

Project Hail Mary: A Novel

Author: Andy Weir

#1 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • From the author of *The Martian*, a lone astronaut must save the earth from disaster in this “propulsive” (*Entertainment Weekly*), cinematic thriller full of suspense, humor, and fascinating science—in development as a major motion picture starring Ryan Gosling.

ONE OF THE YEAR’S BEST BOOKS: Bill Gates, GatesNotes, New York Public Library, *Parade*, *Newsweek*, *Polygon*, *Shelf Awareness*, *She Reads*, *Kirkus Reviews*, *Library Journal* • “An epic story of redemption, discovery and cool speculative sci-fi.”—*USA Today*

“If you loved *The Martian*, you’ll go crazy for Weir’s latest.”—*The Washington Post*

Ryland Grace is the sole survivor on a desperate, last-chance mission—and if he fails, humanity and the earth itself will perish.

Except that right now, he doesn’t know that. He can’t even remember his own name, let alone the nature of his assignment or how to complete it.

All he knows is that he’s been asleep for a very, very long time. And he’s just been awakened to find himself millions of miles from home, with nothing but two corpses for company.

His crewmates dead, his memories fuzzily returning, Ryland realizes that an impossible task now confronts him. Hurling through space on this tiny ship, it’s up to him to puzzle out an impossible scientific mystery—and conquer an extinction-level threat to our species.

And with the clock ticking down and the nearest human being light-years away, he’s got to do it all alone.

Or does he?

An irresistible interstellar adventure as only Andy Weir could deliver, *Project Hail Mary* is a tale of discovery, speculation, and survival to rival *The Martian*—while taking us to places it never dreamed of going.

House of Sky and Breath (Crescent City)

Author: Sarah J. Maas

Sequel to the #1 New York Times bestseller!

Sarah J. Maas's sexy, groundbreaking CRESCENT CITY series continues with the second installment.

Bryce Quinlan and Hunt Athalar are trying to get back to normal—they may have saved Crescent City, but with so much upheaval in their lives lately, they mostly want a chance to relax. Slow down. Figure out what the future holds.

The Asteri have kept their word so far, leaving Bryce and Hunt alone. But with the rebels chipping away at the Asteri’s power, the threat the rulers pose is growing. As Bryce, Hunt, and their friends get pulled into the rebels’ plans, the choice becomes clear: stay silent while others are oppressed, or fight for what’s right. And they’ve never been very good at staying silent.

In this sexy, action-packed sequel to the #1 bestseller *House of Earth and Blood*, Sarah J. Maas weaves a captivating story of a world about to explode—and the people who will do anything to save it.

Shards of Earth (The Final Architecture Book 1)

Author: Adrian Tchaikovsky

The Arthur C. Clarke award-winning author of *Children of Time* brings us an extraordinary space opera about humanity on the brink of extinction, and how one man’s discovery will save or destroy us all.

The war is over. Its heroes forgotten. Until one chance discovery. . . . Idris has neither aged nor slept since they remade him in the war. And one of humanity’s heroes now scrapes by on a freelance salvage vessel, to avoid the attention of greater powers. After earth was destroyed, mankind created a fighting elite to save their species, enhanced humans such as Idris. In the silence of space they could communicate, mind-to-mind, with the enemy. Then their alien aggressors, the Architects, simply disappeared—and Idris and his kind became obsolete. Now, fifty years later, Idris and his crew have discovered something strange abandoned in space. It’s clearly the work of the Architects—but are they returning? And if so, why? Hunted by gangsters, cults and governments, Idris and his crew race across the galaxy hunting for answers. For they now possess something of incalculable value, that many would kill to obtain.

Quicksilver

Author: Dean Koontz

#1 *New York Times* bestselling master of suspense Dean Koontz takes a surprising and exhilarating road trip with a man in pursuit of his strange past—mile by frightening mile.

Quinn Quicksilver was born a mystery—abandoned at three days old on a desert highway in Arizona. Raised in an orphanage, never knowing his parents, Quinn had a happy if unexceptional life. Until the day of “strange magnetism.” It compelled him to drive out to the middle of nowhere. It helped him find a coin worth a lot of money. And it practically saved his life when two government agents showed up in the diner in pursuit of him. Now Quinn is on the run from those agents and who knows what else, fleeing for his life.

During a shoot-out at a forlorn dude ranch, he finally meets his destined companions: Bridget Raining, a beauty as gifted in foresight as she is with firearms, and her grandpa Sparky, a romance novelist with an unusual past. Bridget knows what it’s like to be Quinn. She’s hunted, too. The only way to stay alive is to keep moving.

Barreling through the Sonoran Desert, the formidable trio is impelled by that same inexplicable magnetism toward the inevitable. With every deeply disturbing mile, something sinister is in the rearview—an enemy that is more than a match for Quinn. Even as he discovers within himself resources that are every bit as scary.

Klara and the Sun: A novel

Author: Kazuo Ishiguro

NEW YORK TIMES BEST SELLER • Once in a great while, a book comes along that changes our view of the world. This magnificent novel from the Nobel laureate and author of *Never Let Me Go* is “an intriguing take on how artificial intelligence might play a role in our futures ... a poignant meditation on love and loneliness” (*The Associated Press*). • A GOOD MORNING AMERICA Book Club Pick!

“What stays with you in ‘Klara and the Sun’ is the haunting narrative voice—a genuinely innocent, egoless perspective on the strange behavior of humans obsessed and wounded by power, status and fear.” —Booker Prize committee

Here is the story of Klara, an Artificial Friend with outstanding observational qualities, who, from her place in the store, watches carefully the behavior of those who come in to browse, and of those who pass on the street outside. She remains hopeful that a customer will soon choose her. *Klara and the Sun* is a thrilling book that offers a look at our changing world through the eyes of an unforgettable narrator, and one that explores the fundamental question: what does it mean to love?

Legend of the Arch Magus: Ascension

Author: Michael Sisa

VOLUME 8 OF LEGEND OF THE ARCH MAGUS

An Arch Magus dies, only to find himself in the body of a young man in a medieval Kingdom. He finds out that he is the second son of a Duke, exiled to a desolated town by his own family. Shackled by the notorious reputation of his new shell, he tries his best to develop his domain, implementing new policies and innovations, leading his subjects to prosperity. In this world where magic is undeveloped, he shall once again pave a new path.

Leviathan Falls (The Expanse Book 9)

Author: James S. A. Corey

The biggest science fiction series of the decade comes to an incredible conclusion in the ninth and final novel in James S.A. Corey’s Hugo-award winning space opera that inspired the Prime Original series.

“An all-time genre classic.” —*Publishers Weekly* (starred review)

Hugo Award Winner for Best Series

The Laconian Empire has fallen, setting the thirteen hundred solar systems free from the rule of Winston Duarte. But the ancient enemy that killed the gate builders is awake, and the war against our universe has begun again.

In the dead system of Adro, Elvi Okoye leads a desperate scientific mission to understand what the gate builders were and what destroyed them, even if it means compromising herself and the half-alien children who bear the weight of her investigation. Through the wide-flung systems of humanity, Colonel Aliana Tanaka hunts for Duarte’s missing daughter. . . and the shattered emperor himself. And on the *Rocinante*, James Holden and his crew struggle to build a future for humanity out of the shards and ruins of all that has come before.

As nearly unimaginable forces prepare to annihilate all human life, Holden and a group of unlikely allies discover a last, desperate chance to unite all of humanity, with the promise of a vast galactic civilization free from wars, factions, lies, and secrets if they win.

But the price of victory may be worse than the cost of defeat.

"Interplanetary adventure the way it ought to be written." —George R. R. Martin

The Expanse

Leviathan Wakes
Caliban's War
Abaddon's Gate
Cibola Burn
Nemesis Games
Babylon's Ashes
Persepolis Rising
Tiamat's Wrath
■ *Leviathan Falls*

Memory's Legion

The Expanse Short Fiction

Drive
The Butcher of Anderson Station
Gods of Risk
The Churn
The Vital Abyss
Strange Dogs
Auberon
The Sins of Our Fathers

City World (Undying Mercenaries Book 17)

Author: B. V. Larson

Earth's entire fleet and all her legions are conscripted by the Galactics. Centurion McGill of Legion Varus is among countless troops pressed into service as cannon fodder for the Empire.

Not everyone on Earth is happy with the demands of the Galactics. Earth has built up her military for decades, and now she might lose everything in a foreign war no one understands. As the man who has killed more Mogwa than any other human in history, McGill is approached and given a mission. He has a fateful decision to make. Will he serve Earth's overlords faithfully, or will he assassinate the arrogant alien leaders?

CITY WORLD is book #17 in the Undying Mercenaries series, an epic saga of space battles and ground combat. With millions of copies sold, USA Today Bestselling author B. V. Larson is the king of modern military science fiction.

Light From Uncommon Stars

Author: Ryka Aoki

Good Omens meets *The Long Way to a Small, Angry Planet* in Ryka Aoki's *Light From Uncommon Stars*, a defiantly joyful adventure set in California's San Gabriel Valley, with cursed violins, Faustian bargains, and queer alien courtship over fresh-made donuts.

A National Bestseller

Indie Next Pick

New York Public Library Top 10 Book of 2021

A Kirkus Best Book of 2021

A Barnes & Noble Best Science Fiction Book of 2021

2022 Alex Award Winner

2022 Stonewall Book Award Winner

Shizuka Satomi made a deal with the devil: to escape damnation, she must entice seven other violin prodigies to trade their souls for success. She has already delivered six.

When Katrina Nguyen, a young transgender runaway, catches Shizuka's ear with her wild talent, Shizuka can almost feel the curse lifting. She's found her final candidate.

But in a donut shop off a bustling highway in the San Gabriel Valley, Shizuka meets Lan Tran, retired starship captain, interstellar refugee, and mother of four. Shizuka doesn't have time for crushes or coffee dates, what with her very soul on the line, but Lan's kind smile and eyes like stars might just redefine a soul's worth. And maybe something as small as a warm donut is powerful enough to break a curse as vast as the California coastline.

As the lives of these three women become entangled by chance and fate, a story of magic, identity, curses, and hope begins, and a family worth crossing the universe for is found.

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A Master of Djinn: a novel (Dead Djinn Universe Book 1)

Author: P. Djèlí Clark

2022 RUSA Reading List: Fantasy Winner

A 2021 NEIBA Book Award Finalist

A Best of 2021 Pick in SFF for Amazon

A Best of 2021 Pick in SFF for Kobo

Included in NPR's Favorite Sci-Fi And Fantasy Books Of The Past Decade (2011-2021)

Nebula, Locus, and Alex Award-winner P. Djèlí Clark goes full-length for the first time in his dazzling debut novel

Cairo, 1912: Though Fatma el-Sha'arawi is the youngest woman working for the Ministry of Alchemy, Enchantments and Supernatural Entities, she's certainly not a rookie, especially after preventing the destruction of the universe last summer.

So when someone murders a secret brotherhood dedicated to one of the most famous men in history, al-Jahiz, Agent Fatma is called onto the case. Al-Jahiz transformed the world forty years ago when he opened up the veil between the magical and mundane realms, before vanishing into the unknown. This murderer claims to be al-Jahiz, returned to condemn the modern age for its social oppressions. His dangerous magical abilities instigate unrest in the streets of Cairo that threaten to spill over onto the global stage.

Alongside her Ministry colleagues and a familiar person from her past, Agent Fatma must unravel the mystery behind this imposter to restore peace to the city—or face the possibility he could be exactly who he seems...

Novellas by P. Djèlí Clark

The Black God's Drums

The Haunting of Tram Car 015

Ring Shout

The Dead Djinn Universe contains stories set primarily in Clark's fantasy alternate Cairo, and can be enjoyed in any order.

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Big Bad Beast: Interstellar Brides® Program: The Beasts - 4

Author: Grace Goodwin

An Atlan warlord in hiding.

In pain.

In danger of succumbing to a horrible fever.

Only one woman can save him.

One.

All he has to do is find her before he becomes a *Big Bad Beast*...

Her Hidden Genius: A Novel

Author: Marie Benedict

"Marie Benedict brings human warmth and in-depth science to a novel on the life of Rosalind Franklin...A humanly as well as scientifically engaging read." —*Financial Times*

The new novel from the *New York Times* bestselling author of *The Mystery of Mrs. Christie!*

She changed the world with her discovery. Three men took the credit.

Rosalind Franklin has always been an outsider—brilliant, but different. Whether working at the laboratory she adored in Paris or toiling at a university in London, she feels closest to the science, those unchanging laws of physics and chemistry that guide her experiments. When she is assigned to work on DNA, she believes she can unearth its secrets.

Rosalind knows if she just takes one more X-ray picture—one more after thousands—she can unlock the building blocks of life. Never again will she have to listen to her colleagues complain about her, especially Maurice Wilkins who'd rather conspire about genetics with James Watson and Francis Crick than work alongside her.

Then it finally happens—the double helix structure of DNA reveals itself to her with perfect clarity. But what unfolds next, Rosalind could have never predicted.

Marie Benedict's powerful new novel shines a light on a woman who sacrificed her life to discover the nature of our very DNA, a woman whose world-changing contributions were hidden by the men around her but whose relentless drive advanced our understanding of humankind.

Also By Marie Benedict:

The Other Einstein

Carnegie's Maid

The Only Woman in the Room

Lady Clementine

The Mystery of Mrs. Christie

To Paradise: A Novel

Author: Hanya Yanagihara

#1 NEW YORK TIMES BEST SELLER • From the author of the classic *A Little Life*—a bold, brilliant novel spanning three centuries and three different versions of the American experiment, about lovers, family, loss and the elusive promise of utopia.

In an alternate version of 1893 America, New York is part of the Free States, where people may live and love whomever they please (or so it seems). The fragile young scion of a distinguished family resists betrothal to a worthy suitor, drawn to a charming music teacher of no means. In a 1993 Manhattan besieged by the AIDS epidemic, a young Hawaiian man lives with his much older, wealthier partner, hiding his troubled childhood and the fate of his father. And in 2093, in a world riven by plagues and governed by totalitarian rule, a powerful scientist's damaged granddaughter tries to navigate life without him—and solve the mystery of her husband's disappearances.

These three sections are joined in an enthralling and ingenious symphony, as recurring notes and themes deepen and enrich one another: A townhouse in Washington Square Park in Greenwich Village; illness, and treatments that come at a terrible cost; wealth and squalor; the weak and the strong; race; the definition of family, and of nationhood; the dangerous righteousness of the powerful, and of revolutionaries; the longing to find a place in an earthly paradise, and the gradual realization that it can't exist. What unites not just the characters, but these Americas, are their reckonings with the qualities that make us human: Fear. Love. Shame. Need. Loneliness.

To Paradise is a *fin de siècle* novel of marvelous literary effect, but above all it is a work of emotional genius. The great power of this remarkable novel is driven by Yanagihara's understanding of the aching desire to protect those we love—partners, lovers, children, friends, family and even our fellow citizens—and the pain that ensues when we cannot.

Anything (Full Murderhobo Book 2)

Author: Dakota Krout

An ever-expanding desert. A centuries-old curse. Enough power to change Anything.

Luke is a straightforward man. There are only a few things he wants in life: levels, things to fight to gain levels, and finding Cookie so he can fight things more efficiently. Well, better armor might be nice. Yet, the other members of his team are ready for some relaxation and fun in the sun. After all, there should be huge perks that come with stopping an invasion in its tracks, and a hero's welcome would be a welcome change.

Surprisingly, being famous for making the Kingdom wealthy and powerful has its downsides. Namely, there is now a huge price on their heads. Ordered to flee from the political machinations, assassins, and marriage proposals, The Four soon find themselves searching for a way to pit their power against the world and make a comfy home in the desert.

The problem is, Nature likes to be left alone. When you start messing with it... Anything could happen.

Blue Plague: The War Years - Countdown (Book 8)

Author: Thomas A. Watson

Bruce is back!!!

The time for full scale war against the blues has come.

With Bruce leading the clan, all effort and sacrifice is being put toward this task.

Outnumbered beyond comprehension, none in the clan doubt they will win, but fear the cost in lives and loved ones.

Despite gearing up for war, Bruce and the clan are keeping a promise made. Save as many as you can.

A Call to Insurrection: Book IV of Manticore Ascendant (Manticore Ascendant series 4)

Author: David Weber

Book four in the nationally best-selling Manticore Ascendant series, set in the world of David Weber's multiple *New York Times* best-selling Honorverse series.

Yesterday, the Star Kingdom of Manticore was a small, unimportant interstellar backwater. A quiet little star nation, only recently recovered from the devastating blow of the Plague Years. More affluent than some, perhaps, but with little to attract trade or interstellar commerce, it had little need for a navy . . . and even less interest in paying for one.

But Manticore has now become a target. The Star Kingdom isn't certain who is attacking it, or why, or what its mysterious foe can possibly want, but Queen Elizabeth I knows she has to find out. And she knows that whatever some of her subjects think, Manticore does need a navy. And it needs allies, friends like the dynamic Republic of Haven and the Andermani Empire. It needs their trade . . . and to learn from their more experienced and powerful navies.

It is the job of officers like Travis Long and his wife, Lisa, to acquire that experience. Of utterly inexperienced diplomats like Travis's brother Gavin, Earl Winterfall, to build those alliances.

They have been sent to the powerful Andermani Empire to do just that, for the Imperial Navy is one of the most potent and experienced fleets in the galaxy. But the Andermani have problems of their own. Their Emperor's death is the trigger for insurrection, and now that powerful and experienced navy is locked in civil war.

The Manticoran visitors find themselves squarely in the path of the storm, and before Travis, Lisa, and Gavin can accomplish anything else, they first have to survive.

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About *A Call to Arms*:

"The plotting is as solid as ever, with smaller scenes building to an explosive, action-packed crescendo, and the authors strike a nice balance between technical details of space flight and the human cost of war."—*Publishers Weekly*

Praise for prequel *A Call to Duty*:

"This exciting book marks the first collaboration of two powerhouses . . . fans of both writers should be quite pleased with the result. Like Robert A. Heinlein and Orson Scott Card, Weber and Zahn are telling a story about a teenage character but writing for readers of all ages."—*Booklist*

"A new series set in the universe of Weber's popular heroine Honor Harrington gets off to a solid start. . . . Cowriters Zahn and Weber do an excellent job alluding to events known to longtime fans. . . . [T]his astronomical adventure is filled with . . . intrigue and political drama."—*Publishers Weekly*

About the Honor Harrington series:

"Weber combines realistic, engaging characters with intelligent technological projection and a deep understanding of military bureaucracy in this long-awaited Honor Harrington novel . . . Fans of this venerable space opera will rejoice to see Honor back in action."—*Publishers Weekly*

". . . everything you could want in a heroine. . . . Excellent . . . plenty of action."—*Science Fiction Age*

"Brilliant! Brilliant! Brilliant!"—Anne McCaffrey

"Compelling combat combined with engaging characters for a great space opera adventure."—*Locus*

"Weber combines realistic, engaging characters with intelligent technological projection . . . Fans of this venerable space opera will rejoice . . ."—*Publishers Weekly*

The Last Watch (The Divide Series Book 1)

Author: J. S. Dewes

The Expanse meets *Game of Thrones* in J. S. Dewes's fast-paced, sci-fi adventure *The Last Watch*, the first book in the Divide series, where a handful of soldiers stand between humanity and annihilation.

New York Public Library—Best Science Fiction 2021

Business Insider—Best Science Fiction 2021

Polygon—Best Science Fiction and Fantasy 2021

Amazon—Best Science Fiction 2021

FanFiAddict—Lord TBR's Best of 2021

Best SciFi Books—Best of 2021

P. S. Hoffman—Best of 2021

10 Best Books Like *Foundation*—*ScreenRant*

20 Must Read Space Fantasy Books for 2021—*Bookriot*

Most Anticipated Book for April 2021:

Bookish

Nerd Daily

Geek Tyrant

SFF 180

Amazon Best of the Month April 2021

The Divide.

It's the edge of the universe.

Now it's collapsing—and taking everyone and everything with it.

The only ones who can stop it are the Sentinels—the recruits, exiles, and court-martialed dregs of the military.

At the Divide, Adequin Rake commands the Argus. She has no resources, no comms—nothing, except for the soldiers that no one wanted. Her ace in the hole could be Cavalon Mercer—genius, asshole, and exiled prince who nuked his grandfather's genetic facility for "reasons."

She knows they're humanity's last chance.

The Divide series

The Last Watch

The Exiled Fleet

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Rabbits: A Novel

Author: Terry Miles

A deadly underground game might just be altering reality itself in this all-new adventure set in the world of the hit *Rabbits* podcast.

NAMED ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR BY *THE WALL STREET JOURNAL* • "A wild ride . . . impossible to put down."—*Publishers Weekly* (starred review)

It's an average work day. You've been wrapped up in a task, and you check the clock when you come up for air—4:44 p.m. You check your email, and 44 unread messages have built up. With a shock, you realize the date is April 4—4/4. And when you get in your car to drive home, your odometer reads 44,444.

Coincidence? Or have you just seen the edge of a rabbit hole?

Rabbits is a mysterious alternate reality game so vast it uses the entire world as its canvas.

Since the game started in 1959, ten iterations have appeared and nine winners have been declared. The identities of these winners are unknown.

So is their reward, which is whispered to be NSA or CIA recruitment, vast wealth, immortality, or perhaps even the key to the secrets of the universe itself.

But the deeper you get, the more dangerous the game becomes. Players have died in the past—and the body count is rising.

And now the eleventh round is about to begin.

Enter K—a Rabbits obsessive who has been trying to find a way into the game for years. That path opens when K is approached by billionaire Alan Scarpio, rumored to be the winner of the sixth iteration. Scarpio says that something has gone wrong with the game and that K needs to fix it before Eleven starts, or the whole world will pay the price.

Five days later, Scarpio is declared missing.

Two weeks after that, K blows the deadline: Eleven begins.

And suddenly, the fate of the entire universe is at stake.

Termination Shock: A Novel

Author: Neal Stephenson

New York Times Bestseller

From Neal Stephenson—who coined the term “metaverse” in his 1992 novel *Snow Crash*—comes a sweeping, prescient new thriller that transports readers to a near-future world in which the greenhouse effect has inexorably resulted in a whirling-dervish troposphere of superstorms, rising sea levels, global flooding, merciless heat waves, and virulent, deadly pandemics.

“Stephenson is one of speculative fiction’s most meticulous architects. . . . *Termination Shock* manages to pull off a rare trick, at once wildly imaginative and grounded.” — *New York Times Book Review*

One man—visionary billionaire restaurant chain magnate T. R. Schmidt, Ph.D.—has a Big Idea for reversing global warming, a master plan perhaps best described as “elemental.” But will it work? And just as important, what are the consequences for the planet and all of humanity should it be applied?

Ranging from the Texas heartland to the Dutch royal palace in the Hague, from the snow-capped peaks of the Himalayas to the sunbaked Chihuahuan Desert, *Termination Shock* brings together a disparate group of characters from different cultures and continents who grapple with the real-life repercussions of global warming. Ultimately, it asks the question: Might the cure be worse than the disease?

Epic in scope while heartbreakingly human in perspective, *Termination Shock* sounds a clarion alarm, ponders potential solutions and dire risks, and wraps it all together in an exhilarating, witty, mind-expanding speculative adventure.

A Psalm for the Wild-Built (Monk & Robot Book 1)

Author: Becky Chambers

In *A Psalm for the Wild-Built*, Hugo Award-winner Becky Chambers's delightful new Monk and Robot series gives us hope for the future.

It's been centuries since the robots of Panga gained self-awareness and laid down their tools; centuries since they wandered, en masse, into the wilderness, never to be seen again; centuries since they faded into myth and urban legend.

One day, the life of a tea monk is upended by the arrival of a robot, there to honor the old promise of checking in. The robot cannot go back until the question of "what do people need?" is answered.

But the answer to that question depends on who you ask, and how.

They're going to need to ask it a *lot*.

Becky Chambers's new series asks: in a world where people have what they want, does having more matter?

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The Anomaly: A Novel

Author: Hervé Le Tellier

A New York Times bestseller and a "Best Thriller of the Year"

Winner of the Goncourt Prize and now an international phenomenon, this dizzying, whip-smart novel blends crime, fantasy, sci-fi, and thriller as it plumbs the mysteries surrounding a Paris-New York flight.

Who would we be if we had made different choices? Told that secret, left that relationship, written that book? We all wonder—the passengers of Air France 006 will find out.

In their own way, they were all living double lives when they boarded the plane:

Blake, a respectable family man who works as a contract killer.

Slimbo, a Nigerian pop star who uses his womanizing image to hide that he's gay.

Joanna, a Black American lawyer pressured to play the good old boys' game to succeed with her Big Pharma client.

Victor Miesel, a critically acclaimed yet largely obscure writer suddenly on the precipice of global fame.

About to start their descent to JFK, they hit a shockingly violent patch of turbulence, emerging on the other side to a reality both perfectly familiar and utterly strange. As it charts the fallout of this logic-defying event, *The Anomaly* takes us on a journey from Lagos and Mumbai to the White House and a top-secret hangar.

In Hervé Le Tellier's most ambitious work yet, high literature follows the lead of a bingeable Netflix series, drawing on the best of genre fiction from "chick lit" to mystery, while also playfully critiquing their hallmarks. An ingenious, timely variation on the doppelgänger theme, it taps into the parts of ourselves that elude us most.

Empire (Unification Trilogy, Book 3) (Black Fleet Saga 9)

Author: Joshua Dalzelle

The final fight for control of humanity begins now.

The United Terran Federation is on the brink of collapse after a devastating attack by the Eastern Star Alliance that has left four planets depopulated and uninhabitable. Terrified member worlds are fleeing from the Federation and the remnant of their once-mighty fleet has retreated to the last place they are welcome: Earth.

Out of options and time, the Federation turns to Admiral Jackson Wolfe and his new superweapon that could be the key to turning the tide of the war in their favor. Admiral Wolfe knows that no matter what, the fate of humanity will be decided in the coming battle.

Empire is the final book in the bestselling Black Fleet Saga.

Can You Take a Juke? (Bob and Nikki Book 23)

Author: Jerry Boyd

Bob thought BSR might be able to do some business with Homm and his people. Turns out he was wrong, but their ancestors had left knowledge the company could use. Watch the crew try to recover the knowledge, without getting mixed up in their troubles. Of course, Bob picks up another apprentice for Scotti along the way.

Dead Silence

Author: S.A. Barnes

**A Most-Anticipated Title in *Bustle*, *i09*, *LitHub*, *PopSugar*, *CrimeReads*, *BookRiot*, *GoodReads* and more.
STARRED Review in *BookPage*!**

***Titanic* meets *The Shining* in this SF horror novel in which a woman and her crew board a decades-lost luxury cruiser and find the wreckage of a nightmare that hasn't yet ended.**

Claire Kovalik is days away from being unemployed—made obsolete—when her beacon repair crew picks up a strange distress signal. With nothing to lose and no desire to return to Earth, Claire and her team decide to investigate.

What they find is shocking: the *Aurora*, a famous luxury spaceliner that vanished on its maiden tour of the solar system more than twenty years ago. A salvage claim like this could set Claire and her crew up for life. But a quick search of the ship reveals something isn't right.

Whispers in the dark. Flickers of movement. Messages scrawled in blood. Claire must fight to hold on to her sanity and find out what really happened on the *Aurora* before she and her crew meet the same ghastly fate.

"Truly un-put-downable in its purest sense." Chloe Gong, #1 *New York Times* bestselling author of *These Violent Delights*

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Defiance of the Fall 4: A LitRPG Adventure

Author: TheFirstDefier

Just as a threat is dealt with, an opportunity presents itself.

After searching for months, Zac's forces have finally discovered the elusive Underworld that's both teeming with riches and dangers. Meanwhile, the armies of the Undead Empire advances on all fronts while the Dominators scheme in the dark.

Having endured the Integration in the punishing environment of the subterranean cave system, the trapped warriors of the Underworld could become the key in surviving the incursions aboveground.

But first, Zac has to deal with the golems intent on digging to the center of the planet.

Book 4 of the hit *Defiance of the Fall* LitRPG series is here. Grab your copy today!

About the Series: Jump into a story that merges Apocalyptic LitRPG elements with eastern cultivation. Class systems, skill systems, endless choices for progression, it has everything fans of the genre love. Explore a vast universe full of mystery, adventure, danger and even aliens; where even a random passer-by might hold the power of a god. Follow Zac as he struggles to stake out a unique path to power as a mortal in a world full of cultivators.

Battlegroup Z: Books 1-3 (An Epic Military Science Fiction Box Set)

Author: Daniel Gibbs

Over 1000+ pages of Military Science Fiction action!

"Pulse pounding action coupled with a look at the cost of war - Weapons Free grabbed me from the first page." - USA Today Bestselling Author Rhett C. Bruno

Thirty-five years of peace. One vicious attack destroys it all.

Reservist Lieutenant Justin Spencer loves every minute of flying fighters through space during his annual two-week tour with the Coalition Defense Force. The job back home isn't nearly as thrilling as blowing up asteroids with the squadron under his command, but it keeps him close to his wife and daughter. After all, joining the CDF was only for the free education. Justin never expected a battle, much less a war.

With one shot across his cockpit, peacetime fades into memory.

An unexpected enemy emerges with overwhelming force designed to obliterate the Terran Coalition. The League of Sol has a different name, but it's the same communist regime that chased away much of Earth's population hundreds of years ago.

Illusions of returning home are shattered in a single instant. Simulated battles become all too real, and it's full-on engagement or permanent elimination. Death and destruction erupt across the Terran Coalition and leave Justin in a protracted war with only one truth remaining.

The battlefield will leave no one unscathed.

Includes the first 3 novels in the bestselling **Battlegroup Z** series:

- Weapons Free
- Hostile Spike
- Sol Strike

Five star reviews for *Weapons Free*, book 1 in the series:

"Daniel Gibbs writes a brand of military sci-fi that once again calls up the horrors of war along with the bravery and dedication of those who fight those wars to protect us."

"This was one heck of a book. It is hard-hitting, action-packed reading from beginning to end, with an outstanding story to go with it."

"This book kept me reading. I rarely acquire the second book in a series. However, I am really looking forward to the next book."

"Loved the equality of religions and fleet action. **Reminded me of Battlestar Galactica.**"

"Space opera at its best. Another action-packed sci-fi adventure that will grab you by the gut and not let you go."

Ep.#2 - "No Risk Too Great" (The Frontiers Saga - Part 3: Fringe Worlds)

Author: Ryk Brown

Part 3: Episode 2

Stranded on an inhospitable planet...

Lost in an unknown time...

Faced with an unfamiliar galaxy...

And a dear friend nearing death...

Nathan Scott and the crew of the Aurora must make alliances quickly, or they will lose one of their own.

"No Risk Too Great" is the 2nd episode in Part 3 of the Frontiers Saga: Fringe Worlds. Episode 3 is coming soon!

Fugitive Telemetry (The Murderbot Diaries Book 6)

Author: Martha Wells

The *New York Times* bestselling security droid with a heart (though it wouldn't admit it!) is back in *Fugitive Telemetry*!

Having captured the hearts of readers across the globe (Annalee Newitz says it's "one of the most humane portraits of a nonhuman I've ever read") Murderbot has also established Martha Wells as one of the great SF writers of today.

No, I didn't kill the dead human. If I had, I wouldn't dump the body in the station mall.

When Murderbot discovers a dead body on Preservation Station, it knows it is going to have to assist station security to determine who the body is (was), how they were killed (that should be relatively straightforward, at least), and why (because apparently that matters to a lot of people—who knew?)

Yes, the unthinkable is about to happen: Murderbot must voluntarily speak to humans!

Again!

A new standalone adventure in the *New York Times*-bestselling, Hugo and Nebula Award winning series!

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Blue Shift (Backyard Starship Book 5)

Author: J.N. Chaney

When Van gains rank as a Peacemaker, he becomes a bigger target for the criminals scattered among the stars.

And he wouldn't have it any other way.

On a distant world under an alien sun, hunters and their companions—the Rovans—bond in a ritual as old as their civilization. But one of the hunters is missing, and Van, along with his growing crew, knows where to look. Climbing up into the rarified air of the super-rich, Van uncovers a new enemy: The Fade.

And they are as cruel as the stars are many. A gang of heartless killers, the Fade will stop at nothing in the name of profit.

Which is fine with Van, as he'll stop at nothing in the name of justice.

Tracking his quarry across a dozen systems, Van, Torina, Perry and Icky—along with Zenophir, the new technician—will untangle a conspiracy of betrayal and death. As Van soon discovers, the Fade never lose.

But they've never met Van and his crew.

Experience the fifth entry in the best selling science fiction series of 2021 from USA Today Bestselling Authors J.N. Chaney and Terry Maggert. If you're a fan of old school heroes and villains, a bustling galaxy full of unknowns, and lost civilizations, you're sure to love this epic sci-fi adventure.

The Insecure Mind of Sergei Kraev

Author: Eric Silberstein

For fans of Neal Stephenson, Andy Weir, and Cixin Liu comes a novel that readers describe as "a great Black Mirror episode" with the "page-turning pacing of Michael Crichton."

The year is 2100. The lack of trust that characterized the early Internet era is long behind us. Mathematical proof ensures neural implants can't be hacked, and the Board of Reality Overseers blocks false information from spreading.

When undergraduate Sergei Kraev, who dreams of becoming a professor, is accepted into the Technion's computer science graduate program, he throws himself into his research project: making it possible for neural implants to transmit information directly to the brain. If he succeeds, he'll earn a full professorship.

But Sergei falls under the influence of Sunny Kim, the beautiful and charismatic leader of a K-pop dance cult. Sergei believes in Sunny's good intentions and wants to protect her from critics, leading him to perform a feat of engineering that leaves billions of brains vulnerable to attack.

With the clock ticking towards catastrophe, can Sergei see the truth about Sunny and undo what he's done?

Weaving together compelling characters and spanning decades and continents, *The Insecure Mind of Sergei Kraev* is a classic tale of love, ambition, and self-interest building to a shattering finish.

Life's Too Short (The Friend Zone Book 3)

Author: Abby Jimenez

THE INSTANT *NEW YORK TIMES* BESTSELLER

"A hilarious, tender, and altogether life-affirming gem of a book." --Emily Henry, bestselling author of *Beach Read*

A brilliant and touching romantic comedy about two polar opposites, one adorable dog, and living every day to its fullest. When Vanessa Price quit her job to pursue her dream of traveling the globe, she wasn't expecting to gain millions of YouTube followers who shared her joy of seizing every moment. For her, living each day to its fullest isn't just a motto. Her mother and sister never saw the age of 30, and Vanessa doesn't want to take anything for granted. But after her half sister suddenly leaves Vanessa in custody of her baby daughter, life goes from "daily adventure" to "next-level bad" (now with bonus baby vomit in hair). The last person Vanessa expects to show up offering help is the hot lawyer next door, Adrian Copeland. After all, she barely knows him. No one warned her that he was the Secret Baby Tamer or that she'd be spending a whole lot of time with him and his geriatric Chihuahua. Now she's feeling things she's vowed not to feel. Because the only thing worse than falling for Adrian is finding a little hope for a future she may never see.

- **BookRiot, Top Books of 2021**
 - **Goodreads, Best of 2021 Romance Finalist**
 - **She Reads, Best of 2021 Romance Winner**
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Hunt the Stars: A Novel (Starlight's Shadow Book 1)

Author: Jessie Mihalik

The critically acclaimed author of *Polaris Rising* takes readers on an exciting journey with the start of her brand-new series about a female bounty hunter and the man who is her sworn enemy.

"Jessie Mihalik is an author to watch." — Ilona Andrews, #1 *New York Times* bestselling author

Octavia Zarola would do anything to keep her tiny, close-knit bounty hunting crew together—even if it means accepting a job from Torran Fletcher, a ruthless former general and her sworn enemy. When Torran offers her enough credits to not only keep her crew afloat but also hire someone to fix her ship, Tavi knows that she can't refuse—no matter how much she'd like to.

With so much money on the line, Torran and his crew insist on joining the hunt. Tavi reluctantly agrees because while the handsome, stoic leader pushes all of her buttons—for both anger and desire—she's endured worse, and the massive bonus payment he's promised for a completed job is reason enough to shut up and deal.

But when they uncover a deeper plot that threatens the delicate peace between humans and Valoffs, Tavi suspects that Torran has been using her as the impetus for a new war. With the fate of her crew balanced on a knife's edge, Tavi must decide where her loyalties lie—with the quiet Valoff who's been lying to her, or with the human leaders who left her squad to die on the battlefield. And this time, she's put her heart on the line.

Mastermind: A Theo Cray and Jessica Blackwood Thriller

Author: Andrew Mayne

Dr. Theo Cray and FBI agent Jessica Blackwood confront a cataclysmic conspiracy in a pulse-quickening thriller by the *Wall Street Journal* bestselling author of *The Naturalist*.

A mysterious electrical storm plunges Manhattan into darkness. As a strange, smothering fog rolls in, all communication crashes. In the blink of an eye, the island seems to vanish into a void.

FBI special agent Jessica Blackwood and brilliant scientist Dr. Theo Cray know this isn't a freak accident. It's a sinister sleight of hand. Their greatest adversary, a serial killer and cultist known as the Warlock, has escaped during a prison transfer in New York. A depraved master of manipulation, he promised the end of days. He's making good on it.

One by one, cities across the globe are erupting in chaos as they disappear into the same black holes. Even for two ingenious trackers like Jessica and Theo, there's still so much to learn about the pattern to the Warlock's madness. The voids are just a warm-up for something bigger. To discover it—to stop it—Jessica and Theo must descend into the darkest of shadows—and minds.

Mystery Babylon, Book 1: The Bear

Author: Jamie Lee Grey

While Russia and China plan an attack on the United States, a young woman in Alaska finds herself caught in the FBI's crosshairs.

Sierra Forester returns home for a wedding – and finds herself in the center of an FBI investigation. She discovers her university friends are not who she thought they were... and they've left her in a perilous predicament. Soon, she learns it's hard to hide in today's interconnected, wired world. Her nemesis resides in her cell phone, her computer, and even in the satellite eyes in the sky. How can a person totally disappear?

A quiet, reclusive stranger has moved to the tiny Southeast Alaskan island she calls home. Can Sierra trust him? Or anyone?

Meanwhile, Russia and China prepare to launch a war against the United States. A sleepy administration is slow to respond. Will they wake up in time to save the country? Or will the nation collapse into the waiting jaws of the Russian bear and the Chinese dragon?

THE BEAR is the first book in Jamie Lee Grey's thrilling post-apocalyptic Mystery Babylon series. Begin this clean, faith-based adventure today!

Jamie Lee Grey is the author of numerous Christian novels, including the Band of Believers series, the Daughter of Babylon series, the Tribulation series and the Mystery Babylon series. She and her husband live in the northwestern United States. Learn more at www.JamieLeeGrey.com.

The Paradox Hotel: A Novel

Author: Rob Hart

An impossible crime. A detective on the edge of madness. The future of time travel at stake. From the author of *The Warehouse* . . .

“An engrossing and thought-provoking sci-fi mystery that is also an achingly beautiful meditation on grief and the pain of lost love.”—S. A. Cosby, *New York Times* bestselling author of *Razorblade Tears*

ONE OF THE MOST ANTICIPATED BOOKS OF 2022—*CrimeReads*

January Cole's job just got a whole lot harder.

Not that running security at the Paradox was ever really easy. Nothing's simple at a hotel where the ultra-wealthy tourists arrive costumed for a dozen different time periods, all eagerly waiting to catch their “flights” to the past.

Or where proximity to the timeport makes the clocks run backward on occasion—and, rumor has it, allows ghosts to stroll the halls.

None of that compares to the corpse in room 526. The one that seems to be both there and not there. The one that somehow only January can see.

On top of that, some very important new guests have just checked in. Because the U.S. government is about to privatize time-travel technology—and the world's most powerful people are on hand to stake their claims.

January is sure the timing isn't a coincidence. Neither are those “accidents” that start stalking their bidders.

There's a reason January can glimpse what others can't. A reason why she's the only one who can catch a killer who's operating invisibly and in plain sight, all at once.

But her ability is also destroying her grip on reality—and as her past, present, and future collide, she finds herself confronting not just the hotel's dark secrets but her own.

At once a dazzlingly time-twisting murder mystery and a story about grief, memory, and what it means to—literally—come face-to-face with our ghosts, *The Paradox Hotel* is another unforgettable speculative thrill ride from acclaimed author Rob Hart.

The Extinction Trials

Author: A.G. Riddle

An Amazon Editor's Pick for Best Books of the Month (December 2021)

From A.G. Riddle, the worldwide bestselling author of *The Atlantis Gene*, *Departure*, and *Winter World*, comes an epic standalone novel with a twist you'll never forget.

After a mysterious global event known only as "The Change," six strangers wake up in an underground research facility. They soon learn that they're part of the Extinction Trials—a scientific experiment to restart the human race.

But the Extinction Trials hides a very big secret.

And so does the world outside.

Selected Praise for A.G. Riddle

"...reads like a superior collaboration between Dan Brown and Michael Crichton."

—*The Guardian* on *Pandemic*

"I finished the book fast because I just couldn't wait..."

—*WIRED GeekDad* on *Departure*

"Riddle... keep(s) the focus on his characters... rather than the technological marvels"

—*Publisher's Weekly* on *Departure*

"This is apocalyptic sci-fi at its best."

—*Daily Mail* on *The Solar War*

"Well-constructed and tightly-wound as a fine Swiss watch—*DEPARTURE* has non-stop action, an engaging plot and, of course, wheels within wheels."

—*Diana Gabaldon*, #1 *New York Times* bestselling author of *Outlander*

Engineering Home: Book 11 of The Survivalist Series

Author: A. American

It's been over a year since, The Day. Morgan and his companions have fought to stay alive and he finally managed to get to his parents and bring them back. Their situation is getting better every day but there are still challenges ahead of them. With a desire to return to a *normal* life on everyone's mind, the group starts taking steps to do just that. Thinking bigger they tackle some major projects that will provide valuable resources. However, there are others out there making plans for them as well.

While these new plans will provide them with a lot of supplies and the ability to be resupplied on a regular schedule, it also comes with oversight. Something Sarge and Morgan are not going to like. But the benefits far outweigh the problems. Or do they?

They still face many challenges, like Fred's pregnancy, that are still potential disasters. There is little room for error in their world. But hard work, determination, and the bond that holds the group together have enabled them to make it this far. But will it be enough?

Unidentified: A Science-Fiction Thriller

Author: Douglas E. Richards

It's now clear that UFOs are real. When Jason Ramsey discovers their shocking agenda, his actions will either transform humanity . . . or destroy it entirely. *Unidentified* is a riveting page-turner. One detailing the actual evidence that UFOs are here, while offering a mind-blowing fictional take on the reasons why.

Ripped from today's headlines, *Unidentified* is the latest thriller from the *NY Times* bestselling author whose books have sold over two million copies.

Between 2017 and 2021 the US military admitted to having undeniable evidence that UFOs (now UAVs or UAPs) are here, and defy the laws of physics. When Jason Ramsey, a popular science-fiction writer, becomes obsessed with the subject, he undertakes a relentless quest to uncover what is really going on. After recruiting Tessa Barrett, an extraordinarily talented mercenary, Jason devises a risky, desperate plan to get to the bottom of it all. But the truth is far more shocking, convoluted, and dangerous than anyone could have guessed, and he has no idea who he can trust.

Jason soon realizes that he can only be certain of two things. He somehow holds the key to the future of the galaxy itself . . . and his chances of living out the week are vanishingly small.

Unidentified is a masterful near-future thriller, one packed with nonstop action, unexpected twists, extraordinary technology, and astonishing ideas.

"Richards is an extraordinary writer," (Dean Koontz) who can "keep you turning the pages all night long." (Douglas Preston)

"Richards is a worthy successor to Michael Crichton." (SF Book dot com)

NEAR-FUTURE SCIENCE FICTION THRILLERS BY DOUGLAS E. RICHARDS

STANDALONES

QUANTUM LENS
GAME CHANGER
INFINITY BORN
SEEKER
VERACITY
ORACLE
THE IMMORTALITY CODE
UNIDENTIFIED

SERIES

WIRED (Wired 1)
AMPED (Wired 2)

MIND'S EYE (Nick Hall 1)
BRAINWEB (Nick Hall 2)
MIND WAR (Nick Hall 3)

SPLIT SECOND(Split Second 1)
TIME FRAME (Split Second 2)

THE ENIGMA CUBE (Alien Artifact 1)
A PIVOT IN TIME (Alien Artifact 2)

Kids Science Fiction Thrillers (9 and up, enjoyed by kids and adults alike)

TRAPPED (Prometheus Project 1)
CAPTURED (Prometheus Project 2)
STRANDED (Prometheus Project 3)
OUT OF THIS WORLD
DEVIL'S SWORD

Elder Race

Author: Adrian Tchaikovsky

"A Ursula Le Guin-like grace... Ten out of 10." —*New York Times*

In Adrian Tchaikovsky's *Elder Race*, a junior anthropologist on a distant planet must help the locals he has sworn to study to save a planet from an unbeatable foe.

Lynesse is the lowly Fourth Daughter of the queen, and always getting in the way.

But a demon is terrorizing the land, and now she's an adult (albeit barely) with responsibilities (she tells herself). Although she still gets in the way, she understands that the only way to save her people is to invoke the pact between her family and the Elder sorcerer who has inhabited the local tower for as long as her people have lived here (though none in living memory has approached it).

But Elder Nyr isn't a sorcerer, and he is forbidden to help, and his knowledge of science tells him the threat cannot possibly be a demon...

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Behr's Rebel: featuring the prequel Raia's Pets (Marastin Dow Book 2)

Author: S.E. Smith

Raia's Pets:

Friends from other worlds...

Although Raia Glossman is human, she only remembers one world—the alien one where she was raised by her Tearnat Guardian, Ander Rays. Her love for exploration and new discoveries comes from Ander.

While on a quest to find the perfect birthday gift, she instead finds two very unusual, and powerful, furry friends. Now all she has to do is explain to her Tearnat guardian why they should be allowed to stay despite his 'no pets' policy!

Chummy, a Quazin Chumloo, is a rare species with powerful abilities that few know about. Captured by poachers, he is rescued from certain death by the inquisitive and equally talented Pi. Unfortunately, not even Pi has the ability to completely free him.

Pi, a Marica Peekaboo, loves the marketplace. It is a treasure trove of goodies to eat and wonderful shiny objects to steal. With each new arrival, she finds something unique to add to her hidden collection of stolen goods—including Chummy and a strange alien girl named Raia.

Three very different worlds collide, and freedom for an entire species is at stake. Can a friendship forged in a back alley be powerful enough to survive an immense alien universe where danger lurks at every turn?

Behr's Rebel:

Two battles: One fights for a cause; the other fights for survival...

General Behr De'Mar, leader of the Marastin Dow rebel forces, knows that it is only a matter of time before he is caught and executed. It doesn't matter to him. The cause he is fighting for is much larger than any one person—or so he thought.

Raia Glossman doesn't know what to think when she is hired by the strange, purple-skinned aliens. After all, the Marastin Dow are known for their cutthroat, kill anything-that-moves mentality. Why would they need a lone human woman to rescue their General? But credits are credits, and Raia never turns down a chance to earn a tidy sum. Besides, it seems like an easy job for her and her two innovative pets, Chummy and Pi. They'll get in, rescue the guy, collect their credits, and disappear again. The three of them perfected that little trick years ago. This time however, she is on the run with an army of Marastin Dow warriors on her tail! Not to mention that she is stuck with a tantalizing General, and she discovers she is the new poster-girl for the Marastin Dow Revolution. So much for anonymity!

Behr knows the moment he meets Raia and her two pets that they are special. Can he keep them alive and safe against the massive army threatening to end their hope of a new way of life, or will the history of the Marastin Dow's savagery doom them all?

Internationally acclaimed S.E. Smith presents two new action-packed stories full of romance and adventure. Brimming with her signature humor, vivid scenes, and beloved characters, these novellas are sure to be another fan favorite!

The Spaceship In The Stone (The Space Legacy Book 1)

Author: Igor Nikolic

What would you do if you found an ancient spaceship?

Michael Freeman is a disabled veteran who had just been fired from his mind-numbing cubicle job, which allowed his opportunistic girlfriend to dump him. Now, he only wants to spend some time at his grandfather's mountain cabin so he can unwind, away from the drudgery of daily life and with a cold beer in his hands. Standing in his way is an ancient spaceship with an emotional AI, nanites that have invaded his body, an international crime syndicate, a suicidal FBI agent on a vigilante mission, terrorists... and that's just the beginning.

What can one man do when faced with insurmountable odds? Call it quits? Or... call some of his old army buddies and blow those obstacles to smithereens? Can he become more than he had ever dreamed, reaching further than any man before? Staying under the radar of the powers that be while righting a few wrongs of the modern world.

He is sure of three things:

1. He really doesn't want to follow the rules anymore... aside from his own.
2. Space is the ultimate frontier, and he had been given a turnkey technology to reach it—if they let him.
3. Those that want to hurt him and the people he cares about will rue the day they were born.

You do not always get what you wish for... sometimes, you get a hell of a lot more.

Sacrifice (War Brides of the Morja Book 1)

Author: Miranda Bridges

**As a prisoner in the arena, my greatest battle won't be for my life.
It'll be for the heart of a woman.**

Once I scented the human, she was mine.
Every part of me hungered for her.
To touch.
To taste.
To take.
But she belongs to my enemy.
Claiming her will cost me.
I may sacrifice everything.
My revenge.
My life.
My very soul.

War Brides of the Morja:

Book 1 - Sacrifice
Book 2 - Surrender
Book 3 - Shatter

Bluebird

Author: Ciel Pierlot

Lesbian gunslinger fights spies in space!

Three factions vie for control of the galaxy. Rig, a gunslinger, thieving, rebel with a cause, doesn't give a damn about them and she hasn't looked back since abandoning her faction three years ago.

That is, until her former faction sends her a message: return what she stole from them, or they'll kill her twin sister.

Rig embarks on a journey across the galaxy to save her sister – but for once she's not alone. She has help from her network of resistance contacts, her taser-wielding librarian girlfriend, and a mysterious bounty hunter.

If Rig fails and her former faction finds what she stole from them, trillions of lives will be lost—including her sister's. But if she succeeds, she might just pull the whole damn faction system down around their ears. Either way, she's going to do it with panache and pizzazz.

File Under: **Science Fiction** [Independent Women | Robbing Hood | Keep Your Enemies Close | Guns Don't Kill People]

Highlander's Desire: A Scottish Historical Time Travel Romance (Called by a Highlander Book 5)

Author: Mariah Stone

Daring, dangerous, and full of desire—for fans of Outlander!

Discovering a rune-covered rock in Eilean Donan Castle, Historian Rogene Wakely is hurtled from the twenty-first century to the fourteenth. Highlander Angus Mackenzie has agreed to marry the powerful and predatory Euphemia of Ross. But one forbidden kiss with Rogene makes his engagement feel like a death sentence.

Rogene resists her attraction, knowing the giant Scot's marriage will result in an important heir. But when Euphemia sees Angus's longing for the dark-haired beauty, neither can escape her rage. Will they risk their lives and Scotland's future by choosing desire over duty?
He's engaged.

She refuses to alter history.

Their love is forbidden. But destiny binds them.

Over 250+ 5-star reviews on Amazon:

***** "This story kept my heart pounding for the intrigue of the plot and the chemistry between the hero and heroine. Such a deliciously hot highlander book."

***** "Oh this is so good! I was bowled over by the story-line and hated it when I had to put the book down. There are not enough good things I could say about this book, read it!"

***** "This book is so outstanding. I was on the edge of my seat throughout this book. I even talked to the characters, even though they did not listen. lol!"

***** "Gripping to the point. You'll still be saying one more chapter and then it's 4am!"

THE CALLED BY A HIGHLANDER SERIES:

Sineag (a prequel novella)

Highlander's Captive
Highlander's Secret
Highlander's Heart
Highlander's Love
Highlander's Christmas (a novella)
Highlander's Desire
Highlander's Vow
Highlander's Bride
Highlander's Protector
Highlander's Claim
Highlander's Destiny

The Wolf and the Woodsman: A Novel

Author: Ava Reid

In the vein of Naomi Novik's *New York Times* bestseller *Spinning Silver* and Katherine Arden's national bestseller *The Bear and the Nightingale*, this unforgettable debut—inspired by Hungarian history and Jewish mythology—follows a young pagan woman with hidden powers and a one-eyed captain of the Woodsmen as they form an unlikely alliance to thwart a tyrant.

In her forest-veiled pagan village, Évike is the only woman without power, making her an outcast clearly abandoned by the gods. The villagers blame her corrupted bloodline—her father was a Yehuli man, one of the much-loathed servants of the fanatical king. When soldiers arrive from the Holy Order of Woodsmen to claim a pagan girl for the king's blood sacrifice, Évike is betrayed by her fellow villagers and surrendered.

But when monsters attack the Woodsmen and their captive en route, slaughtering everyone but Évike and the cold, one-eyed captain, they have no choice but to rely on each other. Except he's no ordinary Woodsman—he's the disgraced prince, Gáspár Bárány, whose father needs pagan magic to consolidate his power. Gáspár fears that his cruelly zealous brother plans to seize the throne and instigate a violent reign that would damn the pagans and the Yehuli alike. As the son of a reviled foreign queen, Gáspár understands what it's like to be an outcast, and he and Évike make a tenuous pact to stop his brother.

As their mission takes them from the bitter northern tundra to the smog-choked capital, their mutual loathing slowly turns to affection, bound by a shared history of alienation and oppression. However, trust can easily turn to betrayal, and as Évike reconnects with her estranged father and discovers her own hidden magic, she and Gáspár need to decide whose side they're on, and what they're willing to give up for a nation that never cared for them at all.

EMP: San Antonio- EMP Survival in a Powerless World

Author: J.S Donovan

When the nation falls, who will rise from the ashes?

After an EMP explodes over the United States, Kora Clark, an ambitious rookie cop, finds herself leading a revolution in a lawless city. Looting, murder, and the worst of mankind bubble to the surface of our broken nation. From an invading foreign army to cut-throat gangsters, multiple factions vie for power in the explosion's aftermath. Now our country's survival hinges on San Antonio's success: can Officer Clark maintain order or will the powerless city consume her like it has millions of others?

When We Cease to Understand the World

Author: Benjamín Labatut

One of *The New York Times Book Review's* "10 Best Books of 2021"

Shortlisted for the 2021 International Booker Prize

A fictional examination of the lives of real-life scientists and thinkers whose discoveries resulted in moral consequences beyond their imagining.

When We Cease to Understand the World is a book about the complicated links between scientific and mathematical discovery, madness, and destruction.

Fritz Haber, Alexander Grothendieck, Werner Heisenberg, Erwin Schrödinger—these are some of luminaries into whose troubled lives Benjamín Labatut thrusts the reader, showing us how they grappled with the most profound questions of existence. They have strokes of unparalleled genius, alienate friends and lovers, descend into isolation and insanity. Some of their discoveries reshape human life for the better; others pave the way to chaos and unimaginable suffering. The lines are never clear.

At a breakneck pace and with a wealth of disturbing detail, Labatut uses the imaginative resources of fiction to tell the stories of the scientists and mathematicians who expanded our notions of the possible.

Getting Out: EMP Survival in a Powerless World

Author: Clay Wise

When an EMP decimates the United States, Lori, a former Marine Raider, must embark on a treacherous journey with her daughter across the former United States from Pennsylvania to a rumored sanctuary in Washington State.

Surviving the Collapse

Captain Kate Holloway moved her family to New York to start over, and break the barriers that her work had created. But when an EMP brings New York to its knees, Kate must fight to survive amid the terror descending upon the city and rescue her family.

Corruption and Centinels: A Monster Evolution LitRPG (Salvos, Volume 5 Part 1)

Author: V.A. Lewis

Nightsveil has fallen. Humankind is reeling. It is the start of a war between planes.

The Primeval Demon, Belzu, continues to wreak havoc throughout the Human lands. Saffron Merryster shall try to gather the Greater Vampire Families against this threat, Edith Dawnrise will work to unite her broken company after the company war, and Daniel Song will finally brave his way into Elutra. All of them working separately to tackle Belzu.

But Salvos only has one goal:

Grow stronger.

This is Volume 5 Part 1 of the Salvos series. Salvos Volume 5 is being split into three parts due to the different nature and focus of each part.

Guild Boss (A Harmony Novel Book 15)

Author: Jayne Castle

Welcome to Illusion Town on the colony world of Harmony—like Las Vegas on Earth, but way more weird.

Living in this new, alien world doesn't stop the settlers from trying to re-create what they've left behind. Case in point—weddings are still the highlight of any social calendar. But it's the after-party that turns disastrous for Lucy Bell. Kidnapped and drugged as she leaves the party, she manages to escape—only to find herself lost in the mysterious, alien underground maze of glowing green tunnels beneath Illusion Town. She's been surviving on determination and cold pizza, scavenged for her by a special dust bunny, when help finally shows up.

Gabriel Jones is the Ghost Hunter sent to rescue her, but escaping the underground ruins isn't the end of her troubles—it's only the beginning. With no rational reason for her abduction, and her sole witness gone on another assignment for the Guild, whispers start circulating that Lucy made it all up. Soon her life unravels until she has nothing left but her pride. The last thing she expects is for Gabriel Jones to come back to town for her.

The Lucy that Gabriel finds is not the same woman he rescued, the one who looked at him as if he were her hero. This Lucy is sharp, angry, and more than a little cynical—instead of awe, she treats him with extreme caution. But a killer is still hunting her, and there aren't a lot of options when it comes to heroes. Despite her wariness, Gabriel is also the one person who believes Lucy—after all, he was there. He's determined to help clear her reputation, no matter what it takes. And as the new Guild Boss, his word is law, even in the lawlessness of Illusion Town.

Star Wars: The Fallen Star (The High Republic) (Star Wars: The High Republic)

Author: Claudia Gray

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • In this gripping sequel to *Star Wars: The Rising Storm*, the light of the Jedi faces its darkest hour.

Time and again, the vicious raiders known as the Nihil have sought to bring the golden age of the High Republic to a fiery end. Time and again, the High Republic has emerged battered and weary, but victorious thanks to its Jedi protectors—and there is no monument to their cause grander than the Starlight Beacon.

Hanging like a jewel in the Outer Rim, the Beacon embodies the High Republic at the apex of its aspirations: a hub of culture and knowledge, a bright torch against the darkness of the unknown, and an extended hand of welcome to the furthest reaches of the galaxy. As survivors and refugees flee the Nihil's attacks, the Beacon and its crew stand ready to shelter and heal.

The grateful Knights and Padawans of the Jedi Order stationed there finally have a chance to recover—from the pain of their injuries and the grief of their losses. But the storm they thought had passed still rages; they are simply caught in its eye. Marchion Ro, the true mastermind of the Nihil, is preparing his most daring

attack yet—one designed to snuff out the light of the Jedi.

Fated Blades

Author: Ilona Andrews

A USA Today and Wall Street Journal bestseller.

An uneasy alliance between warring families gets heated in this otherworldly novella from bestselling author Ilona Andrews.

At first glance, the planet Rada seems like a lush paradise. But the ruling families, all boasting genetically enhanced abilities, are in constant competition for power—and none more so than the Adlers and the Baenas. For generations, the powerful families have pushed and pulled each other in a dance for dominance.

Until a catastrophic betrayal from within changes everything.

Now, deadly, disciplined, and solitary leaders Ramona Adler and Matias Baena must put aside their enmity and work together in secret to prevent sinister forces from exploiting universe-altering technology. Expecting to suffer through their uneasy alliance, Ramona and Matias instead discover that they understand each other as no one in their families can—and that their combined skills may eclipse the risks of their forbidden alliance.

As the two warriors risk their lives to save their families, they must decide whether to resist or embrace the passion simmering between them. For now, the dance between their families continues—but just one misstep could spell the end of them both.

The Prince's Gambit (The Empire's Corps Book 20)

Author: Christopher G. Nuttall

New Doncaster should have been a success. It wasn't. A deeply-corrupt and embedded ruling class, disenfranchised settlers and embittered indentured workers – slaves in all but name – have poisoned the planet, unleashing the fires of class war and threatening – in the wake of Earthfall – to turn the beautiful planet into hell. And sinister forces are stirring the pot. Roland - once Crown Prince of Earth, now a Marine Auxiliary – was charged with building an army to stabilise New Doncaster. But it was too late. The rebels struck and the planet fell into civil war.

Roland scored one victory, keeping the rebels from winning in a single blow, but the war is far from over. Rebel forces have swept over the outlying islands, destroying plantations, capturing infrastructure, liberating slaves while forcing their former owners to flee or die on the remains of their lands. Now, with both sides preparing for the coming contest, Roland – cut off from the Marine Corps – finds himself charged with leading the government troops, to launch a desperate military gambit to win a war against a rebel force that might have right on its side. And if his gambit fails ...

... The entire planet may collapse into chaos.

How High We Go in the Dark: A Novel

Author: Sequoia Nagamatsu

NATIONAL BESTSELLER • NEW YORK TIMES BOOK REVIEW EDITORS' CHOICE • ROXANE GAY'S AUDACIOUS BOOK CLUB PICK "Moving and thought-provoking . . . offering psychological insights in lyrical prose while seriously exploring speculative conceits." — New York Times Book Review "Haunting and luminous . . . Beautiful and lucid science fiction. An astonishing debut." — Alan Moore, creator of Watchmen and V for Vendetta Recommended by New York Times Book Review • Los Angeles Times • NPR • Entertainment Weekly • Esquire • Good Housekeeping • NBC News • BuzzFeed • Business Insider • Bustle • Goodreads • The Millions • The Philadelphia Inquirer • Minneapolis Star-Tribune • San Francisco Chronicle • The Guardian • PopSugar • Literary Hub • and many more! For fans of Cloud Atlas and Station Eleven, a spellbinding and profoundly prescient debut that follows a cast of intricately linked characters over hundreds of years as humanity struggles to rebuild itself in the aftermath of a climate plague—a daring and deeply heartfelt work of mind-bending imagination from a singular new voice. In 2030, a grieving archeologist arrives in the Arctic Circle to continue the work of his recently deceased daughter at the Batagaika Crater, where researchers are studying long-buried secrets now revealed in melting permafrost, including the perfectly preserved remains of a girl who appears to have died of an ancient virus. Once unleashed, the Arctic plague will reshape life on Earth for generations to come, quickly traversing the globe, forcing humanity to devise a myriad of moving and inventive ways to embrace possibility in the face of tragedy. In a theme park designed for terminally ill children, a cynical employee falls in love with a mother desperate to hold on to her infected son. A heartbroken scientist searching for a cure finds a second chance at fatherhood when one of his test subjects—a pig—develops the capacity for human speech. A widowed painter and her teenaged granddaughter embark on a cosmic quest to locate a new home planet. From funerary skyscrapers to hotels for the dead to interstellar starships, Sequoia Nagamatsu takes readers on a wildly original and compassionate journey, spanning continents, centuries, and even celestial bodies to tell a story about the resilience of the human spirit, our infinite capacity to dream, and the connective threads that tie us all together in the universe. "Epic . . . Sequoia Nagamatsu is a writer whose imagination is matched only by his compassion, the kind we need to light our way through the dark." — Chloe Benjamin, New York Times bestselling author of The Immortalists "Wondrous, and not just in the feats of imagination, which are so numerous it makes me dizzy to recall them, but also in the humanity and tenderness with which Sequoia Nagamatsu helps us navigate this landscape. . . . This is a truly amazing book, one to keep close as we imagine the uncertain future." — Kevin Wilson, New York Times bestselling author of Nothing to See Here

Ascension Wars: The Complete Series (Books 1-4) (Jasper Scott Box Sets)

Author: Jasper T. Scott

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The United Nations of Earth sent out the *Forerunners* to explore and colonize the most promising star systems within 50 light-years of Earth.

Forerunner One left Earth under the command of Captain Clayton Cross, heading for Trappist-1. After a ninety year journey, the crew encountered not only a habitable world, but alien life already inhabiting it, and dark secrets lurking beneath the surface.

The revelation of who these aliens are and what they want proves more terrifying than anyone could have imagined, and Captain Cross is forced to make tough decisions that will affect not only his crew, but the fate of the entire human race.

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Piper: Alien Surrogate Agency #1

Author: Tasha Black

She signed up to give him an heir, but what he really wants is her heart.

Piper's infertility sent her childhood sweetheart into the arms of another woman. Now she's cashing in her credits at the local fertility clinic so she can do the traveling she's always dreamed of.

But when the clinic offers her a secret third option, she can't resist.

The plan? Act as a surrogate for an alien male, and have her own fertility restored in exchange.

The catch? She and the tall, dark and handsome alien will need to do it the old-fashioned way.

He's wealthy. She's poor. He's set in his ways. She longs to travel. The only thing the two agree on? They've both made a terrible mistake.

Their pact is simple - convince the staff of the Midsummer Center that they're trying their best. They'll go their separate ways when it's over.

All they have to do is manage not to fall for each other in the most romantic place in the known universe, where the admin, the staff, and the system's most gifted AI are all working together to make falling in love (or at least in lust) completely irresistible.

Author's Note:

This Science Fiction Romance contains fictional alien solutions to infertility and depictions of gestational carrying for aliens that are in no way based on human gestational carrier practices. Resolve, The National Infertility Association, is a non-profit resource for information, advocacy, and support and may be a helpful resource for anyone seeking support in their fertility journey.

Eye of the Hurricane (The Girl in the Box Book 49)

Author: Robert J. Crane

In the aftermath of the world-changing events of her last adventure, Sienna Nealon stands at a crossroads in her life, unsure of which direction to take.

Backyard Starship

Author: J.N. Chaney

When Van Tudor returns to his childhood home, he inherits more than the family farm.

His grandfather used to tell him fantastic stories of spacemen and monsters, princesses and galactic knights. Little did Van realize, the old man's tales were more than fiction. They were real.

Hidden beneath the old barn, Van's legacy is waiting: a starship, not of this world.

With his combat AI, an android bird named Perry, Van takes his first steps into the wider galaxy. He soon finds that space is far busier and more dangerous than he could have ever conceived.

Destiny is calling. His grandfather's legacy awaits.

Embark on the adventure of a lifetime with USA Today Bestselling Author J.N. Chaney and Terry Maggert in this brand new science fiction series. If you're a fan of found spaceships and galactic quests for glory, this might just be the story you've been waiting for.

Troy: Alien Adoption Agency #10

Author: Tasha Black

Is his heart the mirror she needs to finally see her true beauty?

A terrible accident left Eliza with a troubled heart and an unsightly scar. No Terran man wants a woman with a disfigured face, no matter how kind or hardworking. So when Eliza receives the opportunity to adopt a baby and move to a remote frontier moon, she jumps at the chance. She falls in love with baby Clementine the moment she holds the little one in her arms.

But her feelings for Clem's tall, dark and handsome guard are much more complicated.

Troy's active duty as a member of the elite Invicta dragon force ended the day he found out he was assigned to protect an Imberian baby. The tiny creature is helpless, smelly, sticky, and the absolute light of his life – though he doesn't like to say so in so many words. After all, a brutal dragon warrior would never make a fool of himself over a small whelp. But the moment he lays eyes on Clementine's new adoptive mother, he knows he is in a whole new world of trouble.

He can't stop thinking about the small, fierce Terran. But his dedication to duty has him desperate to keep his thoughts, and his hands, to himself.

When a local man comes to court Eliza, she feels compelled to consider his suit. After all, what other prospects does she have? But before she can answer, a neighbor asks for help in the form of a wagon trip all the way out to the mines and back. Many ships have lost their navigations systems and wrecked in Han-2's Bermuda Triangle-like atmosphere, and the lush planet is now littered with hundreds of wrecked crafts, grown through with trees and occupied by animals. And the animals aren't the only things lurking.

But Eliza's got a big dragon warrior with her. What could possibly go wrong?

If you like strong women, hunky aliens, wild adventures, steamy sensual scenes, and happily-ever-afters, then you'll love the **Alien Adoption Agency!**

Set on the moon of Clotho:

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-Arik

-Jett

-Zyon

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Kiss of Fyre: Alien Dragon Shifters Complete Series

Author: Cara Bristol

When humans meet dragon shifters, sparks fly and passions ignite in a dangerous kiss of fyre. Get the complete Alien Dragon Shifters series in one binge-worthy boxed set.

Under Fyre

To save Earth from destruction, an unsuspecting Rhianna Montclair is sent to become the concubine of an alien dragon shifter prince. The last thing Prince K'ev desires is a human female, but his inner dragon insists she's their mate.

Line of Fyre

To escape political assassination and to right a past wrong, Helena Marshfield becomes the consort of an alien dragon shifter. But as soon as she meets Draconian Prince T'mar, their passionate union draws them both into the line of fyre.

Playing with Fyre

After the loss of her child, dragoness O'ne devotes her life to service to the sacred fyre, quiet contemplation, and duty. But when the mostly human Henry Winslow arrives on planet Draco, he awakens desires she'd assumed were dead. Will she follow her duty or play with fyre?

Legacy of Stars (Backyard Starship Book 4)

Author: J.N. Chaney

There are some things you simply can't escape. For Van, it's family.

Out among the stars, his cousin, Carter Yost, drags Van and his team into a criminal ring run by the High Doctor- a dangerous con artist with delusions of grandeur. Working from the abandoned world of Pathway, the High Doctor has created a cult, stealing a fortune from the fearful, sick, and scared.

If there's one thing Van hates, it's a bully, and the High Doctor has his full attention. But in order to crush the criminal cult, Van needs bigger, better armor—and that comes with a price.

The rarest metals cost money, and that means doing a few dirty jobs in order to pay for the tools of his trade. Van's got the will. His team has the skill.

Now, he has to find a way. And the way will surely involve war.

Constance

Author: Matthew FitzSimmons

A breakthrough in human cloning becomes one woman's waking nightmare in a mind-bending thriller by the *Wall Street Journal* bestselling author of the Gibson Vaughn series.

In the near future, advances in medicine and quantum computing make human cloning a reality. For the wealthy, cheating death is the ultimate luxury. To anticloning militants, it's an abomination against nature. For young Constance "Con" D'Arcy, who was gifted her own clone by her late aunt, it's terrifying.

After a routine monthly upload of her consciousness—stored for that inevitable transition—something goes wrong. When Con wakes up in the clinic, it's eighteen months later. Her recent memories are missing. Her original, she's told, is dead. If that's true, what does that make *her*?

The secrets of Con's disorienting new life are buried deep. So are those of how and why she died. To uncover the truth, Con is retracing the last days she can recall, crossing paths with a detective who's just as curious. On the run, she needs someone she can trust. Because only one thing has become clear: Con is being marked for murder—all over again.

The Alpha Awakens: A Dystopian Omegaverse Romance (Alpha Compound Series Book 1)

Author: Anna Fury

When the Awaken Virus hit humanity, men became ravenous, uncontrollable beasts. They wrought destruction across the globe—now the humans who remain live in constant fear.

Mallory

As a reporter, I've seen firsthand what the Awaken virus does to people you love, turning them into mindless beasts intent on violence. That's why I'm staying safe inside my apartment. Women are getting kidnapped right off the streets in broad daylight. Rumors say there's a group of Awakened living under New York, and they're responsible for the disappearances. The old me would have sniffed out that story, but post-apocalypse Mal is too scared to go digging for clues.

Life apparently has other plans for me, however—cue an Awakened showing up at my damn door. He's huge, imposing, with piercing gray eyes like a thunderstorm, and a mouth he insists he "needs" to put on me. He also claims they aren't all the destructive beasts I've seen on the news. I'm not sure what to believe.

When the captivating "enforcer" asks me to live in his compound for two weeks and report to the rest of the world how normal the men really are, I surprise us both by accepting his strange invitation. I shouldn't have said yes, so why did I agree?

My presence digs up something dark and primal in him though, and I'm terrified to find out if I'm his salvation, or complete downfall.

The Alpha Awakens is the first book in the Alpha Compound series, by Anna Fury. This dystopian omegaverse romance features a snarky heroine and broken alpha finding their own HEA.

The Last Hunter

Author: J.N. Chaney

Those that fail to learn from history are doomed to repeat it.

Two centuries after the Confederation staved off an invasion by the robotic Locusts, Captain Jack Romanoff faces mandatory retirement from an ever-shrinking Navy. Actions speak louder than words. The Confederation doesn't think the Locusts are coming back.

But what if the politicians are wrong?

Snared in a scheme he doesn't fully understand or trust, Jack gets his promotion, but it comes with a catch. With a crew of rejects, he must restore the most powerful warship humanity has ever built, after centuries of neglect and decay, before time runs out.

If he fails, humanity might not need to worry about history repeating itself ever again.

A Desolation Called Peace (Teixcalaan Book 2)

Author: Arkady Martine

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Amazon's Best Science Fiction & Fantasy of 2021

Bookpage's Best Science Fiction & Fantasy of 2021

Goodreads Choice Awards Nominee for Best Science Fiction Book of 2021

"[An] all around brilliant space opera, I absolutely love it."—Ann Leckie, on *A Memory Called Empire*

A Desolation Called Peace is the spectacular space opera sequel to Arkady Martine's genre-reinventing, Hugo Award-winning debut, *A Memory Called Empire*.

An alien armada lurks on the edges of Teixcalaanli space. No one can communicate with it, no one can destroy it, and Fleet Captain Nine Hibiscus is running out of options.

In a desperate attempt at diplomacy with the mysterious invaders, the fleet captain has sent for a diplomatic envoy. Now Mahit Dzmare and Three Seagrass—still reeling from the recent upheaval in the Empire—face the impossible task of trying to communicate with a hostile entity.

Their failure will guarantee millions of deaths in an endless war. Their success might prevent Teixcalaan's destruction—and allow the empire to continue its rapacious expansion.

Or it might create something far stranger . . .

Also by Arkady Martine:

A Memory Called Empire

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Fan Fiction: A Mem-Noir: Inspired by True Events

Author: Brent Spiner

Brent Spiner's explosive and hilarious novel is a personal look at the slightly askew relationship between a celebrity and his fans. If the Coen Brothers were to make a Star Trek movie, involving the complexity of fan obsession and sci-fi, this noir comedy might just be the one.

Set in 1991, just as *Star Trek: The Next Generation* has rocketed the cast to global fame, the young and impressionable actor Brent Spiner receives a mysterious package and a series of disturbing letters, that take him on a terrifying and bizarre journey that enlists Paramount Security, the LAPD, and even the FBI in putting a stop to the danger that has his life and career hanging in the balance.

Featuring a cast of characters from Patrick Stewart to Levar Burton to *Trek* creator Gene Roddenberry, to some completely imagined, this is the fictional autobiography that takes readers into the life of Brent Spiner, and tells an amazing tale about the trappings of celebrity and the fear he has carried with him his entire life.

Fan Fiction is a zany love letter to a world in which we all participate, the phenomenon of "Fandom."

The One Impossible Labyrinth: A Jack West Jr Novel 7

Author: Matthew Reilly

THE END IS HERE

Jack West Jr has made it to the Supreme Labyrinth.

Now he faces one last race-against multiple rivals, against time, against the collapse of the universe itself-a headlong race that will end at a throne inside the fabled labyrinth.

AN IMPOSSIBLE MAZE

But the road will be hard.

For this is a maze like no other: a maze of mazes. Uncompromising and complex. Demanding and deadly.

A CATAclysmic CONCLUSION

It all comes down to this.

For it ends here-now-in the most lethal and dangerous place Jack has encountered in all of his many adventures. And in the face of this indescribable peril, with everything on the line, there is only one thing he can do.

Attempt the impossible.

Star Wars: Thrawn Ascendancy (Book III: Lesser Evil) (Star Wars: The Ascendancy Trilogy 3)

Author: Timothy Zahn

NATIONAL BESTSELLER • The fate of the Chiss Ascendancy hangs in the balance in the epic finale of the *Star Wars: Thrawn Ascendancy* trilogy from Timothy Zahn.

For thousands of years the Chiss Ascendancy has been an island of calm, a center of power, and a beacon of integrity. It is led by the Nine Ruling Families, whose leadership stands as a bulwark of stability against the Chaos of the Unknown Regions.

But that stability has been eroded by a cunning foe who winnows away trust and loyalty in equal measure. Bonds of fidelity have given way to lines of division among the families. Despite the efforts of the Expansionary Defense Fleet, the Ascendancy slips closer and closer to civil war.

The Chiss are no strangers to war. Their mythic status in the Chaos was earned through conflict and terrible deeds, some long buried. Until now. To ensure the Ascendancy's future, Thrawn will delve deep into its past, uncovering the dark secrets surrounding the ascension of the First Ruling Family. But the truth of a family's legacy is only as strong as the legend that supports it. Even if that legend turns out to be a lie.

To secure the salvation of the Ascendancy, is Thrawn willing to sacrifice everything? Including the only home he has ever known?

Still Left Out By the System: Post-Apocalyptic LitRPG Adventure (Lonely Apocalypse Book 2)

Author: Constantin Step

Imagine being the only human left on an Earth occupied by monsters, aliens, and worse. Sounds terrible? Well. . .it's not so bad when you are an introverted battle junkie like me.

Honestly, I was almost starting to appreciate being left behind while everyone else was given the chance to prepare for the mess Earth had gotten itself into. On a side note, it turns out I'm pretty good at hunting monsters. Though dragons and such are a bit out of my league. Just a bit.

I survived dozen-something kobolds that wanted me dead, and now it's time to pay back their leader. Unfortunately for the poor doggies, I have made some allies. Allies they're gonna hate.

There's just one tiny detail that bothers me. My talking cat companion is hiding something. Something big. Something that has the potential to make deadly monsters the least of my worries. . .

Series info: *Lonely Apocalypse 2: Still Left Out by the System* is the second volume in the thrilling LitRPG series. Fans of the RPG genre will find a sophisticated progression system with Levels, Ranks, and Quests built upon compelling logic. As our hero seeks magical powers via Concepts—special abilities based on each individual's personal traits—he grows not only in power but as a person, too. Follow Lex as he uncovers shocking truths about himself and his home planet alike. Why did the enigmatic System call it Mirror Earth, anyway? The answers lie in this latest addition to the Post-Apocalypse genre!

Survive the Monsters and Breed 3

Author: Logan Jacobs

This swamp has been hiding more than savage monsters.

The people we meet in here have secrets I never saw coming, and they could be the key to figuring out just how much is really going on in this massive, monster-infested rooms.

But finally gaining some answers has taught me one crucial thing: I'm the ticket to getting us all out of here for good.

Now the question is, can I do it before our time runs out?

Edge of Valor: A Post-Apocalyptic EMP Survival Thriller (Edge of Collapse Book 7)

Author: Kyla Stone

The final battle for Fall Creek looms... and not everyone will make it out alive.

Grab the epic final installment in the *Edge of Collapse* series now!

When the country goes dark, ordinary people find themselves facing the end of the world as they know it. With society collapsing before their eyes, they'll have to risk everything to protect their home and the people they love.

From USA Today Bestselling author Kyla Stone comes *Edge of Collapse*, a riveting EMP survival series featuring flawed, complex characters and high-octane action adventure. Perfect for fans of Ryan Schow, Grace Hamilton, Harley Tate, Jack Hunt, and Boyd Craven.

Rated PG-13 for mild language and moderate violence

What readers are saying about *Edge of Valor*:

"This much anticipated book by Kyla Stone is truly a work of art, **a masterpiece of post apocalyptic fiction!**"

"**A brilliant series from start to finish!** The final book brings home an incredible story with phenomenal characters! The premise drew me in so much I felt I was living their struggle with them."

"The finale to this series was perfect! It was **everything that you wanted and needed in a finale to such a powerful series.**"

"From page one to the final moment, this book has your eyes bulging, breath held, hands trembling... **NON STOP action and suspense!**"

"Hang on for one wild ride! Great book. **I couldn't put it down!**"

"This ending, this entire series in fact, was **everything I wanted it to be and more than I expected.**"

"**This was an incredible final story in a great series.** From dramatic scenes that pull at your heart, to the intense action and twists that leave you on the edge of your seat."

"I could not put this series down and awaited the final chapter with the excitement of a child awaiting Christmas. The entire series is binge-worthy, but Valor was the cherry on top. **The perfect finale!**"

"Fantastic conclusion to **one of the best series I have ever read.**"

"Wow! Just wow. So many emotions. Happy tears, sad tears and all the above. PLEASE GET YOUR TISSUES READY. Valor is a truly phenomenal ending to an amazing series!"

"This has to be the best EMP series I have ever read! **If I could give this series 10 stars I would.** WHAT A RIDE!"

"Ms. Stone created a wonderful set of characters in this series and takes the reader through every emotion imaginable. It's been a wild ride and **the much anticipated conclusion was as perfect as it could possibly be.**"

"This series is **full of action and bravery.** An unforgettable read!"

To End in Fire (Honor Harrington - Crown of Slaves Book 4)

Author: David Weber

THE CROWN OF SLAVES SAGA CONTINUES. ADVENTURE AND INTRIGUE IN HONOR HARRINGTON'S STAR KINGDOM FROM *NEW YORK TIMES* BEST-SELLING AUTHORS DAVID WEBER AND ERIC FLINT.

The Solarian League lies in defeat, crushed by the Grand Alliance of Manticore, Haven, and Grayson.

Obedient to the Alliance's surrender demands, the League is writing a new Constitution, to prevent the reemergence of out-of-control bureaucrats, like the "Mandarins" who led it to disaster. Frontier Security has been disbanded, the outer worlds have regained control of their own economic destinies, and multiple star systems will soon secede from the League entirely.

Yet the League is—and will remain—the largest, most economically powerful human star nation in existence, and despite the overwhelming evidence that their unelected political leaders were the driving force behind the war, many League citizens deeply resent the fashion in which their star nation—the Solarian League—has been humbled. And those who most resent the Grand Alliance continue to blame Manticore for the nuclear bombardment of the planet Mesa after its surrender. They refuse to accept that the League—and the members of the Grand Alliance—could have been manipulated by a deeply hidden interstellar conspiracy called the Mesan Alignment. The Alignment is only an invention of the Grand Alliance, no more than a mask, a cover, for its own horrific Eridani Violations.

Those Solarians will never accept the war guilt of the League, because they know the Grand Alliance was just as bad. Because they deeply resent the way in which the Grand Alliance pretends to be the innocent "good guys." And in the fullness of time, *those* Solarians will seek vengeance upon their enemies.

Not all Solarians feel that way, but even some of those who accept that there was an interstellar conspiracy cherish doubts about its origins. But it is still out there, and now defeated Solarians and agents of the victorious Alliance must join forces to find it. Even if they don't believe in it, it believes in them.

They must find it and identify it, to prove to revanchist Solarians that there *was* a conspiracy.

And they must find it and *destroy* it to end its evil once and for all.

The Crown of Slaves Honorverse Series:

Crown of Slaves

Torch of Freedom

Cauldron of Ghosts

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About the Crown of Slaves Saga:

"Fans of Weber's Honor Harrington series . . . will be delighted with this offshoot in which he and coauthor Flint develop several situations and characters from other stories. . . . This outstanding effort transcends the label 'space opera' and truly is a novel of ideas."—*Publishers Weekly*

Enemy Action (Book 3 of The Imperial Marines Saga)

Author: Terry Mixon

Know your enemy like you know yourself.

Andrea Tolliver and her friends are now Imperial Marines, sworn to protect the Terran Empire from all enemies. Too bad she hasn't even had time to make friends

in her new unit before civil unrest sees them deployed.

Once is happenstance. Twice is coincidence.

Separated from their unit, they must discover who is really behind the unrest and stop them by any means necessary. When the enemy strikes from the shadows, they must stand and fight. If they fail, the Empire will never be the same.

Three times is enemy action.

Paragon of Blood

Author: Luke Chmilenko

All Auric Cain ever wanted was a chance.

A chance to prove himself. A chance to take control of his life. A chance to be more than a lowly D-Tier, the lowest of the low, in a world broken by the arrival of an alien, enigmatic being known as The System.

And the seemingly endless hordes of Gateborn that accompanied it.

But chances are hard to come by in the fallen remains of humanity. A century of decline, of desperate struggle, making just surviving another day challenging enough. Let alone striking out to find and challenge an Ascension Gate.

Or in Auric's case, even getting permission to try.

But when he finally takes matters into his own hands, that's when he finally gets his chance. A chance that sets off a chain of events that no one, let alone him, could have ever anticipated. A chain of events that could very well reshape Reality itself.

Unless he can find a way to stop it.

Starship Freedom

Author: Daniel Arenson

The starship Freedom is just a museum ship. Until the aliens attack!

***Battlestar Galactica* meets *Starship Troopers* in this sci-fi adventure from Daniel Arenson, the *USA Today* bestselling author of *Earthrise*.**

The starship *Freedom* was once a mighty warship. Today she's a tourist attraction. The space wars ended long ago. The *Freedom* is now a flying museum. The tourists love it. The Changing of the Guard, the starfighter aerobatics, the starboard cannon salute . . . it's the best show in the galaxy.

James King commands the starship *Freedom*. He hates his job. He was a real soldier once. Back when the *Freedom* was a real warship. He never imagined himself running a tourist trap. Right after Christmas, he plans to retire.

Then, on Christmas day, the aliens attack. Horrifying aliens. Creatures of claws, fangs, and endless malice. Within hours, they devastate Earth's military. Millions die.

So much for retirement.

The aliens spare the starship *Freedom*. After all, she's only a tourist attraction. But not to Commander King. He will get his beloved starship battle-ready. He will enter the fight. The *Freedom* will fly to war again!

He Who Fights with Monsters 4: A LitRPG Adventure

Author: Shirtaloon

In the wake of an unexpected homecoming, Jason questions if there is still a place for him in the world he left behind.

Forced to confront what he has become in his time away, he feels more alien than ever. But his old world is hiding secrets that he never knew.

As he starts to unravel what has been hidden from him his entire life, he discovers that not only might he fit in better than ever, but he may be exactly what the world needs.

Book 4 in the bestselling He Who Fights With Monsters Series, coming this Christmas Season!

Superpowers Unlocked: A Superhero Harem Adventure

Author: Justin Trublood

After a days-long meteor storm, superpowers emerge, creating more villains than heroes. One man will learn how to unlock the powers of a small group of women and restore justice for all.

Toby Drake is faced with a crisis of conscience when a beautiful woman shows up on his doorstep, battered, bloodied and on run from a superpowered thug. Trained as an engineer prior to The Storm, Toby makes a living fixing other people's broken electronics, hardly something that has prepared him to go up against a super. He quickly discovers that it's one thing to hear about villains doing bad things, but another thing entirely to come face-to-face with them.

Not thinking twice, Toby does the right thing and gives shelter to an embattled woman, and the two end up hiding in an old mechanic's shop that used to belong to Toby's family. It's in this shop that Toby is exposed to an unburied meteorite and is powered up with an unusual superpower – the ability to unlock and supercharge the powers of others.

What Toby doesn't understand, however, is that his new superpower comes with an unusual side-effect, which is he ends up bonding with the women he powers up and mortal enemies of the villains he touches.

Read Superpowers Unlocked and join Toby and a host of new girlfriends on an action-packed adventure today!

Content Advisory - Superpowers Unlocked is a no-holds-barred action adventure with unfiltered, descriptive intimate encounters and unconventional relationships. If you don't like that sort of thing, please keep browsing.

Anvil Dark (Backyard Starship Book 3)

Author: J.N. Chaney

The guild is under attack, and Van is right in the middle of it all.

When Master Yewlo is abducted by unknown forces, the Peacemakers are thrown into chaos as the rescue mission begins. Finding Yewlo will be hard, but the search reveals secrets the guild might not survive—secrets about a system so corrupt, it will take Van and his team's best efforts to untangle the truth.

And they might not like what they find.

On the grimy station known as Halcyon, Van will track and confront thieves who deal in stolen lives, all in order to save a Master who might not have the guild's best interest at heart. With Sorcerers and Cloaks and every other kind of criminal, Van, Torina, Perry and Icky learn that friends come in all shapes and sizes—and so do enemies.

From the depths of space to Iowa, join Van as he fights to save his guild, free stolen lives, and discover that money makes the universe go around—money and lies, that is.

And Van will find the truth, no matter what the cost.

The Last Shadow (Ender Sextet Book 6)

Author: Orson Scott Card

Orson Scott Card's *The Last Shadow* is the long-awaited conclusion to both the original Ender series and the Ender's Shadow series, as the children of Ender and Bean solve the great problem of the Ender Universe—the deadly virus they call the descolada, which is incurable and will kill all of humanity if it is allowed to escape from Lusitania.

One planet.

Three sapient species living peacefully together.

And one deadly virus that could wipe out every world in the Starways Congress, killing billions.

Is the only answer another great Xenocide?

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The Richard Jackson Saga: Book 15: The Lunar Kingdom: Coming of Age in the 1950s, an Alternate History told with Wit and Humor

Author: Ed Nelson

Coming of age stories don't have to be all teenage angst. They can be fun-filled adventures that become more serious with age. With humor, we follow a young man's coming of age in the late 1950s. Starting in the summer before his freshman year, he goes through high school and beyond. He finds wealth as an inventor and fame in Hollywood as he searches for a girlfriend. Wealth and fame prove far easier than girls.

The Fifteenth Book has Rick exploring the moon and outer space.

Danger, fame and fortune, and adventure seem to be his lot in life. He connects with the love of his life. His actions have caused a change in history as we know it. He and Russia have their final confrontation. Then there is the moon and the outer reaches to explore.

This tongue-in-cheek saga is all true, give or take a lie or two.

The Every: A novel

Author: Dave Eggers

From the award-winning, bestselling author of *The Circle* comes an exciting new follow-up. When the world's largest search engine/social media company, the Circle, merges with the planet's dominant ecommerce site, it creates the richest and most dangerous—and, oddly enough, most beloved—monopoly ever known: the Every.

Delaney Wells is an unlikely new hire at the Every. A former forest ranger and unwavering tech skeptic, she charms her way into an entry-level job with one goal in mind: to take down the company from within. With her compatriot, the not-at-all-ambitious Wes Makazian, they look for the Every's weaknesses, hoping to free humanity from all-encompassing surveillance and the emoji-driven infantilization of the species. But does anyone want what Delaney is fighting to save? Does humanity truly want to be free?

Studded with unforgettable characters, outrageous outfits, and lacerating set-pieces, this companion to *The Circle* blends absurdity and terror, satire and suspense, while keeping the reader in apprehensive excitement about the fate of the company—and the human animal.

Remains (Galaxy's Edge Book 14)

Author: Jason Anspach

The Legion has landed...

The Republic world of Kima has fallen with shocking speed to the renewed forces of the Mid-Core Rebellion, and General Chhun must lead the rebuilt and enhanced 131st Legion—along with Marines, Dark Ops, Navy, and Kimbrin Resistance—onto the planet to violently check their assault.

But timing is of the essence, and Chhun can't do it alone. Bear, working undercover, unearths the treachery of a resurgent Nether Ops still working their dark influence from the shadows. Masters has his hands full just staying alive while he evades deadly pursuers. And Keel finds himself swept up in intrigues that may make the planetary takeover of Kima all but insignificant.

The battle is fierce and hard, but VICTORY is always within reach so long as the Legion—remade to its initial purpose—remains to fight.

Red Bounty (Backyard Starship Book 2)

Author: J.N. Chaney

Van left his old life behind, but some things remain the same.

Even in space, crime still exists.

After taking a Peacemaker job to find missing fuel, Perry finds something far more sinister than simple theft—a voice, crying out in a forge of heat and flame, and the discovery reveals a series of acts so vicious that nothing short of revenge will suffice.

Following leads across the stars, Van, Perry, and Torina discover the wealthy elite are doing more than just taking fuel.

They're stealing lives.

But it takes money to make justice, and Van has to work. Torina's land must be restored, and the Dragonet needs new armor, and Van's sword isn't going to sharpen itself.

So Van throws himself into the life of a Peacemaker, where he discovers that doing his job—and doing it well—makes him a target.

He's got the will. He's got the sword. And he's got help. Now all he needs is a little fuel.

And maybe a gun or two.

Defiance of the Fall 3: A LitRPG Adventure

Author: *TheFirstDefier*

After traversing the dangerous Dead Zone, Zac has finally managed to save his sister and bring her back to Port Atwood.

But Zac knows he can't relax. Not if he wants to keep her safe. The foreign factions keep spreading their influence, and ancient foes have set their sights on Earth.

With his newfound abilities, Zac has joined the Limited Hunt to gain the strength needed to protect his family and his world.

However, the System is unwilling to let Zac train in peace, and the hunt is not what it seems...

Don't miss Book 3 of the hit *Defiance of the Fall* LitRPG series with over 20 Million views on Royal Road.

About the Series: Jump into a story that merges LitRPG elements with eastern cultivation. Class systems, skill systems, endless choices for progression, it has everything fans of the genre love. Explore a vast universe full of mystery, adventure, danger and even aliens; where even a random passer-by might hold the power of a god. Follow Zac as he struggles to stake out a unique path to power as a mortal in a world full of cultivators.

Aurous Rings: Steven Gordon Series Book 12

Author: *J W Murison*

While on operations around the Aurous base in preparation for Steven and Komoru's wedding; Jean's aircraft carrier is left stranded in space. It is towed into the Aurous base so Charlie can assist in repairs. Ne' is furious when he discovers that his own engineers have compromised the original design of the carrier. Jean takes the opportunity to serve notice on Charlie's retainers. When Admiral Baxter discovers the Aurous Base can take an aircraft carrier in its hangars; he rushes to the base to discover much more than he anticipated. There arises an opportunity for humanity to finally grasp a foothold in Federation space, but will they accept the conditions that come with it or destroy through their own arrogance this rarest of chances.

When The World Turns Dark: A Post Apocalypse EMP Thriller (After it Turns Dark Book 1)

Author: *Jack Hunt*

When an EMP destroys the electrical grid and a family is separated by a massive storm, who will survive?

Consumed by guilt over the accidental death of his daughter's husband and child, a disabled veteran, John Sheridan leaves Florida and returns to his small town in the Black Hills of South Dakota to finalize the sale of a remote mountain cabin once shared with his wife. With his vision failing he now believes this will be the last time he will see it and get to enjoy the biggest motorcycle rally in the world. But when a dirty-looking local teenage girl seeking safety breaks in, and the power goes out, he learns a disturbing story and must decide whose survival matters more.

Meanwhile, in Florida, his daughter, Laura ignores the evacuation order vowing to find her sole surviving son before a crushing hurricane makes landfall. But when an act of decency at the height of chaos garners unwanted attention, her day is about to get even worse as she finds herself confronted with an even greater threat than the approaching storm.

When The World Turns Dark is a high-octane, post-apocalyptic thriller with flawed characters that explore the world after an electromagnetic pulse knocks out the power when society needs it the most. No lights. No phones. No transportation. This captivating family saga reveals what desperate people could be driven to do to survive at the worst time.

The Other Emily

Author: *Dean Koontz*

An Amazon Charts, *Wall Street Journal*, and *USA Today* bestseller.

Number one *New York Times* bestselling master of suspense Dean Koontz takes readers on a twisting journey of lost love, impossible second chances, and terrifying promises.

A decade ago, Emily Carlino vanished after her car broke down on a California highway. She was presumed to be one of serial killer Ronny Lee Jessup's victims whose remains were never found.

Writer David Thorne still hasn't recovered from losing the love of his life, or from the guilt of not being there to save her. Since then, he's sought closure any way he can. He even visits regularly with Jessup in prison, desperate for answers about Emily's final hours so he may finally lay her body to rest. Then David meets Maddison Sutton, beguiling, playful, and keenly aware of all David has lost. But what really takes his breath away is that everything about Maddison, down to her kisses, is just like Emily. As the fantastic becomes credible, David's obsession grows, Maddison's mysterious past deepens—and terror escalates.

Is she Emily? Or an irresistible dead ringer? Either way, the ultimate question is the same: What game is she playing? Whatever the risk in finding out, David's willing to take it for this precious second chance. It's been ten years since he's felt this inspired, this hopeful, this much in love...and he's afraid.

Star Wars: The Rising Storm (The High Republic) (Star Wars: The High Republic Book 2)

Author: Cavan Scott

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • The heroes of the High Republic era return to face a shattered peace and a fearsome foe, following the dramatic events of *Light of the Jedi*.

In the wake of the hyperspace disaster and the heroism of the Jedi, the Republic continues to grow, bringing more worlds together under a single unified banner. Under the leadership of Chancellor Lina Soh, the spirit of unity extends throughout the galaxy, with the Jedi and the newly established Starlight Beacon station at the vanguard.

In celebration, the chancellor plans the Republic Fair, a showcase of the possibilities and the peace of the expanding Republic—a peace the Jedi hope to foster. Stellan Gios, Bell Zettifar, Elzar Mann, and others join the event as ambassadors of harmony. But as the eyes of the galaxy turn toward the fair, so too does the fury of the Nihil. Their leader, Marchion Ro, is intent on destroying this unity. His storm descends on the pageantry and celebration, sowing chaos and exacting revenge.

As the Jedi struggle to curb the carnage of the rampaging Nihil, they come face-to-face with the true fear their enemy plans to unleash across the galaxy—the kind of fear from which even the Force cannot shield them.

The Echo Wife

Author: Sarah Gailey

Sarah Gailey's *The Echo Wife* is “a trippy domestic thriller which takes the extramarital affair trope in some intriguingly weird new directions.”—*Entertainment Weekly*

I'm embarrassed, still, by how long it took me to notice. Everything was right there in the open, right there in front of me, but it still took me so long to see the person I had married.

It took me so long to hate him.

Martine is a genetically cloned replica made from Evelyn Caldwell's award-winning research. She's patient and gentle and obedient. She's everything Evelyn swore she'd never be.

And she's having an affair with Evelyn's husband.

Now, the cheating bastard is dead, and both Caldwell wives have a mess to clean up.

Good thing Evelyn Caldwell is used to getting her hands dirty.

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Prince Commander (Prince of Britannia Saga Book 2)

Author: Fred Hughes

Hazard King was ready to get back to a normal life. Well, as normal a life as the next emperor of the Britannia Empire could expect. Hazard was going to continue his naval career because the Swarm Forces would be back and he intended to be there and fight when they did. He had learned how to delegate though, so while he was training, the rest of *Team Hazard* was tasked with eliminating the Marxist spy network which they discovered were mostly rogue Imperial Spies that Hazard had pissed off. Somewhere along the way, Hazard needed to find time to get married and produce an heir. Such are the duties of a Prince of Britannia.

This book contains space battles and gunfights, like most science fiction novels, but it is ultimately about people. The characters I have tried to create are like family to me, and they are the core of the book. I wanted to show that the core values most of have and admire in others will still be present in the future. While necessary to explain some of the science involved, I tried hard not to get bogged down in it. For the space battles, which frankly I am very proud of, I tried to copy David Weber's style in making it both exciting and realistic. I hope you enjoy, and please leave comments.

The Exiled Fleet (The Divide Series Book 2)

Author: J. S. Dewes

J. S. Dewes continues her fast paced, science fiction action adventure series, the Divide, with *The Exiled Fleet*, where *The Expanse* meets *The Black Company*—the survivors of *The Last Watch* refuse to die.

The Sentinels narrowly escaped the collapsing edge of the Divide.

They have mustered a few other surviving Sentinels, but with no engines they have no way to leave the edge of the universe before they starve.

Adequin Rake has gathered a team to find the materials they'll need to get everyone out.

To do that they're going to need new allies and evade a ruthless enemy. Some of them will not survive.

The Divide series

The Last Watch

The Exiled Fleet

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The Light We Lost : A Post-Apocalyptic Survival Thriller (Lost Light Book 1)

Author: Kyla Stone

The sun gives life. It is also capable of profound destruction.

With little warning, a solar super flare erupts from the sun. A billion tons of superheated plasma hurtles through space toward Earth...

When all lights fail, who will save you?

Thirteen-year-old Shiloh wakes with a dead body beside her, her brother missing, and no memory of what happened. As fiery northern lights blaze across the sky, she sets out into the night, determined to find him.

Haunted by the past, Undersheriff Jackson Cross vows to catch a vicious killer. But every clue he uncovers leads him further into a darkness he fears he cannot defeat.

Eli Pope has just been released from prison. Wrongly convicted of murder, the former Ranger has but one goal: exact vengeance upon those who betrayed him.

Meanwhile, Search-and-Rescue first responder Lena Easton begins a harrowing 1600-mile journey to Michigan's Upper Peninsula to find the children of the one person she couldn't save.

As multiple solar storms strike Earth, transformers explode, the power grid fails, and communication networks collapse. Half the world goes dark, thrusting the planet into utter chaos.

With society crumbling around them, the survivors must fight not only for their lives, but for everything they hold dear—hope amid devastation, justice in the face of depravity, and ultimately, the perseverance of the human spirit against all odds.

The Light We Lost is a post-apocalyptic survival thriller exploring the destructive power of coronal mass ejections. This brand new series from USA Today Bestselling Author Kyla Stone features flawed characters and high-octane, nerve-shredding thrills. A disaster series perfect for fans of A.G. Riddle, Bobby Akart, Jack Hunt, and Ryan Schow.

System Finale: An Apocalyptic Space Opera LitRPG (The System Apocalypse Book 12)

Author: Tao Wong

There's No Way Home

Not for John Lee. His search for answers for the System Quest has taken him deep into the Forbidden Zone, into the very arms of his enemies. He's betrayed family and friends and been betrayed in turn. The most powerful human in the System has come to the final leg of his journey.

And still, he has no idea if what he will find will fill the burning need within him. For the Redeemer of the Dead will not stop, until the cries of the lost and the sacrificed are answered.

No matter the cost - to the universe, to Earth, or to himself.

System Finale is the final book of the bestselling post-apocalyptic LitRPG *The System Apocalypse* and brings the series to a climactic conclusion. *The System*

Apocalypse mixes post-apocalyptic fiction with alien invasions, military science fiction and fantasy elements with game-like statuses and levels.

Superluminal

Author: Vonda N. McIntyre

A novel of star-crossed love from the *New York Times*–bestselling author of Nebula and Hugo Award–winning novel *Dreamsnake*.

In a future where space travel moves at faster-than-light speed, starship crews can only survive transit if drugged nearly to death. Then there are those like Laenea Trevelyan, who want to become pilots so badly they will go through years of training and major surgery to free themselves of biological rhythms. But though they become literally heartless, their emotions are just as human as before.

Laenea discovers this herself when she immediately falls for crewman Radu Dracul upon her early release—some might say escape—from the hospital after her procedure. She is not unknown to Radu; Laenea was the first offworlder he ever saw when she and her crew delivered a vaccine for the cryptovirus that decimated his family and his planet.

However, their intense attraction cannot last. Laenea's modifications will not survive in close proximity to Radu's biorhythms, which are too strong to allow him to become a pilot.

But even in the vastness of space, where ships and hearts can be lost, fate—and danger—can have a hand in bringing two people together again . . .

"Smoothly told . . . with the sturdy character conflicts snugly worked into the hyperspace-navigation backdrop." —*Kirkus Reviews*

Defiance of the Fall: A LitRPG Adventure

Author: TheFirstDefier

Zac was alone in the middle of the forest when the world changed...

The whole planet was introduced to the multiverse by an unfeeling System... or God. A universe where an endless number of races and civilizations fought for power and dominion.

Zac finds himself stuck in the wilderness surrounded by deadly beasts, demons, and worse. Alone, lost and without answers, he must find the means to survive and get stronger in this new cut-throat reality.

With only a hatchet for his weapon, he'll have to seek out his family before the world collapses... or die trying.

Experience the start of the hit LitRPG series with over 20 Million views on Royal Road. For the first time, *Defiance of the Fall* is now available on Kindle, Kindle Unlimited, and Audible narrated by Pavi Prozcko.

About the Series: Jump into an apocalypse story that merges LitRPG elements with eastern cultivation. Class systems, skill systems, endless choices for progression, it has everything fans of the genre love. Explore a vast universe full of mystery, adventure, danger and even aliens; where even a random passer-by might hold the power of a god. Follow Zac as he struggles to stake out a unique path to power as a mortal in a world full of cultivators.

He Who Fights with Monsters 3: A LitRPG Adventure

Author: Shirtaloon

For all that Jason's new life is amazing, he is about to learn that his new power, wealth, and influence comes at a price...

Riding high on success, he and his team are looking to the future, preparing themselves for the challenges to come. Nothing, however, could prepare him for the lessons his enemies have to teach. When magic is involved, the stakes can be even greater than life and death.

While Jason's personal enemies make plans, the greater foes plaguing his new home have been pushed to the brink. With one powerful card left to play, they are on a collision course with Jason and his team. With no one to help and more than their lives on the line, Jason and his companions must fight with more monsters than ever in the race to grow stronger. With an invincible enemy already anticipating them, they will learn that sometimes winning the battle is more important than surviving it.

Truth of the Divine: A Novel (Noumena Book 2)

Author: Lindsay Ellis

USA TODAY BESTSELLER

***Truth of the Divine* is the latest alternate-history first-contact novel in the Noumena series from the instant *New York Times*, *Wall Street Journal* and *Los Angeles Times* bestselling author Lindsay Ellis.**

The human race is at a crossroads; we know that we are not alone, but details about the alien presence on Earth are still being withheld from the public. As the political climate grows more unstable, the world is forced to consider the ramifications of granting human rights to nonhuman persons. How do you define "person" in the first place?

Cora Sabino not only serves as the full-time communication intermediary between the alien entity Ampersand and his government chaperones but also shares a mysterious bond with him that is both painful and intimate in ways neither of them could have anticipated. Despite this, Ampersand is still keen on keeping secrets, even from Cora, which backfires on them both when investigative journalist Kaveh Mazandarani, a close colleague of Cora's unscrupulous estranged father, witnesses far more of Ampersand's machinations than anyone was meant to see.

Since Cora has no choice but to trust Kaveh, the two must work together to prove to a fearful world that intelligent, conscious beings should be considered persons, no matter how horrifying, powerful, or malicious they may seem. Making this case is hard enough when the public doesn't know what it's dealing with—and it will only become harder when a mysterious flash illuminates the sky, marking the arrival of an agent of chaos that will light an already-unstable world on fire.

With a voice completely her own, Lindsay Ellis deepens her realistic exploration of the reality of a planet faced with the presence of extraterrestrial intelligence, probing the essential questions of humanity and decency, and the boundaries of the human mind.

While asking the question of what constitutes a "person," Ellis also examines what makes a monster.

Emperor (Galactic Kings Book 2)

Author: Anna Hackett

When an experimental starship test goes horribly wrong, a scientist from Earth finds herself fighting for her survival, and her only lifeline is a wild, powerful alien king.

Waking on an alien world, wracked by pain, Dr. Poppy Ellison is confused and adrift...until *his* voice calls to her in the darkness. The big, wild, enthralling man reveals that she's been infected and is turning into an alien shapeshifter. Poppy has always been smart, practical, and boring, but with her entire life turned upside down, there is no one she can trust...except for this alien wolf.

Emperor Brodin Damar Sarkany is king of Damar and its shapeshifters. As wild as the forest city they call home, the Damari can be volatile, always fighting to control the wolf inside. Brodin uses his immense strength to keep his people in check and protect them from the most dangerous evil of all—his war-mongering father. He can't afford the distraction of a small, tantalizing woman from Earth, even when everything about Poppy sings to the instincts of both man and wolf.

As his father's ruthless warlord attacks, innocent children are at risk, and Poppy knows she has to help by mastering her new, emerging abilities. She must also face the shocking passion that explodes between her and Brodin. But as Poppy and Brodin hunt down the enemy, they uncover a plot that could mean the destruction of all the Damari...if they don't stop it in time.

I'm the Evil Lord of an Intergalactic Empire! (Light Novel) Vol. 2

Author: ■■■■

EVIL LOVES COMPANY

Liam begrudgingly travels to another lord's domain to receive a noble education, and the Guide makes sure to muck up his reputation. When Liam attempts to bribe the reigning lord in exchange for a cushy life on the planet, he's deemed destitute and given the cold shoulder! Thinking the man is just far too upstanding for his "incentives", Liam decides that other nobles who got the same treatment must be just as wicked as he is! Will his pretty boy roommates, Kurt, and the gorgeous yet surprisingly friendly girl, Elia, become his new evil besties?

Blackout: The Complete Series (Books 1-9) (Complete Series Box Sets)

Author: Daniel Young

SAVE THEIR WORLDS? CHECK. DON'T KILL EACH OTHER? MEH.

A stubborn captain, an angry gunner, an alien trickster, a haughty monster, and a pair of twin assassins.

When it comes to motley crews, the *Blackout* has most starships beat.

But as a ruthless force swarms over the quadrant, crushing and enslaving all civilizations in its path, it might fall to this unlikely band of non-heroes to turn the tide.

If they don't end up killing each other first.

Blackout: The Complete Series is old-fashioned space opera at its best, perfect for fans of action-packed drama and fun!

If the top things you look for in your sci-fi are...

1. Action.
2. Action.
3. **Action!**

...then welcome to your next binge read.

Note: The Blackout series is an homage to thrilling pulp sci-fi of yesteryear. If you're interested in hard science fiction look elsewhere. But if you're looking for action-packed adventures on strange worlds with even stranger aliens, this series is for you!

Included in this box set:

- ***Ignite***
- ***Escape***
- ***Disperse***
- ***Invade***
- ***Eclipse***
- ***Onward***
- ***Revenge***
- ***Surge***
- ***Vanquish***

Reader reviews of *Ignite* (Book 1):

★★★★★ "I'm exhausted! That's how much action there is in this first book! Food, bathroom break, and begin again."

★★★★★ "You will not want to put down!"

★★★★★ "Action from the first page to the last!"
