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# The Swan's Daughter A Possibly Doomed Love Story

Roshani Chokshi

Holly Black meets Juliet Marillier in this romantic fantasy from bestselling author Roshani Chokshi. Two outsiders share a forged desire to become something more to themselves, and to each other.

#### Summary

Prince Arris knows that marriage means murder. Thanks to a poorly worded wish to a sea witch, all one needs to rule the Isle of Malys is the heart and hand in marriage of the kingdom's heir. Historically, this has been construed quite literally.

Thus, Arris expects that the day after his marriage and murder he will wake up as a sentient tree alongside the rest of his predecessors. His only chance at a long life is finding true and lasting love. When Arris's parents announce a tournament of brides to compete for the throne, a slew of eligible, lovely and (possibly murderous) bachelorettes make their way to Rathe Castle. Amidst glittering balls in ozorald caves, strolls through menageries of daydream trees and pearl crocodiles, tea time on glass boats and kisses that leave his head spinning, Arris cannot tell who is here out of love for him...or lust for power.

Until he meets Demelza.

As a veritas swan, Demelza's song wrings out the truth. Forced into hiding, Demelza strikes a deal. Arris will provide her with safekeeping in exchange for her truth-telling song to sort through his potential brides.

While Arris is used to dodging death threats and Demelza is accustomed to fighting for her voice to be heard, to survive the tournament of brides requires a different kind of bravery. And perhaps the bravest thing one can do is not merely protect one's life, but find the courage to chase a life worth living.

#### **Contributor Bio**

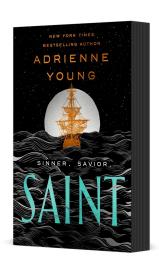
ROSHANI CHOKSHI is the award-winning author of the New York Times bestselling series The Star-Touched Queen, The Gilded Wolves and Aru Shah and The End of Time, which *Time Magazine* named one of the Top 100 Fantasy Books of All Time. Chokshi's adult debut, *The Last Tale of The Flower Bride*, was a #1 Sunday Times bestseller. Her novels have been translated into more than two dozen languages and often draw upon world mythology and folklore. Chokshi is a member of the National Leadership Board for the Michael C. Carlos Museum and lives in Georgia with her family.

#### Quotes

"Skillful writing and intricate world-building make this story a must-read. Within the dazzling setting lies a heartfelt tale of being different, of finding your true voice, and of the value of kindness." —Juliet Marillier, author of the Sevenwaters and Heartwood series

"A book to carve your heart out." —Holly Black, *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Cruel Prince* 

"Lingers like a dream you'll never want to wake from." —Isabel Ibañez, #1 bestselling author of the Secrets of the Nile duology



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### Saint

A Novel

Adrienne Young

A luxe and gorgeous paperback edition of *Saint* featuring stained edges, bonus content, foil on the cover and a new package!

#### **Summary**

New York Times bestselling author Adrienne Young's captivating standalone in the world of The Narrows is now in paperback!

As a boy, Elias learned the hard way what happens when you don't head the old tales.

Nine years after his lack of superstition got his father killed, he's grown into a young man of piety, with a deep reverence for the hallowed sea and her fickle favor. As stories of the fisherman's son who has managed to escape the most deadly of storms spreads from port to port, his devotion to the myths and creeds has given him the reputation of the luckiest bastard to sail the Narrows.

Now, he's mere days away from getting everything his father ever dreamed for him: a ship of his own, a crew, and a license that names him as one of the first Narrows-born traders. But when a young dredger from the Unnamed Sea with more than one secret crosses his path, Elias' faith will be tested like never before. The greater the pull he feels toward her, the farther he drifts from the things he's spent the last three years working for.

He is dangerously close to repeating his mistakes and he's seen first hand how vicious the jealous sea can be. If he's going to survive her retribution, he will have to decide which he wants more, the love of the girl who could change their shifting world, or the sacred beliefs that earned him the name that he's known for—Saint.

#### **Contributor Bio**

**ADRIENNE YOUNG** is a foodie with a deep love of history and travel and a shameless addiction to coffee. When she's not writing, you can find her on her yoga mat, sipping wine over long dinners or disappearing into her favorite art museums. She lives with her documentary filmmaker husband and their four little wildlings in the Blue Ridge Mountains of North Carolina. She is the author of the *New York Times* bestselling Sky in the Deep duology and the Fable duology.

#### Quotes

Praise for Adrienne Young

"A vividly drawn maritime setting, dramatic sea dives and daring rescues, not one but two formidable villains, and a swoony romance make this a treat for seafarers and landlubbers alike." - **The Bulletin of the Center for Children's Books** 

"A dark maritime fantasy...immersive...and rich in sensory details. For readers who can't get enough of strong female protagonists..." - *Kirkus* 

"...a daring, swashbuckling adventure, complete with—no matter how hard they try to resist—a heaping helping of romance." - **Booklist** 



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#### The Thrashers

#### A Novel

Julie Soto

From bestselling author of *Not Another Love Song* and *Rose in Chains* Julie Soto comes a twisty and addictive thriller that will shock you until its final twist.

#### Summary

Either you're in or you're out.

Welcome to the Thrashers, the elite friend group at New Helvetia High.

They're everything everyone wants to be.

Jodi Dillon was never meant to be one of them. Julian, Lucy, Paige, and the infamous Zack Thrasher are rich, sophisticated, and love attention. Jodi feels out of place, but Zack's her childhood best friend, so she's in.

Then Emily Mills, who desperately wanted to be a Thrasher, dies—and the whispers about the Thrashers begin. As Emily's journal surfaces, detectives close in, and Jodi faces an impossible choice: betray her friends or protect herself.

But as eerie messages and strange occurrences escalate, it becomes clear—Emily isn't done with them yet.

A twisty thrill-ride of unforgettable drama and suspense that "encapsulates the vulnerability of adolescents playing adult games" (Ali Hazelwood) from *USA Today* bestselling author Julie Soto, *The Thrashers* will keep you up at night desperate to read just one more page.

#### **Contributor Bio**

**JULIE SOTO** is a *USA Today* bestselling author, playwright, and actress originally from Sacramento, CA. Her musical *Generation Me* won the 2017 New York Musical Festival's Best Musical award, as well as Best Book for her script. She is a musical theater geek, fandom nerd, and the author of many spicy fan fictions. Julie now lives in Fort Bragg, CA, with her dog, Charlie. She is probably drinking coffee as you read this.

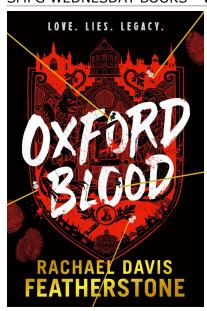
#### **Quotes**

"A haunting page-turner that smartly explores the complexities of teenage relationships and feelings of self-worth." - *Kirkus* (Starred Review)

"A deeply important book by my favorite writer. Julie Soto is a master at characterization." - Ali Hazelwood

"A tour-de-force YA debut... An unsettling, pulse-pounding page-turner " - Alexa Donne, author of *The Ivies, Pretty Dead Queens*, and *The Bitter End* 

"One of the best books I've read this year." - Evelyn Skye, *New York Times* Bestselling author of *Damsel* 



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## **Oxford Blood**

Rachael Davis-Featherstone

The first in a series of compelling and skillful dark academic thrillers from a brilliant new voice in YA fiction.

#### Summary

Love, Lies, Legacy...

Eva has one dream: to study English at Oxford University. Not only will she receive a world-class education – getting into Oxford is a pass to freedom.

But when Eva and her best friend George are invited to interview week, they find themselves in the cutthroat ultra-competitive world of elite academia, and at the center of gossip on anonymous student forum, Oxford Slays. When Eva finds George dead on the steps of a statue in the college, she knows he's been murdered – but all eyes are now on her. Can she clear her name, catch the true killer and win her place at Beecham College?

Eva has one week to prove her innocence, and Oxford Slays will be watching.

Ace of Spades meets The Secret History in this riveting murder mystery thriller, packed with narrative twists and turns, complex and appealing characters and a captivating, authentic setting in its searing examination of the true cost of privilege.

#### **Contributor Bio**

RACHAEL DAVIS-FEATHERSTONE is a mixed-raced, Black-British, multi-award-nominated author of over twenty books, literary agent, and cofounder of Creative Roots Studio. She grew up in a low-income, single-parent family and studied mathematics at Oxford University before receiving a master's in English literature at Surrey University. Her books have been shortlisted for the Waterstones Children's Book Prize and the Inclusive Books for Children Awards, and longlisted for the Diverse Book Awards.



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#### **Dead Fake**

A Bleak Haven Novel

Vincent Ralph

Welcome to Bleak Haven: The town you won't (or can't!) leave...

Deep fake murders have taken over the high school, but what happens when they start to become real?

#### Summary

Would you Swipe to Die?

When the new craze takes over Bleak Haven High, Ava Wilson refuses to join in. As the niece of an infamous murderer, it's the last thing she needs. The mysterious website allows people to view their own 'death' - an AI generated version of their final slashermovie-moments. But, when some of her classmates' deepfakes are replicated in real life. Ava will either catch the killer...or be the next victim.

#### **Contributor Bio**

VINCENT RALPH is the New York Times bestselling author of young adult thrillers 14 Ways to Die, Lock the Doors, Secrets Never Die, and One House Left. He lives in the United Kingdom with his wife, two sons, and two cats.

#### Quotes

"With its pulse-pounding suspense and cinematic twists, Dead Fake is begging to be adapted for the big screen." —April Henry, New York Times bestselling author of When We Go Missing and Girl, Stolen

"At once a brilliant whodunit with the flavour of R.L Stine at its heart, but also a canny meditation on friendship, trauma, and the twisting nature of memory. What a ride!" —Dawn Kurtagich, award-winning author of *The Madness* 

"Slick, inventive, and bloody good fun. Perfect for fans of Scream" —Amy McCaw, author of the Mina and the Undead trilogy

"The perfect slasher for the deepfake era. Twisty, gory, and so much fun!" - Kat Ellis, author of The Devouring Light and Harrow Lake



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# **Night Terror**

**A Bleak Haven Novel** 

Vincent Ralph

Welcome to Bleak Haven: The town you won't (or can't!) leave...

The second nail-biting novel in the Bleak Haven series, in Vincent Ralph's signature, terrifying style!

#### Summary

Who the hell holds up a bookstore? That's what Noah asks when his favorite spot is suddenly targeted by masked attackers.

But these people don't want a ransom. They are searching for Bleak Haven's very own urban legend – The Burning Book.

When something with a thirst for flesh creeps from its pages, Noah must team up with the other hostages and try to escape the mall without turning their town into a bloodbath.

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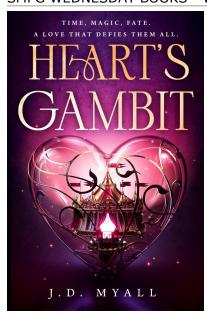
#### Quotes

#### **Praise for the Bleak Haven series:**

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#### **Heart's Gambit**

J.D. Myall

A thrilling and romantic debut fantasy where competitors from two prominent, time-traveling Black families must fight in a deadly magical duel and find themselves falling in love.

#### Summary

The Baldwins and the Davenports have been sworn enemies for centuries. Ever since Venus Davenport and Titus Baldwin, two enslaved kids, fell in love, tried to run away, and got caught by their mistress, Sabine, a powerful witch. Desperate for freedom, they struck a bargain, and she gifted their families the ability to exist outside of time, along with magic to survive and thrive.

Those gifts came at a price.

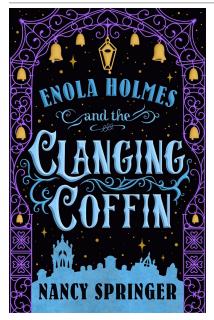
Once a generation, their families must put forth a competitor for a magical duel to the death to feed Sabine's immortality. This time, Emma Baldwin - a wish spinner - and Malcolm Davenport - a maker of illusions - are chosen.

But when they meet to check out the competition, sparks fly. Soon, the two are exchanging letters, having secret meetings, and fighting off their cursed urges to hurt one another, all while trying not to fall in love. And if they are ever going to have a chance to be together, they only have one choice: to put an end to Sabine's curse, once and for all.

J.D. Myall's *Heart's Gambit* is an irresistible journey of dazzling magic, unforgettable first love, and daring to dream of something more.

#### **Contributor Bio**

J.D. MYALL is the co-chair of Drexel University's MFA Alumni Association and host of the 'Craft Chat Chronicles' podcast, where she interviews authors and publishing professionals. Her work has appeared in Ms. Magazine, Writer's Digest, and HuffPost. She is also the author of *Heart's Gambit*. When she's not conjuring magic, murder and mayhem, she mentors writers through workshops at www.jdmyall.com.



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# **Enola Holmes and the Clanging Coffin**

Nancy Springer

Enola Holmes—international bestselling and Netflix streaming sensation—returns when rescuing a young woman pits her against her brother Sherlock's most deadly enemy—Professor Moriarty.

#### **Summary**

In February 1891, London, Enola Holmes—the much younger sister of Sherlock and Mycroft Holmes—is attending the burial of her former landlady when she hears the faint sound of a hand-bellim the graveyard. Investigating further, as is the Holmes' family instinct, she discovers that the bell is attached to the temporary tombstone at a recent gravesite and someone, buried within, is pulling the string to ring the alarm.

Galvanized into action, Enola and her companions successfully unearth the coffin within, freeing a still-living young woman, Trevonia Trairom. Enola, by predilection and by trade a Scientific Perditorian, a finder of lost things, finds herself comforting and protecting this young girl, who remembers very little, including her own identity. While protecting this mysterious girl from an enigmatic enemy, she finds Sherlock engaged in a related mystery and joins him in his battle against the Napoleon of Crime, Professor Moriaty. As that epic conflict rushes towards it's inevitable conclusion, Enola takes her place more fully than ever before as a proud member of the Holmes family.

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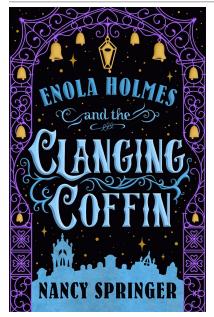
NANCY SPRINGER is the author of the bestselling Enola Holmes novels, which are the basis for the hit Netflix movie series starring Mille Bobby Brown. Nancy is the author of more than 50 other books for children and adults, and has won many awards, including two Edgar Awards, an Anthony Award (for *Enola Holmes and the Mark of the Mongoose*), and an Agatha Award for *Enola Holmes and the Elegant Escapade*. She lives in Florida.

#### Quotes

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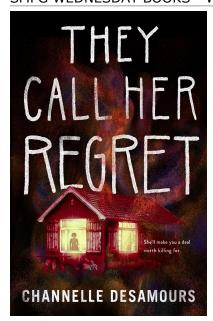
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# **They Call Her Regret**

Channelle Desamours

In this young adult speculative mystery, a teen must find a way to free a cursed witch in order to save her best friend before time runs out.

#### Summary

Every year horror-loving Simone Washington throws an epic Halloween party for her classmates. Party-planning is her favorite escape from the dark secrets in her past, and this year, she's taking things up a notch with an invitation-only event to celebrate her eighteenth birthday—something that will leave the halls of Pinegrove Academy flooded with gossip about the big ghoulish bash. The overnight stay at Doll's Head Lake will be filled with spooky pranks and scary stories told by the fire—including the legend of a local witch named Regret.

But those dark secrets from Simone's past are forced to the surface at the party when her best friend Kira drowns under questionable circumstances. The witch appears and offers Simone a deal: if Simone can figure out how to release Regret from the curse trapping her at the lake within fourteen days, all of Simone's regrets will be erased. If Simone accepts, Kira's life will be immediately restored. But if she fails, Kira will die again—and Simone will be the one to kill her.

#### **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. She is also the author of *Needy Little Things*.

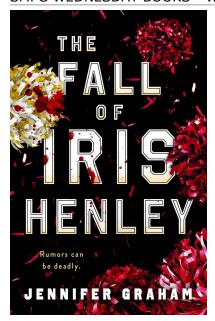
#### Quotes

Praise for *Needy Little Things*:

"Desamours' debut spotlights an emotionally complex hero... An engaging, innovative critique of the systems that protect whiteness and rob Black girls of their innocence." – *Kirkus* 

"Desamours debuts with a tense, speculative mystery...with plenty of surprises, suspects, and red herrings." – *Booklist* 

"An unexpected twist on an important story... a skillfully crafted tale that grips readers from start to finish." – Angie Thomas, #1 New York Times bestselling author of The Hate U Give



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# The Fall of Iris Henley

Jennifer Graham

For fans of Megan Lally and Kara Thomas, a twisty thriller about a Texas teen accused of murder who's desperate to clear her name.

#### Summary

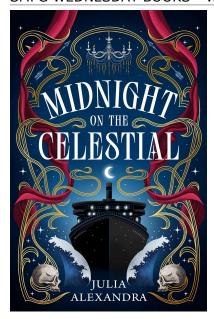
All it takes to ruin someone's life is the stroke of a key. Just ask Iris Henley. Her life is destroyed when someone posts an anonymous message on her high school's subreddit thread: "Iris Henley is a killer. I've been too scared to come forward until now, but I saw her murder Rocky and Lynette last summer."

Just like that, Iris loses everything. Her reputation. Her friends. Her hope of getting into college on scholarship. Even, possibly, her freedom, once the police start to investigate. After all, she's the perfect suspect: Rocky was her boyfriend, and Lynette was her ex-best friend—and the girl he was cheating on her with. But Iris didn't do it, and now it's up to her to clear her name by finding out who did—before it's too late.

Propulsive, sharp, and absolutely twisty from the *New York Times* bestselling author who brought readers the Veronica Mars duology, Jennifer Graham's YA thriller is unputdownable.

#### **Contributor Bio**

JENNIFER GRAHAM graduated from Reed College and received her MFA from the University of Texas at Austin. Under the name Jennifer Donaldson, she is the author of *Lies You Never Told Me* and *I Know You Remember*. She also co-wrote the Veronica Mars duology with Rob Thomas. Jennifer currently lives in Austin with her family.



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# Midnight on the Celestial

Julia Alexandra

Hotel Magnifique meets Caraval is this deliciously dark YA fantasy debut! A voyage beyond their wildest dreams . . . and their darkest fears.

#### Summary

Roe Damarcus has never been afraid of the dead. Her power to summon spirits has awed the guests of her esteemed family's galas for as long as she can remember. Her future is certain, and her gift will be another shining jewel in the Damarcus legacy.

But when she fails her realm's trial to keep her magic and is deemed too dangerous for society, she faces a harrowing choice: give up her gift or serve a punishment sentence aboard the Celestial, a luxurious magical cruise ship where staff members compete for quest votes to earn a coveted retrial.

As a concierge, Roe juggles the demands of affluent quests, cruel bosses, and the suspicion that an infuriatingly handsome silks performer, Ivander, is determined to keep her from a retrial.

But the true dangers surface after her shift ends when the Celestial transforms into halls of nightmares that kill staff members after dark. Faced with the reality of serving aboard, Roe begins to question the ship, trials, and the system that put her there. But the moment Roe sinks into the ship's dark history, she's wrongly framed for a guest's murder. Vowing to conjure her own second chance, Roe will use whatever power she has to uncover the secrets of the ship, her family, and their entwined bloody past--before she becomes the Celestial's next victim.

#### Welcome aboard the Celestial...an extraordinary journey of enchantment and illusion!

#### **Contributor Bio**

JULIA ALEXANDRA lives in Orlando, Florida with her best friend, who also happens to be her twin sister. Julia works as a pre-licensed therapist while writing fantasy stories with magic, danger, and chaotic found families. She is passionate about mental health and is grateful to have had writing on her own mental health journey. Julia writes for those who find magical worlds a comforting escape from their own. She enjoys reading, collecting too many stuffed animals, and writing to fantasy orchestral music.



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#### **Divine Rivals**

**Collector's Edition** 

Rebecca Ross

A GORGEOUS AND LUXE COLLECTOR'S EDITION OF THE WORLDWIDE BESTSELLER!

#### Summary

When two young rival journalists find love through a magical connection, they must face the depths of hell, in a war among gods, to seal their fate forever.

After centuries of sleep, the gods are warring again. But eighteen-year-old Iris Winnow just wants to hold her family together. Her mother is suffering from addiction and her brother is missing from the front lines. Her best bet is to win the columnist promotion at the Oath Gazette.

To combat her worries, Iris writes letters to her brother and slips them beneath her wardrobe door, where they vanish—into the hands of Roman Kitt, her cold and handsome rival at the paper. When he anonymously writes Iris back, the two of them forge a connection that will follow Iris all the way to the front lines of battle: for her brother, the fate of mankind, and love.

#### **Contributor Bio**

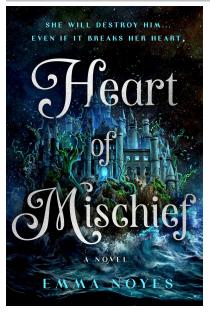
REBECCA ROSS was born and raised in Georgia, where she continues to reside with her husband, her lively Australian Shepherd, and her endless piles of books. She loves coffee, the night sky, chalk art, maps, the mountains, and growing wildflowers in her yard. And a good story, of course. She is the author of *The Queen's Rising, The Queen's Resistance, Sisters of Sword and Song, Dreams Lie Beneath, A River Enchanted,* the Letters of Enchantment series, and *Wild Reverence*.

#### **Quotes**

"If stories had scent, this one would smell like a mug of black tea, the ink ribbons of a typewriter, and that addictive spice called enemies to lovers." —Shelby Mahurin, *New York Times* bestselling author of *Serpent & Dove* 

"Ross weaves her stories in such a vulnerable and delicate way, truly with a style all her own." —Adalyn Grace, *New York Times* bestselling author of *Belladonna* 

"Deeply romantic and beautifully written, *Divine Rivals* is a story that lingers long after the final page... I absolutely loved it." —Rachel Griffin, *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Nature of Witches* 



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#### **Heart of Mischief**

**Soul of Shadow: Book Two** 

Emma Noyes

The thrilling sequel to Soul of Shadow, a romantasy for fans of The Vampire Diaries and Heartless Hunter where love, magic, gods, and monsters collide.

#### Summary

I will make myself strong.

I will find Elias.

I will kill Elias.

I will never trust a boy with my heart again.

These are the vows Charlie Hudson made the day after Elias Everhart betrayed her, nearly killing everyone she loves most. One month later, revenge is still her priority, even as she navigates a harsh new reality: one where her brother and friends can now see Asgard, making them just as susceptible to its dazzling delights - and deadly dangers - as she is.

But when two bodies turn up in the forest outside town, and Elias waltzes back into her life with an offer to help find out what's happening, Charlie finds herself accepting his offer—but only because feigning an alliance is her best chance to figure out how to kill him. And if it feels like the more time she spends with him, the more her heart softens, it must be a trick of the unusually warm fall air. Because there's no way she would make the grave mistake of falling for Elias Everhart twice... right?

Emma Noyes's *Heart of Mischief* will have readers falling in love - and falling apart - and loving every minute of it.

#### **Contributor Bio**

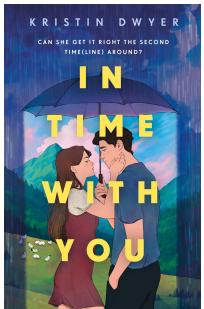
EMMA NOYES writes books about love, mental health, and magic for both the young adult and adult genre. Her works have been published in over a dozen languages and include *Guy's Girl, How to Hide in Plain Sight,* The Sunken City series, and the Soul of Shadow series. She was named a 2025 Forbes 30 Under 30. She now lives in Chicago with her Swedish husband and their Pomeranian.

#### Quotes

Praise for Soul of Shadow:

"Soul of Shadow swept me away?I didn't want to put it down. Noyes' heartfelt characters and the absolutely sizzling romance make this a stunning romantasy that you won't want to miss." - Betty Cayouette, author of *One Last Shot* and creator of Betty's Book List

"Oh cool... I'm in love with a fictional subhuman bad boy again. This shimmering romantasy is twisty, addictive, and whimsically wicked. Emma Noyes renders worlds in colors I've never seen before, and Soul of Shadow gave me butterflies that bite." - Daisy Garrison, author of *Six More Months of June* 



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#### In Time With You

Kristin Dwyer

You've Reached Sam meets Before I Fall in this gripping speculative romance about one girl saving her first love's life by falling for the last person she ever should - his best friend.

#### Summary

Nieve Monroe is devastated after her boyfriend Carter dies saving her from drowning. Even worse she blames herself for his death... and so does his best friend, Max. He was there with them on that fateful day, and he's never liked Nieve.

Unable to pull herself from her grief and wanting to hide from the accusation in his eyes, Nieve goes to stay with her grandmother, who has always had strange stories to tell of uncanny happenings, of magic and make believe. The next morning, Nieve wakes up on the first day of college, the year before.

This time she plans to make sure Carter never follows her into that river. She'll do everything in her power to keep him safe, even if it means losing him in other ways. But the more distance she puts between her and Carter, the closer she gets to Max, drawn to him in ways she never expected. But is she betraying Carter if the only way she can save him is to move on? And can she ever forget her past to embrace her future?

Kristin Dwyer's *In Time With You* is a heartbreaking story of first love, loss, and one chance to change everything.

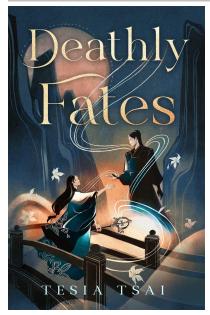
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KRISTIN DWYER grew up under the California sun and still prays every day for a cloudy sky. When she's not writing books about people kissing, she and her spouse can be found encouraging their four overly opinionated misfits to get into trouble. Kristin is a part-time hair model and wants you to know she is full-time TSA PRECHECK, and one time a credible news outlet asked for her opinion on K-pop (it was the best day of her life). Please do not talk to her about your fandom, she will try to join.

#### **Quotes**

"The chemistry and community of Elle Kennedy's Off Campus series paired with the time-loop intrigue of *Before I Fall*, this book grabs your heart and doesn't let go until the final page. Readers will adore every word... even if they can't see them anymore through the tears." - Emily Varga, internationally bestselling author of *For She is Wrath* 

"I was alarmed by the number of times Kristin was able to break my heart and then patch it back together. Prepare to feel a lot of feelings" - Jenna Evans Welch, New York Times bestselling author of Love & Gelato and Spells for Lost Things



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# **Deathly Fates**

Tesia Tsai

A sweeping debut inspired by the Chinese folk practice of necromancy, Deathly Fates is perfect for fans of Descendant of the Crane, The Bone Shard Daughter, and A Magic Steeped in Poison.

#### Summary

As a corpse-driving priestess, a holy servant paid to guide the deceased home, Kang Siying has never feared death. But when her beloved father collapses due to his declining health, Siying realizes that even she is not free from the cruel grasp of mortality. Desperate to provide her father with the medical aid he needs, Siying accepts a dangerous job that promises a generous commission, and travels to a hostile state to retrieve the corpse of a missing prince.

But the moment Siying places her reanimation talisman on the dead prince's head, rather than make the corpse obedient to Siying's commands, the talisman brings the prince back to life. Worse, he won't stay alive for long—not unless he absorbs enough qi, or life force, to keep his soul anchored to his body.

In return for a reward worth twice her original commission, Siying agrees to aid the frustratingly handsome prince in finding and purifying evil spirits for their qi. But as they journey across the countryside, encountering vengeful ghosts and enemy spies alike, they gradually uncover dark secrets about the prince's death—secrets that could endanger both Siying's father and their entire kingdom.

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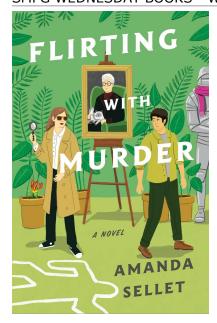
TESIA TSAI was born in Los Angeles to immigrant parents from Taiwan. She currently teaches first-year composition as an adjunct professor at Brigham Young University, and lives with her husband, two cats, and a dog in Provo, Utah. When not writing or reading, she enjoys watching Asian dramas, playing video games, and planning her next trip.

#### Quotes

"Rich and wholeheartedly poignant. *Deathly Fates* sings with profound spirit." —Chloe Gong, #1 New York Times bestselling author of These Violent Delights

"Deathly Fates had me staying up too late, frantic to see what was going to happen next. A breathlessly fun, richly characterized joy of a debut."—Cassandra Khaw, USA Today bestselling author of The Library at Hellebore

"A poetic gem of a book that will linger in your soul long after the final page."- Xiran Jay Zhao, #1 New York Times bestselling author of Iron Widow



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# Flirting with Murder

#### A Novel

Amanda Sellet

The Agathas meets Thursday Murder Club in Amanda Sellet's latest YA novel, a cozy mystery with a splash of romance.

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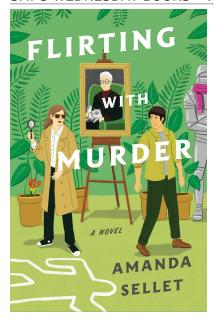
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#### The River She Became

**Emily Varga** 

From bestselling author Emily Varga comes a high stakes romantasy about a relic hunter searching for a way to restore magic to her world, but to do so she must trust her powers—and her heart.

#### **Summary**

I'm going across the River. And I'm going to save us all.

Yaseema is a brilliant scholar and loyal servant of the Empire—or so they think. By day, she catalogs the fae relics of her conquered kingdom. But by night, she reclaims the artefacts in secret to restore magic to her dying land.

Until she finds the long lost key to cross the River into the fae world and save her people. But a ruthless realm awaits her there, ruled by monsters wearing beautiful skin—especially the cold-eyed captain who sees through her lies. But even he isn't what he seems—under the guise of upholding a cruel regime, he works to overthrow it from the inside. To succeed, he needs the same lost relic Yaseema seeks: the crown of an ancient Fae Queen.

With magic that is a mystery even to her, Yaseema can help him find the crown and save his family from a fate worse than death. Unless she steals it first to help her own.

To survive, they must work together to outwit ancient curses, battle creatures born of nightmares, and find a power that could resurrect their worlds. But as secrets unravel and loyalties blur, they face the greatest danger of all: losing their heart to each other.

Perfect for fans of *The Cruel Prince* and *The Mummy*, this thrilling start to a new fantasy duology bursts with dangerous romance, heart-stopping twists, and a heroine who dares to steal back her future.

#### **Contributor Bio**

Emily Varga is the internationally bestselling YA fantasy author of *For She Is Wrath,* an instant indie bestseller, Goodreads Choice nominee and shortlisted for the Waterstones Children's Book Prize, and also of *The River She Became* duology. She lived in England, Scotland and Australia but now calls western Canada her home where she lives with her family and their menagerie of pets. When not writing, Emily works as a family lawyer, where she learned more about storytelling than she ever expected.



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#### For She Is Wrath

**Emily Varga** 

The instant-bestselling romantic fantasy retelling of *The Count of Monte Cristo*, where a girl seeks revenge against those who betrayed her—including the boy she loved—now in paperback!

#### **Summary**

Three hundred and sixty-four days.

Framed for a crime she didn't commit, Dania counts down her days in prison until she can exact revenge on Mazin, the boy responsible for her downfall, the boy she once loved—and still can't forget. When she discovers a fellow prisoner may have the key to exacting that vengeance—a stolen djinn treasure—they execute a daring escape together and search for the hidden treasure.

Armed with dark magic and a new identity, Dania enacts a plan to bring down those who betrayed her and her family, even though Mazin stands in her way. But seeking revenge becomes a complicated game of cat and mouse, especially when an undeniable fire still burns between them, and the power to destroy her enemies has a price. In FOR SHE IS WRATH, as Dania falls deeper into her web of traps and lies, she risks losing her humanity to her fight for vengeance—and her heart to the only boy she's ever loved.

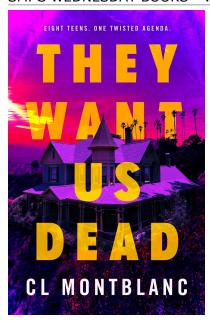
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"Filled with romance, adventure, and heart, For She Is Wrath is a fresh take on the Count of Monte Cristo classic readers didn't know they needed." - Adrienne Young, New York Times bestselling author of the Fable series



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# **They Want Us Dead**

#### A Novel

**CL Montblanc** 

In this new mystery from CL Montblanc, the author of *Pride or Die*, two internet enemies are forced to work together after a true crime meetup turns into a deadly case of its own.

#### Summary

Seventeen-year-old Sam Tombs hopes to get more eyes on the videos they make to raise awareness of crimes against LGBTQ+ teens. A true crime content creator event seems like the perfect opportunity to grow their channel—until the group becomes stranded at an eerie Victorian mansion, and one of them is killed in the night.

Sam's alibi, and the only person they can trust, happens to be their mean, dorky internet nemesis Dylan. But the two must now put aside their rivalry and use their investigative skills to figure out who among the remaining teens is the killer, before their own deaths become tomorrow's trending content.

#### **Contributor Bio**

**CL MONTBLANC** is a writer, producer, and escape room enthusiast. Despite hailing from Texas, CL is intimidated by both horses and very large hats. If you have any leads on where to acquire buried treasure, or a decent bagel, you can find CL on social media. CL is also the author of *Pride or Die.* 

#### Quotes

Praise for Pride or Die:

"This [fast-paced] dark and comedic mystery by debut author Montblanc deftly explores the gray areas between right and wrong, successfully addressing the complexity of people's characters..." –Kirkus

"An unlikely romance and splashes of gallows humor add playful energy to this clever mystery." –Publishers Weekly

"A swift and suspenseful mystery full of righteous anger, comedic cynicism, and queer joy in spite of small-minded attempts to suppress it." – School Library Journal

"Joyful queer chaos." -Booklist