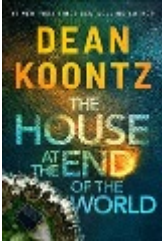




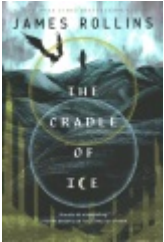
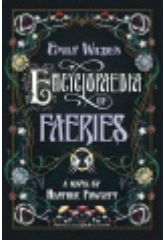
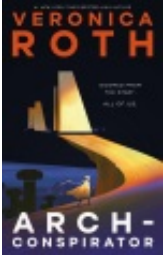









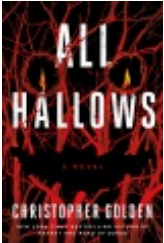
## L.E.'s Folder

## 2023 Spring SciFi & Fantasy (S: Books, Lists and Articles

1.  **The house at the end of the world** (Jan 2023)  
**By:** Koontz, Dean R. (Dean Ray), 1945-  
 Alone on Jacobs Ladder island until two agents arrive in search of someone or something they refuse to identify, artist Katie, along with a brave young girl, finds herself in an epic and terrifying battle with a mysterious enemy that could bring about the end of the world.  
**Popularity:** ★★★★★☆ **Adult** **Fiction**
2.  **The survivor** (Jun 2023), Forthcoming  
**By:** Johansen, Iris  
 Unearthing the perfectly preserved body of a female warrior in Southeast Asia, archaeologist Riley Smith and Eve Duncan seek answers about this extraordinary past life, leading Riley to make a discovery that will change history -- if she can survive long enough to share it with the world.  
**Series:** Eve Duncan novels, 30  
**Popularity:** ★★★★★☆ **Adult** **Fiction**
3.  **How to sell a haunted house** (Jan 2023)  
**By:** Hendrix, Grady  
 Forced to return to the small Southern town where she grew up to sell her late parents' house, Louise discovers that her and her brother's old grudges pale in comparison to the terror that still lurks within its walls.  
**Popularity:** ★★★★★☆ **Adult** **Fiction**
4.  **Hell bent** (Jan 2023)  
**By:** Bardugo, Leigh  
 Assembling a team of dubious allies, Galaxy "Alex" Stern is determined to find a gateway to the underworld and rescue Darlington from purgatory in the second novel of the series following Ninth House.  
**Series:** Alex Stern, 2  
**Popularity:** ★★★★★☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

5.  **Birnam Wood** (Mar 2023)  
**By:** Catton, Eleanor, 1985-  
 Five years ago, Mira Bunting founded a guerrilla gardening group: Birnam Wood. For years, the group has struggled to break even. Then Mira stumbles on an answer, a way to finally set the group up for the long term: a landslide has closed the Korowai Pass, cutting off the town of Thorndike. Natural disaster has created an opportunity, a sizable farm seemingly abandoned. But Mira is not the only one interested in Thorndike.  
**Popularity:** ★★★★★☆ **Adult** **Fiction**
6.  **The cradle of ice** (Feb 2023)  
**By:** Rollins, James, 1961-  
 Bonded by fate and looming disaster, a soldier, a thief, a lost prince and a young girl, hunted by hostile enemies and surrounded by war, must travel into a vast region of ice and to a sprawling capital of the world they've only known in stories.  
**Series:** Moonfall, 2  
**Popularity:** ★★★★★☆ **Adult** **Fiction**
7.  **Emily Wilde's encyclopaedia of faeries** (Jan 2023)  
**By:** Fawcett, Heather (Heather M.)  
 A Cambridge professor, scholar and researcher on the study of faeries visits the hardscrabble village of Hransvik where she gets closer to uncovering the secrets of the Hidden Ones and resists her insufferably handsome academic rival.  
**Series:** Emily Wilde, 1  
**Popularity:** ★★★★★☆ **Adult** **Fiction**
8.  **Arch-conspirator** (Feb 2023)  
**By:** Roth, Veronica  
 Feeling uncontrollable rage toward her militant uncle Kreon who is rising to claim her father's vacant throne, Antigone and her siblings, welcomed into his mansion, become captives as well as guests, but her uncle will soon learn that no cage is unbreakable -- and neither is he.  
**Popularity:** ★★★★★☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

9.  **Smolder** (Mar 2023)  
**By:** Hamilton, Laurell K.  
 Helping the police investigate a brutal murder linked to a nationwide slaughter of vampires and humans, powerful necromancer Anita Blake must put her wedding preparations aside to not only catch a killer but to stop an ancient evil from taking away everything she and her husband-to-be hold dear.  
**Series:** Anita Blake: vampire hunter, 29  
**Popularity:** ★★★★★ Adult Fiction
10.  **Lone women** (Mar 2023)  
**By:** LaValle, Victor D., 1972-  
 In 1915, Adelaide Henry, after her secret sin killed her parents, sets out for Montana, dragging an enormous steamer trunk that's locked at all times, to become one of the "lone women" taking advantage of the government's offer of free land where she hopes to bury her past.  
**Popularity:** ★★★★★ Adult Fiction
11.  **A day of fallen night** (Feb 2023)  
**By:** Shannon, Samantha, 1991-  
 With the younger generation questioning the Priory's purpose since wyrms haven't appeared since the Nameless One, Tunuva Melim, a sister of the Priory, finds her calling when humankind needs protection after a new age of terror and violence is ushered in.  
**Series:** Roots of chaos, prequel  
**Popularity:** ★★★★★ Adult Fiction
12.  **Black candle women** (Feb 2023)  
**By:** Brown, Diane Marie  
 Follows four generations of the Montrose family, who have been living with a curse that leaves any person they fall in love with dead, stemming back to a Voodoo sorceress in 1950s New Orleans' French Quarter.  
 Generations of Montrose women have lived together in a quaint two-story bungalow in California for years. They keep to themselves and stick close to home, but when seventeen-year-old Nickie Montrose brings home a boy for the first time, their quiet lives are disrupted. For the other women have been withholding a secret that will end Nickie's relationship before its begun: the family curse; that any person they fall in love with dies.  
**Popularity:** ★★★★★ Adult Fiction

13.  **The last tale of the flower bride** (Feb 2023)  
**By:** Chokshi, Roshani  
 Breaking the promise he made to his beautiful wife, to never pry into her past, when they arrive at her childhood home, a crumbling manor shrouded in mystery, a scholar of myths must choose between reality and fantasy, even if doing so threatens to destroy their marriage --or their lives.  
**Popularity:** ★★★★★ Adult Fiction
14.  **The curator** (Mar 2023)  
**By:** King, Owen  
 Searching for the truth behind the secret she's long concealed, Dora, a former domestic servant, is given curatorship of The National Museum of the Worker by her lover, a place that isn't at all what it seems as she unravels a monstrous conspiracy that brings her to the edge of worlds.  
**Popularity:** ★★★★★ Adult Fiction
15.  **Stone blind** (Feb 2023)  
**By:** Haynes, Natalie, 1974-  
 Attacked by Poseidon in Athene's temple, Medusa, the most beautiful of the Gorgon sisters, is punished for his actions and transformed into a monster whose gaze will turn any living creature to stone, forcing her into a life of solitude until Perseus embarks upon a fateful quest.  
**Popularity:** ★★★★★ Adult Fiction
16.  **All hallows** (Jan 2023)  
**By:** Golden, Christopher  
 It's Halloween night, 1984, in Coventry, Massachusetts, and two families are unraveling. Up and down the street, secrets are being revealed, and all the while, mixed in with the trick-or-treaters of all ages, four children who do not belong are walking door to door, merging with the kids of Parmenter Road. Children in vintage costumes with faded, eerie makeup. They seem terrified, and beg the neighborhood kids to hide them away, to keep them safe from The Cunning Man.  
**Popularity:** ★★★★★ Adult Fiction

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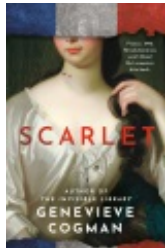
## Translation state (Jun 2023), Forthcoming

**By:** Leckie, Ann

The mystery of a missing translator sets three lives on a collision course that will have a ripple effect across the stars. By a Hugo Award-winning author.

**Popularity:** ★★☆☆☆ Adult Fiction

18.



## Scarlet (May 2023)

**By:** Cogman, Genevieve

In 1793, housemaid Eleanor Dalton arrives in Paris to aid a mysterious noble and his wife in a daring scheme and is swept up in magic and intrigue but finds there's more to fear than ardent Revolutionaries when she stumbles across a centuries-old war between vampires and their fiercest enemy.

**Popularity:** ★★☆☆☆ Adult Fiction

19.



## The ferryman (May 2023)

**By:** Cronin, Justin

A ferryman, gently shepherding people through the retirement process—and, when necessary, enforcing it—Proctor Bennet, of the Department of Social Contracts, receives a disturbing and cryptic message from his father, while The Support Staff, who keep Prospera running, organize a revolution that causes Proctor to question everything he once believed.

**Popularity:** ★★☆☆☆ Adult Fiction

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## The battle drum (May 2023), Forthcoming

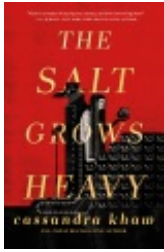
**By:** El-arifi, Saara

Accused of a murder she didn't commit, Anoor, the first blue-blooded ruler of the Warden's Empire, must clear her name while her beloved, Sylah, braves new lands and is faced with a difficult decision and Hassa uncovers the extent of the atrocities of the empire's past and present.

**Series:** The final strife, 2

**Popularity:** ★★☆☆☆ Adult Fiction

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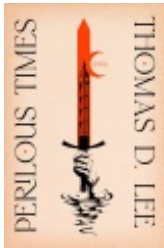
## The salt grows heavy (May 2023)

**By:** Khaw, Cassandra

You may think you know how the fairytale goes: a mermaid comes to shore and weds the prince. But what the fables forget is that mermaids have teeth. And now, her daughters have devoured the kingdom and burned it to ashes. On the run, the mermaid is joined by a mysterious plague doctor with a darkness of their own. Deep in the eerie, snow-crusted forest, the pair stumble upon a village of ageless children who thirst for blood, and the three "saints" who control them. The mermaid and her doctor must embrace the cruelest parts of their true nature if they hope to survive

**Popularity:** ★★☆☆☆ Adult Fiction

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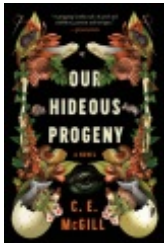
## Perilous times (May 2023), Forthcoming

**By:** Lee, Thomas D.

Awakening in a strange new world where oceans have risen, armies have been privatized and half of Britain's beer sold, Sir Kay, an immortal Knight of the Round Table, joins Mariam on a quest to save the planet, facing insurmountable odds when ancient evils reveal their own sinister agenda.

**Popularity:** ★★☆☆☆ Adult Fiction

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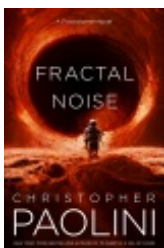
## Our hideous progeny (May 2023)

**By:** McGill, C. E.

Determined to follow in the scientific footsteps of her great uncle Victor Frankenstein, Mary Saville and her husband, desperate to be accepted into the scientific community, construct their Creature and Mary finds herself contemplating disturbing questions and unexpected feelings for the hideous progeny she's grown to love.

**Popularity:** ★★☆☆☆ Adult Fiction

24.



## Fractal noise (May 2023)

**By:** Paolini, Christopher

On the seemingly uninhabited planet Talos VII, there is a circular pit not of nature but design, and a small team must journey across the surface to learn who built it and why, followed by the ghosts of their past each step they take toward the mysterious abyss.

**Popularity:** ★★☆☆☆ Adult Fiction

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## In an orchard grown from ash (May 2023)

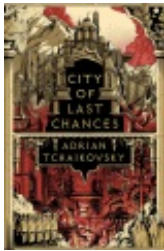
**By:** Power, Rory

With their father dead and their family home seized, the Argyros siblings struggle to find their place in an increasingly distrustful group of rebels in the second novel of the duology following *In a Garden Burning God*.

**Series:** Wind-up garden, 2

**Popularity:** ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

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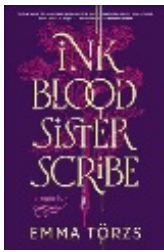
## City of Last Chances (May 2023)

**By:** Tchaikovsky, Adrian, 1972-

The tyrannical regime occupying the City of Last Chances doesn't know that Anchorwood, a dark grove of trees outside the city, is a portal to strange and different worlds in the new novel by the author of *Shards of Earth*.

**Popularity:** ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

27.



## Ink blood sister scribe (May 2023), Forthcoming

**By:** Torzs, Emma, 1987-

Two estranged half-sisters tasked with guarding their family's library of magical books must work together to unravel a deadly secret at the heart of their collection--a tale of familial loyalty and betrayal, and the pursuit of magic and power.

**Popularity:** ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

28.



## The way home: two novellas from the world of The last unicorn (Apr 2023)

**By:** Beagle, Peter S.

This much-anticipated volume presents, for the first time, "Sooz," a novella that sees the narrator of "Two Hearts" all grown up and embarking on a dangerous journey on which she experiences love and loss and finds her true self.

**Popularity:** ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

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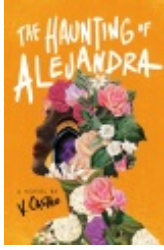
## Ascension (Apr 2023)

**By:** Binge, Nicholas

Harold Tunmore, a scientist of mysterious phenomena, is contacted by a shadowy organization to investigate when a giant, snow-covered mountain suddenly appears in the Pacific Ocean and he and his team face extreme and strange conditions to reach its summit.

**Popularity:** ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

30.



## The haunting of Alejandra (Apr 2023)

**By:** Castro, V.

Struggling with a darkness that threatens to consume her, Alejandra discovers she, like the women in her family before her, is being haunted by La Llorona, the vengeful and murderous mother of Mexican Legend, and must summon everything she's inherited from her foremothers to banish this demon forever.

**Popularity:** ★★☆☆☆    **Adult**    **Fiction**

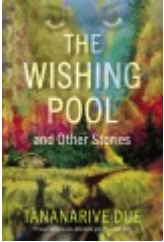
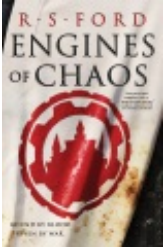
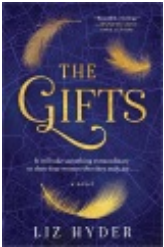
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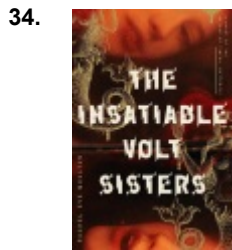
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## L.E.'s Folder

## 2023 Spring SciFi & Fantasy (S: Books, Lists and Articles

31.  **The wishing pool and other stories** (Apr 2023)  
**By:** Due, Tananarive, 1966-  
 American Book Award–winning author Tananarive Due’s second collection of stories includes offerings of horror, science fiction, and suspense—all genres she wields masterfully. From the mysterious, magical town of Gracetown to the aftermath of a pandemic to the reaches of the far future, Due’s stories all share a sense of dread and fear balanced with heart and hope.  
**Popularity:** ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**
32.  **Engines of chaos** (Apr 2023)  
**By:** Ford, R. S. (Richard S.)  
 Torwyn burns as Sanctan Egelrath tightens his grip on power. The Draconate Ministry has gathered its forces, determined to eradicate the Guilds, but Rosomon Hawkspu still stands in their way. Her only hope could lay with Lancelin Jagdor, sent to gather allies in their struggle against the usurper. Can even the greatest warrior in Torwyn hope to succeed with so many adversaries determined to stop him?  
**Series:** Age of uprising, 2  
**Popularity:** ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**
33.  **The gifts** (Apr 2023)  
**By:** Hyder, Liz  
 October 1840. A young woman staggers alone through a forest in the English countryside as a huge pair of impossible wings rip themselves from her shoulders. In London, rumors of a "fallen angel" cause a frenzy across the city, and a surgeon desperate for fame and fortune finds himself in the grips of a dangerous obsession, one that will place the women he seeks in the most terrible danger.  
**Popularity:** ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

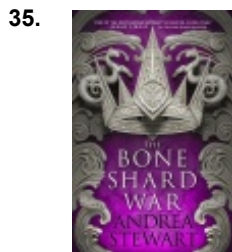


### The insatiable Volt sisters (Apr 2023)

**By:** Moulton, Rachel Eve, 1975-

Two sisters must reckon with family history on the mysterious island that is their ancestral home in this new horror novel from the author of Tinfoil Butterfly.

**Popularity:** ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**



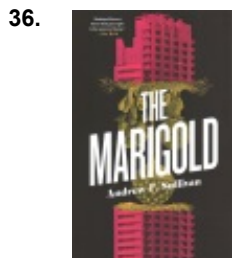
### The bone shard war (Apr 2023)

**By:** Stewart, Andrea (Andrea G.)

Lin Sukai has won her first victory as Emperor, but the future of the Phoenix Empire hangs in the balance – and Lin is dangerously short of allies. As her own governors plot treason, the Shardless Few renew hostilities. Worse still, Lin discovers her old nemesis Nisong has joined forces with the rogue Alanga, Ragan. Both seek her death. Yet hopes lies in history. Legend tells of seven mythic swords, forged in centuries past. If Lin can find them before her enemies, she may yet be able to turn the tide.

**Series:** Drowning empire (Stewart), 3

**Popularity:** ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**



### The Marigold (Apr 2023)

**By:** Sullivan, Andrew F., 1987-

The Marigold melds ecofiction with body horror as it weaves disparate storylines around a crumbling condo tower, its foundation plagued by a grotesque infection, and illustrates the precarious role of community and the fragile designs that bind us together.

**Popularity:** ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**



### We are a haunting (Apr 2023)

**By:** White, Tyriek, 1991-

We Are a Haunting is a debut, coming-of-age novel that mixes magical realism and the Southern Gothic and follows three generations of East New Yorkers struggling to maintain a connection to their history.--.

**Popularity:** ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

38.



## Dead country (Mar 2023)

**By:** Gladstone, Max

Since her village chased her out with pitchforks, Tara Abernathy has resurrected gods, pulled down monsters, averted wars, and saved a city, twice. She thought she'd left her dusty little hometown forever. But that was before her father died. As she makes her way home to bury him, she finds a girl, as powerful and vulnerable and lost as she once was. Saving her from raiders twisted by the God Wars, Tara changes the course of the world.

**Series:** Craft wars, 1

**Popularity:** ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

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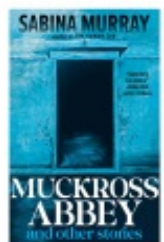
## White cat, black dog: stories (Mar 2023)

**By:** Link, Kelly

Inspired by the Brothers Grimm, 17th-century French lore and Scottish ballads, this clever collection of reinvented fairy tales expertly blends realism and the speculative as characters hunt for love, connection, revenge or their own sense of purpose.

**Popularity:** ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

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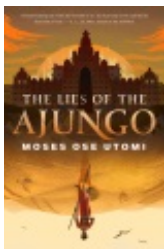
## Muckross Abbey: and other stories (Mar 2023)

**By:** Murray, Sabina

Taking us from the haunted sites from a West Australian convent to the moors of England to the shores of Cape Cod, these ten multilayered gothic tales follow painters, writers, historians and nuns all confronting the supernatural in epically eerie ways.

**Popularity:** ★☆☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

41.



## The lies of the Ajungo (Mar 2023)

**By:** Utomi, Moses Ose

Three days before he turns thirteen, the age when your tongue is cut out to appease the terrifying Ajungo Empire and make sure it continues sending water, Tutu embarks on a quest for salvation of his mother, his city and himself.

**Series:** Forever Desert, 1

**Popularity:** ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

42.



## The foxglove king (Mar 2023)

**By:** Whitten, Hannah

A young woman's secret power to raise the dead plunges her into the dangerous and glamorous world of the Sainted King's royal court.

**Series:** Nightshade crown novels, 1

**Popularity:** ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

43.



## Meru (Feb 2023)

**By:** Divya, S. B.

One woman and her pilot are about to change the future of the species in an epic space opera about aspiration, compassion, and redemption by Hugo and Nebula Award finalist S. B. Divya.

**Popularity:** ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

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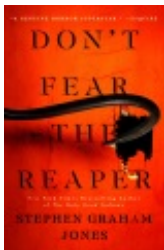
## Our share of night (Feb 2023)

**By:** Enriquez, Mariana

In 1981, a young father and son set out on a road trip across Argentina, devastated by the mysterious death of the wife and mother they both loved. United in grief, the pair travels to her family home near Iguazú Falls, where they must confront the horrific legacy she has bequeathed. For the woman they are grieving came from a family like no other--a centuries-old secret society called the Order that pursues eternal life through ghastly rituals.

**Popularity:** ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

45.



## Don't fear the reaper (Feb 2023)

**By:** Jones, Stephen Graham, 1972-

Returning to rural Proofrock after being released from prison, Jade Daniels runs afoul of a convicted serial killer, who escapes from a prison transfer in a blizzard, in the second novel of the series following My Heart is a Chainsaw.

**Series:** Indian Lake trilogy, 2

**Popularity:** ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

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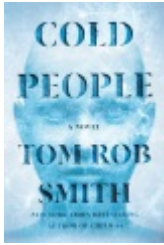
## The magician's daughter (Feb 2023)

**By:** Parry, H. G.

Off the coast of Ireland sits a legendary island hidden by magic. A place of ruins and ancient trees, sea salt air, and fairy lore, Hy-Brasil is the only home Bidy has ever known. Washed up on its shore as a baby, Bidy lives a quiet life with her guardian, the mercurial magician Rowan. A life she finds increasingly stifling. One night, Rowan fails to return from his mysterious travels. To find him, Bidy must venture into the outside world for the first time. But Rowan has powerful enemies—forces who have hoarded the world's magic and have set their sights on the magician's many secrets.

**Popularity:** ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

47.



## Cold people (Feb 2023)

**By:** Smith, Tom Rob

A mysterious force captures Earth and gives humanity 30 days to move to Antarctica, where they will be allowed to exist and survive in the planet's most extreme environment in the new novel by the best-selling author of Child 44.

**Popularity:** ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

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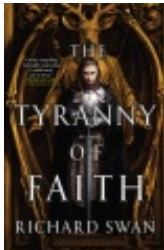
## Sister, maiden, monster (Feb 2023)

**By:** Snyder, Lucy A., 1971-

With the world being ravaged by a nightmarish transformative virus, dark forces bring together three women trying to survive: Erin, who has acquired an appetite for human flesh; Savannah, a BDSM switch who now has a penchant for murder; and Mareva, who is plagued by multiplying tumors.

**Popularity:** ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

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## The tyranny of faith (Feb 2023)

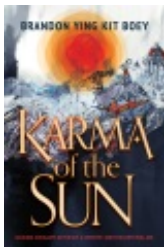
**By:** Swan, Richard

Action, intrigue, and magic collide in the second book in an epic fantasy trilogy, where Sir Konrad Vonvalt's role as an Emperor's Justice requires him to be a detective, judge, and executioner all in one—but these are dangerous times to be a Justice . . .

**Series:** Empire of the wolf, 2

**Popularity:** ★☆☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

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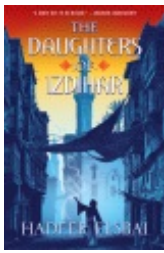
## Karma of the sun (Jan 2023)

**By:** Boey, Brandon Ying Kit

In the isolation of the Himalayas, the snows still fall, but they are tinged with the ash of a nuclear winter; the winds still blow, but they wail with the cries of ghosts. As the world heaves its final breaths, the people of the Tibetan plateau are haunted by spirits and terrorized by warlords. Though the last of the seven prophesied cataclysms is at hand, young Karma searches for a father who disappeared ten years earlier, presumed dead. Karma forges into the Himalayas and discovers that his father's disappearance may be linked to a mystical mountain said to connect the physical world with the spirit lands—and a possible way to save their doomed future.

**Popularity:** ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

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## The daughters of Izdihar (Jan 2023)

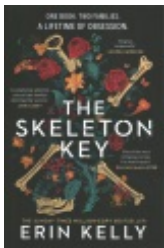
**By:** Elsbai, Hadeer

In a novel set wholly in a new world, but inspired by modern Egyptian history, about two young women--Nehal, a spoiled aristocrat used to getting what she wants, and Giorgina, a poor bookshop worker used to having nothing--who find they have far more in common, particularly in their struggle for the rights of women and their ability to fight for it with forbidden elemental magic.

**Series:** Alamaxa, 1

**Popularity:** ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

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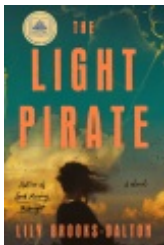
## The skeleton key (Jan 2023)

**By:** Kelly, Erin

Nell, driven into seclusion by her father's obsessed fans, returns home to celebrate the 50th anniversary of her father's book "The Golden Bones," which is being reissued along with a documentary crew to film what happens after he finally reveals the location of the last hidden bone.

**Popularity:** ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

53.



## The light pirate (Dec 2022)

**By:** Brooks-Dalton, Lily

Born during a powerful hurricane, Wanda, an unusual woman in a rapidly changing world, loses family, gains community and ultimately seeks adventure, love and purpose in a place abandoned by civilization and remade by nature. Told in four parts—power, water, light, and time—The Light Pirate mirrors the rhythms of the elements and the sometimes quick, sometimes slow dissolution of the world as we know it.

**Popularity:** ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

54.



## The world we make (Nov 2022)

**By:** Jemisin, N. K.

Though Brooklyn, Manny, Bronca, Venezia, Padmini, and Neek have temporarily managed to stop the Woman in White from invading--and destroying the entire universe in the process--the mysterious capital "E" Enemy has more subtle powers at her disposal. A new candidate for mayor wielding the populist rhetoric of gentrification, xenophobia, and "law and order" may have what it takes to change the very nature of New York itself and take it down from the inside.

**Series:** Great cities trilogy, 2

**Popularity:** ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**



## White horse (Nov 2022)

**By:** Wurth, Erika T.

A gritty, vibrant debut novel about an Indigenous woman who must face her past when she discovers a bracelet haunted by her mother's spirit.

**Popularity:** ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**



## Tread of angels (Nov 2022)

**By:** Roanhorse, Rebecca

In the 1883 mining town of Goetia ruled by the Virtues, the winners of an ancient war against the Fallen, descendants of demonkind living among them, Celeste, a card sharp with a need for justice, takes on the role of devil's advocate to defend her sister Mariel, accused of murdering a Virtue.

**Popularity:** ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**



## Dragonfall (May 2023)

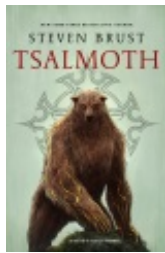
**By:** Lam, Laura, 1988-

Long ago, humans betrayed dragons, stealing their magic and banishing them to a dying world. Centuries later, their descendants worship dragons as gods. But the "gods" remember, and they do not forgive. Thief Arcady scrapes a living on the streets of Vatra. Desperate, Arcady steals a powerful artifact from the bones of the Plaguebringer, the most hated person in Lumet history. Only Arcady knows the artifact's magic holds the key to a new life among the nobles at court and a chance for revenge. The spell connects to Everen, the last male dragon foretold to save his kind, dragging him through the Veil.

**Series:** Dragon scales, 1

**Popularity:** ★☆☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

58.



## Tsalmoth (Apr 2023)

**By:** Brust, Steven, 1955-

Steven Brust's Vlad Taltos series continues. First comes love. Then comes marriage... Vlad Taltos is in love. With a former assassin who may just be better than he is at the Game. Women like this don't come along every day and no way is he passing up a sure bet. So a wedding is being planned. Along with a shady deal gone wrong and a dead man who owes Vlad money. Setting up the first and trying to deal with the second is bad enough. And then bigger powers decide that Vlad is the perfect patsy to shake the power structure of the kingdom. More's the pity that his soul is sent walkabout to do it. How might Vlad get his soul back and have any shot at a happy ending? Well, there's the tale...

**Series:** Vlad Taltos novels, 16

**Popularity:** ★☆☆☆☆ Adult Fiction

59.



## Alien agendas (Apr 2023)

**By:** Douglas, Ian, 1950-

The Saurians, a highly evolved reptilian species which escaped extinction 65 million years ago, have an agenda: to achieve behind-the-scenes dominance over Earth. Too weak in numbers to militarily conquer a world they believe to be their own, they seek to renew Nazi strongman ideologies and surrogates to gain absolute control. With the human species in danger, Commander Mark Hunter and his Joint Space Strike Team must work alongside Talis agents, the U.S. Space Force, and a young and talented government psychic to stop the Saurians from world dominance.

**Series:** Solar warden, 3

**Popularity:** ★☆☆☆☆ Adult Fiction

60.



## Not alone (May 2023)

**By:** Jackson, Sarah K.

When she discovers there's life beyond their familiar flat, Katie and her young son, in a world ravaged by an environmental disaster, encounter an altered world, full of new dangers, other survivors and many surprises that push her to the brink and put her son in danger.

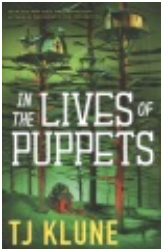

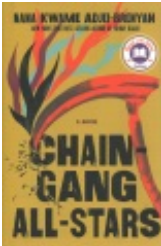
**Popularity:** ★☆☆☆☆ Adult Fiction



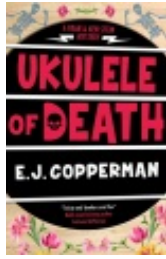
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## 2023 Spring SciFi &amp; Fantasy (S:

## Books, Lists and Articles

61.  **In the lives of puppets** (Apr 2023)  
**By:** Klune, TJ  
 When an unwitting act of betrayal leads to the capture of his android Gio, who once hunted humans, Victor Lawson and his assembled family must journey across an unforgiving and otherworldly country to the City of Electric Dreams to rescue Gio from decommission, or worse, reprogramming.  
**Popularity:** ★★☆☆☆ **Adult Fiction**
62.  **A tidy armageddon** (Apr 2023)  
**By:** Panhuyzen, Brian, 1966-  
 After emerging from a bunker, Sergeant Elsie Sharpcot, a shrewd war vet, and her PTSD-afflicted second in command, Dorian Wakely, must lead a group of six soldiers through a world in which all products of human creation have been arranged by an unknown hand into a vast grid resembling an outdoor warehouse.  
**Popularity:** ★☆☆☆☆ **Adult Fiction**
63.  **Chain-gang All-stars** (May 2023)  
**By:** Adjei-Brenyah, Nana Kwame  
 The star of a popular, but controversial for-profit program in the private prison industry that basically turns prisoners into gladiators contemplates freedom, in the new novel from the New York Times best-selling author of Friday Black.  
**Popularity:** ★★☆☆☆ **Adult Fiction**

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## Ukulele of death (May 2023)

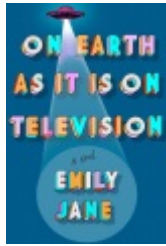
**By:** Copperman, E. J., 1957-

Private investigators Fran and Ken Stein specialize in helping adoptees find their birth parents. So when a client asks them for help finding a rare ukulele, it's unusual, but nothing they can't handle. The trouble is, it soon seems someone knows something they shouldn't: that the supernatural siblings weren't so much born, as built . . .

**Series:** Fran and Ken Stein mysteries, 1

**Popularity:** ★☆☆☆☆ Adult Fiction

65.



## On Earth as it is on television (Jun 2023),

Forthcoming

**By:** Jane, Emily

In Emily Jane's rollicking debut, when spaceships arrive and then depart suddenly without a word, the certainty that we are not alone in the universe turns to intense uncertainty as to our place within it. Embracing the strangeness that is life in the twenty-first century, *On Earth as It Is on Television* is a rollicking, heartfelt tale of first contact that practically leaps off the planet.

**Popularity:** ★☆☆☆☆ Adult Fiction

66.



## Preset (May 2023), Forthcoming

**By:** Dahlan, Sarina

After the Last War destroyed most of the world, survivors formed a new society in four self-sustaining cities in the Mojave Desert. To halt extinction, everything in the Four Cities is carefully predicted and carefully controlled ... even love. But how can you control love and freedom?

**Popularity:** ★☆☆☆☆ Adult Fiction

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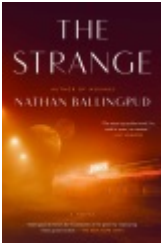


## The last beekeeper (Mar 2023)

**By:** Dalton, Julie Carrick

Returning to her childhood home, Sasha Severn, the daughter of the infamous Last Beekeeper, sees a honeybee, presumed extinct, which she believes is connected to her incarcerated father's missing research--a discovery that could threaten the lives of those around her--or save them all.

**Popularity:** ★☆☆☆☆ Adult Fiction

68.  **Titanium noir** (May 2023)  
**By:** Harkaway, Nick, 1972-  
 Investigating the unimaginable murder of a Titan, one of society's genetically altered elites, Cal Sounder, a detective working for the police on certain sensitive cases, finds his investigation intensifying as it becomes clear he's on the trail of a crime whose roots run deep into the dark heart of the world.  
**Popularity:** ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**
69.  **The new one** (Mar 2023)  
**By:** Green, Evie  
 A suspenseful, cutting-edge novel about two parents who finally get the daughter they've always wanted-it's too bad she isn't real.  
**Popularity:** ★☆☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**
70.  **The mimicking of known successes** (Mar 2023)  
**By:** Older, Malka, 1977-  
 The Mimicking of Known Successes presents a cozy Holmesian murder mystery and sapphic romance, set on Jupiter, by Malka Older, author of the critically-acclaimed Centenal Cycle.  
**Popularity:** ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**
71.  **Look both ways** (Oct 2022)  
**By:** Barclay, Linwood  
 On an island, the setting of a visionary experiment, where everyone drives the Arrival, the first autonomous vehicle, public relations exec Sandra Montrose finds herself in the middle of a nightmare when the Arrivals turn against their passengers, hell-bent on killing any human they encounter.  
**Popularity:** ★☆☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**
72.  **The strange** (Mar 2023)  
**By:** Ballingrud, Nathan  
 1931, New Galveston, Mars: Fourteen-year-old Anabelle Crisp sets off through the wastelands of the Strange to find Silas Mundt's gang who have stolen her mother's voice, destroyed her father, and left her solely with a need for vengeance.  
**Popularity:** ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

73.



### Mission critical (Jan 2023)

**By:** Gannon, Charles E.

Major Rodger Y. Murphy should have died when his helicopter crashed off the coast of Mogadishu in 1993. Instead, he woke up in 2125, 152 light-years from home. Murphy and 100 other "Lost Soldiers" have been retrieved and awakened by two officers of the Consolidated Terran Republic: Trevor Corcoran and Richard Downing. Promising to return, Corcoran and Downing leave the twentieth-century castaways with a daunting objective: establish a base of operations on the main world of R'Bak using local allies they have yet to recruit and enemy equipment they have yet to seize.

**Popularity:** ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

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### The stars undying (Nov 2022)

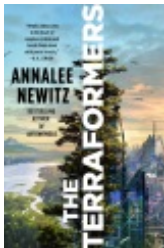
**By:** Robin, Emery

A sweeping tale of empire and betrayal set among the stars, perfect for readers of Ann Leckie and Arkady Martine, The Stars Undying is a queer, spectacular space opera debut inspired by the rise and fall of ancient Rome and Egypt—and the lives and loves of Cleopatra and Julius Caesar.

**Series:** Empire without end, 1

**Popularity:** ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**

75.



### The terraformers (Jan 2023)

**By:** Newitz, Annalee, 1969-

As part of the Environmental Rescue Team, Destry is dedicated to terraforming the planet Sask-E until she discovers a city full of people that shouldn't exist, and as she uncovers more about their past, she starts to question the mission she's devoted her life to.

**Popularity:** ★★☆☆☆ **Adult** **Fiction**