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JULIE C. DAO

NOW COMES THE MIST

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1 October 2024

- “A lush, thoughtful, seductive reimagining of the Dracula mythos that had me under its thrall from page one, Dao’s darkly dreamy book will leave you thirsting for more. Let Lucy sink her teeth into you and draw you into her new world.” —**Kiersten White, #1 NYT Bestselling Author of HIDE and MISTER MAGIC**



Dracula's Lucy Westenra like you've never seen her before: In this retelling from critically acclaimed author Julie C. Dao, the perfect woman bites back.

Lucy Westenra is beautiful, rich, and admired by men. But under her sparkling, flirtatious façade, Lucy is melancholy and obsessed with death after losing her beloved father; she both fears and is captivated by death and dreads leaving her loved ones behind, especially Mina Murray, for whom Lucy cherishes an unspoken romantic attraction.

Lucy balks against the rules of upper-class society and longs for experiences that are considered inappropriate for a respectable young lady. When she meets the sensual, mysterious Vlad, she realizes she has the chance to get everything she ever wanted. Or lose it.

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Russia: Azbooka; **Poland:** Niezwykłe

MARGOT HARRISON

THE MIDNIGHT CLUB

Harper/Graydon House
24 September 2024

- “A strange, riveting, brilliant fable. Like a fever-dream of **Donna Tartt’s *The Secret History***.”
—**LEV GROSSMAN**
- “...in this **taut and introspective time-travel thriller** from Harrison. . .Harrison meticulously weaves flashbacks, elaborate time-travel twists, and the perspectives of each main character into a suspenseful saga about regret and missed opportunities. This deserves to be savored.”—**Publisher’s Weekly**

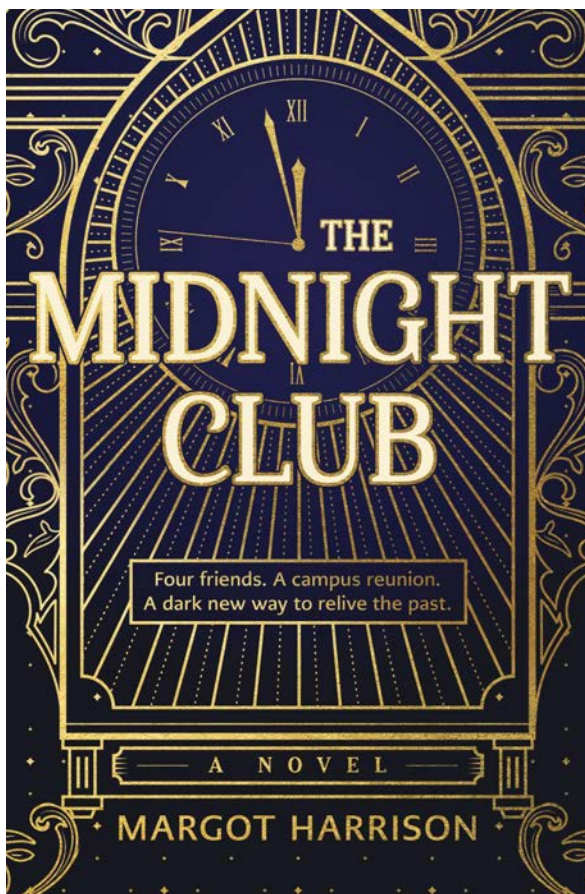
Four friends solve the decades-old murder of their best friend with the help of a drug that can not only bring them back to the past, but change it.

It’s been twenty-five years since *The Midnight Club* last convened. A tight-knit group of college friends bonded by late nights at the campus literary magazine, they’re also bonded by something darker: the death of their brilliant friend Jennet junior year. But now, decades later, a mysterious invitation has pulled them back to the pine-shrouded Vermont town where it all began.

As the estranged friends gather for a weeklong campus reunion, they soon learn that their host has an ulterior motive: she wants them to uncover the truth about the night Jennet died, and she’s provided them with an extraordinary method—a secret substance that helps them not only remember but *relive* the past.

But each one of the friends has something to hide. And the more they question each other, the deeper they dive into their own memories, the more they understand that nothing they thought they knew about their college years, and that fateful night, is true.

Margot Harrison has an impressive TikTok following of thousands of readers, mostly people there for Gen X nostalgia (retro book reviews, childhood memories). She is the author of the YA novels *Only She Came Back* (Hachette 2023), *We Made It All Up* (Hachette 2022), *The Glare* (Hachette 2020), and *The Killer In Me* (Hachette 2016). This is her first adult novel.



SYRIE JAMES

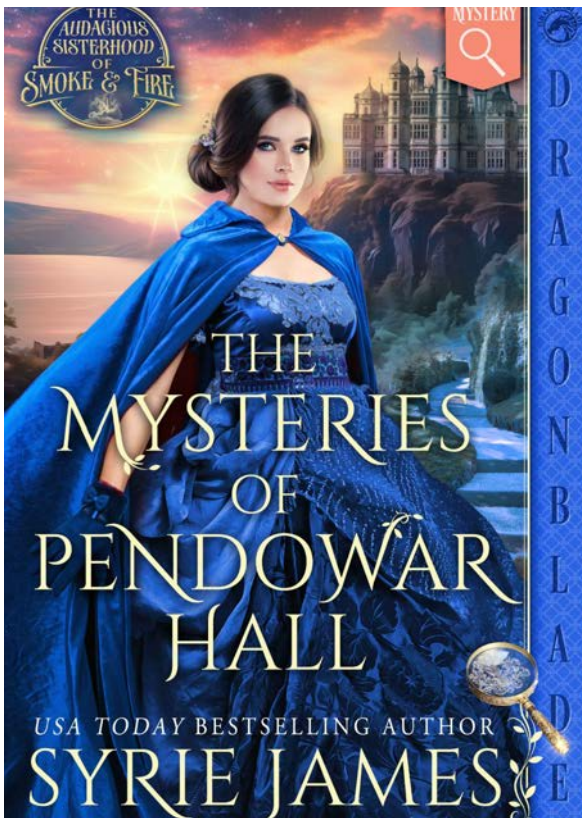
THE MYSTERIES OF PENDOWAR HALL

Dragonblade Publishing

22 February 2025

“[A] wonderfully atmospheric and suspenseful tale brimming with everything that fans of Victorian historical romance and mystery love: a bright and feisty heroine, a perfectly Gothic coastal estate full of secrets, and the brooding and mysterious navy captain in charge of it all.” —**Natalie Jenner, Internationally bestselling author of *The Jane Austen Society, Bloomsbury Girls & Every Time We Say Goodbye***

She vowed to solve a murder. Now she's in danger of losing her heart ... and her very life.



Diana Taylor, a bright and spirited governess is sent to Pendowar Hall in Cornwall to teach her godmother’s niece and to find out who was behind the suspicious death of the former baronet. But her new charge is also a mystery, as is the man who inherited the ancient coastal estate—the charismatic but brooding Royal Navy Captain William Fallbrook, who is home on leave to recover from an injury.

Pendowar Hall is brimming with secrets as well as a legend about a Mermaid’s Curse. And as Diana investigates, her feelings for the enigmatic Captain Fallbrook blossom.

Soon, Diana’s quest to unmask a killer leads her into terrifying danger, for someone is determined to end her life before she can discover the truth.

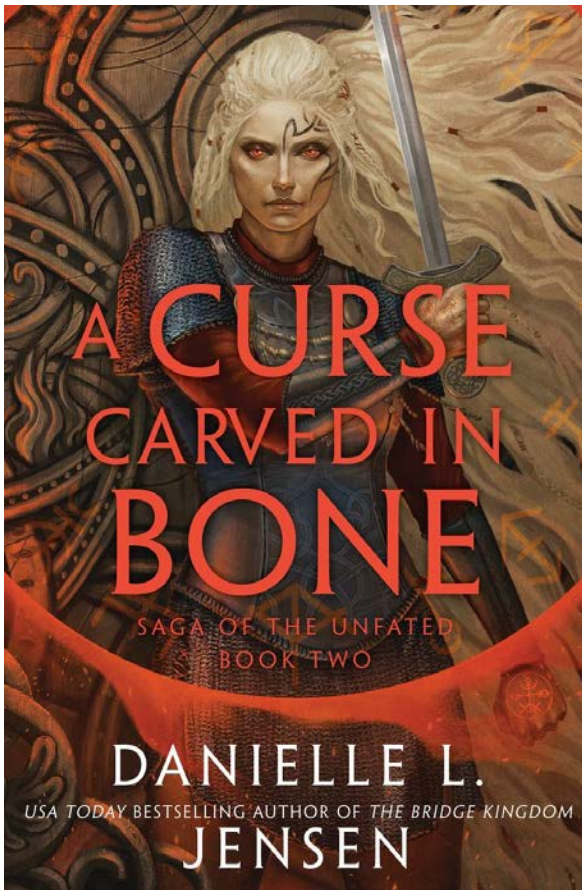
Syrie James is the author of thirteen critically acclaimed novels of historical fiction, romance, and young adult fiction that have been international, *USA Today*, and Amazon bestsellers and won numerous awards. Her books are published in more than twenty languages.

DANIELLE L. JENSEN

A CURSE CARVED IN BONE

PRH, Del Rey
13 May 2025

- **New York Times Bestseller**
- THE must-read fantasy of 2024!"—Jennifer L. Armentrout, author of *From Blood and Ash*



A shield maiden fights to break the shackles of prophecy—and to overcome the betrayal of the man who broke her heart—in this searing conclusion to the Norse-inspired romantacy duology that began with *A Fate Inked in Blood*.

While Freya still seethes with rage over Bjorn's betrayal, the blood oaths that bind her demand that she keep him close as she hunts for a way to avert the looming war. Her magic draws her to the front lines of an old enmity, embroiling her with Nordeland's Unfated—children of the gods who serve the king she was raised to fear. The same king who, unlike Bjorn, is now willing to fight at her back. For despite the desire that burns hot between Bjorn and Freya, his growing distrust of her chosen path threatens to drag them further apart.

As war approaches, gods and mortals must choose their weapons. Yet the fiercest battle will be the one Freya wages within herself. With the magic of two goddesses burning in her veins, she must weave the threads of destiny to decide her own fate: Will she be the shield that protects her people or the curse that destroys them?

Danielle L. Jensen is the *New York Times* bestselling author of *A Fate Inked in Blood*, as well as the *USA Today* bestselling author of the Bridge Kingdom, Dark Shores, and Malediction series. Her novels are published internationally in nineteen languages. She lives in Calgary, Alberta, with her family and guinea pigs.

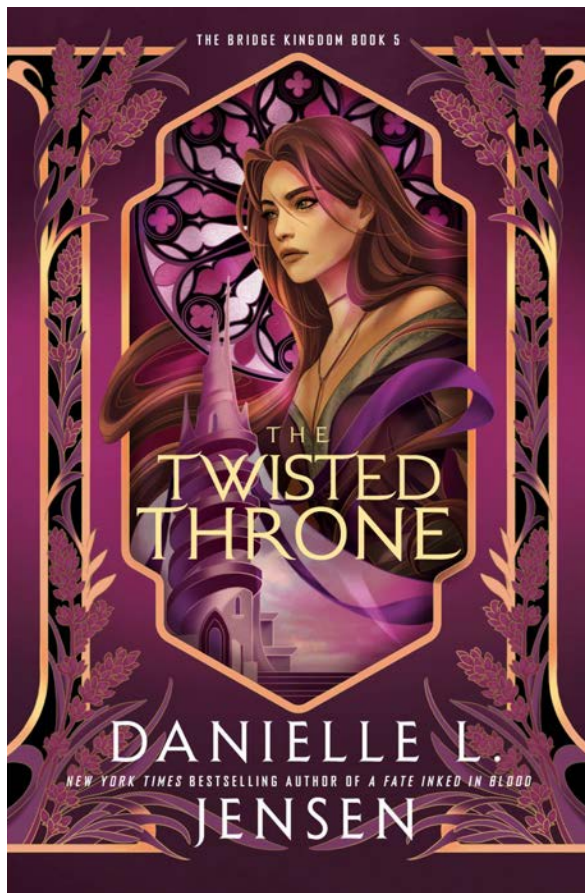
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DANIELLE L. JENSEN

THE TWISTED THRONE (The Bridge Kingdom, #5)

PRH, Del Rey
8 April 2025

- **USA Today Bestseller**
- "Heart-pounding romance and intense action wrapped in a spellbinding world. I was hooked from the first page!"—**Elise Kova**, *USA Today* bestselling author of *A Deal with the Elf King on The Bridge Kingdom*



In the fifth novel of the thrilling Bridge Kingdom series, a princess promised in marriage falls for the wrong brother, and their forbidden love threatens to destroy a fragile peace between kingdoms—from the *New York Times* bestselling author of *A Fate Inked in Blood*.

A commander who bled to defend her people, Ahnna is haunted by two beliefs: The first is that she failed to protect Ithicana from invasion. And the second is that saving her homeland means leaving it behind forever.

The Maridrinians left Ithicana in ruins and its people impoverished. So when the wealthy kingdom of Harendell claims Ahnna as a bride for its crown prince, she is prepared to do whatever it takes to gain influence as the future queen—and to control the gold that comes with the throne.

Yet Ahnna swiftly discovers that beneath the beautiful surface of Harendell's court is a dark underbelly of schemes, duplicity, and the pursuit of power. The only individual who holds himself above the politics is not her future husband but his infuriating half brother, James. And as she begins to question whether Harendell is the ally it claims to be, Ahnna finds herself drawn into a forbidden attraction to the wrong prince.

As deadly plots tighten around her, Ahnna must decide whether saving her people will be achieved as a bride . . . or as a blade.

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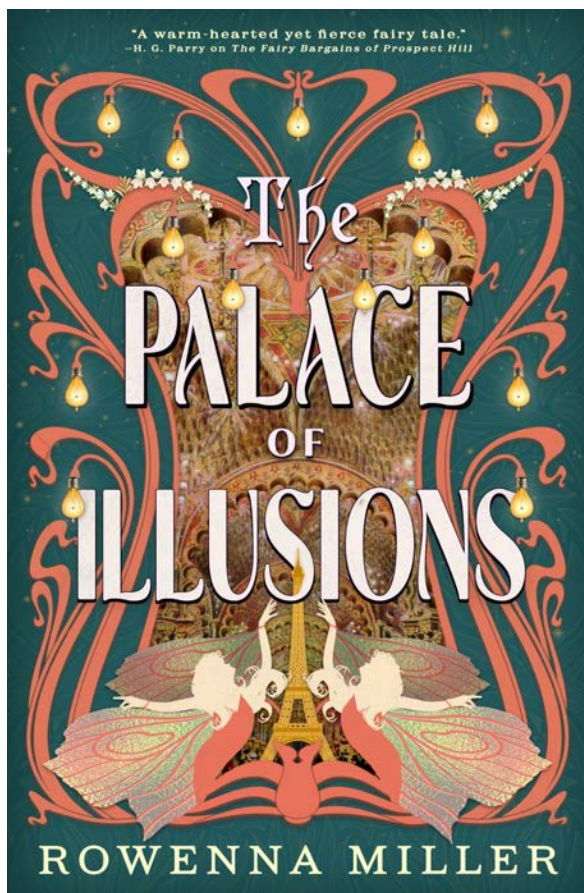
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ROWENNA MILLER

THE PALACE OF ILLUSIONS

Hachette, Orbit
10 June 2025

- "Miller **seamlessly blends historical fiction and fantasy** to create this enchanting tale of two sisters. . . Readers will be charmed by this tale of **sisterhood, female strength, and the fae.**"—*Booklist*
- "**Atmospheric.** . . a thoughtful meditation on sisterhood and priorities." —*Publishers Weekly*



The Palace of Illusions brings readers to a Paris **breathless with excitement at the dawn of the twentieth century, where for a select few there is a second, secret Paris where the magic of the City of Light is very real.**

In the run up to the 1900s World's Fair Paris is abuzz with creative energy and innovation. Audiences are spellbound by the Lumiere brothers' moving pictures and Loie Fuller's serpentine dance fusing art and technology. But for Clara Ironwood, a talented and pragmatic clockworker, nothing compares to the magic of her godfather's mechanical creations, and she'd rather spend her days working on the Palace of Illusions, an intricate hall of mirrors that is one of the centerpieces of the world's fair.

When her godfather sends Clara a hideous nutcracker for Christmas, she is puzzled until she finds a hidden compartment that unlocks a mirror-world Paris where the Seine is musical, fountains spout lemonade, and mechanical ballerinas move with human grace.

As Clara explores this other Paris and begins to imbue her own creations with its magic, she soon discovers a darker side to innovation. There's no ignoring the danger she's in, but Clara doesn't know who to trust. The magic of the two Parises are colliding and Clara must find the strength within herself to save them both.

Rowenna Miller lives in the Midwest with her husband and daughters, as well as several cats, two goats, and an ever-growing flock of chickens. When she isn't inventing fantasy worlds, she teaches writing, trespasses while hiking, and gets into trouble with her sewing machine.

AMY CAROL REEVES

HOW TO GRIEVE LIKE A VICTORIAN

HarperCollins, Canary Street Press
9 December 2025

- **A fun, escapist, romantic, travel wish-fulfillment book about a woman who happens to be a widow.**



Dr. Lizzie Wells, a Victorian Literature professor and bestselling author, is grieving her husband the Victorian way. She is keeping locks of his hair around her neck and dressing in black and jet and tulle—and amusing herself by refusing all but paper letters from her colleagues.

But then she's offered a trip to London for escape and healing, where she befriends fellow bestselling novelist AD Hemmings. Rakish and handsome, Hemmings pushes her out of her comfort zone. She attends a Victorian-style séance, gets pulled onstage at a burlesque bar, sight sees with her son, and befriends the London row house housekeeper.

All the while, back in South Carolina, her late husband's best friend and lawyer, Henry, peels back layers behind her mother-in-law's trust. There's a dark family secret her mother-in-law has been hiding for decades, the kind of thing that will change not just their family, but their town.

And with all of Henry's caring and kindness, Lizzie fears she's falling in love with him, too.

Amy Carol Reeves is a novelist, Victorian Literature professor, and widow. She grieved like a Victorian, but she did not meet a bestselling, handsome author in London—yet.

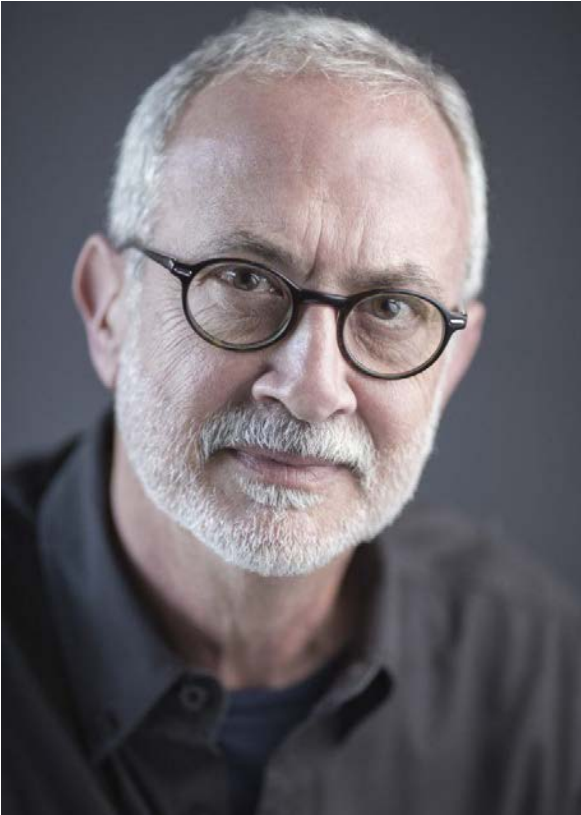
**Adult
Non-Fiction**

BRUCE GOLDFARB

THE WORST DAY: An Amazing True Story of Disasters and Heroism in Washington, DC

Steerforth Press
January 2026

- **THE WORST DAY** is a fast-paced real-life story of the terrifying struggles for survival and incredible acts of courage during an evening of unprecedented disasters in Washington, D.C.



January 13, 1982 began as a day for the records because of a historic snowstorm, but unfurled into a day of unprecedented disasters: the worst aviation crash since 1949 occurred at Washington National Airport when a plane crashed into the Potomac river. Then, just thirty minutes later, the capital's Metrorail system experienced its first fatal derailment.

The city was gridlocked—snow blanketed roads, slowing traffic to a crawl and reducing visibility to near-zero. As surviving Air Florida 90 passengers struggled to stay afloat in ice choked waters and metro passengers awaited rescue from the tracks, first responders fought against time and the elements to help the injured.

The Worst Day is a suspenseful account of the disasters, told through the eyes of the survivors, rescuers, and witnesses. From inside the cabin of Air Florida 90 to the depths of the subway system, within communications and emergency dispatch centers, riding along with firefighters and police, and observing the action at the scenes to hospital emergency departments—Goldfarb masterfully immerses the reader, minute-by-minute, into the fateful incidents as they unfold.

A former EMT/paramedic and a nursing school dropout, **Bruce Goldfarb** has written for national and local newspapers, magazines, and web publications. He also wrote and edited several medical texts and reference books. He is the author of *18 Tiny Deaths: The Untold Story of the Woman Who Invented Modern Forensics* and served from 2012 to 2022 as the executive assistant to the chief of OCME Maryland. He lives in Baltimore.

Children's

JULIE C. DAO

TEAM CHU AND THE WILD GHOST CHASE (Team Chu Series, #3)

Macmillan, FSG

10 September 2024

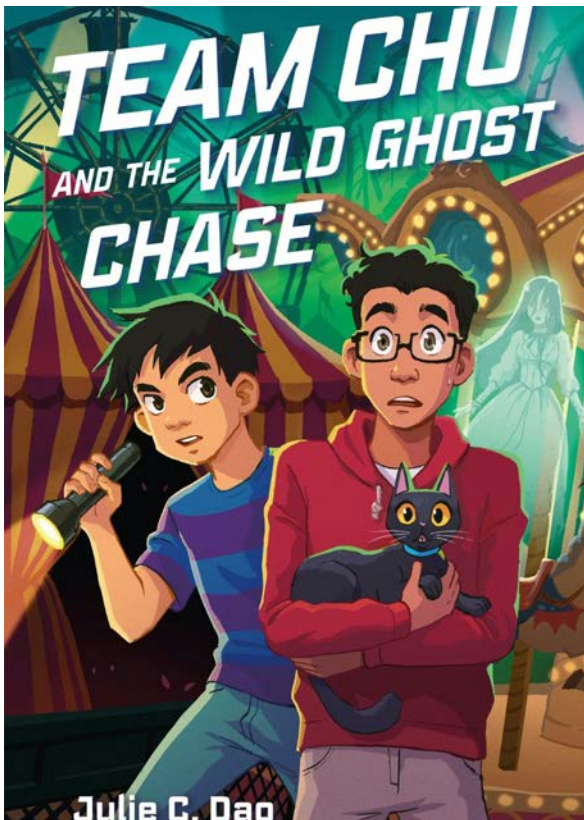
- "Spooky fun abounds in this spine-tingling third book in Julie Dao's thrilling Team Chu series...Filled with adventure, heart, insight, and a fabulous black cat, this story will bring down the (haunted) house!" —**Andrea Wang, Newbery Honor-winning author of *Watercress***

In this Team Chu adventure, Vietnamese-American siblings Clip and Sadie Chu—and friends—must unearth the mystery behind a haunted Halloween carnival.

When Iggy Morales's stylish cat, Tuba, becomes famous on social media, he scores an invite to a star-studded pet fashion show at Spooky World. The family-friendly, Halloween-themed indoor carnival is *the* place to be on the last weekend in October, so of course Iggy brings all of his friends, including Clip and Sadie. The kids expect to ride thrilling rollercoasters, play games in the midway, and eat fried dough and candy apples, but they encounter a different kind of excitement instead: a ghost called the Weeping Lady, who has haunted Spooky World for decades, appears and asks for their help.

The Weeping Lady sends Iggy and his friends on a mysterious, action-packed scavenger hunt all over the sprawling theme park, giving them cryptic clues and communicating with Iggy's seemingly clairvoyant cat, Tuba. If the kids can piece the story together and complete this wild ghost chase, they might just uncover the truth behind what really happened to Spooky World's most infamous spirit.

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KATE CHENLI

A FIERY SPIRIT (A Bright Heart Duology, #2)

Union Square & Co.
June 2025

- “The fairytale-like romance still shows an equal partnership and a thoughtful message about looking past first impressions.”—**Booklist (on *A Bright Heart*)**



Kate Chenli returns to a world of magic and courtly intrigue in this heart-stopping conclusion to *A Bright Heart*.

Blessed with a second chance at life, Mingshin has defeated Prince Ren and found love in the handsome, Prince Jieh. Though Ren’s plot has been foiled, Mingshin and her friends have not escaped the dangers of this new timeline.

The Night Dragon, Xiangyu, has been revealed as the sorcerer behind the dark machinations at court—and he’s after the Divine Stone.

As dark forces move in to destroy Dazhou, Mingshin must learn to harness the power of the Divine Stone or risk losing those she loves forever.

Kate Chenli has a Master’s degree in Computer Engineering, but has always enjoyed creating elaborate worlds and characters more than designing complex software. Besides reading and writing, her passion is world travel (four continents down and counting.)

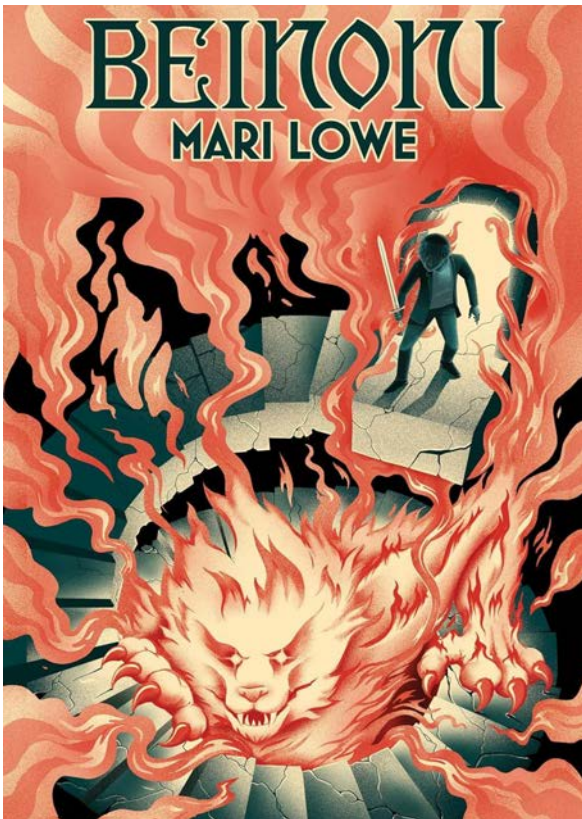
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MARI LOWE

BEINONI

Levine Querido
July 2025

- “The fairytale-like romance still shows an equal partnership and a thoughtful message about looking past first impressions.” —**Booklist (on *A Bright Heart*)**



Ezra Safran is exceptional in every way. He’s top of his middle school class, aces his tests without trying, and even excels in his weapons training. And why shouldn’t he? He’s one chosen by fate to defeat the Gurya, a physical embodiment of evil, and ensure another seventy years of Beinoni time.

Beinoni time means that there is no war, no terrible illness, and no crime. It also means there won’t be any great discoveries, any cures, anything extraordinary. But when a shadowy organization attempts to kidnap Ezra at a classmate’s bar mitzvah, suddenly everything changes. He’s losing focus in class, forgetting assignments, and lashing out at everyone.

With his teachers and his only friend seemingly turned against him, Ezra turns to an unlikely ally for help—his school nemesis, Aryeh Birkowitz. The two form an uneasy alliance as they attempt to uncover long-buried truths. As the clock ticks closer to Ezra’s thirteenth birthday and evil forces move in, Ezra will have to decide if he should maintain the status quo or end it.

Full of characters that are courageous, smart, and full of heart, BEINONI is an action-packed adventure.

Mari Lowe has too little free time and spends it all on writing and escape rooms. As the daughter of a rabbi and as a middle school teacher at an Orthodox Jewish school, she looks forward to sharing little glimpses into her community with her books. Her debut middle grade novel, *Aviva vs. the Dybbuk*, was named a Best Book of the Year by NPR, Kirkus, and is a Sydney Taylor Book Award winner. She lives in New York with her family, menagerie of pets, and robotic vacuum.

C. G. MALBURI

MARKLESS

Levine Querido
4 June 2024

- “With an interesting magic system and a fresh take on soulmates, this enemies-to-lovers romantasy will enthrall readers.”—**Booklist**

Ruti is Markless. In a society where worth is determined by the mark on your palm and the magic it grants you, this also deems her worthless. Except she’s also a hardened survivor, a protector of the Markless... and the most powerful witch in Somanchi. With a single song, she can pray to the many gods for unimaginable powers. D

Dekala’s Mark is strong, a Mark fit for the future queen of Somanchi, but it’s also unstable. She knows the only solution is to be bonded, but she also knows that this would mean relinquishing control over her throne and kingdom. So when she is witness to Ruti’s power, Dekala offers the witch a deal: She can be prosecuted for her crimes...or she can help Dekala ascend to the throne, unbonded.

Dekala is cold and brutal and cares only about getting her way. She is also determined, intelligent, and compassionate. Ruti is torn between wanting her to fail or to emerge victorious. But as the gods are defied, new alliances are forged, and unexpected feelings are unearthed, Ruti realizes the fate of the kingdom – and the survival of the Markless—lies in her unmarked hands.

When **C.G. Malburi** read her first sapphic love story, she felt recognized in a way that she never had before. Now, she’s determined to fill bookshelves with more sapphic books for teens so they can experience the same. She lives on the East Coast and loves fandom, tropes, and stories in which characters flout destiny to choose each other.

