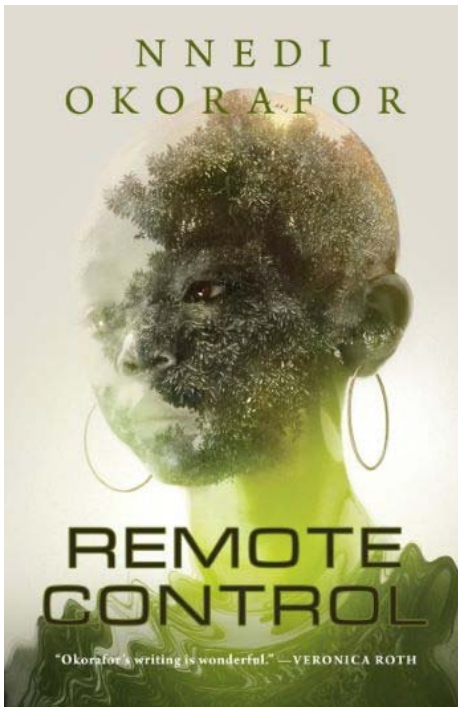




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## Remote Control

by Nnedi Okorafor

"She's the adopted daughter of the Angel of Death. Beware of her. Mind her. Death guards her like one of its own."

The day Fatima forgot her name, Death paid a visit. From here on in she would be known as Sankofa—a name that meant nothing to anyone but her, the only tie to her family and her past.

Her touch is death, and with a glance a town can fall. And she walks—alone, except for her fox companion—searching for the object that came from the sky and gave itself to her when the meteors fell and when she was yet unchanged; searching for answers.

But is there a greater purpose for Sankofa, now that Death is her constant companion

## Author Bio

NNEDI OKORAFOR, born to Igbo Nigerian parents in Cincinnati, Ohio, is an author of fantasy and science fiction for both adults and younger readers. Her Tor.com novella, Binti, won the 2015 Hugo and Nebula Awards; her children's book, Long Juju Man, won the 2007-08 Macmillan Writer's Prize for Africa; and her adult novel, Who Fears Death, was a Tiptree Honor Book.

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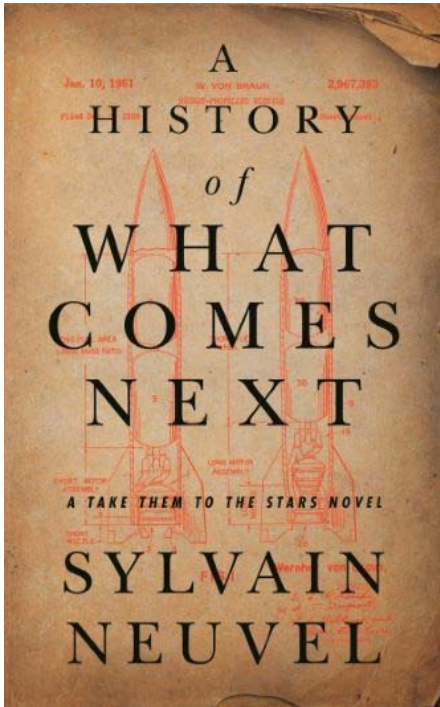
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## A History of What Comes Next

A Take Them to the Stars Novel

by Sylvain Neuvel

Always run, never fight.  
Preserve the knowledge.  
Survive at all cost.  
Take them to the stars.

Over 99 identical generations, Mia's family has shaped human history to push them to the stars, making brutal, wrenching choices and sacrificing countless lives. Her turn comes at the dawn of the age of rocketry. Her mission: to lure Wernher Von Braun away from the Nazi party and into the American rocket program, and secure the future of the space race.

But Mia's family is not the only group pushing the levers of history: an even more ruthless enemy lurks behind the scenes.

A darkly satirical first contact thriller, as seen through the eyes of the women who make progress possible and the men who are determined to stop them...

## Author Bio

Sylvain Neuvel is a doctor of linguistics and software engineer. He is the author of *Sleeping Giants* and its sequels *Waking Gods* and *Only Human*, which have collectively sold over 200,000 copies in North America, as well as the novella *The Test*. His books have been translated in 20 languages and optioned for film.

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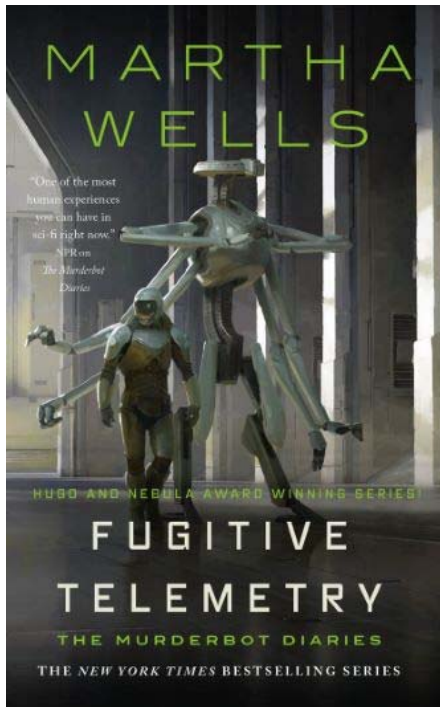


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## Fugitive Telemetry

by Martha Wells

Having captured the hearts of readers across the globe (Annalee Newitz says it's "one of the most humane portraits of a nonhuman I've ever read") Murderbot has also established Martha Wells as one of the great SF writers of today.

No, I didn't kill the dead human. If I had, I wouldn't dump the body in the station mall.

When Murderbot discovers a dead body on Preservation Station, it knows it is going to have to assist station security to determine who the body is (was), how they were killed (that should be relatively straightforward, at least), and why (because apparently that matters to a lot of people—who knew?)

Yes, the unthinkable is about to happen: Murderbot must voluntarily speak to humans!

Again!

A new standalone adventure in the New York Times-bestselling, Hugo and Nebula Award winning series!

### Praise for The Murderbot Diaries

I love Murderbot!" - **Ann Leckie**

"The most heartwarming action-packed literally explosive space opera I've enjoyed in a long time. Martha Wells is the best writer of loveable snarky gender-subversive killing machines out there!" - **N. K. Jemisin**

"We are all a little bit Murderbot." - **NPR**

### Author Bio

MARTHA WELLS has written many fantasy novels, including The Wizard Hunters, Wheel of the Infinite, the Books of the Raksura series (beginning with The Cloud Roads and ending with The Harbors of the Sun), and the Nebula-nominated The Death of the Necromancer, as well as YA fantasy novels, short stories, and nonfiction. Her New York Times and USA Today-bestselling Murderbot Diaries series has won the Hugo, Nebula, Locus, and Alex Awards.



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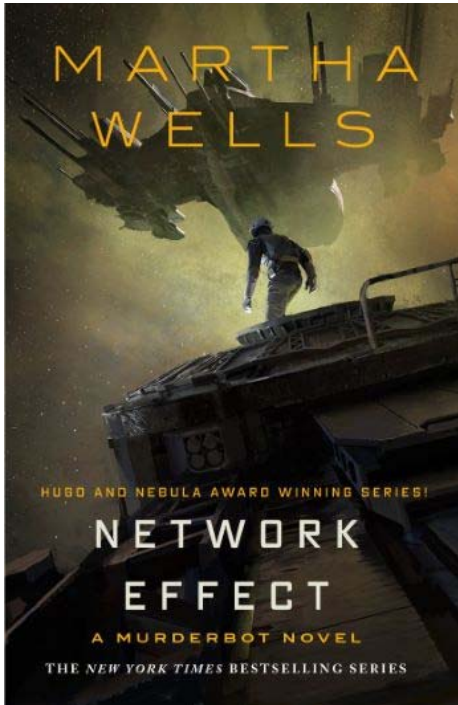
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## Network Effect

A Murderbot Novel

by Martha Wells

The New York Times and USA Today bestselling Murderbot series exploded onto the scene in 2017, and the world has not been the same, since. The series has grown with every release, with book #2 debuting at 95 on the USA Today Bestseller List, #3 at 77, and #4 at 48. A quarter of a million copies later, Murderbot is back in its highly-anticipated, first, full-length standalone novel. *Network Effect* offers an opportunity like never before for bookstore readers to dive into the series.

You know that feeling when you're at work, and you've had enough of people, and then the boss walks in with yet another job that needs to be done right this second or the world will end, but all you want to do is go home and binge your favorite shows? And you're a sentient murder machine programmed for destruction? Congratulations, you're Murderbot.

Come for the pew-pew space battles, stay for the most relatable A.I. you'll read this century.

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I'm usually alone in my head, and that's where 90 plus percent of my problems are.

When Murderbot's human associates (not friends, never friends) are captured and another not-friend from its past requires urgent assistance, Murderbot must choose between inertia and drastic action.

Drastic action it is, then.

If the first books were episodes in a four-part TV miniseries, then *Network Effect* is the feature-length movie with the bigger budget and scope. . . Murderbot and the world it inhabits constantly leave you wanting more, in the best possible way. *Network Effect* is a wonderful continuation of (...)

## Author Bio

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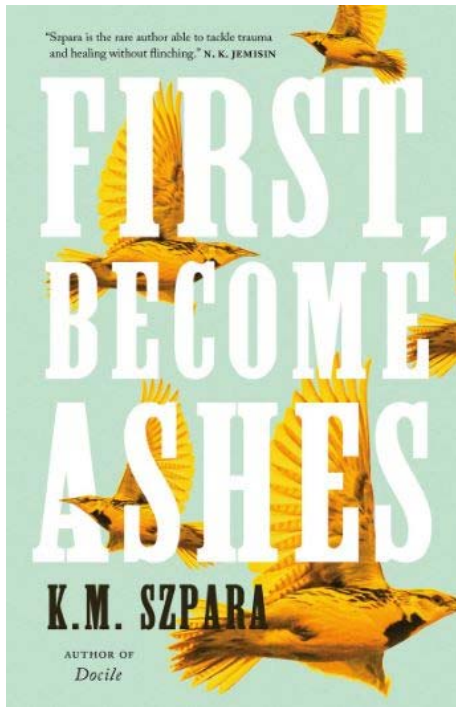
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## First, Become Ashes

by K.M. Szpara

The Fellowship raised Lark to kill monsters.  
His partner betrayed them to the Feds.  
But Lark knows his magic is real, and he'll do anything to complete his quest.

K. M. Szpara follows *Docile*, one of the most anticipated science fiction novels of 2020, with *First, Become Ashes*, a fantastic standalone adventure that blends pain and pleasure and will make readers question what is real and what is magical.

Lark spent the first twenty-four years of his life training for a righteous quest: to rid the world of monsters. Alongside his partner Kane, he wore the cage and endured the scourge in order to develop his innate magic. He never thought that when Kane left, he'd next see him in the company of FBI agents and a SWAT team. He never dreamed that the leader of the Fellowship would be brought up on charges of abuse and assault.

He never expected the government would tell him that the monsters aren't real—that there is no magic, that all his pain was for nothing.

Lark is determined to fulfill his quest, to defeat the monsters he was promised. Along the way he will grapple with the past, confront love, and discover his long-buried truth.

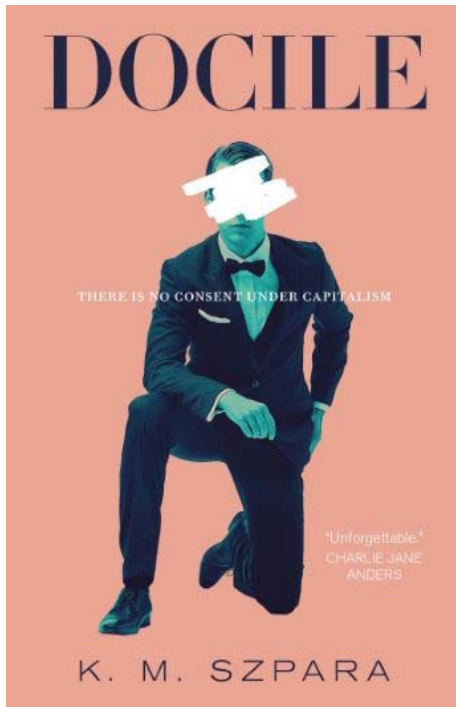
Szpara is the rare author able to tackle trauma and healing (...)

## Author Bio

Hugo and Nebula finalist K.M. SZPARA is a queer and trans author who lives in Baltimore, MD. His debut novel is *Docile*; his short fiction and essays appear in *Uncanny*, *Lightspeed*, *Strange Horizons*, and more. Szpara has a Master of Theological Studies from Harvard Divinity School, which he totally uses at his day job as a paralegal. You can find him on the Internet at [kmszpara.com](http://kmszpara.com) and on Twitter at [@kmszpara](https://twitter.com/kmszpara).







## Docile

by K.M. Szpara

There is no consent under capitalism.

*Docile* is a science fiction parable about love and sex, wealth and debt, abuse and power, a challenging tour de force that at turns seduces and startles.

To be a *Docile* is to be kept, body and soul, for the uses of the owner of your contract. To be a *Docile* is to forget, to disappear, to hide inside your body from the horrors of your service. To be a *Docile* is to sell yourself to pay your parents' debts and buy your children's future.

Elisha Wilder's family has been ruined by debt, handed down to them from previous generations. His mother never recovered from the *Dociline* she took during her term as a *Docile*, so when Elisha decides to try and erase the family's debt himself, he swears he will never take the drug that took his mother from him. Too bad his contract has been purchased by Alexander Bishop III, whose ultra-rich family is the brains (and money) behind *Dociline* and the entire Office of Debt Resolution. When Elisha refuses *Dociline*, Alex refuses to believe that his family's crowning achievement could have any negative side effects—and is determined to turn Elisha into the perfect *Docile* without it.

Don't call K.M. Szpara's *Docile* a dystopia. This book (...)

## Author Bio

Hugo and Nebula finalist K.M. SZPARA is a queer and trans author who lives in Baltimore, MD. His debut novel, *Docile*, is coming from Tor.com Publishing in 2020; his short fiction and essays appear in *Uncanny*, *Lightspeed*, *Strange Horizons*, and more. Kellan has a Master of Theological Studies from Harvard Divinity School, which he totally uses at his day job as a paralegal. You can find him on the Internet at [kmszpara.com](http://kmszpara.com) and on Twitter at [@kmszpara](https://twitter.com/kmszpara).

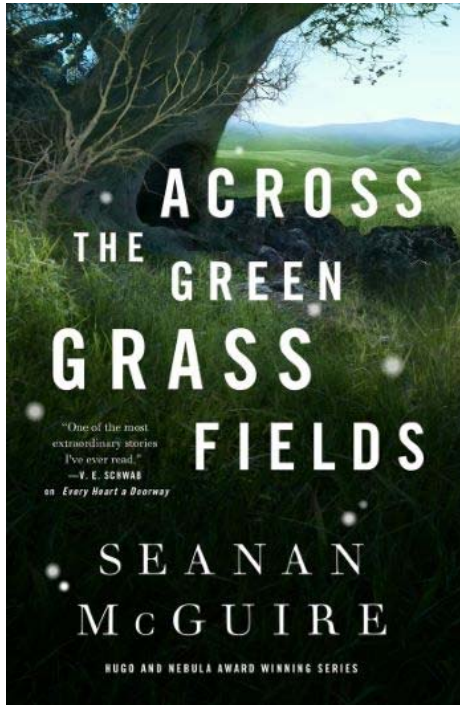


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## Across the Green Grass Fields

by Seanan McGuire

"Welcome to the Hooflands. We're happy to have you, even if you being here means something's coming."

Regan loves, and is loved, though her school-friend situation has become complicated, of late.

When she suddenly finds herself thrust through a doorway that asks her to "Be Sure" before swallowing her whole, Regan must learn to live in a world filled with centaurs, kelpies, and other magical equines—a world that expects its human visitors to step up and be heroes.

But after embracing her time with the herd, Regan discovers that not all forms of heroism are equal, and not all quests are as they seem...

A standalone Wayward Children story containing all-new characters, and a great jumping-on point for new readers

## Author Bio

SEANAN MCGUIRE is the author of the Hugo, Nebula, Alex and Locus Award-winning Wayward Children series, the October Daye series, the InCryptid series, and other works. She also writes darker fiction as Mira Grant. Seanan lives in Seattle with her cats, a vast collection of creepy dolls, horror movies, and sufficient books to qualify her as a fire hazard. She won the 2010 John W. Campbell Award for Best New Writer, in 2013 became the first person to appear five times on the same Hugo ballot, and in 2020 became the first author to win the Alex Award 3 times!

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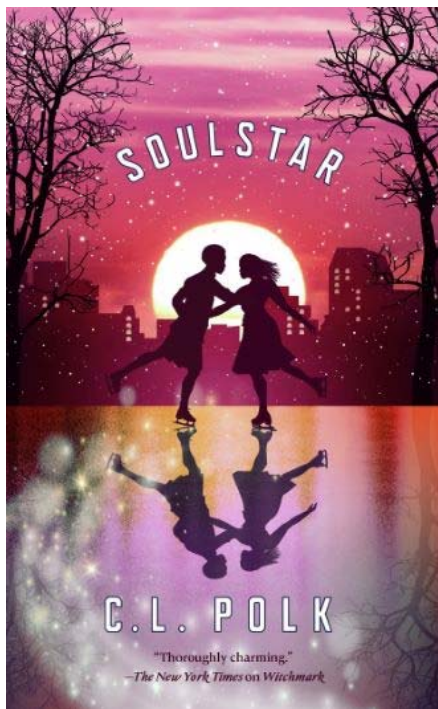
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## Soulstar

by C. L. Polk

With *Soulstar*, C. L. Polk concludes her riveting Kingston Cycle, a whirlwind of magic, politics, romance, and intrigue that began with the World Fantasy Award-winning *Witchmark*. Assassinations, deadly storms, and long-lost love haunt the pages of this thrilling final volume.

For years, Robin Thorpe has kept her head down, staying among her people in the Riverside neighborhood and hiding the magic that would have her imprisoned by the state. But when Grace Hensley comes knocking on Clan Thorpe's door, Robin's days of hiding are at an end. As freed witches flood the streets of Kingston, scrambling to reintegrate with a kingdom that destroyed their lives, Robin begins to plot a course that will ensure a freer, juster Aeland. At the same time, she has to face her long-bottled feelings for the childhood love that vanished into an asylum twenty years ago.

Can khe and Robin find happiness among the rising tides of revolution? Can Kingston survive the blizzards that threaten, the desperate monarchy, and the birth throes of democracy? Find out as the Kingston Cycle comes to an end.

## Author Bio

C. L. Polk (she/her/they/them) is the author of the World Fantasy Award winning novel *Witchmark*, the first novel of the Kingston Cycle. After leaving high school early, she has worked as a film extra, sold vegetables on the street, and identified exotic insect species for a vast collection of lepidoptera before settling down to write silver fork fantasy novels. Polk lives near the Bow River in Calgary, Alberta, in a tiny apartment with too many books and a yarn stash that could last a decade. She rides a green bicycle with a basket on the front. She spends too much time on twitter (@clpolk)

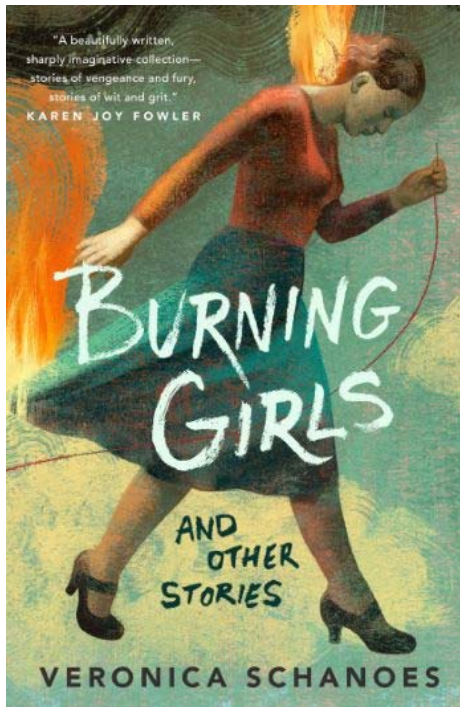


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## Burning Girls and Other Stories

by Veronica Schanoes

***When we came to America, we brought anger and socialism and hunger. We also brought our demons.***

In *Burning Girls and Other Stories*, Veronica Schanoes crosses borders and genres with stories of fierce women at the margins of society burning their way toward the center. This debut collection introduces readers to a fantasist in the vein of Karen Russell and Kelly Link, with a voice all her own.

Emma Goldman - yes, that Emma Goldman - takes tea with the Baba Yaga and truths unfold inside of exquisitely crafted lies. In *Among the Thorns*, a young woman in seventeenth century Germany is intent on avenging the brutal murder of her peddler father, but discovers that vengeance may consume all that it touches. In the showstopping, awards finalist title story, "Burning Girls," Schanoes invests the immigrant narrative with a fearsome fairytale quality that tells a story about America we may not want - but need - to hear.

Dreamy, dangerous, and precise, with the weight of the very oldest tales we tell, *Burning Girls and Other Stories* introduces a writer pushing the boundaries of both fantasy and contemporary fiction.

**With a foreword by Jane Yolen**

"

This book is for those who like their fairy tales strong and dark. A beautifully written, sharply imaginative collection - stories of vengeance and fury, stories of wit and grit. Many pleasures and many surprises and highly recommended." - Karen Joy Fowler

"Veronica Schanoes is one of the most powerful voices in speculative (...)

## Author Bio

Veronica Schanoes is Assistant Professor in the department of English at Queens College - CUNY. Her fiction has appeared in *Queen Victoria's Book of Spells*, *Lady Churchill's Rosebud Wristlet*, and *Strange Horizons*. Her novella, *Burning Girls*, published on Tor.com, is a finalist for the Nebula award. She lives in New York City.



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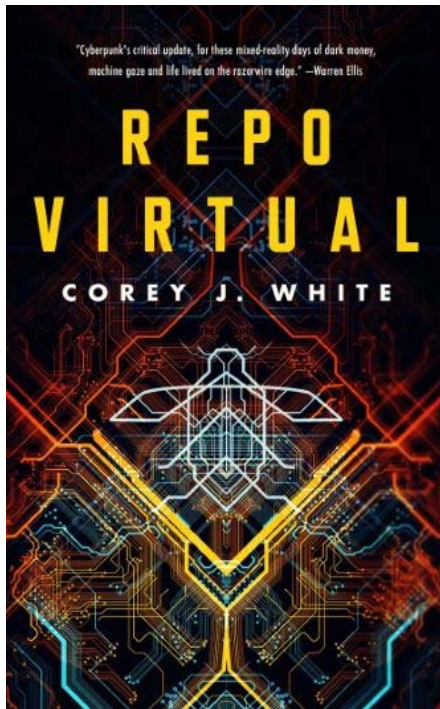
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## Repo Virtual

by Corey J. White

**Corey J. White's debut novel *Repo Virtual* blurs the lines between the real and virtual in an action-packed cyberpunk heist story.**

The city of Neo Songdo is a Russian doll of realities - augmented and virtual spaces anchored in the weight of the real. The smart city is designed to be read by machine vision while people see only the augmented facade of the corporate ideal. At night the stars are obscured by an intergalactic virtual war being waged by millions of players, while on the streets below people are forced to beg, steal, and hustle to survive.

Enter Julius Dax, online repoman and real-life thief. He's been hired for a special job: stealing an unknown object from a reclusive tech billionaire. But when he finds out he's stolen the first sentient AI, his payday gets a lot more complicated.

*Repo Virtual* constructs a stunningly vivid cyberpunk world that blurs the line between illusion and reality, dripping with the neon panache of a technological juggernaut in an action packed heist that'll steal your heart with ideas that are as revealing as they are powerful." - Peter Tieryas

"*Repo Virtual* sets itself apart with its gleeful heart and underdog charm." - *BookPage* Starred Review

"A richly imagined, futuristic stand-alone with appeal to gamers, SF fans, and armchair futurists alike." - *Kirkus Reviews*

"Cyberpunk is not only back but may have come full circle." - *The Toronto Star*

"White twists the volume up, both dramatizing and warning against unchecked AI. What lingers is an important observation: no culture can retain its power and sanity when there are no noncynical eyes to see it. Cyberpunk and general sf readers will enjoy and even learn from this one." - *Library Journal*

## Author Bio

COREY J. WHITE is a writer of science-fiction, horror, and other, harder to define stories. He studied writing at Griffith University on the Gold Coast, and is now based in Melbourne, Australia. He is the author of *Killing Gravity*, *Void Black Shadow*, and *Static Ruin*



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## THE EXPERT SYSTEM'S CHAMPION

ADRIAN TCHAIKOVSKY

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### The Expert System's Champion

by Adrian Tchaikovsky

It's been ten years since Handry was wrenched away from his family and friends, forced to wander a world he no longer understood. But with the help of the Ancients, he has cobbled together a life, of sorts, for himself and his fellow outcasts.

Wandering from village to village, welcoming the folk that the townships abandon, fighting the monsters the villagers cannot—or dare not—his ever-growing band of misfits has become the stuff of legend, a story told by parents to keep unruly children in line.

But there is something new and dangerous in the world, and the beasts of the land are acting against their nature, destroying the towns they once left in peace.

And for the first time in memory, the Ancients have no wisdom to offer...

### Author Bio

Adrian Tchaikovsky is the author of the acclaimed Shadows of the Apt fantasy series and the epic science fiction blockbuster Children of Time. He has won the Arthur C. Clarke Award, a British Fantasy Society Award, and been nominated for the David Gemmell Legend Award. In civilian life he is a gamer and amateur entomologist. He was a full time lawyer until recently, when he decided to write full time, instead.

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## FIREHEART TIGER

ALIETTE DE BODARD

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### Fireheart Tiger

by Aliette de Bodard

Thanh is royalty in a beleaguered nation of scattered provinces pressured on all sides. The daughter of ancestors armed with swords and courage, she was fostered in a foreign capital to seal an alliance, and returned—to her powerful mother's disappointment—quiet and thoughtful instead of brash and confident.

Propped up by the guns and silver of Ephteria, a far more powerful empire, her country is losing the game of power. In Eldris, an Ephterian princess, Thanh finds both romance and intoxicating risk. Eldris may desire her, but she doesn't respect what Thanh holds dear.

Giang, the mysterious serving girl who appeared to her the night of a terrible fire and who has deep secrets of her own, might be the one who holds the key to love, freedom, and true power.

### Author Bio

Aliette de Bodard lives and works in Paris. She has won three Nebula Awards, a Locus Award, a British Fantasy Award and four British Science Fiction Association Awards, and was a double Hugo finalist for 2019 (Best Series and Best Novella). Most recently she published *The House of Sundering Flames*, the conclusion to her *Dominion of the Fallen* trilogy, set in a turn-of-the-century Paris devastated by a magical war, which also comprises *The House of Shattered Wings*, and *The House of Binding Thorns*. Her short story collection *Of Wars, and Memories*, and *Starlight* is out from Subterranean Press.

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# INVENTERA

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## Defekt

by Nino Cipri

Find out if five Dereks are better than one in Nino Cipri's *Inventera*, the sequel to *Finna*, the surrealist world-hopping adventure.

## Author Bio

NINO CIPRI is a queer and trans/nonbinary writer, editor, and educator. They are a graduate of the Clarion Writing Workshop and the University of Kansas's MFA program, and author of the award-winning debut fiction collection *Homesick* (2019) and the novella *Finna* (2020). Nino has also written plays, poetry, and radio features; performed as a dancer, actor, and puppeteer; and worked as a stagehand, bookseller, bike mechanic, and labor organizer. One time, an angry person on the internet called Nino a verbal terrorist, which was pretty funny.

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## Light Chaser

by Peter F. Hamilton and Gareth L. Powell

Amahle is a Light Chaser – one of a number of explorers, who travel the universe alone (except for their onboard AI), trading trinkets for life stories.

But when she listens to the stories sent down through the ages she hears the same voice talking directly to her from different times and on different worlds, and comes to understand that something terrible is happening, and only she is in a position to do anything about it.

And it will cost everything to put it right.

## Author Bio

GARETH L. POWELL is the author of seven science-fiction novels and two short story collections as well as a non-fiction book about writing. His third novel, *Ack-Ack Macaque*, book one in the *Macaque Trilogy*, was the winner of the 2013 BSFA novel award (joint winner with Anne Leckie's *Ancillary Justice*). He lives in Bristol, UK.

PETER F. HAMILTON began writing in 1987, and sold his first short story to *Fear* magazine in 1988. He has written many bestselling novels, including the *Greg Mandel* series, the *Night's Dawn* trilogy, the *Commonwealth Saga*, the *Void* trilogy, short-story collections and several standalone novels including *Fallen Dragon* and *Great North Road*.

## LIGHT CHASER

PETER F. HAMILTON AND  
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## SUN-DAUGHTERS, SEA DAUGHTERS

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## Sun-Daughters, Sea-Daughters

by Aimee Ogden

Aimee Ogden's *Sun-Daughters, Sea-Daughters* is a sweeping science fiction story that has all the wonder and romance of a classic sci-fi novel, with the timelessness of a beloved fairy tale.

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