



# Diverse Fantasy and Sci-Fi

## Young Adult Recommendations



### **A Blade So Black** (*Nightmare-verse, Book 1*)

[YA MCKINNEY](#)

McKinney, L. L.

This isn't the Wonderland you remember. The first time the Nightmares came, it nearly cost Alice her life. Now she's trained to battle monstrous creatures in the dark dream realm known as Wonderland with magic weapons and hardcore fighting skills. Yet even warriors have a curfew. Life in real-world Atlanta isn't always so simple, as Alice juggles an over-protective mom, a high-maintenance best friend, and a slipping GPA.

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### **Lobizona**

[YA GARBER](#)

Garber, Romina

When her mother is arrested by ICE, sixteen-year-old Argentinian Manu--who thinks she is hiding in a Miami apartment because she is an undocumented immigrant--discovers that her entire existence is illegal.

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### **We Hunt the Flame** (*Sands of Arawiya, Book 1*)

[YA FAIZAL](#)

Faizal, Hafsah

In a world inspired by ancient Arabia, seventeen-year-old huntress Zafira must disguise herself as a man to seek a lost artifact that could return magic to her cursed world.

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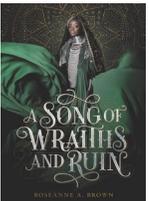
### **Dark and Deepest Red**

[YA MCLEMORE](#)

McLemore, Anna-Marie

Trapped in a pair of red shoes that compel her to dance uncontrollably, Rosella is drawn to a youth of questionable intent whose family was blamed for witchcraft centuries earlier.

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### **A Song of Wraiths and Ruin**

[YA BROWN](#)

Brown, Roseanne A.

A first entry in a planned duology inspired by West African folklore finds a grieving crown princess and a desperate refugee on a collision course to destroy each other despite their growing attraction.

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### **Want** (*Want Series, Book 1*)

[YA PON](#)

Pon, Cindy

Jason Zhou is trying to survive in Taipei, a city plagued by pollution and viruses, but when he discovers the elite are using their wealth to evade the deadly effects, he knows he must do whatever is necessary to fight the corruption and save his city.



### **Skyhunter**

[YA LU](#)

Lu, Marie

Talin is a Striker, a member of an elite fighting force that stands as the last defense for Mara, the only free nation in the world, but when a mysterious prisoner is brought from the front to Mara's capital, Talin senses there is more to him than meets the eye.

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**Cinderella Is Dead**

Bayron, Kalynn

Queer black girls team up to overthrow the patriarchy in the former kingdom of Cinderella.

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YA BAYRON



**Rebelwing**

Andrea Tang

At New Columbia Preparatory Academy in a near-future Washington, D.C., black market smuggler Prudence Wu and friends Anabel, Alex, and Cat become key players in a conflict with the United Continental Confederacy.

YA TANG

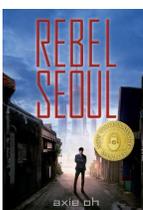


**Hunted by the Sky (*The Wrath of Ambar Series, Book 1*)**

Bhathena, Tanaz

Trained in warrior magic after the murder of her parents, a girl with a star-shaped birthmark is prophesied to be the downfall of a tyrant king, but the boy she falls in love with owes his loyalty to those hunting her.

YA BHARTHENA



**Rebel Seoul**

Oh, Axie

In 2199 in the Neo State of Korea, eighteen-year-old Jaewon is partnered with supersoldier Tera, but their evolving love is threatened when Jaewon must choose among conflicting loyalties--to the totalitarian government that promises to end all war, the nationalist rebels his father followed, or the crime syndicate staging a coup.

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**The Star-Touched Queen (*Star-Touched Queen, Book 1*)**

Chokshi, Roshani

Treated with scorn and fear in her father's kingdom because of a formidable horoscope, 16-year-old Maya commits herself to her education only to land in an arranged marriage that culminates in her sudden elevation to the throne, a situation that is threatened by dark secrets and Otherworldly magic.

YA CHOKSHI

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**Ignite the Stars (*Ignite the Stars, Book 1*)**

Milan, Maura

When the notorious I.A. Cōcha is captured by the Olympus Commonwealth and revealed to be a sixteen-year-old girl, she is sentenced to correctional rehabilitation at a training ground for the elite Star Force where she forms unlikely alliances.

YA MILAN

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**Miles Morales: Spider-Man**

Reynolds, Jason

After a misunderstanding leads him to be suspended from school, Miles Morales feels conflicted about his identity as the new Spider-Man, but when his scholarship is threatened, he uncovers a plot that puts his friends and neighborhood at risk.

YA REYNOLDS

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**Legendborn**

Deonn, Tracy

Wanting to escape her previous life after the accidental death of her mother, 16-year-old Bree enrolls in a program for high school students at the local university before her witness to a magical attack reveals her undiscovered powers as well as sinister truths about her mother's death.

YA DEONN

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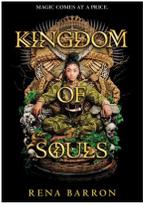
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**Kingdom of Souls (*Kingdom of Souls Trilogy, Book 1*)****YA BARRON**

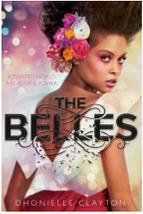
Barron, Rena

Arrah is a young woman from a long line of the most powerful witch doctors in the land. But she fails at magic, fails to call upon the ancestors and can't even cast the simplest curse. Shame and disappointment dog her. When strange premonitions befall her family and children in the kingdom begin to disappear, Arrah undergoes the dangerous and scorned process of selling years of her life for magic. This borrowed power reveals a nightmarish betrayal and a danger beyond what she could have imagined. Now Arrah must find a way to master magic, or at least buy it, in order to save herself and everything she holds dear.

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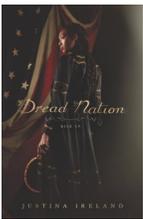
Ifueko, Jordan

Raised in isolation, Tarisai yearns for the closeness she could have as one of the Crown Prince's Council of 11, but her mother, The Lady, has magically compelled Tarisai to kill the Crown Prince.

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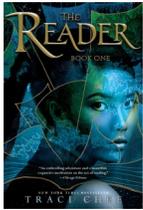
Clayton, Dhonielle

In a world where Beauty is a commodity only a few control, one Belle will learn the dark secrets behind her powers, and rise up to change the world.

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Ireland, Justina

Jane McKeene was born two days before the dead began to walk the battlefields of Gettysburg, Pennsylvania—derailing the War Between the States and changing the nation forever. Now laws like the Native and Negro Education Act require certain children attend combat schools to learn to put down the dead. Jane is studying to become an Attendant, trained in both weaponry and etiquette to protect the well-to-do. But it's not a life Jane wants. When families around Baltimore County begin to go missing, Jane is caught in the middle of a conspiracy... and the restless dead are the least of her problems.

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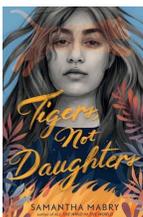
Chee, Traci

Set in a world where reading is unheard-of, Sefia makes use of a mysterious object to track down who kidnapped her aunt Nin and what really happened the night her father was murdered.

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Adeyemi, Tomi

Seventeen-year-old Zélie, her older brother Tzain, and rogue princess Amari fight to restore magic to the land and activate a new generation of magi, but they are ruthlessly pursued by the crown prince, who believes the return of magic will mean the end of the monarchy.

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Mabry, Samantha

Three sisters in San Antonio are shadowed by guilt and grief over the loss of their oldest sister, who still haunts their house.

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