

# Braving The Elements (Darkness)

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"I loved the darkness, but I also craved the light. The night called to my magic, the day to my spirit." \* \* \*  
Sasha has always known she was different, but now she also knows that the shadow men she's seen all her life, are real. With a life goal of fitting in, Sasha hopes her strange abilities will finally make true friendship a possibility. Unfortunately, her magic doesn't function like everyone else's. What she thought would make her belong, sets her apart now more than ever. Stefan, all but promised to a different woman, has tried to keep his mind on his duties instead of the irresistible and free-spirited human. But when she is threatened, he can't keep his distance anymore. He'll stop at nothing to keep her safe, and more importantly, make her his. Just when one thing clicks into place, another spirals out of control. Stefan's clan isn't the only group that would benefit from an extremely rare type of magic. And their enemies will stop at nothing to get what they want.

## A Brush of Darkness

Dive into A Brush of Darkness, the first book in the Abby Sinclair trilogy. The man of her dreams might be the cause of her nightmares. Six months ago, Abby Sinclair was struggling to pick up the pieces of her shattered life. Now, she has an enchanted iPod, a miniature unicorn living in her underwear drawer, and a magical marketplace to manage. But despite her growing knowledge of the OtherWorld, Abby isn't at all prepared for Brystion, the dark, mysterious, and sexy-as-sin incubus searching for his sister, convinced Abby has the key to the succubus's whereabouts. Abby has enough problems without having this seductive shape-shifter literally invade her dreams to get information. But when her Faery boss and some of her friends vanish, as well, Abby and Brystion must form an uneasy alliance. As she is sucked deeper and deeper into this perilous world of faeries, angels, and daemons, Abby realizes her life is in as much danger as her heart—and there's no one she can trust to save her.

## The Council (Darkness, 5)

With Sasha as the proclaimed Mage of high ranking power, she can't just slip under the carpet to a peaceful existence. Instead, she must present herself to the Council, a group of white mages who reside over the magical community, governing Stefan's people. There she must prove she has what it takes to be the mage of Stefan's clan, not something easily done. Stefan, too, has been noticed by the large faction of rulers. An alpha leader with a firm hold over his people, he has outgrown in his position, and it shows. Ties to a human mage with a vast well of power, though, has made him a target. Sasha is sought after, and those who want to harness her power will take her by force if necessary. With Dominicus' and Toa's help, Sasha and Stefan must face the trials coming up. Proving themselves is the easy part. Getting out with their lives becomes the challenge.

## Born to Darkness (Originally Published 2012)

Fighting Destiny series # 1 Reissue originally published 2012 Set in a dark and crumbling near-future... Navy SEAL LT Shane Laughlin was dishonorably discharged and blacklisted—for being too honorable. Desperate for work and down to his last ten bucks, he takes a job as a test subject—a human guinea pig—at Boston's Obermeyer Institute, a fringe scientific research facility. Shane's skeptical when he finds out that OI's focus is to find and train certain exceptional people, usually young girls—called "Greater-Thans"—whose skill-sets include telekinesis, telepathy, rapid self-healing, and super-human strength. And he's even more surprised when he discovers that Mac, the mysterious woman who rocked his world in an epic one-night stand, is part

of an elite team of kickass OI operatives who use their G-T skills to rescue and protect innocents. Because OI's not the only organization trying to find Greater-Thans—and the other guys are out to exploit them. An illegal drug called “Destiny” is being made from the blood of young, untrained, and powerless Greater-Than girls. Addictive and dangerous, it gives its wealthy and reckless users instant G-T powers—including eternal youth—at a lethal price. Dr. Michelle “Mac” Mackenzie and her OI team are at war with the shadowy corporations who enslave girls to meet the rising demand for Destiny, and Shane wants to join them. He may not be a G-T, but as a former Navy SEAL, he's got talents of his own. Still, Mac's got powerful reasons to keep her distance from Shane. But when one very special little girl goes missing, Mac's ready to do anything—including accept Shane's help—to find and save her. Mac's used to risking her life, but she now faces sacrificing her heart... Originally published in 2012 (170,000 words, original hard cover edition was 513 pages)

## **Shadow Watcher (Darkness, 6)**

In the wake of ridding their territory of a menace, Sasha has only one pressing duty left: find more human magic workers. And while it is undoubtedly important on some grand scale, the task is, in itself, surprisingly uneventful. That is, until a strange predator takes an interest in her and Charles on their trek home one evening. In the space of twenty-four hours Sasha's life goes from mundane to being stalked and threatened. A new shifter has moved into town, and if the whispered rumors are to be believed, something even more sinister is lurking behind, watching and waiting for the right moment to spring. But that isn't the only element that turns Sasha's life upside down. She has one hell of a secret that will change her and Stefan's life forever.

## **Token of Darkness**

Cooper Blake has everything going for him—until he wakes from a car accident with his football career in ruins and a mysterious, attractive girl by his side. Cooper doesn't know how Samantha got there or why he can see her; all he knows is that she's a ghost, and the shadows that surround her seem intent on destroying her. No one from Cooper's old life would understand what he can barely grasp himself. . . . But Delilah, the captain of the cheerleading squad, has secrets of her own, like her ability to see beyond the physical world, and her tangled history with Brent, a loner from a neighboring school who can hear strangers' most intimate thoughts. Delilah and Brent know that Cooper is in more trouble than he realizes, and that Samantha may not be as innocent as she has led Cooper to believe. But the only way to figure out where Samantha came from will put them all in more danger than they ever dreamed possible.

## **In Darkness**

In the aftermath of the Haitian earthquake, 15-year-old Shorty, a poor gang member from the slums of Site Soleil, is trapped in the rubble of a ruined hospital, and as he grows weaker he has visions and memories of his life of violence, his lost twin sister, and of Toussaint L'Ouverture, who liberated Haiti from French rule in the 1804.

## **A Poison Dark and Drowning (Kingdom on Fire, Book Two)**

“Devastatingly magical and monstrously romantic. I can't decide if this book stole my heart or ripped it out of my chest.” —Stephanie Garber, author of *Caraval* The magicians want her to lead. The sorcerers want her to lie. The demons want her blood. Henrietta wants to save the one she loves. But will his dark magic be her undoing? In this seductive and explosive second book in the Kingdom on Fire series, Jessica Cluess delivers her signature mix of magic, passion, and teen warriors fighting for survival. Hand to fans of Victoria Aveyard, Sarah J. Maas, and Kiersten White. Henrietta doesn't need a prophecy to know that she's in danger. She came to London to be named the chosen one, the first female sorcerer in centuries, the one who would defeat the Ancients. Instead, she discovered a city ruled by secrets. And the biggest secret of all: Henrietta is not the chosen one. Still, she must play the role in order to keep herself and Rook, her best friend and

childhood love, safe. But can she truly save him? The poison in Rook's system is transforming him into something monstrous as he begins to master dark powers of his own. So when Henrietta finds a clue to the Ancients' past that could turn the tide of the war, she persuades Blackwood, the mysterious Earl of Sorrow-Fell, to travel up the coast to seek out strange new weapons. And Magnus, the brave, reckless flirt who wants to win back her favor, is assigned to their mission. Together, they will face monsters, meet powerful new allies, and uncover the most devastating weapon of all: the truth. Praise for *A Shadow Bright and Burning*: "Is it clear that Cluess adores the Harry Potter series and Jane Eyre? Yes. So do you. So does everyone. What matters is that her voice is her own. . . . *A Shadow Bright and Burning* delivers on the promise of its title. This is a novel that gives off light and heat." —The New York Times "The magic! The intrigue! The guys! We were sucked into this monster-ridden alternative England from page one. Henrietta is literally a 'girl on fire' and this team of sorcerers training for battle had a pinch of Potter blended with a drop of [Cassandra Clare's] *Infernal Devices*." —Justine "Unputdownable. I loved the monsters, the magic, and the teen warriors who are their world's best hope! Jessica Cluess is an awesome storyteller!" —Tamora Pierce, #1 New York Times bestselling author

## **Demons (Darkness, 4)**

It's been a long road, but Sasha has finally claimed her role as the least knowledge mage in history. She's also acquired a new, incredibly grumpy bodyguard, and a spunky new BFF. With her team by her side, she learns the ropes of this new profession. Her experience level is about to be fast-tracked, however. On a routine trip to check out a perimeter breach, she encounters a hideous demon called by an experienced magic worker. It is this terrifying discovery that unlocks a deeper problem: Stefan's troubled past and the reason he gravely mistrusts the Mata. While Sasha struggles to fight the physical demons, Stefan struggles to fight the demons of his past. If he fails, his future in Sasha will be lost.

## **I Love You but I've Chosen Darkness**

NAMED A BEST BOOK OF THE YEAR BY THE WASHINGTON POST, VOGUE, ENTERTAINMENT WEEKLY, NPR, ESQUIRE, AND KIRKUS "There's some kind of genius sorcery in this novel. It's startlingly original, hilarious and harrowing by turns, finally transcendent. Watkins writes like an avenging angel. It's thrilling and terrifying to stand in her wake." —Jenny Offill, author of *Dept. of Speculation* and *Weather* A darkly funny, soul-rending novel of love in an epoch of collapse—one woman's furious revisiting of family, marriage, work, sex, and motherhood. Since my baby was born, I have been able to laugh and see the funny side of things. a) As much as I ever did. b) Not quite as much now. c) Not so much now. d) Not at all. Leaving behind her husband and their baby daughter, a writer gets on a flight for a speaking engagement in Reno, not carrying much besides a breast pump and a spiraling case of postpartum depression. Her temporary escape from domestic duties and an opportunity to reconnect with old friends mutates into an extended romp away from the confines of marriage and motherhood, and a seemingly bottomless descent into the past. Deep in the Mojave Desert where she grew up, she meets her ghosts at every turn: the first love whose self-destruction still haunts her; her father, a member of the most famous cult in American history; her mother, whose native spark gutters with every passing year. She can't go back in time to make any of it right, but what exactly is her way forward? Alone in the wilderness, at last she begins to make herself at home in the world. Bold, tender, and often hilarious, *I Love You but I've Chosen Darkness* reaffirms Watkins as one of the signal writers of our time.

## **Strong Darkness**

Texas Ranger William Ray Strong teams up with Judge Roy Bean to track down the Old West's first serial killer, who is stitching a trail of death along the railroad lines slicing their way through Texas.

## **The Darkening**

In this thrilling and epic YA fantasy debut, the only hope for a city trapped in the eye of a cursed storm lies with the daughter of failed revolutionaries and a prince terrified of his throne. Vesper Vale is the daughter of revolutionaries. Failed revolutionaries. When her mother was caught by the queen's soldiers, they gave her a choice: death by the hangman's axe, or death by the Storm that surrounds the city and curses anyone it touches. She chose the Storm. And when the queen's soldiers—led by a paranoid prince—catch up to Vesper's father after twelve years on the run, Vesper will do whatever it takes to save him from sharing that fate. Even arm herself with her father's book of dangerous experimental magic. Even infiltrate the prince's elite squad of soldier-sorcerers. Even cheat her way into his cold heart. But when Vesper learns that there's more to the story of her mother's death, she'll have to make a choice if she wants to save her city: trust the devious prince with her family's secrets, or follow her mother's footsteps into the Storm.

## **Queen of Air and Darkness**

Dark secrets and forbidden love threaten the very survival of the Shadowhunters in Cassandra Clare's *Queen of Air and Darkness*, the final novel in the New York Times and USA TODAY bestselling *The Dark Artifices* trilogy. *Queen of Air and Darkness* is a Shadowhunters novel. What if damnation is the price of true love? Innocent blood has been spilled on the steps of the Council Hall, the sacred stronghold of the Shadowhunters. Their society now teeters on the brink of civil war. One fragment of the Blackthorn family flees to Los Angeles, seeking to discover the source of the disease that is destroying the race of warlocks. Meanwhile, Julian and Emma take desperate measures to put their forbidden love aside and undertake a perilous mission to Faerie to retrieve the Black Volume of the Dead. What they find there is a secret that may tear the Shadow World asunder and open a dark path into a future they could never have imagined. Caught in a race against time, Emma and Julian must save the world of the Shadowhunters before a deadly curse destroys them and everyone they love.

## **Darkness, Take My Hand**

Master of new noir Dennis Lehane magnificently evokes the dignity and savagery of working-class Boston in *Darkness, Take My Hand*, a terrifying tale of redemption. Patrick Kenzie and Angela Gennaro's latest client is a prominent Boston psychiatrist, running scared from a vengeful Irish mob. The private investigators know about cold-blooded retribution. Born and bred on the mean streets of blue-collar Dorchester, they've seen the darkness that lives in the hearts of the unfortunate. But an evil for which even they are unprepared is about to strike, as secrets that have long lain dormant erupt, setting off a chain of violent murders that will stain everything – including the truth. With razor-sharp dialogue and penetrating prose, *Darkness, Take My Hand* is another superior crime novel from the author of *Mystic River*; *Gone, Baby, Gone*; and *Shutter Island*.

## **Saltypie**

Bee stings on the backside! That was just the beginning. Tim was about to enter a world of the past, with bullying boys, stones and Indian spirits of long ago. But they were real spirits, real stones, very real memories... In this powerful family saga, author Tim Tingle tells the story of his family's move from Oklahoma Choctaw country to Pasadena, TX. Spanning 50 years, *Saltypie* describes the problems encountered by his Choctaw grandmother—from her orphan days at an Indian boarding school to hardships encountered in her new home on the Gulf Coast. Tingle says, "Stories of modern Indian families rarely grace the printed page. Long before I began writing, I knew this story must be told." Seen through the innocent eyes of a young boy, *Saltypie* — a 2011 *Skipping Stones* honor book, *WordCraft Circle* 2012 Children's Literature Award-winner, and winner of the 2011 Paterson Prize for Books for Young People in the category of Grades 4-6 — is the story of one family's efforts to honor the past while struggling to gain a foothold in modern America. Tim Tingle, a member of the Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma, is a sought-after storyteller for folklore festivals, library conferences, and schools across America. At the request of Choctaw Chief Pyle, Tim tells a story to the tribe every year before Pyle's State of the Nation Address at the Choctaw Labor Day Gathering. Tim's previous and often reprinted books from Cinco Puntos Press—*Walking the Choctaw Road*

and Crossing Bok Chitto—received numerous awards, but what makes Tim the proudest is the recognition he receives from the American Indian communities. Karen Clarkson, a Choctaw tribal member, is a self-taught artist who specializes in portraits of Native Americans. She did not start painting until after her children had left home; she has since been widely acclaimed as a Native American painter. She lives in San Leandro, California.

## **Mastering the Core Teachings of the Buddha**

The very idea that the teachings can be mastered will arouse controversy within Buddhist circles. Even so, Ingram insists that enlightenment is an attainable goal, once our fanciful notions of it are stripped away, and we have learned to use meditation as a method for examining reality rather than an opportunity to wallow in self-absorbed mind-noise. Ingram sets out concisely the difference between concentration-based and insight (vipassana) meditation; he provides example practices; and most importantly he presents detailed maps of the states of mind we are likely to encounter, and the stages we must negotiate as we move through clearly-defined cycles of insight. It's easy to feel overawed, at first, by Ingram's assurance and ease in the higher levels of consciousness, but consistently he writes as a down-to-earth and compassionate guide, and to the practitioner willing to commit themselves this is a glittering gift of a book. In this new edition of the bestselling book, the author rearranges, revises and expands upon the original material, as well as adding new sections that bring further clarity to his ideas.

## **The Left Hand of Darkness**

50TH ANNIVERSARY EDITION—WITH A NEW INTRODUCTION BY DAVID MITCHELL AND A NEW AFTERWORD BY CHARLIE JANE ANDERS Ursula K. Le Guin's groundbreaking work of science fiction—winner of the Hugo and Nebula Awards. A lone human ambassador is sent to the icebound planet of Winter, a world without sexual prejudice, where the inhabitants' gender is fluid. His goal is to facilitate Winter's inclusion in a growing intergalactic civilization. But to do so he must bridge the gulf between his own views and those of the strange, intriguing culture he encounters... Embracing the aspects of psychology, society, and human emotion on an alien world, *The Left Hand of Darkness* stands as a landmark achievement in the annals of intellectual science fiction.

## **The Shadow out of Time (????)**

One of the feature stories of the Cthulhu Mythos, \"The Shadow Out of Time\" is the tale of a professor of political economics that is thrown into a mind-shattering journey through time and space, while his body is held hostage by an alien mind. Horrified and panic-stricken by the implications of his experiences, he hopes against all reason and evidence that he has merely lost his mind.

## **The Weirn Books, Vol. 1**

In the Night Realm, vampires, shifters, weirns, and other night things passing for human prowl the streets... but they still have to go to school! Ailis and Na'ya are pretty average students (NOT losers), but when a shadow starts looming and a classmate gets all weird, they are the first to notice. It gets personal, though, when Na'ya's little brother D'esh disappears-It's time to confront the secrets of the forbidden mansion in the Silent Woods! Join the acclaimed author of *Awkward*, Svetlana Chmakova, for an outing into her favorite fantastical world full of magic and adventure!

## **Alice in Wonderland**

*Alice's Adventures in Wonderland* is an 1865 English children's novel by Lewis Carroll, a mathematics don at the University of Oxford. It details the story of a girl named Alice who falls through a rabbit hole into a

fantasy world of anthropomorphic creatures. It is seen as an example of the literary nonsense genre. The artist John Tenniel provided 42 wood-engraved illustrations for the book. It received positive reviews upon release and is now one of the best-known works of Victorian literature; its narrative, structure, characters and imagery have had a widespread influence on popular culture and literature, especially in the fantasy genre. It is credited as helping end an era of didacticism in children's literature, inaugurating an era in which writing for children aimed to "delight or entertain". The tale plays with logic, giving the story lasting popularity with adults as well as with children. The titular character Alice shares her name with Alice Liddell, a girl Carroll knew; scholars disagree about the extent to which the character was based upon her.

## **Between the Lines**

Told in their separate voices, sixteen-year-old Prince Oliver, who wants to break free of his fairy-tale existence, and fifteen-year-old Delilah, a loner obsessed with Prince Oliver and the book in which he exists, work together to seek his freedom.

## **Awaken the Darkness**

Return to the "utterly addictive" (RT Book Reviews), "fast-paced and humorous" (Publishers Weekly) world of New York Times bestselling author Dianne Duvall's *Immortal Guardians*. He awakens encapsulated in dirt with no knowledge of how he came to be there. Riddled with injuries, he can remember neither his past nor who he is. Nor can he remember what he is. But surely no mortal man could survive being buried deep beneath the earth. All he knows with certainty is that the soothing voice and presence of the woman moving around above enables him to endure the agony of his wounds. And he will do whatever it takes to be with her. When Susan first sees the old two-story house for sale, such warmth and longing fill her that--against all reason--she makes an offer. It will take years of hard work and money she frankly doesn't have to fix up the place. So she can't explain why she bought it. She also can't explain what compels her to spend hours one night, digging in the basement until she unearths a man. A man who still lives and breathes despite having been buried alive. A man whose intense brown eyes glow amber with pain, declaring him far more than ordinary. Susan knows she should keep her distance. He has no memory and possesses gifts that would make most fear him. But as the two work together to unravel the mystery of his past, she finds herself drawn in by his teasing nature and tender touch. So much so that she loses her heart to him even as they find themselves hunted by unknown enemies who are ruthless in their quest to capture them. "Fans of terrific paranormal romance have hit the jackpot with Duvall and her electrifying series." -RT Book Reviews "Full of fascinating characters, a unique and wonderfully imaginative premise, and scorching hot relationships." -The Romance Reviews "Fans of paranormal romance who haven't discovered this series yet are really missing out on something extraordinary." -Long and Short Reviews

## **Darkness Dawns**

A music professor finds herself mixed up in a world of vampires, immortals, and humans with extraordinary gifts in this paranormal romance. Once, Sarah Bingham's biggest challenge was making her students pay attention in class. Now, after rescuing a wounded stranger, she's landed in the middle of a battle between corrupt vampires and powerful immortals who also need blood to survive. Roland Warbrook is the most compelling man Sarah has ever laid hands on. But his desire for her is mingled with a hunger he can barely control... In his nine centuries of immortal existence, no woman has tempted Roland as much as Sarah. But asking her to love him is impossible—when it means forfeiting the world she's always known, and the life he would do anything to protect... "These dark, kick-ass guardians can protect me any day!"—Alexandra Ivy New York Times bestselling author "This is a strong start in what looks to be a thrilling and chilling new paranormal series. Fantastic!"—RT Book Reviews "Electrifying, Funny, Lust-inducing, and Inventive."—Fresh Fiction Praise for New York Times Bestselling Author Dianne Duvall's *Immortal Guardians* series "If you love J.R. Ward's *Black Dagger Brotherhood* and Kresley Cole's *Immortals After Dark*, then you need to put Dianne Duvall and her *Immortal Guardians* books in your reading

wheelhouse.”—Literati Literature Lovers

## **That Dark Infinity**

An immortal monster hunter and a royal handmaiden embark on an epic journey to change their fates in this soul-stirring young adult fantasy novel for fans of *The Witcher* and *The Last Unicorn*. By night, the Ankou is a legendary, permanently young mercenary—the most fearsome sword for hire in all of the Five Lands, and its most abiding mystery. But when the sun rises, a dark magic leaves him no more than bones. Cursed with this cycle of death and resurrection, the Ankou wants only to find the final rest that has been prophesied for him, no matter the cost. When the kingdom of Kaer-Ise is sacked, Flora, handmaiden to the royal family, is assaulted and left for dead. Wounded, heartbroken, and the sole survivor of the massacre, Flora wants desperately to be reunited with the princess she served and loved. She and the Ankou make a deal: He will help Flora find her princess, and train Flora in combat, in exchange for her aid in breaking his curse. But it isn't easy to kill an immortal, especially when their bond begins to deepen into something more . . . Together, they will solve mysteries, battle monsters, and race against time in this fantasy novel about sacrifice, love, and healing by Elysium Girls author Kate Pentecost.

## **Fire In The Darkness**

Ember discovers she is not only fae, but is one of the most feared type in existence—a Dae—considered an abomination among their kind. Her race is hunted down and killed because of their power. After her magic causes an electrical storm which destroys Seattle, Ember is on the run, pursued by both the light and dark fae. The one she should fear the most is the sexy Dark Dweller who lied and betrayed her. Her enemy, Eli Dragen. His blood runs in her veins, creating a connection between them they can't ignore. And neither can outrun. Ember knows she needs help, but she who can she trust? Torin, the Seelie Queen's personal knight, who has sworn to keep her safe, or Eli, a deadly Dark Dweller, who wants to trade her to the Unseelie King. With a price on her head and a sexy Dark Dweller on her ass, she is constantly on the move. Ember becomes a pawn in the war between the Light and Dark and no matter what she chooses she will probably lose... Her life and everyone she loves.

## **Dark Sun**

Here, for the first time, in a brilliant, panoramic portrait by the Pulitzer Prize-winning author of *The Making of the Atomic Bomb*, is the definitive, often shocking story of the politics and the science behind the development of the hydrogen bomb and the birth of the Cold War. Based on secret files in the United States and the former Soviet Union, this monumental work of history discloses how and why the United States decided to create the bomb that would dominate world politics for more than forty years.

## **Four Against Darkness**

Four Against Darkness is a solitaire dungeon-delving game that may also be played cooperatively. No miniatures are needed. All you need is this book, a pencil, two dice, and grid paper. Choose four characters from a list of classic types (warrior, wizard, rogue, halfling, dwarf, barbarian, cleric, elf), equip them, and venture into dungeons created by dice rolls and your own choices. You will fight monsters, manage resources, grab treasure, dodge traps, find clues, and even accept quests from the monsters themselves. Your characters will level up, becoming more powerful with each game... IF THEY SURVIVE.

## **Diving Into Darkness**

Discusses how scientists use submersibles to explore the depths of the ocean, surveys the development, operation, and equipment of the Johnson-Sea-Link sub, and describes a typical dive to the bottom of the sea.

## **The Speed of Dark**

"In the near future, disease will be a condition of the past. Most genetic defects will be removed at birth; the remaining during infancy. Unfortunately, there will be a generation left behind. For members of that missed generation, small advances will be made. Through various programs, they will be taught to get along in the world despite their differences. They will be made active and contributing members of society. But they will never be normal. Lou Arrendale is a member of that lost generation, born at the wrong time to reap the awards of medical science. Part of a small group of high-functioning autistic adults, he has a steady job with a pharmaceutical company, a car, friends, and a passion for fencing. Aside from his annual visits to his counselor, he lives a low-key, independent life. He has learned to shake hands and make eye contact. He has taught himself to use "please" and "thank you" and other conventions of conversation because he knows it makes others comfortable. He does his best to be as normal as possible and not to draw attention to himself. But then his quiet life comes under attack. It starts with an experimental treatment that will reverse the effects of autism in adults. With this treatment Lou would think and act and "be just like everyone else. But if he was suddenly free of autism, would he still be himself? Would he still love the same classical music-with its complications and resolutions? Would he still see the same colors and patterns in the world-shades and hues that others cannot see? Most importantly, would he still love Marjory, a woman who may never be able to reciprocate his feelings? Would it be easier for her to return the love of a "normal"? There are intense pressures coming from the world around him-including an angry supervisor who wants to cut costs by sacrificing the supports necessary to employ autistic workers. Perhaps even more disturbing are the barrage of questions within himself. For Lou must decide if he should submit to a surgery that might completely change the way he views the world . . . and the very essence of who he is. Thoughtful, provocative, poignant, unforgettable, "The Speed of Dark is a gripping exploration into the mind of an autistic person as he struggles with profound questions of humanity and matters of the heart.

## **Bestow the Darkness**

The New York Times Bestselling author of the Trylle Saga and Freeks returns with her first novel written for adults. BESTOW THE DARKNESS is a brooding gothic romance set in the rugged forest of 1890s Michigan. Emiliath lives in a cloistered religious sect with her sisters and brothers, as she has for over twenty-one years. Her life is stable and quiet, but she has begun to feel a longing for something more. When tragedy hits close to home, she connects with a handsome stranger from the city, Trent. But her quiet life is far more sinister than it seems, and Trent has his own secrets. On top of that, a hungry beast is lurking in the forest, and it might be the end of everything Emiliath has ever known.

## **Darkness Before Dawn**

For use in schools and libraries only. Things are looking brighter for Keisha in her senior year. But when a new relationship with an older man takes a frightening turn, Keisha is once again plunged into darkness she's fought so hard to escape.

## **The Darkness**

FEATURED IN THE TIMES TOP 100 CRIME NOVELS SINCE 1945 SOON TO BE A MAJOR TV SERIES 'An intelligent, provocative whodunit with a killer twist' IAN RANKIN \_\_\_\_\_ A body is found off the coast of Iceland. A cursory police investigation calls it suicide. She's just another statistic, soon forgotten. But not by Reykjavik Detective Inspector Hulda Hermannsdóttir. Difficult and unconventional, Hulda is being forced into early retirement. Offered one last cold case to investigate she chooses Elena's. And when she discovers another woman vanished at a similar time, she believes a killer roams free. With days before she's stripped of her badge, can Hulda catch the killer alone? \_\_\_\_\_ THE MILLION COPY BESTSELLING AUTHOR 'Superb . . . chilling . . . one of the greatest tragic heroines of contemporary



detective fiction' Sunday Times 'Outstanding' Daily Mail 'Expertly plotted, with an ending that's a true shocker' Guardian 'Brilliantly effective. Each book enraptures us' The Times Literary Supplement 'Magnificently dark and twisted and that ending - blimey!' C. J. Tudor, bestselling author of The Chalk Man

## **Dark Rise: Dark Rise 1**

The first book in a brilliant YA fantasy trilogy from internationally acclaimed Australian author CS Pacat. NOTABLE BOOK: 2022 CBCA Book of the Year, Older Readers THE DARK WILL RISE. WHO WILL FALL? WHO WILL STAND? The ancient world of magic is no more. Its heroes are dead, its halls are ruins, and its great battles between Light and Dark are forgotten. Only the Stewards remember. For centuries they have kept vigil, sworn to protect humanity if the Dark King ever returns. Sixteen-year-old dock boy Will is on the run in London, pursued by the men who killed his mother. When an old servant urges him to seek out the Stewards, Will is ushered into a secret world, where he must train to fight for the Light in the oncoming war. As the Dark King's return looms, reborn warriors begin to draw battle lines. But when the young descendants of Light and Dark step into their destined roles, old allegiances, old enmities and old flames are awakened. Will must stand with the last heroes of the Light to prevent the calamity that destroyed their world from returning to destroy his own. Dark Rise is the first book in a thrilling new YA fantasy series from bestselling Australian author CS Pacat. 'Beautiful, classical and deliciously dark.' - Jay Kristoff '... a YA fantasy that begins breathlessly and rarely lets up ... Dark Rise is perfect for fans of Six of Crows by Leigh Bardugo or The Cruel Prince by Holly Black.' Books+Publishing

## **Hellions**

MalikiVicious.NyxChaotic.Maliki + NyxVicious. Chaotic. Gods.What once was sweet has turned vile.I covet death.He thrives in darkness.Our sacrilegious desires run rampant.Our maleficent demons demand to be sated.Mercy finds no refuge in our hearts.Insanity takes courtship within our minds.Together, we embark on a path saturated in blood and rotting corpses.We won't stop until we find what we're looking for.If we must set this world on fire, we'll do it and dance in the flames.When this is over, you'll hear the crows singing our names.

## **Dark Matter**

Dark Matter is a full science fiction conversion for 5th Edition D&D that unlocks a universe of adventure for your table, without leaving your favorite fantasy staples behind. This full campaign setting is rife with gorgeous art, easy to learn, and generic enough to use with any campaign.

## **Lover Arisen**

'Utterly absorbing and deliciously erotic' Angela Knight 'Hot, sexy, unique, intriguingly wicked' Christine Feehan True love brings a deadly threat to the Black Dagger Brotherhood in this sizzling new novel in J.R. Ward's No.1 New York Times bestselling series. Possessed by the demon Devina, Balthazar is once again on the hunt for the Book of Spells-and fighting an undeniable attraction to a woman. As a thief, he has stolen a lot of things...but he never thought his heart would be taken by another. Especially not a human. As a homicide detective, Erika Saunders knows there is something otherworldly going on in Caldwell, New York. Mutilated bodies that cannot be explained are all over her case list-and then there are her nightmares in which she's When Devina's wish for true love is finally granted, Balthazar and Erika unwittingly become the gateway for the rebirth hunted by shadows and captivated by a mysterious man who is both a suspect and a savior. of an old enemy of the Brothers. Will the very thing that brings them together lead to the ultimate destruction of the Brotherhood? Or will they have to lose everything in order to save the race's most sacred defenders? Find out why readers are OBSESSED with the Black Dagger Brotherhood... 'Insanely good! . . . Intensely romantic and straight up flipping steamy, violent and gruesome, heartbreaking and deep. Her addictive writing tells a story like none other' Goodreads reviewer 'I can't get enough of these sexy, tough,

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## **Into the Darkness**

Theodore Lothrop Stoddard was an American political scientist, historian, journalist, anthropologist, eugenicist, pacifist. During World War II he spent four months as a journalist for the North American Newspaper Alliance in Nazi Germany, receiving preferential treatment from Nazi officials. He wrote \"Into the Darkness\" about his experiences during these four months.

## **The Ghost and the Darkness Volume 2**

The Ghost and the Darkness Vol. 2 continues with Reaver and Elish desperately trying to find Killian and Jade. Forced to work together, they scour the northern greywastes for clues of their whereabouts. Though finding the two boys isn't as simple as following a trail. Something happened to them that no one expected. And as Reaver and Elish search the greywastes they both come to the grim realization... that they have been betrayed.

## **House of Darkness House of Light**

Roger and Carolyn Perron purchased the home of their dreams and eventual nightmares in December of 1970. The Arnold Estate, located just beyond the village of Harrisville, Rhode Island seemed the idyllic setting in which to raise a family. The couple unwittingly moved their five young daughters into the ancient and mysterious farmhouse. Secrets were kept and then revealed within a space shared by mortal and immortal alike. Time suddenly became irrelevant; fractured by spirits making their presence known then dispersing into the ether. The house is a portal to the past and a passage to the future. This is a sacred story of spiritual enlightenment, told some thirty years hence. The family is now somewhat less reticent to divulge a closely-guarded experience. Their odyssey is chronicled by the eldest sibling and is an unabridged account of a supernatural excursion. Ed and Lorraine Warren investigated this haunting in a futile attempt to intervene on their behalf. They consider the Perron family saga to be one of the most compelling and significant of a famously ghost-storied career as paranormal researchers. During a seance gone horribly wrong, they unleashed an unholy hostess; the spirit called Bathsheba; a God-forsaken soul. Perceiving herself to be the mistress of the house, she did not appreciate the competition. Carolyn had long been under siege; overt threats issued in the form of fire a mother's greatest fear. It transformed the woman in unimaginable ways. After nearly a decade the family left a once beloved home behind though it will never leave them, as each remains haunted by a memory. This tale is an inspiring testament to the resilience of the human spirit on a pathway of discovery: an eternal journey for the living and the dead.

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