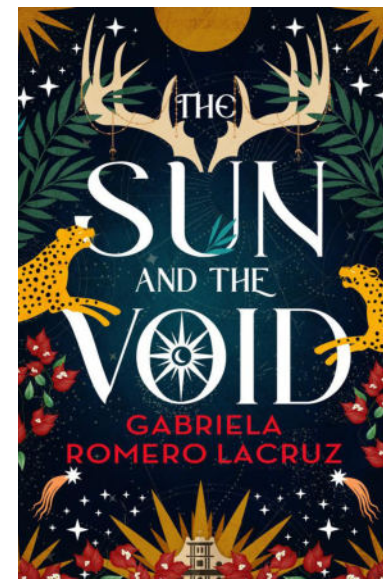
#1 SUNDAY TIMES BESTSELLER

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.



First of 2 in the **WARRING GODS** series!

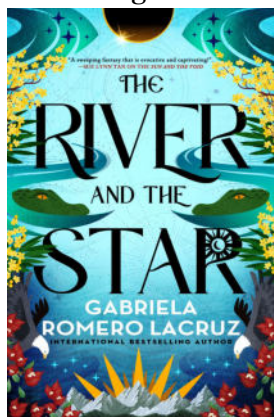
Orbit Books
July 2023

UK: Daphne Press
Spanish: Alianza
Italian: E/o

All other translation rights available

Book Available

Agent: Naomi Davis



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

“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** 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.

www.gabriela-romero.com

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:

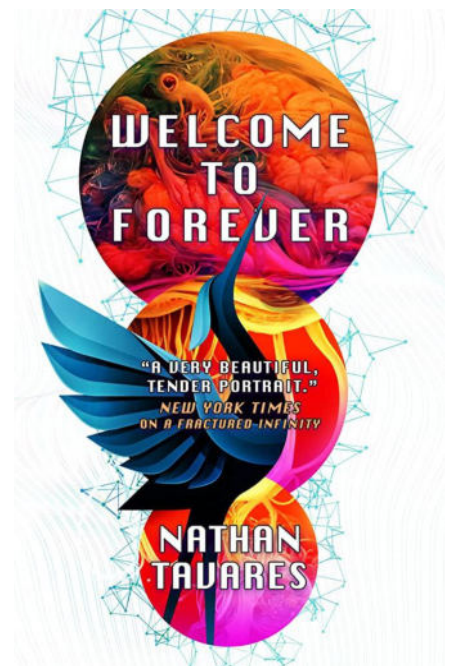
"Tavares is fast becoming my favourite SF writer. *Welcome to Forever* is a masterful futuristic love story, absorbing and all too real." —Kaaron Warren, award winning author of *Into Bones Like Oil*

"In *Welcome to Forever*, Tavares does what all great writers of science fiction do best. He takes our hopes, fears and anxieties about the way we live today, skewers them to the page and makes the reader watch, helpless and captivated as they wriggle underneath his touch. Whether he's probing the ethics – or absence thereof – in techno-capitalism, questioning whether the growing mental health industrial complex can really heal our minds and spirits or simply reminding us that it's often harder to keep love than find it, he finds way to bridge big ideas with the truths of human nature on every page. *Welcome to Forever* is a work of artistic maturity, dazzling imagination and a horrible sense of foresight over what might come to pass – if we let it happen." —Chris McCrudden, author of the *Battlestar Suburbia* series

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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March 2024

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Final Book Available

Agent: Naomi Davis

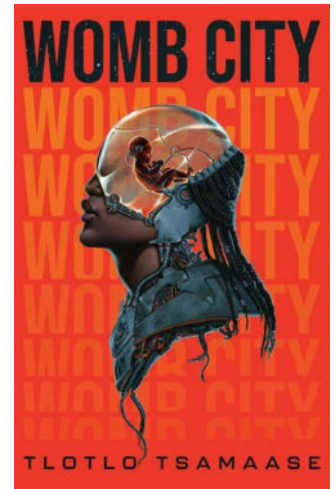
WOMB CITY

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.



Book 1 of 3

**Erehon Books
January 2024**

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Final Book 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*

WOMB CITY has been featured in *The LA Times*, *Bookriot*, *Bookculture*, *Lithub*, and many other publications on numerous *Best Of* and *Most Anticipated* lists!

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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ROMANTASY
&
PARANORMAL
ROMANCE

CROWN OF EARTH AND SKY

By Emberly Ash

What do I want?

A quick death.

Barring that, I only dream of one thing—revenge.

Veyka Pendragon was crowned queen in a farce fit for any circus. Now, as her traitorous court plots around her, the new Queen of the Elemental Fae must take revenge on the humans who betrayed her while also guarding a dangerous secret.

The arrival of her betrothed, the storied Brutal Prince, is merely another cog in the wheels of time and space spinning around her.

Arran Earthborn is the strongest terrestrial fae in millennia. If Veyka wishes to keep the peace her ancestors fought and died for, she must join with him soon.

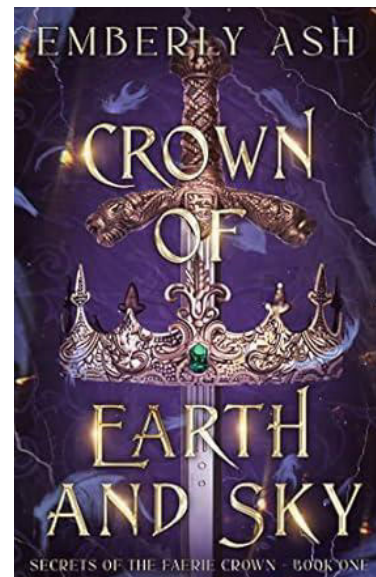
But the Brutal Prince has not earned his name by playing nice. The torture he exacts will enrage and enflame her—and endanger a secret that would rip their world to shreds.

The days are slipping by.

Very soon I will have to choose...

The crown that destroyed my life but protects my kingdom...

Or settling the scores that haunt my every step.



First of 4 in the Secrets of the Faerie Crown series!

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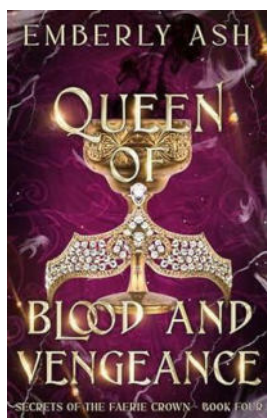
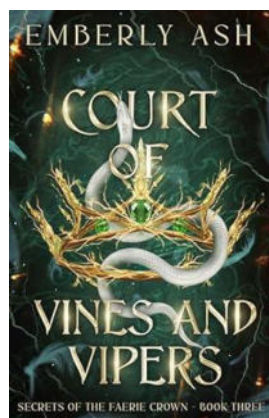
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About the Author:

Emberly Ash is the author of 12 romance books as Fenna Edgewood, but craved something darker and steamier--enter the world of fantasy romance. In the real world, she manages a fire-breathing four-year-old and a grumpy mage of a husband. But you'll most often find her in her hot-pink writing cave, dreaming up your next book boyfriend. Spoiler alert: he's fae.

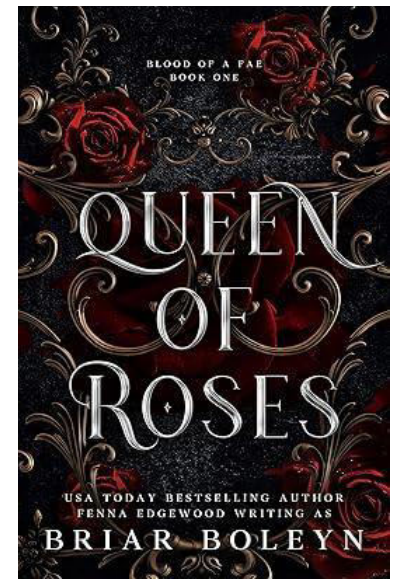
QUEEN OF ROSES

By Briar Boleyn

Born into a life of duty and sacrifice, Morgan Pendragon's destiny has never been her own. Rumored to carry the tainted blood of the fae in her veins, her birthright is stolen from her when she is a mere child. Growing up in the shadow of her brother the king, she has been promised to the goddesses when she comes of age. So, when her brother commands that she seek out a fae weapon of legendary power, Morgan seizes the chance to break free from the chains of her fate.

As she travels, Morgan finds herself drawn into a strange group of outcasts, led by a dark and enigmatic warrior whose sharp wit and fierce beauty set her heart ablaze. But while Morgan struggles to reconcile her desires with her duty, she and her new comrades discover dangers that await them beyond anything in their wildest nightmares.

Believed to have vanished generations ago, a fae kingdom dreaded by mortals is ascending once more, bound to reclaim what was lost by violence and bloodshed. As the fae world, with its intricate web of lies and mysteries, is slowly revealed to Morgan, she is led to the terrible realization that the secrets she carries in her blood make her a greater threat than she could ever have imagined.



First of 4 in the BLOOD OF A FAE series!

Self-published

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COURT OF CLAWS: June 2023

EMPRESS OF FAE: Oct 2023

KNIGHT OF THE GODDESS:

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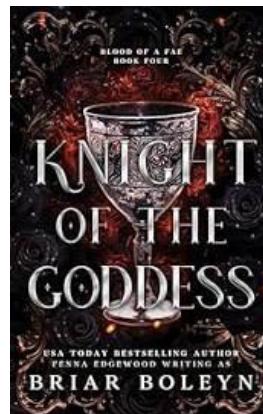
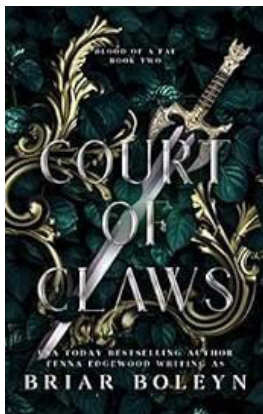
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Agent: Amanda Jain



About the Author:

Briar Boleyn is the fantasy romance pen name of *USA TODAY* bestselling author Fenna Edgewood. Briar rules over a kingdom of feral wildling children with a dark fae prince as her consort. When she isn't busy bringing new worlds to life, she can be found playing RPG video games, watching the birds at her bird feeder and pretending she's Snow White, or being sucked into a captivating book. Her favorite stories are the ones full of danger, magic, and true love.

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FIREBIRD

By Juliette Cross

Featuring original illustrated stenciled edges, foil case stamp, and designed endpapers, *House of the Dragon meets From Blood and Ash* in this epic, scorching dark romantasy

A conqueror captivated...

A witch prophesied to save them all...

A world where dragons rule Rome.

From the moment Roman general and nephew to the emperor Julianus Dakkia laid eyes on Malina, he was enthralled by the Dacian dancer. Years later, the fierce beauty stands before him on a scarred battlefield, her life in danger. He instinctively shifts into his fierce dragon form to save her, an action that may mean his head on the imperial gate. But he and his dragon know one thing: she belongs to them.

Malina can't believe that the centurion who had once bestowed a secret talisman on her is the Roman general of legendary brutality. His warrior prowess cannot be denied, yet it doesn't reveal the secrets he hides. All Malina knows is his protection and gentle touch. And she cannot deny how her soul has always seemed to answer his.

As they navigate a world where flying deathriders conquer and burn, their love will ignite a firestorm that can only end in heartbreak or death. Or both.

“Buzz Books 2024: Romance” Pick by Publishers Lunch



First of 3 in THE FIRE THAT BINDS trilogy!

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Spanish: Molino/PRH
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Agent: Rachel Brooks

Praise for Previous Titles:

“Utterly enchanting.”—*Publishers Weekly*, starred review

“Full of strong, magical women, with a resplendent and red-hot romance for readers to feast on.”—*Fresh Fiction*

“A world you'll want to lose yourself in and never come back.”—*USA Today* bestselling author Kerrigan Byrne

“Cross' worldbuilding tantalizes and seduces the reader...the climactic battle scene is positively cinematic.”—*RT Book Reviews*, Top Pick

About the Author:

Juliette Cross is the author of over 30 romantasy and paranormal 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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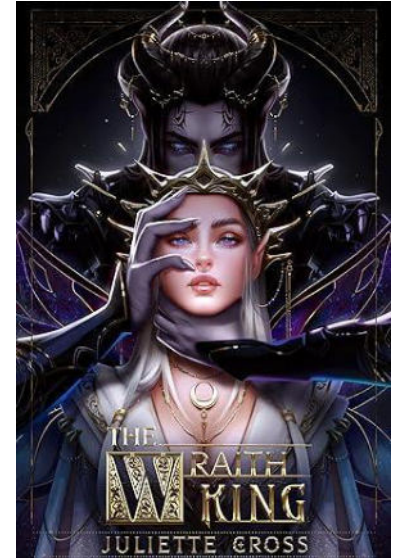
THE WRAITH KING

By Juliette Cross

A brutal, bloody war against the ruthless Wraith King has cost the light fae more than innocent lives. Una Hartstone, Princess of Issos, learns the price the Wraith King demands to end the war once and for all. *Her*. In exchange for the safety of her people, she agrees to give her life—and her body—to her greatest enemy. But she isn't prepared for what awaits in his Palace of Black Glass where she was once held prisoner as a girl.

Gollaya Verbane is determined to fulfill his destiny and his god's prophecy. When he hears one tantalizing revelation about the Princess of Issos, he knows she's the god-anointed mate he's been seeking and the key to the rise of the dark fae. But when he finally has her in his possession, he realizes Una is much more to him than a priceless weapon.

A mystery that has haunted Una for years awakens when she returns to Näkt Mir. The palace hides many dark secrets...and at least one traitor. A traitor determined to take King Goll's throne—and all he possesses. What he doesn't know is that Una's magick is more powerful than he can imagine, and that Goll will burn the whole world to save her.



**First of 3 in
THE RISE OF NORTHGALL
dark romantasy series!**

**Indie published
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Book Available

Agent: Rachel Brooks

Praise for Previous Titles:

“Utterly enchanting.”—*Publishers Weekly*, starred review

“Fans of J.R. Ward's 'Black Dagger Brotherhood' and Sherrilyn Kenyon's 'Dark-Hunter' books will be pleased with this new series from Cross.” —*Library Journal*

"Juliette Cross is quickly becoming one of the premier names in the paranormal/fantasy romance genre. Her books deliver a mega punch of action, adventure, and heart pounding romantic tensions that make her books simply un-put-downable." —*KT Book Reviews*

“Dark and delicious in the best of ways.” —*USA Today* bestselling author Naima Simone

About the Author:

Juliette Cross is the author of over 30 romantasy and paranormal 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 KING OF FROST AND SHADOWS

By Jen L. Grey

A vengeful King.

A lost princess.

And the revenge he's desperate for.

For the last twelve years, Tavish, the King of the Unseelie Fae, focused on finding the key for taking back his rightful lands from the Seelie fae after they killed his parents.

There was one problem that stood in his way—locating the Seelie Princess hidden on Earth.

After years of haunting her dreams, he finally locates her and drags her back to their realm.

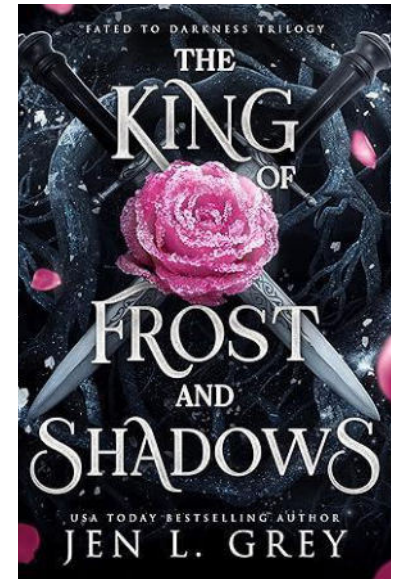
She's forgotten her fae life and wants to escape. He doesn't care. He merely needs her blood in order to free his people.

But she's more than he remembers, and a spark ignites between them every time they touch.

None of that matters though. His goal is set—to drain her blood once her magic activates once again.

He must take back what is rightfully his, no matter the cost.

But if he does, the price might be what's left of his heart.



First of 3 in the FATED TO DARKNESS series!

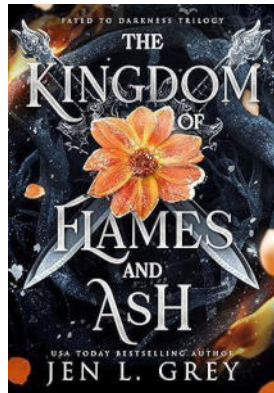
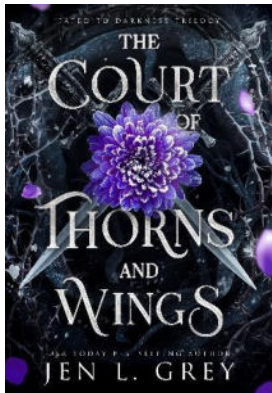
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THE KINGDOM OF FLAMES AND ASH: Oct 2024

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Agent: Amanda Jain



About the Author:

Jen L. Grey is a *USA Today* bestselling author of urban fantasy and paranormal romance. Jen lives in Tennessee with her husband, two daughters, and two Australian Shepherds. When she isn't writing, you'll find her with a nitro cold brew in hand while chauffeuring her children around town or watching television.

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THE DEATHLESS ONE

By Emma Hamm

A princess murdered at the altar makes a deal with the god of death for vengeance and to save her people in this new enemies-to-lovers romantasy trilogy, perfect for fans of *Penny Dreadful*.

Magic always has a price....I want to see you burn your kingdom down.

Jessamine was raised to be a leader for her people, but when the land is overrun by an incurable plague, she has no choice but to enter a political marriage to save them all. Too bad her new husband murders her at the wedding altar and seizes the throne. But her death is only the beginning.

Her spirit is met by the Deathless One, a god of death yearning to return to the mortal plane, and he needs her help. The two of them make a deal—her life and the return of her kingdom in exchange for his resurrection.

But the Deathless One is a known trickster, and a deal with him is one made in blood.

Jessamine knows the Deathless One is a dangerous ally, but the longer they work together, the more she wants him and the less she can stay away. As their connection deepens, soon she wonders if she even wants this contract to end. Perhaps the more appealing throne is the one by his side, but she'll have to turn her back on her people to get it...

Praise for previous titles:

"...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

"Emma Hamm creates a world that sticks with you long after you turn the last page." —*USA Today* bestselling author Frost Kay

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About the Author:

USA Today bestselling author **Emma Hamm** has published over 50 fantasy and romantasy novels about confident, powerful women who aren't afraid to grow and make mistakes. Her books will always be a little bit feminist, and are geared towards empowering everyone to be comfortable in their own skin. She currently lives in Maine.

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First in THE DEATHLESS ONE trilogy!

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WHISPERS OF THE DEEP

By Emma Hamm

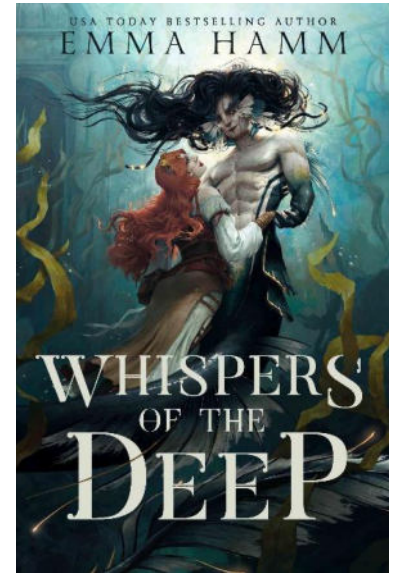
One of the many engineers that keeps Beta, the city under the sea, running, Mira only wants to make her family proud and to prove herself worthy. She knows the mysterious city better than anyone and it's her dream to help it flourish.

But then, on a solo job in an abandoned section of the city, she encounters a monster of legend. An undine. A dangerous merman from an ancient civilization, long forgotten.

Arges has fought his entire life for his people. With deadly creatures under his control, he plans to eradicate Beta once and for all to protect his kind and their peaceful way of life. But when a human woman saves him, she unknowingly creates a bond between them, one he can't ignore. Even though her flaming red hair haunts his dreams, he needs her for information on the undine's enemies.

So he steals her. Keeps her. Feeds her. Only to realize their bond is far deeper than captor and captive. He cannot let her go—but he cannot keep her under the sea. In a battle to determine if love can survive a war beneath the waves, it will be their decision that changes the tides.

Over 4,000 Amazon reviews for book 1 so far!



First of 4 in the DEEP WATERS series!

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Book 4 Available Feb 2025**

Agent: Rachel Brooks

Praise for previous titles:

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HOUSE OF BANE AND BLOOD

By Alexis Menard

In a city split into two opposing sides, power comes in many forms: bloodlines, money, love, and—most importantly—secrets.

An heiress in the most notorious family in Lynchaven, Camilla Marchese is doing all she can to keep her family's syndicate, the Iron Saint Railway, from slipping into bankruptcy. When the gorgeous and depraved Nicolai Attano, the leader of a rival family, offers to pay off the Inspector in exchange for her hand, she has no choice but to give up not only her throne—but her name.

Nico has his own motivations for their union beyond maintaining peace with her family. A serial kidnapper known as The Collector has been ravaging the streets of Remnant Row, stirring up mistrust between natives and descendants. If Milla can help restore safety to his streets, he'll have no need for her or her family's company. Find the Collector, prevent a war between their sides of the city, and pay off the family debt before she turns twenty-one. If Milla can fulfill her end of the bargain, she'll walk away with more freedom than she's ever had before.

But this deal plunges Milla into the city's dark underbelly where remnant magic and arcane science compete in a deadly game of depravity. When forbidden feelings rise for her new husband and dark family secrets come to light, Milla must discover the truth about her past before it gets them both killed or worse—collected.

Set in a post-industrial age setting on a magical Isle, Peaky Blinders meets the magic system of the Grishaverse in this rivals-to-lovers adult fantasy romance.



Praise:

Coming soon!

About the Author:

Alexis L. Menard is a registered nurse based out of Louisiana where she lives with her husband and two kids. She enjoys long walks through the Renaissance Fair, reading about enemies turning into lovers until the dark hours of the night, and wine nights with her "Finer Things Club." She hopes to enrich the lives of her readers with worlds they can both escape in and take with them long after the final chapter.

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Agent: Emily Forney

WARBRIDE

By Sylvia Mercedes

THE EXCITING FOLLOWUP TO THE BESTSELLING BRIDE OF THE SHADOW KING TRILOGY

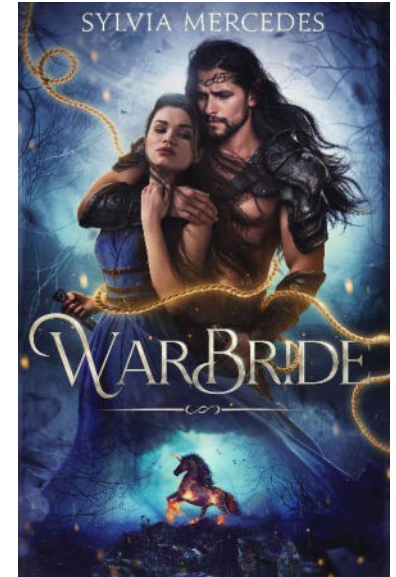
Ilsevel knows exactly how brutal the fae raiders are. She watched them attack the holy shrine of her god, slaughter the priests, and drag her sister away screaming into darkness.

So when she's forced up onto the auction block to be sold off as a warbride to the highest bidder—and when the chilling warlord Taar pushes his way to the front of the crowd and lays down an outrageous bid—Ilsevel fears her nightmare is only just beginning.

Taar took one look at the fiery little human, and something in him sparked. He cannot explain it. He knows only that he will not see her sold off to one of the soulless monsters trying to outbid each other for a chance to use and discard her soft, womanly flesh.

If that means binding himself to her by marriage, so be it.

Can this dark king convince his bride not to murder him in his sleep before he can decide what to do with her? Or do the gods have other plans in store for this captive princess and her terrifying new husband?



First of 3 in the WARBRIDE series!

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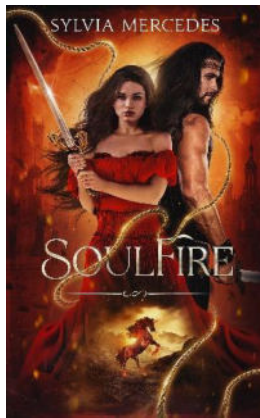
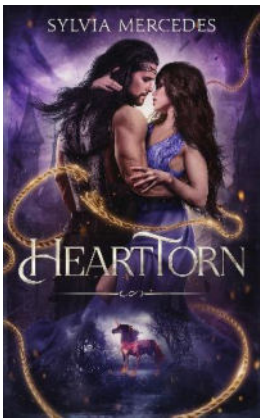
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Agent: Amanda Jain



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.

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Phantasma

By Kaylie Smith

Kaylie Smith makes her adult debut with an enthralling gothic romantasy set in a haunted New Orleans mansion, perfect for readers of Rachel Gillig and Kerri Maniscalco!

When Ophelia and Genevieve’s mother is found brutally murdered, Ophelia has no time to grieve before she must inherit not only her family’s magic and childhood home but the debt that her mother kept secret from both of her daughters. If the sisters don’t come up with the money their mother owed in one month’s time, Grimm Manor will be demolished by the city. When Genevieve decides to enter the infamous competition, Phantasma, in order to win its coveted prize—a single wish—and save their childhood home, Ophelia goes after her younger sister and enters Phantasma herself. Luckily, she has her mother’s peculiar, pulsing gold locket guiding her through the nine levels of terror that Phantasma holds.

Phantasma only has two rules. Don’t fall in love within its walls—and stay alive.

No one but the spirits inside the haunted manor knows how Phantasma started, or who runs it, all they know are the rumors—the haunted competition travels from city to city where brave contestants enter in hopes to be the last to exit and win the valuable prize, except most never make it out alive. Ophelia only cares about finding Genevieve and getting them both home safe. Upon entering the nightmarish competition, Ophelia realizes that will be easier said than done. Genevieve is nowhere to be found and Ophelia’s OCD, which has always been hard to contain, becomes a different beast within the manor’s haunted walls—and she can’t tell which horrors are in her own mind and which are Phantasma’s tricks to scare her away. Then Ophelia meets Blackwell. She knows immediately something is different about him, and it’s not his ability to appear out of thin air or his quick wit. Blackwell is a ghost, but not like any other ghost she has ever met—he possesses powers that shouldn’t be possible for a spirit.

When Blackwell offers Ophelia a bargain to help him find something he lost within Phantasma’s bleeding walls long ago in exchange for protection against Phantasma’s tricks as she searches for her sister, she accepts. As Ophelia and Blackwell get closer to discovering what he lost, they also get closer to breaking Phantasma’s cardinal rule and Ophelia must decide if finding a way to save her family’s legacy is worth the risk of losing herself.

Praise:

“Brimming with adventure, romance, and loveable characters you’ll gladly follow into the shadows of their vivid world.” –Alexandra Bracken, bestselling author of *Lore*

“Expertly weaves swoon-worthy romance into an action-packed plot.” –Andrea Hannah, author of *Where Darkness Blooms*

About the Author:

Kaylie Smith is a writer and lover of all things fantasy. She grew up in Louisiana where she frequently haunted bookstores and practiced her craft.

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Book 1 of 2

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September 2024**

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Germany: Aufbau
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Book Available

Agent: Emily Forney

A KINGDOM OF BITTER MAGIC

By Alaya Wells

A dragon rider seeking revenge for the death of her brother. A ruthless fae lord with his own agenda. A love that will drive the fae kingdom to its knees.

I'm nothing but an orphan, a dragon trainer in one of the many border fortresses. When beasts attack the villages, I ride, driving them back to the hellscape they crawled from.

When my adopted brother's killed during battle, I discover who's controlling the invading beasts—the brutal ruler of the neighboring fae kingdom. A gruesome plot is brewing beneath the glimmering fae surface, and he's responsible for it all. Now vengeance is all I live for. No matter how powerful or well-guarded the king is, I will avenge my brother. This I swear.

To infiltrate the king's court, I'm forced to make a deal with Vexxion, a devastatingly beautiful and equally malicious fae lord. In exchange for getting me close to the king, I'll allow Vexxion to claim me as his own. He'll train me, and I'll give him access to my supposedly dormant magic. Little does he know I have no power for him to harness.

Surrendering to Vexxion's seductive allure could fracture what little remains of my heart. Falling for him could destroy my wounded soul.

But learning his wicked secrets could shatter me completely.



First of 3 in the KINGDOM OF BLIGHTED THORNS series!

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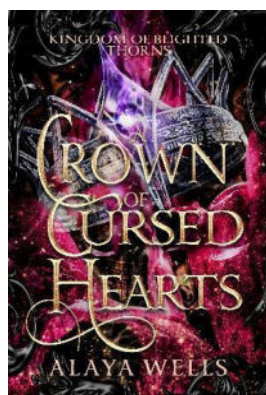
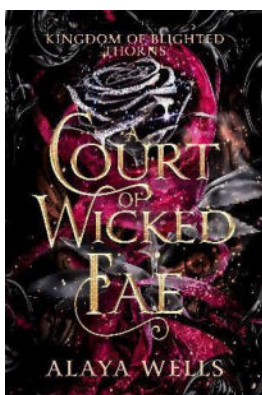
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Agent: Amanda Jain



About the Author:

Alaya Wells is the pen name of *USA Today* bestselling author Ava Ross. With almost 60 audiobooks in print, Wells loves spinning tales about brooding heroes falling for fierce, independent heroines. Expect spicy romance, touch her and I'll hurt you heroes, and a guaranteed happily ever after. A romantic at heart, Alaya loves walking on the beach and sipping expensive tequila, sometimes at the same time!

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ROMANCE

THE WORST WOMAN IN LONDON

By Julia Bennet

A *Bridgerton*-inspired humorous Victorian romance featuring a defiant heroine who fights to escape a bad marriage, while 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 to James's friend Edward. Francesca is determined to flout convention and divorce her philandering husband. When James sweet-talks his way into her life—tasked with convincing Francesca 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 to take a chance on a new and forbidden love.



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May 2024

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Book 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*

"Bennet's captivating historical romance not only delivers plenty of potent sexual chemistry and a spirited heroine with spunkiness to spare but also deftly highlights the challenges facing women seeking a divorce in the Victorian era." —*Booklist*

"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, if she isn't writing, she's probably reading everything she can get her hands on.

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SECOND TIDE'S THE CHARM

By Chandra Blumberg

When two marine biologists with a complicated history are thrown together on a shark study broadcast over social media, it's anything but smooth sailing. This charming and sexy second chance romance is the perfect beach read for fans of Helen Hoang and Ali Hazelwood.

At first glance, Hope Evans just landed the perfect job: spending the summer on a shark research boat. Except as every marine biologist knows, it's what's going on beneath the surface that counts, and Hope's new position comes with a big catch—the boat belongs to her ex-boyfriend, Adrian Hollis-Parker. For three years Hope's been treading water, staying away from anything that reminds her of their past. It's time to dive back into a job that could springboard her career—and maybe offer much-needed closure.

Since their split, Adrian has risen to internet fame as a shark expert with the launch of his YouTube channel to dispel myths and educate viewers about sharks. But success rings hollow without Hope. Embracing this new career trajectory was a risk, but working in cramped quarters with the woman he never stopped loving? That has the potential to backfire in heartbreaking ways.

Side by side, weathering storms of every kind, they'll have to navigate the murky waters of past hurts...and hope it's not too late to chart a new course...

Perfect for fans of: STEM Romance, Forced proximity, Slow Burn, and Closed Door Romance

Praise:

An Amazon "Best Romances of August" Editors' Pick

"These likable characters have immediate, unignorable chemistry, despite their reservations about each other. This second-chance romance from Blumberg is a slow burn, ratcheting up the sexual tension page by page." —*Library Journal*

"Blumberg makes the will-they-won't-they dance believable and exciting with sexy banter and plenty of humor throughout. Readers will root for this intelligent couple to get their happily ever after." —*Publishers Weekly*

"In the Shark Week of second-chance romances, Chandra Blumberg will have readers hungrily scavenging for every morsel of bait as she tempts with sultry tension and magnetic longing." —Taj McCoy, award-winning author of *Zora Books Her Happy Ever After*

About the Author:

Chandra Blumberg is the author of funny, heartwarming love stories. Her first two novels, *Digging Up Love* and *Stirring Up Love*, both received rave reviews from *Kirkus*, *Publishers Weekly*, and *Booklist*. When not writing, she is spending time with her family in Chicago.

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**HarperCollins:
Canary Street Press
August 2024**

**All translation rights
available**

Book Available

Agent: Rachel Brooks

NEXT OF KIN

By Hannah Bonam-Young

Two bickering strangers trying to foster their younger siblings team up to create a stable home, but the chemistry between them threatens to undo their plans—from the viral TikTok author of *Next to You* and *Out on a Limb*.

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's new initiative, where two prospective guardians join households to qualify.

Enter Warren, a surly mechanic's apprentice attempting to get custody of his deaf fifteen-year-old brother. From the moment Warren drives up thirty minutes late, blasting music out of his car, Chloe is convinced that this is a very bad idea. The two immediately clash but eventually agree to live together for the sake of their younger siblings.

As their lives intertwine, and Chloe adjusts to caring for her newborn sister, she begins to see a new, softer side of Warren. In fact, they're far more similar than she 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 is their mutual attraction worth risking everything they've fought for?



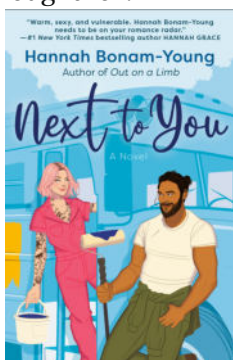
First of 2 in the Next series!
PRH/Dell: February 2024

Brazil: Globo Livros
Poland: Agora
Germany: Piper

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Book Available

Agent: Jessica Alvarez



Praise:

“Funny and huge-hearted and romantic and real.” —Talia Hibbert, *New York Times* bestselling author

“Tender, thoughtful, and deeply touching, NEXT OF KIN celebrates the gift of found family, the wonder of falling in love, and the beautiful work of building a life together.” —Chloe Liese, author of *Two Wrongs Make a Right*

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

About the Author:

USA Today bestseller **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.

www.hannahbywrites.com

OUT ON A LIMB, a *USA Today* bestseller!

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.

Hooking up at a costume party with the incredibly charming Bo changes everything. Win finds herself pregnant—and decides to keep the baby. While Bo is surprisingly elated to step up to the plate, Win is unsure of whether she can handle this new challenge.

Together, Win and Bo decide to get to know one another as friends and nothing more while they embark on this parenting journey together. But, as they both should know by now, life rarely goes according to plan.



PRH/Dell: June 2024

Brazil: Globo Livros/ Croatia: Naklada Morana/ Czechia: Dobrovsky/ Dutch: April Books/ France: Editions Addictives/ Germany: Piper/ Hungary: Lira/ Italy: Rizzoli/ Poland: Media Rodzina/ Portugal: Infinito Particular/ Romania: Corint/ Serbia: Publik Praktikum/ Spanish: Ediciones B/ Turkey: Marti/ Ukraine: Vivat

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Praise:

"Out on a Limb is a beautiful love story, full of joy from beginning to end! This is the kind of book that slips into your soul and heals things you didn't even know were hurting. Win and Bo have stolen my heart, and I recommend this story for anyone who wants to feel warm and loved!" —Sarah Adams, *New York Times* bestselling author

"Everyone needs to pay attention. Hannah is going to do incredible things. This book is stunning." —B.K. Borison

"Cozy and affirming, this is a big warm hug of a book." —*Kirkus*, starred review

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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VICIOUS SECRET

By Morgan Bridges

From the *USA Today* bestselling author of the TikTok sensation *Once You're Mine* comes a dark romance duet that will have fans talking.

Mors solum initium. Death is only the beginning.

The Recruit:

The Obsidian Order only cares about three things: secrecy, loyalty, and power. Every man born to the founding families is bred for this purpose, to serve the society and its objectives.

As a result, we are the elite. Untouchable. Unbreakable. As long as my obsession doesn't get the best of me. This girl... If the Order doesn't kill me, she'll be the death of me. Because I won't give her up. She's mine.

The Bride:

All I want is my freedom and some coffee. And to find my foster brother. Every clue that leads me closer to Ben, only frightens me more.

Something dark and dangerous rules this campus. Similar to the stranger I keep running into. The one I can't stop thinking about.

Xavier tells me to stay away from him, But then I'm snared in a game of shadows and savagery. Now the only way to survive lies in the arms of a man I once tried to kill. The same one who's made me his property. His bride.



First of 2 in the Obsidian Order series!

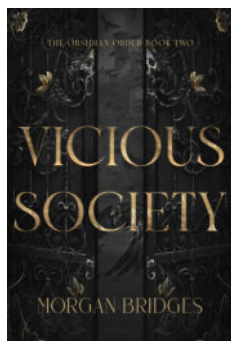
Indie published May 2024

France: Confidential
Germany: Blanvalet
Russia: Eksmo
Ukraine: Ranok

All other translation rights available

Book Available

Agent: Jessica Alvarez



Praise:

"If *Haunting Adeline* and *The Ritual* had a baby, it would be this book!" —Goodreads reviewer

"Morgan has done it again. If Morgan writes it, I'm reading it and devouring it. It grips you from the start and is a real page turner." —Goodreads reviewer

About the Author:

USA Today bestseller **Morgan Bridges** is a lover of anti-heroes, deep and thought-provoking books with beautifully written words, romance that's sigh-worthy, scenes that are so hot she blushes, and heroines that inspire her to the point Morgan wants to take their place. Follow her on TikTok @morganbridgesauthor

www.authormbridges.com

CHANGE OF HEART

By Kate Canterbary

***Grey's Anatomy* meets a gender-swapped *Wedding Crashers* in this spicy rom-com about a one-night stand with *The One*, walking the tightrope of love and workplace ethics, and knowing which rules are worth breaking.**

Every summer, superstar surgeon Whitney Aldritch crashes weddings with her best friend. The first one was an accident though after a decade of dropping in uninvited, they're masters of their craft. They keep the rules simple and they never go to bed alone.

Then there's Henry Hazlette, best man and the best one-night stand of Whit's summer. She never imagined she'd see him again but now he's one of her new surgical residents—and *completely* off-limits.

Whitney has staked her reputation on leading the hospital's new ethics initiative. While Henry is under her supervision, they have to keep it professional. But it doesn't help that she can't turn around without running face-first into his offensively broad chest or rubbing up against him in crammed elevators. Also not helping: the way he smiles at her like he can hear her every not-safe-for-work thought.

All they have to do is survive this residency—and the accidental tarot card readings that hit too close to home, a few uninvited houseguests, and the hospital's hyperactive rumor mill—but only if they're prepared to bend some rules as the feelings go from *just for tonight* to *get it out of our systems* to *mine*.

Praise:

"I'm a huge fan of Canterbary's romances because they always make the butterflies erupt in my tummy and make me feel all manner of things." —DiniPandaReads

"There's something downright breathtaking about a Kate Canterbary novel and the way her characters pull you in straightaway with the sheer freshness and candour of their quirks and wit. But it's the way she then breaks them wide open, tenderly, carefully, that has you hooked on her every word. Canterbary takes the familiar workplace romance trope and turns it on its head in this heartwarming, fun, thoughtful story about finding the courage to believe in love, and it just so happens to be one of my favourite reads of the year."

—NatashaIsABookJunkie

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.

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**Indie-published
June 2024**

All translation rights available

Book available

Agent: Jessica Alvarez

UNTIL I GET YOU

By Claire Contreras

Three 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.

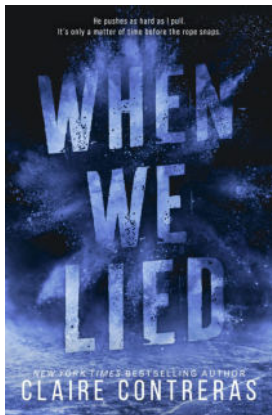
Except for Lyla James Marichal.

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:

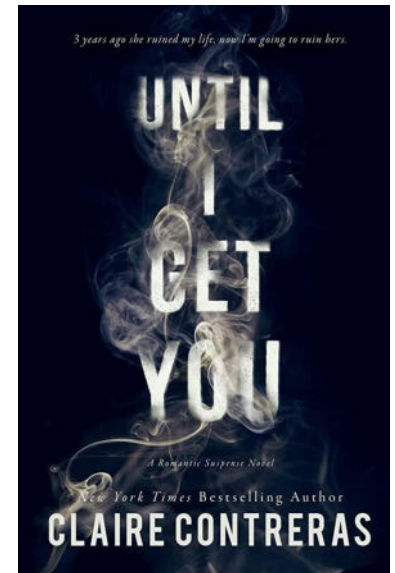
“Top-tier everything. All the stars. One of my favorite romances in YEARS! I can't wait to read it again!”—Dylan Allen, *Wall Street Journal* & *USA Today* bestselling author

“Hooked me from the first page! The chemistry between Josslyn and Finn is next level! I love this world. Huge five stars!”—Willow Aster, *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.

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First of 2 in the Fairview Hockey Series

**Self-published
April 2023**

**French: Trédaniel
Hebrew: Sefer Lakol
Italian: Newton Compton
Polish: Kobiece
German: Loewe**

**All other translation rights
available**

Book Available

Agent: Kim Lionetti

FALL INTO YOU

By Caroline Frank

What happens when overprotected Liza Castelli falls in love with reformed ladies' man and her brother's best friend, Matt Wilson?

When Liza and Matt feel an instant connection at first sight, her older brother, Vinny, immediately shuts it down. Tired of her traditional Italian family and their tendency to get in each other's business, Liza decides to ignore her brother's warnings and embark on a secret-dating adventure with heart-melting Matt.

The couple quickly fall in love in the magic that is autumn in New York City, bonding over the loss of their fathers. All the while, Liza doesn't mind keeping things under wraps—she hasn't felt this happy since before her father's death and doesn't want to do anything to risk ruining it. And that includes coming clean to her family.

But as Matt grows even closer to Vinny and his frustration with Liza's insistence to keep everything secret creates tension between them, Liza's forced to decide if her relationship is worth risking her family, and we're left wondering whether their relationship will be able to survive.



**Book 1 of 4 in the
Seasons of Love series!**

May 2023

**All translation rights
available**

**UK/Commonwealth
rights available**

Book available

Agent: Jenissa Graham



Praise:

Coming Soon!

About the Author:

Caroline Frank is an indie author and self-proclaimed shoe addict. She currently resides in Massachusetts with her husband and two crazy cats, Señor Kitty and Salem. She spends her days reading, writing, and biking. Her favorite things include the first sip of a Coke on a hot day, crocheting, and using self-deprecating humor to get through the day. Though she always planned to eventually take over the world, she thinks writing fun stories every day is pretty awesome and plans to continue to do so for the foreseeable future.

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The Secret Hook-Up

by Pippa Grant

You'd think nearly dying trying to get out of a too-tight gown in a dressing room and being saved by a strong, competent man was a good thing.

Not so much, though, when that strong, competent man is your ex. Your *secret* ex. And the reason you need a gown is because you're part of a charity auction. The charity auction where he gets into a bidding war to win you.

And now, because you're one of few female coaches in professional baseball, and he's the captain of the local professional hockey team, and he paid a ridiculous sum of money for you, the entire city is trying to get you together. You can't leave your apartment without getting a knowing wink from strangers. Your bosses want to use the publicity to have you jointly launch a new community outreach program.

That's bad enough. It truly is. But even worse?

Duncan Lavoie, the green-eyed, curly-haired, dimple-cheeked, hot as lava hockey player wants a second chance. And he'll play dirty to get it.

The Secret Hook-Up is a laugh-out-loud romcom featuring the hot-as-sin hockey captain of the Copper Valley Thrusters, the Copper Valley Fireballs' lady baseball coach he never got over, and a misbehaving formal gown. It stands alone and comes complete with a happily-ever-after.

Praise:

"I've read almost every book Pippa's published, and I think this is my favorite of her books...The storyline is fun, with some hilarious moments coupled with heart and emotion... So much to love and enjoy with this book!" –a Goodreads reviewer

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, and Polish.

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published
August 2024**

**All Translation Rights
Available**

Book available

Agent: Jessica Alvarez

UNTIL IT WAS LOVE

By Pippa Grant

A new standalone romance!

There are a million reasons why I shouldn't agree to a date with Fletcher Huxley.

He's a growly-faced, stubborn-streaked, international rugby legend trying to revive his flailing career in the US after being canned by his team overseas.

While he might have the good kind of thunder thighs, intriguing tattoos, and a booty of steel, he also holds the top position on my very short nemesis list thanks to what happened the first time we met.

Plus, his mustache is as terrible as the reason he's picked me to be the woman he wants to date.

But he has one big checkmark in the *why this date is a good idea* column: he's my brother's new teammate. They already hate each other. And my brother has made an unfortunate habit of interfering with my love life recently.

So a revenge date with Fletcher to make my brother mad? While letting Fletcher think this date is merely for the good of the team?

Yep. I'm in.

I'm moving to London for work in a month. And it's just one date. What could possibly go wrong?

Until It Was Love is a banter-tastic romcom featuring an overgrown snack of a man with a soft spot for his purse dog, a normally optimistic life coach trying to live her best life, a mustache catastrophe, and one little tiny fainting spell. It stands alone and comes complete with a swoony happily ever after that will leave your heart in a happy puddle of joy.

Praise:

"A wonderfully charming, unique, and hilarious romantic comedy with a tinge of spice and so much fun." –Just Booked Up

"This book was a riot!...Goldie and Fletcher's banter is hysterical, and their chemistry is undeniable." –Reads with Gigi

"An absolute delight from start to finish...filled with laughter, banter, and heartwarming moments that will leave readers grinning from ear to ear." –Novels and Other Things

"This story balances wacky shenanigans, hilarious banter, perfectly timed one liners, and sarcastic quips with sweet, melt your heart romance." –BookAMeme

About the Author:

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Agent: Jessica Alvarez

THE NEXT CHAPTER

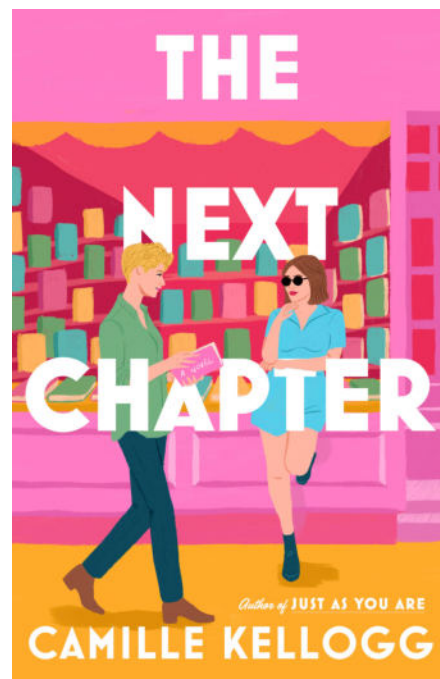
By Camille Kellogg

When a famous former child actress meets a tender masc West Village bookseller, sparks fly and complications ensue in this heartwarming queer homage to *Notting Hill* by the author of *Just as You Are*.

Jude Thacker, a butch bookseller at The Next Chapter, doesn't want to admit she might be stuck. After all, she's running the queer feminist bookstore of her dreams with a staff of chosen family. Sure, she hasn't even tried to go on a first date since her ex broke up with her after her mother's death. And she may have a tiny problem with panic attacks. But as long as her life stays small and tidy, she's fine.

Katrina Kelly, a former child star whose career has plateaued, needs a rebrand to be taken seriously as a queer, adult actor, and heads from LA to New York to make a go in the theater scene. A closeted, extra-nervous baby gay who feels like a fraud, Kat decides that some queer lit will help her get her bearings.

When Kat walks into The Next Chapter, she and Jude have an instant connection. At the encouragement of her scheming manager, who sees the potential for this relationship to make Katrina look both believably queer and relatable (stars, they're just like us!), Kat starts dating Jude. But even though it's meant to be a temporary publicity stunt to leverage her way into a job, both women find themselves developing real feelings. As the media scrutiny intensifies, each must decide what's real, what's not, and if true love is worth losing everything they believe is keeping them safe.



**PRH/Dial
May 2025**

German: HarperCollins

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available**

Edited Manuscript Available

Agent: Jessica Alvarez

Praise for previous works:

“A sincere, funny book that successfully uses Jane Austen’s characters and plot as a means to explore queer identity, gender expression, and the intersection of admiration and attraction . . . will charm readers looking for a queer spin on *Pride and Prejudice* and relatable stories about finding one’s place in the world.”—*Library Journal* (starred review)

“Brims with heart, spice, and humor.”—Ashley Herring Blake, author of *Delilah Green Doesn’t Care*

“So much more than your average rom-com . . . *Just as You Are* is a full-on enemies-to-lovers romance that exudes queerness at every possible turn. . . . Kellogg has made me feel so seen..”—*Autostraddle*

“A juicy sapphic romp; sweet, sexy, and tender in all the right ways.”—Gabrielle Korn, author of *Everybody (Else) Is Perfect*

About the Author:

Camille Kellogg is a queer writer based in New York City, where she works as an editor for children's and young adult books. She's passionate about queer stories, cute dogs, and bad puns.

RIGHT KISS WRONG MAN

By Stacey Kennedy

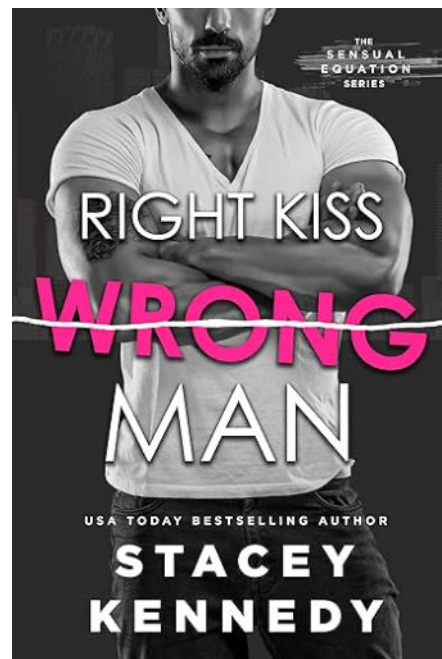
He makes wrong oh so right...

Boston is abuzz with the arrival of Aphrodite, an AI program that revolutionizes the way people connect. It claims to have an unbeatable matching algorithm, but there's a secret that lingers within this flashy new app—a flaw that could shatter the illusion of true love. The program matches based on sexual attraction, not on emotional connection.

When Aphrodite pairs Quinn with Theo, a devastatingly handsome businessman, she finds herself tangled in a web of irresistible attraction. Their first date ends in a scorching encounter, leaving Quinn breathless and craving more. But when dawn breaks, she discovers their differences run deeper than their sizzling chemistry.

Theo, a determined developer with ambitious dreams, has worked day and night to transform a park into a modern high-rise. Unyielding in his pursuit of success, he sees no value in preserving an old, rundown park. But Quinn, the stunning woman who melted under his touch, turns out to be the passionate environmentalist fighting him fervently to protect the park from destruction.

With their opposing beliefs clashing at every turn, sparks fly as Quinn and Theo engage in fiery debates. Yet, beneath the surface, an intense attraction leads them back into each other's arms, allowing Quinn to live out her hottest fantasies with a man determined to fulfill them. But soon, Quinn and Theo discover that their desire is as relentless as the forces that pull them apart. Caught in a whirlwind of emotions, Theo and Quinn will have to decide if they're undeniable connection is worth risking their careers... and their hearts.



**Indie Published
October 2024**

**All translation rights
available**

Book Available Oct 1

Agent: Jessica Alvarez

Praise:

Coming soon!

About the Author:

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

THE FINEST PRINT

By Erin Langston

One sensational love story.

American journalist Ethan Fletcher traversed the globe to claim his late uncle's Fleet Street print shop, only to find his unexpected inheritance is shackled by ruinous debt. To save his business and finally direct his own course, he needs to raise capital, and quickly. Good fortune comes in the form of Belinda Sinclair, the eccentric daughter of a respected London judge—and she just so happens to be a beautiful failure of a novelist.

Bruised by scandal, Belle has spent years writing a gruesome courtroom mystery no respectable publisher will touch. Until she meets Ethan—barely respectable, barely a publisher, but with two broad hands that can work a press and an enterprising spirit that breathes new life into her pages. Emboldened by the prospect of seeing her story in print, Belle agrees to Ethan's plan: she will transform her grisly manuscript into a serialized penny dreadful, and he will sell it as a means to settle his accounts.

In the close confines of the print shop, Ethan and Belle discover their partnership is conducive to far more than fiction. Helpless to deny their deepening devotion, they dare to compose a future free of his financial burdens and her social constraints. But when a series of punishing obstacles jeopardizes the story they've been writing off the page, they must confront how much they are willing to lose... and what it will take to save everything.



**Independently published
September 2024**

**All translation rights
available**

Book Available

Agent: Jessica Alvarez

Praise for previous titles:

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

"Wonderfully constructed from start to finish, with high notes of grace and humor, Langston has written a novel that romance fans will treasure." —*Library Journal*

"...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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BABY FOR THE BOSSHOLE

By Nadia Lee

Over 150,000 copies sold!

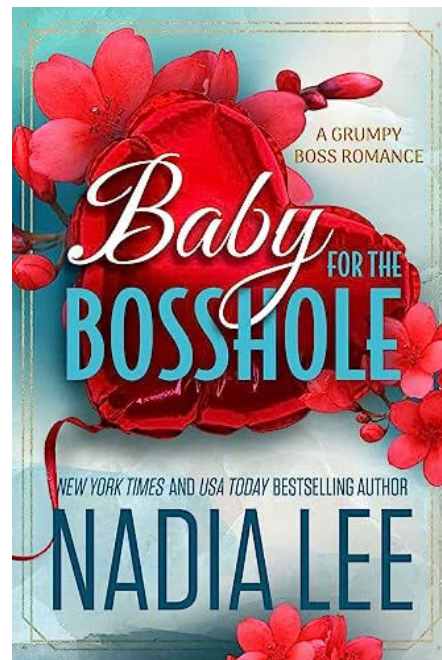
My boss is a jerk but when I discovered him clutching his sausage and moaning my name, I made a mistake that I can't take back.

Emmett Lasker is impossible to work for. He might be model handsome and stupidly wealthy, but he also has it out for me. He's given me more last-minute and weekend requests than anyone else, ruining any plans I make. I should quit. And I will. Just as soon as I earn out my signing bonus.

But after a particularly awful day at work, a breakup (via text!), and my computer crashing, I've had enough! So at 11:59 Friday night, I barge into Emmett's office to tell him what I really think of him. Only, that's not what happens. *AT ALL.*

There's something about finding your ridiculously hot boss in a compromising position, moaning your name, that can derail a girl's best intentions. And now? I'm pregnant. He wants to "do the right thing" and marry me. Yeah. That's never gonna happen.

This title stands alone, or can be read as Book 1 in the Lasker Brothers series



The bestselling Lasker Brothers series!

**Indie-published
April 2022-September 2024**

Romania: Librex

**All other translation rights
available**

Book available

Agent: Jessica Alvarez

Praise:

"This was delicious sexy fun! If you are always on the lookout for a sexy opposites attract, then this is a story that needs to be on your radar because Nadia Lee really brings in the humor just right to balance in perfectly with a sexy romp of a read." –Addicted to Romance Book Blog

About the Author:

New York Times and USA Today bestselling author **Nadia Lee** writes sexy, emotional contemporary romance. Though born in South Korea, she shares a condo overlooking a small river and sakura trees in Japan with her husband and son.

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LUV SHUV IN NEW YORK

By N.M. Patel

Luv Shuv in New York is an interracial, contemporary romance with lots of humor, opposites attract goodness, a touch of forbidden love, steam, and full-on Indian family drama.

Akira Mishra's father had one condition to allow her to leave her large, Indian joint family and move to New York to pursue her master's degree: don't get involved with anyone who wasn't a Desi boy.

She didn't hesitate to agree. There was no way she'd be falling for anyone, not when she had school to focus on. But then she sits behind *him*.

Sam White.

Sam White—American. White. Definitely not Desi.

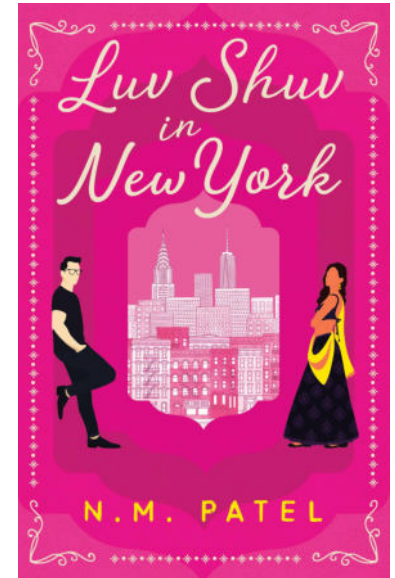
He's dark and brooding and perfect. He makes Akira feel a little more at home in an unknown country. He looks at her like she's the only one he sees.

But Akira made a promise.

She will not fall for him.

She can not fall for him.

The only problem? She doesn't know if she can stop herself.



First of 4 in the LUV SHUV series!

**Independently Published
February 2023**

**All translation rights
available**

**UK/Commonwealth rights
available**

Book Available

Agent: Sophie Sheumaker



Praise:

"Patel's debut is a heartwarming beauty. Opposites attract romance in all the lovely and delicious ways."
—Juliette Cross, author of the *STAY A SPELL* series

About the Author:

N.M. Patel is a passionate author who writes romance novels inspired by her love of Bollywood movies. Her books are filled with humor, steam, and plenty of love, featuring strong heroines and swoon-worthy heroes. Get ready to be transported into a world of desi culture, unforgettable characters, and a romantic escape that will leave you feeling warm and fuzzy inside.

BEFORE I LET GO

By Kennedy Ryan

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?



First of 3 in the SKYLAND series!

Hachette/Forever
November 2022

Brazil: Faro Editorial

Czech: Jota

Dutch: Luitingh-Sijthoff

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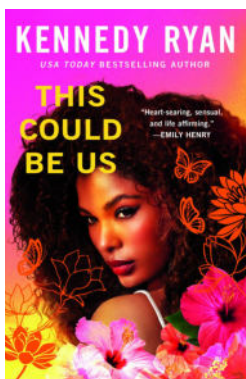
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Film/TV rights purchased
by Universal

Book Available

Agent: Kim Lionetti



Praise:

***New York Times* and *USA Today* Bestsellers**

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**

***Library Journal* Best Romances of 2022**

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.”

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Times bestselling author

“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*

About the Author:

Kennedy Ryan is a *New York Times* and *USA Today* bestseller, Audie Award winner, and RITA Award winner.

She and her writings have been featured on Good Morning America, NPR, *Entertainment Weekly*, *Glamour*,

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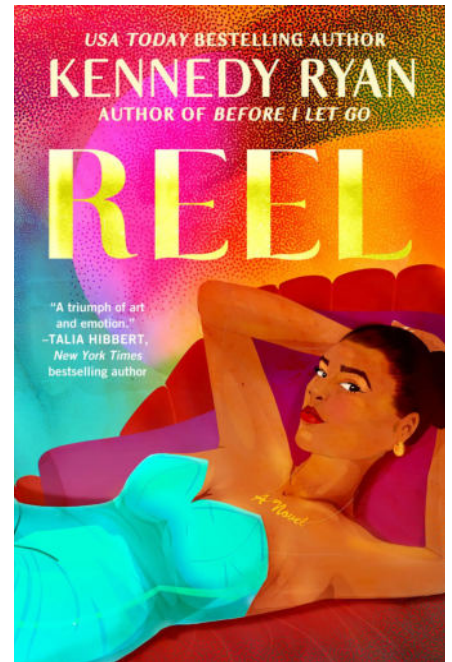
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REEL

By Kennedy Ryan

A Broadway actress has a chance at stardom when cast by a major Hollywood director, but the role of her dreams may cost her the love of a lifetime in this epic novel from "one of the finest romance writers of our age." (Entertainment Weekly)

For months I stood in the wings, an understudy waiting for my time to shine. I never imagined he would be in the audience that night. Canon Holt. Famous film director. Talented. Fine. Before I could catch my breath, everything changed. I went from backstage Broadway to center stage Hollywood. From being unknown, to my name, Neevah Saint, on everyone's lips when Canon casts me in a star-studded Harlem Renaissance biopic. But stars shine brightest in the dead of night. Forbidden attraction, scandal and circumstances beyond my control jeopardize my dream. Could this one shot—the role and love of a lifetime—cost me everything?



Praise:

Audie Award Winner for Best Romance

Entertainment Weekly Best Romances of 2021

Washington Post Best Romances of 2021

LA Times Best Hollywood Books of All Time

Barnes & Noble Best Indie Books of 2021

Audiofile Magazine Best Audiobooks of 2021

“Kennedy Ryan is one of the finest romance writers of our age, and she offers readers another marquee title with *Reel*.”—*Entertainment Weekly*

“*Reel* is alive and pulsing like a beating heart. This romance is a triumph of art and emotion.”—Talia Hibbert, *New York Times* bestselling author

“Emotional, layered, sexy, and deeply satisfying.”—Lexi Ryan, *New York Times* bestselling author

“A gorgeous, brilliant, transporting book. Reading it felt like being inside two incredible films.”—Kate Clayborne, award-winning author of *Love At First* and *Georgie, All Along*

About the Author:

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**First of 3 in the
HOLLYWOOD
RENAISSANCE series!**

**Hachette/Forever
Republication November
2024**

**Brazil: The Gift Box
German: Amazon**

**All Other Translation Rights
Available**

Final Available

Agent: Kim Lionetti

HUNTSMAN

By Naima Simone

With fairytale princesses like you've never seen them before as daughters of modern-day mob families, in the dark romances of The Kingdoms series, family is power and power is paramount—keeping it, and taking more...

In book 1, inspired by Snow White, when a shadowy and legendary hitman accepts a job from the head of the Black Mafia to assassinate her underboss—who is also her stepdaughter—he finds himself now the hunted instead of the huntsman, when she uses his most secret and carnal desires against him to wage a war for power and vengeance.

In book 2, inspired by Cinderella, when an Italian mob boss murders a traitorous rival and plans to take over his territory by marrying one of his daughters, he doesn't expect one of them to be the woman he spent the dirtiest night of his life with, leaving behind no clue to her identity except for a necklace. Nor does he expect her to be a wolf in sheep's clothing.

In book 3, inspired by Beauty and the Beast, the oldest son of the Japanese Yakuza oyabun returns home after serving ten years in a super-max prison scarred, merciless and consumed by the need for revenge. His brother stole everything from him with a frame up, and now he'll return the favor by taking his power, his position, his respect, and the woman he loves. But neither man knows she has plans of her own to collect retribution in blood.

These kingdoms are built on crime, alliances, deception and death, and the princesses of these broken fairytales are sometimes pawns...but always queens.

Praise for Previous Titles:

"Every romance fan should be reading Naima Simone's books." —*Hypable*

"Simone balances crackling, electric love scenes with exquisitely rendered characters caught in emotional turmoil...she delivers one of the best of the year." —*Entertainment Weekly*

"Simone creates characters with great depth, and readers will be rewarded with an emotional story." —*Library Journal*

"Passion, heat and deep emotion—Naima Simone is a gem!" —*New York Times* bestselling author Maisey Yates

About the Author:

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

NaimaSimone.com



First of 3 in the KINGDOMS dark romance series!

**Macmillan: Tor/Bramble
November 2025**

**All translation rights
available**

Edited MS available Oct 24

Agent: Rachel Brooks

SNOWED IN FOR CHRISTMAS

By Jaqueline Snowe

Sorority mom Becca Fairfield is used to guys not taking her seriously. She's too blond, too quirky, or Just. Too. Much. So she's ditched dating to focus on her job and a house filled with drama and plenty of tea. Now with the holidays and a major blizzard on her doorstep, Becca has everything she needs to survive the next two weeks on her own. Hot cocoa, plenty of books . . . and the memory of a steamy kiss with a certain sexy, grumposaurus next-door neighbor to keep her warm. Only Becca's seriously underestimated this Snowpocalypse. So when the power goes out and Harrison Cooper—football coach, master crank, and the guy who acted mega-awkward after said steamy kiss—offers her shelter, it only makes sense to accept. They'll just be Blizzard Buddies. Hang out, stay safe, and maybe indulge in a little R-rated cuddling. Becca knows that Harrison isn't the dating kind, and what happens during the storm lasts only as long as the storm. But are they keeping warm . . . or playing with fire?



Christmas Sweater Weather available 10/08/24, Untitled #3 available October 2025



First of 3!

**Hachette/Forever
October 2023**

**All translation rights
available**

**UK/Commonwealth rights
available**

Book available

Agent: Jessica Faust

Praise:

"A superbly satisfying holiday romance with lots of witty banter, adorable protagonists, and expertly choreographed romantic moments."—*Booklist*

"Snowe's grumpy/sunshine pairing delves beyond stereotypes and offers up a sweet story of growth and understanding, interspersed with plenty of hot moments."—*Library Journal*

About the Author:

Jaqueline Snowe lives in Arizona where the "dry heat" really isn't that bad. She prefers drinking coffee all hours of the day and snacking on anything that has peanut butter or chocolate. She is the mother to two dogs who don't realize they aren't humans and a mom. She is an avid reader and writer of romances and tends to write about athletes. Her husband works for an MLB team (not a player, lol) so she knows more about baseball than any human ever should.

www.jaquelinesnowe.com

THE HALIFAX HELLIONS

By Alexandra Vasti

The Halifax Hellions are the most scandalous, outrageous, ungovernable ladies in London. From the day of their debut—in which Matilda smoked a cheroot and Margo tied a cherry stem in a knot with her tongue—they’ve turned the ton upside down. But when Matilda elopes with a dangerous aristocrat, Margo must stop her twin before this new misadventure becomes a permanent marriage. For help, Margo turns to her brother’s best friend—because if anyone can get them to Scotland in time, it’s starchy solicitor Henry Mortimer.

Henry Mortimer has precisely one secret in his otherwise buttoned-up life: he’s been in love with Margo for seven wonderful, agonizing years. When she turns up at his doorstep, soaked to the skin and desperate for his help, he cannot turn her down. A week alone in a carriage with the object of his desires an arm’s length away? Surely he can survive that. He hopes.



St. Martin’s Griffin
February 2024

All translation rights available

Novellas available

Agent: Jessica Alvarez

Praise:

“It’s my opinion that Alexandra Vasti is one of the best historical romance authors working today. Her Halifax Hellions series is unique, inventive, hilarious, and genuinely delightful. Superbly written and sensationally funny, each novella is like one of those divine chocolates wrapped in foil and containing a lusciously rich center—a real treat.” —India Holton, author of *The Wisteria Society of Lady Scoundrels*

“The Halifax Hellions series is everything you want a historical romance to be: emotional and sexy and full of thrilling hijinks, with jaw-dropping prose that transports you in every possible way. Alexandra Vasti has easily secured her place as a superstar in the genre.” —Jessica Joyce, *USA Today* bestselling author of *You, with a View*

“Delightful, truly scrumptious—like if Lisa Kleypas and Tessa Dare had a sexy baby. Alexandra Vasti is my favorite writer, full-stop.” —Mazey Eddings, author of *Late Bloomer*

“If you are new to novellas or a novella skeptic, I implore you to pick up the Halifax Hellions and let Alexandra change your mind with these clever, hot, joyrides. Perfect for anyone who loves Tessa Dare but with a fresh voice wholly her own. I will pick up anything Alexandra writes.” —Rosie Danan, *USA Today* bestselling author of *Do Your Worst*

About the Author:

USA Today bestselling author **Alexandra Vasti** lives in Louisiana, where she teaches literature at a university by day and writes romance by night. Somewhere in there she also raises three kids and two mostly feral kitties. She is the author *Ne’er Duke Well* (St. Martin’s Griffin, 2024).

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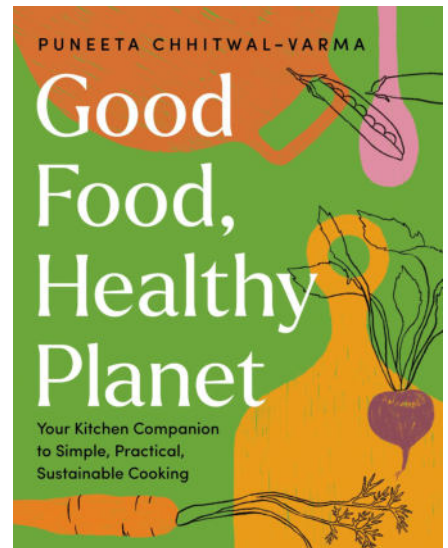
GOOD FOOD, HEALTHY PLANET

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.



TouchWood Editions
April 2024

All translation rights
available

UK/Commonwealth rights
available

Book Available

Agent: James McGowan

Praise:

"*Good Food, Healthy Planet* is a cookbook that transcends the realm of mere recipes, offering a treasure trove of intriguing insights, sustainable kitchen hacks and delectable meals that will revolutionize the way you approach cooking." —Lori Nikkel, CEO of Second Harvest

"This book delivers a clear plan and roadmap that includes delicious solutions to deliver food that does good and is good." —Paul Newnham Executive Director SDG2 Advocacy Hub

"Puneeta thoughtfully guides you on how to eat better, waste less, and cook in a way that is friendlier to the planet. On top of all that, the recipes are approachable, yet full of colour and interesting flavours!" —Chef Shahir Massoud, author of *Eat, Habibi, Eat!*

About the Author:

Puneeta Chhitwal-Varma is a writer and food advocate who focuses on seeking low-waste, earth-friendly, delicious solutions that work for real life. She's appeared on numerous national and international media.

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MY CHILD IS TRANS, NOW WHAT?

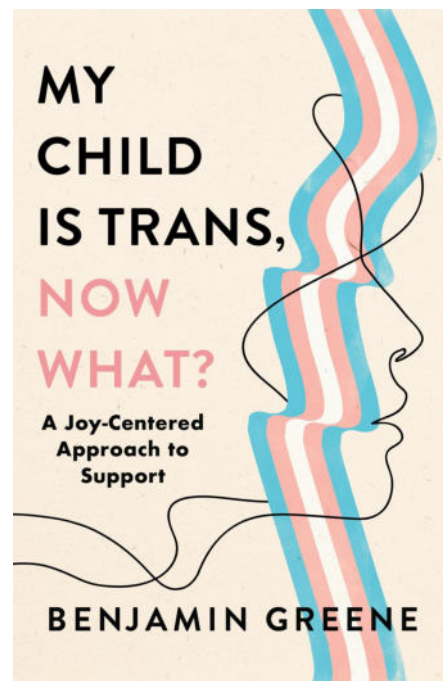
By Benjamin Greene

A gentle and informative guide for parents of trans youth

As a full-time public speaker specializing in spreading awareness and understanding of the transgender community, what Ben Greene hears most from parents and loved ones is the phrase “I’m sorry.” They’re sorry for using the wrong word, sorry for asking an offensive question, sorry for not knowing this already, sorry for asking a question at all. The combination of exhaustion from trans people who have become their community’s designated educator and the growing trend of “canceling” anyone who says anything wrong has created a culture where people who have good hearts and minimal access to information are so afraid to make a mistake they don’t even try.

In *My Child is Trans, Now What? A Joy-Centered Approach to Support*, Greene breaks the mold by offering a judgment-free guide to people across generations, from millennial parents to members of older generations who may not have had previous positive exposure to the trans community. Greene focuses on providing two key resources in this book: information and emotional support. He explains what to expect, what systems exist to support trans youth, and what loved ones can do to help.

Using a combination of personal stories and experiences, definitions, and additional resources, *My Child is Trans, Now What?* is an essential guide for anyone looking to help trans youth thrive.



Rowman and Littlefield
May 2024

All translation rights
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Book Available

Agent: Jessica Faust

Praise:

“Ben Greene’s compassionate guide for parents of trans kids is a welcome salve in these wounding times. If you are concerned or confused about a young loved one’s prospective transition, this book is a great place to start a truly transformative journey. —Susan Stryker, PhD, author of *Transgender History: The Roots of Today’s Revolution*

“A timely book with an important message written from a uniquely fresh perspective. While the purpose of Ben’s book is to support trans youth and young adults, we could all benefit from his heartfelt message of compassion and joy.” —Chris Tompkins, LGBTQ-affirming therapist and author of *Raising LGBTQ Allies: A Parent’s Guide to Changing the Messages from the Playground*

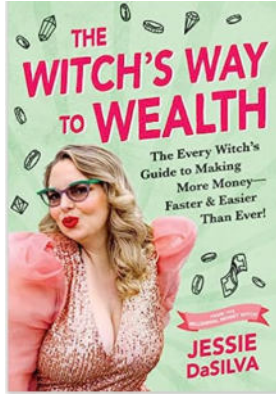
About the Author:

Ben V. Greene is a public speaker, LGBTQ+ inclusion consultant, and openly transgender man. Ben has dedicated his career to spreading empathy, awareness, and understanding about the transgender community. He is active on the speaking circuit, with audiences ranging from the UK’s Diversity Live! to NASA. Ben is a guest lecturer on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion at Cornell University in addition to serving on the board of the Tufts Master’s Degree in Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion. He resides in St. Louis, Missouri.

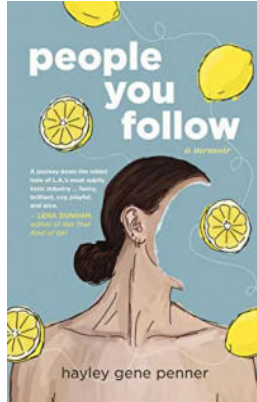
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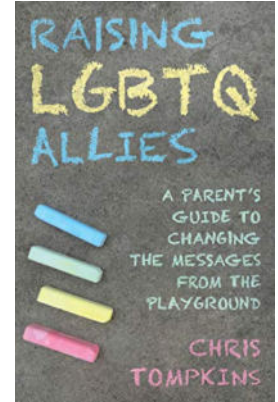
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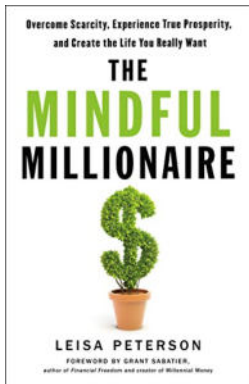
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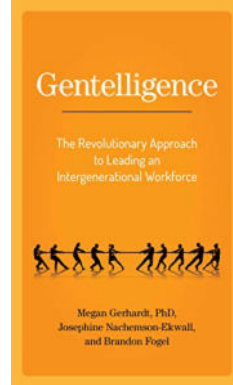
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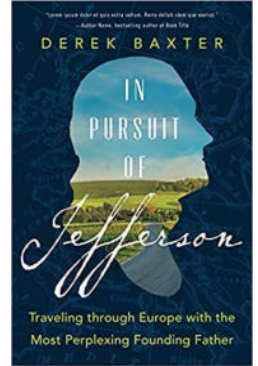
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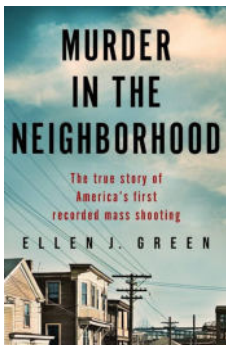
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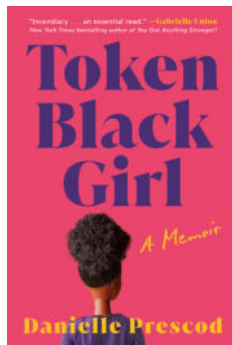
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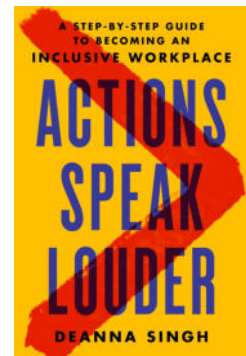
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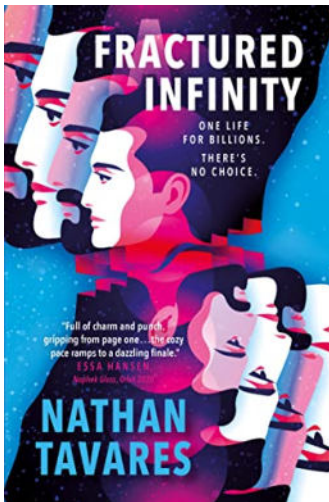


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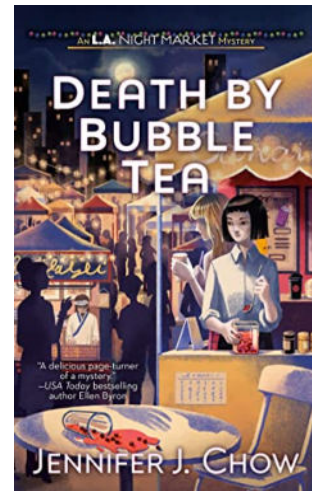


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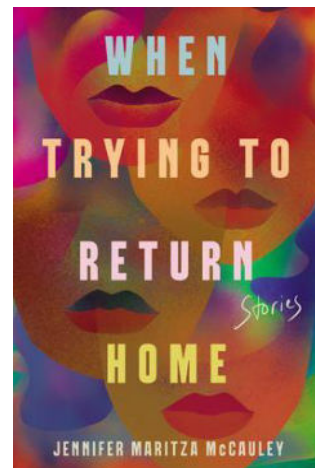
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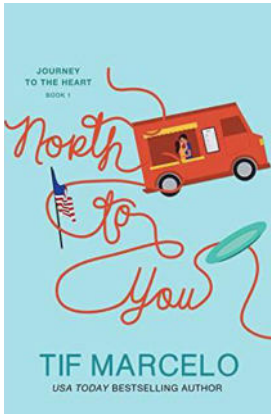


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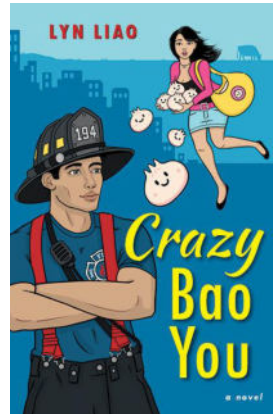


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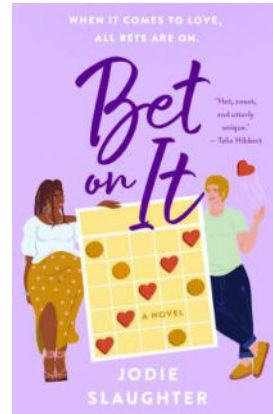
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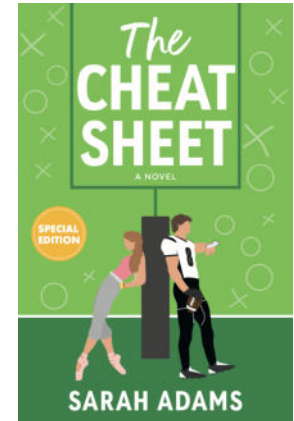
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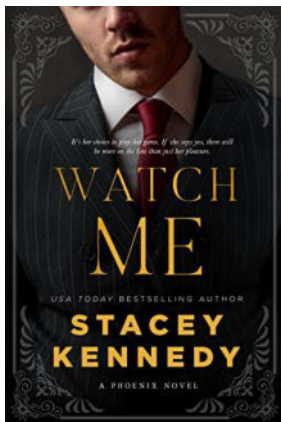
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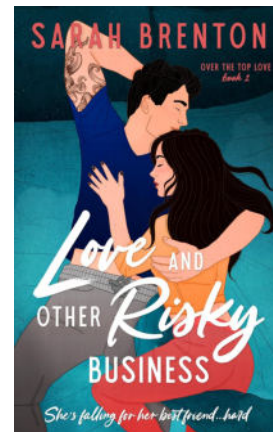
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November 2019
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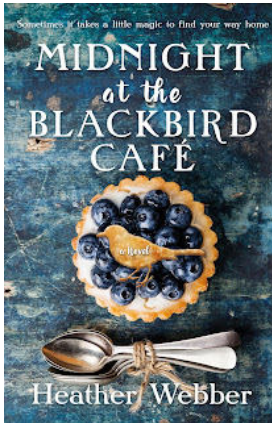


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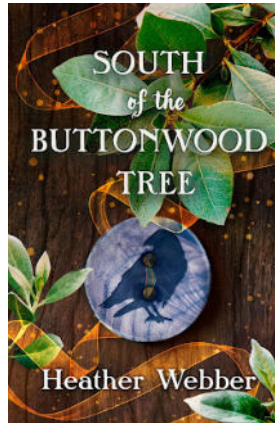


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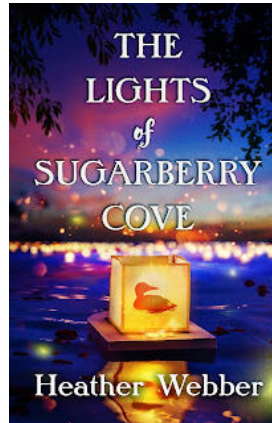
HEATHER WEBBER, USA Today Bestseller



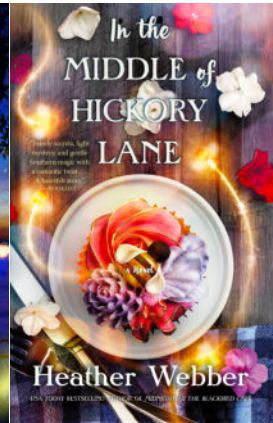
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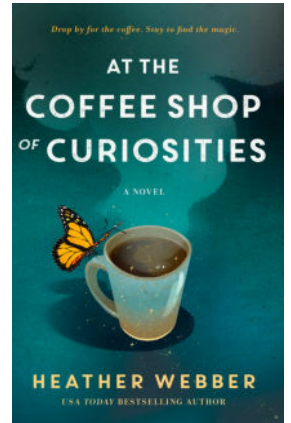
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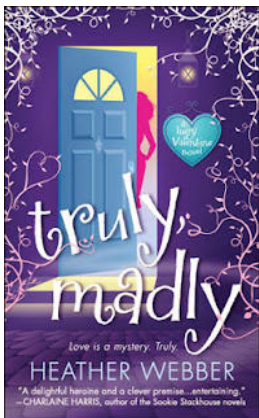


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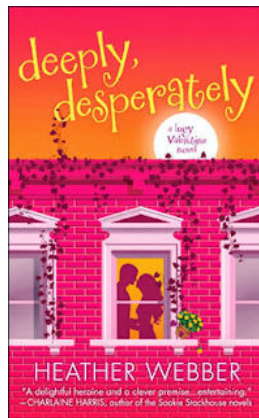


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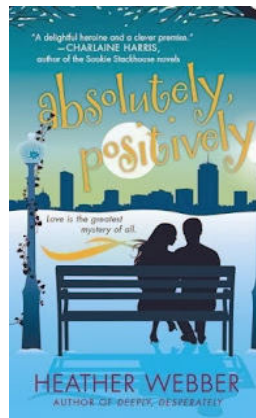
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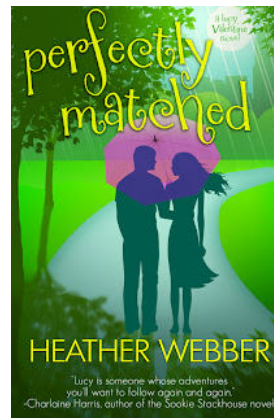
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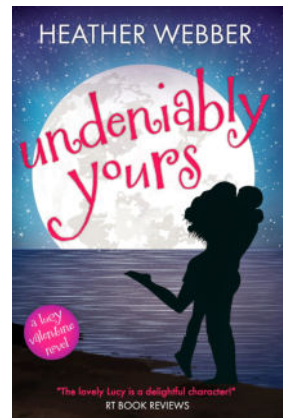
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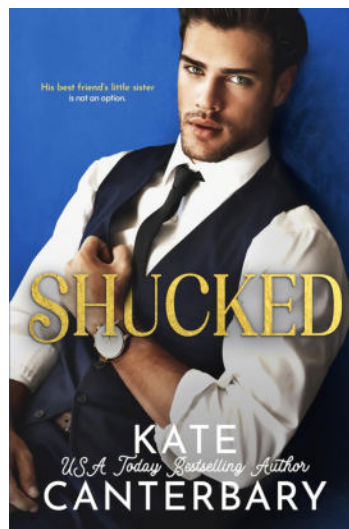
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KATE CANTERBARY, USA Today bestseller



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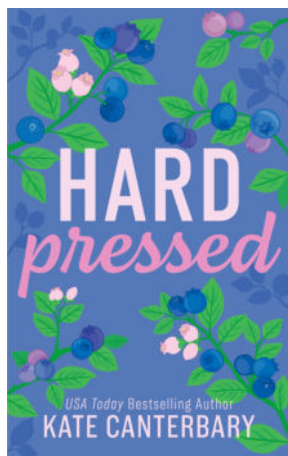
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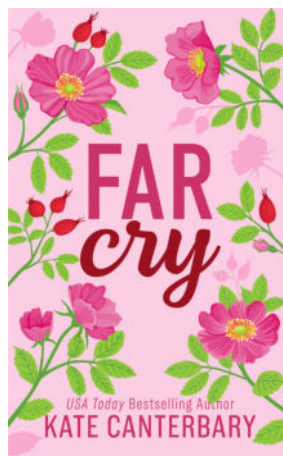
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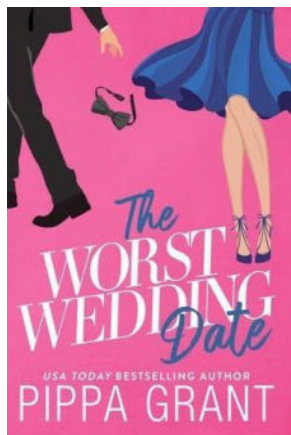


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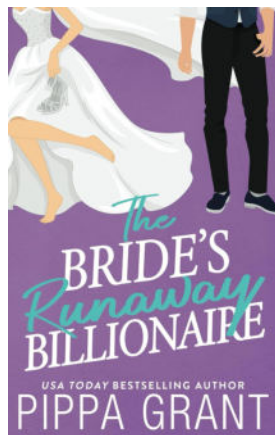
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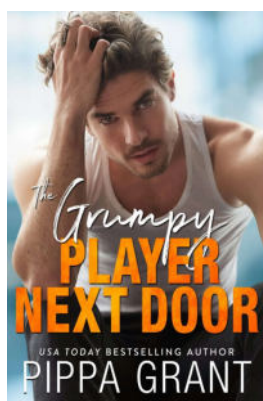
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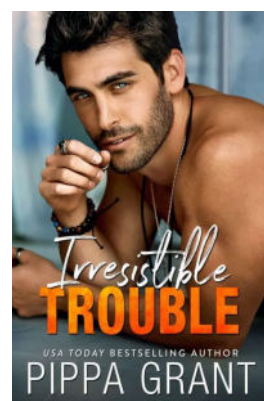
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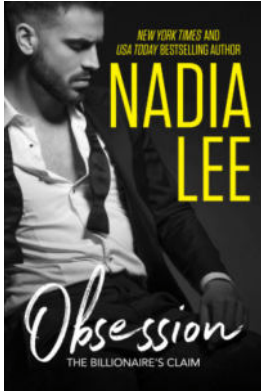


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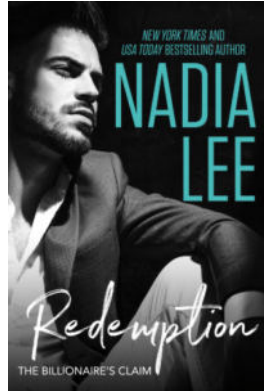


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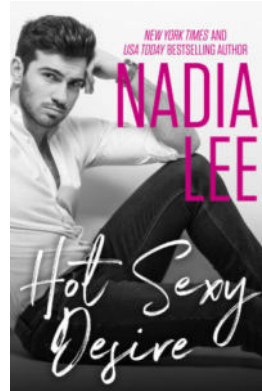
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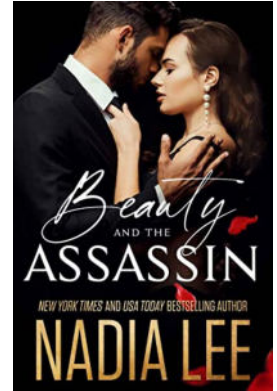
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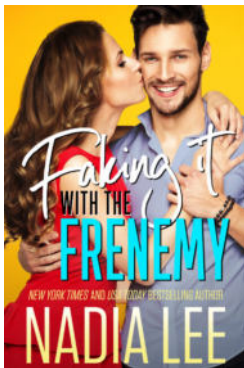


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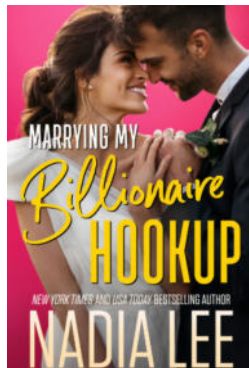


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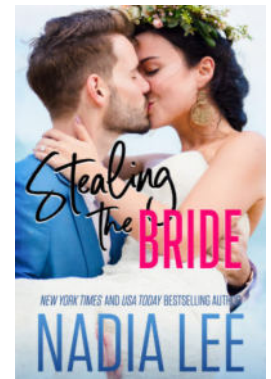
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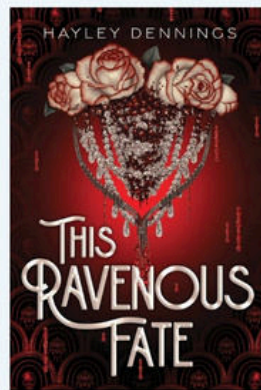
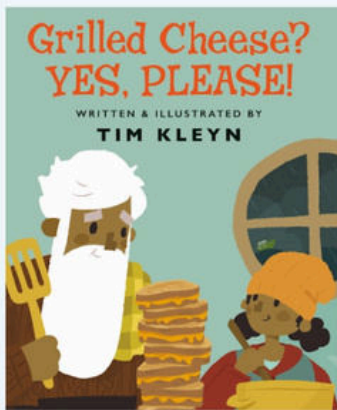
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