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Trouble the Saints
by Alaya Dawn Johnson

The dangerous magic of *The Night Circus* meets the powerful historical exploration of *The Underground Railroad* in Alaya Dawn Johnson's timely and unsettling novel, set against the darkly glamorous backdrop of New York City at the dawn of World War II.

Amidst the whirl of city life, a girl from Harlem is drawn into the glittering underworld of Manhattan, where she's hired to use her knives to strike fear amongst its most dangerous denizens.

But the ghosts from her past are always by her side - and history has appeared on her doorstep to threaten the people she loves most.

Can one woman ever sacrifice enough to save an entire community?

*Trouble the Saints* is a dazzling, daring novel - a magical love story, a compelling chronicle of interracial tension, and an altogether brilliant and deeply American saga.

Author Bio

ALAYA DAWN JOHNSON has become a writer to watch in both the adult and YA arenas, with her work being consistently praised for its lyrical beauty and incisive commentary. She won the 2015 Nebula Award for Best Novelette for "Guide to the Fruits of Hawai'i," which also appears in *The Best American Science Fiction and Fantasy* (2015), guest edited by Joe Hill. Her debut YA novel, *The Summer Prince* (Arthur A. Levine, 2013), was longlisted for the National Book Award for Young People's Literature. Her follow up YA novel, *Love is the Drug* won the Andre Norton Award in 2015. She is currently based in Mexico City, pursuing a Masters in Mesoamerican Studies. Her other home base is New York City.
Magic for Liars
A Novel
by Sarah Gailey

Sharp, mainstream fantasy meets compelling thrills of investigative noir in *Magic for Liars*, a fantasy debut by rising star Sarah Gailey.

*Ivy Gamble was born without magic and never wanted it.*
*Ivy Gamble is perfectly happy with her life - or at least, she's perfectly fine. She doesn't in any way wish she was like Tabitha, her estranged, gifted twin sister.*
*Ivy Gamble is a liar.*

When a gruesome murder is discovered at The Osthorne Academy of Young Mages, where her estranged twin sister teaches Theoretical Magic, reluctant detective Ivy Gamble is pulled into the world of untold power and dangerous secrets. She will have to find a murderer and reclaim her sister - without losing herself.

**An unmissable debut.**” - Adrienne Celt, author of *Invitation to a Bonfire*

**Praise for Magic for Liars**

There’s something for almost all readers here. . . .Gailey shows us that humans are humans, even when they are magic, and they are still flawed, damaged, and oh-so-interesting” - *Booklist* (starred review)
"Clever and fast-paced. . . . a wonderfully quirky mystery filled with inviting characters and gripping surprise twists.” - *Publishers Weekly*
"A poignant and bittersweet family tragedy disguised as a mystery but with a magic all its own.” - *Kirkus*
"Full of suspense and magic, with a protagonist as sharp and tart as a lemon, Sarah Gailey (...)"

**Author Bio**

Hugo and Campbell finalist SARAH GAILEY came onto the scene in 2015 and has since become one of the sharpest, funniest voices in pop culture online. They are a regular contributor for multiple websites, including Tor.com. Their nonfiction has appeared in Mashable and The Boston Globe, and their fiction has been published internationally. They are the author of *River of Teeth* and *Taste of Marrow*. They live lives in Los Angeles, California.

Two continents at war, the Three Kingdoms and Ishara, are divided by past bloodshed. When an outside threat arises - the reawakening of a powerful ancient race that wants to remake the world - the two warring nations must somehow set aside generational hatreds and form an alliance to fight their true enemy.

This epic fantasy takes readers on a sometimes brutal, often enthralling journey." - Publishers Weekly (starred review)

"A brisk and engaging narrative." - Booklist

"The pages turn almost by themselves, because you absolutely, categorically have to find out what happens next." - Kirkus

"One can read the Imager stories as straight fantasy, or as the closest of social commentaries . . . without ever degenerating into mere "message" fiction. . . . [T]hey are artful, loving, and lovely configurations of the human experience during transitions one every sort." - The Nameless Zine

"An epic fantasy that has all the complexity and depth of Dune." - Nerd Alert News

"A beautifully written and gripping read." - The American Conservative

"Engaging." - Multiverse

"A must-read for any fantasy fan, brilliant and fabulous! One of the greatest talents writing today, Kevin J. Anderson is a master of adventures that are filled with dynamic, unforgettable characters." - Sherrilyn Kenyon

"A fast-paced, enjoyable read. Concise description is (...)"

**Author Bio**

More than two dozen of Kevin J. Anderson’s novels have appeared on national bestseller lists; and he has over eleven million books in print worldwide. His works have been translated into over 22 languages including German, Japanese, Spanish, Chinese, Korean and Hebrew.

For a book signing during the promotional tour for his comedy/adventure novel *All PEDRITO!, Anderson broke the Guinness World Record for Largest Single-Author Signing,* passing the previous records set by Gen. Colin Powell and Howard Stern.

Kevin J. Anderson is a New York Times bestselling author and winner of multiple Hugo, Nebula, and World Fantasy Awards.
A Fire Upon The Deep
by Vernor Vinge

Now in a new trade paperback edition for the Tor Essentials line, A Fire Upon the Deep is sure to bring a new generation of SF fans to Vinge's award-winning works.

"Vinge is one of the best visionary writers of SF today." -David Brin

Thousands of years in the future, humanity is no longer alone in a universe where a mind's potential is determined by its location in space, from superintelligent entities in the Transcend, to the limited minds of the Unthinking Depths, where only simple creatures, and technology, can function. Nobody knows what strange force partitioned space into these "regions of thought," but when the warring Straumli realm use an ancient Transcendent artifact as a weapon, they unwittingly unleash an awesome power that destroys thousands of worlds and enslaves all natural and artificial intelligence.

Fleeing this galactic threat, Ravna crash lands on a strange world with a shiphold full of cryogenically frozen children, the only survivors from a destroyed space-lab. They are taken captive by the Tines, an alien race with a harsh medieval culture, and used as pawns in a ruthless power struggle.

Tor books by Vernor Vinge
Zones of Thought Series
- A Fire Upon The Deep
- A Deepness In The Sky
- The Children of The Sky

Realtime/Bobble Series
- The Peace War
- Marooned in Realtime

Other Novels
- The Witling

Vernor Vinge has won five Hugo Awards, including one for each of his last three novels, A Fire Upon the Deep (1992), A Deepness in the Sky (1999), and Rainbow's End (2006). Known for his rigorous hard-science approach to his science fiction, he became an iconic figure among cybernetic scientists with the publication in 1981 of his novella True Names," which is considered a seminal, visionary work of Internet fiction. His many books also include Marooned in Realtime and The Peace War. Born in Waukesha, Wisconsin and raised in Central Michigan, Vinge is the son of geographers. Fascinated by science and particularly computers from an early age, he has a Ph.D. in computer science, and taught mathematics and computer science at San Diego State University for thirty years. He has gained a great deal of attention for his predictions and exploration of the "Singularity."
Chilling Adventures of Sabrina meets Joe Hill in S. A. Hunt's I Come with Knives, a horror-tinged action-adventure about a punk YouTuber on a mission to hunt witches, one vid at a time.

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Robin must handle these new threats on top of the menace from the Lazenbury coven, but a secret about Robin's past may throw all of her plans into jeopardy.

The Malus Domestica series
#1: Burn the Dark
#2: I Come with Knives

Praise for Burn the Dark
Burn the Dark is a brilliant debut! S. A. Hunt gets everything right about the creepier aspects 21st digital culture and presents a compelling and memorable female lead." - Jonathan Maberry, New York Times bestselling author of V-Wars and Glimpse

"S.A. Hunt is a kickass storyteller conquering the zone between fantasy and horror. Keep an eye on this one, because they're just getting started." - New York Times bestselling author Chuck Wendig

"S. A. Hunt's Burn the Night is a bold, sharp, fresh take on urban fantasy that brings it into the 21 century. The characters feel real and their flaws make them beautiful. The world building is (...)"

Author Bio
S. A. HUNT (they/them) is the author of Amazon Top 10 Horror novel Malus Domestica, and the award-winning Outlaw King fantasy series. In 2005 they joined the Army and became Military Police, where they were awarded a Joint Services Achievement Medal for their efforts in Afghanistan. They currently live in Petoskey, Michigan.
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Ben Bova, author of *Earth*, continues his exploration of the future of a human-settled Solar System with the science fiction action adventure *Uranus*, the first of his Outer Planets trilogy.

On a privately financed orbital habitat above the planet Uranus, political idealism conflicts with pragmatic, and illegal, methods of financing. Add a scientist who has funding to launch a probe deep into Uranus's ocean depths to search for signs of life, and you have a three-way struggle for control. Humans can't live on the gas giants, making instead a life in orbit. Kyle Umber, a religious idealist, has built Haven, a sanctuary above the distant planet Uranus. He invites the tired, the sick, the poor of Earth to his orbital retreat where men and women can find spiritual peace and refuge from the world.

The billionaire who financed Haven, however, has his own designs: beyond the reach of the laws of the inner planets Haven could become the center for an interplanetary web of narcotics, prostitution, even hunting human prey.

Meanwhile a scientist has gotten funding from the Inner Planets to drop remote probes into the "oceans" of Uranus, in search of life. He brings money and prestige, but he also brings journalists and government oversight to Haven. And they can't have that.

"Praise for Ben Bova

Bova proves himself equal to the task of showing how adversity can temper character in unforeseen ways." - *The New York Times*

"[Bova's] excellence at combining hard science with believable characters and an attention (...)"
Automatic Reload
A Novel
by Ferrett Steinmetz

Ferrett Steinmetz’s quirky, genre-mashing cyberpunk romance
Automatic Reload: a high-octane adventure about a grizzled mercenary
with machine gun arms who unexpectedly falls in love with a bio-
engineered assassin

In the near-future, automation is king, and Mat is the top mercenary working
the black market. He’s your soldier’s soldier, with military-grade weapons
instead of arms. . . and a haunted past that keeps him awake at night. On a
mission that promises the biggest score of his life, he discovers that the top
secret shipment he’s been sent to guard is not a package, but a person: Silvia.
Silvia is genetically-altered to be the deadliest woman on the planet - her only
weakness is her panic disorder. When Mat decides to free her, both of them
become targets of the most powerful shadow organization in the world. They
go on the lam, determined to stop a sinister plot to create more super
assassins like Silvia. Between bloody gunfights, rampant car chases and
drone attacks, Mat and Silvia team up to survive. . . and unexpectedly realize
their messed up brain-chemistry cannot overpower their very real chemistry.
Automatic Reload is the genre’s most unexpectedly heartfelt romantic comedy
with explosions, perfect for fans of both Die Hard and Mr. and Mrs. Smith.

Steinmetz has mixed fast-paced shoot-em-up violence with a compassionate
treatment of trauma and mental illness to create an engaging page-turner.
Like Shadowrun with a conscience. “- Hugo Award-winning author Jim. C
Hines

”Automatic Reload is for everyone who ever wished the Transformers movies
were less Michael Bay, more transformation sequences; it luxuriates in the
intricate beauty that is technology, exults in the (...)”

Author Bio

FERRETT STEINMETZ is a graduate of both the Clarion Writers’ Workshop
and Viable Paradise. He was nominated for the Nebula Award in 2012 for his
novelette Sauerkraut Station, and for the Compton Crook Award in 2015. He
is the author of The Sol Majestic for Tor Books, as well as the Mancer trilogy
and The Uploaded. He has written for Asimov’s Science Fiction, Beneath
Ceaseless Skies, Shimmer, and Andromeda Spaceways Inflight Magazine.
Ferret lives in Cleveland with his very clever wife, a small black dog of
indeterminate origin, and a friendly ghost.
The Living Dead
by George A. Romero and Daniel Kraus

New York Times bestselling author Daniel Kraus completes George A. Romero’s brand-new masterpiece of zombie horror, the massive novel left unfinished at Romero’s death!

George A. Romero invented the modern zombie with Night of the Living Dead, creating a monster that has become a key part of pop culture. Romero often felt hemmed in by the constraints of film-making. To tell the story of the rise of the zombies and the fall of humanity the way it should be told, Romero turned to fiction. Unfortunately, when he died, the story was incomplete.

Enter Daniel Kraus, co-author, with Guillermo del Toro, of the New York Times bestseller The Shape of Water (based on the Academy Award-winning movie) and Trollhunters (which became an Emmy Award-winning series), and author of The Death and Life of Zebulon Finch (an Entertainment Weekly Top 10 Book of the Year). A lifelong Romero fan, Kraus was honored to be asked, by Romero’s widow, to complete The Living Dead.

Set in the present day, The Living Dead is an entirely new tale, the story of the zombie plague as George A. Romero wanted to tell it.

It begins with one body.
A pair of medical examiners find themselves battling a dead man who won’t stay dead.

It spreads quickly.
In a Midwestern trailer park, a Black teenage girl and a Muslim immigrant battle newly-risen friends and family. On a US aircraft carrier, living sailors hide from dead ones while a fanatic makes a new religion out of death. At a cable news station, a surviving anchor (…)

Author Bio

George A. Romero (1940-2017), was a legendary filmmaker and writer. His classic zombie movie cycle began with the groundbreaking Night of the Living Dead and Dawn of the Dead and continued for four more sequels. Romero also directed two Stephen King projects, Creepshow and The Dark Half, and created the TV series Tales From the Darkside. George A. Romero died in 2017 after a fifty-year career in film. Daniel Kraus co-authored the New York Times bestselling The Shape of Water with Guillermo del Toro, based on the same idea the two created for the Academy Award-winning film. Their earlier collaboration, Trollhunters, was adapted into an Emmy Award-winning Netflix series. Kraus’s novel The Death and Life of Zebulon Finch was named one of Entertainment Weekly’s Top Ten Books of the Year, and his novel Rotters was a finalist for the Bram Stoker Award. He lives in Chicago.
Set in the universe of the New York Times bestselling Three-Body Problem trilogy, *The Redemption of Time* continues Cixin Liu's multi-award-winning science fiction saga. This original story by Baoshu — published with Liu's support — envisions the aftermath of the conflict between humanity and the extraterrestrial Trisolarans.

In the midst of an interstellar war, Yun Tianming found himself on the front lines. Riddled with cancer, he chose to end his life, only to find himself flash frozen and launched into space where the Trisolaran First Fleet awaited. Captured and tortured beyond endurance for decades, Yun eventually succumbed to helping the aliens subjugate humanity in order to save Earth from complete destruction.

Granted a healthy clone body by the Trisolarans, Yun has spent his very long life in exile as a traitor to the human race. Nearing the end of his existence at last, he suddenly receives another reprieve - and another regeneration. A consciousness calling itself The Spirit has recruited him to wage battle against an entity that threatens the existence of the entire universe. But Yun refuses to be a pawn again and makes his own plans to save humanity's future.

*The Redemption of Time* is not a mere derivative of *The Three Body Problem*, but a thrilling, fascinating new adventure to uncover more mysteries of the Three Body World. " - Pan Haitian

"This cosmic Romeo and Juliet story takes a welcome journey back to Liu's fictional universe (with the master's blessing)." - *Publishers Weekly* 'Summer Staff Picks'.

"Mind-bendingly fantastic." - *SF in Translation*

"... bring[s] to mind the creation story in J.R.R. Tolkien's *The Silmarillion*. The universe-engulfing struggle recalls John C. Wright's astonishing multibook *Eschaton* (...)

**Author Bio**

Baoshu is a Chinese science fiction and fantasy writer. After receiving his Master of Philosophy in Peking University, Baoshu continued to study at Katholieke Universiteit Leuven and got a second masters there, and finally became a full-time science fiction writer in 2012.

His previous books include *What Has Passed Shall in Kinder Light Appear*, *Garuda, Ruins of Time* and *Maharoga*.

Ken Liu's fiction has appeared in F&SF, Asimov's, Analog, Strange Horizons, Lightspeed, and Clarkesworld, among other places. He is the author of *The Ocean at the End of the Lane* and has won a Nebula, two Hugos, a World Fantasy Award.

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**Promotion**
The Tyrant Baru Cormorant
by Seth Dickinson

The third book in Seth Dickinson's epic fantasy series which began with the "literally breathtaking" (NPR), The Traitor Baru Cormorant

The hunt is over. After fifteen years of lies and sacrifice, Baru Cormorant has the power to destroy the Imperial Republic of Falcrest that she pretends to serve. The secret society called the Cancrioth is real, and Baru is among them.

But the Cancrioth's weapon cannot distinguish the guilty from the innocent. If it escapes quarantine, the ancient hemorrhagic plague called the Kettling will kill hundreds of millions...not just in Falcrest, but all across the world. History will end in a black bloodstain.

Is that justice? Is this really what Tain Hu hoped for when she sacrificed herself?

Baru's enemies close in from all sides. Baru's own mind teeters on the edge of madness or shattering revelation. Now she must choose between genocidal revenge and a far more difficult path—a conspiracy of judges, kings, spies and immortals, puppeteering the world's riches and two great wars in a gambit for the ultimate prize.

If Baru had absolute power over the Imperial Republic, she could force Falcrest to abandon its colonies and make right its crimes.

Author Bio

SETH DICKINSON's short fiction has appeared in Analog, Asimov's, Clarkesworld, Lightspeed, Strange Horizons, Beneath Ceaseless Skies, among others. He is an instructor at the Alpha Workshop for Young Writers, winner of the 2011 Dell Magazines Award, and a lapsed student of social neuroscience. He lives in Brooklyn, New York. The Traitor Baru Cormorant and The Monster Traitor Baru are the first two books in The Masquerade series.
The Wizard Knight
by Gene Wolfe

Praise for The Knight

A fine, carefully crafted novel, filled with mythic adventure and populated by fantastic creatures. I can't wait to read the next book." - Brian Herbert

"Sir Able of the High Heart is unlike any other hero, part Candide and part Conan the Barbarian, and the worlds in which he travels are also appropriately unique. Wolfe's version of Faerie is both allusive and elusive, beautiful and fatally glamorous." - Tad Williams

Praise for The Wizard

"Wofe's words was over the reader with transparent grace and charming playfulness as he spins his profoundly imaginative, metaphysically complex, yet ever-entertaining tale with astonishing naturalness." - Publishers Weekly, starred review

"Arising from the same sources as Lord of the Rings, the Wizard Knight is one of the few fantasies that can justly be compared with it." - Booklist

Author Bio

Gene Wolfe (1931-2019) was the Nebula Award-winning author of The Book of the New Sun tetralogy in the Solar Cycle, as well as the World Fantasy Award winners The Shadow of the Torturer and Soldier of Sidon. He was also a prolific writer of distinguished short fiction, which has been collected in such award-winning volumes as Storeys from the Old Hotel and The Best of Gene Wolfe. A recipient of the World Fantasy Award for Life Achievement, the Edward E. Smith Memorial Award, and six Locus Awards, among many other honors, Wolfe was inducted into the Science Fiction Hall of Fame in 2007, and named Grand Master by the Science Fiction and Fantasy Writers of America in 2012.
Interlibrary Loan
by Gene Wolfe

Interlibrary Loan is the brilliant follow-up to A Borrowed Man: a new science fiction novel from multi-award winner and national literary treasure Gene Wolfe

Hundreds of years in the future our civilization is shrunk down but we go on. There is advanced technology, there are robots. And there are clones.

E. A. Smithe is a borrowed person, his personality an uploaded recording of a deceased mystery writer. Smithe is a piece of property, not a legal human. As such, Smithe can be loaned to other branches. Which he is. Along with two fellow reclones, a cookbook and romance writer, they are shipped to Polly's Cove, where Smithe meets a little girl who wants to save her mother, a father who is dead but perhaps not. And another E.A. Smithe. . . who definitely is.

Praise for Gene Wolfe

"Wolfe is our Melville." - Ursula K. Le Guin

"If any writer from within genre fiction ever merited the designation Great Author, it is surely Wolfe . . . [who] reads like Dickens, Proust, Kipling, Chesterton, Borges, and Nabokov rolled into one." - The Washington Post Book World

"One of the literary giants of science fiction." - The Denver Post

"Gene Wolfe is as good a writer as there is today. . . I feel a little bit like a musical contemporary attempting to tell people what's good about Mozart." - The Chicago Sun-Times

"Wolfe is sf's greatest novelist, and overall one of America's finest." - The Washington Post Book World (...)

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By Force Alone

by Lavie Tidhar

A retelling of Arthurian myth for the age of Brexit and Trump, from World Fantasy Award-winner Lavie Tidhar.

Everyone thinks they know the story of King Arthur and his knights of the Round Table.
But the story they know is lies.
Where calculating warlords have become romantic heroes.
Where predatory sorcerers have become paternal sages.
Where talented murderers have become knights of honor.
But real power comes from betrayal and murder, and followers begging to be deceived. Destiny is the accumulation of lies we let guide our lives.
And a sword is just a sword, until it runs you through.

Praise for Lavie Tidhar:
"Lavie Tidhar's mad imagination . . . is hilarious, insightful and terrifying all at once." - Ben Aaronovitch
"He is a political writer, an iconoclast and sometimes a provocateur . . . remarkable and ambitious work." - China Mieville
"Would probably have been enough to get Tidhar burnt at the stake during the Middle Ages. . . Violent, action-packed (...)"

Author Bio

Lavie Tidhar is the World Fantasy Award-winning author of Osama, The Violent Century, the Jerwood Fiction Uncovered Prize-winning A Man Lies Dreaming, and the Campbell Award-winning Central Station, in addition to many other works and several other awards. His latest novels are the Locus Award nominated Unholy Land and debut children's novel Candy. He works across genres, combining detective and thriller modes with poetry, science fiction and historical and autobiographical material. His work has been compared to that of Philip K. Dick by the Guardian and the Financial Times, and to Kurt Vonnegut's by Locus.
The Shadow Commission
by David Mack

The wizards of the Cold War must uncover a secret cabal responsible for the Kennedy assassination in The Shadow Commission, New York Times bestselling author David Mack’s globe-spanning historical fantasy sequel to The Iron Codex.

November 1963. Cade and Anja have lived in hiding for a decade, training new mages. Then the assassination of President Kennedy trigger a series of murders whose victims are all magicians - with Cade, Anja, and their allies as its prime targets. Their only hope of survival: learning how to fight back against the sinister cabal known as the Shadow Commission.

For The Iron Codex:
Bottom line, The Dark Arts is turning out to be a blast of a series and I can’t wait to read the next installment, The Shadow Commission." - SFF World

For The Midnight Front:
"Action-packed. . . Emotionally and intellectually engaging, as well as viscerally satisfying." - RT Book Reviews
A rollicking, high-stakes adventure with action tailor-made for the movies." - Brian Staveley, author of The Emperor's Blades
"Smart and surprising - fun and fascinating speculation grounded in familiar history, a rich and textured variation on the magical arts, and complex characters struggling to fight the good fight. I loved it." - Kirsten Beyer, New York Times Bestselling author of Children of the Storm

"Propulsive. . . Equal parts brimstone and gunpowder." - Kirkus Reviews

"Mack is a skilled storyteller with a gift for vivid (...)"

Author Bio

DAVID MACKis the New York Times bestselling author of more than twenty-five novels, including the Star Trek Destiny and Cold Equations trilogies. He co-developed the acclaimed Star Trek Vanguard series and its sequel, Star Trek: Seekers. His writing credits span several media, including television (Star Trek: Deep Space Nine), film, short fiction, magazines, comic books, computer games, and live theater. He currently resides in New York City.
Seven years have passed since the Siege - a time when the hungry dead had risen - but the memories still haunt Illi Basbowen. Though she was trained to be an elite assassin, now the Basbowen clan act as Ghadid's militia force protecting the resurrected city against a growing tide of monstrous guul that travel across the dunes.

Illi's worst fears are confirmed when General Barca arrives, bearing news that her fledgling nation, Hathage, also faces this mounting danger. In her search for the source of the guul, the general exposes a catastrophic secret hidden on the outskirts of Ghadid.

To protect her city and the realm, Illi must travel to Harthage and confront her inner demons in order to defeat a greater one - but how much can she sacrifice to protect everything she knows from devastation?

For The Impossible Contract

What a phenomenal book filled with sublime worldbuilding and memorable characters! Seriously, I cannot praise it enough. Doore never flinches from telling a story that is fast-paced, brutal, and fantastic in every sense of the word. I must say it's always nice when I'm asked to say nice things about a book that it's EASY to say nice things about. Loved it!" - Jenn Lyons, author of The Ruin of Kings

"Featuring bad-ass assassins, hella-creepy magic (…)

**Author Bio**

K. A. Doore got a degree in Classics, and then bounced around doing a variety of things, including fixing bicycles, keeping chickens, weightlifting, photographing saguaros, and went on long, dry hikes in the desert. She now lives in Michigan with her wife and daughter, two cats, and no ghost - yet. The Chronicles of Ghadid is her trilogy debut, beginning with The Perfect Assassin
Glorious
by Gregory Benford and Larry Niven

Benford and Niven have solved the Fermi Paradox! They have created fantastic, yet plausible worlds and aliens who are, at once, witty, wise, and wily..." - Dr. Don Erbschloe, Colonel USAF (ret.) and former Commander of Air Force Office of Scientific Research

Author Bio

GREGORY BENFORD teaches at the University of California and lives in Irvine, California. Benford is a winner of the United Nations Medal for Literature, and the Nebula Award for his novel Timescape. In 1995 he received the Lord Prize for contributions to science. Benford conducts research in plasma turbulence theory and experimentaion, and in astrophysics. He has published well over a hundred papers in fields of physics from condensed matter, particle physics, plasmas and mathematical physics, and several in biological conservation. Larry Niven is the award-winning author of the Ringworld series, along with many other science fiction masterpieces and fantasy including the Magic Goes Away series. His Beowulf's Children, co-authored with Jerry Pournelle and Steven Barnes, was a New York Times bestseller. He has received the Nebula Award, five Hugos, four Locus Awards, two Ditmars, the Prometheus, and the Robert A. Heinlein Award, among other honors. He lives in Chatsworth, California.
The Angel of the Crows
by Katherine Addison

Katherine Addison, author of The Goblin Emperor, returns with a fantasy novel of alternate 1880s London, where killers stalk the night and the ultimate power is naming.

This is not the story you think it is. These are not the characters you think they are. This is not the book you are expecting.

In an alternate 1880s London, angels inhabit every public building, and vampires and werewolves walk the streets with human beings under a well-regulated truce. A fantastic utopia, except for a few things: Angels can Fall, and that Fall is like a nuclear bomb in both the physical and metaphysical worlds. And human beings remain human, with all their kindness and greed and passions and murderous intent.

Jack the Ripper stalks the streets of this London too. But this London has an Angel. The Angel of the Crows.

Author Bio

KATHERINE ADDISON’s short fiction has been selected by The Year’s Best Fantasy and Horror and The Year’s Best Science Fiction. As Sarah Monette, she is the author of the Doctrine of Labyrinths series and the Locus Award-winning novel The Goblin Emperor; and co-author, with Elizabeth Bear, of the Iskryné series. She lives near Madison, Wisconsin.
Turning Darkness Into Light
by Marie Brennan

A standalone fantasy novel featuring the granddaughter of Lady Isabella Trent from Marie Brennan's award-winning and beloved A Natural History of Dragons

As the renowned granddaughter of Isabella Camherst (the Lady Trent, notorious memoirist of Draconic adventures) Audrey Camherst has always known that she, too, would want to make her scholarly mark upon a chosen field of study.

When Audrey is recruited to decipher a series of ancient tablets holding the secrets of the ancient Draconean civilization, she has no idea that her research will plunge her into an intricate conspiracy, one meant to incite rebellions and invoke war. Alongside dearest childhood friend and fellow archaeologist Kudshayn, she must find proof of the conspiracy before it's too late.

Author Bio

MARIE BRENNAN is an anthropologist and folklorist who shamelessly pillages her academic fields for material. She is the author of several acclaimed fantasy novels including A Natural History of Dragons; The Onyx Court Series: Midnight Never Come, In Ashes Lie, A Star Shall Fall, and With Fate Conspire; Warrior; and Witch. Her short stories have appeared in more than a dozen print and online publications.
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The Sin in the Steel
by Ryan Van Loan

Heroes for hire. If you can pay.
Buc:
Brilliant street-rat
Her mind leaps from clues to conclusions in the blink of an eye.
Eld:
Ex-soldier
Buc's partner-in-crime.
They've been hired for their biggest job yet - one that will set them up for a life of ease.
If they survive.
A multilayered attack on tired adventure tropes. Two mercenaries, wrongly accused, are forced to investigate a crime, one that transforms them and their world forever. A blisteringly paced, amazingly fun and thoughtful read!" - Fran Wilde, Nebula Award winner, Hugo and World Fantasy Award finalist

Buc and Eld are the first private detectives in a world where pirates roam the seas, mages speak to each other across oceans, mechanical devices change the tide of battle, and earthly wealth is concentrated in the hands of a powerful few.

It's been weeks since ships last returned to the magnificent city of Servenza with bounty from the Shattered Coast. Disaster threatens not just the city's trading companies but the empire itself. When Buc and Eld are hired to investigate, Buc swiftly discovers that the trade routes have become the domain of a sharp-eyed pirate queen who sinks all who defy her.

Now all Buc and Eld have to do is sink the Widowmaker's ship. . . . Unfortunately for Buc, the gods have other plans. Unfortunately for the gods, so does Buc.

Author Bio

RYAN VAN LOAN served six years in the US Army Infantry, on the front lines of Afghanistan. He now works in healthcare innovation. Van Loan and his wife live in Pennsylvania.
Unconquerable Sun
by Kate Elliott

The far-future landscape of an intergalactic empire is at risk; damaged by years of rebellion and annexation, as well as the massively competitive rotating courts vying for fortune at the feet of the fierce but capricious Queen Eirene.

Eirene's heir, Sun, is one of those fearsome and tenacious voices - after leading a triumphant siege in recent battle, the Princess is ready to take on more responsibility and adopt the mantle of her heritage.

But a plot from untrustworthy shadow-courts threatens to unseat Sun as Eirene's heir, and Sun's own ambitions and dislike for her mother's new bride lead to her having to escape the court before she is made to disappear.

Now on the run with her cadre of close friends, one enemy-turned-ally, and an intriguing prisoner of war, Princess Sun boards the ship Busephelous and throws herself into uncovering espionage and triumphing in the face of all who doubt her - including her own mother.

Author Bio

Kate Elliott is the author of twenty-five fantasy and science fiction novels, including a YA fantasy trilogy (begun with Court of Fives), the acclaimed science fiction novel Jaran, and a short fiction collection, The Very Best of Kate Elliott. Born in Oregon, she now lives in Hawaii. You can find her online at kateelliott.com, imakeupworlds.com, Facebook, and @KateElliottSFF on Twitter.
The Relentless Moon
A Lady Astronaut Novel
by Mary Robinette Kowal

Mary Robinette Kowal continues her award-winning Lady Astronaut series, which began with The Calculating Stars and The Fated Sky, with The Relentless Moon.

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Praise for The Fated Sky

An immersive world that will stay with the reader well past the final page." - Publishers Weekly, starred review
"The Lady Astronaut series might be set in an alternate past, but they're cutting-edge SF novels that speak volumes about the present." - The Verge
"Tantalizing."- Locus

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"From dangers on Earth from wild protestors, to the dangers of a three-year trip to Mars, the tale is an exciting, yet well-researched tale. Excellent." - Philadelphia Weekly
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The Name of All Things

by Jenn Lyons

Everything epic fantasy should be: rich, cruel, gorgeous, brilliant, enthralling and deeply, deeply satisfying. I loved it.” - Lev Grossman on The Ruin of Kings

You can have everything you want if you sacrifice everything you believe.

Kihrin D’Mon is a wanted man.

Since he destroyed the Stone of Shackles and set demons free across Quur, he has been on the run from the wrath of an entire empire. His attempt to escape brings him into the path of Janel Theranon, a mysterious Joratese woman who claims to know Kihrin.

Janel’s plea for help pits Kihrin against all manner of dangers: a secret rebellion, a dragon capable of destroying an entire city, and Kihrin’s old enemy, the wizard Relos Var.

Janel believes that Relos Var possesses one of the most powerful artifacts in the world - the Cornerstone called the Name of All Things. And if Janel is right, then there may be nothing in the world that can stop Relos Var from getting what he wants.

And what he wants is Kihrin D’Mon.

Jenn Lyons continues the Chorus of Dragons series with The Name of All Things, the epic sequel to The Ruin of Kings

A Chorus of Dragons
1: The Ruin of Kings
2: The Name of All Things

Simply put: This is top-notch adventure fantasy written for a 21st-century audience - highly recommended.” - Kirkus, starred review (…)

Author Bio

Jenn Lyons was a graphic artist and illustrator for twenty years and has worked in video games for over a decade. She previously worked on The Saboteur and Lord of the Rings: Conquest at EA Games. She is based out of Atlanta, Georgia.

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WHAT IF YOU'RE THE ONE WHO HAS TO DIE?
Now that the city of Atrine has been destroyed and Relos Var's plan to free the dark god Vol Karoth has been revealed - the end of the world is closer than ever.
To buy time for humanity, Kihrin, Janel, and Thurvishar must convince the king of the Manol vane to perform an ancient ritual that will strip the vane of their immortality - a ritual that certain vane will do anything to prevent. Including assassinating the ones bringing the news. Worse, Kihrin must come to terms with the horrifying possibility that his connection to Vol Karoth is steadily growing in strength. How can Kihrin hope to save anyone when he might turn out to be the greatest threat of them all?

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Or What You Will
by Jo Walton

Or What You Will is an utterly original novel about how stories are brought forth from Hugo, Nebula, and World Fantasy Award-winning author Jo Walton.

He has been too many things to count. He has been a dragon with a boy on his back. He has been a scholar, a warrior, a lover, and a thief. He has been dream and dreamer. He has been a god.

But he is in fact nothing more than a spark of idea, a character in the mind of Sylvia Harrison, 73, award-winning author of thirty novels over forty years. He has played a part in most of those novels, and in the recesses of her mind, Sylvia has conversed with him for years.

But Sylvia won't live forever, any more than any human does. And he's trapped inside her cave of bone, her hollow of skull. When she dies, so will he. Now Sylvia is starting a new novel, a fantasy for adult readers, set in Thalia, the Florence-resembling imaginary city that was the setting for a successful YA trilogy she published decades before. Of course he's got a part in it. But he also has a notion. He thinks he knows how he and Sylvia can step off the wheel of mortality altogether. All he has to do is convince her.

Author Bio

Jo Walton won the John W. Campbell Award for Best New Writer on publication of her debut novel The King's Peace. She won the World Fantasy Award in 2004 for Tooth and Claw, and in 2012, the Hugo and Nebula Awards for Among Others. In addition to writing SF and fantasy, she has also designed role-playing games and published poetry. Her song The Lurkers Support Me In Email has been quoted innumerable times in online discussions all over the world, frequently without attribution. A native of Wales, she lives in Montreal.
In the Kingdom of All Tomorrows
Eirlandia, Book Three
by Stephen R. Lawhead

Stephen R. Lawhead, the critically-acclaimed author of the Pendragon Cycle, concludes his Eirlandia Celtic fantasy series with In the Kingdom of All Tomorrows.

Conor mac Ardan is now clan chief of the Darini. Tara’s Hill has become a haven and refuge for all those who were made homeless by the barbarian Scalda.

A large fleet of the Scalda’s Black Ships has now arrived and Conor joins Eirlandia’s lords to defeat the monsters. He finds treachery in their midst . . . and a betrayal that is blood deep.

And so begins a final battle to win the soul of a nation.

The Eirlandia Series:
#1) In the Region of the Summer Stars
#2) In the Land of the Everliving
#3) In the Kingdom of All Tomorrows

Praise for the Eirlandia Series
Fierce companions, mighty foes, and fae magic all intertwine with multiple points of view in an exciting tale. - Booklist on In the Region of the Summer Stars

"Brilliant storytelling filled with lyrical language." - RT Book Reviews on In the Region of the Summer Stars

Praise for Stephen R. Lawhead
"Lawhead brilliantly creates an authentic and vivid Arthurian Britain, and never forsakes a sense of wonder." - Publishers Weekly on Pendragon
"Lawhead demonstrates a genuine love for and understanding of Anglo-Celtic mythology." - Library Journal on The Paradise War (...)

Author Bio

STEPHEN R. LAWHEAD is the internationally acclaimed author of the best-selling Pendragon Cycle, which received critical acclaim for its creative retelling of the Arthur legend and historical credibility. In addition to that series, he is the author of more than 25 novels and numerous children’s and non-fiction books of fantasy and imaginative fiction, including the award-winning Song of Albion trilogy. His trademark style of gifted storytelling combined with strong spiritual vision has placed his books among the enduring favorites of fiction. Lawhead makes his home in Oxford, England, with his wife, Alice.
Knives Over Queens
A Wild Cards novel
by Wild Cards Trust, edited by George R. R. Martin

Perfect for current fans and new readers alike, *Knives Over Queens* is an all-new adventure set in London, featuring a fresh cast of characters from the Wild Cards universe.

Developed by aliens and field-tested on Earth, the virus known as Xenovirus Takis-A was released in New York in 1946, changing the course of human history forever. Most of those infected die - and a tiny percentage become deformed beings known as jokers. A lucky few survivors become aces: superhumans gifted with amazing powers. Now the virus has reached Britain. There, Prime Minister Sir Winston Churchill, gifted with extraordinary longevity, together with the Enigma ace Alan Turing, set up a special organization named the Order of the Silver Helix. They will need all of the wild cards they can find if they are to deal with the terrifying mutations spawned by the virus.


Now in development for TV: Rights to develop Wild Cards have been acquired by Universal Cable Productions, the team behind *The Magicians* and *Mr. Robot*, with the co-editor of Wild Cards, Melinda Snodgrass, as executive producer.

**The Wild Cards Universe**
*The Original Triad*
- #1 Wild Cards
- #2 Aces High
- #3 Jokers Wild

*The Puppetman Quartet*
- #4: Aces Abroad
- #5 (…)

**Author Bio**

George R.R. Martin has been a full-time writer for over 25 years. He is the author of the acclaimed, internationally bestselling fantasy series *A Song of Ice and Fire*, which is the basis of HBO's popular *Game of Thrones* television series. Martin has won multiple science fiction awards, including 4 Hugos, 2 Nebulas, the Bram Stoker, the Locus Award, the World Fantasy Award, the Daedelus, the Balrog, and the Daikon (Japanese Hugo). The Wild Cards Trust is the creator of the Wild Cards series.
Fate of the Fallen
by Kel Kade

Fate of the Fallen is the start of a brand new adventure from New York Times bestselling author Kel Kade

Not all stories have happy endings.

Everyone loves Mathias. Naturally, when he discovers it's his destiny to save the world, he dives in head first, pulling his best friend Aaslo along for the ride. However, saving the world isn't as easy, or exciting, as it sounds in the stories. The going gets rough and folks start to believe their best chance for survival is to surrender to the forces of evil, which isn't how the prophecy goes. At all. As the list of allies grows thin, and the friends find themselves staring death in the face they must decide how to become the heroes they were destined to be or, failing that, how to survive

Author Bio

Kel Kade lives in Texas and occasionally serves as an adjunct college faculty member, inspiring young minds and introducing them to the fascinating and very real world of geosciences. Thanks to Kade's enthusiastic readers and the success of the King's Dark Tidings series, Kade is now able to create universes spanning space and time, develop criminal empires, plot the downfall of tyrannous rulers, and dive into fantastical mysteries full time.

Growing up, Kade lived a military lifestyle of traveling to and living in new places. These experiences with distinctive cultures and geography instilled in Kade a sense of wanderlust and opened a young mind to the knowledge that the Earth is expansive and wild. A deep interest in science, ancient history, cultural anthropology, art, music, languages, and spirituality is evidenced by the diversity and richness of the places and cultures depicted in Kade's writing.
Quantum Shadows
by L. E. Modesitt

Bestselling author of *The Mongrel Mage*, L. E. Modesitt, Jr's *Quantum Shadows* blends science fiction, myth, and legend in an adventure that pits old gods and new against one another in a far future world.

On a world called Heaven, the ten major religions of mankind each have its own land governed by a capital city and ruled by a Hegemon. That Hegemon may be a god, or a prophet of a god. Smaller religions have their own towns or villages of belief.

Corvyn, known as the Shadow of the Raven, contains the collective memory of humanity's Falls from Grace. With this knowledge comes enormous power. When unknown power burns a mysterious black image into the holy place of each House of the Decalivre, Corvyn must discover what entity could possibly have that much power. The stakes are nothing less than another Fall, and if he doesn't stop it, mankind will not rise from the ashes.

Praise for *Quantum Shadows*:
*Quantum Shadows* carries the overtones of our genre's finest writers - Zelazny and Wolfe - which is enough to commend it. . . . Modesitt has given us a vision all his own - a vision with the power to transport and challenge us in equal measures." - Peter O'Rullian, author of *The Unremembered*

Praise for *Solar Express*:
"His science fiction ranks up there with Ben Bova, Kristine Kathryn Rusch, Larry Niven, and Jerry Pournelle." - SF Revu

"Modesitt Jr.'s boundless imagination flings readers headfirst into a richly imagined deep-space world." - RT Book Reviews, starred review (4 (…)

Author Bio
L. E. Modesitt, Jr., is the bestselling author of the fantasy series *The Saga of Recluce*, *Corean Chronicles*, and the *Imager Portfolio*. His science fiction includes *Adiamante*, the *Ecolitan* novels, the *Forever Hero Trilogy*, and *Archform: Beauty*. Besides a writer, Modesitt has been a U.S. Navy pilot, a director of research for a political campaign, legislative assistant and staff director for a U.S. Congressman, Director of Legislation and Congressional Relations for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, a consultant on environmental, regulatory, and communications issues, and a college lecturer. He lives in Cedar City, Utah.
Bestselling author Morgan Llywelyn continues her near-future, apocalyptic thriller trilogy with her signature depth and intimacy of character.

In Inch by Inch, book two in the trilogy, the residents of Sycamore River have only just adjusted to the end of the Change. Until the morning people notice that metal starts to behave oddly. It's dissolving.

The world is pushed into global war, and a small band of Sycamore River survivors only have one another. They have to survive the unthinkable.

Step by Step

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Ms. Llywelyn's command of language is exquisite." - SFRevu on Only the Stones Survive

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Breath by Breath
Book Three Step by Step
by Morgan Llywelyn

_Breath by Breath_ is the explosive conclusion to the near-future, science fiction thriller trilogy _Step by Step_ from the bestselling author Morgan Llywelyn and follows the events of _Drop by Drop_ and _Inch by Inch_. Morgan Llywelyn concludes her near-future, apocalyptic thriller trilogy with her signature depth and intimacy of character. In _Breath by Breath_, book three in the trilogy, the residents of Sycamore River have weathered the Change and the nuclear war it provoked. They emerge to try to build a life from the shattered remains of their town. But for some, the very air has become toxic. The people of Sycamore River have to survived the unthinkable. Can they build something new from the ashes? Llywelyn blends her signature character-driven portrait of small-town life with the appeal of William Fortschen's _One Second After_.

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Mythago Wood
by Robert Holdstock

Myth and Terror in the Forest Deeps
The mystery of Ryhope Wood, Britain's last fragment of primeval forest, consumed George Huxley's entire long life. Now, after his death, his sons have taken up his work. But what they discover is numinous and perilous beyond all expectation.
For the Wood, larger inside than out, is a labyrinth full of myths come to life, mythagos” that can change you forever. A labyrinth where love and beauty haunt your dreams... and may drive you insane.
"This is a winning novel with a fine feeling for the interface between airy dreams and sweaty reality." - Publishers Weekly

Author Bio
Robert Holdstock is the author of the World Fantasy Award-winning Mythago Wood, widely considered one of the most significant fantasy novels of the 20th century. He lives in rural England not far from London.
Sorcery of a Queen
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A Chorus of Fire
by Brian D. Anderson

The second book in a new epic fantasy trilogy from successful self-published author, perfect for fans of the Wheel of Time and Sword of Truth.

A shadow has moved across Lamoria. Whispers of the coming conflict are growing louder; the enemy becoming bolder. Belkar's reach has extended far into the heart of Ralmarstad and war now seems inevitable.

Mariyah, clinging to the hope of one day being reunited with Lem, struggles to attain the power she will need to make the world safe again. But a power like this is not easily acquired and will test the limits of her mind and body. She will need to look deep inside herself to find the strength to achieve what even the Thaumas of old could not.

Lem continues his descent into darkness, serving a man he does not trust in the name of a faith which is not his own. Only Shemi keeps his heart from succumbing to despair, along with the knowledge that he has finally found Mariyah. But Lem is convinced she is being held against her will, and compelled to do the bidding of her captors. He is determined to free her, regardless the cost.

Their separate roads are leading them to the same destination. And once they arrive they will have to confront more than the power of Belkar. They will have to face themselves and what Lamoria has forced them to become.

Author Bio

BRIAN D. ANDERSON is the indie-bestselling fantasy author of The Godling Chronicles, Dragonvein, and Akiri (with co-author Steven Savile) series. His books have sold more than 500,000 copies worldwide and his audiobooks are perennially popular. After a fifteen year long career in music, he rediscovered his boyhood love of writing. It was soon apparent that this was what he should have been pursuing all along. Currently, he lives in the sleepy southern town of Fairhope, Alabama with his wife and son, who inspire him daily.
Son of the Shadows
Book Two of the Sevenwaters Trilogy
by Juliet Marillier

Son of the Shadows is the sequel to Juliet Marillier's evocative first novel Daughter of the Forest. It continues the saga of beautiful Sorcha, the courageous young woman who risked all to save her family from a wicked curse and whose love shattered generations of hate and bridged two cultures. It is from her sacrifice that her brothers were brought home to Sevenwaters and her life has known much joy. But not all the brothers were able to escape the spell that transformed them into swans, and those who did were all more - and less - than they were before the change.

It is left to Sorcha's daughter Liadan who will take up the tale that the Sevenwaters clan is destined to fulfill. Beloved child, dutiful daughter, she embarks on a journey that opens her eyes to the wonders of the world around her... and shows her just how hard-won was the peace that she has known all her life.

Liadan will need all of her courage to help save her family, for there are forces far darker than anyone could have guessed and ancient powers conspiring to destroy this family's peace - and their world. And she will need the strength to stand up to those she loves best, for in the finding of her own true love, Liadan's course may doom them all... or be their salvation.

Ever wondered what happens next in your favorite fairy tale? Juliet Marillier provides a beautifully wrought answer... The exquisite poetry of the story is carefully balanced with strong characterizations and more than a nod to Irish mythology." - Romantic Times
"A fine new fantasy writer." - Anne McCaffrey

Author Bio

JULIET MARILLIER achieved international recognition with the publication of the first two award-winning novels in the Sevenwaters Trilogy, a historical fantasy set in Ireland and Britain in the ninth century, and loosely based on the fairy tale The Six Swans*. Her other historical fantasy series include the Viking-inspired Light Isles duology and the Bridei Chronicles set in north Britain in the time of the Picts.
Isabelle and Jean-Claude undertake an airship expedition to recover a fabled treasure and claim a hitherto undiscovered craton for l’Empire Celeste. But Isabelle, as a result from a previous attack that tried to subsume her body and soul, suffers from increasingly disturbing and disruptive hallucinations. Disasters are compounded when the ship is sabotaged by an enemy agent, and Jean-Claude is separated from the expedition. In a race against time, Isabelle must figure out how to ward off her ailment before it destroys her and reunite with Jean-Claude to seek the fabled treasure as ancient secrets and a royal conspiracy threaten to undo the entire realm.

A gripping tale of a woman who refuses to be defined by her physical and magical limitations, thwarting both assassins and all who see her as a pawn. A great read!” - #1 New York Times bestselling author Brandon Sanderson, on An Alchemy of Masques and Mirrors

The Risen Kingdoms series
#1 An Alchemy of Masques and Mirrors
#2 A Labyrinth of Scions and Sorcery

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"Curtis Craddock’s debut is a grand tale of intrigue, adventure, and gaslight fantasy in the tradition of Alexander Dumas.” - Charles Stross

"A setting fabulous and strange, heroes to cheer for, villains to detest, a twisty, tricky (...)"

Author Bio

Curtis Craddock lives in Sterling, CO where he teaches English to inmates in a state penitentiary. An Alchemy of Masques and Mirrors is his first book.
The continuing saga of the Five Dragons, Ian McDonald's fast-paced, intricately plotted space opera pitched as *Game of Thrones* meets *The Expanse*

A hundred years in the future, a war wages between the Five Dragons - five families that control the Moon's leading industrial companies. Each clan does everything in their power to claw their way to the top of the food chain - marriages of convenience, corporate espionage, kidnapping, and mass assassinations.

Through ingenious political manipulation and sheer force of will, Lucas Cortas rises from the ashes of corporate defeat and seizes control of the Moon. The only person who can stop him is a brilliant lunar lawyer, his sister, Ariel.

Witness the Dragons' final battle for absolute sovereignty in Ian McDonald's heart-stopping finale to the Luna trilogy.

**Luna**
1. *Luna: New Moon*
2. *Luna: Wolf Moon*
3. *Luna: Moon Rising*

**Praise for Luna: Wolf Moon**

Spare, simple, elegant when he needs to be... deep and meaty when he wants to be... [Mcdonald] does his work like an artisan pulling a sculpture from stone. - NPR

"Each of McDonald's viewpoint characters is made human in fascinating and occasionally disturbing detail, and the solar system of the 22nd century is wonderfully delineated." - *Publishers Weekly*, starred review

"The fights and vengeance that follow are more vicious and intricate than anything in *Game of Thrones*, full of great acts of self-sacrifice and viciousness alike, brave cavalry charges and last stands, cowardice and avarice." - *Boing Boing*

"For all the enjoyable intrigue he concocts, McDonald never lets us forget that the Moon is a frontier that basically just (...)"

**Author Bio**

**Ian McDonald** was born in 1960 in Manchester, England, to an Irish mother and a Scottish father. He moved with his family to Northern Ireland in 1965. He has won the *Locus* Award, the British Science Fiction Association Award, and the John W. Campbell Memorial Award. His first novel, *Desolation Road*, was published in 1988. Other works include *King of Morning*, *Queen of Day* (winner of the Philip K. Dick Award), *River of Gods*, *The Dervish House*, the
The Baron of Magister Valley
by Steven Brust

From the vaults of Dragaeran history and the mind of master fantasist Steven Brust - a tale of betrayal and vengeance that is not at all a retelling of The Count of Monte Cristo

Reader, you will undoubtedly have had the misfortune of consuming the rotten fruit of fallacies that we - Paarfi of Roundwood (esteemed historian of House of Hawk and exquisite artisan of truths) - borrow" our factual recount of Dragaeran history from some obscure fellow who goes by the name Al Dumas or some silly nomenclature of that nature.
The salacious claims that The Baron of Magister Valley bears any resemblance to a certain nearly fictional narrative about an infamous count are unfounded (we do not dabble in tall tales. The occasional moderately stretched? Yes. But never tall).

Our tale is that of a nobleman who is betrayed by those he trusted, and subsequently imprisoned. After centuries of confinement, he contrives to escape and prepares to avenge himself against his betrayers.

A mirror image of The Count of Monte Cristo, vitriolic naysayers still grouse? Well, that is nearly and utterly false.

Standalones in The Khaavren Romances Series
1. The Phoenix Guards
2. Five Hundred Years After
3. The Paths of the Dead
4. The Lorde of Castle Black
5. Sethra Lavode
6. The Baron of Magister Valley: A Viscount of Adrilankha Novel

Praise for Steven Brust
"Surprisingly resonant--another solid entry in the series." - RT Review, 4 stars, on Vallista

"Clever... Brust's signature wit and narrative voice keep the action flowing and (...)"

Author Bio

Steven Brust is the bestselling author of Issola, Dragon, The Phoenix Guards, Five Hundred Years After, and many others. A native of Minneapolis, he currently lives in Las Vegas.
Architects of Memory
by Karen Osborne

Millions died after the first contact. An alien weapon holds the key to redemption - or annihilation. Experience Karen Osborne's unforgettable science fiction debut, Architects of Memory.

Terminally ill salvage pilot Ash Jackson lost everything in the war with the alien Vai, but she'll be damned if she loses her future. Her plan: to buy, beg, or lie her way out of corporate indenture and find a cure. When her crew salvages a genocidal weapon from a ravaged starship above a dead colony, Ash uncovers a conspiracy of corporate intrigue and betrayal that threatens to turn her into a living weapon.

Exciting and scary and fun and smart and sad and moving all at the same time. You need this book in your life." - Sam J. Miller, Nebula Award Winning author of The Art of Starving and Blackfish City

"A thrilling labyrinth of plot twists exploring loyalty, trust, and promises." - Sue Burke, Arthur C. Clarke Award finalist and author of Semiosis

"Kick-ass and poetic." - Emily Devenport, author of Medusa Uploaded

"Far-future corporate dystopia plus deep-space mystery plus powerful character drama. For fans of Firefly, Killjoys, and The Wrong Stars." - Michael R. Underwood, author of Annihilation Aria

Author Bio

KAREN OSBORNE is a speculative fiction writer and visual storyteller from Baltimore. She is a graduate of Viable Paradise and the Clarion Writers' Workshop, and won awards for her news & opinion writing in New York, Florida, and Maryland. Her short fiction appears in Escape Pod and is forthcoming in Beneath Ceaseless Skies.
Drowned Country
by Emily Tesh

*Drowned Country* is the haunting follow-up to Emily Tesh's lush, folkoric debut *Silver in the Wood*.

Praise for *Silver in the Wood*

Exquisitely crafted. . . . This fresh, evocative short novel heralds a welcome new voice in fantasy." - *Publishers Weekly*

"Find a quiet place in a nearby wood, listen to the trees whisper, and thank the old gods and new for this beautiful little book, of which I intend to get lost in again and again." - *Book Riot*

"Alive with old magic, *Silver in the Wood* made my hair stand on end even as it beckoned me to go deeper, and in the end I couldn't resist." - C. L. Polk

"A wildly evocative and enchanting story of old forests, forgotten gods, and new love. Just magnificent." - Jenn Lyons

"It is easy to praise flash and sparkle, but the beauty of the simple and lighter-than-air is more difficult to capture. *Silver in the Wood*'s sparkle is that of clear water; its flash the snap of a crackling fire, and Tesh's prose reads like returning to a dream long-forgotten or a song half-remembered. It is, needless to say, excellent." - Alexandra Rowland

"Tesh lured me into her rich fairytale narrative with the warmth and strangeness, then hooked me on her intricate characters. *Silver in the Wood* is a novella of quiet yearning and old secrets, gentle woodsmen and fierce dryads and mothers you really shouldn't mess with." - Kerstin Hall

Author Bio

Emily Tesh grew up in London and studied Classics at Trinity College, Cambridge, followed by a Master's degree in Humanities at the University of Chicago. She now lives in Hertfordshire, where she passes her time teaching Latin and Ancient Greek to schoolchildren who have done nothing to deserve it. She has a husband and a cat. Neither of them knows any Latin yet, but it is not for lack of trying.

Tesh is the author of *Silver in the Wood*.
The Heirs of Locksley
by Carrie Vaughn

Carrie Vaughn follows up The Ghosts of Sherwood with the charming, fast-paced The Heirs of Locksley, continuing the story of Robin Hood's children.

Author Bio

Carrie Vaughn is best known for her New York Times bestselling series of novels about a werewolf named Kitty who hosts a talk radio show for the supernaturally disadvantaged. Her novels include a near-Earth space opera, Martians Abroad, from Tor Books, and the post-apocalyptic murder mysteries Bannerless and The Wild Dead. She's written several other contemporary fantasy and young adult novels, as well as upwards of 80 short stories, two of which have been finalists for the Hugo Award. She's a contributor to the Wild Cards series of shared world superhero books edited by George R. R. Martin and a graduate of the Odyssey Fantasy Writing Workshop. An Air Force brat, she survived her nomadic childhood and managed to put down roots in Boulder, Colorado.
Everything about Father is stories.

Robin of Locksley and his one true love, Marian, are married. It has been close on two decades since they beat the Sheriff of Nottingham with the help of a diverse band of talented friends. King John is now on the throne, and Robin has sworn fealty in order to further protect not just his family, but those of the lords and barons who look up to him—and, by extension, the villagers they protect.

There is a truce. An uneasy one, to be sure, but a truce, nonetheless.

But when the Locksley children are stolen away by persons unknown, Robin and Marian are going to need the help of everyone they've ever known, perhaps even the ghosts that are said to reside deep within Sherwood.

And the Locksley children, despite appearances to the contrary, are not without tricks of their own.

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The Factory Witches of Lowell
by C. S. Malerich

_The Factory Witches of Lowell_ is a riveting historical fantasy about witches going on strike in the historical mill-town of Lowell, Massachusetts.

Author Bio

C. S. MALERICH grew up in northern New Jersey. Storytelling was an early love, her first and favorite subjects being rabbits, felines, and horses. As an adolescent, she became interested in fantasy and mythology, which led her to major in Classics at Montclair State University. In 2005, she followed her best friend to Washington, DC, where she continued avoiding fluency in Greek and Latin and taught mythology to undergrads at the University of Maryland. She's since pursued interests in folklore, cultural studies, and public health, sometimes all at once. Her fiction often explores intersections of liberation and justice, with an infectious dance beat. Some of her work has appeared in _Apparition Lit, Ares Magazine_, and the _Among Animals_ anthologies from eco-fiction publisher Ashland Creek Press. Her novel _Fire & Locket_ was published in 2019. C.S. continues to live and work in the DC area.
City Under the Stars
by Gardner Dozois and Michael Swanwick

Michael Swanwick and Gardner Dozois collaborate on Dozois’s last written work, City Under the Stars.

Author Bio

Gardner Dozois (1947-2018), one of the most acclaimed editors in science-fiction, won the Hugo Award for Best Editor 15 times. He was the editor of Asimov’s Science Fiction Magazine for 20 years. He also served as the editor of The Year’s Best Science Fiction anthologies and co-editor of the Warrior anthologies, Songs of the Dying Earth, and many others. As a writer, Dozois twice won the Nebula Award for best short story. He was inducted into the Science Fiction Hall of Fame in 2011 and received the Skylark Award for Lifetime Achievement. He lived in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

MICHAEL SWANWICK is an institution in both science fiction and fantasy literature. He has served as an influence on genre fiction as a whole as well as an inspiration to many leading authors. He has been a finalist multiple times for every major award in science fiction/fantasy and has won five Hugo Awards for his short fiction. Michael is the author of The Mongolian Wizard novelette series, as well as the Nebula Award-winning Stations of the Tide, and the industrial fantasy novels The Dragons of Babel and The Iron Dragon’s Daughter.
The Killing Light
by Myke Cole

The thrilling conclusion to Myke Cole's Sacred Throne trilogy
Heloise and her allies are marching on the Imperial Capital. The villagers, the Kipti, and the Red Lords are united only in their loyalty to Heloise, though dissenting voices are many and they are loud.
The unstable alliance faces internal conflicts and external strife, yet they're united in their common goal. But when the first of the devils start pouring through a rent in the veil between worlds, Heloise must strike a bargain with an unlikely ally, or doom her people to death and her world to ruin.

Praise for the Sacred Throne Trilogy
A heart-wrenching, blood-racing, all-around page-turner. Spare, vivid and surprisingly sensual, with a small, fierce heroine who will stick in your mind and live in your soul." - Diana Gabaldon
"Ruthless and heart-wrenching." - Robin Hobb
The Sacred Throne Trilogy

The Armored Saint
The Queen of Crows
The Killing Light

Author Bio

MYKE COLE is a devoted comic fan and voracious fantasy reader who never misses his weekly game night. His fandoms range from Star Wars to military history. He's a former kendo champion and heavy weapons fighter in the Society for Creative Anachronism. At the D&D table, he always plays paladins. After a career hunting people in the military, police, and intelligence services, Cole put these skills to good use on CBS's hit show Hunted. Author of the Shadow Ops series and the Sacred Throne Trilogy, which begins with The Armored Saint, Cole lives in Brooklyn, New York.
Network Effect
A Murderbot Novel
by Martha Wells

The *New York Times* and *USA Today* bestselling Murderbot series exploded onto the scene in 2017, and the world has not been the same, since.

Murderbot returns in its highly-anticipated, first, full-length standalone novel.
You know that feeling when you're at work, and you've had enough of people, and then the boss walks in with yet another job that needs to be done right this second or the world will end, but all you want to do is go home and binge your favorite shows? And you're a sentient murder machine programmed for destruction? Congratulations, you're Murderbot.
Come for the pew-pew space battles, stay for the most relatable A.I. you'll read this century.

- *I'm usually alone in my head, and that's where 90 plus percent of my problems are.*

When Murderbot's human associates (not friends, never friends) are captured and another not-friend from its past requires urgent assistance, Murderbot must choose between inertia and drastic action.
Drastic action it is, then.

**Author Bio**

MARTHA WELLS has written many fantasy novels, including *The Wizard Hunters, Wheel of the Infinite*, the Books of the Raksura series (beginning with *The Cloud Roads* and ending with *The Harbors of the Sun*), and the Nebula-nominated *The Death of the Necromancer*, as well as YA fantasy novels, short stories, and non-fiction.
Gideon the Ninth  
by Tamsyn Muir

A USA Today Best-Selling Novel!

Unlike anything I've ever read." - V.E. Schwab

"Lesbian necromancers explore a haunted gothic palace in space!" - Charles Stross

"Brilliantly original, messy and weird straight through." - NPR

The Emperor needs necromancers.
The Ninth Necromancer needs a swordswoman.
Gideon has a sword, some dirty magazines, and no more time for undead nonsense.

Tamsyn Muir’s Gideon the Ninth, first in The Locked Tomb Trilogy, unveils a solar system of swordplay, cut-throat politics, and lesbian necromancers. Her characters leap off the page, as skillfully animated as arcane revenants. The result is a heart-pounding epic science fantasy.

Brought up by unfriendly, ossifying nuns, ancient retainers, and countless skeletons, Gideon is ready to abandon a life of servitude and an afterlife as a reanimated corpse. She packs up her sword, her shoes, and her dirty magazines, and prepares to launch her daring escape. But her childhood nemesis won’t set her free without a service.

Harrowhark Nonagesimus, Reverend Daughter of the Ninth House and bone witch extraordinaire (…)

Author Bio

TAMSYN MUIR is the author of the Locked Tomb Trilogy, which begins with Gideon the Ninth, continues with Harrow the Ninth, and concludes with Alecto the Ninth. Her short fiction has been nominated for the Nebula Award, the Shirley Jackson Award, the World Fantasy Award and the Eugie Foster Memorial Award. A Kiwi, she has spent most of her life in Howick, New Zealand, with time living in Waiuku and central Wellington. She currently lives and works in Oxford, in the United Kingdom.
Harrow the Ninth
by Tamsyn Muir

Harrow the Ninth, the sequel to the sensational, USA today best-selling novel Gideon the Ninth, turns a galaxy inside out as one necromancer struggles to survive the wreckage of herself aboard the Emperor’s haunted space station.

Lesbian necromancers explore a haunted gothic palace in space!
Decadent nobles vie to serve the deathless emperor! Skeletons!" - Charles Stross on Gideon the Ninth

"Unlike anything I've ever read." - V.E. Schwab on Gideon the Ninth
"Deft, tense and atmospheric, compellingly immersive and wildly original." - The New York Times on Gideon the Ninth

She answered the Emperor’s call.
She arrived with her arts, her wits, and her only friend.
In victory, her world has turned to ash.
After rocking the cosmos with her deathly debut, Tamsyn Muir continues the story of the penumbral Ninth House in Harrow the Ninth, a mind-twisting puzzle box of mystery, murder, magic, and mayhem. Nothing is as it seems in the halls of the Emperor, and the fate of the galaxy rests on one woman’s shoulders.

Harrowhark Nonagesimus, last necromancer of the Ninth House, has been drafted by her Emperor to fight an unwinnable war. Side-by-side with a detested rival, Harrow must perfect her skills and become an angel of (...)

Author Bio

TAMSYN MUIR is the author of the Locked Tomb Trilogy, which begins with Gideon the Ninth, continues with Harrow the Ninth, and concludes with Alecto the Ninth. Her short fiction has been nominated for the Nebula Award, the Shirley Jackson Award, the World Fantasy Award and the Eugie Foster Memorial Award. A Kiwi, she has spent most of her life in Howick, New Zealand, with time living in Waiuku and central Wellington. She currently lives and works in Oxford, in the United Kingdom.
The Order of the Pure Moon Reflected in Water
by Zen Cho

A rollicking update on the classic Chinese bandit fantasy by award-winning author Zen Cho

"Fantastic, defiant, utterly brilliant." - Ken Liu

Zen Cho returns with a found family wuxia fantasy that combines the vibrancy of old school martial arts movies with characters drawn from the margins of history.

A bandit walks into a coffeehouse, and it all goes downhill from there. Guet Imm, a young votary of the Order of the Pure Moon, joins up with an eclectic group of thieves (whether they like it or not) in order to protect a sacred object, and finds herself in a far more complicated situation than she could have ever imagined.

Author Bio

Zen Cho was a finalist for the John W. Campbell Award for Best New Writer and her short story collection Spirits Abroad was a joint winner of the William L. Crawford Fantasy Award. Her debut novel Sorcerer to the Crown won a British Fantasy Award for Best Newcomer and was a Locus Awards finalist for Best First Novel. She lives in the UK.
Out of Body  
by Jeffrey Ford

A small-town librarian witnesses a murder at his local deli, and what had been routine sleep paralysis begins to transform into something far more disturbing. The trauma of holding a dying girl in his arms drives him out of his own body. The town he knows so well is suddenly revealed to him from a whole new perspective. Secrets are everywhere and demons fester behind closed doors.

Worst of all, he discovers a serial killer who has been preying on the area for over a century, one capable of traveling with him through his dreams.

Author Bio

Flyaway
by Kathleen Jennings

In a small Western Queensland town, a reserved young woman receives a note from one of her vanished brothers - a note that makes question her memories of their disappearance and her father's departure. A beguiling story that proves that gothic delights and uncanny family horror can live - and even thrive - under a burning sun, Flyaway introduces readers to Bettina Scott, whose search for the truth throws her into tales of eerie dogs, vanished schools, cursed monsters, and enchanted bottles. Flyaway enchants you with the sly, beautiful darkness of Karen Russell and a world utterly its own.

Author Bio

Kathleen Jennings lives in Brisbane, Australia. She was raised on a cattle property in Western Queensland. Since she did most of her schooling by Distance Education/School of the Air (Royal Flying Doctor radio and all), she was able to get through a lot of books when she was meant to be doing her schoolwork. Her parents did not stop this. Her short fiction has appeared in journals such as Lady Churchill's Rosebud Wristlet and Eleven Eleven Literary Journal, and in anthologies from Candlewick Press, FableCroft Publishing and Ticonderoga Publications, among others. She won a Ditmar Award for Best Short Story in 2016 and her stories have been included in Primes' The Year's Best Science Fiction and Fantasy 2015 and Ticonderoga's The Year's Best Australian Fantasy and Horror 2015. She is currently an MPhil candidate in creative writing at the University of Queensland, specialising in Australian Gothic Literature. She is also an illustrator: her art has appeared on many books (including two for Tor.com), has been nominated three times for the World Fantasy Awards and has won a number of Ditmars.
Second Spear
by Kerstin Hall

The thrilling, lush follow-up to THE BORDER KEEPER

After surviving the schemes of the goddess Fanieg and learning some shattering truths about her former life, the warrior Tyn feels estranged from her role guarding her ruler. Grappling with knowledge of her identity, she unleashes her frustrations on all the wrong people.

When an old enemy returns wielding an unstoppable, realm-crushing weapon, Tyn is swept up in the path of destruction.

Author Bio

KERSTIN HALL is a writer and editor based in Cape Town, South Africa. She completed her undergraduate studies in journalism at Rhodes University and, as a Mandela Rhodes Scholar, continued with a Masters degree at the University of Cape Town. Her short fiction has appeared in Strange Horizons, and she is a first reader for Beneath Ceaseless Skies. She also enjoys photography and is inspired by the landscapes of South Africa and Namibia. You can find her at kerstinhall.com and on Twitter at @Kerstin__Hall.