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*For many of us, the Ace Double Novels of the '50s and '60s have long been a source both of pleasure and nostalgia. This new double volume from Subterranean Press stands squarely in that distinguished tradition, offering a pair of colorful, fast-paced stories from the reigning master of the intergalactic space opera: Alastair Reynolds. Thousandth Night, the genesis for the epic novel House of Suns, is quintessential Reynolds. A visionary account of intrigue, ambition, and technological marvels set within a beautifully realized far-future milieu, it combines world-class storytelling with a provocative meditation on the mystery, grandeur, and inconceivable immensity of the universe. The masterful novella Minla's Flowers features Merlin, a familiar figure to Reynolds's readers. Diverted by technical difficulties to a planet known as Lecythus, Merlin finds himself forced to play a part in the moral and military dilemmas of a world on the verge of extinction.*

*This second book in a trilogy of high adventure and alternate history combines rousing pulp action with steampunk style, bringing epic political themes to life within a story of heartbreaking romance, sacrifice, and heroism. Princess Adele struggles with a life of marriage and obligation as her Equatorian Empire and their American Republic allies stand on the brink of war against the vampire clans of the north. However, the alliance's horrific strategy for total victory drives Adele to abandon her duty and embark on a desperate quest to keep her nation from staining its hands with genocide. Reunited with her great love, the mysterious adventurer known to the world as the Greyfriar, Adele is pursued by her own people as well as her vengeful husband, Senator Clark. With the human alliance in disarray, Prince Cesare, lord of the British vampire clan, seizes the initiative and strikes at the very heart of Equatoria. As Adele labors to bring order to her world, she learns more about the strange powers she exhibited in the north. Her teacher, Mamoru, leads a secret cabal of geomancers who believe Adele is the one who can touch the vast power of the Earth that surges through ley lines and wells up at the rifts where the lines meet. These energies are the key to defeating the enemy of mankind. If Princess Adele could ever bring this power under her command, she could be death to vampires. But such a victory would also cost the life of Adele's beloved Greyfriar. From the Trade Paperback edition.*

*Rousing pulp action and steampunk come together in a heartbreaking story of high adventure and alternate history. In the year 1870, a horrible plague of vampires swept over the northern regions of the world. It is now 2020 and a bloody reckoning is coming. Princess Adele is heir to the Empire of Equatoria, a remnant of the old tropical British Empire. When she becomes the target of a merciless vampire clan, her only protector is the Greyfriar, a mysterious hero who fights the vampires from deep within their territory. Their dangerous relationship plays out against an approaching war to the death between humankind and the vampire clans. The first book in a trilogy of high adventure and alternate history. Combining rousing pulp action with steampunk style, the Vampire Empire series brings epic political themes to life within a story of heartbreaking romance, sacrifice, and heroism.*

*The breathtaking sequel to Sarah Henning's The Princess Will Save You--a brilliantly-executed YA fantasy homage to The Princess Bride KEEP YOUR EYE ON THE CROWN... After a thousand years of political stability, the realm of The Sand and Sky is up for grabs. Four kingdoms, four rulers vying for the ultimate prize, sovereignty over the entire continent: A ruthless old king spinning webs, whose schemes encompass generations. A widowed queen whose only credo is all kings must die. A runaway queen whose unexpected return upends everyone's plans. And a prince-in-waiting determined to wait no more. Standing against them are a dispossessed princess and her stable boy love with a surprising claim of his own. Their only hope in the face of unspeakable betrayals, enemies hidden in the shadows, and insurmountable odds is the power of true love... The Kingdoms of Sand & Sky Trilogy Book 1: The Princess Will Save You Book 2: The Queen Will Betray You Book 3: The King Will Kill You Praise for The Princess Will Save You “Full of inconceivable wit, daring adventure, and cunning political machinations...It’s as if Sarah Henning looked into my soul that yearned for a book like The Princess Bride and said—as you wish. And yes, this is a kissing book.”—Ashley Poston, author of Heart of Iron “A breakneck fantasy adventure.... Swoony romance, sword fights, a great cast of characters and some clever parallels to a story about another princess who won’t be made a bride makes The Princess Will Save You a strong contender for my favorite novel of the year.”—Emily Hall Schroen, Main Street Books, St. Charles, Missouri At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.*

*The Island of Sea Women*

*The Rift Walker*

*A Novel*

*Thousandth Night*

*Among the Hidden*

A sequel to Nil finds Rives reluctantly teaming up with mysterious newcomer Skye in a desperate race to save the residents of Nil and make a high-risk decision to destroy the island forever.

DISOWNED IN A HARSH GALAXY Cast out by his family and exiled from the Rimward Commonwealth, Simon Forrester must make a new life for himself as an apprentice to the powerful Commerce Guild. But others aboard the merchant vessel Stacked Deck have a hidden agenda that might lead directly to interstellar war. Now with rising tensions between the Commonwealth and the neighboring League of Democracies threatens to erupt into open war, Simon finds himself forced to choose between old and new loyalties, with the fate of an empire at stake! At the publisher's request, this title is sold without DRM (Digital Rights Management).

Fans of Serafina and the Black Cloak and The Night Gardener will devour Shadow Weaver, the first in a dark middle-grade fantasy duology that’s filled with shadows, danger, magic, and has the feel of a new classic. Emmeline’s gift of controlling shadows has isolated her from the rest of the world, but she’s grown to be content, hidden away in her mansion with Dar, her own shadow, as her only company. Disaster strikes when a noble family visits their home and offers to take Emmeline away and cure her of magic. Desperate not to lose her shadows, she turns to Dar who proposes a deal: Dar will change the noble’s mind, if Emmeline will help her become flesh as she once was. Emmeline agrees but the next morning the man in charge is in a coma and all that the witness saw was a long shadow with no one nearby to cast it. Scared to face punishment, Emmeline and Dar run away. With the noble’s guards on her trail, Emmeline’s only hope of clearing her name is to escape capture and perform the ritual that will set Dar free. But Emmeline’s not sure she can trust Dar anymore, and it’s hard to keep secrets from someone who can never leave your side.

May. gone. June. gone. July: moving fast. Here are gods, snakes, death, and demons. On the lighter, crunchier side: carrots and apples. Twice a year this zine slips out into this world, less internationally than it used to. Maybe I just need to stand at airports and offer it as in-flight reading? Maybe I can persuade an airline to make it their in-flight magazine? How refreshing it would be to pull LCRW out of the seat pocket. Since LCRW only comes out twice a year, that leaves 10 months to be filled in with other zines. Airlines, ping me. We can make this work. In the meantime, good things are here. Made by Gavin J. Grant & Kelly Link. This 2 minute 45 second issue is Lady Churchill ’ s Rosebud Wristlet 45 and is going out in August 2022. ISSN 1544-7782. Ebook ISBN: 9781618732071. Text: Bodoni Book. Titles: Imprint MT Shadow. LCRW is (usually) published in June (. . .) and November by Small Beer Press, 150 Pleasant St., #306, Easthampton, MA 01027 . smallbeerpress@gmail.com - smallbeerpress.com/lc/w. twitter.com/smallbeerpress · Printed at Paradise Copies (paradisecopies.com - 413-585-0414). Subscriptions: \$24/4 issues (see page 13 of the print issue or PDF for options). Please make checks to Small Beer Press. Library & institutional subscriptions: EBSCO. LCRW is available as a DRM-free ebook through weightlessbooks.com, &c. Contents © 2022 the authors. All rights reserved. Cover illustration “ Nausicaa ” © 2020 by Ashanti Fortson (ashantifortson.com). Celebrating! Zen Cho ’ s LA Times Ray Bradbury Book Award for Spirits Abroad and Isabel Yap ’ s Ladies of Horror Awards for her story “ Syringe ” and her collection Never Have I Ever. We brought two titles out as ebooks recently: Susan Stinson ’ s novel Venus of Chalk and Howard Waldrop ’ s collection Dream Factories and Radio Pictures. RIP Ang é lica Gorodischer and Geoffrey Goodwin. Since December 2021 Gavin has been on the couch/working from home (not in the office or shop) with something along the lines of CFS or post-viral fatigue so everything Small Beer has & will be slowed down for the foreseeable future. Thanks to Laura, Kate, Beth, Franchie, Diya, & Jess at Book Moon for shipping LCRW (&c) and running the bookshop like a dream. We ’ re switching websites and point of sales systems at Book Moon so your orders and patience are much appreciated. Please send submissions (especially weird and interesting work from women writers and writers of color), guideline requests, &c. to the address above. Thanks again, authors, artists, readers.

The Rift

Heir of Fire

Rifts and Refrains

Chronicle of the Unhewn Throne

Nil Unlocked

**\* "Villanueva's debut is a beautiful #ownvoices middle-grade novel. Tough topics are addressed, but warmth and humor... bring lightness to Sab's story. This immersive novel bursts with life." -- Kirkus Reviews, starred review**
**When superstitious Sab sees a giant black butterfly, an omen of death, she knows that she's doomed! According to legend, she has one week before her fate catches up with her -- on her 11th birthday. With her time running out, all she wants is to celebrate her birthday with her entire family. But her sister, Ate Nadine, stopped speaking to their father one year ago, and Sab doesn't even know why.If Sab's going to get Ate Nadine and their father to reconcile, she'll have to overcome her fears -- of her sister's anger, of leaving the bubble of her sheltered community, of her upcoming doom -- and figure out the cause of their rift.So Sab and her best friend Pepper start spying on Nadine and digging into their family's past to determine why, exactly, Nadine won't speak to their father. But Sab's adventures across Manila reveal truths about her family more difficult -- and dangerous -- than she ever anticipated.Was the Butterfly right? Perhaps Sab is doomed after all!**

**In a near-future world of genetically engineered super-humans inspired by classic comic book heroes, Troubleshooter Emerald Blair helps to restore order to unstable space habitats in the Asteroid Belt only to find her loyalties tested by rival factions.**

**In "The Falling World," Jade, sister queen of the Indigo Cloud Court, has traveled with Chime and Balm to another Raksuran court. When she fails to return, her consort, Moon, along with Stone and a party of warriors and hunters, must track them down. Finding them turns out to be the easy part; freeing them from an ancient trap hidden in the depths of the Reaches is much more difficult.**

**A Stormhost of Sigmar's celestial warriors run a gauntlet of enemies in an attempt to close a dangerous rift that could drown an entire realm in daemons. In the Tephra Crater lies the city of Uryx, a once-proud bastion now overrun by the Bloodbound. Anhur the Scarlet Lord means to use the city to open a gateway to Khorne's own realm and drench all of Klaxus in blood. Only Sigmar's chosen stand in his way - the Warrior Chamber of Orius the Adamantine, one of many fighting a bitter war of liberation in this region. Their quest is a grim one: breach the walls and reach the heart of Uryx to prevent a ritual that will bring about death untold. The hopes of all Klaxus rest on Lord-Celestant Orius - his warriors are many, and heroes all, but to triumph he must defeat not only the forces of Chaos but the demons of his own past.**

**Minla's Flowers**

**Nil on Fire**

**The Mysterious Benedict Society and the Riddle of Ages**

**Starfish**

**Etherea Magazine #2**

*"Fast-moving and deeply felt stories, sharply envisioned and lit with humor and compassion. Nathan Elias writes like he’s lived a thousand lives." - Ben Loory, author of Tales of Falling and Flying*
*"Nathan Elias's fearless debut collection is a genre defying labyrinth of loss and heartache. From machines that might let you talk to the dead to pills that will make you fall out of love, these deft stories signal a tremendous talent in capturing what it means to be human in this or other realities." - Sequoia Nagamatsu, author of Where We Go When All We Were Is Gone*
*These loosely connected stories are laced with the familiar and the uncanny, the real and the surreal, the ordinary and the fabulistic. A documentary filmmaker refuses to give up on finding his daughter who mysteriously disappears by the river. A small-time real estate agent recovers from a brief psychotic episode upon discovering his fiancée's affair. An actress struggles to grasp reality when the recordings of lucid dreams are used in movies instead of live performances. An eccentric teenager recounts his first romance from beyond the grave. Spanning the boundaries of literary and speculative fiction, The Reincarnations revolves around multiple forms of Zenlike rebirth. Equal parts raw emotion and wild imagination, Nathan Elias's debut story collection ushers in an electrifying yet tender new voice in fiction.*

*Running the Rift*
*A Novel*
*Algonquin Books*

*Despite Rives and Skye's attempt to destroy Nil, the island remains. And back in this world, Nil won't let Skye go. Haunted by a darkness she can't ignore, Skye wrestles with Nil nightmares that worsen by the day and threaten to tear her apart. As the island grows in power, Skye fights to keep her mind intact. Soon Skye realizes that to break free of Nil, she must end Nil's vicious cycle once and for all--and she can't do it alone. Who are Nil's new arrivals? Who will return to the island? And who will survive in the end? In this thrilling final installment of the Nil series, the stakes have never been higher. Losing isn't an option, but winning will cost Skye everything.*

*"A story of money, family, who you can trust, and the extremes to which one will go for blood. I couldn't put it down."—Lisa Ling, host of CNN's This Is Life*
*Keep your family close and your enemies closer. Beth is the darling of God Halsa, a pharmaceutical giant, and she's got the outrageous salary and lifestyle to prove it. Until she lands in white-collar women's prison, thanks to a high-profile whistleblower suit. Sam, Beth's husband, used to be the town's most eligible bachelor, and he's never had to do anything for himself. Until his wife goes to jail, and he's left to raise two daughters on his own. Lise, the au pair, is the whistleblower. But is she? Everyone knows she's not clever enough to have done it alone. Hannah, Sam's sister, is devoted to her family. There's nothing she wouldn't do for them. Eva, Beth's sister, is the smart one. (Read: not the pretty one.) Her life seems perfect on the surface, but sibling rivalry runs deep. Marlin, Beth's brother, is the firstborn, the former golden boy turned inside-the-Beltway businessman. But what is he hiding? Someone knows something. Someone betrayed Beth. This is the story of the Min-Lindstroms. This is the story of the all-American family as it implodes under the weight of secrets, lies and the unchecked desire for wealth and power. A.H. Kim is an immigrant, graduate of Harvard College and Berkeley Law, lawyer, and mother of two sons. She lives in San Francisco with her husband. A Good Family is her first novel.*

*The Black Rift*

*Refuge: A Novel*

*A Good Family*

*The Tin Can Tree*

*The Sequel to One of Us Is Lying*

*#1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • The highly anticipated sequel to One of Us Is Lying! There's a new mystery to solve at Bayview High, and there's a whole new set of rules. Fans of the hit thriller that started it all can watch the secrets of the Bayview Four be revealed in the One of Us is Lying TV series now streaming on NBC's Peacock! Come on, Bayview, you know you've missed this. A ton of copycat gossip apps have popped up since Simon died, but in the year since the Bayview four were cleared of his shocking death, no one's been able to fill the gossip void quite like he could. The problem is no one has the facts. Until now. This time it's not an app, though—it's a game. Truth or Dare. Phoebe's the first target. If you choose not to play, it's a truth. And hers is dark. Then comes Maeve and she should know better—always choose the dare. But by the time Knox is about to be tagged, things have gotten dangerous. The dares have become deadly, and if Maeve learned anything from Bronwyn last year, it's that they can't count on the police for help. Or protection. Simon's gone, but someone's determined to keep his legacy at Bayview High alive. And the rules have changed. “Few craft teen suspense like McManus.” --Entertainment Weekly “A thriller from one of the best writers in the YA mystery genre, One of Us Is Next delivers more shocking surprises and twists you won't see coming.” --PASTE*

A magical romance between a boy cursed with invisibility and the one girl who can see him, by New York Times bestselling authors Andrea Cremer (Nightshade) and David Levithan (Every Day) Stephen is used to invisibility. He was born that way. Invisible. Cursed. Elizabeth sometimes wishes for invisibility. When you’re invisible, no one can hurt you. So when her mother decides to move the family to New York City, Elizabeth is thrilled. It’s easy to blend in there. Then Stephen and Elizabeth meet. To Stephen’s amazement, she can see him. And to Elizabeth’s amazement, she wants him to be able to see her—all of her. But as the two become closer, an invisible world gets in their way—a world of grudges and misfortunes, spells and curses. And once they’re thrust into this world, Elizabeth and Stephen must decide how deep they’re going to go—because the answer could mean the difference between love and death. Praise for INVISIBILITY \* " Levithan and Cremer again prove themselves masters of their craft. The inventive, enrapturing story that follows involves spellseekers and a curse-casting grandfather, but Stephen's and Elizabeth's journey is largely about redemption, self-acceptance, and love. Cremer and Levithan make Stephen's invisibility something every reader can relate to, and therein lies the magic." --Publishers Weekly, starred review "A must-read for both the realist and the romantic!" --Teen Vogue "[An] enigmatic mash-up of fantasy and romance set in contemporary real-world Manhattan. The collaboration of Levithan and Cremer creates a seamless narrative." --Booklist “Once in a while, along comes a book like this one, written by two great authors, with a fun premise and nice execution, and I don't feel like I need to cover my enjoyment of it with a cough and a sheepish grin. So thanks for that, Andrea Cremer and David Levithan!” --ForeverYA "Cremer and Levithan craft a tale of love and magic in their first collaborative effort." --School Library Journal "A fast-paced supernatural thriller that will surely leave readers wanting more.[A] love child of Buffy the Vampire Slayer and Levithan's Every Day." --Kirkus Reviews

Follow Chaol on his sweeping journey to a distant empire in this next instalment of the THRONE OF GLASS series by global #1 bestselling author Sarah J. Maas. Chaol Westfall has always defined himself by his unwavering loyalty, his strength, and his position as the Captain of the Guard. But all of that has changed since Aelin shattered the glass castle, since Chaol's men were slaughtered, since the King of Adarlan spared him from a killing blow, but left his body broken. Now he and Nesryn sail for Antica – the stronghold of the southern continent's mighty empire and of the legendary healers of the Torre Cesme. It's Chaol's one shot at recovery, and with war looming back home, Dorian and Aelin's survival could depend on Chaol and Nesryn convincing Antica's rulers to ally with them. But what they discover there will change them both – and be more vital to saving Erilea than they could have imagined.

*"To read a novel by Anne Tyler is to fall in love." –PEOPLE In this novel filled with "emotional power" (The New York Times), in the small town of Larksville, the Pike family is hopelessly out of step with the daily rhythms of life. Mrs. Pike seldom speaks, while Mr. Pike maintains a forced stoicism. Only their ten-year-old, Simon, seems able to acknowledge that their world has changed. He just doesn't understand why. The Pikes may choose to stand still, to hide from an unnameable past, but the strange shroud over their home cannot be contained. Soon it’s inching its way toward their neighbors, where brothers Ansel and James will have to confront their own dark secrets if they want to bring their neighborhood back out into the light.*

*Lady Churchill's Rosebud Wristlet* No. 45

*Sing Me Forgotten*

*Stories of the Raksura*

*Babylon Dreams*

*Zima Blue*

**INSTANT #1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER PARADE MAGAZINE - ONE OF FALL'S MOST ANTICIPATED BOOKS AARP'S MOST ANTICIPATED BOOKS OF FALL CRIMEREADS - ONE OF THE BEST TRADITIONAL MYSTERIES OF THE YEAR GLOBE AND MAIL - TOP 100 BOOKS OF THE YEAR CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR - ONE OF THE BEST NOVELS OF THE YEAR KIRKUS REVIEWS - ONE OF THE BEST MYSTERIES/THRILLERS OF THE YEAR LIBRARY JOURNAL - ONE OF THE BEST CRIME FICTION BOOKS OF THE YEAR**
The 16th novel by #1 bestselling author Louise Penny finds Chief Inspector Armand Gamache of the Sûreté du Québec investigating a sinister plot in the City of Light On their first night in Paris, the Gamaches gather as a family for a bistro dinner with Armand’s godfather, the billionaire Stephen Horowitz. Walking home together after the meal, they watch in horror as Stephen is knocked down and critically injured in what Gamache knows is no accident, but a deliberate attempt on the elderly man’s life. When a strange key is found in Stephen’s possession it sends Armand, his wife Reine-Marie, and his former second-in-command at the Sûreté, Jean-Guy Beauvoir, from the top of the Tour d’Eiffel,

to the bowels of the Paris Archives, from luxury hotels to odd, coded, works of art. It sends them deep into the secrets Armand’s godfather has kept for decades. A gruesome discovery in Stephen’s Paris apartment makes it clear the secrets are more rancid, the danger far greater and more imminent, than they realized. Soon the whole family is caught up in a web of lies and deceit. In order to find the truth, Gamache will have to decide whether he can trust his friends, his colleagues, his instincts, his own past. His own family. For even the City of Light casts long shadows. And in that darkness devils hide.

The inimitable quartet of Reymie, Sticky, Kate, and Constance haven’t had a mission together in some time. But with the arrival of a new Society member - and a new threat - they must reunite to face dilemmas more dangerous than ever before.

In the 22nd Century, virtual reality feels like real life—especially if you’re dead. Mind-uploading technology has spawned the “After-Death Destinations” industry. CEO Of Virtual Enterprises, Inc, Gunter Holden shot himself, escaping into Bali Hai, his custom Eden. Decades after his suicide, Bali Hai is an old program. Its sun is often in the wrong place. Strange fish swim in its virtual seas. Gunter is anxious. Tucked away in his folder are the murders of his wife Laura and her lover, Jacob, Gunter’s brother. Gunter is alone. His memory files are fragmenting, forcing him to relive times best forgotten. Gunter relies on charm and it’s slipping away. As Gunter struggles to stop the fragmenting, corporate mergers bring unwelcome change. Thousands of virtual residents are erased. Bali Hai falls into chaos as Gunter discovers unspeakable betrayals. And Babylon Dreams waits. “A keen and absorbing what-if tale about VR and a digital afterlife.” -- Kirkus Reviews

Winner of the PEN/Bellwether Prize for Fiction: An “audacious and compelling” novel of one man trying to outrun the horrors of the Rwandan genocide (The Washington Post). A Kansas City Star, Seattle Times, and BookBrowse Best of the Year Pick Running the Rift follows the progress of Jean Patrick Nkuba from the day he knows that running will be his life to the moment he must run to save his life. A naturally gifted athlete, he sprints over the thousand hills of Rwanda and dreams of becoming his country’s first Olympic medal winner in track. But Jean Patrick is a Tutsi in a world that has become increasingly restrictive and violent for his people. As tensions mount between the Hutu and Tutsi, he holds fast to his dream that running might deliver him, and his people, from the brutality around them. Winner of the PEN/Bellwether Prize for Socially Engaged Fiction, Naomi Benaron has written a stunning and gorgeous novel that—through the eyes of one unforgettable boy—explores a country’s unraveling, its tentative new beginning, and the love that binds its people together. “A profound display of imagination and empathy. Benaron writes like Jean Patrick runs, with the heart of a lion.” —The Dallas Morning News “A novel full of unspeakable strife but also joy, humor, and love.” —O, The Oprah Magazine “This is truly fearless writing: ambitious, beautiful, unapologetically passionate.” —Barbara Kingsolver, New York Times–bestselling author “A culturally rich and unflinching story of resilience and resistance.” —Chicago Tribune “Benaron accomplishes the improbable feat of wringing genuine loveliness from unspeakable horror.”—Publishers Weekly (starred review)

Tower of Dawn
Shooting the Rift
The Falling World
The Demon Seeds
One of Us Is Next

The stunning conclusion to the fantasy phenomenon Super Dungeon Series. Based on the board game Super Dungeon Explore, this hilarious children’s series follows the adventures of questing heroes as they take down evil and rescue the missing princesses of Crystalia.

THE NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER “A mesmerizing new historical novel” (O, The Oprah Magazine) from Lisa See, the bestselling author of The Tea Girl of Hummingbird Lane, about female friendship and devastating family secrets on a small Korean island. Mi-ja and Young-sook, two girls living on the Korean island of Jeju, are best friends who come from very different backgrounds. When they are old enough, they begin working in the sea with their village’ s all-female diving collective, led by Young-sook’ s mother. As the girls take up their positions as baby divers, they know they are beginning a life of excitement and responsibility—but also danger. Despite their love for each other, Mi-ja and Young-sook find it impossible to ignore their differences. The Island of Sea Women takes place over many decades, beginning during a period of Japanese colonialism in the 1930s and 1940s, followed by World War II, the Korean War, through the era of cell phones and wet suits for the women divers. Throughout this time, the residents of Jeju find themselves caught between warring empires. Mi-ja is the daughter of a Japanese collaborator. Young-sook was born into a long line of haenyeo and will inherit her mother’ s position leading the divers in their village. Little do the two friends know that forces outside their control will push their friendship to the breaking point. “ This vivid,thoughtful and empathetic ” novel (The New York Times Book Review) illuminates a world turned upside down, one where the women are in charge and the men take care of the children. “ A wonderful ode to a truly singular group of women” (Publishers Weekly), The Island of Sea Women is a “ beautiful story,about the endurance of friendship when it ’ s pushed to its limits, and you will love it” (Cosmopolitan).

A fabulous collection spanning the galaxies and career of SF superstar Alastair Reynolds Reynolds' pursuit of truth is not limited to wide-angle star smashing - not that stars don't get pulverised when one character is gifted (or cursed) with an awful weapon by the legendary Merlin. Reynolds' protagonists find themselves in situations of betrayal, whether by a loved one's accidental death, as in 'Signal to Noise', or by a trusted wartime authority, in 'Spirey and the Queen'. His fertile imagination can resurrect Elton John on Mars in 'Understanding Space and Time' or make prophets of the human condition out of pool-cleaning robots in the title story. But overall, the stories in ZIMA BLUE represent a more optimistic take on humanity's future, a view that says there may be wars, there may be catastrophes and cosmic errors, but something human will still survive.

Arianwyn fluffs her witch's assessment - instead of qualifying, she's declared an apprentice and sent to remote Lull in disgrace. Then her arch-enemy, mean girl Gimma, arrives on holiday determined to make her life a misery. But as a mysterious darkness begins to haunt her spells, Arianwyn realizes there's much more than her pride at stake ...

Day One Routing in Fat Trees

The Apprentice Witch

All the Devils Are Here

Only Superhuman

Running the Rift

Etherea Magazine # 2 In this issue we have eight short speculative fiction stories from some utterly talented writers. “Why can’t I type like that? How come he gets all this inspiration to write and then it just flows out of him?” – The Price of Inspiration, by Nick Marone “I’ve come to muster the town. The realm is in peril and the king’s envoys have traversed the land with the call to arms.” – Those Olden Shackles, by Jason Restrick “That while there was a seven percent probability of the enemy ship escaping there was a sixty percent chance that I would contract food poisoning from the dishes piled up in the galley” – In Space No-One Can Hear You Clean, by Scott Steensma “She’s there when I open my eyes. All 7 foot 2 of her, perched on the edge of my bed.” – Dream a Little Dream, by Emma Kathryn “I walk down the ramp toward the command center. Today, I destroy IGAP.” – This is How the Revolution Begins, by Aaron Emmel “I tried not to think of how she would cope during the next Cycle, torn from the only family—the only life—she’d ever known, and dropped into a new one. Could anything be more cold or vicious?” – Assignment Day, by Jon Gauthier “Jaya palmed the Charakar stone in her hand and stood up. It was time.” – The Mineral Thief, by Sangeetha Thanapal “But only when one is abandoned does he come to truly understand his fellow man.” – A Hundred Souls for the Dark Master, By J.D. Harlock Also including a scintillating interview with Fiona McIntosh, two Indie Author Spotlights, and a book review of Nolyn – the latest novel from Michael J Sullivan

In a future where the Population Police enforce the law limiting a family to only two children, Luke, an illegal third child, has lived all his twelve years in isolation and fear on his family’s farm in this start to the Shadow Children series from Margaret Peterson Haddix. Luke has never been to school. He’s never had a birthday party, or gone to a friend’s house for an overnight. In fact, Luke has never had a friend. Luke is one of the shadow children, a third child forbidden by the Population Police. He’s lived his entire life in hiding, and now, with a new housing development replacing the woods next to his family’s farm, he is no longer even allowed to go outside. Then, one day Luke sees a girl’s face in the window of a house where he knows two other children already live. Finally, he’s met a shadow child like himself. Jen is willing to risk everything to come out of the shadows—does Luke dare to become involved in her dangerous plan? Can he afford not to?

“Rich and colorful... [Refuge] has the kind of immediacy commonly associated with memoir, which lends it heft, intimacy, atmosphere.”—New York Times The moving lifetime relationship between a father and a daughter, seen through the prism of global immigration and the contemporary refugee experience. An Iranian girl escapes to America as a child, but her father stays behind. Over twenty years, as she transforms from confused immigrant to overachieving Westerner to sophisticated European transplant, daughter and father know each other only from their visits: four crucial visits over two decades, each in a different international city. The longer they are apart, the more their lives diverge, but also the more each comes to need the other’s wisdom and, ultimately, rescue. Meanwhile, refugees of all nationalities are flowing into Europe under troubling conditions. Wanting to help, but also looking for a lost sense of home, our grown-up transplant finds herself quickly entranced by a world that is at once everything she has missed and nothing that she has ever known. Will her immersion in the lives of these new refugees allow her the grace to save her father? Refuge charts the deeply moving lifetime relationship between a father and a daughter, seen through the prism of global immigration. Beautifully written, full of insight, charm, and humor, the novel subtly exposes the parts of ourselves that get left behind in the wake of diaspora and ultimately asks: Must home always be a physical place, or can we find it in another person?

“If anyone is going to explore a future version of our high-tech, internet-obsessed culture, please let it be Megan Angelo. Followers is pure gold.” —Abbi Jacobson, bestselling author and cocreator of Broad City “An intricate and brave story of friendship, ambition, and love and the lengths people will go to protect it all.” —Booklist, \*starred review\* “Spectacular... the tale skillfully builds to a terrifyingly believable climax...Angelo delivers a strong, consistently fascinating debut.” —Publishers Weekly, \*starred review\* “Endless clever details and suspenseful plotting make this speculative-fiction debut an addictive treat.” —Kirkus Reviews, \*starred review\* An electrifying story of two ambitious friends, the dark choices they make and the stunning moment that changes the world as we know it forever Orla Cadden is a budding novelist stuck in a dead-end job, writing clickbait about movie-star hookups and influencer yoga moves. Then Orla meets Floss—a striving, wannabe A-lister—who comes up with a plan for launching them both into the high-profile lives they dream about. So what if Orla and Floss’s methods are a little shady—and sometimes people get hurt? Their legions of followers can’t be wrong. Thirty-five years later, in a closed California village where government-appointed celebrities live every moment of the day on camera, a woman named Marlow discovers a shattering secret about her past. Despite her massive popularity—twelve million loyal followers—Marlow dreams of fleeing the corporate sponsors who would do anything to keep her on-screen. When she learns that her whole family history is based on a lie, Marlow finally summons the courage to run in search of the truth, no matter the risks. Followers traces the paths of Orla, Floss and Marlow as they wind through time toward each other, and toward a cataclysmic event that sends America into lasting upheaval. At turns wry and tender, bleak and hopeful, this darkly funny story reminds us that even if we obsess over famous people we’ll never meet, what we really crave is genuine human connection.

The Queen Will Betray You

Shadow Weaver

Followers

The Greyfriar

The Midnight Queen

Celaena has survived deadly contests and shattering heartbreak-but at an unspeakable cost. Now, she must travel to a new land to confront her darkest truth . . . a truth about her heritage that could change her life-and her future-forever. Meanwhile, brutal and monstrous forces are gathering on the horizon, intent on enslaving her world. Will Celaena find the strength to not only fight her inner demons, but to take on the evil that is about to be unleashed? The bestselling series that has captured readers all over the world reaches new heights in this sequel to the New York Times best-selling Crown of Midnight. Packed with heart-pounding action, fierce new characters, and swoon-worthy romance, this third book will enthrall readers from start to finish.

From the moment Quinn Montgomery sat behind her first snare and cymbal set, she was destined for fame and glory. As Hush Note’s infamous female drummer, she sets the rhythm for the band’s chart-toppings hits. When people tap their feet to their music, it’s to her pulse. Quinn is content to live in a world away from her family and the cage of her youth. Her only regret is leaving Graham Hayes behind without a goodbye. No matter how many sold-out stadiums she plays, no matter how many crowds sing her songs, his voice haunts her when the music stops. When a family tragedy forces her to return home to Montana, she plans to leave the second she’s paid her respects. But seeing Graham again turns her life upside down. As a boy, he wasn’t able to make her stay. As a man, he might be her future. If they can mend their rifts and find solace in the refrains. \*\*\*\*\* “A tale of dreams chased and loves lost, of wounds healed and loves found, Perry proves in spades that she can spin any story into gold.” - Natasha is a Book Junkie “The feels, those tender, squeeze your heart, make you ache allllll over FEELS. Goshhhhhh! I LIVED them. I could not get enough of Quinn and Graham! And I haven’t rooted for a couple this hard in a long time! Undoubtedly one of Devney Perry's best books! FIVE STARS for me!” - Angie’s Dreamy Reads “Rifts and Refrains by Devney Perry captured my heart. I adored this small town, second chance romance with a hero who is just perfect and a heroine struggling to find herself despite her fame and fortune. Love, love, loved it!” - Carly Phillips, New York Times Bestselling Author “Second-chances are my jam, and Devney Perry absolutely NAILED IT in Rifts and Refrains. I was so swept up in Quinn and Graham. Their chemistry was this angsty, swoony perfection that had my stomach knotted in blissful anticipation until the very end. An unforgettable must-read!” - A.L. Jackson, New York Times Bestselling Author “My favorite rock star series ever! Character driven and each book transcended its trope.” - Shh Mom’s Reading \*\*\*\*\* For fans of: Nora Roberts, Kristen Ashley, Sarina Bowen, Vi Keeland, Susan Stoker, Tessa Bailey, Helena Hunting, Elle Kennedy, Toni Aleo, Kristen Callihan, LJ Shen, Mona Kasten, Corinne Michaels, Jana Aston, Karina Halle, Jay Crownover, Anna Todd, Geneva Lee, Audrey Carlan, Piper Rayne, Suzanne Brockmann, Helen Hoang, Christina Lauren, Kristan Higgins, Sally Thorne, Penelope Sky, Penelope Ward, Debbie Macomber, Maisy Yates, Sarah Mayberry, Lauren Blakely, Susan Mallery, Penny Reid, Julia Kent, Kelly Jamieson, Melanie Harlow, Kendall Ryan, Kennedy Ryan, Helen Hardt, Meghan March, Meli Raine, Sylvia Day, Chelle Bliss, Brenda Rothert, Natasha Madison, Kylie Scott, Sloane Kennedy, Penelope Sky, K.A. Linde, Nana Malone, Jami Davenport, Jaci Burton, Penelope Sky, Helen Hardt, E.L. James, Anna Todd, Chelle Bliss, Kendall Ryan, Kennedy Fox, Julia Kent, Meli Raine, Kristen Callihan, Meghan Quinn, Rebecca Yarros, Catherine Cowles, Carrie Ann Ryan, JD Robb, Jill Shalvis. Keywords: Small town romance, second chance, single dad, rockstar romance, Montana romance.

"A teenager living in an alternate-history futuristic Versailles must escape its walls by selling a happy-educing makeup called Glitter"--

A huge international corporation has developed a facility along the Juan de Fuca Ridge at the bottom of the Pacific Ocean to exploit geothermal power. They send a bio-engineered crew--people who have been altered to withstand the pressure and breathe the seawater--down to live and work in this weird, fertile undersea darkness. Unfortunately the only people suitable for long-term employment in these experimental power stations are crazy, some of them in unpleasant ways. How many of them can survive, or will be allowed to survive, while worldwide disaster approaches from below? Starfish, the first installment in Peter Watts'

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The Kingdoms of Sand & Sky Book Two

Invisibility

The Reincarnations

Glitter

*Isda does not exist. At least not beyond the opulent walls of the opera house. Cast into a well at birth for being one of the magical few who can manipulate memories when people sing, she was saved by Cyril, the opera house’s owner. Since that day, he has given her sanctuary from the murderous world outside. All he asks in return is that she use her power to keep ticket sales high—and that she stay out of sight. For if anyone discovers she survived, Isda and Cyril would pay with their lives. But Isda breaks Cyril’s cardinal rule when she meets Emeric Rodin, a charming boy who throws her quiet, solitary life out of balance. His voice is unlike any she’s ever heard, but the real shock comes when she finds in his memories hints of a way to finally break free of her gilded prison. Haunted by this possibility, Isda spends more and more time with Emeric, searching for answers in his music and his past. But the price of freedom is steeper than Isda could ever know. For even as she struggles with her growing feelings for Emeric, she learns that in order to take charge of her own destiny, she must become the monster the world tried to drown in the first place.*

*The Providence of Fire is the second novel in Brian Staveley's Chronicle of the Unhewn Throne, a gripping new epic fantasy series The conspiracy to destroy the ruling family of the Annurian Empire is far from over. Having learned the identity of her father's assassin, Adare flees the Dawn Palace in search of allies to challenge the coup against her family. Few trust her, but when she is believed to be touched by Intarra, patron goddess of the empire, the people rally to help her retake the capital city. As armies prepare to clash, the threat of invasion from barbarian hordes compels the rival forces to unite against their common enemy. Unknown to Adare, her brother Valyn, a renegade member of the empire's most elite fighting force, has allied with the invading nomads. The terrible choices each of them has made may make war between them inevitable. Between Valyn and Adare is their brother Kaden, rightful heir to the Unhewn Throne, who has infiltrated the Annurian capital with the help of two strange companions. The knowledge they possess of the secret history that shapes these events could save Annur or destroy it. Chronicle of the Unhewn Throne The Emperor's Blades The Providence of Fire The Last Mortal Bond Other books in the world of the Unhewn Throne Skullsworn (forthcoming) At the Publisher's request, this title is being sold without Digital Rights Management Software (DRM) applied.*

*Selena and Julie are sisters. As children they were closest companions, but as they grow towards maturity, a rift develops between them. There are greater rifts, however. Julie goes missing at the age of seventeen. It will be twenty years before Selena sees her again. When Julie reappears, she tells Selena an incredible story about how she has spent time on another planet.*

*Selena has an impossible choice to make: does she dismiss her sister as a damaged person, the victim of delusions, or believe her, and risk her own sanity in the process? Is Julie really who she says she is, and if she isn't, what does she have to gain by claiming her sister's identity?*

*The Providence of Fire*

*My Fate According to the Butterfly*