WEDNESDAY BOOKS
Diamond City

A Novel

Francesca Flores

Diamond City is an action-packed young adult fantasy by debut author Francesca Flores about a girl who perseveres through poverty, violence, and loss to achieve a future for herself.

Good things don't happen to girls who come from nothing...unless they risk everything.

Meet Aina Solis. Pulled off the streets when she was twelve years old, Aina was trained to become one of the most powerful and dangerous assassins in Sumerand, a kingdom founded by immigrants, built by magic, and still reeling from an industrial revolution that’s led to all-out civil war. Fearless and willing to risk everything—and with nothing left to lose—Aina is ready to leave her wretched past behind and accept a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity: to kill a wealthy industrialist named Kouta. But this career-defining move won't come easy. She will have to act against her boss Kohl, who doesn't tolerate his assassins working against him. What will be the price for her betrayal?

Meanwhile, the closer Aina gets to her target, the more she craves an answer to the questions an assassin is never meant to ask: Who wants Kouta dead? And why was Aina chosen for this mission?

Now, in a city full of dark forces and hidden agendas, old rivalries and a whole new world of enemies, it's up to Aina to unravel a conspiracy that could rewrite Sumerand's history and her own future. Is it too late to save her city—and herself? Is courage born or is it bred? And what must Aina sacrifice for a second chance to begin a better, brighter life?

PRAISE

"A thrilling adventure, through a vibrant city as alive as any character, about a girl willing to do anything to better her circumstances." - Emily A. Duncan, New York Times bestselling author of Wicked Saints

“Just like the metropolis for which it’s named, Diamond City is full of shadows, secrets, and heart-stopping surprises. An absolutely electric debut!” – Crystal Smith, author of Bloodleaf

Francesca Flores is a writer, traveler and linguist. Raised in Pittsburgh, she read every fantasy book she could get her hands on and started writing her own stories at a young age. She began writing Diamond City while working as a corporate travel manager. When she's not writing or reading, Francesca enjoys traveling, dancing ballet and jazz, practicing trapeze and contortion, and visiting parks and trails around San Francisco, where she currently resides.
**Tweet Cute**

Emma Lord

From debut author Emma Lord comes a re-imagining of *You’ve Got Mail* in this heartfelt and hilarious celebration of snarky tweets, first kisses and an epic social-media battle.

A fresh, irresistible rom-com from debut author Emma Lord about the chances we take, the paths life can lead us on, and how love can be found in the opposite place you expected.

Meet Pepper, swim team captain, chronic overachiever, and all-around perfectionist. Her family may be falling apart, but their massive fast-food chain is booming — mainly thanks to Pepper, who is barely managing to juggle real life while secretly running Big League Burger’s massive Twitter account.

Enter Jack, class clown and constant thorn in Pepper’s side. When he isn’t trying to duck out of his obscenely popular twin’s shadow, he’s busy working in his family’s deli. His relationship with the business that holds his future might be love/hate, but when Big League Burger steals his grandma’s iconic grilled cheese recipe, he’ll do whatever it takes to take them down, one tweet at a time.

All’s fair in love and cheese — that is, until Pepper and Jack’s spat turns into a viral Twitter war. Little do they know, while they’re publicly duking it out with snarky memes and retweet battles, they’re also falling for each other in real life — on an anonymous chat app Jack built.

As their relationship deepens and their online shenanigans escalate — *people on the internet are shipping them??* — their battle gets more and more personal, until even these two rivals can’t ignore they were destined for the most unexpected, awkward, all-the-feels romance that neither of t...

**PRAISE**

"Tweet Cute delivers in every possible way: a perfect enemies-to-lovers romance, a whip-smart plotline, and endearingly real characters. I devoured it." - Francesca Zappia, author of *Eliza and Her Monsters*

"Sweet and fun! An adorable debut that updates a classic romantic trope with a buzzy twist." - Jenn Bennett, author of *Alex, Approximately* and *Serious Moonlight*

Emma Lord is a digital media editor and writer living in New York City, where she spends whatever time she isn’t writing either running or belting show tunes in community theater. She graduated from the University of Virginia with a major in psychology and a minor in how to tilt your computer screen so nobody will notice you updating your fan fiction from the back row. She was raised on glitter, grilled cheese, and a whole lot of love. *Tweet Cute* is her debut novel.
Jane Anonymous

A Novel

Laurie Faria Stolarz

Bestselling author Laurie Faria Stolarz's thrilling novel Jane Anonymous is a revelatory confessional of a seventeen-year-old girl's fight to escape a kidnapper—and her struggles to connect with ...

Seven months.

That’s how long I was kept captive.

Locked in a room with a bed, refrigerator, and adjoining bathroom, I was instructed to eat, bathe, and behave. I received meals, laundered clothes, and toiletries through a cat door, never knowing if it was day or night. The last time I saw the face of my abductor was when he dragged me fighting from the trunk of his car. And when I finally escaped, I prayed I’d never see him again.

Now that I’m home, my parents and friends want everything to be like it was before I left. But they don’t understand that dining out and shopping trips can’t heal what’s broken inside me. I barely leave my bedroom. Therapists are clueless and condescending. So I start my own form of therapy—but writing about my experience awakens uncomfortable memories, ones that should’ve stayed buried. How far will I have to go to uncover the truth of what happened—and will it break me forever?

PRAISE

"A brave and bold piece of fiction." - C.C. Hunter, New York Times bestselling author

"A nuanced reflection on identity, memory, and intimacy that grabs hold and doesn't let go." - Micol Ostow, bestselling author of Riverdale: The Day Before

“Thrilling, captivating, and compulsively readable.” - Leila Sales, author of This Song Will Save Your Life

"Equal parts terrifying and heartbreaking." - Stacey Kade, author of Finding Felicity and The Ghost and the Goth

"A haunting, horrifying tale I won't soon forget." - Cyn Balog, author of Alone

Laurie Faria Stolarz is the author of several popular young adult novels including the Dark House series, the Touch series, Project 17, Shutter, and Bleed, as well as the bestselling Blue is for Nightmares series. With over a million books sold worldwide, Stolarz’s titles have been translated into thirty languages, been named on numerous award lists, including the Quick Pick for Reluctant Readers list and the Top Ten Teen Pick list, both through the American Library Association.
The Silvered Serpents

Roshani Chokshi


They are each other’s fiercest love, greatest danger, and only hope.

Séverin and his team members might have successfully thwarted the Fallen House, but victory came at a terrible cost — one that still haunts all of them. Desperate to make amends, Séverin pursues a dangerous lead to find a long lost artifact rumored to grant its possessor the power of God.

Their hunt lures them far from Paris, and into the icy heart of Russia where crystalline ice animals stalk forgotten mansions, broken goddesses carry deadly secrets, and a string of unsolved murders makes the crew question whether an ancient myth is a myth after all.

As hidden secrets come to the light and the ghosts of the past catch up to them, the crew will discover new dimensions of themselves. But what they find out may lead them down paths they never imagined.

A tale of love and betrayal as the crew risks their lives for one last job.

PRAISE

Praise for *The Gilded Wolves*

“...this ingenious take on colonialism and cultural appropriation is wildly inventive and wildly representative.” - New York Times Book Review

“Chokshi has created an inclusive and authentic cast with obvious chemistry and affection for one another and infuses the tale with witty banter and twists.” — School Library Journal, Starred Review

“Chokshi shines as a master storyteller in her newest novel...” — Booklist, Starred Review

“...sumptuous visuals, deep characters and a maddening eleventh-hour twist.” — Bookpage, Starred Review

Roshani Chokshi is the author of commercial and critically acclaimed books for middle grade and young adult readers that transport audiences to fantastical worlds heavily inspired by world mythology and folklore. Her work has been nominated for the Locus and Nebula awards, and has frequently appeared on Best of The Year lists from Barnes and Noble, Buzzfeed and more. Her New York Times bestselling series includes *The Star-Touched Queen* duology, *The Gilded Wolves*, and *Aru Shah and The End of Time*...
Foul Is Fair

A Novel

Hannah Capin

Four girls seek revenge on the boys who wronged them, golden boys beware.

Jade and her friends Jenny, Mads, and Summer rule their glittering LA circle. Untouchable, they have the kind of power other girls only dream of. Every party is theirs and the world is at their feet. Until the night of Jade's sweet sixteen, when they crash a St. Andrew’s Prep party. The night the golden boys choose Jade as their next target.

They picked the wrong girl.

Sworn to vengeance, Jade transfers to St. Andrew’s Prep. She plots to destroy each boy, one by one. She'll take their power, their lives, and their control of the prep school's hierarchy. And she and her coven have the perfect way in: a boy named Mack, whose ambition could turn deadly.

Foul is Fair is a bloody, thrilling revenge fantasy for the girls who have had enough. Golden boys beware: something wicked this way comes.

PRAISE

"Fierce, vicious, and electric. If books had teeth, Foul Is Fair would have fangs. Revenge is a dish best served by this deliciously unapologetic coven." - Laurie Elizabeth Flynn, author of Firsts and Last Girl Lied To

"Capin’s writing will seduce you with its beauty and then, when you least suspect it, slice you to the bone." - Layne Fargo, author of Temper and co-host of Unlikeable Female Characters Podcast

“Vicious and beautifully brutal, Foul is Fair [is] an unapologetic feminist battle-cry that leaves you breathless and thirsting for vengeance.” - Sonia Hartl, author of Have a Little Faith in Me

Hannah Capin is the author of THE DEAD QUEENS CLUB, a feminist retelling of the wives of Henry VIII. When she isn’t writing, she can be found singing, sailing, or scheming with the very best friends in the world. She lives in Tidewater Virginia.
The Gilded Wolves
A Novel
Roshani Chokshi

From New York Times bestselling author Roshani Chokshi comes The Gilded Wolves, a novel set during a time of extraordinary change that is full of mystery, decadence, and dangerous desires.

Paris, 1889: The world is on the cusp of industry and power, and the Exposition Universelle has breathed new life into the streets and dredged up ancient secrets. In this city, no one keeps tabs on secrets better than treasure-hunter and wealthy hotelier Séverin Montagnet-Alarie. But when the all-powerful society the Order of Babel seeks him out for help, Séverin is offered a treasure that he never imagined: his true inheritance. To find the ancient artifact the Order seeks, Séverin will need help from a band of experts:

An engineer with a debt to pay. A historian who can't yet go home. A dancer with a sinister past. And a brother in all but blood, who might care too much.

Together, they'll have to use their wits and knowledge to hunt the artifact through the dark and glittering heart of Paris. What they find might change the world, but only if they can stay alive.

PRAISE

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Cracked Up to Be

A Novel

Courtney Summers

A reissue of New York Times bestselling author Courtney Summers's award-winning debut!

The high price of perfection is one 'Perfect' Parker Fadley always believed she was willing to pay, until the devastating events at a party during junior year fractures the lives of her family and friends. A terrible thing has happened and only Parker knows it's her fault. If being a perfect daughter, student, friend and girlfriend couldn't keep her from making an unforgivable mistake, Parker hopes becoming a perfect mess will at least keep her loved ones from discovering the truth—until the arrival of a curious new student and the unexpected return of an old enemy threaten her tenuous grip on control. Parker will do anything to keep her secret from surfacing . . . but this time the cost might be more than she can afford.

The book featuring the unforgettable character that started it all, now with a new foreword from the author.

PRAISE

"The propulsive, riveting novel that started it all." - Karen M. McManus, New York Times bestselling author of One of Us is Lying and Two Can Keep a Secret

"Cracked Up To Be was my first introduction to the vicious brilliance that is Courtney Summers. Right from the opening lines, that breathless hammering of beats that illustrate the terrifying and true experience of high school, I knew I was in the hands of a writer who would be honest with her readers, who would even be brutal. This book changed me as a reader and as a writer. I could never go back again. After being gutted by a Summers novel, why would anyone want to?"—Nova Ren Suma, #1 ...

Courtney Summers lives and writes in Canada. She is the author of several critically acclaimed novels for young adults, including Cracked Up To Be, Some Girls Are, Fall for Anything, This is Not a Test, All the Rage and most recently, Sadie, a New York Times bestseller, Indie bestseller, Odyssey Award winner, Audie Award Winner and Edgar Award nominee, appearing on more than 30 Best Of lists in 2018. Learn more at courtneysummers.ca.
The Dysasters

Volume 1

P. C. Cast and Kristin Cast

The first graphic novel from #1 New York Times bestselling authors P.C. Cast and Kristin Cast!

In their first graphic novel adaptation, #1 New York Times bestsellers P.C. and Kristin Cast bring us the world of The Dysasters.

Adoptive daughter of a gifted scientist, Foster Stewart doesn’t live a “normal” life (not that she’d want to). But controlling cloud formations and seeing airwaves aren’t things most eighteen year olds can do.

Small town star quarterback and quintessential dreamy boy next door, Tate “Nighthawk” Taylor has never thought much about his extra abilities. Sure, his night vision comes in handy during games, but who wouldn’t want that extra edge?

From the moment Foster and Tate collide, their worlds spiral and a deadly tornado forces them to work together, fully awakening their not-so-natural ability—the power to control air.

As they each deal with the tragic loss of loved ones, they’re caught by another devastating blow—they are the first in a group of teens genetically manipulated before birth to bond with the elements, and worse… they’re being hunted.

Now, Foster and Tate must fight to control their abilities as they learn of their past, how they came to be, who’s following them, and what tomorrow will bring… more DYSASTERS?

PRAISE

"The mother-and-daughter authors (the House of Night series) have successfully created a fast-paced series opener." - Publisher's Weekly

“This sci-fi romance offers a diverse cast and an action-packed plot; a great choice for both new adult and young adult readers. An engaging read.” - School Library Journal

“The mother-daughter writing team has a built-in audience from their phenomenally popular House of Night books; a must-buy for genre fans.” - Booklist

“I would recommend this to fans of science fiction, stormy weather, elements, superheros, and unique plots.” - Young Adult Book Central

#1 NYT & #1 USA Today bestselling author PC Cast was born in the Midwest. Ms. Cast is an experienced teacher who lives in Oregon near her fabulous daughter, her adorable pack of dogs, her
Only Mostly Devastated

A Novel

Sophie Gonzales

SIMON VS. THE HOMO SAPIENS AGENDA meets CLUELESS in this boy-meets-boy spin on Grease

Summer love...gone so fast.

Ollie and Will were meant to be a summer fling—casual, fun, and done. But when Ollie’s aunt's health takes a turn for the worse and his family decides to stay in North Carolina to take care of her, Ollie lets himself hope this fling can grow to something more. Dreams that are crushed when he sees Will at a school party and finds that the sweet and affectionate (and comfortably queer) guy he knew from summer isn’t the same one attending Collinswood High.

Will is more than a little shocked to see Ollie the evening of that first day of school. While his summer was spent being very much himself, back at school he’s simply known as one of the varsity basketball guys. Now Will is faced with the biggest challenge of his life: follow his heart and risk his friendships, or stay firmly in the closet and lose what he loves most.

PRAISE

“A delight! This heartfelt, queer update on Grease features a diverse cast...and warmly illustrates a timeless truth: love is love is love.” —Jenn Bennett, author of Alex, Approximately

“When books are told with this much heart, humor, and a swoon worthy story line, you never want them to end.” —Angelo Surmelis, author of The Dangerous Art of Blending In

“Outrageously funny and terribly sweet.” —K. Ancrum, author of The Wicker King

"Wry but earnest, sweet but irreverent, heartbreaking but hopeful." —Hannah Capin, author of The Dead Queens Club and Foul Is Fair

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Ruthless Gods

A Novel

Emily A. Duncan

The thrilling sequel to instant New York Times bestseller, Wicked Saints

Nadya doesn’t trust her magic anymore. Serefin is fighting off a voice in his head that doesn’t belong to him. Malachiasz is at war with who—and what—he’s become.

As their group is continually torn apart, the girl, the prince, and the monster find their fates irrevocably intertwined. They’re pieces on a board, being orchestrated by someone… or something. The voices that Serefin hears in the darkness, the ones that Nadya believes are her gods, the ones that Malachiasz is desperate to meet—those voices want a stake in the world, and they refuse to stay quiet any longer.

In her dramatic follow-up to Wicked Saints, the first book in her Something Dark and Holy trilogy, Emily A. Duncan paints a Gothic, icy world where shadows whisper and no one is who they seem, with a shocking ending that will leave you breathless.

PRAISE

Praise for Wicked Saints:

"If you like your young adult fantasy full of ice, blood, and angst, Wicked Saints will sweep you up in its wintry embrace." - NPR

"The ending is as powerful as the opening, and there are explosive elements waiting to detonate in the expected sequels." - Booklist

“If you love dark fantasy this book promises to be a brutal, enchanting gem, full of terrifying blood-magic.” – Bookriot

EMILY A. DUNCAN is the New York Times bestselling author of Wicked Saints. She works as a youth services librarian and received a Master’s degree in library science from Kent State University, which mostly taught her how to find obscure Slavic folklore texts through interlibrary loan systems. When not reading or writing, she enjoys playing copious amounts of video games and Dungeons and Dragons. She lives in Ohio.
Wicked Saints

A Novel

Emily A. Duncan

Emily A. Duncan's breathtaking instant New York Times bestseller, now in paperback!

A girl who can speak to gods must save her people without destroying herself.

A prince in danger must decide who to trust.

A boy with a monstrous secret waits in the wings.

Together, they must assassinate the king and stop the war.

In a centuries-long war where beauty and brutality meet, their three paths entwine in a shadowy world of spilled blood and mysterious saints, where a forbidden romance threatens to tip the scales between dark and light. Wicked Saints is the thrilling start to Emily A. Duncan’s devastatingly Gothic Something Dark and Holy trilogy.

PRAISE

A *Must-Read Book* for Seventeen, BuzzFeed, Cultress, Epic Reads, and more!

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Jack Kerouac Is Dead to Me

A Novel

Gae Polisner

An unforgettable look at romance and friendship through the eyes of a teen girl who's ready to grow up, but maybe not as ready as she thinks

Fifteen-year-old JL Markham's life used to be filled with carnival nights and hot summer days spent giggling with her forever best friend Aubrey about their families and boys. Together, they were unstoppable. But they aren’t the friends they once were.

With JL's father gone on long term business and her mother suffering from dissociative disorder, JL takes solace in the in the tropical butterflies she raises, and in her new, older boyfriend, Max Gordon. Max may be rough on the outside, but he has the soul of a poet (something Aubrey will never understand). Only, Max is about to graduate, and he's going to hit the road - with or without JL.

JL can't bear being left behind again. But what if devoting herself to Max not only means betraying her parents, but permanently losing the love of her best friend? What becomes of loyalty when no one is loyal to you?

Gae Polisner’s Jack Kerouac is Dead to Me is a story about the fragility of female friendship, of falling in love and wondering if you are ready for more, and of the glimmers of hope we find by taking stock in ourselves.

PRAISE

"Jack Kerouac is Dead to Me is an absolutely real, raw and emotional read, and it's a book that touched my heart with every page." - Katie McGarry, critically acclaimed author of Only a Breath Apart

"Gae Polisner has done it again. I absolutely loved this beautiful, heart-wrenching story about friendship, family, and first love, and what happens when they all fall apart. Jack Kerouac is Dead to Me is a truly special book." - Lauren Spieler, author of Your Destination Is on the Left

GAE POLISNER is the award-winning author of In Sight of Stars, The Memory of Things, The Summer of Letting Go, The Pull of Gravity, and Jack Kerouac is Dead to Me. She lives on Long Island with her husband, two sons, and a suspiciously-fictional looking dog. When Gae isn't writing, you can find her in a pool or the open waters off Long Island. She's still hoping that one day her wetsuit will turn her into a superhero.
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