

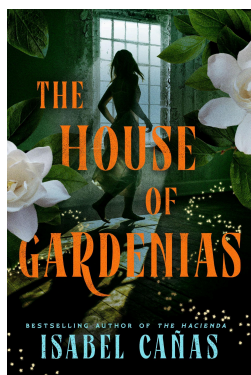
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NEW DEAL!

WE WON'T REMEMBER YOUR NAME by Zoë Harris

Godwin Books/Henry Holt BYR; Spring 2027

Mean Girls meets *Severance* with shades of *Never Let Me Go* in this dark academia YA debut: after the arrival of two new students at a boarding school that exists outside of time and place, where girls frozen in their sixteenth year compete to Graduate triumphantly or Leave in failure, the students begin to challenge and disrupt the status quo at the school, and rumors begin to spread about what really happens to the girls who Leave.



THE HOUSE OF GARDENIAS

by Isabel Cañas

Dutton BYR; September 29, 2026

YA debut from the *USA Today* bestselling author of *Vampires of El Norte*: a self-described coward flees poverty and civil war and ends up in a gothic mansion with the opportunity to destroy the fascist colonizers who are trading souls for wealth.

HOW TO FAKE A LOVE STORY

by Aashna Avachat

Penguin Workshop; January 2027

A messy revenge romcom for fans of Lynn Painter and Sandhya Menon: after returning to her hometown for senior year of high school, a girl sets out to break the heart of her former best friend and crush, without knowing he has just entered a bet with his friends that he can make her fall in love with him again before the winter ball.



THE HEAVENS WE DEFY by Tiffany Wang

HarperCollins Children's Books; Winter 2027

The first in a new YA duology from the author of *Inferno's Heir*: a goddess who has descended from the heavens to search for her missing sister unknowingly accepts the assistance of a boy who has vowed revenge against the gods, and intends to betray her. As they journey across the realm, they are caught in a political plot that could scorch the mortal realm and topple the heavens, while inexplicably falling in love with each other.

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