



WEDNESDAY

BOOKS



Give Up the Night

P. C. Cast, Kristin Cast

New York Times bestsellers P.C. Cast and Kristin Cast return with the astonishing conclusion to their new duology set in a dark and magickal world filled with incredible danger and irresistible romance.

Summary

Since becoming Moonstruck on her eighteenth birthday, Wren Nightingale has found herself thrust into a world filled with deception, danger, and murder. Uncovering that their magick was fractured and limited when the original Moonstruck ritual was broken by Selene, Wren is determined to find a way to restore it. But the Elementals are split into two factions—some want the ritual completed and their freedom—and others are so terrified of change that they're willing to end Wren before she can reach the center of the island where the ritual Selene ruined can be completed.

Between his overbearing father's arrival, Rottingham delegating him more and more responsibility, and Celeste taking a special interest in him, Lee Young has been struggling to find his own path. As much as Lee wants to take his place in the Moonstruck hierarchy, he knows something's not right at the Academia de la Luna. He thinks if he can talk some sense into Wren and get her to return to the Academia, that everything will turn out alright.

As Wren and Lee both battle for what they believe is right, they'll have to uncover who their true allies are...and if they're even on the same side of this magickal fight.

Contributor Bio

#1 *NYT* & #1 *USA Today* bestselling author **P.C. CAST** was born in the Midwest. Ms. Cast is an experienced teacher who lives in Oregon near her fabulous daughter, her adorable pack of dogs, her crazy Maine Coon, and a bunch of horses. **KRISTIN CAST** is a #1 *NYT* and #1 *USA Today* bestselling author. She is neurodivergent, has explored everything from tattoo modeling to broadcast journalism, and currently resides in the PNW.

Quotes

"An easy, entertaining read." - *Kirkus* on *Draw Down the Moon*

"...Wren and Lee's on-again, off-again relationship is compelling, and the open-ended resolution sows anticipation for the next installment in this lively romantasy series opener." - *Publishers Weekly* on *Draw Down the Moon*

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The Rival

A Novel

Emma Lord

Brimming with Emma Lord's signature wit, *The Rival* is a flirty and fun coming-of-age story of rivals-to-lovers meets *Never Have I Ever*.

Summary

Crushing on the competition.

At long last, Sadie has vanquished her lifelong academic rival — her irritatingly charming, whip smart next door neighbor, Seb — by getting the coveted, only spot to her dream college. Or at least, so she thinks. When Seb is unexpectedly pulled off the waitlist and admitted, Sadie has to compete with him all over again, this time to get a spot on the school's famous zine. Now not only is she dealing with the mayhem of the lovable, chaotic family she hid her writing talents from, as well as her own self doubt, but she has to come to terms with some less-than-resentful feelings for Seb that are popping up along the way.

But the longer they compete, the more Sadie and Seb notice flaws in the school's system that are much bigger than any competition between them. Somehow the two of them have to band together even as they're trying to crush each other, only to discover they may have met their match in more ways than one.

Contributor Bio

EMMA LORD is a digital media editor and writer living in New York City, where she spends whatever time she isn't writing either running or belting show tunes in community theater. She graduated from the University of Virginia with a major in psychology and a minor in how to tilt your computer screen so nobody will notice you updating your fan fiction from the back row. She was raised on glitter, a whole lot of love, and copious amounts of grilled cheese.

Quotes

"If you haven't read a novel by Emma Lord before, you've been missing out on something spectacular." - *Paste*

Praise for *The Getaway List*:

"Emma Lord is a rom-com goddess." - *In Between Drafts*

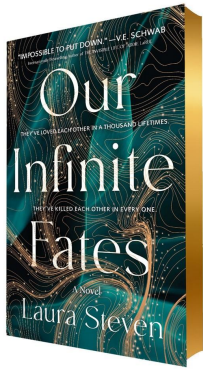
"Emma Lord knows her way around the romcom space." - *B&N Reads*

"Lord (Begin Again) enriches a familiar "bucket list" premise with leaps-off-the-page atmosphere...depictions of family, friend, and romantic relationships are riddled with humor and rambunctious energy in this inspired carpe diem romp through the city of dreams." - *Publishers Weekly* (Starred Review)

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Our Infinite Fates

Deluxe Limited Edition

Laura Steven

***The Invisible Life of Addie La Rue* meets *This Is How You Lose The Time War* in this fantastical love story that defies death as two souls reincarnate through the centuries.**

Summary

They've loved each other in a thousand lifetimes. They've killed each other in every one.

Evelyn remembers all her past lives. She also remembers that in every single one, she's been murdered before her eighteenth birthday by Arden, a supernatural being whose soul—and survival—is tethered to hers.

The problem is that she's quite fond of the life she's in now, and her little sister needs her for bone marrow transplants in order to stay alive. If Evelyn wants to save her sister, she'll have to:

1. Find the centuries-old devil who hunts her through each life—before they find her first.
2. Figure out why she's being hunted and finally break their curse.
3. Try not to fall in love.

Contributor Bio

LAURA STEVEN is an award-winning author and shameless coffee addict from the northernmost town in England. She has published several books for young adults, and the forthcoming *Silvercloak* trilogy will mark her adult debut. When she's not writing, you can find her trail running, reading chunky fantasy novels, baking cookies, playing old men at chess, or ignoring her husband and son to perfect her Stardew Valley farm. You can find her on Instagram at @laurasteven and TikTok at @authorlaurasteven.

Quotes

"Vividly beautiful and brilliantly transcendent... Laura Steven's imagination is endless."
 – Amélie Wen Zhao, *New York Times* bestselling author of the *Song of the Last Kingdom* duology

"Impossible to put down." V.E. Schwab, internationally bestselling author of *The Invisible Life of Addie La Rue*

"Romantic, gorgeous, and so breathtakingly clever it hurts... I've never been so happy to have my heart shattered." - Rebecca Mix, *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Ones We Burn*

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Needy Little Things

Chanelle Desamours

In this debut speculative YA mystery, a Black teen with premonition-like powers must solve her friend's disappearance before she finds herself in the same danger.

Summary

Sariyah Lee Bryant can hear what people need—tangible things, like a pencil, a hair tie, a phone charger—an ability only her family and her best friend, Malcolm, know the truth about. But when she fulfills a need for her friend Deja who vanishes shortly after, Sariyah is left wondering if her ability is more curse than gift. This isn't the first time one of her friends has landed on the missing persons list, and she's determined not to let her become yet another forgotten Black girl.

Not trusting the police and media to do enough on their own, Sariyah and her friends work together to figure out what led to Deja's disappearance. But when Sariyah's mother loses her job and her little brother faces complications with his sickle cell disease, managing her time, money, and emotions seems impossible. Desperate, Sariyah decides to hustle her need-sensing ability for cash—a choice that may not only lead her to Deja, but put her in the same danger Deja found herself in.

Contributor Bio

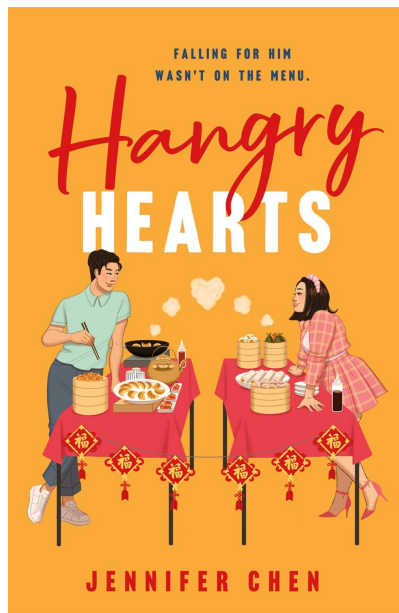
CHANNELLE DESAMOURS is a high school science teacher from Atlanta, Georgia who loves writing tales about magical Black girls. When she's not napping to recover from her five a.m. writing sessions, she can be found building tiny homes on The Sims 4 or tending to her house plants. *Needy Little Things* is her debut novel.

Quotes

"Engrossing and original, with a twist to leave you gobsmacked. Chanelle Desamours is an exciting new voice on the thriller scene." — Jessica Goodman, *NYT* bestselling author of *The Legacies* and *The Counselors*

"A propulsive mystery with well-rounded characters, immersive prose, and more than a few tricks up its sleeve. I couldn't put it down." - Ryan Douglass, *NYT* bestselling author of *The Taking of Jake Livingston*

"An unputdownable mystery. . . *Needy Little Things* is a triumphant debut." —Jessica Lewis, author of *Bad Witch Burning*



Hangry Hearts

Jennifer Chen

Love, family, and food collide in this sparkling *Romeo and Juliet*-inspired romance.

Summary

Julie Wu and Randall Hur used to be best friends. Now they only see each other on Saturdays at the Pasadena Farmers Market where their once close families are long-standing rivals.

When Julie and Randall are paired with ultra-rich London Kim for a community-service school project, they are forced to work together for the first time in years. It quickly becomes obvious that London has a major crush on Julie. But Julie can't stop thinking about Randall. And Randall can't stop thinking about how London is thinking about Julie. Soon, prompted by a little jealousy and years of missing each other, school project meetings turn into pseudo dates at their favorite Taiwanese breakfast shop and then secret kisses at the beach—far from the watchful eyes of their families.

Just as they're finally feeling brave enough to tell their grandmas, the two matriarchs rehash their old fight and Julie and Randall get caught in the middle and Julie's brother finds out they are dating. Their families are heartbroken.

But it's the Year of the Dragon, an auspicious time to resolve disagreements and start anew, and Randall isn't going down without fighting for what—and who—they love. Could the Lunar New Year provide not only a second chance for Randall and Julie, but for their families as well?

Jennifer Chen's *Hangry Hearts* is a funny, big-hearted romance about friendship, family, and first love—and being brave enough to have it all.

Contributor Bio

JENNIFER CHEN is a freelance journalist who has written for *Today*, *New York Times*, *Oprah Daily*, *Real Simple*, and *Self*. Jennifer has a MFA and BFA in dramatic writing from New York University's Tisch School of the Arts. She is a proud volunteer for WriteGirl, a creative writing and mentoring organization. She lives in Los Angeles with her TV writer husband, twins, two pugs, and a cat named Gremlin. *Artifacts of An Ex* is her first novel.

Quotes

Praise for *Artifacts of an Ex*:

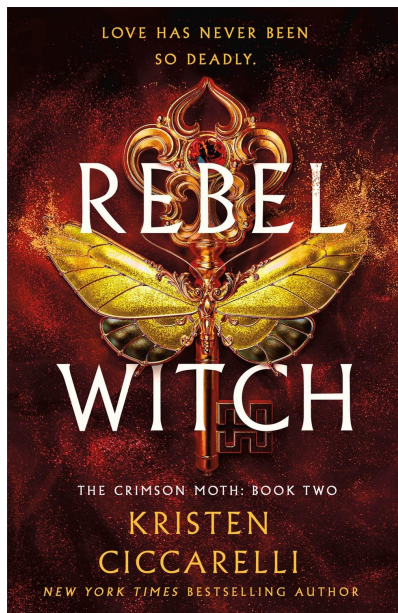
"[A] jubilant debut... Richly detailed prose makes for an amorous atmosphere, while Chloe's artistic eye and determined, optimistic first-person POV renders a vivid world in this lighthearted romance." - *Publishers Weekly*

"Equal parts romance and tribute to Los Angeles, this charming debut combines a strong sense of place and community with well-developed supporting characters, a lovely intergenerational family, and a just-kiss-already love story...A n endearing exploration of loss, love, and the transformative nature of art." - *Kirkus*

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Rebel Witch

The Crimson Moth: Book 2

Kristen Ciccarelli

The stakes are even higher in this epic, romantic conclusion to the *New York Times* bestselling *Crimson Moth* duology.

Summary

A WITCH...

Rune Winters is on the run. Ever since the boy she loved, Gideon Sharpe, revealed who she was and delivered her into enemy hands, everyone wants her dead. If Rune hopes to survive, she must ally herself with the cruel and dangerous Cressida Roseblood, who's planning to take back the Republic and reinstate a Reign of Witches—something Cressida needs Rune to accomplish.

A WITCH HUNTER...

Apparently it wasn't enough for Rune to deceive Gideon; she's now betrayed him by allying herself with the witch who made his life a living hell. Gideon won't allow the Republic to fall to the witches and be plunged back into the nightmares of the past. In order to protect this new world he fought for, every last witch must die—especially Rune Winters.

AN IMPOSSIBLE CHOICE...

When Rune makes Gideon an offer he can't refuse, the two must pair up to accomplish dangerous goals. The more they're forced into each other's company, the more Gideon realizes the feelings he had for Rune aren't as dead and buried as he thought. Now he's faced with a terrible choice: sacrifice the girl he loves to stop a monster taking back power, or let Rune live and watch the world he fought so hard for burn.

In Kristen Ciccarelli's *Rebel Witch*, the exciting conclusion to The Crimson Moth duology, love has never been so deadly.

Contributor Bio

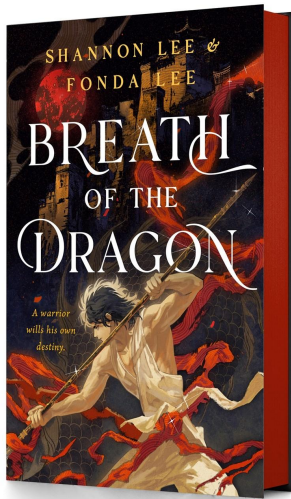
KRISTEN CICCARELLI grew up on a grape farm, dropped out of college, and worked various jobs before becoming an author. Some of her previous trades included: baker, potter, L'Arche assistant, and community bread oven coordinator. Kristen lives in Canada's Niagara Peninsula with her husband and their book-obsessed toddler. She is the *New York Times* bestselling author of *Heartless Hunter*, *Edgewood* and the Iskari series.

Quotes

Praise for *Heartless Hunter*:

"Enchanting and deeply romantic, *Heartless Hunter* drew me in with the first sentence and left me breathless by the last. A story that unfolds like a spell, and one that is destined to capture your heart." - Rebecca Ross, #1 *New York Times* bestselling author of *Divine Rivals* and *Ruthless Vows*

"A steamy game of cat and mouse between witch and witch-hunter, played out against a backdrop of opulence, secrets, and bloody history. I couldn't look away." - Kendare Blake, #1 *New York Times* bestselling author of *Champion of Fate*



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Breath of the Dragon

Breathmarked

Fonda Lee, Shannon Lee

A young warrior dreams of proving his worth in the elite Guardian Tournament, fighting not only for himself but the fate of everything he loves in the first novel in a sweeping YA fantasy duology based on characters and teachings created by Bruce Lee!

Summary

Sixteen-year-old Jun dreams of proving his worth as a warrior in the elite Guardian's Tournament, held every six years to entrust the magical Scroll of Heaven to a new protector. Eager to prove his skills, Jun hopes that a win will restore his father's pride—righting a horrible mistake that caused their banishment from his home, mother, and twin brother.

But Jun's father strictly forbids him from participating. He believes there is no future in Jun honing his skills as a warrior, especially considering Jun is not breathmarked, born with a patch of dragon scales and blessed with special abilities like his twin.

Determined to be the next Guardian, Jun stows away in the wagon of Chang and his daughter, Ren, performers on their way to the capital where the tournament will take place.

As Jun competes, he quickly realizes he may be fighting for not just a better life, but the fate of the country itself and the very survival of everyone he cares about.

Contributor Bio

As the steward of her father's legacy, **SHANNON LEE** serves as the CEO of the Bruce Lee Family Companies and the chairperson of the Bruce Lee Foundation. Her mission is to provide access to her father's philosophy and life through education and entertainment. She is the author of *Be Water, My Friend: The Teachings of Bruce Lee*. An in-demand speaker, she has spoken at TED, TEDx, and CreativeMornings, among others. Shannon is the cocreator and host of the *Bruce Lee Podcast*, which has more than four million downloads, and the Executive Producer of Max's *Warrior* series based on a treatment written by Bruce Lee.

FONDA LEE is one of fantasy and science fiction's current leading voices. She is best known for the epic fantasy Green Bone Saga, consisting of *Jade City*, *Jade War*, and *Jade Legacy*. The Green Bone Saga won the World Fantasy Award and the Locus Award, was a finalist for the Nebula Award and the Hugo Award, has been translated into over a dozen languages, optioned for television development, and listed as one of the Top 100 Fantasy Books of All Time by *Time* magazine. Lee is a former corporate strategist and black belt martial artist who appears at science fiction and comic book conventions as a frequent guest panelist and speaker.

Quotes

"Infused with the vital essence of Bruce Lee's intellect, martial arts prowess, and philosophical depth, it's a captivating journey that transcends the ordinary—a master class in storytelling. I loved it and cannot wait for the next book!" —Jamie Ford, *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Many Daughters of Afong Moy*

"*Breath of the Dragon* is fantastic cinematic mayhem lovingly molded in a deadly martial world." - Wesley Chu, #1 *New York Times* bestseller



The Wildest Things

A Novel

Andrea Hannah

In this sapphic *Snow White* retelling, if Snow is to save her kingdom from being ravaged by the Blight, she'll have to kill the Evil Queen's daughter...if she doesn't fall in love with her first.

Summary

When her glass coffin unexpectedly shatters, Snow White awakens to anything but a dream. The land is rotting. The animals have mutated. In the twenty years that have passed since Snow bit into the poisoned apple, the kingdom of Roanfrost has transformed from a luscious wild land to a blight-ravaged nightmare. In search of answers and a way to restore her kingdom to its former glory, Snow sets out on a dangerous journey that will test the strength she never knew she had.

Friends will become foes.

New alliances will form.

The Queen with the blood red lips will stop at nothing to seize her power as well as her heart.

If Snow has any chance to survive and restore not only her kingdom, but all of Garedenne, her only option is to become the Seasonkeeper and access the life-giving magic that will heal the plague. But the path to becoming the Seasonkeeper is more treacherous than she could ever imagine—because the wild things have awakened and Snow's darker impulses yearn to set them free.

Contributor Bio

Andrea Hannah is the author of several novels for young adults. She teaches creatives all over the globe and writes everything from fierce modern fairytales to the horoscopes (she's a Gemini). Her work has appeared in *Bustle*, *Elite Daily Thrive Global*, *HuffPost*, *Mslexia Magazine*, and more.

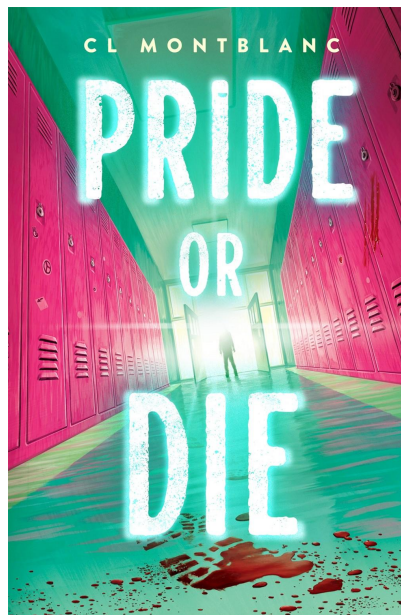
Quotes

"Andrea Hannah pays homage to the escapist magic of the original tale, while simultaneously taking a knife to its flaws. This is the retelling I've been hungering for." - Rebecca Mix, *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Ones We Burn*

"A sweeping fairytale with an ecofeminist twist. *The Wildest Things* will transport you to a world both grotesque and beautiful, full of wild magic and lionhearted girls. This one's for the recovering people pleasers." — Allison Saft, *New York Times* bestselling author of *A Fragile Enchantment*

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Pride or Die

A Novel

CL Montblanc

In this delightful dark comedy debut, when the members of an LGBTQ+ club find themselves accidentally framed for attempted murder, it's up to them to clear their names before it's too late.

Summary

It's kind of hard to graduate high school when you're the prime suspect in an attempted murder.

Seventeen-year-old Eleanora Finkel just wants to finish her senior year and get the hell out of Texas. But when her club meeting inconveniently coincides with an attack on the school's head cheerleader, she and her friends find themselves in the hot seat.

In order to clear their names and ensure the survival of their club for future queer teens, they'll have to track down the real culprit themselves. But Eleanora is far from a professional detective; she's riddled with anxiety, annoyingly attracted to the case's cute victim, and her trusty crochet hook feels insufficient for fighting off a murderer. Can this ragtag group of unlikely sleuths find their way out of an entire freaking murder mystery before one of them is next?

Contributor Bio

CL MONTBLANC is a writer, producer, and escape room enthusiast. They hold a BFA in film, only because "hunting for buried treasure" was not considered a viable career path. Despite hailing from Texas, CL is intimidated by both horses and very large hats. *Pride or Die* is their debut novel.

Quotes

"Timely, heartfelt, and laugh-out-loud hilarious...CL Montblanc is one to watch." –Kayla Cottingham, author of *This Delicious Death*

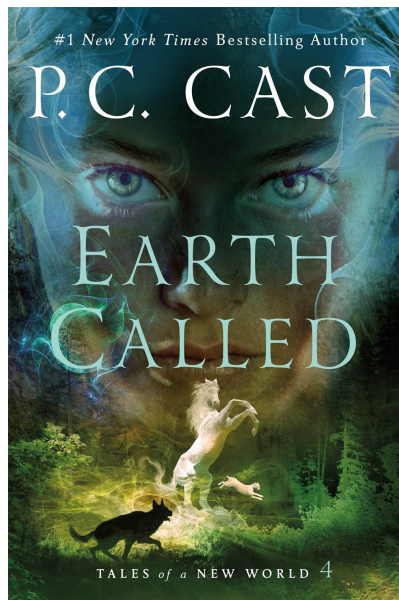
"A masterful genre blend." –Justine Pucella Winans, author of *Bianca Torre is Afraid of Everything*

"The funniest debut of the year. Exceptionally timely, and the most lovable, chaotic cast." –Page Powars, author of *The Borrow a Boyfriend Club*

"Equal parts hilarious and heartfelt...the most fun you'll ever have reading about attempted murder!" –Elle Gonzalez Rose, author of *10 Things I Hate About Prom*

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Earth Called

Tales of a New World

P. C. Cast

In this last installment of the *Tales of a New World* series, love and goodness are put to the ultimate test as gods, humans, and animals come together to save everything they hold dear.

Summary

Mari, Nik, their newly formed Pack and the Wind Riders are in danger as Thaddeus and the God of Death march ever closer in their quest to destroy and conquer everything and anyone who stands in their path.

The Pack and the Wind Riders must find a way to stop the God of Death before all is lost.

There is one hope: Ralina, Death's Storyteller. The woman meant to be by his side, recording all his feats of greatness. Instead Ralina's heeds the call of the Goddess of Life, the only one who can defeat Death and escapes to warn the Pack and the Wind Riders.

Contributor Bio

#1 *New York Times* & #1 *USA Today* bestselling author **P.C. CAST** was born in the Midwest, and, after her tour in the USAF, she taught high school for 15 years before retiring to write full time. PC is a member of the Oklahoma Writers Hall of Fame. Her novels have been awarded the prestigious: Oklahoma Book Award, YALSA Quick Pick for Reluctant Readers, Romantic Times Reviewers' Choice Award, Booksellers' Best, and many, many more. Ms. Cast is an experienced teacher and talented speaker who lives in Oregon near her fabulous daughter, her adorable pack of dogs, her crazy Maine Coon, and a bunch of horses.

Quotes

"...Series fans will be happy to read this entry and hang on for more." – **Booklist on *Wind Rider***

"While many fantasy series style themselves as epic, this one may actually be worthy of the description. Fantasy lovers who are fans of Cinda Williams Chima's "Seven Realms" novels will fall in love with Mari and Nik." – **School Library Journal**

"Cast's fans should find much to be pleased with in this new venture" – **Kirkus**

"...engaging characters and a fast-paced narrative" – **Publishers Weekly**



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The Deathly Grimm

Kathryn Purdie

The spellbinding sequel to Kathryn Purdie's bestselling dark fairytale, where our main characters must return to the forest...and its monsters.

Summary

The story hasn't ended yet.

After surviving *The Forest Grimm* and defeating the Wolf, Clara and Axel have made it back to their village. For now, they're safe behind the forest's borders.

But when the forest begins luring in villagers even from outside its borders, it's clear Clara and Axel have only treated the symptoms of the forest's curse, not the cause--and it's getting worse. Burdened with visions of the future and learning to navigate her new relationship with Axel, Clara finds herself entering the forest with Axel yet again to discover the truth once and for all: the identity of the murderer whose crime started the curse. If they don't survive the dark, deadly twists of the forest once more, not only will they never escape, they may not have somewhere to escape to.

Contributor Bio

KATHRYN PURDIE is the #1 *New York Times* bestselling author of the *Burning Glass* series and the *Bone Crier's Moon* duology. Trained in classical acting, she studied in England and met her husband when they were cast opposite each other in a Shakespeare play. They now live in Utah with their children and a tiny dog. Kathryn also writes songs on her guitar for each of her stories and shares them on her website. *The Forest Grimm* pays homage to her lifelong obsession with fairy tales and folklore.

Quotes

Praise for *The Forest Grimm*:

"[A] sumptuous tale of love and survival in this beguiling journey." - *Publishers Weekly*

"[A] twisty yet enchanting romantasy." - *School Library Journal*

"With an immersive world and rich magic, Kathryn Purdie has written a story that will change everything you thought you knew about fairy tales. Prepare to enter the Forest Grimm—and never leave." —Tricia Levenseller, *New York Times* bestselling author of *Blade of Secrets*

"Kathryn Purdie has written a luminous fairytale, sharp as teeth and full of heart. I devoured every word of this magical tale." —Rebecca Ross, #1 *New York Times* bestselling author of *Divine Rivals*



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The Romantic Tragedies of a Drama King

Harry Trelaldwyn

***Heartstopper* meets *Derry Girls* in this wonderfully hilarious rom-com about finding your first love when your personality might be too big for the world around you.**

Summary

Patch Simmons has decided that this is the year he will get a boyfriend, so it's goodbye to his French pen-pal Jean-Pierre and hello to the world!

Unfortunately, the only other "out" boys in his school year are dating each other, so finding a boyfriend isn't going to be easy... Until fate *finally* intervenes and two new mysterious boys join drama club: Peter, who's just moved from New York (very chic) and his best friend, Sam.

Patch is confident that one of them (although either of them will do!) will be his first boyfriend. So armed with his single mum's outdated self-help books, his over-supportive best friend Jean and an alarming level of self-confidence, Patch is confident that this mission will be a complete success. Whether or not they actually like boys *or* him is a problem for later.

The Romantic Tragedies of a Drama King is a heartfelt, laugh-out-loud comedy from rising star Harry Trelaldwyn, a story about boldly being yourself, going for what you want, but never losing sight of who truly has your back.

Contributor Bio

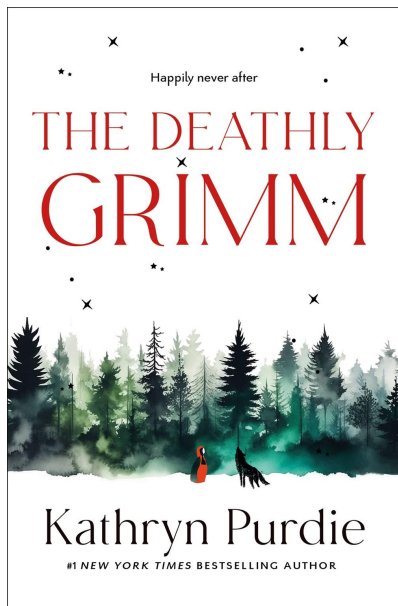
HARRY TREVALDWYN is an author, screenwriter, actor and comedian who has been listed as a Screen International Star of Tomorrow. Initially rising to fame through writing and starring in his own online skits, Harry has since been nominated for Best Debut Writer at the New Voice Awards 2023. *The Romantic Tragedies of a Drama King* is Harry's first novel.

Quotes

Praise for Harry:

"Trelaldwyn's sketches are the best thing on the internet."—*Time Out*

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The Deathly Grimm

Kathryn Purdie

In this spellbinding sequel to Kathryn Purdie's bestselling dark fairy tale, Clara and Axel must return to the forest—and its monsters—if they have any hope of finally breaking the curse on their village.

Summary

Emerging from the shadows of the *Forest Grimm*, Clara and Axel return to their village, the one place they can be safe behind the forest's border. But when the woods begin luring villagers into the forest, it becomes clear that the darkness they battled was merely a whisper of the true horror lurking there.

Burdened by unsettling visions and bound by a love as perilous as the cursed woods that call to them, Clara and Axel must once again enter the forest to unearth the sinister secret at its heart. As they fight murderous woodsmen wielding riddles sharp as blades, spectral maidens who threaten to drag them into an eternal dance, and phantoms able to use the very essence of the forest against them, Clara and Axel realize the stakes are higher than ever. If they can't break the curse once and for all, they may not have a home to return to...

Contributor Bio

KATHRYN PURDIE is the #1 *New York Times* bestselling author of the *Burning Glass* series, the *Bone Crier's Moon* duology, and the *Forest Grimm* duology. She lives near Salt Lake City, Utah, with her husband and three children. Kathryn is a trained classical actress who studied at the Oxford School of Drama. She also writes songs on her guitar for each of her stories and shares them on her website.

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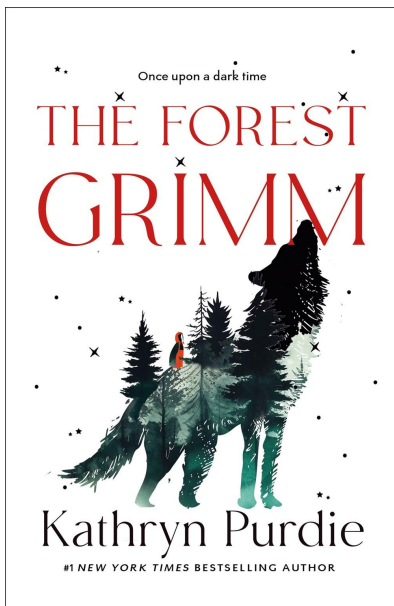
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The paperback edition of #1 *New York Times* bestselling author Kathryn Purdie's spellbinding YA romantasy, where fairy tales come to life with dark, deadly twists.

Summary

The Midnight Forest. The Fanged Creature. Two fortune-telling cards that spell an untimely death for 17-year-old Clara. Despite the ever-present warning from her fortune-teller grandmother, Clara embarks on a dangerous journey into the deadly Forest Grimm to procure a magical book—*Sortes Fortunae*, the Book of Fortunes—with the power to reverse the curse on her village and save her mother.

Years ago, when the villagers whispered their deepest desires to the book, its pages revealed how to obtain them. All was well until someone used the book for an evil purpose—to kill another person. Afterward, the branches of the Forest Grimm snatched the book away, the well water in Grimm's Hollow turned rancid, and the crops died from disease. The villagers tried to make amends with the forest, but every time someone crossed its border, they never returned.

Now, left with no alternative, Clara and her close friend, Axel—who is fated never to be with her—have set their minds to defying fate and daring to accomplish what no one else has been able to before. But the forest—alive with dark, deadly twists on some of our most well-known fairy tales—has a mind of its own.

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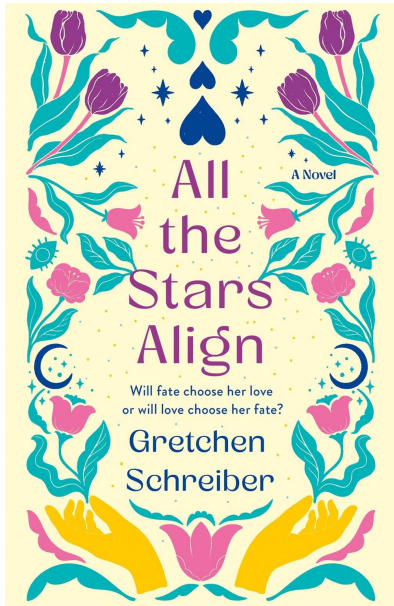
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All the Stars Align

Gretchen Schreiber

***All the Stars Align* is the magical love story that is Taylor Swift's Enchanted meets Cyrano, from the author of *Ellie Haycock is Totally Normal*.**

Summary

All the women in Piper's family know their true love at first sight, complete with butterflies, heart eyes, and a gut instinct. The kind of fated love that lasts forever. Piper grew up with her ancestors' epic love stories repeated like fairy tales, and yearns for the day she'll start her own. Already singled out in her family due to her physical disability, Piper collects a second strike against her when her parents announce their divorce, which convinces her family that she's doomed.

When she finally finds her true love at a party, she's more determined than ever to attain her love story and earn a spot in her family. But after completely botching their first meeting, she realizes that she'll need help from her best friend Leo, who is sort of a love expert. The catch—he and Piper haven't talked in six months, since he needed a "break" from their friendship.

To win over the love of her life and a place in her family, Piper must convince Leo to teach her his ways. And it's all going as planned...until Leo confesses his own love for Piper. Now, she must decide: will fate choose her love, or will love choose her fate?

Contributor Bio

GRETCHEN SCHREIBER grew up between the hills of Kansas and the hospitals of Minnesota, but now calls the hills of Los Angeles home. After getting her MFA from USC School of Cinematic Arts, she works as a professional bookworm for Hello Sunshine, Reese Witherspoon's media company. She is always down to run away to Disneyland or a bookstore.

Quotes

Praise for *Ellie Haycock is Totally Normal*

"Told with sparkling wit and endless charm. I fell in love with Ellie Haycock! I think you will too." - Reese Witherspoon

"Gretchen Schreiber's writing is honest, raw, and funny... Ellie is the coming-of-age story everyone should read." - Kristin Dwyer, author of *Some Mistakes Were Made*

"Featuring a cast of characters you can't help but fall in love with, *Ellie Haycock is Totally Normal* is whip-smart, sharply funny, and deeply poignant." - Kara McDowell, author of *The Prince & the Apocalypse*



Where Shadows Meet

A Novel

Patrice Caldwell

The dark and thrillingly romantic debut vampire fantasy that questions what it truly means to sacrifice for love.

Summary

You have no idea what I've done for love. Just as you have no idea what you may one day do.

Once long ago, a girl named Favre sacrificed her wings for love. Thana, the young goddess she so willingly gave them up for, sacrificed that same love for power. But everything has a cost.

Favre never got over the loss of her wings. And Thana's choices led to a life of eternal night, and later, their destruction. Favre has bided her time ever since, waiting for the chance to resurrect the girl she loves who turned her into the creature she hates.

Now, a thousand years later, Leyla, the crown princess of the malichora—an ancient race that survives on human blood—must travel to the Island of the Dead when her best friend is captured during an attack on her nation's capital. Along with Najja, a fierce, beautiful seer, and the last person she expected to help her, Leyla forges down a dangerous path, intent on saving her friend. But nothing is as it seems. The closer she gets to her goal, the more she risks awakening an ancient evil and destroying everything she holds dear.

Set in the aftermath of a war between vampires, humans, and the gods that created them, Patrice Caldwell's devastatingly romantic fantasy debut, *Where Shadows Meet*, centers the heart-wrenching pain of loss and the struggle of self-discovery to ask: do we choose our fates, or do our fates choose us?

Contributor Bio

PATRICE CALDWELL is a former children's book editor turned literary agent and author. She has been named to Forbes' "30 Under 30", a Publishers Weekly Star Watch honoree, and featured on Bustle's inaugural "Lit List" as one of ten women changing the book world. Patrice is also the editor of *A Phoenix First Must Burn*, *16 stories of Black Girl Magic*, *Resistance*, and *Hope* and *Eternally Yours*. After years living in New York City, she moved to Dallas, Texas (with her two adorable cats). Visit Patrice at patricecaldwell.com and [@pncaldwell](https://twitter.com/pncaldwell).

Quotes

"Simultaneously epic and intricate, *Where Shadows Meet* is a stunning meditation on the nature of stories, fate, and complicated love." - Sara Holland, *New York Times* bestselling author of *Everless*, *Evermore*, *Havenfall*, and *Phoenix Flame*

"With her lush and vivid storytelling, Patrice Caldwell has created a tangled world of fallen gods and vicious monsters, family and friendship, and courage and duty, that will suck you in and transport you to another place." - Nisha J. Tuli, bestselling author of *Trial of the Sun Queen*

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Hangry Hearts

Jennifer Chen

Love, family, and food collide in this sparkling *Romeo and Juliet*-inspired romance.

Summary

Julie Wu and Randall Hur used to be best friends. Now they only see each other on Saturdays at the Pasadena Farmers Market where their once close families are long-standing rivals.

When Julie and Randall are paired with ultra-rich London Kim for a community-service school project, they are forced to work together for the first time in years. It quickly becomes obvious that London has a major crush on Julie. But Julie can't stop thinking about Randall. And Randall can't stop thinking about how London is thinking about Julie. Soon, prompted by a little jealousy and years of missing each other, school project meetings turn into pseudo dates at their favorite Taiwanese breakfast shop and then secret kisses at the beach—far from the watchful eyes of their families.

Just as they're finally feeling brave enough to tell their grandmas, the two matriarchs rehash their old fight and Julie and Randall get caught in the middle and Julie's brother finds out they are dating. Their families are heartbroken.

But it's the Year of the Dragon, an auspicious time to resolve disagreements and start anew, and Randall isn't going down without fighting for what—and who—they love. Could the Lunar New Year provide not only a second chance for Randall and Julie, but for their families as well?

Jennifer Chen's *Hangry Hearts* is a funny, big-hearted romance about friendship, family, and first love—and being brave enough to have it all.

Contributor Bio

JENNIFER CHEN is a freelance journalist who has written for *Today*, *New York Times*, *Oprah Daily*, *Real Simple*, and *Self*. Jennifer has a MFA and BFA in dramatic writing from New York University's Tisch School of the Arts. She is a proud volunteer for WriteGirl, a creative writing and mentoring organization. She lives in Los Angeles with her TV writer husband, twins, two pugs, and a cat named Gremlin. She is the author of *Artifacts of An Ex* and *Hangry Hearts*.

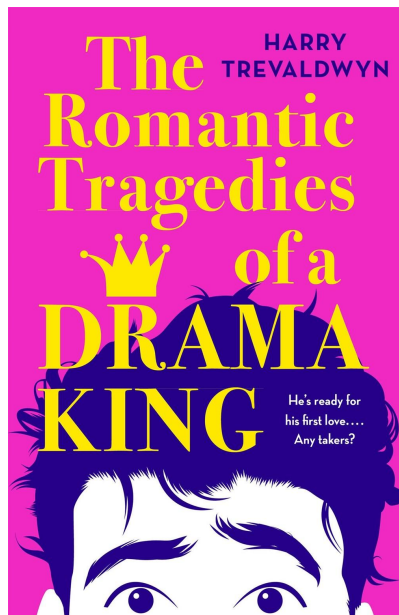
Quotes

"While those hungry for a new take on the enemies-to-lovers trope will be more than satisfied with *Hangry Heart's* main courses of witty banter and swoony romance, its heartfelt side dishes of family, identity, community, and forgiveness, will leave readers craving whatever Jennifer Chen serves up next." - Jessica Parra, author of *Rubi Ramos's Recipe For Success* and *The Quince Project*

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The Romantic Tragedies of a Drama King

Harry Trelaldwyn

***Heartstopper* meets *Derry Girls* in this wonderfully hilarious rom-com about finding your first love when your personality might be too big for the world around you.**

Summary

Patch Simmons has decided that this is the year he will get a boyfriend, so it's goodbye to his French pen-pal Jean-Pierre and hello to the world!

Unfortunately, the only other "out" boys in his school year are dating each other, so finding a boyfriend isn't going to be easy... Until fate *finally* intervenes and two new mysterious boys join drama club: Peter, who's just moved from New York (very chic) and his best friend, Sam.

Patch is confident that one of them (although either of them will do!) will be his first boyfriend. So armed with his single mum's outdated self-help books, his over-supportive best friend Jean and an alarming level of self-confidence, Patch is confident that this mission will be a complete success. Whether or not they actually like boys *or* him is a problem for later.

The Romantic Tragedies of a Drama King is a heartfelt, laugh-out-loud comedy from rising star Harry Trelaldwyn, a story about boldly being yourself, going for what you want, but never losing sight of who truly has your back.

Contributor Bio

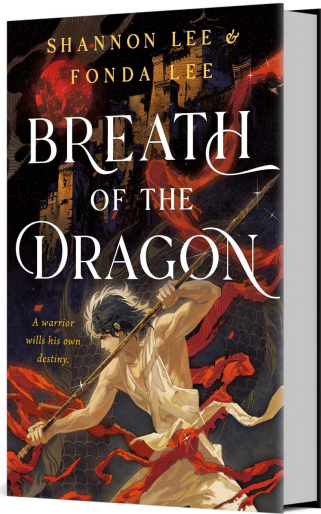
HARRY TREVALDWYN is an author, screenwriter, actor and comedian who has been listed as a Screen International Star of Tomorrow. Initially rising to fame through writing and starring in his own online skits, Harry has since been nominated for Best Debut Writer at the New Voice Awards 2023. *The Romantic Tragedies of a Drama King* is Harry's first novel.

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Breath of the Dragon

Breathmarked

Fonda Lee, Shannon Lee

A young warrior dreams of proving his worth in the elite Guardian Tournament, fighting not only for himself but the fate of everything he loves in the first novel in a sweeping YA fantasy duology based on characters and teachings created by Bruce Lee!

Summary

Sixteen-year-old Jun dreams of proving his worth as a warrior in the elite Guardian's Tournament, held every six years to entrust the magical Scroll of Heaven to a new protector. Eager to prove his skills, Jun hopes that a win will restore his father's pride—righting a horrible mistake that caused their banishment from his home, mother, and twin brother.

But Jun's father strictly forbids him from participating. He believes there is no future in Jun honing his skills as a warrior, especially considering Jun is not breathmarked, born with a patch of dragon scales and blessed with special abilities like his twin.

Determined to be the next Guardian, Jun stows away in the wagon of Chang and his daughter, Ren, performers on their way to the capital where the tournament will take place.

As Jun competes, he quickly realizes he may be fighting for not just a better life, but the fate of the country itself and the very survival of everyone he cares about.

Contributor Bio

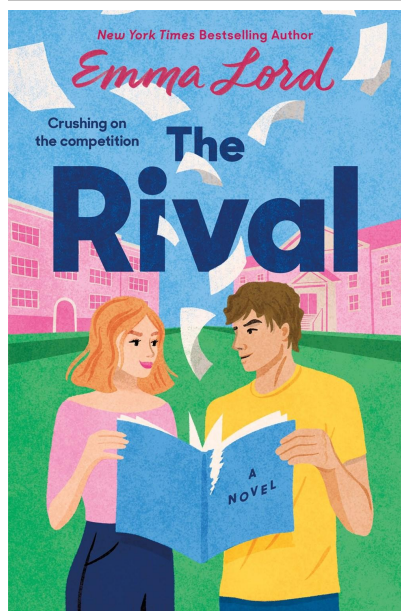
As the steward of her father's legacy, **SHANNON LEE** serves as the CEO of the Bruce Lee Family Companies and the chairperson of the Bruce Lee Foundation. Her mission is to provide access to her father's philosophy and life through education and entertainment. She is the author of *Be Water, My Friend: The Teachings of Bruce Lee*. An in-demand speaker, she has spoken at TED, TEDx, and CreativeMornings, among others. Shannon is the cocreator and host of the *Bruce Lee Podcast*, which has more than four million downloads, and the Executive Producer of Max's *Warrior* series based on a treatment written by Bruce Lee.

FONDA LEE is one of fantasy and science fiction's current leading voices. She is best known for the epic fantasy Green Bone Saga, consisting of *Jade City*, *Jade War*, and *Jade Legacy*. The Green Bone Saga won the World Fantasy Award and the Locus Award, was a finalist for the Nebula Award and the Hugo Award, has been translated into over a dozen languages, optioned for television development, and listed as one of the Top 100 Fantasy Books of All Time by *Time* magazine. Lee is a former corporate strategist and black belt martial artist who appears at science fiction and comic book conventions as a frequent guest panelist and speaker.

Quotes

"Infused with the vital essence of Bruce Lee's intellect, martial arts prowess, and philosophical depth, it's a captivating journey that transcends the ordinary—a master class in storytelling. I loved it and cannot wait for the next book!" —Jamie Ford, *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Many Daughters of Afong Moy*

"*Breath of the Dragon* is fantastic cinematic mayhem lovingly molded in a deadly martial world." - Wesley Chu, #1 *New York Times* bestseller



The Rival

A Novel

Emma Lord

Brimming with Emma Lord's signature wit, *The Rival* is a flirty and fun coming-of-age story of rivals-to-lovers meets *Never Have I Ever*.

Summary

Crushing on the competition.

At long last, Sadie has vanquished her lifelong academic rival — her irritatingly charming, whip smart next door neighbor, Seb — by getting the coveted, only spot to her dream college. Or at least, so she thinks. When Seb is unexpectedly pulled off the waitlist and admitted, Sadie has to compete with him all over again, this time to get a spot on the school's famous zine. Now not only is she dealing with the mayhem of the lovable, chaotic family she hid her writing talents from, as well as her own self doubt, but she has to come to terms with some less-than-resentful feelings for Seb that are popping up along the way.

But the longer they compete, the more Sadie and Seb notice flaws in the school's system that are much bigger than any competition between them. Somehow the two of them have to band together even as they're trying to crush each other, only to discover they may have met their match in more ways than one.

Contributor Bio

EMMA LORD is a digital media editor and writer living in New York City, where she spends whatever time she isn't writing either running or belting show tunes in community theater. She graduated from the University of Virginia with a major in psychology and a minor in how to tilt your computer screen so nobody will notice you updating your fan fiction from the back row. She was raised on glitter, a whole lot of love, and copious amounts of grilled cheese.

Quotes

"If you haven't read a novel by Emma Lord before, you've been missing out on something spectacular." - *Paste*

Praise for *The Getaway List*:

"Emma Lord is a rom-com goddess." - *In Between Drafts*

"Emma Lord knows her way around the romcom space." - *B&N Reads*

"Lord (Begin Again) enriches a familiar "bucket list" premise with leaps-off-the-page atmosphere...depictions of family, friend, and romantic relationships are riddled with humor and rambunctious energy in this inspired carpe diem romp through the city of dreams." - *Publishers Weekly* (Starred Review)

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