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***Reclaim the Stars* by Zoraida Cordova - YA F REC**

In this collection of stories by acclaimed young adult authors the Latin American diaspora travels to places of fantasy and out into space.

***Twin Crowns* by Catherine Doyle - YA F DOY**

Twin princesses Wren and Rose, separated at birth and raised in two different environments, meet for the first time when they have to fight for the throne while juggling their romantic pursuits.

***The Moth Girl* by Heather Kamins - YA F KAM**

Anna is a regular teenage girl...But one day at track practice, Anna falls unconscious...but instead of falling down, she falls up, defying gravity in the disturbing first symptom of a mysterious disease. Anna's world is turned upside down.

***A Forgery of Roses* by Jessica S. Olson - YA F OLS**

Myra has a gift...she's a portrait artist whose paintings alter people's bodies...But one frigid night, the governor's wife discovers the truth and threatens to expose Myra if she does not complete a special portrait that would resurrect the governor's dead son. Once she arrives at the legendary stone mansion, however, it becomes clear the boy's death was no accident.

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“Monsters look like giant spiders,” Joan said. “Or like robots.” She’d seen enough cartoons to know. Gran sometimes told jokes without smiling. Maybe this was one of those times. But Gran’s eyes weren’t shiny with a held-in joke. They were serious. “That’s pretend monsters,” she said. “Real monsters look like me and you.”

Only a Monster, Vanessa Len

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***Castles in Their Bones* by Laura Sebastian - YA F SEB**

Secretly trained since birth in the arts of deception, seduction and violence, princesses Sophronia, Daphne and Beatriz find their loyalties tested when each enters into a marriage to help make their mother's dream of ruling Vesteria come true.

***Bitter* by Akwaeke Emezi - YA F EME**

After a childhood in foster care, Bitter is thrilled to have been chosen to attend Eucalyptus, a special school where she can focus on her painting surrounded by other creative teens. But outside this haven, the streets are filled with protests against the deep injustices that grip the city of Lucille.

***Cinder & Glass* by Melissa De la Cruz - YA F DEL**

In 1682 France, Cendrillion, to escape her wicked stepmother, must compete with the other women at court for the Prince's favor, forcing her to decide if she can bear losing the boy she loves in order to leave a life she hates.

***The Ivory Key* by Akshaya Raman - YA F RAM**

Since the murder of the maharani of Ashoka--the country that controls all magic--the relationships between the royal siblings have fractured. At only 18, Vira has ascended to the throne, a role few in her council believe her capable of. Meanwhile, her twin brother, Ronak, is plotting to break free from a tactful marriage and taking their half-brother, Kaleb, (wrongfully imprisoned for the maharani's assassination) with him.

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***Hotel Magnifique* by Emily J. Taylor - YA F TAY**

Seventeen-year-old Jani and her little sister Zosa secure jobs at a glamorous magical hotel, but when Jani realizes that their staff contracts are unbreakable, she embarks on a mission to unravel the mystery of the magic at the heart of the hotel and free Zosa.

***Bound By Firelight* by Dana Swift - YA F SWI**

After a magical eruption devastates the kingdom of Belwar, royal heir Adraa is falsely accused of masterminding the destruction. Adraa's punishment? Imprisonment in the Dome. Jatin, the royal heir to Naupure, has been Adraa's betrothed, nemesis, and fellow masked vigilante. First, though, he's going to have to do the impossible: break Adraa out of the Dome.

***The Girl Who Fell Beneath the Sea* by Axie Oh - YA F OH**

In this retelling of the Korean legend The tale of Shim Cheong, sixteen-year-old Mina is swept away to the Spirit Realm, where, assisted by a motley crew of demons, gods, and lesser spirits, she sets out to awaken the sleeping Sea God and save her homeland and family from deadly storms.

***Only a Monster* by Vanessa Len - YA F LEN**

Joan has just learned the truth: her family are monsters, with terrifying, hidden powers. And the cute boy at work isn't just a boy: he's a legendary monster slayer, who will do anything to destroy her family. To save herself and her family, Joan will have to do what she fears most: embrace her own monstrosity. Because in this story...she is not the hero.

***Hell Followed With Us* by Joseph Andrew White - YA F WHI**

Sixteen-year-old trans boy Benji is on the run from the cult that raised him--the fundamentalist sect that unleashed Armageddon and decimated the world's population. Desperately, he searches for a place where the cult can't get their hands on him, or more importantly, on the bioweapon they infected him with.

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***Strike the Zither* by Joan He - YA F HE**

Orphaned at a young age, Zephyr took control of her fate by becoming the best strategist of the land and serving under Xin Ren, a warlordess whose loyalty to the empress is double-edged--while Ren's honor draws Zephyr to her cause, it also jeopardizes their survival in a war where one must betray or be betrayed. When Zephyr is forced to infiltrate an enemy camp to keep Ren's followers from being slaughtered, she encounters the enigmatic Crow, an opposing strategist who is finally her match. But there are more enemies than one--and not all of them are human.

***Wake the Bones* by Elizabeth Kilcoyne - YA F KIL**

After dropping out of college, nineteen-year-old Laurel Early returns to her uncle's tobacco farm, where she encounters a monster as well as her mother's ghost, and soon Laurel realizes that she must tap into her own innate magic to save everyone she loves.

***Katzenjammer* by Francesca Zappia - YA F ZAP**

In chapters that alternate between the past and the present, Cat slowly recalls her life before she and her classmates were trapped inside School, where half of them are mutating, everyone is fearful, and self-destruction seems to be the only means of escape.

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“Your people suffer not because of any great will of the gods, but because of their own violent acts. They wage the wars that burn the forests and fields. They spill the blood that pollutes the rivers and streams. To blame the gods is to blame the land itself. Look upon your reflection to find your enemy.”

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